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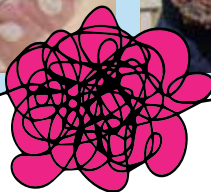
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BETTER IN BLACKALL

Festival

17-20
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RACQ Foundation in partnership with Drought Angels are grateful to the Blackall community in welcoming us and enabling us to deliver on our Community Assistance Project. We are delighted to be representing the Club and our members to assist the Better in Blackall Festival, providing volunteers for the event.



The Better in Blackall Festival is supported by the Queensland Government through Tourism and Events Queensland and features on the It's Live! in Queensland events calendar.



Welcome

FROM THE **MAYOR**

The Outback, from the far north to well in the south, has a well-earned reputation for festivals and they are all first class attractions, highlighting the extraordinary contribution the bush has delivered to our totally unique Australian Heritage and general way of life.

Whilst our own very special Better in Blackall Festival is not as long standing as some, it is from the heart of the oldest settlements in Western Queensland and most certainly encapsulates the true spirit of our very unique part of inland Queensland and indeed the nation.

A very heartfelt welcome to our visitors and of course a good old fashioned "g'day again" to the scores of locals and near neighbours who make this event such a great one.

Needless to say, the incredible amount of work, all driven by a passion for where we live, by our local committee to make the week so special is also symptomatic of our bush psychology.

I know we will all enjoy the week, so while you are enjoying the atmospheric, take the time say g'day to visitors and locals alike.

Cr Andrew Martin

Mayor, Blackall-Tambo Regional Council



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Message

FROM THE **MINISTER**

Welcome to the Better in Blackall Festival, a highlight on the *It's Live in Queensland* events calendar and a wonderful opportunity to showcase Outback Queensland as a tourism destination.

The Blackall community is grateful to welcome visitors who fill their cafes and restaurants, stay in their accommodation, use local transport and explore our unique tourism experiences.

That's why we support events through Tourism and Events Queensland's Destination Events Program because they bring a welcomed boost to the local community and supports local jobs.

Events like the Better in Blackall Festival allows friends and family to reconnect and creates community pride. We hope you enjoy your stay and return again in the near future.

Be sure to immerse yourself in the local culture and get the opportunity to explore some of our world-class tourism experiences in this beautiful region.

Congratulations to the event organisers and volunteers – we wish you all the best for a successful event.

The Hon. Stirling Hinchliffe MP
Minister for Tourism, Sport and Innovation and Minister Assisting the Premier on Olympics and Paralympics Sport and Engagement



Get ready

FOR A **FANTASTIC FOUR DAYS** AND TO EXPERIENCE THE **BEST OF BLACKALL**

Book your tickets

While most of our program features free entry, some events are paid/ticketed with limited capacity. Make sure you check online before the Festival!

Bring some cash

Our ticketing is online and most of our vendors offer cashless transactions, however we recommend you bring some spare dollars along.

Get social with us

Follow us on Facebook to stay up to date with what's happening.

***Program is subject to change.**

Please check the event app or website for any changes. If you have purchased a ticket, you will be notified of any changes prior to the event.

GET YOUR TICKETS!



Need help with booking your tickets online? Visit or talk to our Blackall Visitor Information Centre in the library on Shamrock Street.

ST ANDREWS STREET

Ram Park

FESTIVAL



VIOLET STREET

Banks Park



CORONATION DRIVE

SHAMROCK & GARDEN STREET SECTIONS CLOSED FOR FESTIVAL (except taxis, buses & disabled parking)

CLEMATIS STREET

WOOLSCOUR 5KM
SALEYARDS 2KM

HAWTHORN STREET

SHAMROCK STREET

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Bus & Taxis

Disabled Parking

STREETS CLOSED FOR FESTIVAL (except taxis, buses & disabled parking)

Food Vans

Barcoo River Rides

Festival Parking

SHEEP STREET

MEMORIAL HALL

CWA HALL

STAGE

SKATE PARK

Long Lamb Lunch

Market Stalls & Food

GARDEN STREET

CORONATION DRIVE

Barcoo River Walk

Bus & Taxis

Disabled Parking

SHEEP STREET

Memorial Hall

Skate Park

CWA Hall

GARDEN STREET

Barcoo River Walk

AQUA STREET



Memorial Park
Cultural Centre

DAY 1 THURSDAY 17 AUGUST

WHAT'S ON	TIME	WHERE	COST	DETAILS
Beef & Bangers Blackall Saleyards Experience	7:45am for 8am Tour 8:45am for 9am Tour 9:45am for 10am Tour	Blackall Saleyards Assemble on the grassed area at canteen	\$30 adults \$10 8-16yrs U8 Free	Book online. 1 hour guided tour & Barcoo Banger tasting.
Milynda Rogers 'Scrap Metal Sheila' Wire Workshops	9am & 2pm	Banks Park	\$50 or complimentary for members	Book online. 3-4 Hour workshops. Make a 'Wooly Wire' Sheep OR 'Roll with It' Roly Poly. Bring gloves.
Historical Woollscour Tour	See website for tour times	Blackall Woollscour	As per website	Open daily. Book on Blackall Woollscour website.
Sculpture Trail Tour	3:30pm	Pick up from Cultural Centre Main Entrance	\$15 pp tour only or \$30 pp package	Book online. Approx. 1hr bus tour. Package ticket includes wine/drink and nibbles at Lodge on Hawthorn after tour.
Official Opening 2023 Better in Blackall Festival	6pm	Blackall Woollscour	\$60 includes dinner & complimentary drink	Book online. Shearer's Roast Dinner, 'Wild & Woolly' Fashion Parade, Live Music.

DAY 2 FRIDAY 18 AUGUST

WHAT'S ON	TIME	WHERE	COST	DETAILS
Dog Walk on Sunrise with Hinzy	6am - 7am	Barcoo River Walking Track. Meet at Short Street Sculpture	Free	No dog, no worries! Some dogs provided! Dogs to be on a leash. Doggie bags are essential. Comfy shoes for walking.
Ram Park Pioneer Exhibition	From 8:00am	Ram Park	Free	Demonstrations, working goat and damper competitions and displays. Cash prizes!
Mel and Susie Poetry Performance	10:30am - 11:30am	McLean Place, Barcoo Retirement Village	Free	Mel and Susie, bush poets from Hidden Gem.
Matt Golinski Masterclass	10am - 1pm	Living Arts Centre	\$100	Book online. 15 people max. 2hr demonstration. 1hr lunch. Complimentary beer & wine.
Vietnam Veterans Day 50th Anniversary	11am	Memorial Park		Commemorative service.
Milynda Rogers Wire Workshops	9am & 2pm	Banks Park	\$50	Book online. Make a 'Wooly Wire' Sheep OR 'Roll with It' Roly Poly. Bring gloves.
Chantel Renae Photography Workshop	Workshop 1: 8am - 12pm Workshop 2: 1:30pm - 3:30pm	Living Arts Centre	Workshop 1: \$190 Max 10 students Workshop 2: \$49 Max 20 students	Book online. Workshop 1: Beginner camera workshop. Workshop 2: iPhone basics.
Hip Hop Workshops with Geed UP	2pm-3pm	Memorial Hall	Free	Open to local students. Participation coordinated by schools.
Fastplant Skateboarding Workshops with Taniah Meyers "T" & Mikayla Senior "Mik"	4pm - 5:30pm	Blackall Skate Park	\$10	Book online. 4yrs and older. All abilities. All equipment is provided. Signed Waiver required.
Sculpture Trail Tour	3:30pm	Pick up from Cultural Centre Main Entrance	\$15 pp tour only or \$30 pp package	Book online. Approx. 1hr bus tour. Package ticket includes wine/drink and nibbles at Lodge on Hawthorn after tour.
Styling Masterclasses with Brooke Falvey 'What Brooke Wore'	3:30pm-5pm	CWA Hall	\$30	Fashion styling session for teens and parents.
Meet and Mingle with Trade Mutt founders & Outback Futures	4pm-6pm	Outback Pioneer Centre	\$20	Book online. Includes nibbles on arrival. Bar operating. Sponsored by <i>Blackall Neighbourhood Centre</i> .
Barcoo River Rides & Side Show Alley	4pm - 10pm	Sheep Street	\$50 2-day (unlimited) \$30 1-day (unlimited) \$10 Individual Ride	Book rides pass online or ticket booth.
Culture on Eat Street	4:30pm - 11:30pm	Memorial Park	Free	Purchase food at a variety of food vendors. Bar operating. Western Queensland Spirit Distillery cocktail bar. Live music.
SuperSteph - Superhero Magic Show	5:30pm - Roving Characters to 8pm	Culture on East Street, Memorial Park	Free	Children's (big & small) entertainment with SuperSteph puppeteer and magician.
Art/Photography Exhibition Opening	6pm - 11:30pm	Blackall Cultural Centre	Free	Artwork and feature artist Chantel Renae photos for sale. Bar operating.

DAY 3 SATURDAY 19 AUGUST

WHAT'S ON	TIME	WHERE	COST	DETAILS
Dog walk og Walk on Sunrise with Hinzy	6am - 7am	Barcoo River Walking Track. Meet at Short Street Sculpture	Free	No dog, no worries! Some dogs provided! Dogs to be on a leash. Doggie bags are essential. Comfy shoes for walking.
Poet's Breakfast with Mel and Susie & Dan and Ed from Trade Mutt	7:30am	Sheep Street	Show only Adults \$15 13-17 yrs \$5 Under 12: free	Breakfast & Show - Shearer's Breakfast \$25 - Crutcher's Breakfast \$20 - Jnr Rousabout's (12 & under) \$5 sausage sizzle
STREET PARTY!	All day	Sheep Street, Main Stage and surrounds	Free	Get set to party into the night with a full-day program of entertainment including Geed UP, Riley Young, Jade Holland, Josh Arnold and more!
BIB Markets	All day	Sheep Street		Street Stalls + Food Vendors
Chantel Renee Photography Workshop	Workshop 1: 8am - 12pm Workshop 2: 1:30pm - 3:30pm	Outback Pioneer Centre Bushmans Gallery	Workshop 1: \$190 Max 10 students Workshop 2: \$49 Max 20 students	Book online. Workshop 1: Manual shooting and Lightroom basics. Workshop 2: iPhone shooting and editing.
Historical Displays	9am - 4pm	Sheep Street	Free	WWW - Wool, Wagons of the West
RAFS Mother's Area	9am - 3pm	Sheep Street beside Skate Park	Free	Supervising adult to attend
Milynda Rogers Wire Workshops	9am & 2pm	Sheep Street	\$50	Book online. Make a 'Wooly Wire' Sheep OR 'Roll with It' Roly Poly. Bring gloves.
Breakdancing Workshops	9am - 10am Performance 7:30pm	Skate Park	Free	Breakdancing skills with the Geed UP boys.
Fine Food & Beverage Pairing Masterclass	9am & 11am - Sparkling Wine 1pm & 3pm - Gin 5pm & 7pm - Rum	Memorial Hall	\$60	Special Guests: The Western Queensland Spirit Distillery from Roma
Blackall's Famous BBQ Cook-Off	9am Start Low & Slow BBQ Comp 1:30pm Start Hot & Fast BBQ Comp 2:30pm Judging Hot & Fast Comp 5:30pm Judging Low & Slow Comp	Sheep Street Tent	Low & Slow \$50 entry/team Hot & Fast \$50 entry/team	Book online. Cash and prizes up for grabs! 3pm Judging Best Presented BAA-B-Q in the Shed 3:15pm AUCTION Weber Limited Edition 70th Anniversary Edition Kettles 6:00pm Judging Champion Home-Made Smoker
Opening of "Loos" Mural	9:30 am	Sheep Street toilet block		Better in Blackall Festival Community project.
Shank Bros & Barcoo Butchery Paddock to Plate Live Demonstration	10am	Sheep Street	Free	Shearers, cuts & cooking - Know your lamb meat cuts.
Fashion Styling Masterclasses with Brooke Falvey	10am - 11:30am 2:15pm - 3:45pm	Memorial Hall	\$30	Fashion editor & stylist - Australian Style Institute's Stylist of the Year 2020
Hair & Make-up Styling Masterclasses with Lauren and Britney	10am - 11:30am	CWA Hall	\$30	
Paint 'n Sip	10am - 12pm	Bushmans Gallery	\$45	Book online. Includes paints, canvas, refreshments & nibbles.
Barcoo River Rides & Side Show Alley	10am - 10pm	Sheep Street	\$50 2-day (unlimited) \$30 1-day (unlimited) \$10 Individual Ride	Book rides pass online or at ticket booth.



SCAN THE QR CODE TO GET YOUR TICKETS!



DAY 3 SATURDAY 19 AUGUST CONTINUED...

WHAT'S ON	TIME	WHERE	COST	DETAILS
Fastplant Skateboarding Workshops with Taniah Meyers "T" & Mikayla Senior "Mik"	10am - 11:30am 2pm - 3:30pm	Blackall Skate Park	\$10	Book online. 4yrs and older. All abilities. All equipment is provided. Signed waiver required.
SuperSteph - Superhero Magic Show	10:30am Live show 2:30pm Live Show 10am - 6pm Roving Characters	Sheep Street	Free	Children's (big & small) entertainment with SuperSteph puppeteer and magician.
Ben's Chicken Races	11am & 2:30pm	Street Party	Free	Have a flutter on the fastest chickens in the west.
Long Lamb Lunch on 'Sheep Street'. Guest chef: Matt Golinski	12pm - 2:30pm	Sheep Street	\$80	Book online. Five courses featuring Blackall's finest local produce. Complimentary drink on arrival. Hear from special guest Matt Golinski.
Bush Beatz Performance	1pm - 1:35pm	Street Party	Free	Keeping the spirit of dance alive in the west from tots to teenagers
Billy Cart Races	2pm - 3:30pm nominations 4pm sharp - Races start	Sheep Street	Free	On BIB website. Download and complete nomination form. Submit by email or drop in at the Visitor Information Centre.

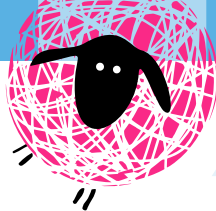
DAY 4 SUNDAY 20 AUGUST

WHAT'S ON	TIME	WHERE	COST	DETAILS
Recovery Poet's Breakfast with Mel and Susie from Hidden Gem	7:30am	Banks of the Barcoo, end of Sheep Street	Gold coin donation	BYO Tea / Coffee
Chantel Renae Photography Workshop	Workshop 1: 8am - 10am Workshop 2: 11am - 3pm	1. Sheep Street 2. Blackall Woolscour - Shearer's Kitchen	Workshop 1: \$49 Max 30 students Workshop 2: \$190 Max 10 students	Book online. Workshop 1: iPhone Scavenger Hunt. Workshop 2: Shooting in a Woolshed.
Wind-down the weekend		Sheep Street, Lawn Area		Stalls and foodies. Live music sessions.
Jackie Howe Race "Blades & Blisters"	9am	Sheep Street	\$20 Team of 4	Book online or register before 8:30am Open 18+ (must include 1 female & 1 member over 40 yrs). Kids 8-17 yrs.
Milynda Rogers Wire Workshops	9am & 2pm	Sheep Street	\$50	Book online. Make a 'Wooly Wire' Sheep OR 'Roll with It' Roly Poly. Bring gloves.
Fastplant Skateboarding Workshops with Taniah Meyers "T" & Mikayla Senior "Mik"	9am - 10:30am	Blackall Skate Park	\$10	4yrs and older. All abilities. All equipment is provided. Signed waiver required. Book online.
Historical Woolscour Tour	See website for times	Blackall Woolscour	See website	Book on Blackall Woolscour website.

OQTA is a proud supporter of the Better in Blackall Festival 2023. For more about Outback Queensland events and experiences please visit our website.

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What's on



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Beef & Bangers Blackall Saleyards Experience

TIMES: Thursday 8am, 9am, 10am

VENUE: Blackall Saleyards

COST: \$30 Adults, \$10 8-16yrs,
under 8 free

Get up close and personal with the story of our local beef industry in a guided tour of this world-class facility where local graziers and stock agents come together to trade.



'Scrapmetal Sheila' Milynda Rogers Wire Workshops

TIMES: Thursday, Friday, Saturday
and Sunday: 9am (sheep) and
2pm (roly poly)

VENUE: Banks Park (Thurs, Fri)
Sheep Street (Sat, Sun)

COST: \$50*

Local metal sculpture artist 'Scrapmetal Sheila' Milynda Rogers will be hosting two workshops each day of the festival (8 in total). Get in quick, these sell out fast.

**Thursday workshops complimentary ticket available for 60's & Better and Men's Shed members.*

What's on



Sculpture Trail Tour

TIMES: Thursday 3:30pm

VENUE: Pick up at Cultural Centre

COST: \$15 tour, \$30 package

Take the opportunity to explore the artistic landscape of our town in the comfort of a guided drive-by Sculpture Tour.

Package ticket option includes wine/drink and nibbles at The Lodge on Hawthorn at end of tour.



Official Opening 2023 Better in Blackall Festival

TIME: Thursday 6pm

VENUE: Blackall Woolscour

COST: \$60 includes dinner and a complimentary drink

Join us at the Blackall Woolscour as we kick off the 2023 Better in Blackall Festival.

- Shearers Roast Dinner, Damper and Pudding
- 'Wild and Woolly' Fashion Parade featuring Merino Country and locally made garments and stores
- Live Music: Jade Holland, Josh Arnold and Matt from Geed UP.

A SHEARER'S DREAM

by Kerrie Richards

An extravaganza of Australian Merino clothing and underwear.

Celebrating 30 Years of Merino Country, Kerrie Richards is proud to coordinate "A Shearers Dream" for the **Better in Blackall Festival Opening** at the Blackall Woolscour on **Thursday 17 August**.

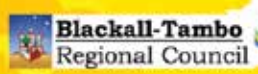
This extravaganza will showcase the versatility and style of Australian Merino clothing and underwear from local businesses and artisans.



Mural Opening

SATURDAY 19 AUGUST
SHEEP STREET TOILET BLOCK @ 9:30AM

Opening of the "Loos" Mural.
A Better in Blackall Festival
community art project.



This project was made possible by the Australian Government's Regional Arts Fund, provided through Regional Arts Australia, administered in Queensland by Flying Arts Alliance.

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BLACKALL'S RAM PARK PIONEER EXHIBITION

FRIDAY
18TH AUGUST 2023

FROM 8:00AM
RAM PARK

8.30 am

Damper Competition Commences

9.30 am

*Jase's Blacksmithing & Metal
Sculpturing - Jase Moore*

Blacksmith - Les Chillicoce

Greenhide Rope Making - Tim Rowlands

Wheelwright - Kerry Riehl

10.30 am

Shearing demonstrations

11.30 am

Working Goat Course and Competition

Wind up the day

Presentation Winners Damper and
Goat Competition



**DOUGAL & JUDY
ATKINSON
DAMPER PRIZE**

1st place \$300

2nd place \$150

3rd place \$50

**WORKING GOAT
COMPETITION**

1st place \$1000

2nd place \$500

3rd place \$200

BUSH CRAFT BROUGHT TO
LIFE IN A FUN FILLED DAY OF
HERITAGE AND HISTORY.

ENJOY THE IMMERSIVE
EXPERIENCE OF THE
CULTURE OF OUTBACK QUEENSLAND.



WORKING GOAT COMPETITION



BLACKALL'S
HISTORIC PIONEER
MUSEUM DISPLAYS



WORKING DOG DEMONSTRATION

HORSE POWER IN ACTION WITH
BELLE THE MULE



WHIP CRACKING DEMONSTRATION



BLACKSMITHING DISPLAY



BLACKALL'S
EARLY FIRE ENGINE



GREENHIDE WHIP MAKING



HORSE DRAWN VEHICLES



WHEELWRIGHT DEMONSTRATION



WORKING WATER
WINCH
DEMONSTRATION



FUN FOR ALL AGES

DAMPER COMPETITION

With thanks to our prize sponsors:
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Dougal & Judy Atkinson, Chris Norris

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Photography Workshops with Chantel Renae

TIMES: Friday and Saturday
8am and 1:30pm
Sunday 8am and 11am

VENUE: Various

COST: See website

Join rural photography coach Chantel Renae for a variety of workshops aimed at beginners to more advanced. Chantel specialises in guiding rural photographers at all stages of their photography journey.



Matt Golinski Masterclass

TIME: Friday 10am
VENUE: Living Arts Centre
COST: \$100 per person

Celebrity chef Matt Golinski is set to serve up a sensational experience making the most of local ingredients.

Matt Golinski's Long Lamb Lunch on 'Sheep Street'

TIME: Saturday 12pm
VENUE: Sheep Street
COST: \$80 per person

Long Lamb Lunch with special guest chef Matt Golinski.

What's on



Full details of venues, tickets and inclusions can be found on the Festival website or app.



Fashion Stylist Brooke Falvey 'What Brooke Wore' Masterclass

TIMES: Friday 3:30pm

Saturday 10am and 2:15pm

VENUE: Fri CWA Hall, Sat Memorial Hall

COST: \$30 per masterclass

Join award winning stylist Brooke Falvey as she shares the skills she's honed over years in the fashion industry as a fashion blogger, model, editor and stylist to help you feel confident in your personal style.



Make-up workshop with The Look by Britney

TIMES: Saturday 10am

VENUE: CWA Hall

COST: \$30 per masterclass

For the make-up beginner or enthusiast, this is your chance to learn about the do's and don'ts of makeup.



Hair styling with Lauren from Hair & Beauty Barn

TIMES: Saturday 10am

VENUE: CWA Hall

COST: \$30 per masterclass

A look and learn opportunity to help you create the perfect hairstyles at home, whether it be for an everyday on the go look, or a special occasion.

Festival information

IN YOUR **POCKET**

Stay up to date
with program
announcements and
what's happening
during the festival.

Download the 'Blackall-
Tambo Region' app from
the App Store or
Google Play.



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Meet and Mingle with Trade Mutt Founders Ed Ross and Dan Allen & Outback Futures

TIME: Friday 4pm - 6pm

VENUE: Outback Pioneer Centre

COST: \$20

Meet special guests Trade Mutt and Outback Futures personnel.

- Includes nibbles on arrival
- Trade Mutt voucher for first 20 registrations
- Bar operating.



Fastplant Skateboarding Workshops

TIMES: Friday 4pm - 5:30pm

Saturday 10am - 11:30am

& 2pm - 3:30pm

Sunday 9am - 10:30am

VENUE: Blackall Skate Park

COST: \$10 per workshop

Welcome Fastplant coaches Taniah Meyers "T" and Mikayla Senior "Mik" to Blackall! Workshops for ages 4 and over.



Art Exhibition Opening

TIME: Friday 6pm

VENUE: Blackall Cultural Centre

COST: Free

Join us for the opening night of the annual Blackall Art and Photography Exhibition.

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Full details of venues, tickets and inclusions can be found on the Festival website or app.



SuperSteph - Superhero Magic Show

TIMES & VENUES:

Friday 5:30pm - 8pm at Culture on Eat Street, Memorial Park

Saturday live show 10:30am and 2:30pm, plus roving characters 10am - 6pm on Sheep Street

COST: Free

Meet SuperSteph and her playful puppets. Learn some magic tricks to impress your friends!



Ram Park Pioneer Exhibition

TIME: Friday from 8am

VENUE: Ram Park

COST: Free

Immerse yourself in history plus the working goat and damper competitions. Cash prizes! Find out more on page 13.



Culture on Eat Street

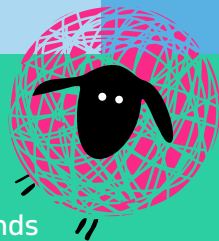
TIME: Friday from 4:30pm - 11:30pm

VENUE: Memorial Park

COST: Free

Kick off the weekend with friends and family at Culture on Eat Street. Sit back, relax and enjoy an evening under the stars with live music from with Jade Holland, Riley Young and Geed UP. Western Queensland Spirit cocktail bar.

STREET PARTY



ALL DAY SATURDAY | Sheep Street, Main Stage & surrounds

A party to celebrate our heritage, our community, our diversity, and our creativity. Non-stop fun all day and late into evening right in the heart of our town.



Breakdancing Competition

They've learnt from the masters Geed UP during their hip hop classes. Now let's see who can bust a move and claim the best and baddest moves on the Barcoo.



It's #betterinblackall with Josh Arnold

He's made his mark writing our Better in Blackall song and he's back, ready to be a 'Josh of all trades' for our 2023 event. Keep an eye out for Josh throughout the Festival as he works his entertainer talents to show just why some things are just #betterinblackall.



Mullet Competition with Josh Arnold

It's party front and back for this competition. Time to unfurl the curls and let us crown the Barcoo Mullet King.

STREET PARTY

ALL DAY SATURDAY
Sheep Street, Main Stage

Live Music



RILEY YOUNG

Dalby local Riley Young is making some serious waves in the Queensland music scene.

He's been busy hitting the stage across the country and playing around Western Queensland events these past few months.

We're pretty excited to see him on stage throughout the Festival!



JADE HOLLAND

Country rock pop songstress, Jade Holland, is set to take the stage in Blackall.

Jade is an award winning artist, having toured globally and released two albums.

Jade's Live Shows are a KNOCK-OUT and we can't wait to show her that it is #betterinblackall!



GEED UP

Eat Street Northshore Superstars Geed UP Band are back with their 'Worst Show Ever' to get a bit of Boogie happening on the Barcoo!

It's been a long two years since we got to dance the night away with these talented boys!

Don't forget to check out their hip hop and breakdancing classes, too!

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Poet's Breakfast with Mel and Susie from 'Hidden Gem' & Dan and Ed - the Trade Mutt guys

TIME: Saturday 7:30am

VENUE: Sheep Street

COST:

Show only: Adult \$15, 13-17yrs \$5, 12 & under free

Show + Shearer's Breakfast: \$25

Show + Crutcher's Breakfast: \$20

Show + Jnr Roustabout's Breakfast (kid's sausage sizzle): \$5

Join bush poetry legends Mel and Susie, and the Trade Mutt guys for a delicious breakfast and lighthearted entertainment.

Breakdancing Workshops

TIME: Saturday 9am

VENUE: Blackall Skate Park

COST: Free - register online

Join Geed UP from Eat Street Northshore, for a fun workshop for kids to learn some hip hop skills. Get ready to show off your new skills at the main stage comp.

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Blackall's Famous BBQ Cook-Off

TIME: Saturday 9am Low & Slow,
Saturday 1:30pm Hot & Fast

VENUE: Sheep Street

COST: \$50 per team entry

The Shank Brothers return for the famous Blackall BBQ Cook-off. Step up to the challenge: Low & Slow or Hot & Fast. Cash and great prizes and 70th Anniversary Weber Auction! See page 24 for details.



Better in Blackall Festival Markets

TIME: Saturday - all day from 9am

VENUE: Sheep Street

COST: Free

Market stalls and food vendors. Lots of crafts, fashions and tasty treats to tuck into or take home.



RAFS Mother's Area

TIME: Saturday 9am - 3pm

VENUE: Sheep Street, under tent
beside the Skate Park

COST: Free

Kids activities, supported by RAFS.
Supervising adult to attend.

JOIN IN THE FUN OF FESTIVAL COMPETITIONS & WIN!



BLACKALL'S FAMOUS BBQ COOK-OFF COMPETITIONS



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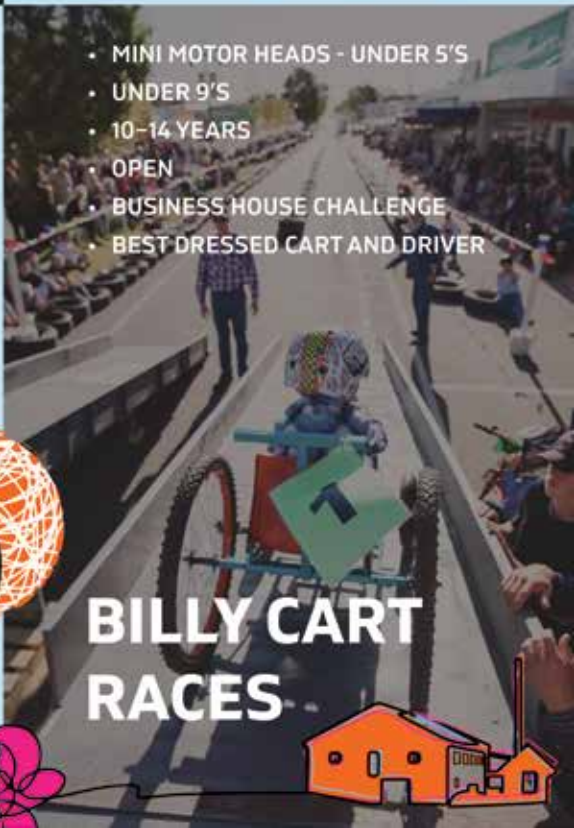
Step up to the challenge in:
Low & Slow or Hot & Fast

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**BETTER IN
BLACKALL**

Festival





Ram Park Pioneer Exhibition

WORKING GOAT COMPETITION



DAMPER COMPETITION

ROUND UP YOUR GOATS!

TAKE ON THE CHALLENGE AS GOAT HANDLER WITH YOUR WORKING GOAT NAVIGATING A SHORT COURSE WITH CART AND SMALL CARGO.

1st place \$1000

2nd place \$500

3rd place \$200

WILL YOU BE THE FIRST PERSON TO TAKE HOME THE
**DOUGAL & JUDY ATKINSON
DAMPER PRIZE?**

1st place \$300

2nd place \$150

3rd place \$50



JACKIE HOWE RACE: "BLADES & BLISTERS"

HAVE A TEAM OF 4 - GET READY TO SCORE!

RUN, ROLL, SCRAMBLE, THROW, SHUFFLE ALL BEFORE THE SMOKO STATION. REGISTER ONLINE.

Open 18+ (must include 1 female & 1 member over 40 yrs). Kids 8-17 yrs.

What's on



Full details of venues, tickets and inclusions can be found on the Festival website or app.



Fine Food & Beverage Pairing Masterclass

TIMES: Saturday
Sparkling wine 9am and 11am
Gin 1pm and 3pm
Rum 5pm and 7pm

VENUE: Memorial Hall

COST: \$60 per person, per session

Test your taste buds with special guests from the Western Queensland Spirit Distillery in Roma for food and beverage pairing sessions.



Paint 'n Sip

TIME: Saturday & Sunday
10am - 12pm

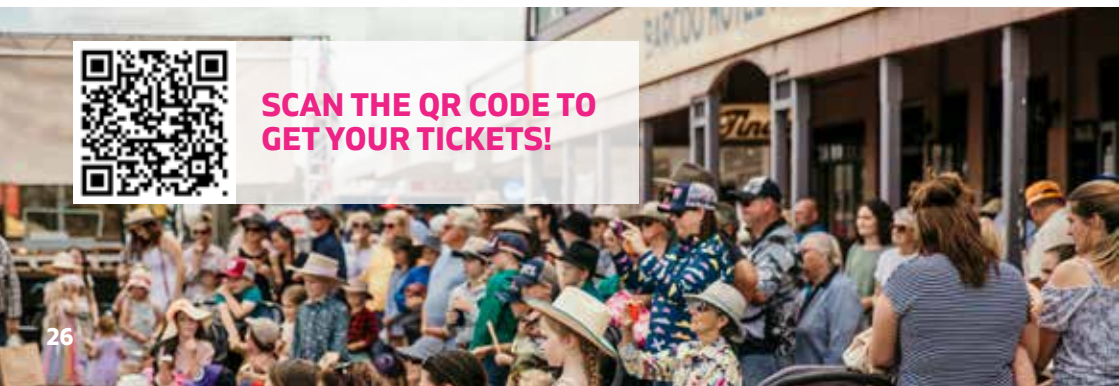
VENUE: Bushmans Gallery

COST: \$45

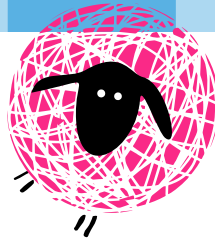
Join local artists Lindy Hardie for our Festival Paint 'n Sip. Unleash your inner artists and have some fun with your new festival friends.



**SCAN THE QR CODE TO
GET YOUR TICKETS!**



What's on



Ben's Chicken Races

TIME: Saturday 11am and 2:30pm

VENUE: Sheep Street - Street Party

COST: Free

Come have a flutter on the fastest chickens in the West!



Shank Bros & Barcoo Butchery Paddock to Plate Masterclass

TIME: Saturday 11am

VENUE: Sheep Street

COST: Free

Know Your Lamb with the Shank Brothers and Barcoo Butchery for a masterclass.



Barcoo River Rides & Side Show Alley

TIMES: Friday 4pm - 10pm

Saturday 10am - 10pm

VENUE: Sheep Street

COST: Unlimited 2-day ride pass: \$50

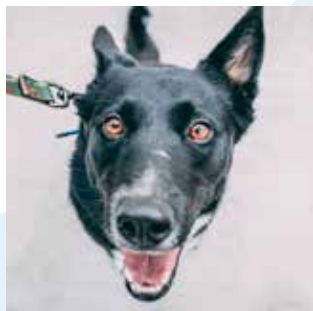
Unlimited 1-day pass: \$30

Unlimited rides Sat only: \$30

Single ride ticket: \$10

Rides including dodgems, drop zone, king flyer, merry-go-round and Bluey inflatable combo. Extras: shooting gallery and side show alley.

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Dog Walk on Sunrise with Hinzy

TIMES: Friday and Saturday 7am

VENUE: Barcoo River Walking Track

COST: Free

Bring your pooch (or we can provide one!) and enjoy a morning walk with your Festival friends.



Wool, Wagons of the West - Historical Displays

TIME: Saturday 9am - 4pm

VENUE: Sheep Street

COST: Free

Enjoy taking a trip back in time with a pop-up historical display from the Blackall Historical Society.



Bush Beatz Performance

TIME: Saturday 1pm - 1:35pm

VENUE: Sheep Street, Main Stage

COST: Free

Check out our Outback kids dance group. Inspiring the next generation to bust a move and ensuring Outback youth can follow their dancing interests or learn new skills at regular workshops.

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Billy Cart Races

TIME: Sunday - races start 4pm

VENUE: Sheep Street

COST: Free

Register online

Proudly supported by the Blackall-Tambo Regional Council, RACQ Foundation and Blackall Blue Light, the Festival's signature event is must-do fun for participants and spectators.

We've ramped up the fun with this year's event adding additional features to the track - get ready for some fast and furious family fun. Cash prizes!



RACQ Foundation



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Historical Woolscour Tour

TIMES: Open daily from 10am

See website for tour times and ticketing information

Visit the Blackall Woolscour and enjoy a tour of this historical site.



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Weekend Wind Down

TIME: Sunday morning

VENUE: Sheep Street

COST: Free

Wind down the weekend with a selection of food vendors and live music on the banks of the Barcoo River.



Poetry on the Banks of the Barcoo with Mel and Susie

TIME: Sunday 7:30am

VENUE: End of Sheep Street, on the Banks of the Barcoo

COST: Gold coin donation

Bring your morning tea or coffee along and sit back and enjoy legendary bush poetry with Mel and Susie from Hidden Gem.



Jackie Howe Race: "Blades & Blisters"

TIME: Sunday 9am

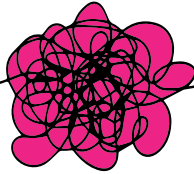
VENUE: Sheep Street

COST: \$20 entry for team of 4
- book online, must be registered before 8:30am

Run, roll, scramble, throw, shuffle all before the smoko station. Jackie Howe Race rules and details on website & Blackall-Tambo region app.

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