

IT'S LIVE!
in Queensland

CELTICFEST



WARWICK · QLD

30 SEPTEMBER – 1 OCTOBER 2023

WARWICK SHOWGROUNDS

Get your Celtic on!



Pipe Bands



Celtic Music



Highland Cows



Highland Games



Medieval Village



Entertainment

CelticFest is a community event run by volunteers

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Queensland
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The Regional Arts Development Fund (RADF) is a partnership between the Queensland Government and Southern Downs Regional Council to support local arts and culture in regional Queensland

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- Steele's Bakery
- Bunnings Warehouse
- Downs Explorer
- Warwick Caledonian Society
- Warwick Thistle Pipe Band
- Darling Downs Irish Club
- Inverness Highland Dance Studio
- Society of St Andrew, Scotland, DD Branch

**CELTICFEST CLAN
WELCOME**

100,000 Welcomes to CelticFest – a volunteer run community event!

We're delighted to have you at our second year of CelticFest held in our beautiful Southern Downs.

Our program is packed this year, and there's something for everyone to enjoy! Make sure you check out our at-a-glance schedule over the page. To fully plan your CelticFest and CelticFringe itinerary, go to the event website for full details on the various events being held across the weekend.

(www.celticfestqld.com.au or scan the QR code on page 5)

Don't miss your chance to view the Highland Games, pat a hairy coo (cow), cheer on a Viking battle, wander through the medieval village, rock-on or mellow out to a great line-up of performers on the main stage, join in a family ceilidh (dance), learn new skills in a workshop, be entranced by roaming entertainers – and much, much more!

We look forward to having you join us in the craic (fun)!

CelticFest Clan!



Hon. Stirling Hinchliffe MP

CelticFest Warwick would love to hear from you!

Please support our event by scanning the QR code and register your details to take part in our post-event online survey.

1. Launch the Camera app.
2. Frame the QR code.
3. Look for the notification banner at the top of the screen.
4. Tap the notification banner.

All participants in the post-event online survey will go into a prize draw to win a special CelticFest pack, which will include an official CelticFest polo shirt and your very own Highland coo*! (*not a real Highland coo)



A Message from the Minister for Tourism, Sport and Innovation and Minister Assisting the Premier on Olympics and Paralympics Sport and Engagement.

Welcome to CelticFest, a highlight on the It's Live in Queensland events calendar and a wonderful opportunity to showcase Warwick and the Southern Downs as a tourism destination.

The Warwick 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 welcome boost to the local

community & supports local jobs. Events like CelticFest & CelticFringe allow 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

ALL ABOARD THE FREE SHUTTLE BUSES

Park in town, browse the CBD then catch our **FREE SHUTTLE BUS** to and from the Showgrounds. Operating Saturday and Sunday. See timetable below.

SATURDAY 30 SEP	SHAMROCK EXPRESS (BUS 1)	CELTIC COACH (BUS 2)	CELTIC COACH (BUS 2)
BUS STOP	AUSTRALIANA PARK TO SHOWGROUNDS	POST OFFICE TO SHOWGROUNDS	SHOWGROUNDS TO POST OFFICE
FREQUENCY	EVERY 20 MINS	HOURLY	HOURLY
TIME	1:45PM - 10:15PM (LOOP)	1:45PM - 5:45PM	8:00PM - 10:00PM; PLUS 10:30PM

SUNDAY 1 OCT	SHAMROCK EXPRESS (BUS 1)	CELTIC COACH (BUS 2)	CELTIC COACH (BUS 2)
BUS STOP	AUSTRALIANA PARK TO SHOWGROUNDS	POST OFFICE TO SHOWGROUNDS	SHOWGROUNDS TO POST OFFICE
FREQUENCY	EVERY 20 MINS	HALF HOURLY	HALF HOURLY
TIME	8:45AM - 4:30PM (LOOP)	8:45AM - 10:45AM	3:30PM - 4:30PM



Scan for parking info. Limited street parking north of showgrounds

Post Office, Palmerin Street in front of Beta Electrical
Warwick Showgrounds, Gate 1, Kingsford Street
Australiana Park, Cleary Street entrance



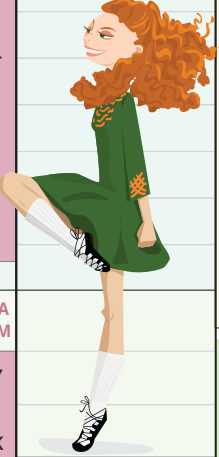



Get your official CelticFest Merch!

Head over to the CelticFest Information Tent and place an order for your official 2023 CelticFest T-Shirt or Polo.



Also available via the website www.celticfestqld.com.au

SAT 30 SEP	GRANDSTAND ARENA	MEDIEVAL ARENA	HORSE ARENA	HIGHLAND COO CORNER	THE PAVILION	MAIN STAGE	MARKET SQUARE	BANQUET PLAZA	GERAGHTY'S IRISH BAR	CELTIC KIOSK* Saturday & Sunday	CELTIC CANTEEN All Day Sunday									
2:00 PM	AUSTRALIAN HIGHLAND GAMES CHAMPIONSHIPS	CLOSE COMBAT, DEMONSTRATIONS AND WORKSHOPS THROUGHOUT THE AFTERNOON				REBECCA WRIGHT & DONALD MCKAY	MURRUMBA PIPE BAND	FEAST ALL DAY AT ONE OF THE MANY FOOD & DRINK OPTIONS AVAILABLE IN BANQUET PLAZA! COFFEE AND SNACKS ARE AVAILABLE THROUGHOUT CELTICFEST AND DON'T FORGET THE CELTIC KIOSK, AND GERAGHTY'S IRISH BAR!	MURRUMBA PIPE BAND	Taste the delights of Ireland and Scotland, with freshly baked Guinness, Haggis and Scotch Pies and flaky Haggis Sausage Rolls. You could enjoy a Haggis Bap or Keoghs and Tayto Crisps (potato chips surrounded by fresh Irish air) and wash down with an Irn Bru (more popular than Coke in Scotland) or an Irish soft drink, Lilt. For some real nostalgia, get in fast to savor a cup of Barry's Tea (the best tea in Ireland) with a slice of Soda Bread, butter and jam....yum. <i>*A limited menu is available from Celtic Kiosk</i>										
3:00 PM	JACOBITE BLACK POWDER DISPLAY VIKING BATTLES		HIGHLAND COO FACTS			AULD ALLIANCE	TWMB CALEDONIAN SOC. PIPE BAND REDCLIFFE SCOTTISH PIPE BAND		TWMB CAL SOC. & PIPE BAND REDCLIFFE SCOTTISH PB											
3:30 PM	AUSTRALIAN HIGHLAND GAMES CHAMPIONSHIPS		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SOUTHERN DOWNS REENACTORS • ORDER OF THE BEAR • JORTH GAR LIVING HISTORY SOCIETY • ROGNVALD'S LITH <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • AN T-ARM ALBANNACH • HORNMASTERS ARCHERY GROUP • THE RISING PHOENIX TRIBAL BELLYDANCERS • WOMEN IN HISTORY 		Free 30 minute talks with opportunity for pats & photos (\$5 - cash only) at the end.	CEILIDH 'KAY-LEE' IRISH BUSH DANCE HOSTED BY THE DARLING DOWNS IRISH CLUB UNTIL 8:00 PM MAXIMUM NUMBERS APPLY IN PAVILION	AUSTRALIAN CELTIC WOMEN		BRISBANE PIPE BAND			ALL DAY SATURDAY + SUNDAY: ROAMING ENTERTAINERS Including • WES MCGUINNESS • CELTIC MUSICIANS • THE RISING PHOENIX TRIBAL BELLYDANCERS • EAST STREET SINGERS • PIPE BANDS	BRISBANE PIPE BAND							
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9:00 AM	AUSTRALIAN HIGHLAND GAMES CHAMPIONSHIPS						MARKETS OPEN FROM 9AM - 4PM	BANQUET PLAZA OPEN 9AM - 4PM FEAST ALL DAY AT ONE OF THE MANY FOOD & DRINK OPTIONS AVAILABLE IN BANQUET PLAZA! COFFEE AND SNACKS ARE AVAILABLE THROUGHOUT CELTICFEST AND DON'T FORGET THE CELTIC KIOSK, CELTIC CANTEEN AND GERAGHTY'S IRISH BAR!				For more information on any of the events head to our Information Stand or scan this QR Code & be taken to our website.								
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GERAGHTY'S IRISH BAR

Saturday 2pm - 10pm
Sunday 10am - 4pm



With a view to the Arena and Celtic Central Stage, this is the perfect spot to sip on a freshly poured Guinness or taste some fine Whiskey. Or perhaps Magners Irish Cider, Valknut Mead or Baileys on Ice is more your thing! Catch up with your friends at Geraghty's, and get ready for some Celtic tunes - you won't be able to help having an almighty sing-along and a load of craic, with music on the Main Stage all weekend!

Times are approximate only and may change if circumstances change



Entry and Tickets
Shuttle Bus pick-up + drop off

**GATE 1
ENTRY**



**ALL ABOARD THE
CELTICFEST EXPRESS**
Hop on and off at these stations.
A great way to get around CelticFest.
A gold coin donation is appreciated.

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| 'THE JACKS' (RESTROOM) | FIRST AID |
| DISABLED FACILITIES | KILTED PIPERS |
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| COFFEE/HOT DRINKS | BAR TICKET BOOTH |

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