

BEEF

CATTLE

THE EKKA IS HOME TO ONE OF AUSTRALIA'S LARGEST ANNUAL CATTLE COMPETITIONS. AROUND 1,100 HEAD OF BEEF CATTLE WILL BE PARADED, JUDGED AND DISPLAYED ACROSS THE STUD AND LED STEER SECTIONS.

The Stud Beef Competition is the largest showing of stud beef in the southern hemisphere. The feature breed this year is Limousin, celebrating the 50th anniversary of the breed in Australia and New Zealand. More than 20 breeds of beef cattle will be displayed at the Ekka. The best time to see the cattle being judged is from Monday 7 to Saturday 12 August, with the small breeds taking to the Main Arena on Friday 18 August. The Ekka's Prime Beef Competition is being held at Silverdale Saleyards on Thursday 10 August, with more than 130 head of cattle entered (plus an additional 18 head in the JBS Jap Ox class). New this year are Single Heifer classes which have been introduced to reflect industry changes.

STUD BEEF TIMETABLE

DATE	EVENT	TIME	LOCATION
Thursday 10 August	RNA Stud Beef Young Judges Competition and Queensland Ag Shows Stud Beef Young Judges Competition	8am	Main Arena
	RNA Stud Beef Paraders Competition and Queensland Ag Shows Stud Beef Paraders Competition	12pm	Main Arena
Friday 11 August	Stud Beef judging	8am	Main Arena
Saturday 12 August	Stud Beef judging 2023 RNA Premier Beef Presentation (Prime Beef & Led Steer Awards)	8am 8.30am	Main Arena Royal International Convention Centre Main Arena
	Parade of Champions	After completion of judging	Main Arena
	Champion of Champions judging	After parade	Main Arena
Friday 18 August	Small Breeds Stud Beef judging	1.30pm	Main Arena
	Small Breeds Champion Interbreed judging	After Small Breeds judging	Main Arena

LED STEER TIMETABLE

DATE	EVENT	TIME	LOCATION
Monday 7 August	Led Steer School Paraders Competition	12noon	Main Arena
Tuesday 8 August	Junior Led Heifer Judging	8.30am	Main Arena
	Junior Led Steer Judging	9.15am	Main Arena
	Inter School Steer Competition Judging	10.30am	Main Arena
	School Steer Young Judges Competition	11.30am	Main Arena
	Inter School Steer Herdsperson	After school judging	Main Arena
Wednesday 9 August	Open Led Steer Judging	8am	Main Arena
	Led Steer Auction	After completion of judging (approximately 1.30pm)	Main Arena
	ALPA Young Actioneers		Approximately 1.30pm
Saturday 12 August	2023 RNA Premier Beef Presentation (Prime Beef & Led Steer Awards)	8.30am	Royal International Convention Centre

PRIME BEEF TIMETABLE

DATE	EVENT	TIME	LOCATION
Tuesday 8 August	RNA Prime Beef Young Judges Competition (using Led Steers) and Queensland Ag Shows Prime Beef Competition (using Led Steers)	12noon	Main Arena
Thursday 10 August	Prime Beef Judging and Awards	8am – 11am	Silverdale Saleyards
	Prime Beef Auction	After completion of judging (approximately 11.30am)	Silverdale Saleyards
Saturday 12 August	2023 RNA Premier Beef Presentation (Prime Beef & Led Steer Awards)	8.30am	Royal International Convention Centre