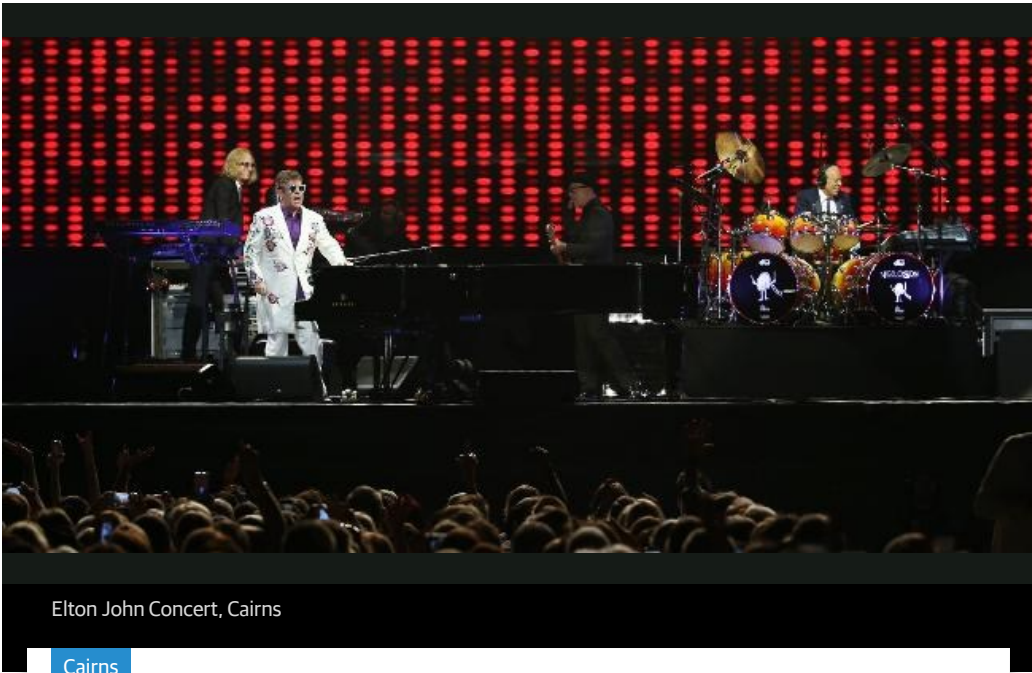


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Sir Elton John ‘excited’ to be performing for huge Cairns crowd at Cazalys Stadium

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UPDATE: GLOBAL music superstar Sir Elton John has donned a North Queensland Cowboys scarf and brought the crowd to their feet at Cazalys Stadium tonight.


The British pop legend placed the scarf on top of his trademark piano and started singing 1973 classic, Candle in the Wind, for his encore performance.


The crowd erupted and gave the 70-year-old a standing ovation.


It comes ahead of tomorrow’s NRL Grand Final between the North Queensland Cowboys and Melbourne Storm.




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📷 Music superstar Sir Elton John plays the final show of his Once in a Lifetime tour at Cazalys Stadium in Cairns. Picture: BRENDAN RADKE

EARLIER: SIR Elton John couldn't believe he was playing to a Cairns audience.

The global superstar ended months of build up when he fronted a clapping and screaming crowd at Cazalys Stadium earlier tonight.

"I never thought I would say this, but good evening Cairns," the 70-year-old said.

"We are so excited to be up here in this beautiful part of Australia. We are very stoked to play for you all tonight."



📷 Music superstar Sir Elton John plays the final show of his Once in a Lifetime tour at Cazalys Stadium in Cairns. Picture: BRENDAN RADKE

The 25,000-strong crowd erupted when the British singer sat at his trademark piano and played his 1974 hit The Bitch is Back.

He followed with Bennie and the Jets and Far North favourite I Guess That's Why They Call It The Blues.

The show is the final leg of the world famous singer-songwriter's "Once in a Lifetime" tour.



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EARLIER: THOUSANDS of revellers have started rolling into Cazalys Stadium for the biggest musical performance the Far North has ever seen.

The white seats are filling up fast on the sporting oval in preparation for the Sir Elton John's first concert in Cairns.



📷 Music superstar Sir Elton John plays the final show of his Once in a Lifetime tour at Cazalys Stadium in Cairns. Crowds start to arrive at the concert venue. Picture: BRENDAN RADKE

Edmonton resident Glenn Biddle has arrived with his daughter Kayla and wife Lea.

He said he first fell in love with the British superstar's music in the 1970s.

"That is when he really came out with all the great songs," he said

"His songs have got a meaning and have a good beat that you can sing along."

About 25,000 fans will jam into the ground for the final leg of the world famous singer-songwriter's "Once in a Lifetime" tour.

Mr Biddle said he never thought Sir Elton John would perform in Cairns.

"You got to support acts like this if you want them to come up here," he said.

Rockhampton music duo Busby Marou are due to perform at 6.30pm.





📷 Sir Elton John arrives at the Cairns airport in a private jet PICTURE: ANNA ROGERS

EARLIER: GLOBAL superstar Sir Elton John has landed in Cairns ahead of tonight's blockbuster performance.

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📷 Sir Elton John arrives at the Cairns airport in a private jet PICTURE: ANNA ROGERS

The performance is shaping up to be one of the most spectacular nights the Far North has seen as one of the world's biggest pop stars belts out his classics.

The regional tour has seen the adored musician perform in Mackay, Wollongong and Hobart.

The four shows are the 70-year-old's only concerts on the Australian tour.





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