

Showtime Thursday!

Geelong Show organisers will be praying for fine weather when the show starts on Thursday.

Heavy rain washed out the main day last year, substantially reducing the crowds.

However, organisers are optimistic that fine weather for this year's 130th show will draw record attendances.

The show begins on Thursday at 1 pm and continues until Saturday night.

Show administrator, Mr. Bob Keddie, said yesterday good entries had been received in all animal classes.

Goats will be making their second appearance at the show, while the animal nursery will be displayed again.

Arena highlights include a working bullock and horse team, the Apostle Stunt Team and the Saturday night fireworks.

Mountain horseman and actor Ken Connley and his horse Ace will make guest appearances on Friday and Saturday.

Connley appeared in 'The Man from Snowy River' and a television documentary on the horsemen of Victoria's high plains.

All the usual show features, including amusements, rides, games, show bags, food and novelties, will be available.

Craft stalls and handiwork will also be on display.

Admission for Friday and Saturday rises by 50 cents for adults and pensioners to \$4 and \$3. On Thursday adults will be admitted for \$2.50 and pensioners \$2. Children will pay \$1 entry on all days.

The show committee will benefit from a \$10,000 grant for sheep pavilion extensions announced yesterday by the Minister of Agriculture, Mr. Kent, which should be ready for the 1985 show.

Full details of the show will be provided in a Geelong Advertiser Show supplement to be published on Tuesday.