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DAILY HIGHLIGHTS

- ★ 9.00am - 12.00pm
1.30pm - 5.00pm:
Show Jumping
- ★ 5.15pm - 8.00pm:
EkkaNITES
- ★ 6.00pm: Children's
Fireworks
- ★ Junior Judging:
 - ❖ 9.00am: Fine Arts
 - ❖ 11.00am: Pisciculture
 - ❖ 11.00am: Pineapples

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Hearing The Lions Roar Again

By Zac Blake and Jude Murray



The Trackskill V8 Show is featured nightly during EkkaNITES.

Four experienced Holden V8 Supercar drivers hit the Main Arena performing thrilling tricks to entertain the crowd.

Taking the steering wheels are some of Australia's leading V8 drivers - Gary Baxter, Graham Edwards, Neville Whittenbury and ex-driver Jeff Kilbride.

Graham Edwards has been driving go-karts since he was five years old.

Neville Whittenbury has been driving for 28 years and has been a gravel rally racing driver.

All members of the Trackskill V8 Show met through Mr Baxter and are all new to the stunts they have been performing at the Ekka.

"The cars we drive are Holden VE SS's and the only modification we do to the cars is we remove the exhaust and that's what makes it really loud", said Mr Edwards.

The four drivers perform awe-inspiring manoeuvres and spectacular stunts including nose-to-nose driving, reverse hand brake turn flicks, spins and slides as a tribute to the Holden Precision Driving Team which was first formed for the 1969 Ekka. The original team disbanded in 2006.

It is the first time on the track for this team in a while.

“The hardest stunt during the act is the weaving and that is because we haven’t done it before,” said Graham.



The Holden V8's lined up after racing around the Ekka Main Arena