

# King St Community News



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**KING ST**



# THE EKKA IS BACK & BETTER THAN EVER!

It's that time of the year when the country comes to the city! The Ekka is one of the most highly regarded & celebrated events in the Brisbane calendar & it happens right on our doorstep. So of course, our whole precinct is getting involved with food specials available in store (hello Strawberry Sundae inspired croissants), Ekka inspired collectibles & even popping up within the Ekka precinct itself! Take a look below at our top things to try, see & do from Aug 6.



## Strawberry Sundae inspired specials

### King Street Bakery | Strawberry Sundae inspired croissant (pictured on cover)

Our resident pastry palace is famous for its covetable viennoiseries, sweet and savoury tarts and a la carte Parisian-inspired fare for breakfast and lunch. But it's their croissants that constantly have people flocking to the King St foodie precinct. What could possibly make them better you ask? Fresh strawberries mixed in and garnished atop of that golden flaky goodness. We'll certainly be lining up for these!



### La Macelleria Gelateria | Strawberry Sundae inspired gelato

Putting their own twist on the famous strawberry sundae is our gelato-making magicians from La Macelleria. With the weather warming up, be sure to head in store for a cool hit of sweet, strawberry goodness!



### Kuhl-Cher | Ekka Strawberry Sundae waffle

A dreamy, creamy spin on traditional waffles is Kuhl-Cher's Ekka Strawberry Sundae waffle. Topped with strawberry ice-cream, fresh Queensland strawberries and garnished with delicate pink fairy floss, this is a dish you won't want to miss out on!



### Supercombo | Strawberry Sundae inspired shakes

Supercombo might be known for their epic American-arcade themed burgers but it's their legendary shakes that are taking on the iconic strawberry sundae flavours this Ekka season. The super thick yet cool consistency is perfect to sip on while you walk around & gaze at the other incredible offerings from the Ekka.

## Spot the retailer...

### Kuhl-Cher at the Woolies Fresh Food Pavilion

It's set to be a foodie heaven in the Woolworths Fresh Food Pavilion, with close to 70 food vendors popping-up in 2022 including our very own Kuhl-Cher! Let them take you on an immersive fresh food journey as they showcase their famous seasonal harvest grill foods (which will also be available for tasting, of course).



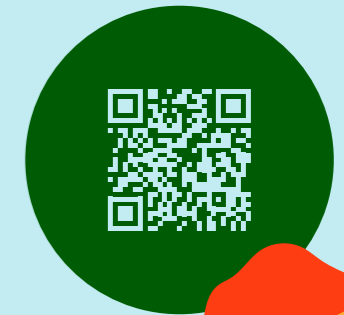
### Xin Chao at the Gourmet Plaza Pop-up

The Gourmet Plaza is filled to the brim with flavours from all over the globe including German, Greek, Italian, Asian & Mexican. From soul-soothing noodle soups, rice paper rolls, banh mi & spring rolls, our very own Xin Chao will be showcasing the very best of their Vietnamese cuisine that is sure to satisfy all of your senses!



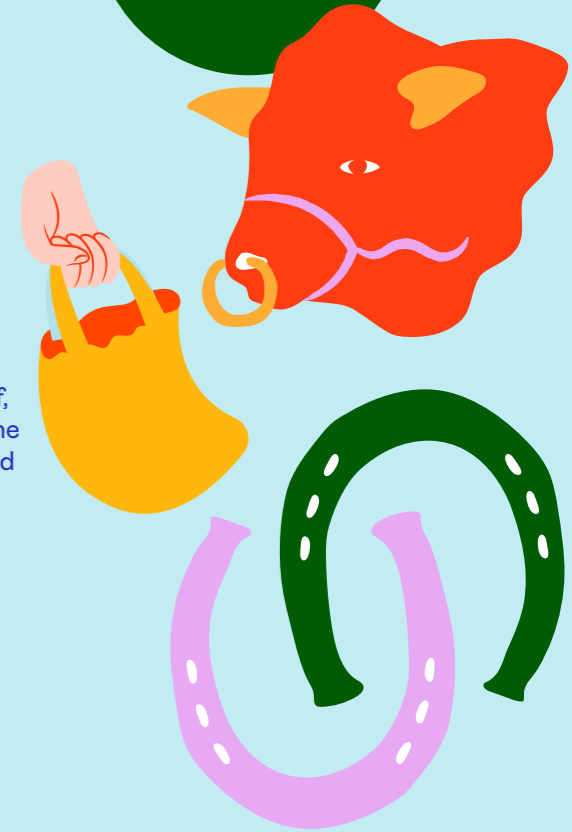
# OTHER THINGS TO ADD TO YOUR EKKA ITINERARY...

Have you really been to the Ekka if you haven't picked up a showbag? With a selection of over 400 different novelty, confectionery or recreational showbags to choose from, we suggest you look up the list well in advance! Scan the QR code to find out more.



## From the cute and cuddly baby farmyard animals, to the majestic thoroughbred show horses, the Ekka is an animal-lovers paradise!

Here you can pet a lamb, watch a baby chick hatch from an egg, feed a calf, milk a cow, take a look at pets and poultry on show including the famous fine prize cows. Make sure you don't miss out on meeting any furry or feathered friends!



The celebrations wouldn't be complete without a spectacular display of fireworks at the end of the day! This year, you can expect fireworks to shoot from horse riders galloping around the main arena, fire twirlers, remote control cars zooming around the track as well as a 25 metre high tower that will be in the centre of the main arena. With the show set to be choreographed to some of the greatest DJ hits, this is the perfect way to round out a day at the Ekka!

## Ekka Road Closures/Accessibility

All King St Retailers (except Montrachet) remain open during Ekka Aug 6-14 (excluding individual public holiday trading hours). Some retailers will only be accessible inside the Ekka precinct so be sure to check the map below.

### PUBLICLY ACCESSIBLE

1. Fat Dumpling
2. Il Verde
3. Xin Chao
4. Super Combo
5. La Macelleria
6. Musette
7. Cam's Cycling Collective
8. King Street Bakery
9. Charcoal Hub
10. Sushi & Nori
11. My Health
12. Suited to Success
14. Montrachet
13. Tigerlamb
15. Artisan
16. El Camino Cantina
17. Kuhl-cher Coffee
18. King st Parking (levels 1-5 open)

### ACCESSIBLE INSIDE EKKA 6-14 AUG

16. El Camino Cantina
17. Kuhl-cher Coffee
19. Beerhaus
20. Welcome to Bowen Hills



● = CLOSED TO TRAFFIC 28 JUL-18 AUG ● = CLOSED TO TRAFFIC 18 JUL-19 AUG

# Check out the latest retailer arrivals...

## Never underestimate the power of a great outfit.

Suited to Success, another one of our 2022 Community Grant Recipients, has opened a brand new outlet in King St called Shop for Her which sells designer clothing at heavily discounted prices. Suited to Success provides styling, clothing services & career support to people who are struggling to enter the workforce. They encourage referrals from a wide range of organisations including: employment service agencies, personal support services, rehabilitation services, disability employment service providers, & non-profit organisations.

At Shop for Her you can purchase high-end, repurposed outfits with all proceeds going directly back into Suited to Success to provide free styling & clothing services to people in need. Their opening week saw them raise enough money to help 11 people, & it's all thanks to you! Plus they update their range weekly so you'll always have a new opportunity to shop for a new outfit.



## Suited to Success also works closely with other charities & community groups that specialise in assisting vulnerable members of our community including:

- > People who have experienced domestic violence
- > People at risk of poverty
- > People exiting correctional facilities
- > People living with a disability
- > People living with mental health conditions
- > Newly arrived migrants & refugees
- > People with housing issues

We are so excited to welcome them to the street & look forward to continuing to support our community through this program! Find Shop for Her on the corner of King St & Machinery St (next to the yellow combi).



# A LITTLE TASTE OF GREECE HAS ARRIVED!

## Spit-roasted meats, souvlaki & share plates..

Are you a sucker for souvlaki or a lover of lamb? Go gaga for our foodie precinct's newest kid on the block, The Charcoal Hub! Serving up authentic Greek flavours with slow flame-cooked, quality cuts as well as in-house special flavours that melt in

your mouth, The Charcoal Hub has quickly become a favourite lunch and dinner spot. With options for the whole family to enjoy, the restaurant fits the bill for a grab-and-go meal to enjoy in the restaurant, picnic style at the nearby Alexandria Park or in the comfort of your own home.

Must-try items from the Southern European-inspired menu include the traditional Souvlaki - but instead of choosing either chicken or lamb be sure to get their combo option and get both! If you have a group of friends in tow, you simply can't beat Charcoal Hub's share plates. Not a meat-eater? The falafel plate with tzatziki, hummus, salad or chips is nothing shy of tasty goodness.



## Don't miss the opportunity to try the menu everyone is talking about!

Lunch Hours | 11:00 AM - 3:00 PM (Mon - Sat)

Dinner Hours | 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (Mon - Sat)

# A scaly night out for families with the return of Movies in the Park



The return of King St's highly anticipated Movies in the Park was another roaring success with the double screening of The Land Before Time and the 1993 classic, Jurassic Park. Many local residents, wider community members and fur babies wandered down to Alexandria Park for an afternoon of dinosaur themed festivities. Our youngest viewers were able to experience prehistoric times with fossil digging and roaming dinosaurs, as well as some bright and scaly face painting.

Because there's no movies without snacks, La Macelleria's gelato cart returned for yet another packed evening. Whilst others tucked into the free popcorn or their exclusive King St Luxury Picnic Baskets with everything you need for the ultimate movie night in (or should we say out).

## Missed out? Not to worry, King St Movies in the Park will be back!

# Street-side dining at its finest!

## King St's famous long-table event has returned for 3 installments so far in 2022 & we have so much more in store!

In May, we celebrated all things botanic with a seven-course plant-based feast, raising our glasses to fresh & flavoursome vegan & vegetarian eats at the quick sell-out Botanic Brunch.

In June, we celebrated the Winter Solstice with a sumptuous long-table luncheon featuring warm winter flavours & soul nurturing drinks including mulled wine (of course)! With sweet sounds from Franky Smart, pasta from a massive wheel of Parmigiano-Reggiano, & gooey chocolate fondant, King St's finest certainly warmed the hearts of all our attendees.

In July, attendees tasted their way through a top-secret menu to celebrate the RNA's prestigious Royal Queensland Awards with farm to table dining at its finest. King St restaurants served up dishes showcasing the best produce from around the state, which attendees enjoyed alongside a three-hour drinks package including wine, sparkling & beer.

Our long table event is set to return in October this year - stay tuned to our socials to receive the latest updates, it's sure to be another sell-out!



# Community Grants Program

Through a partnership between Lendlease and the Community Enterprise Foundation, the King Street Community Grants Program is an initiative that showcases the commitment to creating amazing spaces and events for residents and the wider community. Take a look at some of the amazing projects that were funded in round 1 of 2022 below

## Revitalising one of our favourite laneways

Welcome to Bowen Hills is back and better than ever, hosting a calendar of events, food and sips to entertain diners. To support arts and culture in our community and the quirky space that is Welcome to Bowen Hills, we provided a \$2000 grant to rejuvenate the laneway famously associated with the venue. Local Brisbane artists were commissioned to create bright, colourful and artistic murals to highlight the precinct's connection to art and culture. Be sure to wander the laneway and check them out next time you are on King St!



## School tackles food waste challenges

The next generation has truly taken the future into their hands at Fortitude Valley Secondary College with the help of a \$2000 grant from Lendlease. In a battle against ever-growing issues in food production and waste, the Circular Economy project saw students stepping in with innovative sustainability ideas. The project gave students first-hand experience in environmental and social sustainability issues, arming them with the knowledge to create a better planet.

King Street Precinct is lucky to have beautiful surroundings and numerous retailers and residents who will benefit from the collaboration with Fortitude Valley Secondary College. The project hopes to invigorate our local community to be mindful of food waste challenges and deliver even more opportunities for growth. We cannot wait to see what comes next for the project and students

## Make a Mug, Make a Friend

We all agree that meeting friends and neighbours over a coffee can forge the person-to-person connections that have often been missing of late. The creative minds at artisan, with the help of a \$2000 grant, recently took this idea a step further by encouraging locals to get together at Kuhl-Cher while making their own mugs!

**King Street residents had fun trying their hands at ceramics,**

## Connecting our community

Those who don't have access to housing can also be uncontactable, which is a major barrier to accessing care, services and employment. Lendlease's \$2000 grant to 3rd Space allowed them to buy 26 entry level smartphones for the vulnerable members of our community. We were also thrilled to hear that 3rd Space has also been approved for the Telstra top-up program allowing the team to provide 3 forty dollar top-ups a year for these community members facing hardship.

For those facing financial hardship, the 3rd Space Connect program allows rough sleepers to connect with each other, access support online, and work with other 3rd Space programs. With the help of Lendlease's grant, vulnerable individuals have more access to wellbeing and mental health services as well.

## learning the skills to make their own personalised mugs from ceramicist Carys Martin.

Many people have been impacted by the recent rise in home working, reduced employment opportunities and disconnection from family and friends caused by travel limitations. We love that this event helps have a range of social and emotional benefits for our King St locals.



# Continuing to make great community projects happen...

## We continuously look for local groups and organisations with ideas for community-led projects and initiatives that benefit our incredible precinct.

We are excited to announce the latest projects to be funded by the King St Community Grants program and can't wait to see them come to life and make a difference. Read more about them below.



From left to right: Shannon Volp (Lendlease Social Sustainability Manager), Nick Quigley (Jazz Music Institute), Lesley Leece (3rd Space), Justin Davies (Lendlease Head of Operations Australia), Tamara Smith (Suited to Success)

## King St's Winter Jazz Festival

The sweet sounds of jazz music playing from Alexandria Park has become a popular tradition within the precinct and we are thrilled to support the new half-day winter jazz festival that is set to take place in Alexandria Park in September! Featuring four professional jazz groups of various sizes, the afternoon of entertainment is sure to wow our residents and visitors!



## Revitalising the Gardens at 3rd Space

3rd space Brisbane has two main garden areas accessible via the kitchens where people can relax and recharge. By providing herbs, vegetables and shrubs, we hope to help the centre rejuvenate the gardens so that they may use them in the food offered at the in-venue cafe.



## Coming Soon: Machinery Street Gallery Program

Our resident art and culture hub, artisan, will incorporate their internal curated exhibitions onto the street through the Machinery Street Gallery Program. Funding will be used for installation, associated infrastructure as well as public program and marketing assistance to provide event support for their exhibitions. Keep your eye out on our socials for the latest exhibitions!



# Leukaemia Foundation®



## Creating better places & helping those in need

Furniture from four of King St's display units were set to be returned when we saw a better opportunity to help families living and fighting Leukaemia. We were delighted to work with the wonderful Leukaemia Foundation to support two families who have children suffering from blood cancer and were also affected by the recent floods earlier this year.

The first family's Ballina home has been flooded twice this year while their son Josh was undergoing treatment in Brisbane. With mum Lisa unable to work while the family is in Brisbane, receiving our furniture donation will significantly relieve financial pressure.

The second family, who have relocated from Hervey Bay while their daughter undergoes treatment, also had significant flood damage to their home and lost their clothing, furniture and most of their home's flooring. The furniture donation will help alleviate some worry about repairing their home remotely.

We are humbled to hear that these donations help both families focus on their children's treatments while they remain in the Leukaemia Foundation Village in Brisbane.

## Wear it Purple Day

**Wear it Purple strives to foster supportive, safe, empowering and inclusive environments for rainbow young people.**

On Friday, August 26 from 7.30am to 9.30am Wear it Purple advocates will be pounding the pavements of King St, handing out coffee vouchers and promoting the importance of the day and what it stands for.



## Discovering stories through art on King St

King St recognised National Reconciliation Week and NAIDOC Week this year with a new art commission designed by Torres Strait Islander artist Tamika Grant-Iramu, which is now scattered from Fat Dumpling down to Carriage Street just before Rydges hotel. Stroll through the precinct at dusk to see the GOBO light projectors in their true beauty or the windows on the corner of Machinery St and King St.

Students from Fortitude Valley High School also benefited from a presentation and tour from Tamika, discussing her creative process and how she designs her artwork. She took the students through the process from concept to complete creative, illustrating each step along the way. During the presentation and tour, students were educated on Torres Strait culture and learnings that Tamika responds to and incorporates into her work.

**Guardian Early Learning Centre also took these incredible designs to create their own magic with a colouring competition for the students.**



## Craft & Design Exhibition

In June of this year, artisan welcomed the return of its Queensland Craft and Design Exhibition for emerging artists and makers, otherwise known as Unleashed. The biennial exhibition sees some of the best Queensland craft and design talent launch their careers through the opportunity Unleashed provides these practitioners.

Artisan staff worked collaboratively with colleagues from HOTA, NorthSite Contemporary Arts, University of the Sunshine Coast, Mackay Artspace and University of Southern Queensland to select this year's Unleashed artists from 5 different regional communities. A shout out to Unleashed 2022 artists: Chris Miller, Lisa Kajewski, Dan Watson, Ellie Coleman, Hailey Atkins, Kim Nolan and Kate Harding.

Unleashed 2022: Fresh Meet will run until August 20 so be sure to head in and see the incredible exhibition before it ends.

**Find artisan, Queensland's home of art and design, at 45 King St.**



**RUOK? DAY™**  
8 September 2022



**ASK RUOK?™**  
No qualifications needed

## RUOK Day?

Thursday, September 8 is RUOK? Day. As a harm prevention charity, RUOK contributes to suicide prevention efforts by encouraging

people to invest more time in their personal relationships and building the capacity of informal support networks – friends, family and colleagues - long before they're in crisis.

This year, King St will come alive with the colour yellow in recognition and will also be giving away yellow cupcakes, coffee vouchers and

conversation starter cards to all residents, workers and visitors on the street. Prizes will also be given out for the best dressed between the hours of 7.30am and 9.30am so be sure to don your best yellow outfit.

Join in the conversation on Thursday 8th September!

# What's on at King St



## Say cheers to International Beer Day at Beerhaus | Aug 5

What better place to celebrate National Beer Day on Aug 5 than King St's holy grail of beer! With 40 different & limited-edition brews sourced from both local & international breweries, these legends are sure to have one of the best lineups in Brisbane. Grab your mates & enjoy an ice-cold beer in celebration.

## Cheese Wheel Pasta is back at Il Verde

Your winter date night is officially sorted with the long-awaited return of Il Verde's famous cheese wheel pasta! Join them on the first Wednesday of every month & enjoy your pasta or gnocchi stirred up in a big melty wheel of Parmigiano-Reggiano before being served straight onto your plate. Dinner also includes a glass of wine or schooner of beer & delectable dessert, so get ready to feast. Book now by calling (07) 3638 0494.



## Weekly Wing Specials | El Camino & Beerhaus

Spicing up your weekend with spicy wing specials is El Camino Cantina & Beerhaus! Head into the resident tex-mex specialists on Wednesdays for their famous saucy wings for just 10 cents. Pair it with one of El Camino's signature margaritas, beer, wine or soft drink & you have yourself the perfect hump-day treat! Over at Beerhaus, you can spend Thursday's indulging in 1 cent wings (amazing) & Friday snacking on \$1 wings for the perfect knock-off treat.

## Blanche Tilden is coming to artisan | Aug 26

As the latest iteration of culture on King St, artisan will be hosting its new exhibition from Friday, Aug 26 for Blanche Tilden - Ripple Effect: a 25 year survey. Blanche Tilden of Geelong Gallery will showcase her acclaimed skills in contemporary jewellery until Saturday, October 22 before continuing her tour across Australia. The exhibition's free opening event begins with In Conversation with Blanche Tilden & curator Jason Smith, followed by special guest speaker Dame Quentin Bryce.



## Post-race brekkie | Aug 28 | Bridge to Brisbane

Brisbane's biggest fun run is back on Sunday, Aug 28! The Sunday Mail Transurban Bridge to Brisbane race will have runners finishing right on King St's doorstep. For those participating in the 10km race, you're set for an excellent brekkie to replenish your energy. King Street Bakery, Kuhl-Cher & Musette will be waiting with warm coffee in hand. Lunch more your vibe? There's no shortage of flavourful restaurants to refuel: you can grab authentic Italian at Il Verde or traditional Japanese at Sushi & Nori.



## Get set for Summer with CAMS latest offer | Aug

Shield yourself from the Aug westerly's indoors at CAMS Cycling Collective. CAMS 10 Session Indoor Cycling Pass ticks all the boxes to get you motivated & back on track for the Summer ahead. If you don't have a bike you can use one of their wahoo Kickr Bikes – no excuses! Pop in store, give them a call or email [cycling@camscyclingcollective](mailto:cycling@camscyclingcollective) to grab your 10 pack pass today. Valid for 6 months for use on any indoor sessions.

## Celebrate Dad on King St this Father's Day | Sept 4

King St's retailers are here to spoil Dad this Father's Day! Whether you pop into artisan for handmade goods or book some quality time at CAMS Cycling Collective, there is a gift idea for every Dad. Come Sunday, wake him up with a top-notch coffee from Kuhl-Cher & a gourmet pastry from King Street Bakery to start his day right.



## Veg out at Brisbane Vegan Expo | Sept 17 - 18

Plant-based pals, you're in luck this Sept: Brisbane Vegan Expo is coming to the Showgrounds! The expo is perfect for those who want to enjoy mouth-watering vegan food & features key speakers sharing their tips on switching to plant-based products. You'll soon be an expert in whipping up your own vegan treats & knowing the best household items, cosmetics & services to live the veggie dream. Looking for the perfect lunch spot after you visit the expo? Kuhl-Cher's vegan-minded menu is simply too good to pass-up!

## Sept 18 | Sweet dreams are made of Cheese(burgers) | Supercombo

National Cheeseburger Day is on the horizon! Since there's no such thing as too much cheese, celebrate with a loaded burger from Super Combo. Gorge on beef, fried chicken, & plant-based burgers to enjoy the special day - & with their burgers, two hands are better than one!

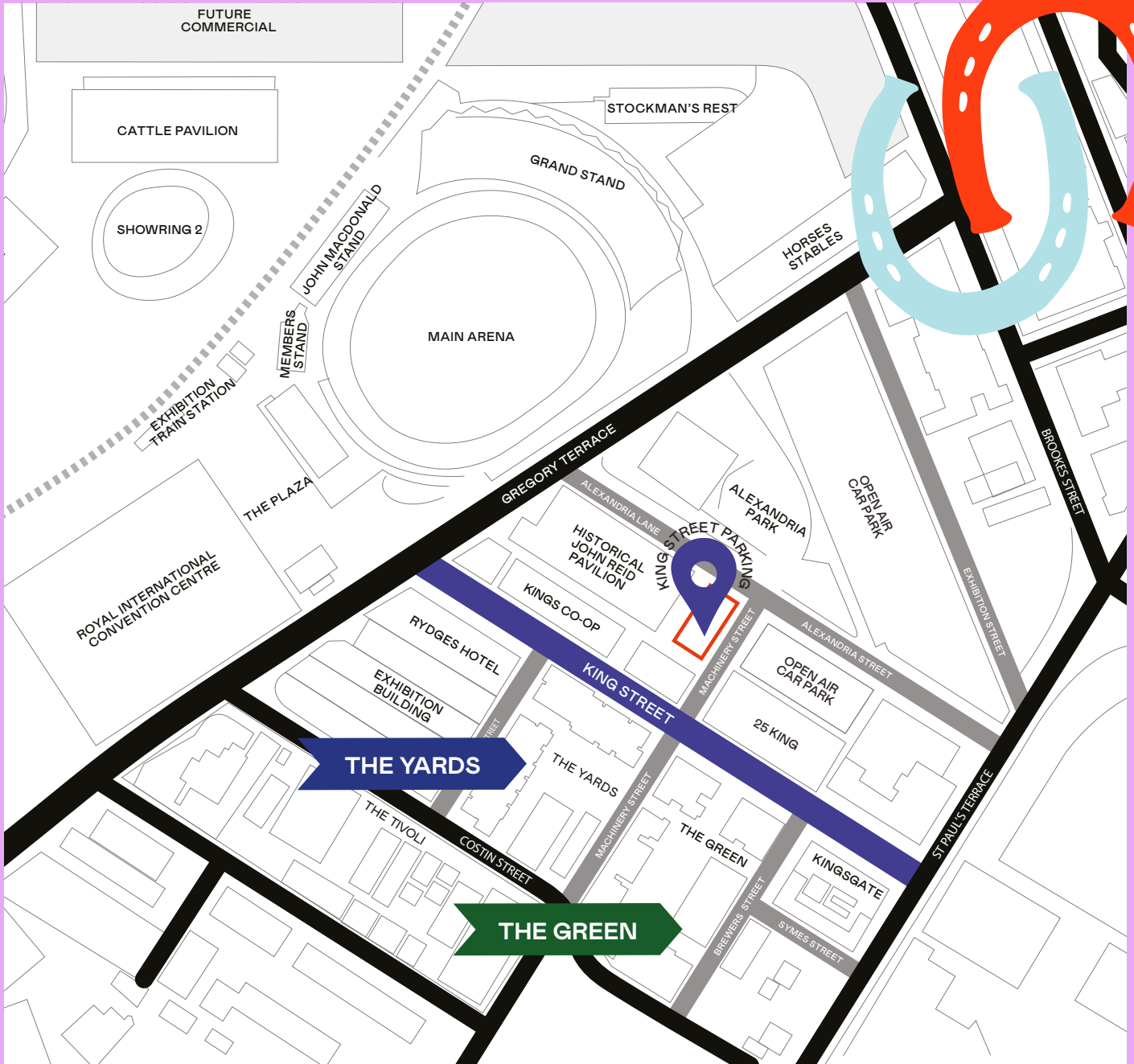


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## Parking offers on King St

Dining out plans with friends on King St? Enjoy 3 hours free parking in the King St car park after 5pm on weekdays, as well as 3 hours free all weekend (then \$10 flat rate after that). Tell them to look for the kookaburra. The Monday to Friday early bird offer is \$15 for the day if you enter before 9am and exit after 2pm (and leave before 12am). Note that this offer is available on level 3 and above only. Prices may be subject to change during special events, check for further information on our website. [www.kingstreetbrisbane.com/location/parking/](http://www.kingstreetbrisbane.com/location/parking/)



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