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2017 Queen City Ex wraps with a week of strong attendance

Regina, Saskatchewan – This year’s edition of the Queen City Ex wrapped up on Sunday, August 6. With weather cooperating for the most part, attendance remained strong and comparable to 2016 with 202,796 coming through the gates. Last year’s gate count was slightly higher at 208,267.

Regina Exhibition Association Limited (operator of Evraz Place) entertainment and events manager Chelsea Galloway is pleased with the event’s turnout and success.

“The week started off with some rainy weather and the threat of a few storms, but that didn’t seem to stop our fairgoers from coming out to experience the fun,” says Galloway. “The warm and sunny weather decided to stay for the rest of the week, and we were really pleased to see such a strong attendance throughout the whole event.”

As always, a highlight of the week was the Great Western Stage in Brandt Centre that drew crowds of music fans. The lineup brought diverse performances aiming to please all ages and genre preferences, keeping to Queen City Ex’s commitment of bringing great entertainment and experiences to fairgoers. Kicking things off on Wednesday, August 2 was Gord Bamford, followed by July Talk, co-headliners I Mother Earth and The Watchmen, and Ruth B for the next three nights. Brett Kissel gave an all-star performance to wrap up the Great Western Stage on the final day of Queen City Ex.

The Mosaic Flip for Hunger pancake breakfast was back for its seventh year on Sunday. From 10 to 11:30 a.m., pancakes and sausages in addition to gate admission were free to the approximately 4,000 fairgoers who brought a non-perishable food item and/or monetary donation for the Regina Food Bank. The Mosaic Flip for hunger pancake breakfast brought in a record-breaking total of 23,980 lbs. of food for the Regina Food Bank, bringing the seven-year total to 97,300 lbs.

Family entertainment company Kidomo brought an exciting new series of “meet and greet” tours with popular kids’ programming including PAW Patrol and Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles. Other attractions like the SGI Canada Family Fun Zone, SaskMilk Kidz World, SaskTel Thrill Zone and Ramada Plaza Midway Stage entertained the young to the young-at-heart with everything from clowns and illusionists to dog stunts and daring diving routines. Food continues to be a hit year after year. A number of wild and adventurous additions like cookies ‘n’ crème mini donuts, bacon-wrapped mac and cheese sausages, and ice cream waffle tacos satisfied all different tastes.

Organizers are already looking forward to next year’s Queen City Ex, taking place from August 1 to August 5, 2018.

For a look back at this year’s fun, [watch](#) the Queen City Ex 2017 wrap-up video.

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About Evraz Place

Situated in the heart of Regina, Evraz Place is one of the largest event complexes in Canada. The not-for-profit organization hosts the majority of Regina’s major events, including Canada’s Farm Progress Show and Queen City Ex. Evraz Place is home to Canadian Western Agribition, the WHL Regina Pats, the Regina Soccer Association and numerous concerts, trade shows and conventions. Visit www.evrazplace.com.

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