



# MURGON MOMENTS

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MURGON at the foothills of Boat Mountain, in the heart of the Burnett Valley, part of the great South Burnett.



And this is what it's all about ... Christmas is a time to be happy, especially if you're a kid with a pressie!

(Photo: Cherbourg Radio)

**Cherbourg Aboriginal Shire Council organised a special Christmas Fair in Barambah Avenue on Friday (December 20) in a bid to lift spirits in the town.**

Mayor Arnold Murray told Cherbourg Radio 94.1 FM he and his councillors had become increasingly concerned at the amount of "sorry business" in the community recently (ie. 26 funerals in the last two and half months) and the impact this was having so close to Christmas.

The not-for-profit organisation GIVIT was contacted to see if they could help, and they came on board ... donating chocolates and gifts to be distributed to Cherbourg households.

Council received 400 packets of "Cadbury Favourite" chocolates plus a truckload of toys.

These were distributed at the Christmas Fair held outside the Council Chambers.

There was also a jumping castle, snow cones and other family-friendly activities.

## South Burnett economy reaches historical high of \$1.84 billion

The South Burnett regional economy has outperformed the Wide Bay Burnett region from figures released last month.

South Burnett Regional Council has recorded four years of Gross Regional Product (GRP) growth, increasing the size of the regional economy in the past year by 0.4% (June 2019). In comparison, the Queensland economy shrunk by 0.3% and the Wide Bay Burnett economy shrunk by 1.1%.

The growth in the regional economy can be largely attributed to growth in the sub industry sectors of:

- Professional, Scientific and Technical Services
- Exploration and Mining Support Services
- Coal Mining

While our neighbours in the Wide Bay Burnett have not realised GRP growth in the past year, these results are not reflective of all our neighbours. Western Downs reported growth of 7.3%, exclusively driven by Oil and Gas Extraction. Toowoomba reported growth of 3.0% and Sunshine Coast reported growth of 2.5%.

South Burnett also recorded four years of Full Time Equivalent (FTE) growth, driven by Warehousing & Storage Services and Agriculture. FTEs increased by 1.1% for the year ended June 2019, surpassing growth of 0.4% for the Wide Bay Burnett.

Despite falling, Worker productivity (-0.2%) and Household income (-1.4%) statistics were still better than the Wide Bay Burnett region, -1.9% and -4.8% respectively.

These positive statistics come on the back of record levels in value of building approvals (\$70 million in first quarter of 2019-20) and falling unemployment (June 2019 unemployment reported as 7.7%, the lowest end of year unemployment rate since June 2012). Economic statistics for the South Burnett are published online on the id economy platform <https://economy.id.com.au/>.

South Burnett Regional Council Chief Executive Office Mark Pitt advised, "As we close out the last decade and commence 2020, our region is well placed economically. There are good signs in our regional economy,

with continued investment across the region forecast. The current drought conditions continue to be of concern and Council will monitor the impacts both economically and socially. South Burnett Regional Council will also not be resting on these good numbers, and is currently developing a new Economic Development Strategy and Investment Prospectus."

For further information please contact Council's Economic Development team by phone 4189 9100 or email [info@southburnett.qld.gov.au](mailto:info@southburnett.qld.gov.au).



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## Changes to divisional boundaries for Local Government elections...

Did you know that the Electoral Commission Queensland has implemented new internal boundaries (divisions) in the South Burnett?

In 2019, the Local Government Change Commission finalised its review of the South Burnett Regional Council's divisional boundaries, with the approved changes coming into effect for the 2020 Local Government Quadrennial Election on Saturday, 28 March 2020.

The Electoral Commission of Queensland (ECQ) will be distributing Voter Information Cards (VIC) in the lead up to the election to advise voters of their division. In the interim, to see if your division has changed, or for more information about the review call the Electoral Commission of Queensland on 1300 881 665 or visit their website <https://ecq.qld.gov.au/lgr/dbrs>.

For further information on the Local Government elections, including arrangements for the caretaker period, election signage or information should you want to be a Councillor, head on over to Council's website <https://www.southburnett.qld.gov.au> and see the 'About Council' 'Council Elections' page.

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We can't believe it is 2020 already. 2019 seems to have come and gone so quickly.

Our Club finished the busy year in 2019 by cooking a barbecue for the Murgon SS concert evening, and helping at the Murgon Christmas Festival by providing the stage for the band and assisting to unload and load all the chairs and sell tickets for the children's fun activities, which included the jumping castle, big slide, obstacle course and gladiator ring.

From the profits of the Murgon Music Muster, we've been able to make donations to the Toowoomba Hospital Foundation for the Children's Ward; RACQ LifeFlight; the RFDS; the McGrath Foundation towards the South Burnett breast care nurse, and a Rotary project, Kids to the Coast, which will bring children from badly drought affected communities in Western Queensland to Bribie Island for a weeklong camp. More details on these donations to follow.

This month, one of our Murgon SHS students, Luke Beddows, will be attending the National Youth Science Forum in Canberra. Rotary sponsors eligible students each year for this 10 day residential camp which focuses on STEM activities – Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths. The attendees take part in the following activities :

Visit science and technology related laboratories and facilities; go on site tours; listen to lectures; take part in workshops; go to social events; and participate in group activities that improve communication and presentation skills.

We are looking forward to Luke speaking to us one evening after his return.

This month, the Murgon Golf Club has kindly offered their Open Day to us as a charity day and we will be providing lunch and prizes. Profits from this day will be donated to the Transport Division of Graham House to go towards the maintenance of their car in Wondai. If you're a golfer, we hope you are able to participate.

Happy New Year everyone. We hope some good, soaking rain is imminent.

## WONDAI SOCIAL FISHING CLUB, CHRISTMAS RAFFLE RESULTS.

1st prize: Christmas Hamper; Scott Johnstone.

2nd prize: Christmas Ham; Fred Ridder.

3rd Prize: Fruit Voucher: Pat Henry.

Wondai Social Fishing Club wish to thank:

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# Dob In a Dealer campaign will help clean up drugs in Wide Bay

Dob in a Dealer campaign run by Crime Stoppers Australia, benefitting communities across Wide Bay. The program is funded from the proceeds of crime, money that was destined to line the pockets of our most serious criminals.

“Dob in a Dealer is a call to action to Wide Bay communities to provide Crime Stoppers with information to assist law enforcement in disrupting the import, manufacture and supply of ice and other harmful illicit drugs,”

“We encourage Wide Bay residents to anonymously contact Crime Stoppers on 1800 333 000 or online at [www.crimestoppers.com.au](http://www.crimestoppers.com.au) to ‘dob in’ those people profiting from the use of illicit drugs in our community.

“Drugs such as ice have a devastating impact on local communities.

“The Government recognises that police can’t fight this on their own, and that our community can play a strong part to undermine and disrupt any criminal business models operating in local areas.” The last *Dob in a Dealer* campaign, which ran between February 2016 and March 2017, saw an average national increase of 95 per cent in drug-related information reports, including an increase of 143 per cent in the number of amphetamine-related reports from the public.

During 2016 in Queensland, Crime Stoppers received more than 17,000 drug-related information reports, including more than 5200 amphetamine-related reports. This led to more than 600 arrests and the seizure of more than \$1 million worth of drugs.

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Murgon - 3 bedroom home on a corner allotment close to all amenities. Polished timber floors, good paintwork, Spacious lounge with open fire, 2nd reception area at front. 3rd bedroom could easily be divided to make a 4th bedroom/office. Modern timber built in kitchen with dishwasher and gas stove. Brick foundations with chamferboard external walls. Tiled roof. Covered verandahs front and rear. Large colorbond shed with 2 remote lift doors, one with 3 meter opening will accommodate caravan/boat. Rainwater to house plus town water connected. Great buying at \$150,000.



Cloyna - 40 acres. Rural fenced. 3 stock dams and tank water at house. Hay/ machinery shed. Reasonable set of yards. Well cleared around house. Good all weather driveway. 2 bedroom weatherboard home on steel stumps. Verandah across front. New bathroom has been installed to provide a shower and vanity the toilet is separate. One bedrooms has built in robes and an air conditioner. New carpets, new paintwork and new tiles in kitchen and bathroom. Just needs a new owner now. \$180,000



Murgon - 3 bedrooms 2 bedrooms have air conditioning as does the lounge. The kitchen is older style and built in extending to a dining area. There is a small room off the dining area which would make a good office. The laundry is a few steps down from the kitchen and there is a 2nd toilet here. The bathroom has a shower over the bath. Good size yard with a garage with store room to the rear. Fenced. \$120,000 Currently rented at \$190 pwk.

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## Murgon Report 10/12/2019 (This was the last sale for 2019.)



Numbers were back to 650 in Murgon on Tuesday. Few Export cattle were yarded with some processors not attending due to excess numbers. Bulls sold to \$2.40 c/kg. Heavy Cows over 500 kilograms topped at \$1.98 per kilogram and \$1140.00. Cows 400 to 500 kg sold to \$1.98 per kilogram averaging \$1.70 per kilogram. Lighter Cows under 400 kg topped at \$1.97. Export heifers sold to \$2.43 per kilogram and \$1120.00. Cattle were drawn from Gayndah, Mt Perry, Biggenden, Nanango, Yarraman, Kingaroy, Killivan and locally. A draft of Santa feeder steers from Gayndah sold to \$2.89 c/kg topping at 494 kg and \$1428.00. 390 Charolais cross steers from Moffatdale sold for \$1088.00 at \$2.79 c/kg. 384 kg Brahman cross steers also sold for \$2.79 c/kg returning \$1073.00. Brahman cross steers from Windaera weighing 360 kg sold for \$950.00 at \$2.63 c/kg. Santa weaner steers from Wheatlands sold for \$569.00 and \$2.51 c/kg. Light Brangus weaner steers from Nanango sold for \$2.39 c/kg. Local Angus cross weaner steers sold for \$2.29 c/kg and \$536.00. 366 kg Charolais heifers sold for \$952.00 at \$2.60 c/kg. 2 pens of Charbray heifers from Nanango sold for \$2.55 c/kg to return \$907.00 and \$880.00. Limousin heifers from Wondai sold for \$2.55 c/kg for 269 kg and \$686.00. 2 pens of Brangus weaner heifers from Mondure sold for \$2.42 c/kg for \$596.00 and \$569.00. 290 kg Hereford heifers from Nanango sold for \$693.00 at \$2.40 c/kg. Lighter plainer quality weaner heifers still sold to a very tough market.

**The first Murgon sale for 2020 will be held on Tuesday the 14th of January at 8.00am**

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### Interested in being a QCWA member ?



QCWA Gympie and South Burnett Division wish to extend an open invitation to those who would be interested in joining our organisation. We are looking at establishing a new group in the Murgon area, but also not forgetting that we have several branches in our division which would welcome you along.

We will be holding this open day on Saturday 14th March from 10am at the Murgon Rooms, Macalister Street, Murgon. So please join us with your friends and discover the rewards of being a QCWA member.

Details are on our facebook page. Hope to see you there.

Regards, Julia Ashcroft, President, Gympie & Sth Burnett Division.

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### BYTE NITE dates

Jan 2020: Friday the 10th and Friday the 24th (pool) - Feb 2020: Saturday the 8th and Saturday the 22nd (pool)

## Murgon's Australia Day Ceremony



The Dairy Museum Murgon is once again the venue for Murgon's Australia Day Ceremony to be held on **Sunday 26th January 2020**.

The morning will commence with a free breakfast served from **7 – 8 am** followed by the official ceremony at **8.30 am**. After the presentation of awards you are invited to stay and enjoy morning tea.

Come and help celebrate and take the opportunity to congratulate the recipients of our local Australia Day awards.

The volunteers would like to wish everyone a "Happy New Year" for 2020 and look forward to your continued support.

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## Visit with a Vollie - Audrey Kapernick



This month we say farewell to Audrey Kapernick a long serving volunteer at Murgon VIC. Audrey has been with the centre for over 18 years, and was one of the first volunteers to sign up on New Years Day in 2001.

During this time Audrey has seen Murgon VIC undergo many changes, including staff. Prior to amalgamation in 2008 Murgon Shire Council underwent a restructure and as a result decided to dismiss staff which would lead to the closure of the Murgon VIC. Audrey rallied the troops and approached Council to keep the centre open under her supervision. Council agreed and Audrey remained in charge of VIC for four years until the newly formed

amalgamated South Burnett Regional Council took over.

Audrey and husband Bill have come to be known as the local historians, and have been a valued source of information and support to all the volunteers and visitors. Their local knowledge was often put to good use when bus companies came to town. Audrey & Bill would hitch a ride on the the bus give visitors a guided tour of the Murgon and Tableland areas. They both have a wonderful knowledge of the district and are always on speed dial for anyone looking for local history.

Thank you Audrey for your contribution to the Murgon Visitor Information Centre, the community and to our beloved visitors. You will be sadly missed by volunteers and staff.

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## Court Approves ‘Stolen Wages’ Settlement

The Federal Court has approved a \$190 million settlement reached earlier this year in Queensland’s long-running “stolen wages” class action.

The parties involved sought payment of wages withheld from Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander workers in Queensland from the 1930s through to the 1970s.

Cairns legal firm, Bottoms English Lawyers (BELAW), last year lodged a claim in the Federal Court on behalf of former North Queensland stockman Hans Pearson.

Nearly 2000 other former workers also registered as parties to the action but thousands of other former workers and their relatives will also be affected by the settlement.

The class action was based on the fact that Queensland “Protection Acts” in force between 1939 and 1972 required the wages of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander workers be paid to the Protector or Superintendent of a Reserve.

The law firm said these monies were paid to the Protector or Superintendent on “trust”, or subject to a fiduciary duty to act with care and control of the money received.

It claimed the State breached its duties as trustee, or its duties as fiduciary, by failing to repay that money

to the workers.

The action also claimed the State Government acted unconscionably when it introduced a Reparations Scheme in 2015 for these workers by demanding that a Deed of Agreement releasing the State from future action had to be signed as a condition to obtaining a payment.

Deputy Premier and Minister for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Partnerships Jackie Trad said in July the parties had agreed in principle to a settlement, subject to the Federal Court’s approval.

Judge Bernard Murphy said \$140 million – the amount left after legal and other costs – would be divided between more than 11,000 indigenous workers who had their wages stolen, or their relatives.

Media release courtesy South Burnett Online

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## QFES has again extended a local fire ban in the South Burnett, Cherbourg, Gympie and North Burnett council areas.

The local fire ban will remain in place until 7:00am on Monday, January 13.

There are still heightened fire conditions in the region which are perfect for bushfires to ignite and spread quickly.

Under a local fire ban all open fires are prohibited and all Permits to Light Fire which have been issued in the designated areas have been cancelled.

Power tools may be used during a local fire ban however QFES encourages people to use these with extreme care and ensure adequate equipment is available to extinguish any fire which may start.

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- [Qld Greats Awards](#) - Nominations open now. Closes 31 Jan 2020.

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### Llew O'Brien welcomes Action Plan to combat phone scams

Federal Member for Wide Bay Llew O'Brien has welcomed a new action plan to combat unwanted telephone calls by working with the telecommunications industry to stop scammers from operating over phone networks.

The *Combatting Scams: Action plan* was released by the Australian Communications and Media Authority (ACMA) this week after being signed off by Minister for Communications, Cyber Safety and the Arts the Hon Paul Fletcher MP.

"I've received numerous complaints by people in Wide Bay regarding the rising amount of scam calls that they've received," Mr O'Brien said.

"These criminals target some of the most vulnerable people in our country. They are a genuine inconvenience at the very least, and at worst, they can pose a significant threat or cost significant amounts of money."

Three trials will be conducted to help stop common phone scams and techniques.

The first trial is already underway and involves telcos identifying and blocking calls by scammers that appear to come from a well-known Australian organisation. There have been numerous reports in recent months of scammers using phone numbers from organisations such as the Australian Taxation Office and NBN Co.

The next two trials will begin in the first quarter of 2020, and will focus on stopping scam calls that try to entice Australians to call expensive premium numbers by leaving a missed call on their mobile phone. They will also crack down on networks that have a high volume of scam traffic.

"The goal of these trials is to allow Australians to trust that when their phone rings, they know it's a call that they want to receive," Mr O'Brien said.

"The Government is committed to stopping crime and preserving the security and privacy of all Australians, and I look forward to seeing the results of these trials."

A summary of the report is available on the ACMA website.

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### JOKE

*A man walks out on his front porch one day and sees a gorilla in the tree on his front lawn. He calls animal control and about an hour later a man shows up with a ladder, a pit bull, and a shotgun. The animal control employee tells the man, "I'm here to get the gorilla out of your tree. I'm going to use this ladder to climb up the tree and shake the branch the gorilla is on to knock him to the ground. The pit bull is trained to go after anything that falls from the tree and bites their balls which calms the animal down so I can put him in the truck." The man says "Okay, I see what the ladder and the pit bull are for but what is the shotgun for?" The animal control employee says, "Oh, that's for you. In case I fall out of the tree instead of the gorilla."*

## Kingaroy's Hospital crane name announced



The winner was Zen Akers who named the crane "Megga Legger"

79 entries were received in the colouring in competition

The Winners L-R: Zen Akers, Paige Reardon, Charm McKinnon, Emma Tones, Nellie Graham and Jared Alvarez-Gumaran.

An advertisement for South Burnett PCYC. The top part features the text "SOUTH BURNETT PCYC" in large white letters on a dark background, with the website "www.pcy.org.au" below it. To the right is the PCYC logo, which consists of a stylized white figure with arms raised inside a red square with a white arrow pointing up. Below the logo, the text "COME AND TRY OUR ACTIVITIES FOR FREE!" is written in large, bold, white letters with a red outline. The bottom part of the ad shows three young men in basketball uniforms (blue and yellow) in a crouching starting position on a basketball court. In the bottom left corner, the address "40 Macalister Street, Murgon, Qld 4605" and phone number "Phone: 4168 1889" are listed in white text.

If you or your child has been given one of these don't forget to redeem them

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# School Holiday Activities Weeks 1 & 4

South Burnett Murgon PCYC

## Thursday 9th January

9am-10am - Tiny Tots \$5

10am-11am - Gym Fun \$5

11am-1pm - Indoor Sports  
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1pm-2pm - Gym Fun \$5

2pm-4pm - Indoor Sports Free

4pm-5pm - Parkour \$5

## Friday 10th January

9am-10am - Tiny Tots \$5

10am-11am - Gym Fun \$5

11am-1pm - Indoor Sports  
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The Cherbourg Christmas Carnival was held outside the Council Chambers in Barambah Avenue



Recently appointed Cherbourg Council CEO Chatur Zala thanked the sponsors and Cherbourg Mayor Arnold Murray wished everyone all the best for Christmas

Christmas presents were handed out to the many children who rolled up, Even Santa dropped in.

(All Cherbourg photos courtesy Cherbourg Council and Cherbourg Radio)

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## Kingaroy Craft Weekend 29th February- 1st March 2020

The Kingaroy QCWA will hold a craft weekend 29th February- 1st March 2020 at their rooms 122 Kingaroy St Kingaroy. The crafts being taught are Bobbin Lace, Macrame, Dimensional, Paper Tole and Filet Net. Everyone is welcome to come along a learn a craft. Lunch and cuppas \$25 for the weekend, craft kits will be extra. RSVP to Lois 0407965094 by 15th February 2020

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## DROUGHT ASSISTANCE

If you are lucky enough not to be impacted, I am sure you know someone who is. Please take the time to review the BIEDO Hand Up brochure and pass onto people who may be in need. There is both financial assistance and health assistance available. Check out and pick up BIEDO Hand Up brochure at 80 Gore ST Murgon or if office is unattended phone 0400 695 456. Or E-MAIL. [community@biedo.org.au](mailto:community@biedo.org.au)

## Discover South Burnett hosts Regional Tourism Information night in Wooroolin

Discover South Burnett hosted a Regional Tourism Information night on Tuesday 10 December, providing results from 2018-19 destination marketing activity and presenting the draft 2020 South Burnett Marketing Plan.

Discover South Burnett realised great results from marketing activity in 2018-19, with increased hits to the Discover South Burnett website (increase of 72.5%) and return on investment for total expenditure of 12.9%. (Advertising value equivalent ÷ total expenditure).

Other highlights from 2018-19 included:

- The South Burnett location identifier - Inland from the Sunshine Coast. An easy drive from Bundaberg, Brisbane and Toowoomba. - is used by volunteers and others to provide quick explanation of regional location.
- Industry take-up of the Australian Tourism Data Warehouse (ATDW) subscription has been successful, with greater numbers of operators renewing or developing a profile and more events creating a profile than ever before.
- Discover South Burnett website updated to showcase ATDW subscribers within the Accommodation, Events and Food/Wine tabs.
- Five Travel, Caravan and 4WD Expos were attended by Discover South Burnett. Volunteers have supported staff in promoting the region at Expos, interacting with over 4,800 visitors.
- 45,000 copies of the Winter 2019 Let's go magazine were inserted in regional Victoria and New South Wales newspapers on 13 February 2019.
- The South Burnett has been profiled in newspaper features, radio interviews, magazine stories and online articles across Australia.
- Visitor Information Centre volunteers interacted with 53,838 people at regional VICs and travel expos.

The draft 2020 Marketing Plan adapts the Experience Framework developed for Tourism Queensland's 2025 Marketing Plan. Moving from regional icons, which have been the core of marketing activity in the South Burnett over the past couple of years, the Experience Framework is broader, as shown below.

The Experience Framework recognises the importance of South Burnett's Agriculture; Lifestyle, Culture & People; and Events to regional marketing activity, providing a clearer direction for marketing activity in 2020. Advertising will focus on Council owned facilities and availability of local produce/products, differentiating it from destination marketing activity.

Measurement through the Discover South Burnett website and visitation statistics from the regional Visitor Information Centre (VIC) network and travel expos plus advertising value equivalent (AVE)/return on investment (ROI), will continue. Presentation of results is complemented by industry wide statistics, such as visitors and visitor spend, sourced from Tourism Research Australia. Analysis of social media conversations relevant to South Burnett tourism and industry statistics, including employment and accommodation add further value to the information available for regional business operators.

Operators and interested persons who were not able to attend the Regional Tourism Information night in Wooroolin can access the 2019 Destination Marketing Report and the draft 2020 Marketing Plan on Council's website [www.southburnett.qld.gov.au](http://www.southburnett.qld.gov.au) (See Latest News). Feedback on the draft 2020 Marketing Plan will close on Friday 31 January 2020. Comments will be received by email to [info@southburnett.qld.gov.au](mailto:info@southburnett.qld.gov.au).

For further information please contact Council's Economic Development team by phone 4189 9100 or email [info@southburnett.qld.gov.au](mailto:info@southburnett.qld.gov.au)

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## Southern Cross Castra Raffle results Drawn on 4th December 2019

1st Prize Kevin Thornton , 2nd prize Lesley Schneider, 3rd Prize Dee, 4th Prize Narelle Hedges,  
5th Prize Margarethe Prendergast, Thank you all for supporting our Raffle, Audrey Kapernick

# IN MURGON THIS MONTH

Particulars available at the Visitor Information Centre

Wednesday	8	SB PCYC School Holiday Program
Thursday	9	SB PCYC School Holiday Program
Friday	10	BYTE Nite, SB PCYC School Holiday Program
Saturday	11	Community Prayer evening for fire victims,
Sunday	12	Church Services, Murgon Markets,
Monday	13	SB PCYC School Holiday Program, End of holiday break for most,
Tuesday	14	First Murgon Cattle Sale 2020, SB PCYC School Holiday Program, FAIS Training,
Wednesday	15	SB Regional Council Meet, SB PCYC School Holiday Program
Thursday	16	SB PCYC School Holiday Program
Friday	17	SB PCYC no School Holiday activities,
Saturday	18	Bowls, Golf,
Sunday	19	Church Services, Bowls, Golf,
Monday	20	SB PCYC free gymnastic sign on day, SB PCYC School Holiday Program
Tuesday	21	SB PCYC School Holiday Program
Wednesday	22	SB PCYC School Holiday Program, Murgon Men's Shed
Thursday	23	SB PCYC School Holiday Program, Murgon Men's Shed
Friday	24	SB PCYC School Holiday Program
Saturday	25	Murgon Moments closing off, Murgon Men's Shed
Sunday	26	Church Services, Bowls, Golf, South Burnett Australia Day Awards night, Prawn on the Lawn at Dusty Hill,
Monday	27	Australia Day Public holiday, Murgon Awards breakfast at Murgon Museum.
Tuesday	28	School starts for 1st term 2020
Wednesday	29	2nd day of School, Murgon Men's Shed
Thursday	30	Golf, Murgon Men's Shed
Friday	31	Nanango Electorate Year 12 School Leavers Bursary closes, Qld Greats Awards closes,

## DATE CLAIMER FEBRUARY 2020

Saturday	1	26th Annual Stamp Fair – Nanango, Murgon RSL Sub Branch Annual General Meeting, Bowls, Golf, Murgon Men's Shed
Friday	7	Legends of League,
Saturday	8	8th & 9th Boondooma Dam Fishing Competition, Legends of League, Bowls, Golf, Murgon Men's Shed
Saturday	8	Cooyar Show, BYTE Nite, Shed Men, Murgon Junior Golf Day, Bowls, Golf,
Thursday	13	MBDA Breakfast Meeting,
Saturday	15	Nanango Valentine Race Meeting, Bowls, Golf, Murgon Men's Shed,



# Happy Birthday

Editors comment: Lyn Koy has been an avid supporter of our local magazine the Murgon Moments since its inception some 13 years ago. Lyn and Helen Bone (deceased) were some of the original people behind the Murgon Mosaic, now called the Murgon Moments.

We used to receive a lot of letters in those days that needed typing and sending to me by e-mail and Lyn would do the typing until she suffered with Parkinsons. Some of the letters would contain words that both of us had never heard of and we would look up the dictionary to make sure of its authenticity.

Lyn still keeps me on my toes and criticizes me for any errors that we make. Lyn and husband Darryl and his sister Phenella deliver our magazine to all the Murgon local businesses each month. Lyn has been acknowledged previously for her volunteering work in the community over many years by receiving an Australia Day Award.

*Photo L-R: Lyn Koy (nee Pratt) and her sister Carol Garner (nee Pratt), Happy 70th Birthday Lyn, hope you had a fantastic day celebrating with family and friends at Moffatdale Ridge.*

***A boy asks his father, "Dad, are bugs good to eat?" "That's disgusting. Don't talk about things like that over dinner," the dad replies. After dinner the father asks, "Now, son, what did you want to ask me?" "Oh, nothing," the boy says. "There was a bug in your soup, but now it's gone."***

# The Clinic

Potpourri 4263 "The Old Doctor"

An old Doctor by the name of Harold Geezer became very bored in retirement and decided to re-open his medical clinic. He put a sign up outside that said:

"Dr. Geezer's Clinic. Get your treatment for \$500, if not cured, I'll give you back \$1,000."

Doctor Young, who was positive that this old geezer didn't know beans about medicine, thought this would be a great opportunity to get \$1,000. So he went to Dr. Geezer's Clinic.

Dr. Young: "Dr. Geezer, I have lost all taste in my mouth.Can you please help me?"

Dr. Geezer: "Nurse, please bring medicine from box 22 and put 3 drops in Dr. Young's mouth."

Dr. Young: "Aaagh!! This is Gasoline!"

Dr. Geezer: "Congratulations! You've got your taste back.That will be \$500."

Dr. Young gets annoyed and goes back after a couple of days figuring to recover his money.

Dr. Young: "I have lost my memory, I cannot remember anything." Dr. Geezer: "Nurse, please bring medicine from box 22 and put 3 drops in the patient's mouth." Dr. Young: "Oh, no you don't, that is Gasoline!"

Dr. Geezer: "Congratulations! You've got your memory back. That will be \$500."

After having lost \$1000, Dr. Young leaves angrily and comes back after several more days.

Dr. Young: "My eyesight has become weak --- I can hardly see anything!!" Dr. Geezer: "Well, I don't have any medicine for that so, here's your \$1000 back" as he hands him a \$10 bill.

Dr. Young: "But this is only \$10!" Dr. Geezer: "Congratulations! You got your vision back!

That will be \$500."

The Moral of the Story

Just because you're "Young" doesn't mean that you can outsmart an "old Geezer."

Remember, don't make old people mad. We don't like being old in the first place, so it doesn't take much to really piss us off.



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MORGAN, Ruth May, Late of Stonelands

MULLER, Andrew William (Andy), Late of Wondai and formerly of Maroochydore

HAYLEY, Rachel Anne (nee Bolger), Late of Cloyna

HOCKEY, Beverley Ellen, Late of Manumbar

HOLLAND (nee Orchard), Helen Jean, Late of Tansey

RYAN, Rosa , Grandmother of Rachel Anne Hayley (nee Bolger)



### Community Prayers this Saturday 11th January

Wondai Town Hall 3.00pm for those who have lost their lives in the fires, their families, those who have lost homes, those fighting the fires, for rain to stop the fires, for our farmers & for our nation in general.

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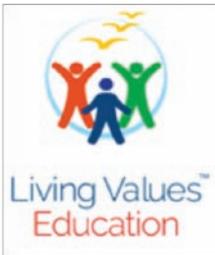
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Our small group of 10 meets for 12 weeks. Starts Feb 3 – Mondays, 7-9pm, It's free, donations welcome. Venue: PCYC. By booking only. Ph: 4169 0301 <http://livingvalues.net/distance-groups>

It is not often that a small country town likes Murgon finds itself nominated for an international not-for-profit organization pilot project. Of course, there are some extenuating circumstances; the Australian representative, Roger Miles, also current deputy president of the Swiss based Association for LivingValues Education International does live in Wondai, that and this organisation's pilot Values based Study Group programme will be very much sought after in similar size communities to ours in many of the other 40 plus countries where other representatives are seeking new ways to present Values Awareness if the Murgon pilot activity proves successful.

This Living Values project provides the opportunities for individuals around the world, in business, at home, in the community to start their own LIVING VALUES STUDY GROUP - bringing together a small group of friends or like-minded people from their community and joining together each week and exploring the modules, techniques and assignments that the Organisation has developed over the past 20 years. Over twelve consecutive weeks, with just two hours per week a change of life can take place.

Roger Miles says, "By honestly embracing the ideals presented participants are literally empowered to build the momentum that allows change to take place in every facet of their life." The Study Group's Self Reflection focus is appropriate for the business person as much as the mother at home, a builder, farmer, student or school teacher. The only requirements are honesty and a commitment to explore the ingrained motivations which through not living in the potential of our values are preventing us from being, living in the fullness of our Life.

Yes, it's true, everyone has their own set of values, but do we really live them? Living Values Education focus is based on 12 core Values – Peace, Love, Respect, Tolerance, Responsibility, Honesty, Humility, Happiness, Cooperation, Simplicity, Freedom and Unity. The benefit from exploring these Values together is the wonderful transformation witnessed that occurs when people acknowledge and are empowered by their Values and begin to live their lives through them. When each of us becomes willing to be the extension of Living Values and demonstrate that to others, we provide the example for them to change their way of seeing their world. This is particularity obvious in family dynamics.

It is from this premise that Living Values Study Group comes to the little town of Murgon, starting early February. The venue will be at the PCYC, 7-9pm on Mondays. Attendance for the 12 weeks is a requirement and bookings must be made, group size is ten participants. The voluntary nature of the Organisation provides the Study Group free of charge, small donations are certainly welcome to cover overheads.

**Full details : Roger 4169 0301- [www.livingvalues.net](http://www.livingvalues.net)**



SB PCYC graciously accepts a cheque of \$7,000 from proceeds from the recently held Murgon Police Charity Masquerade Ball. The proceeds will go to the BYTE Nite program

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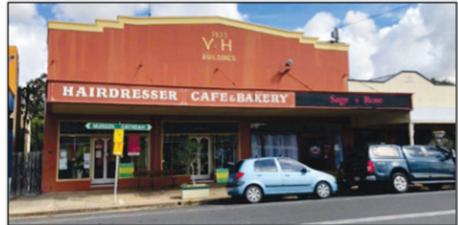


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Comfortable 3 bedroom home close to Schools, on 1148 SQM has become available for sale. Separate kitchen and L shaped dining and lounge area. Very good 3 bay cemented shed, garden shed, fenced veggie garden, a tank for the house and 1 for the garden. Cement stumps, clad & freshly painted. **WONDAI \$180,000**



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*On their way to get married, a young Catholic couple is involved in a fatal car accident. The couple found themselves sitting outside the Pearly Gates waiting for St. Peter to process them into Heaven. While waiting, they began to wonder: Could they possibly get married in Heaven? When St. Peter showed up, they asked him. St. Peter said, "I don't know. This is the first time anyone has asked. Let me go find out," and he left. The couple sat and waited, and waited. Two months passed and the couple were still waiting. While waiting, they began to wonder what would happen if it didn't work out; could you get a divorce in heaven? After yet another month, St. Peter finally returned, looking somewhat bedraggled. "Yes," he informed the couple, "You can get married in Heaven." "Great!" said the couple, "But we were just wondering, what if things don't work out? Could we also get a divorce in Heaven?" St. Peter, red-faced with anger, slammed his clipboard onto the ground. "What's wrong?" asked the frightened couple. "OH, COME ON!," St. Peter shouted, "It took me three months to find a priest up here! Do you have any idea how long it'll take me to find a lawyer?"*

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## Fantastic festive season fishing



Hunter with a great bass from Boondooma.

The festive season is a great time of year to be outdoors with family and friends and It's also the best time of year to be on the water as the temps are hot, and the fishing is accessible to every angler of any ability. If you haven't been out yet, make sure you start planning your next trip because this time of year is the best chance to get yourself onto some trophy size Bass, Yellow belly from Lake Barambah and even a Saratoga from lake Boondooma.

### **Boondooma**

Over the past couple of months, the fish have moved into the thermocline and are a real target for our avid trollers and casters. The 15 to 25 foot depth zone is where you will find them. The most productive areas on the dam are the deeper sections of water around the rocky walls and the Buoy line near the dam wall. The most productive bite time is from lunch time through until dark when the day is at its hottest.

The key to finding a good school is using your electronics to slowly sound over likely areas. If you don't have a sounder tie on a couple of deep divers or a 5/8 spinnerbait and start trolling. If you get a bite or fish, troll around the area that you had the action. Remember to be patient when looking for fish, as it may take a while to locate them if you're not familiar with the dam.

Lately i've been catching my best quality fish suspended in deep water. They have been sitting in the thermocline at 15 to 20 feet. I target these fish using a variety of baits, initially starting with a soft bait, a 1/2 ounce rigged soft plastic. I cast this out and begin counting to 7 seconds to let the lure sink into the strike zone. When the plastic is down to the desired depth I then start a slow roll and add a few twitches every now and then to change the swimming pattern, as the plastic glides through the water. Continue this until you get bites but keep rolling the plastic until you get a solid hook up. If this method doesn't work, don't be afraid to change your lure until you are happy.

The Bass can be fussy when it comes to feeding when they are suspended in the column. I like to try plastics first and then move to a reaction bait. My preferred reaction baits for summer suspended fish are 12 to 20 gram



spoons, spoons like the Norries Wasabi, Halco Twisties or Palms slow blatts are all great spoons for catching suspended fish in Boondooma.

With these lures, make a long cast and let the lure sink down 5 to 10 seconds. Once the lure is down in the zone, start a fairly rapid retrieve with a few twitches every now and then. This is where the fish are forced to either ignore the lure or react out of instinct to bite as the bait zooms past. It's a very effective method, with Bass well over the 50 mark regularly hitting the deck.

Charlie with a cracker of a Yellow-belly from the steep walls of Boondooma.

Trollers are catching some really nice fish using deep diving hard bodies and 5/8 Bassman spinnerbaits around the same areas as I mentioned earlier. The key is to be patient.

Bait fisherman are catching some good numbers of Bass and Yellow belly using live shrimp caught from the dam. Try to anchor over prominent points in the dam in 15 to 20 feet and also try the timbered sections of the dam.

Red claw have been a little slow but drop your pots around the rocky banks of the dam and also just wide of the weed beds.

### Lake Barambah

BP dam has been very consistent over the last two months, producing good numbers of fish of varying species and sizes. The fish are in great quantity, but it just takes a bit of moving around to put yourself onto some quality. Areas to target are the deeper water out the front of the dam wall, and the Quarry area. The fish have been sitting in the 15 to 20 ft mark and on the bottom in the same zone. I've been catching the majority of fish using a 1/2 ounce rigged plastic, with the same method as explained for Boondooma. Also heavier spinnerbait's and Chatterbaits have been working well on the bigger fish when your focussing on the reaction bite.



A nice brace of Bass caught from the timber at Lake Boondooma

Some big Yellow belly are being caught, but they have been a bit quiet. The key to catching a few Golden's when its quiet, is to focus on fishing the bottom. In this case, tie on a blade and hop it gently off the bottom. The Yellow belly are a real sucker for a hopped blade and it won't take long to catch a few fish using this technique. The smaller Bass also don't mind this technique but it won't be long and you'll be in contact with some nice fat Golden Perch.

Trollers are getting good bags of fish trolling 5/8 Bassman spinnerbaits and deep diving hard bodies. Areas to target are the deep water around in front of the dam wall, Bass point, around Lightening ridge and around any prominent points.

Bait fisherman are catching plenty of fish just wide of the steeper rocky banks. Don't try and head up the back of the dam as the water levels are low and you will get stuck in the mud.

Redclaw are still about and are coming from the steeper banks.

Saratoga are a tough species to target but have been making a regular appearance at Lake Boondooma.



### Fishing Charters

The fishing of late at BP and Boondooma have been fantastic with most sessions producing numbers of fish and some great quality. BP dam is fishing well for anyone wanting to learn how to fish suspended fish with soft plastics. Boondooma has been producing a great mixed bag of species, so if you'd like to learn more about targeting a particular species, all you have to do is ask and make a booking.

Don't forget that you can book a fishing charter with me on BP and Boondooma dams and many other dams in QLD. If you'd like a great day out and all the info and knowledge to catch Bass, Yellow belly or Saratoga in our great dams make sure you give me a call on 0408658592 and I'll be happy to take you out for a great days fishing.

You can also check out our website on [www.australianfreshwaterfishing.com](http://www.australianfreshwaterfishing.com)

**Until next month, tight lines and bend rods**

**Matthew Langford**



## Wondai Regional Art Gallery January 2020 Exhibition

The Pastel Society of Australia Inc is a not for profit art society devoted to the education of member artists and promotion of the use of soft pastels as a fine art medium. Soft pastels are pure pigment in a stick form. Members are predominantly based in South East Queensland but also have many country, interstate and international members. Many members are gaining worldwide recognition for their talent and the trend seems to be exponentially expanding. Soft pastels are gaining worldwide popularity even in China where it is an integral part of the art curriculum in education from preschool onwards.



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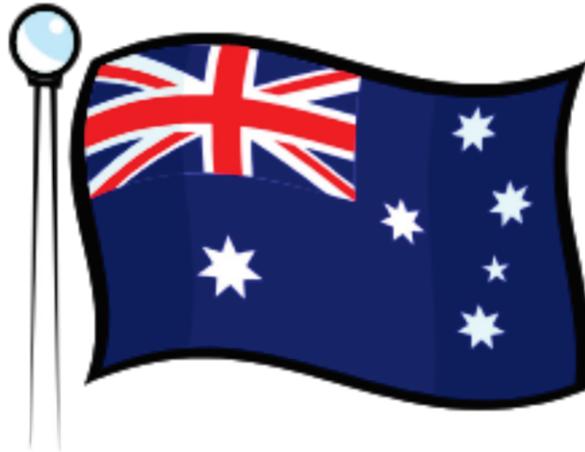
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You can learn the dinky di lingo and read the local rag, maybe try some Aussie tucker and go off the main drag. Tho there's droughts and floods and fires, cyclones and stormy thunder, let's raise a glass to OZ, the wide brown land down-under, and this year remember our fireies and those families who have lost so much and our volunteers trying to help make things right.

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### Murgon Hospital Auxiliary Raffle

#### Winners

1st Janelle Braithwaite , 2nd Sharon Zoldak , 3rd Keith Wallace , 4th Sue Kenward , 5th Pauline Wallace ,  
6th Pauline List , 7th Poppy Rawlings , 8th Pat Pincott.

Cheers Ashley



## RESERVE FORCES DAY END OF YEAR REPORT 2019

As 2019 comes to close there is a need to review the work of the year.

Reserve Forces Day at Wondai is unique. The original intent of the RFD here has been to make sure the occasion is as inclusive as possible and along those lines the effort has been reasonably successful even if the message hasn't sunk in, in some quarters. Another reason Wondai is unique is that according to the routine established since its inception back in 1998 was that two separate events were to occur-the Recognition Service on one day and then the Parade on another. This arrangement was never going to work so at the establishment of the Wondai RFD a decision to collapse both events into a single day chiefly because there was an understanding that participants from far and wide would be attending and there was an idea that the parade timings would allow for their arrival and departure in daylight hours. Taken as a whole it appears as if the occasion at Wondai is the sole remaining Parade and Service of its kind left in the country as many others have either come and gone or taken some other form.

And so to 2019. The year was an Army Year in keeping with the cycle of each Service Arm being represented on a turn by turn basis – next year is a Navy Year. Because 2019 was tied to the 80th Anniversary of the Outbreak of the Second World War it meant that the events of that year, 1939 were featured throughout the year in various ways much as 1940 will be next year. Part of this years' historical nods went in the direction of the Centenary of the Signing of the Peace in Paris in 1919 which officially ended World War One.

The administrative arrangements for the RFD Parade and Service followed the established criteria espoused since the commencement of the occasion at Wondai in 2006 and has had very few changes since. The committee arrangements have been kept purposely small so there is an untroubled progress from one year to the next.

The 2019 Principal Military Guest and Reviewing Officer was Captain Jason Scanes who is an Afghan War veteran and founder of the Forsaken Soldiers veterans group.

Commencing with a wreath-laying and raising the flag at the Wondai Cenotaph to begin the program followed by a visit to the CWA Coffee Stall ably manned by the stalwarts of the Wondai Branch who have been a feature of RFD from the beginning in front of the Post Office parade participants have a chance to say g'day and catch up if they already haven't in the period prior to being called to Fall In for the Parade.

Participants in the Parade and Service were the Wondai District Band; the Gympie Troop, 5th Light Horse; the 25th Battalion Association; the 31st Battalion Association who also had members of the Navy Women's Association in their ranks and the 49th Battalion Association and a volunteer party from 135th Army Cadet Unit Wondai. There were members from other branches of the services also present. Hopefully 2020 will see the return of the ex-military vehicles absent this year.

The Reviewing Party consisted of Captain Scanes; the Mayor of South Burnett Regional Council Keith Campbell; the Deputy Mayor Kathy Duff; Councillor Ros Heit and the Chaplain Cam Rub

For the Recognition Service it follows the lead of an Anzac Day Service in keeping with the reason why the parade is conducted in the first place which is to recall the re-establishment of the Citizens Military Force after the Second World War and serve as a reminder of those who have given their support whether families or employers or both.

The administrative support provided to the committee is a credit to the goodwill and good natured big heartedness of the good folk of Wondai and the surrounding district.

The support comes from Wondai RSL Sub Branch and Wondai Diggers Club; South Burnett Regional Council; South Burnett Security & Traffic Control; Wondai Post Office; Wondai Country Women's Association; Wondai Police; local and regional media; Hotel Cecil; Wondai Art Gallery and from a scratch team of help that appear each Parade day to help set up the Parade Ground and take it down after the Service has concluded. Without such help from all these organisations and people the event wouldn't get over the line.

And so the committee proceeds to 2020 with some confidence that Wondai will once again provide a consistent and welcoming venue for what will be the 15th Parade and Service with old friends and colleagues along with, hopefully, many new friends and colleagues to be a part of or participate in the Wondai Reserve Forces Day.

A full program for the 2020 RFD Parade will be despatched in the New Year for your interest.

Noel Selway, Secretary , Wondai RFD Committee, 114 Baynes Street, Wondai Qld. 4606. 07 4169 0448

## Eileen Thanked For Years Of Service



Murgon RSL Sub-Branch Citizens Auxiliary president Gloria Bell and Pastor John Drew presented the membership certificates to Eileen Smith, centre  
December 6, 2019

A special presentation was made to a local resident at the Murgon RSL Sub-Branch Citizens Auxiliary's community Christmas lunch on Thursday.

Eileen Smith was presented with two certificates – one for 30 years cumulative membership of the Returned and Services League of Australia, and another for 30 years membership of the RSL Citizen's Auxiliary.

The certificates were presented to the Castra resident by Murgon RSL Sub-Branch Citizens Auxiliary president Gloria Bell and Murgon RSL Sub-Branch spiritual adviser Pastor John Drew.

Eileen joined the Women's Royal Army Corps in Britain and was stationed with the British Army in Germany between 1951-54.

In 1957, she moved to Australia with her parents, settling in Victoria. She was the first female committee member at the Shepparton RSL Club. Eileen later moved to Murgon and became involved in RSL activities in the local area.

About 80 diners enjoyed the Christmas lunch held at the Murgon RSL Club. Well-known local saxophonist Tom McKenzie provided the musical entertainment as well as a choir of young singers from St Joseph's Catholic Primary School. The Prep to Year 5 students sang carols and also read out some poems.



A large crowd of diners filled the Murgon RSL's function room.

**Murgon's major town celebration has been shifted to an Easter Speggtacular, but that didn't mean the town forgot about Christmas!**

The new-look Murgon Christmas Festival, run by the Barambah Ministers Association, was held in QEII Park in the centre of Murgon's CBD on Friday, December 13.

There was fairy floss and face-painting for the kids, jumping castles, food stalls, live music from Iron & Clay, Axel The Ambulance dropped in courtesy of the Murgon Local Ambulance Committee ... and, of course, there were Christmas carols.



Fun at Hivesville Christmas Fair. Thanks to Barb Hockey & all of the helpers, everyone said it was great. Thanks to Mal Brodie's band & Spike Butler for transporting Mrs Claus safely!!

# GOOMERI NEW YEARS EVE RODEO & Open Bull Ride



The Goomeri and District Show Society held their popular annual New Year's Eve Family Rodeo at the Goomeri Showgrounds to help ring in the New Year.

Over 60 entries were received for the barrel racing and the bull ride featured some bone jarring action and after the Rodeo action concluded the crowd were entertained with live music. A fully licensed Bar & BBQ supplemented the evening. Visitors started arriving days before and enjoyed the free non powered camping that was available on the night.

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# murgon services club



Officer in charge of the SB PCYC Sgt Renae Bond accepts a cheque of \$1,000 from the Murgon RSL Sub Branch towards the BYTE Nite program



At the Christmas breakup, Councillor Kathy Duff said it was great to present one thousand dollars to the Tableland's Hall Committee as part of Council's Grant's to help towards their insurance!!



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## JOKE FOR THE MONTH

A few days after Christmas, a mother was working in the kitchen listening to her young son playing with his new electric train in the living room.

She heard the train stop and her son said, "All of you sons of b\*tches who want off, get the hell off now, cause this is the last stop! And all of you sons of b\*tches who are getting on, get your a\*\*es in the train, cause we're going down the tracks."

The mother went nuts and told her son, "We don't use that kind of language in this house. Now I want you to go to your room and you are to stay there for TWO HOURS. When you come out, you may play with your train, but I want you to use nice language."

Two hours later, the son comes out of the bedroom and resumes playing with his train. Soon the train stopped and the mother heard her son say, "All passengers who are disembarking from the train, please remember to take all of your belongings with you. We thank you for riding with us today and hope your trip was a pleasant one. We hope you will ride with us again soon."

She hears the little boy continue, "For those of you just boarding, we ask you to stow all of your hand luggage under your seat. Remember, there is no smoking on the train. We hope you will have a pleasant and relaxing journey with us today."

As the mother began to smile, the child added, "For those of you who are pissed off about the TWO HOUR delay, please see the b\*tch in the kitchen."

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# Kathy's Comments

## Season's Greetings!!

I would like to wish everyone all the very best for 2020. Let's hope that we are blessed with some good seasons this year for our businesses, our farmers and our whole region!!

Looking Forward- plans for 2020

## Old Murgon Meatworks site

My aim within the next twelve months is to finalise an opportunity for growth and development at the old Murgon Meat Works site that was started earlier this year.

## Murgon Tip operating Hours

The community said that they were not happy with the Murgon Tip operating hours at the Listening Tour. There have been discussions already to try to include funds in this financial year's budget to be able to change the hours to half a day every day for both Murgon and Wondai.

## Water Security

Water security is a big issue and there will be an opportunity early in the New Year to have your say in the consultation phase of the federally funded water study. It is really important that we get this right because the projects that are in the final document will have the best chance of Government funding into the future.

## Murgon CBD million dollar footpath

The Murgon CBD Footpath is going ahead starting in February. We are going to do night works so there is minimal interruption with shop trading. There will be plaques in the footpath with the history of the Murgon shops and other important milestones so if anyone has photos that will help with this project please contact me.

## Proston Men's Shed & CBD

I am pleased that it won't be long before the men have their building complete. Proston Qld is a not for profit group who are managing seven of the shops in the Main Street. I was pleased that I was able to help with these two exciting projects and I hope that the community will also give them their full support.

## Hivesville Progress Association

This is a call out for anyone who would like to be part of this association. Thank you to Barbara Hockey who is the current chair of this committee. Barbara is looking for a lot more support and so please consider volunteering to help out with the Anzac Day and Australia Day ceremonies.

## Wheatland's School Road Upgrade

The Bye Road is a State controlled road that causes a lot of concern on the narrow strip leading up to the school. There have been some sections upgraded over the last twelve months. I am pleased to let you know that there are more funds allocated over the next couple of years to finish the remaining narrow sections that cause the most concern.

## Murgon and Proston Silo and Water Tower Murals

These are a work in progress as there are community members applying for funding. Please let me know if you have any ideas to help to progress these opportunities.

## Fuel for Proston

I have put the call out to various fuel companies to try to entice them to come to Proston. There is a great spot available on the Proston Boondooma Road that used to be the Council fuel depot. Please spread the word of this available opportunity.

## Looking Back- snippets of the year that was!!

2019 has been a big year with a lot of changes and challenges and some highlights for me.

**January-** successful Australia Day Awards with Scott Prendergast named South Burnett Citizen of the Year, Estelle Buckley Cultural Award, Jim Kingston Lifetime Achievement, Murgon Rotary Organisation of the Year, Kathy Crane Proston Local Achiever & Richard Bridges Murgon Local Achiever.

**February** - a sad month for me with the loss of my Dad. The Boondooma Dam Fish Stocking group held another huge event.

**March-** successful local shows and a public meeting in Murgon between



Cherbourg and Murgon to help resolve youth crime.

**April-** Successful Anzac Day ceremonies, Boondooma Homestead Spirit of the Bush, Proston Regatta in the Park and the Murgon Easter Spectacular.

**May** – first ever BYTE Nite to help with youth crime, LNP successful in the Federal Election, Reconciliation Fun Run, Domestic Violence Football in Murgon, fundraising footy night at the Royal.

**June-** Murgon Footpath started, Amcal Chemist opened, turned the sod to start Proston Men's Shed. BIEDO launched the Platform.

**July-** Rail Trail Festival, NAIDOC celebrations, St Vinnies opened

**August-** Standpipe for Hivesville was open for use, Boondooma Homestead Scots in the Bush, a huge 100 years Murgon RSL Sub Branch Dinner

**Sep-** Murgon Dairy Museum Country Fair, Graham House opening, Mondure Brigade 10th Anniversary, Murgon Mustangs won the Grand Final, Moffatdale Italian Festival.

**Oct-** Butch Lenton Award success for the Proston Shop project, Farmers Big Day Out, Hivesville Anniversary Markets, Cloyna First Trail Ride, BP Dam Fishing Comp, Drought Committee reformed.

**Nov-** Pinking up South Burnett a huge success, Royal Hotel Pink High Tea, Proston Golf Club raised a record \$9400 for the cause, Murgon Masquerade Ball, Bigger the Drought Mondure, Murgon Music Muster opened by the Governor, Brad Marsellos in Proston.

**December-** Proston Transfer station and Beattie street bitumen sealed, Gladstone Rotary Club funded Murgon/ Cherbourg participants in suicide prevention ASSIST program, Murgon Christmas Carols, Proston & Hivesville Christmas Carnivals, and Fundraiser for Furies Day Out.

## Contact Details

Again best wishes for an awesome 2020!! Please contact me if you have an issue that you would like me to follow up. Cr Kathy Duff (Division 5) South Burnett Regional Council (Deputy Mayor)

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Santa Claus paid a visit to Proston's Christmas Carnival to hand out small gifts, ice creams and lollies to children, courtesy of his helpers at the Proston Men's Shed

Guests at this year's Proston Christmas Carnival braved hot weather for a relaxed evening of fun at Railway Park last Saturday night.

Several hundred people poured into the park from late afternoon to enjoy a traditional celebration and an upbeat night out, meeting old friends and making new ones.



As usual, the Proston Show Society did a rip-roaring trade supplying freshly cooked burgers and sausage sandwiches to hungry carnival-goers.

Adults could also browse other market and food stalls or enjoy live music from The Stepping Stones.

Children were able to amuse themselves on a giant climbing wall, courtesy of the Proston Scouts.

And when Santa arrived soon after sundown, children could also get free ice-creams and sweets from the jolly gentleman, who was assisted by helpers from the Proston Men's Shed.

New Golden Spurs Hotel licensees Di and Andy Grant took the opportunity of the Christmas Carnival to get out and meet the local residents.

The Proston and District Heritage Association, who were manning a stand serving fruit salads and other desserts, were happy to discuss their plans to set up museum in one of Proston Village's recently acquired shops next year.

Member for Nanango Deb Frecklington and her husband Jason said they were very impressed with the obvious effort the community had put into the Christmas carnival.

Mrs Frecklington congratulated the Carnival's organisers on a really great night and said she shared everyone's wish for a wet Christmas and an end to the drought.

Deputy Mayor Kathy Duff, carrying a portable microphone, acted as compere on the night.

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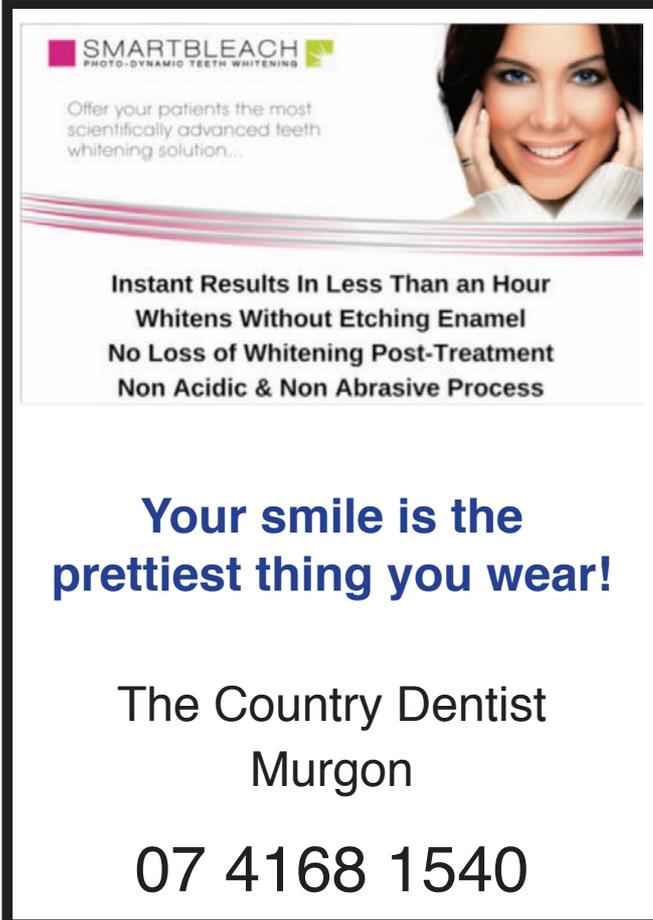
In accordance with Section 277 (1) of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, Council advises that the Ordinary Meetings for the period January through to March 2020 have been scheduled as follows:

- Wednesday, 15 January 2020
- Wednesday, 19 February 2020
- Wednesday, 18 March 2020

Ordinary Meetings are held on the third Wednesday of the month (except for the June and December meetings which will be held on the second Wednesday of the month) commencing at 9am in the Warren Truss Chamber, Glendon Street Kingaroy unless stated otherwise.

Residents are invited to attend the meeting as members of the public gallery.

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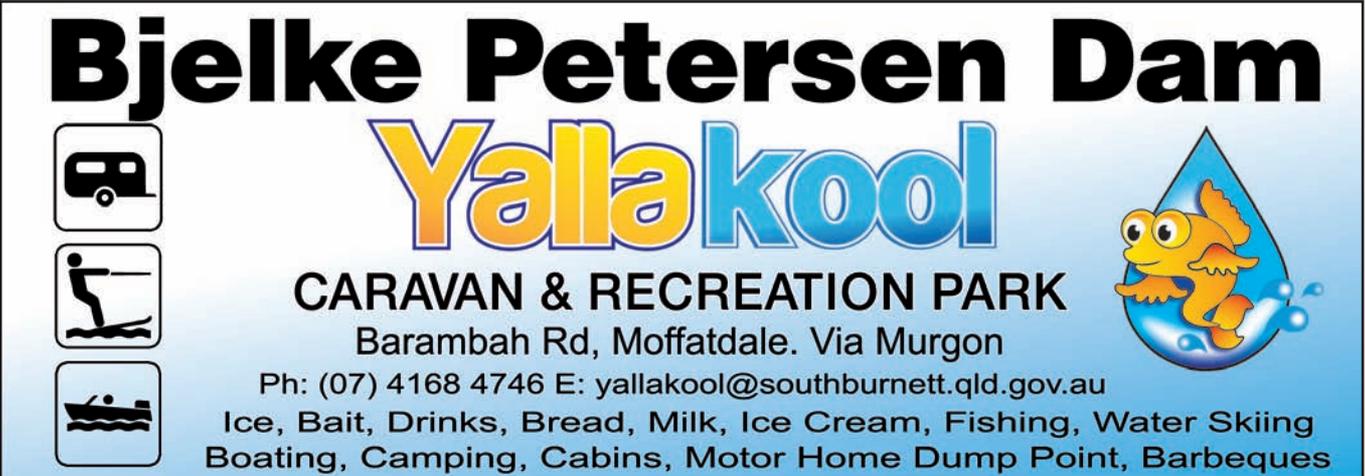
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