



ActewAGL  
Royal Canberra Show  
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# Media Release

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## ActewAGL ROYAL CANBERRA SHOW – Media Launch

**TIME:** TODAY AT 11.45am  
**LOCATION:** Exhibition Park in Canberra – Main Arena

The media is invited to the exciting launch of the 2009 ActewAGL Royal Canberra Show! Highlights will be Freestyle Motocross celebrating their 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary at the Show and Horses being back in action after the effects of Equine Influenza.

See the Freestyle Motocross do a 360 degrees back flip as high as the Grandstand to celebrate their 10 years at the Show! They started at the Show in 2000 with 3 bikes and two dirt mounds. **Gary Reid** who is behind all the success also **commentates for the Crusty Demons** around the world. For any media that want to share the pooled footage of Gary Reid and Geoff Cannock – they can call Kylie Yates on 02 6234 5670.

Horses are back – **meet Laurie Lever** who competed for Australia at the **Beijing Olympics**. His Horse will be here with its Olympic Rug. Laurie will compete in Showjumping. Plus, find out how Equine Influenza effected Horse people – how have they recovered? Have the Victorian bushfires affected the Horse community? Find out the answers at the launch as we will have horse people on hand for interviewing.

Meet the **Hodgson Twins** – they have been showing dogs for **over 50 years**. Their home was burnt to the ground at Steel Creek, Yarra Glen. All they have left is their dogs, their small bus (which they now have to live in) and they lost their pet cocky. They came to EPIC because they have no where else to go. Their dogs will be in the Show.

During the show, don't forget to visit ActewAGL and TransACT On Show for some great photo opportunities of Dr Harry Cooper, Milo the Clown, the CA Brumbies, the Canberra TransACT Capitals, Warehouse Circus and animals from the National Zoo and Aquarium.

### Programme for media launch:

**11.45am** Footage of horse events – up until 12pm  
**12.15pm** Freestyle Motocross display – 360 degree back flip  
**12.30pm** Interviewing opportunities.

For information on the ActewAGL Royal Canberra Show, visit our website on [www.rncas.org.au](http://www.rncas.org.au).

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