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## DAILY HIGHLIGHTS

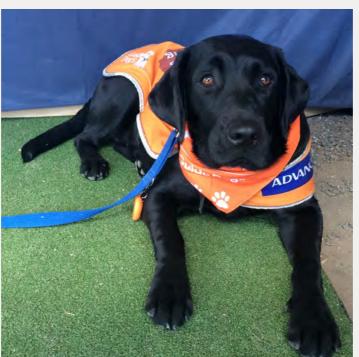
- \* 9 am 5 pm: Canine Competitions
- # 10 am 12 noon:Flower BeardCompetition
- # 10 am, 12 noon,2 pm, 4 pm: SheepShearingDemonstrations
- # 10 am 5 pm:Young Farmers XPEsports Cup
- \* 4.30 pm 5.00 pm: Grand Parade
- \* 6.30 pm 6.45 pm: Harness Racing.

The Brisbane Show Camp is a joint program of Education Queensland and the Royal National Agricultural and Industrial Association of Queensland. Conducted by the Brisbane Urban Environmental Education Centre. Ph: 3552 7111



## **GUIDE DOGS LEAD THE WAY**

By Mathilda and Wujin



Guide Dogs Australia is at the Ekka to raise awareness of how their dogs improve the lives of vision impaired people.

The organisation's goal is to empower people to experience freedom and independence to move safely and confidently around communities.

"We come [to the Ekka] to promote guide dogs, to allow people to meet them and to buy things to raise money," Kaz Roebuck, a guide dog trainer, said.

These dogs need to know 30 skills, including: walking in a straight line, responding to verbal commands and ignoring distractions. All are essential for a guide dog to be effective.

Dogs can then become either an ambassador, a breeder or a working guide dog.

It is an accomplishment

when a dog finishes their 12 months of training and are adopted.

"Guide dogs have to be very loyal and calm and they have to really want to work hard," Kaz said.

Guide Dogs Australia has been supporting Australians with low vision or blindness since 1957.



