

HORSE

Some of Australia's best horses and riders compete at the Ekka each year

There will be 12 breeds of horses showcased in the Main Arena, with some of the riders as young as four years old. The new Queensland Off-The-Track Program Showcase class in the Showjumping Competition is offering the largest prize money (\$75,000) paid for any Off-The-Track exclusive showjumping class in Australia. The best time to see the horses being judged is from Sunday 11 August to Sunday 18 August.



Horse Timetable

Date	Event	Time
Sunday 11 August	Clydesdales - Led Clydesdales - Under Saddle Clydesdale - Working Riders with Disabilities	1:30pm-6pm 1.30pm-6pm 1.30pm-6pm 2pm-6pm
Monday 12 August	Thoroughbred and Standardbred Day Smartest on Parade RNA Young Judges Competition Gentleman Rider Classes	8am-12pm & 1pm-3pm 1:30pm-6pm 3pm-4.30pm 1:30pm-6pm
Tuesday 13 August	Novice Show Hacks Open Show Hacks Welsh Ponies Welsh Moutain Ponies - Led Welsh Ponies of Cob Type & Welsh Cobs Novice Show Hunter Galloway Open Show Hunter Galloway Welsh Pony Under Saddle Part Bred Welsh Ponies - Led Shetland Ponies - Led Part Bred Welsh Ponies - Under Saddle Shetland Ponies - Ridden Open Show Hacks Lady Rider Classes	9am-12pm 9am-12pm 10am-12pm 10am-12pm 10am-12pm 1:30pm-6pm 1:30pm-6pm 2:30pm-6pm 2:30pm-6pm 2:30pm-6pm 2:30pm-6pm 2:30pm-6pm 2:30pm-6pm 1:30pm-3pm 1:30pm-6pm
Wednesday 14 August	Show Galloway Hacks Child's Show Hack Australian Ponies - Led Novice Show Hunter Hack Australian Saddle Ponies - Led Australian Pony - Under Saddle Australian Saddle Ponies - Under Saddle Riding Ponies - Show Hunter - Led Open Show Hunter Hacks	8:30am-12pm 9am-10:30am 9am-12pm 10:30am-12pm 10:30am-12pm 2:45pm-4:30pm 3pm-4:30pm 2:45pm-4:30pm 2:45pm-6pm
Thursday 15 August	Novice Show Hunter Pony Open Show Hunter Pony Hacks Riding Ponies - Led Warmblood Horses - Led Warmblood Horses - Under Saddle Overheight Riding Ponies - Led Child's Show Hunter Hack Riding Ponies - Under Saddle Riding Pony Show Hunter - Under Saddle Overheight Riding Pony - Under Saddle Novice Pony Hack Working Hunter Hack	8:30am-12pm 9:45am-12pm 9:30am-12pm 9:30am-12pm 9:30am-12pm 11:30am-12pm 11am-12pm 1:30pm-6pm 1:30pm-6pm 1:30pm-6pm 1:30pm-6pm 3:15pm-6pm 4pm-6pm
Friday 16 August	Pony Hacks ANSA - Led Child Show Pony Hack ANSA - Under Saddle	9am-12pm 9:30am-12pm 1:30-2:45pm 2:45pm-6pm
Saturday 17 August	Junior Rider Classes (Under 12 Years) Arabian Derivatives - Led Arabian Derivatives - Under Saddle Australian Stock Horse Hack Australian Stock Horse - Led Junior Rider Classes (12 & Under 17 Years)	9am-12pm 10am-12pm 2pm-6pm 2pm-6pm 2pm-6pm 2:30pm-6pm
Sunday 18 August	Australian Stock Horse - Under Saddle Junior Smartest on Parade Harness - Light Horses and Ponies Harness Turnout Harness - Light Horse and Ponies Colourama - Led Colourama - Under Saddle Ash Working Whip Harness - Ponies 14 Hands & Under	9am-12pm 9am-12pm 9am-12pm 9am-12pm 9am-12pm 11:30am-12pm 11:30am-12pm 1:30pm-6pm 1:30pm-6pm 1:30pm-6pm 1:30pm-4pm

Showjumping Showcase raises the bar

One of the nation's most lucrative showjumping events for retired racehorses is returning in 2024 to take centre stage at the Royal Queensland Show.

Following a successful debut in 2023, the Queensland Off-The-Track (QOTT) Program Showjumping Showcase returns to the Brisbane Showgrounds on Sunday, August 11 and Monday, August 12, as part of the Ekka's showjumping competition schedule.

This year, \$50,000 in prize money will be up for grabs in the increased 1.20m class, while the new 1.05m class will see an additional \$25,000 available, with both categories paying down to 30th place.

To be staged in the Main Arena, the events will be exclusively held for retired racehorses.

Following the success of the inaugural event in 2023, the new class was added to expand the presence of off-the-track horses.

The incentive of an impressive prize money pool at an event exclusively for retired racehorses makes for a great reward for those who ensure that former racehorses enjoy a fulfilling life after racing.





Queensland Off-The-Track will also present the prestigious Thoroughbred and Standardbred Day on Monday, August 12, with over \$25,000 on offer across 18 'Led' and 'Under Saddle' classes.

The raceday-style event will see the two versatile racing breeds compete for the sought-after Champion of their Breed, with horse handlers presenting their animals to the judges in formal race day attire.

The Ekka provides a fantastic platform to highlight the versatility of former racehorses thriving in their post-racing careers.

Showjumping Timetable

Date	Event	Time
Sunday 11 August	Queensland Off-The-Track Program Showcase – Class 724	2pm -6pm
Monday 12 August	Queensland Off-The-Track Program Showcase – Class 723	4pm -6pm
Tuesday 13 August	Junior Jumping Contest - Table A – Class 714 Group B Jumping Contest - Table A – Class 705 Group C Jumping Contest - Table A – Class 708 Group A Jumping Contest - Table A – Class 703 Junior - Take Your Own Line – Class 718	9am-10:45am 11am-12pm 1:30pm-3:15pm 3:30pm-4pm 4:15pm-6pm
Wednesday 14 August	Junior Jumping Contest - Table C – Class 715 Young Riders Jumping Contest – Class 719 Holiday Prix – Class 702 Royal Queensland Show Puissance – Class 712	9am-11am 11:15am-12pm 3pm-5pm 5pm-6pm
Thursday 15 August	Young Riders Contest - Table C – Class 720 Group A Jumping Contest - One Round Table A – Class 704 Group C Jumping Contest - One Round Table A – Class 709 Group B Jumping Contest - Table A – Class 706	9:30am-10:30am 11am-11:45am 2pm-4:15pm 4:30pm-6pm
Friday 16 August	Group C Jumping Contest - Table A – Class 710 Young Riders Jumping Contest - Table A – Class 721 Group B Jumping Contest - One Round Table A – Class 707 Junior Six Bar – Class 717 Open Six Bar – Class 713	9am-11am 11am-11:45am 1:30pm-2:45pm 3:30pm-4:45pm 5pm-6pm
Saturday 17 August	Junior Jumping Contest - Table A – Class 716 Group B Championship – Class 801 Group C Jumping Contest - Table A – Class 711 Group A Championship – Class 800 Young Riders Jumping Contest - One Round Table A – Class 722	9am-10:30am 11:15am-12pm 12pm-4pm 4pm-5pm 5pm-6pm
Sunday 18 August	Junior Championship – Class 803 Group C Championship – Class 802 Judging The Colin Meagher Memorial Young Riders Championship - Table A – Class 804 Grand Prix Jumping Contest – Class 701	8:30am-10:30am 10:45am-11:45am 2pm-3:15pm 3:30pm-6pm