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## Welcome

The Royal Queensland Show (Ekka) has been bringing the country and city together since 1876, to celebrate and champion agriculture and the critical role it plays in our everyday lives.

This year more than 400,000 people will come together to celebrate the 139th Ekka - a showcase of the best of the best.

Queensland's largest and most loved annual event will once again run over two full weekends, from 5 - 14 August, giving visitors more opportunity to experience the magic of the show. This year's Ekka offers families great value, with the first two day pass in the show's history introduced, along with dedicated two for one ride and food days - plus 15 per cent off all online tickets up until Ekka eve.

More than 70 per cent of the show is also dedicated to free entertainment. A must see is the spectacular world-class night show, EkkaNITES - the only show of its kind in Australia. The nightly show will include the traditional elements like the woodchop and sheepdogs as well as the Hot Wheels High Octane Show featuring the world first Sphere of Death, V8 drift cars, a tribute to Australian music, culminating in the spectacular fireworks finale.

We also welcome The Old Museum back to Ekka this year, which will form a brand new precinct featuring The Flower and Garden Exhibition and Quilts Across Queensland. The museum was built

for the RNA in 1891 and symbolises the importance of heritage

Wine Show Champions

The state-of-the-art Royal International Convention Centre will be home to high end fashion, the critically acclaimed Royal Queensland Steakhouse presented by JBS Australia, the Agricultural Hall and a selection of popular competitions including Fine Arts and Education on Show.

I would like to acknowledge the efforts of our hard working Ekka staff, stewards, judges, volunteers, sponsors and partners who all play an essential part in staging this iconic event.

I look forward to welcoming our RNA members, Ekka exhibitors, competitors, volunteers and visitors to this year's show. We hope you enjoy Ekka 2016.

**David Thomas** 

RNA President

# Grape Grazing by Night

and Wine Show (RQFWS) Grape Grazing by Night - Celebrating Australian Wine event was held at the Brisbane Showgrounds in July. Grape Grazing followed on from the Royal Queensland Wine Show's week long judging process, where more than 1,800 wines were sniffed, swirled and tasted by the expert judges. The impressive wine library was then opened up to the public. From Shiraz to Semillon, more than 640 guests tasted their way through the nation's finest wines and had the opportunity to meet the winemakers. Produce from the prestigious Royal Queensland Food and Wine Show was also on offer including gourmet beef rolls, lamb cutlets and goldmedal winning cheeses.





The Ekka media launch gave its 300 guests a taste of what to expect come August 5. From the FMX Freestyle Kings showing off high flying stunts and champion woodchoppers swinging their axes to a glamourous fashion parade and the gravity defying ZimboyZ, guests were left in awe as they enjoyed the show. Some of the state's finest produce, including Royal Queensland Food and Wine Show (RQFWS) award-winning beef, lamb, cheeses and wines were on offer. The Prince Charles Hospital Foundation whipped up iconic strawberry sundaes, which were a crowd favourite. The media launch not only showcased the world-class entertainment and award-winning food in store for Ekka, but urged Queenslanders to come together at the show to recognise and champion the essential role agriculture plays in their everyday lives.







All about what to expect at Queensland's largest and most loved annual event,
the Royal Queensland Show (Ekka)

#### **EkkaNITES**

The Main Arena will come alive each night with the spectacular never before seen night show, EkkaNITES – featuring world firsts and showcasing incredible female talent. The night show will be made up of four main parts – tradition, the Hot Wheels High Octane Show, live music and of course the breathtaking fireworks finale. The world-class show will feature a brand new design, more extreme sports, a tribute to Aussie music and a brand new fireworks show featuring world first pyrotechnics. The Hot Wheels High Octane Show will

feature the world first Sphere of Death, a jet engine propelled mini car, Hot Wheels branded V8 drift cars and the most number of FMX bikes ever seen at Ekka jumping a helicopter with rotating blades! EkkaNITES is being produced by Jack Ellison who has worked on blockbuster movies James Bond (Quantum of Solace) and Mission Impossible 2.

#### World First Fireworks

The breathtaking EkkaNITES fireworks finale will feature a never before seen Pyrotechnic Tower. Fireworks will be fired from 49 positions on the 25 metre high tower

creating a Bellagio fountain effect – shooting sideways, inwards and skywards - engulfing the entire arena in explosive light and colour. Quad motorcycles will tow 20 kites with silver fountain fireworks, while six illuminated horses will gallop around the arena changing colours before the crowd's eyes. The audience won't miss a second of the action, with the 360 degree show design allowing them to have an equal experience from any spot. Topping off the spectacle will be the fireworks soundtrack – a custom made mash up of jukebox classic hits mixed in the Main Arena by hot Brisbane DJ Yakedo.



Save 15%\* 2016 Ekka general admission tickets to use between 5 – 14 August.

#### **EXCLUSIVE MEMBER BONUS**

Plus pre-purchase before 30 June 2016 for your chance to win 1 of 50 Corporate Suite double passes. Experience the spectacular EkkaNITES fireworks display up close while enjoying a food and drink package.

\*Pre-purchase and save on your tickets in store at RACQ or online at racq.com/ekka

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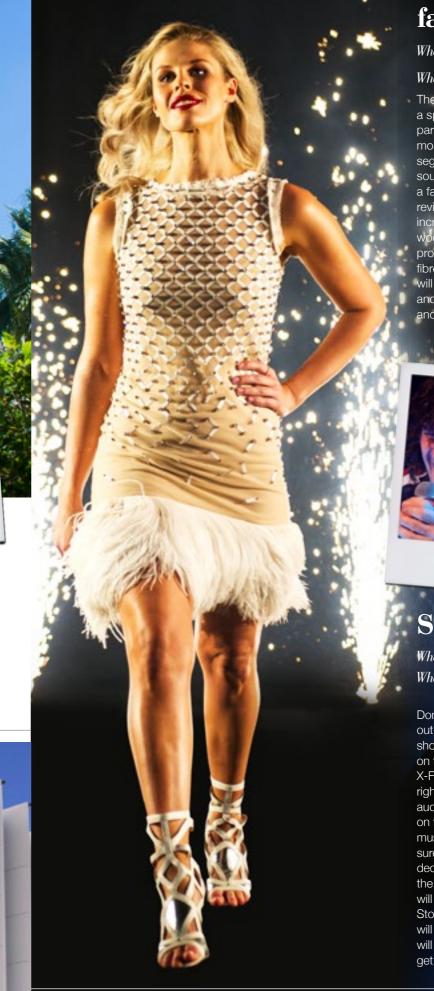


After 119 years, The Old Museum is coming back home to Ekka, forming a brand new precinct for the 10 days of show. It'll be home to Ekka's Flower and Garden Exhibition presented by Envy Lawn "Grown for Life" and Quilts Across Queensland presented by Queensland Quilters. The precinct will be buzzing with a hive of activity ranging from student garden installations and community and garden society displays to outdoor dining, stunning quilts and a jam packed speaker schedule on the Flower and Garden

Platform Stage. Built for the RNA in 1891, The Old Museum was originally called the Exhibition Building and Concert Hall. The Queensland Government took control of the building and grounds in 1897, following a major economic depression. It then became home of the Queensland Museum in 1899. To celebrate The Old Museum coming home to Ekka, the RNA is releasing a brand new rose called the 'Royal Queensland Show.' It'll be planted in The Old Museum rose garden on the first morning of show (August 5).

#### The Old Museum Precinct will house:

- The School Garden Competition
- The Bush Poetry Competition
- Quilts Across Queensland
- Horticulture, now renamed The Flower and Garden Exhibition
- A 'Chill Out Green'
- Plenty for the kids to do and see, including the Secret Fairy Garden



## New look fashion parades

When: 12:30 pm, 1:30 pm and 2.30 pm daily

Where: Mumm Entertainment and Fashion Stage (F-10)

The iconic Natural Fibres Fashion Parades are celebrating a special milestone. This year marks the 25th year of the parades being directed by Lindsay Bennett and will see the most captivating spectacle yet, with a special retrospective segment to open each show. Twelve of Queensland's most sought-after and long-established designers have selected a favourite piece from the last 25 years for a rare runway revival - so audiences are in for a stylish treat! It's sure to be an incredible show, with collections featuring fine-quality cotton, wool and other natural materials, in tribute to the high-quality products of the Sunshine State's agriculture industry. Natur fibres remain the most versatile and enduring, and audiences will see them in their most gorgeous form, spun into couture and ready-to-wear fashion by Queensland's top designers and talented fashion students.

## Sound of Ekka

When: Daily

Where: Gourmet Plaza Stage (I-9) and XXXX Stockmen's Bar and Grill (O-4)

Don't miss the new toe tapping talent at Ekka this year, belting out tunes across our many music stages. For the first time at the show, X-Factor's Farren Jones will perform solo acoustic sets on the Gourmet Plaza Stage. Farren rose to fame in 2011 as an X-Factor finalist, receiving positive recognition in his own artistic right from international guest Ronan Keating. He's sure to wow audiences with his original songs. Cater Roser will also rock out on the Gourmet Plaza Stage. Backed by an array of talented musicians, his searing vocals and high energy performance is sure to entertain the crowd. Carter has a repertoire covering five decades of popular music, from the 60's to today's best, with all the crazy classics in between. While Brisbane local Alex Crook will captivate audiences with his country folk pop sound at XXXX Stockmen's Bar and Grill. Singer, songwriter and guitarist, Alex, will be joined on stage by his sister Rebecca, playing bass. Fans will have the chance to meet these Aussie performers and even get an autograph and photo.



## Heritage Bank Lumberjack Show

When: 11am, 12.45 pm, 2.30 pm and 4 pm daily

Where: Stockman's Rest (O-3)

Cheer on your favourite lumberjack team as the Red River Saw Mill and the Blue Mountain Logging Camp compete to find out just who is the best in the bush. There's only one way to truly settle their dispute and that's with an old time lumberjack competition. From the roar of chainsaws racing, to climbing new heights by the high riggers, racing up and down a 50 foot pole, and from watching the log drivers tussle their nemesis off a log and into the drink, there will be no time to turn away. Outside of the constant action, the antics of the lumberjacks, determined to offset the other's ability and reputation as top lumberjack, will leave the crowd in stitches. This international act from Canada - full of pranks, gags and surprises - is an Ekka first and is sure to keep the audience on their toes and entertained.

## **Circus Firemen**

When: 11.30am, 1pm and 2pm daily, as well as 4.30pm August 6, 7, 10, 13

Where: Lower Gregory Terrace (N-6)

Angus and Matilda are The Circus Firemen. They'll turn up the heat with high-energy acrobatics, red hot juggling and searing Australian comedy. In their death-defying finale, they'll attempt to balance precariously on two ladders while juggling fire! Sure to impress and entertain, it's firemen themed circus at its very best. The two brothers, who have been performing together for more than 10 years, are new to Ekka and are guaranteed to have the audience in stitches with their comedy and circus acrobatics.





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## Fun for the little ones

#### **PAW Patrol Live Show**

When: 10am, 11am and 12pm daily (except no 10am show Saturday 6 August. There will be a 1pm show instead)

Where: Mumm Entertainment and Fashion Stage (F-10)

It'll be all paws on deck when Nick Jr.'s PAW Patrol takes over the stage at Ekka for the very first time. Heroic puppies Chase and Marshall, led by a tech-savvy 10-year-old boy named Ryder, will use their unique blend of problem-solving skills and cool vehicles to work together on highstakes rescue missions. Marshall the firedog and Chase the police pup will keep the kids entertained with their unique personalities and skills. This is one show the kids are guaranteed to love – PAW Patrol was named Toy of the Year in 2015.

## For the kids at The Old Museum Precinct

Triceratops Tiara Tea Party

Kids can take a step back in time and see what dinosaurs really get up to when they're invited to a tea party. The prehistoric creatures will be all dressed up for the special occasion and they'll even have a ginormous cake – a Triceratops Tiara Tea Party wouldn't be complete without one!

#### Children's Flower Crown Activity

Every little princess needs a special flower crown to wear around Ekka. Children will be shown how to make a beautiful crown by The Flower School, using fresh flowers and art and craft materials.

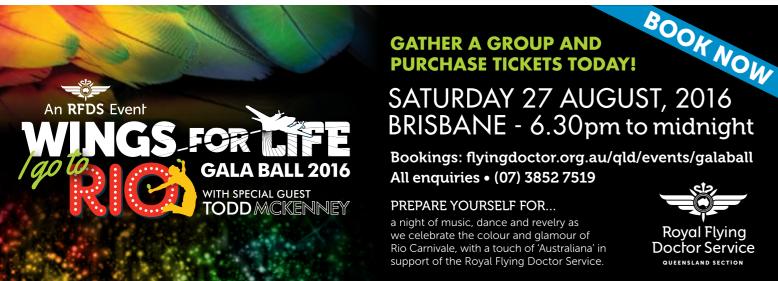
#### Secret Fairy Garden

Kids can wander through the secret fairy garden, featuring beautiful flowers and of course fairies. But sshh don't tell anyone that fairies really do exist!

#### Kids Activities with Hortiman

Hortiman (aka Matthew Carroll) will conduct activities for the kids each day at 3pm on the Flower and Garden Platform Stage. He has worked in horticulture for more than 15 years and will teach the kids all about gardening, with fun hands-on activities.







#### The Grain Chain

Children will learn all about the grain to flour process at the Grain Chain. This interactive display highlights the process involved to turn grains into consumable commercial products. Kids will follow the journey from start to finish - getting hands-on by opening and peeking through the silo door and touching and grinding wheat, oats and barley.

#### Get Kids Cooking

With step by step instructions, children will be inspired as they learn to make a fresh and healthy meal from scratch, using locally produced ingredients. Get Kids Cooking will also be running cutting and peeling workshops.

#### Street Science Activities

Kids won't want to miss the Street Science activities. They'll marvel at the farmer robot, as they watch him carry out his chores – dressed complete in his farming overalls! The kids will also get hands-on as they take a look through the microscope, to learn about crop health.

#### Precision Agriculture with Peddle Tractors

It's time to jump on the tractor and do some farming! Kids will ride peddle tractors around a path marked on the floor – learning that there is in fact a process to planting and maintaining crops.

#### Farming Simulator Game and Drones

It's time to unleash the farmer inside! Students will be given 20 minutes each to carry out farming related tasks on a simulator game. There will also be drones on display in the Agricultural Hall, showing children how technology is changing the way farmers work.

#### Little Farmers Patch

Getting their hands dirty, kids will dig up and identify five different types of vegetables and sort them ready for market - all while learning about the importance of healthy soil for food production.



## Australia's Best Steak

Where: Royal Queensland Steakhouse Presented by JBS Australia, Upper Royal ICC (F-10)

A highlight of the show will be the five-star experience on offer at the critically acclaimed Royal Queensland Steakhouse Presented by JBS. Australia's best steaks, wines and cheeses, sourced directly from the RNA's prestigious Royal Queensland Food and Wine Show (RQFWS), will be on the menu at the Ekka's fine dining restaurant. To start why not try the Mooloolaba King Prawns or the Queensland grass fed beef carpaccio. For the main you can't go past the 2016 Grand Champion Branded Beef of Show Wagyu Rib Fillet served with shiraz jus and vine ripened tomato and for dessert the vanilla bean cheesecake served with salted caramel ice-cream is sure to impress. Last year the restaurant served 5,000 award-winning steaks to Ekka guests.

## A Smorgasbord of Fresh Produce

Where: Woolworths Fresh Food Pavilion (J-11)

The Woolworths Fresh Food Pavilion will once again offer a huge selection of fresh and delicious local produce for tasting or purchasing including Bunya Cheeses, the new Mac and Cheese Bar, delicious flavours from The Fudge Factory, handmade cupcakes from the Cupcake Parlour, waffles and pancakes from Waffleland, wood fired pizzas, as well as delicious and fresh samples from the Woolworths Fresh Food Showcase. With almost 70 vendors to choose from, The Woolworths Fresh Food Pavilion is a favourite with food lovers.

## A Gourmet Kingdom

Where: Gourmet Plaza (I-9)

Gourmet Plaza will be filled to the brim with flavours from all over the globe. This foodie mecca welcomes the new Burrito Mexican Grill which will serve burrito bowls and all things Mexican, Let's Do Yum Cha for the best dumplings in town, returning favourite SpanThai with their Thai and Spanish inspired dishes, the new Soul Food Indian Cuisine serving all your Indian favourites like Lamb Rogan Josh and Butter Chicken and the new Royal Queensland Food and Wine Show tasting plates of award winning beef and lamb for just \$5. Guests can eat like a king at Gourmet Plaza and enjoy restaurant quality meals at affordable prices... you'll be in food heaven.

## **Iconic Strawberry Sundaes**

The Ekka's sweetest icon, the Ekka Strawberry Sundae, will celebrate its 29 year partnership with the Prince Charles Hospital Foundation. More than 20,000 tonnes of strawberry and vanilla ice-cream will be supplied by Brisbane based gourmet ice-creamery LICK. A tasty treat for the whole family, the ice-cream is 100 per cent natural with no additives or preservatives... and the funds raised go to a good cause. Who could resist!?

## Best Food on the Run

Once again there'll be plenty of food vans rolling into Ekka. Don't miss the ever-popular dagwood dogs, doughnuts, potato slinkys, German sausages, crepes, American inspired pulled pork rolls and kebabs to quash even the hungriest Ekka guest. New food vans to keep an eye out for this year include Tender Calamari and Greek St Cantina.

## Mumm Champagne Lounge

Where: Upper Royal ICC (F-10)

A taste of luxury in the midst of Ekka! Take a break and relax at the Mumm Champagne Lounge. Enjoy a glass of Mumm bubbles and a delicious tasting plate from the Royal Queensland Steakhouse Presented by JBS. Filled with couches, beanbags and overlooking the fashion parade, it's the perfect glamorous retreat for Ekka goers.

## **Sirromet Wine Bar**

Where: Gourmet Plaza (I-9)

Queensland winery, Sirromet, will have their locally produced wines on show at the Sirromet Wine Bar. After a day enjoying the Ekka sights, a glass of bubbles is much deserved.

## Pepperjack Bar

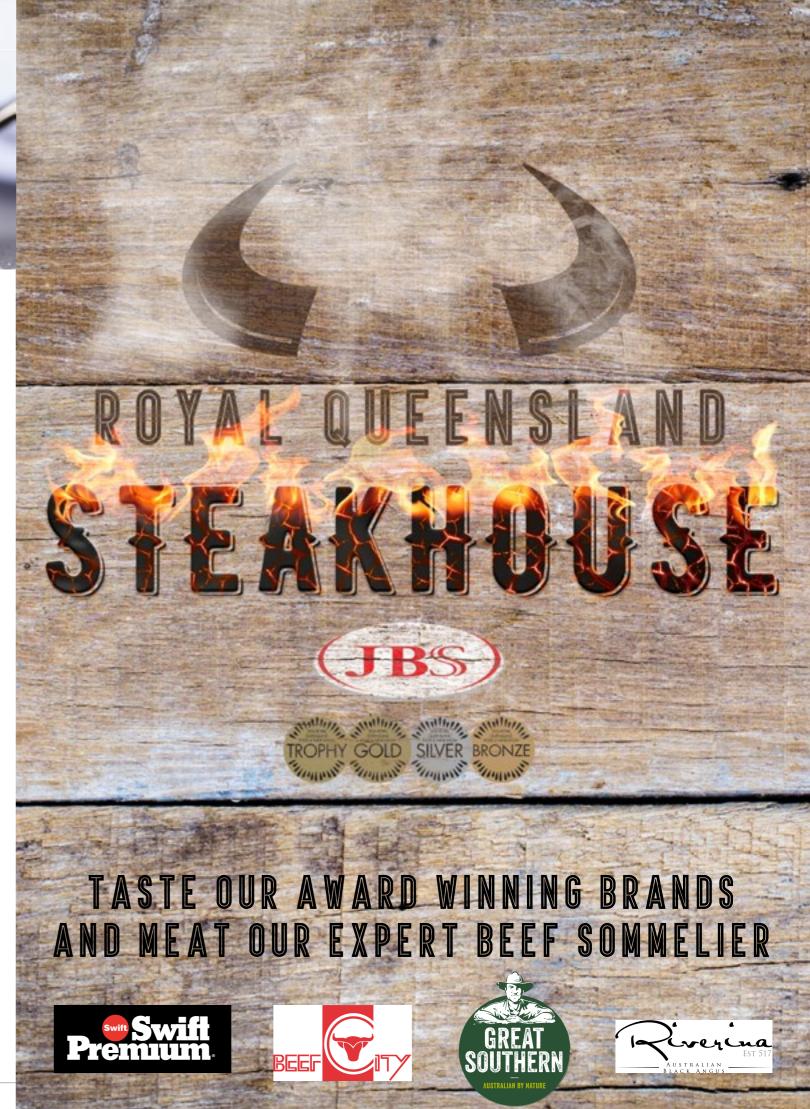
Where: Upper Royal ICC (F-10)

Guests can 'wine' down with a glass of the Barossa's best at the Pepperjack Bar. Filled with wines that reflect the famous wine region – they are richly flavoured and full of character. Our tip is a glass of Shiraz.

#### Wine on Show

Where: Woolworths Fresh Food Pavilion (J-11)

Taste fine wines at a selection of stalls in the Woolworths Fresh Food Pavilion. Golden Grove Estate, Ballandean Estate, Bunnamagoo Wines, Summit Estate Wines and Riversands Wines will all be on offer.





## Royal Queensland Food and Wine Show Cooking Stage

Where: Woolworths Fresh Food Pavilion (J-11)

The Royal Queensland Food and Wine Show (RQFWS) Cooking Stage will be the perfect place for aspiring chefs, foodies and home cooks. Hosted by Dominique Rizzo, one of Queensland's leading female chefs, Ekka visitors will learn plenty of cooking tips and tricks. They'll also get the chance to taste delectable dishes prepared by local and regional chefs, including Dominique herself, plus there'll be some special celebrity appearances. The cooking stage is all about the paddock to palate philosophy and showcases some RQFWS award-winning products. This year the stage will feature mystery box cook offs, which will see State of Origin football stars, My Kitchen

Rules celebrities Alex and Gareth, police officers and firemen going head to head. There will also be baking demonstrations, sausage making, a cheese masterclass and a cooking with beer masterclass. Don't miss the Queensland Country Women's Association as they share some of their cooking secrets.

### **Dinner with Dom**

Presented by JBS Australia and Murray Valley Pork – Beer Pairing with Lion Australia

When: 5.30 pm August 5, 6, 10, 12, 13

For the first time ever, visitors to Ekka can have 'Dinner with Dom' at the RQFWS Cooking Stage. For just \$30 a ticket, guests will enjoy a sit down dinner prepared in front of them by Dominique herself. Shared-plate style dishes, with a focus on fresh Australian produce, will be on the menu.

Cooking Stage Timetable

What	When	
The Art of Show Cooking: Hosted by Celebrity Chef Dominique Rizzo	10:30am - 5 August; 1:30pm - 11 August; 12:30pm - 14 August	
Showcasing Australian Pork - Nose to Tail Cooking: Presented by Murray Valley Pork	11:30am - 5 August; 4:30pm - 8 August; 3:30pm - 10 & 13 August; 2:30pm - 11 August	
Mystery Box Cook Off: Presented by Manildra Group	3:30pm - 9 August	
Mystery Box Cook Off - Origin Stars: Presented by XXXX Brewing Co.	12:30pm - 5 August	
Mystery Box Cook Off with My Kitchen Rules stars Alex and Gareth	12:30pm & 4:30pm - 13 August	
Best of Australian Beef: Presented by JBS Australia and hosted by Celebrity Chef Dominique Rizzo	10:30am – 11 August; 11:30am - 13 August; 12:30pm - 8 & 12 August; 1:30pm - 5, 10 , 14 August	
Meet the Producer: Hosted by Celebrity Chef Dominique Rizzo	10:30am - 9 & 12 August; 2:30pm - 5 August	
Sausage Making Skills: Presented by Australian Meat Industry Council	12:30pm - 11 August; 2:30pm - 8 August; 3:30pm - 5 & 14 August	
My Ekka Hamper: Hosted by Celebrity Chef Dominique Rizzo	1:30pm - 8 August; 4:30pm - 5 August; 5:30pm - 8 & 14 August	
Know Your Cuts - Lamb: Presented by Australian Meat Industry Council	10:30am - 6 August; 4:30pm - 9 & 12 August	
Cooking with Beer: Presented by XXXX Brewing Co. and hosted by Celebrity Chef Dominique Rizzo	11:30am - 6 August; 5:30pm - 7 & 11 August	
The Healthy Baker: Presented by Manildra Group	12:30pm - 6 August; 2:30pm - 12 & 14 August; 4:30pm - 10 August	
Meet the Chef - Anthony Fullerton: Presented by JBS Australia	11.30am - 11 August	
Cheese Masterclass: Presented by Cheese Pleaser with Sharon Dekart	1:30pm - 13 August; 3:30pm - 8 August; 4:30pm - 6 & 11 August	
Butcher Lamb Masterclass: Presented by Super Butcher	10:30am- 7 & 13 August	
Butcher Beef Masterclass: Presented by Super Butcher	11:30am- 10 August; 5:30pm- 9 August	
Queensland Country Women's Association: Hosted by Celebrity Chef Dominique Rizzo	11:30am- 7, 9, & 12 August	
Award Winning Ham and Bacon: Presented by Australian Meat Industry Council	12:30pm - 7 August; 2:30pm - 13 August	
Community Cook Off: Hosted by Celebrity Chef Dominique Rizzo	1:30pm- 7 & 9 August; 2:30pm- 10 August	
Champions on Show - Featuring Miss Showgirl 2016: Hosted by Celebrity Chef Dominique Rizzo	11:30am - 8 August	
Champions on Show – Rural Ambassador and Runner Up: Hosted by Celebrity Chef Dominique Rizzo	10:30am - 8 August	
Showcasing Queensland on a Plate: With Royal ICC Executive Chef Sean Cummings	2:30pm - 9 August	
Award Winning Smallgoods: Presented by Australian Meat Industry Council	10:30am - 10 August	
Convention Centre Cook Off: Hosted by Celebrity Chef Dominique Rizzo	3:30pm - 11 August	
The Art of Catering: With Royal ICC Executive Chef Sean Cummings	1:30pm - 12 August	
Sausage King Judging: The Australian Meat Industry Council	9:00am - 12.00pm - 14 August	



The prestigious Royal Queensland Food and Wine Show (RQFWS) is dedicated to celebrating the nation's best of the best and continues to unearth Australia's top food and wine products, year after year. In 2016 the RQFWS attracted more than 3,700 entries across seven major competitions - the Cheese and Dairy Produce Show, Ice-Cream, Gelato and Sorbet Competition, Branded Lamb Competition, Branded Beef Competition, Royal Queensland Wine Show (RQWS), Sausage King Competition and the Ham, Bacon and Smallgoods Competition.

Confirming once again that Queensland produces some of the best beef in the world, a Darling Downs Wagyu 'steaked' its claim as the nation's finest in the prestigious Branded Beef Competition for the second

year in a row. The Wagyu, produced by Australian Agricultural Company (AACo), grilled 45 other entrants to claim the coveted John Kilroy Cha Cha Char Grand Champion Branded Beef of Show.

While in the Branded Lamb Competition, the title of Australia's best lamb was taken out by Sanger Australia, based in New South Wales, for its Mr Lamb product.

A dark chocolate gelato from Brisbane scooped top honours in the Ice-Cream, Gelato and Sorbet Competition. Milani House of Gelato whipped the field of 145 ice-cream, gelato and sorbet entries to win the Grand Champion title.

Taking out top honours in the Cheese and Dairy Produce Show for the second year in a row was Berrys Creek Gourmet Cheese from Victoria, with their Riverine Blue, made from buffalo milk.

While the RQWS, one of Australia's oldest and highly contested wine shows, saw a year of history making. A Tasmanian wine became the first ever sparkling to take out The Courier-Mail Grand Champion Wine of Show at the RQWS. The quality of the House of Arras 2007 Grand Vintage was described by Chief Judge David Bicknell as being "up there with some of the great champagne houses." While the Stodart Trophy, for Best Young Red of Show, went to Yabby Lake in the Mornington Peninsula for their 2015 Single Vineyard Pinot Noir. It's the first time in recent history a pinot noir has taken out the Stodart Trophy, with shiraz usually dominating.

## Royal Queensland Food and Wine Show Champions

#### Wine

The Courier-Mail Grand Champion Wine of Show Trophy

House of Arras - 2007 Grand Vintage

#### **Branded Beef**

The John Kilroy Cha Cha Char Grand Champion Branded Beef Of Show

Australian Agricultural Company -Darling Downs Wagyu

#### **Branded Lamb**

Champion Branded Lamb of Show Sanger Australia – Mr Lamb

#### **Cheese Champion**

Grand Champion Dairy Product of Show Berrys Creek Gourmet Cheese -Riverine Blue

#### **Ice Cream Champion**

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Milani House of Gelato -Dark Chocolate Gelato



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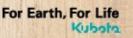




















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