

PRESS RELEASE:

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Gold Coast Show Program of Events 2007

The Gold Coast Muster - *NEW ATTRACTION*

Each year the Gold Coast Show features a new attraction. The country comes to town at the 2007 Show with 3 days of animal attractions including;

- Animal Shows
- Demonstration
- Informative and Educational talks
- Interactive Displays
- Sheep Dogs mustering Sheep
- Sheep and Alpaca Shearing
- Camel Rides
- Goats
- Horsemanship Demonstrations
- Kathy & Kimmy Dressage to Music
- Team Penning Competition
- Quarter Horse Cutting
- Animals in Film
- Rodeo Action with the Students from the Warwick Rodeo School Program
- American Buffalos.
- Reptiles of Australia
- Fangs, Fears and Fascinations with some of the Worlds most Dangerous Snakes.
- Voice of the Muster – Natalie Buntting.

The Gold Coast Muster will be split into two sections. The **MUSTER ARENA** will feature the above activities all day every day of the show and the **MUSTER ZONE** will have all the animals used in the arena program displayed for the general public to view.

The Muster Ride - Thursday 30th Aug

The MUSTER on the first day of the event will be launched by a **Trail Ride** from the Riding for Disabled Club at Coombabah to the Gold Coast Showgrounds.

The Ride will begin at 10:30am and will feature between 40 and 50 riders. The idea behind the ride is to symbolize the Country coming to Town theme of The Gold Coast Muster.

The route that will be taken will be;

Cross Brisbane Highway from Riding for Disabled, ride down Arundel Drive (beside AB Patterson College), all the way to Napper Road, turn left ride to second intersection and turn right into Parkwood Bvd and Henry Cotton Drive. Turn into Green Drive and cross Olsen Ave into Parklands Drive. Turn left at round-a-bout into Showgrounds. Arrival time at Showground is expected to be 11:45am. Riders will ride into the Main Arena.

THE MUSTER ARENA PROGRAM:

Thursday 30th Aug

Morning:

9:15 - Reptiles of Australia
9:30 – Horsemanship with Ian Bostock
9:50 - Voice of the Muster – Natalie Buntting
9:55 - Sheep Dogs & Shearing with Alan Thornton and Vivian White.
10:25 - Voice of the Muster – Natalie Buntting.
10:30 - Animals in Film with Animal Maters Zelig and Craig Bullen
10:55 - Voice of the Muster – Natalie Buntting.
11:00 - Quarter Horse Cutting
11:25 - Freestyle Dressage to music with Kathy & Kimmy
11:30 - Warwick Rodeo School.

Afternoon:

1:00 - Animals in Film
1:25 - Reptiles of Australia
1:40 - Voice of the Muster
1:45 - Team Penning
2:05 - Voice of the Muster
2:10 - Horsemanship
2:30 - Voice of the Muster
2:35 - Sheep dogs & Shearing.
3:05 - Voice of the Muster
3:10 - American Buffalo
3:25 - Voice of the Muster
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3:55 - Voice of the Muster
4:00 - Warwick Rodeo School.

Friday 31st Aug

Morning:

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Descriptions:

Reptiles of Australia

Reptiles Awareness Displays of Australia will produce 2 presentations. In the Muster Arena as detailed above they will have what they call the “soft” reptiles that are of no harm to people. That demonstration and informative talk will feature goannas, a variety of Lizards and pythons. The audience will be encouraged to touch the animals and to ask questions. Habitat protection and conservation will be an important component of this demonstration. The

second presentation that they will do will be a permanent display within the Muster Zone that will house their venomous snakes. Their “Fangs, Fears and Fascinations” presentation will be presented every 30 minutes throughout the day. Snake Bite kits will be offered for purchase.

Horsemanship with Ian Bostock

Ian is well known within the equine industry. He has a gentle but persuasive way with horses and has been a regular trainer of animals for live shows and film productions. Ian appears in the Outback Spectacular most nights and will be presenting a “Horsemanship” presentation with a young horse at the Muster. People will be able to hear in Ian’s own words what the horse is thinking and what must be done to build trust and to work together.

The Voice of the Muster – Natalie Bunting

The Voice of the Muster is 19 year old Natalie Bunting who is a student at the Griffith University Conservatorium of Music. Natalie will appear on the Muster Arena stage up to 12 times a day performing a mix of country influenced songs.

Sheep dogs and sheering with Alan Thornton and Vivian White

Alan Thornton is one of Queensland’s most successful trainers of Sheep Dogs. His Border Collies are highly sort after amongst farmers and he has only been training them since he retired 7 years ago. Gold Coasters will be able to see his clever dogs at work twice a day at the Muster Arena. Vivian White, a noted female shearer with all the right moves will demonstrate shearing sheep and alpacas.

Animals in Film with Zelig and Craig Bullen

Zelig and Craig Bullen are part of the Bullen family legacy. If you are into exotic animals you’d know who the Bullens are. It is the Bullen family that own the elephants at Australia Zoo’s and it was the Bullen’s tigers that were part of the original tiger breeding program at Dreamworld. Today Zelig and Craig travel the world working on feature films as animal masters. It is by good fortune that their most recent film about the rescuing of the Animals at the Bagdad Zoo has been postponed a month so they can participate in the MUSTER.

Quarter Horse Cutting

You’d usually have to go way out west to see a quality Cutting demonstration. Real deal stockmen and women will demonstrate the skills and alertness of their quarter horses as they instinctively cut out beasts from a mob.

Kathy and Kimmy Fresstyle Dressage to Music

Exactly what is Dressage? Find out at the Muster when Kathy and Kimmy demonstrate that you don’t have to be a penguin suited top hat wearing fancy pants to make a horse dance.

Team Penning

An extension of Cutting but this time in teams of 4 you must cut out the beasts and drive them to a pen inside 5 minutes.

American Buffalo

13 large American Buffalo will be on display in the Muster Zone. Did I say Large? Ian Bostock will ride one of them as part of his American Buffalo presentation each day in the Muster Arena. This will be the first time on the Gold Coast for these amazing animals.

The Warwick Rodeo School

20 male and female Warwick Rodeo High School students will be on the Gold Coast performing at the Gold Coast Muster each day of the show. Mentor and trainer Daryl Joe Kong will appear with the students commentating and skilfully guiding them through their routines. At the height of Daryl's career he topped the world professional rodeo rankings at No.3.

The Muster Arena will feature the Warwick Rodeo School students twice a day in a 45 minute action sequence involving Junior Bulls, Novice Bulls, Rodeo Clowning, Barrel Racing and Shute Dodging.

On Display within the Muster Zone:

1. Rodeo Horses
2. Steers
3. Bulls
4. Poddy Calves
5. Sheep
6. Sheep Dogs
7. Goats
8. Camels
9. Old MacDonald's Farm (Petting Zoo)
10. Reptiles
11. Film Animals including a famous Pig
12. Vivian White's Sheep Sheering Shed and farm animals.
13. Water Buffalo
14. American Buffalo

OTHER ATTRACTIONS AT THIS YEARS GOLD COAST SHOW

Food & Wine:

Sit back and relax while taking in the show atmosphere in the Wine Village and the Wyndham Estate mobile wine cellar complete with a licensed area yummy finger foods.

Horse Events:

The largest horse event arena in Queensland will be packed with equine competitions and classes over all 3 days of the show. For the first time in Australia there will be a Brumbies class featured as well as Moragn Horses imported from America. Peter Hill will also present one of his beautiful equine oil paintings valued at over \$5000 to the Supreme Champion Led Horse.

Daytime Entertainment:

The George Martin Stage program of entertainment starts each day of the show at 9am and finishes at 6pm. Featuring leading Gold Coast Fashion parades showcasing local designers presented by Reeder Model Management. Also see the best of the Gold Coast's dance schools, singers and comedians, the inter-school talent competition, Kathy & Kimmy "IMPOSTERS" show, roving entertainment and Robinson's Family Circus.

Stockland Evening Entertainment Program:

The below entertainment can be seen next to the Members Pavilion on the Arena Stage situated on the Trotting Track.

Thursday 30th Aug

5:45PM – Lipstickk – 4 local female singers

6:00PM – Trix Circus Flying Trapeze Workshop featuring Moyra from 90.9 Sea Fm.

6:20PM – "Let's Go Wild" with Little Aussie Warriors – Children's interactive song and dance show.

6:40PM – Lauryn Clare "DAZZLE" stage show. – A sample of what 15 yo Lauryn will perform representing Australia in the Nile International Singing Competition in Cairo Egypt next January 2008.

6:50PM – Trix Circus High Trapeze Show

7:10PM – Australia's Own Hypnotist Shane St James.

8:00PM – Goldstiens Fireworks Spectacular.

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Visual Arts:

More eye catching than ever before. A record number of entries will ensure a vibrant display of 28 different categories covering artworks from traditional painting, modern, watercolour, drawing, sculpture, ceramics, pottery, mosaics, art in bark, calligraphy, photography.

Displays:

Trades Pavilion we have a psychic fair, new products for kids, k9chic for the pampered pooch, free face painting, food tastings and a large range of novelty, interactive and informative displays.

Outdoors we have the waterwise gardens display and plant sales, The GC Blaze have their rookie competition finals, Skateboard exhibitions with free basketball and skateboard clinics offered over the three days.

See **Sponge Bob Square Pants** each day at the show in the Austar Stand at 11am, 12noon, 1pm, 2pm and 2:40pm.

Fuel TV – Corban Harris Skating Demonstrations.

Fuel TV will have Corban Harris one of Australia’s most exciting skaters at the Show. A half pipe will be set up to demonstrate Corbans BIG AIR magic and a mini pipe will be set up for youngsters to have a go.

Corbin Harris is one of the hardest working and most versatile skateboarders around. His style is shaping Aussie skating in almost every aspect.

Corbs has skated all over the planet on demos and competitions, including everything from the ESPN X-Games Malaysia to the Vans Warped Tour, the Globe World Championships and Big Day Out. He’s also collected several awards and titles in almost every event possible.

When he’s not skating for the camera, Corbin can be found featured in magazines and on FUEL TV. Being the good-looking lad he is, he’s appeared in magazines from Waves to GQ. Corbin hosted the Globe World Globe Cup Melbourne in 2005. But these aren’t his only hosting duties...

This man of many talents is also the manager of the massive Monster Skate Park, smack-bang in the middle of Olympic Park in Sydney. Corbs oversaw the development of the park and now is welcoming everyone from teenage to pro skaters alike.

Whether you want to know some fashion tips or how to rip it up in the bowl, Corbin Harris is the dude to ask.

Home Crafts:

Over 1000 entries of home and craft work featuring needle work and sewing entries from around Queensland and New South Wales.

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