



The Ekka Courier Online 2020

The newspaper of the 2020 Virtual Show Camp

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Ekka 2020 Online HIGHLIGHTS

- * **Ekka treats:**
Brisbane Showgrounds drive through: Daily 11am to 7pm
- * **360° Baby Animal Nursery:** Daily -7am to 11am.
- * **Meet a Farmer**
Daily @ 5pm.
- * **Ekka Marketplace:**
Online 24hrs every day.
- * **Ekka Competitions**
Digital photography
Young Judges
Sports Farming
Simulator Challenge
- * **Ekka Memories**

The Brisbane Show Camp is a joint program of the Department of Education Queensland and the Royal National Agricultural and Industrial Association of Queensland.

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LET THE SHOW BEGIN



Ekka 2020 isn't going ahead, but Brisbane's skies still lit up with one of the annual event's favourite displays.

The iconic fireworks were telecast to Queensland homes on Channel 7 News, so everyone could stay safe while getting into the Ekka spirit. The five-minute spectacular was backed with an Australian soundtrack for the family to enjoy.

"The Ekka wanted to do something to lift spirits around Queensland and send the message that the event will be back brighter next year," Sharyn Ghidella from Channel 7 said.

Eight firing points were set up around the Ekka grounds, including the rooftops of a grand stand and pavilions.

"The show will shoot much higher than normal Ekka fireworks," Max Futcher from Channel 7 said.

The fireworks will reach a height of up to 270m, allowing more homes in Brisbane

to be able to view them from their windows and balconies.

The Showgrounds were completely closed to public access to ensure everyone was safe during the fireworks spectacle.

The fireworks were proudly donated by Skylighter Fireworks, NW Group, Chameleon Touring and JLX Productions.

Fireworks have been a feature of the Ekka since 1894 and still continue to bring joy to all ages, even in the toughest of times. The 2020 fireworks are a great example of how Queensland is persisting through tough times. The show must go on.

A recording of the fireworks can be viewed online at <https://www.ekkaonline.com/fireworks>.