



# MURGON MOMENTS



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As the railway line progressed westwards, Joseph & Martha sent their meat to the settlers along the rail line. They purchased land in and around Murgon in 1906 and in 1907, Martha purchased the Gray's business in **Murgon** which was opposite the railway station. From there they operated a butcher shop and a drapery which was the beginning of Martha Angel's emporium in Murgon which still survives today. Martha ran the businesses while Joseph managed the cattle for the butcher shop.

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## NEW FUNDING GRANTS TO BOOST LOCAL GOVERNMENTS IN WIDE BAY

Wide Bay councils will receive a funding boost of over \$8 million from the Federal Government, Federal Member for Wide Bay and Minister for Infrastructure and Regional Development Warren Truss said today.

"As of today, the second quarterly payment of \$575 million has begun to be paid to local councils across Australia, under the Federal Government's Financial Assistance Grants programme," Mr Truss said.

Mr Truss said that councils in Wide Bay will receive \$ 8,181,299 in Financial Assistance Grants each quarter this year, including:

\$138,167 for Cherbourg Aboriginal Shire Council, \$1,856,433 for Fraser Coast Regional Council

\$1,306,618 for Gympie Regional Council, \$530,193 for Noosa Shire Council, \$1,755,925 for South Burnett Regional Council, \$2,573,963 for Sunshine Coast Regional Council

"This funding will be paid in the form of untied grants, meaning that council may spend it according to their own local priorities, whether those priorities are in infrastructure, health, recreation, environment, employment or roads projects," Mr Truss said.

Details of the allocations to councils under the Financial Assistance Grants Programme are available online at: <http://www.regional.gov.au/local/assistance/index.aspx>.

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## TRUSS WELCOMES \$10,000 BOOST FOR CHERBOURG RECYCLING FACILITY

Federal Member for Wide Bay Warren Truss has today welcomed the announcement of \$10,000 in funding by the Keep Australia Beautiful Association, for the upgrading of Cherbourg Aboriginal Shire Council's recycling facility.

"I congratulate Cherbourg Aboriginal Shire Council on winning this grant for their recycling facility, which will fund an improved waste crushing system for the facility and allow large volumes of recycled materials to be more easily transported for further processing," Mr Truss said.

"I also wish to acknowledge the contribution of Coca Cola Australia, which has made this funding available through the Beverage Container Recycling Grants, administered by the Keep Australia Beautiful Association.

The funding grant comes only weeks after Mr Truss was given a personal tour of the recycling facility, alongside the Federal Minister for Indigenous Affairs, Nigel Scullion.

"It is my hope that this funding will help increase the viability of the recycling facility, which makes a valuable economic contribution to the Cherbourg community," Mr Truss said.

For more details on the Cherbourg Materials Recycling Facility contact Cherbourg Aboriginal Shire Council on (07) 4168 1866.

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## CLOSURE OF BOB MORGANS BRIDGE, STONELANDS ROAD, STONELANDS

Council advises Bob Morgans Bridge on Sunday Creek Crossing, Stonelands Road, Stonelands will be closed later this week due to the bridge being unsafe for vehicles. This has been identified from a recent routine bridge inspection.

Council is constructing a side track around this bridge to ensure continued access for residents beyond the bridge and will undertake further investigation and planning regarding this bridge to determine the long term solution.

## NEW WATER SAFETY INITIATIVE FOR AUSTRALIAN KIDS

Families living in Wide Bay will benefit from a new initiative aimed at increasing water safety in young children, says Federal Member for Wide Bay and Deputy Prime Minister Warren Truss.

"This initiative is focused on increasing water safety awareness in children under the age of five, through the use of songs, videos and books, which are designed to convey the importance of the water safety message in a fun and engaging way," Mr Truss said.

Child care centres, kindergartens, play groups and water safety organisations across Wide Bay will be sent education water safety packs, as part the Federal Government's plan to distribute 80,000 educational packs nationwide.

"The materials in the pack have been developed in conjunction with the well-known water safety campaigner and former Olympic swimming coach Laurie Lawrence, who has previously done valuable work educating children on water safety, through his 'Living with Water' DVD," Mr Truss said.

"It is heartbreaking to read the 2014 National Drowning Report and realize that drowning was responsible for the deaths of 20 children under the age of five, between July 2013 and June 2014.

"I would also encourage people in the community to remain vigilant, especially if you spot children playing near water. Being aware of potential drowning hazards is especially important in these hot summer months, when children may try to access to pools, dams, creeks or livestock troughs to play in. Unfortunately, it may only take a few minutes of a young child being left unattended near water for a tragedy to occur."

The Federal Government has also announced \$4 million in funding for investment in the Royal Life Saving Society of Australia's work to prevent drowning in inland waterways. A further \$15 million has also been provided to fund programmes aimed at reducing the number of drowning deaths nationwide.

"The Federal Government is committed to working with parents and communities to improve water safety awareness and allow children to play in and around water in a safe and enjoyable way," Mr Truss said.

The educational water safety DVDs are also available online at [www.kidsalive.com.au](http://www.kidsalive.com.au)

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# NEW EQUIPMENT SET TO HELP SOUTH BURNETT HOSPITAL STAFF CARE FOR OBESE PATIENTS

South Burnett public hospitals will soon receive special equipment to help staff safely manage markedly overweight patients as part of a \$400,000 program of spending by the Darling Downs Hospital and Health Service (DDHHS).

The local Hospital and Health Board recently approved the purchase of around 100 pieces of bariatric equipment for use across the 20 hospitals operated by the health service.

A patient may be classified as bariatric if they have a body mass index (BMI) greater than 30 and their size or body shape restricts mobility and/or patient care. For men this classification can start at around 144kg and for women about 130kg.

Cherbourg, Kingaroy, Murgon, Nanango and Wondai Hospitals will receive a total of 17 new pieces of bariatric equipment. The items include shower commode chairs, medical wheelchairs, recliner chairs, walkers, and inflatable devices to safely lift large patients to bed or stretcher height, reducing the risk of

injury to the patient and staff.

Board Chair Mr Mike Horan said the Board decided to spend some of the surplus it had accumulated on improving care to obese patients and ensuring staff were well equipped to care for them.

“Both patient care and staff welfare are priorities in the Board’s strategic plan,” Mr Horan said.

“Unfortunately we are finding increasing numbers of patients who are dangerously overweight.

“This poses a risk to the patients in hospital to safely use normal equipment like beds, mattresses, shower chairs, commodes and wheelchairs which is designed to be used up to a certain weight but may break beyond this weight.”

Mr Horan said staff also caring for these patients needed to be given additional equipment such as specially made hoists, rolling devices and slings to assist them to safely care for patients and not risk injuries to themselves in lifting and turning patients.

Some of the specialist bariatric equipment is rated for patients weighing up to 455kg, with the most common load limits between 250 and 350kg. It will be purchased in 2015.

“Using the surplus generated by the increased productivity of our employees to improve the safety and quality of care provided was a great example of the Board’s community dividend program in action,” he said.

DDHHS records indicate that last year there were 547 admissions where a patient classified as obese was treated at one of the health service’s hospitals.

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Caption: Senior Occupational Health and Safety Practitioner Leann Mischke and Coordinator Auxiliary Services Steve Taylor with some of specialist equipment used to manage markedly overweight patients at DDHHS hospitals.

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Our first meeting for 2015 is on Thursday 19th February at 10.00am at the Murgon Bowls Club with morning tea at 9.30am.

Thank you to all the passengers that have travelled on our Coach Tours in 2014.

For further information and booking for the tours contact Paula on (07) 41683114 or 0438708885.

## REGIONAL BLACKSPOT MUST BE A PRIORITY

In a recent assessment undertaken by the Queensland Government to prioritise sites that will then be eligible for funding as part of the Commonwealth Government's \$10M Mobile Blackspot Funding program, WBBROC (Wide Bay Burnett Regional Organisation of Councils) is concerned that a number of the regional priorities for our region will now not be shortlisted.

On behalf of the Member Councils, WBBROC provided a response to the Queensland Government questioning the assessment. Telstra's current Coverage Map has been used by the Queensland Government in its assessment which purports that some of the Wide Bay Burnett regional priorities now have hand-held coverage and are not considered black spot priorities. WBBROC have requested that a further review be completed to determine which areas are jointly recommended as priorities to potentially receive the Mobile Black Spot funding.

Cr Wayne Kratzmann WBBROC Deputy Chair and Mayor, South Burnett Regional Council stated "Council is putting weight behind the push to ensure that the region has full coverage by the main telecommunication network carriers."

Cr Forman, WBBROC Chair and Mayor Bundaberg Regional Council concurred stating "Importantly, given the natural disasters that have occurred in recent years in the region, it is vital that current telecommunication impediments are addressed to provide enhanced standards of communication during times of natural disasters such as fires and flood".

Editors Footnote: It frustrates you when you receive some of these media releases knowing that mobile coverage is not available in so many areas of the South Burnett and you are desperately trying to do business. If the Government's are using Telstra's Coverage Map we believe it needs quickly modifying.

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## NEW MANAGERS SETTLING IN TO YALLAKOOL PARK

Andrew and Meredith Jackson, Wide Bay Burnett residents for over 15 years, have recently left professional practices to settle into their new positions as the onsite managers of Yallakool Park on Bjelke-Petersen Dam. Yallakool Park is located 12km outside Murgon. "Taking on Yallakool Park has provided an opportunity to put to use our years in the people service industry as well as combining our love of being active, enjoying the outdoors and socialising." Andrew Jackson said.



Andrew and Meredith will be joined by their son Kyle who will also assist to ensure the effective management of this iconic regional facility. The couple have exciting plans to enhance the visitor experience at the park and dam, with over time looking to introduce new activities and facilities and increasing access and enjoyment for community groups like fishing clubs, ski clubs and bird watching groups is a key 2015 priority.

One area the Jacksons will be focused on will be contributing to the existing excellence of the South Burnett tourism industry working with local tourism operators to boost visitor numbers to the region. Yallakool Park offers the visitor camping and cabin accommodation options with access to an in-ground pool, tennis court, camp kitchen and open grounds for fun activities. "Enhancing partnerships with other tourism operators, in particular Boondooma Dam will reap benefits to the regions through collaborative advertising and complimentary activity planning. We believe the region will continue to experience strong growth in tourism and hospitality and the vast recreational activities available will prove a strong drawcard." Andrew Jackson said.

Corey and Niki Goldie who manage Boondooma Dam Recreation and Caravan Park operate a company which includes the management of Mingo Crossing, Yallakool Park on Bjelke-Petersen Dam and Boondooma Dam.

**Photo: Andrew Jackson at Yallakool Park feeding one of the locals.**

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## CLOYNA STATE SCHOOL YEAR SIX GRADUATION



Family and Staff Members joined Cloyna State School Year Sixes at the Murgon Motor Inn to celebrate their Primary School Graduation.

Students were presented with several mementos to commemorate their time at Cloyna State School.

Teachers recognised each student through congratulatory speeches, reflections of their time at Cloyna State School and well wishes for the future.

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Ken Seng the first president cutting the 6th Anniversary cake at the Hivesville Markets.

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Welcome back everybody to a new year. I hope you all had a great Christmas and are ready for another busy year

What will 2015 give us I wonder– a cure for Parkinson's? –I hope so. We continue to try to remain positive and take a day at a time.

The first meeting for the year will be held on Monday 9th February 2015 at the Orana Lutheran Complex, Administration Centre, 24 MacDiarmid Street Kingaroy and the Murgon Group will meet at Southern Cross Care – Castra, 2 Cooper Street, Murgon on Monday 23rd February commencing at 10am., so be sure to mark it on your calendar now so you don't miss it. We would love to see you.

If you require any further information regarding the Group, please phone Maree on 41 636010. Maree is the Co-ordinator for the Groups and does a wonderful job and always remains cheery and bright and we would all like to say a BIG THANK YOU to her for all her help and support to us all throughout 2014.

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Before the feast began the formalities were carried out by Councillor Barry Green who on behalf of the Mayor thanked the volunteers for their tireless efforts throughout the year. The volunteers at the Centre have contributed over 5,300 hours this year to date.

Councillor Green presented a 10 year service certificate to Adelaida (Aida) Lavings who has been rostered on every alternate Friday since commencing in 2004. "From what I am told, the added bonus of being rostered on with Aida is that she always brings morning tea so there is great competition to be on these Fridays." Councillor Green said.

The Nanango centre said goodbye to volunteers Jeanette McBryde and Lyn Kiernan who are retiring after 12 years of working every alternate Sunday. Jeanette and Lyn will be greatly missed but they are looking forward to travelling and spending more time on their various interests so we wish them all the best.

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**2nd Speaker:** Geoff Dymock. Geoff played cricket for Australia in 21 tests from 1974 to 1982, and once dismissed all 11 opposition batsmen in an innings. His bowling average was an impressive 27.12. He also played 15 ODI's, and represented Qld. Geoff married local girl Merle Sippel. Geoff now travels widely coaching/promoting cricket.

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## PURSERS COACHES FIRST DAY OF SERVICE TO CABOOLTURE.



Pursers Coaches commences the Murgon to Caboolture passenger bus service. The service will pick up passengers in Murgon at 7am stopping at each town along the route to Caboolture arriving at 10am. The service will return on the same day leaving Caboolture at 4.30pm arriving Murgon 7.30pm, Monday to Friday.

The Mayor and Deputy Mayor greeted passengers in Kingaroy, Over 20 passengers travelled to Caboolture on the maiden run and Council would like to thank Pursers for stepping up to continue this valuable service to the South Burnett community. If the community wants the service to remain, they need to demonstrate support by using the service and what better time to book a ticket than now Mayor Wayne Kratzmann said.

The Mayor and Pursers Coaches are looking forward to meeting with the Member for Nanango and the Deputy Premier in the near future to discuss support for the service however it will be the strong on-going patronage that will ensure the continuation of this service.

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They then waited on the residents with morning tea while they watched a mare and foal frolic on the lawn.

A fun morning was had by all.



5 Towns in 5 Days - Friday 19th December Murgon's turn, Corky and the Crow FM Crew broadcasted live outside the Murgon Visitor Information Centre. A large number of Murgon residents enjoyed the free community breakfast with Mayor Wayne Kratzmann along with local Emergency Services and Management Groups.





## OF THE FIVE CATHOLIC LEADER AWARDS GIVEN, ST MARY'S KINGARROY WON TWO OF THEM

Principal Mike Naylor won the Catholic Leader's School Leader of the Year Award and Pam Radcliffe won the Community Leader of the Year.

St Mary's Catholic College in Kingarroy which has students from all over the district is set to almost double in three years and is a staunch supporter of Indigenous education.

Photo L-R: School Captain Gabe Crane, Fr Michael Carroll from Murgon, Michael Naylor, Pam Radcliffe, School Captain Cassie Firman and Fr Nigel Sequeira from Kingarroy

## A Bigger and Better Winderera Muster

In Feb 2015, Don't Ask, a rock pop duo from Brisbane and other various local artists are headlining the Winderera Muster at the Winderera State School. The Muster is an annual fundraising event hosted by the school P&C. All the proceeds go to improving education for the students at the small rural school

The Muster is proud to announce a show and shine car show to coincide with the Music muster. There will be many beautiful veteran and vintage cars and bikes on display on the school grounds.

Lloyd Back, Amber Goldsmith and Alice Benfer are award winning local country artists who will be also headlining the show along with many other established and up and coming artists in the area.

There will be entertainment for the whole family, including a jumping castle merry go round and face paint. A variety of food stalls will be in operation during the event.

There is also camping facilities available for caravans, campervans and tents on the school grounds. Everyone is welcome to stay the night and stay for the BBQ breakfast put on by the school P&C

For more information about the Music, Show and shine please contact Carissa Beddows on 0488024582 or ring Winderera SS on 0741686153 once the school year starts again.

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## WELCOME to MURGON



It is our pleasure to welcome Carney's Feed Store which is locally owned and operated by Blue & Benita Carney. The Carney's moved to the area in 2005, from Gympie where Blue owned the Gympie Feed Barn for 22 years. Benita has a background in travel, being an international travel consultant with Traveland and Harvey World Travel.

The Carney's are enjoying raising their children in Murgon, with the family being involved in various sporting and community groups.

The decision to open Carney's Feed Store came after Blue & Benita purchased the shop at 125 Lamb St, in December 2012. "The old shop seemed to keep telling us farm and pets!" said Benita. So, with an interest and experience in this line of business, Carney's Feed Store was born.

Carney's Feed Store's mission, is to try and source local items where possible, and provide a level of service and a variety of products that Murgon can be proud of, and even bring folks in from other areas.

"The friendly smiles and feedback we have received so far, makes us believe we have made the right decision" Blue said. The Carney's are very excited to be a new business in Murgon, and they look forward to welcoming you to their new store. So please make Carney's Feed Store a part of your Murgon shopping experience.





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There are no green fees with the cost to play only \$2. At the end of the game, during which there could be semi-finals and a final, winner takes all. Because there will be a variance in the players' ability, prizes will be awarded on a random basis to the other players.

We propose to commence the competition on the first Friday in January, and every Friday Night thereafter commencing at 5.30 p.m. The game should not take any longer than 45 minutes which means that the game could conclude in daylight. There will be no play during the winter months.

So keep Friday Nights in 2015, a date claimer and come along and see what 'LAST MAN STANDING' is all about. For further information, you can contact the club on 41681043 or Allen Mitchell on 41681664. Or: [murgonbowlsclubinc@gmail.com](mailto:murgonbowlsclubinc@gmail.com)




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## SMALL SCHOOLS LEADERSHIP DAY

Cloyna State School Senior Students will return to Barambah Environmental Education Centre in February for the Barambah Small Schools Leadership Camp.

Last year Cloyna State School Senior Students joined students from Wheatlands, Windaera, Widgee and Woolooga State Schools at Barambah Environmental Education Centre for a Leadership and Low Ropes Day. Barambah Environmental Education Centre invited students from across the district to come and try out their new Low Ropes Course and participate in a range of leadership and team building activities.



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## BOOKS THE KEY TO GREAT FUTURE

You may have loads of money, tonnes of gold and be richer than I'll ever be. But what I have is greater – it's a mother who reads to me. This is just one of many sayings about the power of reading and St Joseph's primary school in Murgon ensures its children benefit from a twice yearly book fair.

Last week books arrived at its doors. Children got to browse through them in the library and take a wish list home for parents and carers to consider buying. "Their faces light up as soon as you mention book fair," she said. School library assistant Nell Guteridge believed reading was central to every child having a brighter future. "If you can't read you're going to struggle," she said. "It's the basis for every subject and essential for a great future."




**Photo: On the hunt for a book were Prep to Year-2 students front, L-R: Kaliarni Button, Sophia Purcell, Emily Palmer, Den-Den Purcell, Ella Peterson, Catelyn Purcell and back, I-r, Kaylah Bligh and Kannarah Carlo.**

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## COMMUNITY AND EVENTS RELOCATED TO WONDAI



Council has announced a strategic staffing decision to relocate Community and Events staff to the Wondai Customer Service Centre. “The Wondai centre, as well as the centres at Murgon, Kingaroy, Nanango and Blackbutt, provides the community a valued access point to Council services.” Mayor Wayne Kratzmann said. “We want to remind the community that they are able to make appointments at any one of the 5 centres to meet with a Council officer, to discuss technical enquiries such as development and building applications.”

Division 6 Councillor Ros Heit, representing the largest division in the South Burnett taking in the Wondai community, spoke highly of the decision. “This will provide the Wondai Customer Service Centre with a Senior Officer based in Wondai to assist the community with some of the more difficult requests. “

***Photo: Some of the staff based at the Wondai Customer Service Centre from left: Allan Schulz (Finance), Andrea Wecker (Rates Section), Janene Steinhardt (Customer Contact) and Michael Hunter (Senior Officer – Community and Events).***

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### Crow FM. Out Tip Pete

Murgon RSL Womens Auxiliary were lucky to be the not for profit organisation whose name was drawn out of the barrel. Kindly organised by Corky from Crow FM, Evelyn Kingston, President of the Murgon RSL Womens Auxiliary received the \$500 cheque donated by Leah and Pete of the Fitzroy Hotel.



Wondai District Cricket Club Inc. Presents :

### **PINK STUMPS GOLF DAY**

**Sunday 11th January 2015**

Wondai Golf Club, Open Day, 3 Person 18 Hole Ambrose, Shotgun start 10.00am, Cost \$20/person (Including Burger), Great Prizes, Multi Draw Raffle and Money Board, For Bookings Call Chrissy Wallis 0429 689 100



## PROGRESS ON RAIL TRAIL

The Mayor and senior Natural Resource Management staff met with the Deputy Premier to discuss the draft project plan for the Kingaroy to Theebine Rail Trail. "Council has prepared a draft plan with basic project milestones so as to secure the first release of funding. The funding provided by the State Government will enable the development and opening of the rail trail to the public. Once Council have approval to advance the project to the next stage, Council will be engaging the community in a consultation process so as to ensure the best outcome for users of the trail as well as our community" Mayor Wayne Kratzmann said.

Part of the consultation, which will commence in early 2015, will be working through issues and concerns raised with Council. When the funding was first announced, concern over preserving the Queensland tick free zone between Wondai and Kingaroy was raised by landowners. "We understand that ticks are active between Murgon and Kilkivan, therefore there would be no foreseeable issue with horses along this part of the trail. It is currently being proposed that the Murgon to Kingaroy section of the trail will not be open to use by horses" Mayor Wayne Kratzmann explained.

Under the Stock Act 1915 and Stock Notice 2005, livestock must be inspected, cleaned and treated under the supervision of a Biosecurity Queensland Officer (or an approved person) before entering the tick free or control zones. As the section between Murgon and Wondai is in a Queensland control zone and a Queensland tick free zone operates between Wondai and Kingaroy, it is not possible for horses to use the rail trail in these sections at this time.

The rail trail commencing at Murgon and moving through to Kilkivan will link to the Bicentennial National Trail. The Bicentennial National is extends over 5,000 kilometres from Healesville in Victoria to Cooktown in Queensland, being the longest marked route of its kind in the world. The 107-kilometre section through Gympie Regional Council mainly follows the forest ridges to the west of the highly populated plains of the Cooloola region. The rail trail will also provide a link to the annual Kilkivan Great Horse Ride event which offers a variety of trails, over various distances.

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Positive Parenting Program (Triple P) graduates learned new ways to discipline their children after doing a three-day workshop (November 17-19).

The group was shown how to make children compliant with their wishes without the use of physical force.

Former participants' partners who took part said they now understood the methods their partners had tried to instil within their home.

Facilitator Bronwyn Murray will now give after-workshop support for those that want it, when she can.

"As adults we don't know our own strength," she said explaining the Triple P principal against smacking.

"Hitting children instils fear and as they get older they can become bitter, hard and resentful. They rebel.

"Triple P, I believe, teaches better strategies to discipline children without physical force."

Bronwyn said you could see improved behaviour within children of parents or carers who did Triple P and then used its strategies on a consistent basis.

"I say to people who do it, even if you just try one thing like time out, you will see a difference," Bronwyn said. "We have parents say 'yeah, I tried that and it worked.'"

**Photo L-R: Doing our best: Parents and carers who completed the last Triple P workshop in Cherbourg learned there's no such thing as a perfect parent but we can always learn new skills. Pictured l-r are Tarryn Hopkins, facilitator Bronwyn Murray, Tina Douglas, Lynn Douglas, Minnie Isaacs and Bronwyn's daughter Keturah.**

## I REMEMBER WHEN by Margaret Greer


Life on the dairy farm went on year in, year out with little variance to routine. My sister and I lived our early formative childhood through the turbulent war years, which hinged around the basics of life and ration tickets. As


the eldest child of five, responsibility became second nature from an early age.

The exciting 'fifties' broadened my horizon. Highlights of 1950 were sitting for the Scholarship examination, and a trip to the Brisbane Exhibition. I remember Sergeant Bauer, while supervising our Scholarship exam, fell asleep and almost tumbled off his chair.

The journey to Brisbane meant a day's travel in a neighbour's Dodge car. While we were there, and whenever we boarded the tram at the Norman Park stop, the milk bar juke box belted out the top of the charts – 'Music, Music, Music.'

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## LOCAL SOUTH BURNETT GIRL TO MANAGE PROSTON POOL

Brittany Holding has started the next stage of her career and is excited to be managing the Proston Public Swimming Pool. The 25 metre 6 lane fresh water pool is a draw card for the community during the hot summer months.

“The Proston swimming pool is utilised by the Proston community and Council is looking forward to the patronage increasing as a result of the activities Brittany will be introducing this season.” Portfolio Councillor Debra Palmer said.

Brittany is planning to run more themed evenings and activities to get the kids involved and excited about coming to the pool. “I will be working on the pool becoming one of the ‘in’ places to go offering something for everyone.” Brittany said. “I am looking forward to becoming a face within the community” Photo: New Proston Pool manager Britany Holding is welcomed to the Proston Pool.



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Martha was nicknamed "The Mother of Murgon". She was known for her generosity to people in hard times and for her support of the town's many public bodies.

The Angel family including sons and daughters and grand children has continued this tradition for over 100 years with Spencer Angel (deceased) serving on the local council. The business has gone through several manifestations, from one end of the building to the other it consisted of a Motor Garage, Leach's accountants, Joe Battles Café, Angels Butcher Shop, Angels Drapery and Angels Grocery 4 Square shop.

The Motor Garage was run by Billy Angel and the Butcher shop by Spencer Angel and son Peter. Today the building still remains in the Angel family but with different tenants and different variety shops: Supa Cheap Carpets, Lifeline Shop, Bronel Natural Food Butcher Shop, and Grocery Supermarket. Bill Angel senior, a respected Murgon businessperson and his wife I believe oversaw the Angel dynasty during the sixties.

**ALSO BACK IN 1960, OUR FIRST BOSS (a real gentleman)**

**In business Keith Goodchild and wife Cleo (nee Angel) made their mark in the Grocery business (Angels 4 Square) and Angels Drapery,** Keith was also the mentor and first boss of two of the former staff of Clifton Motors, Lesley Dennien and Wayne Weier and also of the present owner Leo Geraghty.

A fitting remembrance to Keith Goodchild is the park entering Murgon from Goomeri known as the Keith Goodchild Rotary Park, Keith was a former president of both Murgon Apex and Murgon Rotary and was a dedicated member of the Murgon Rifle Club. Keith served in the AIF in the New Guinea region during World War Two. Keith Goodchild formerly of Murgon passed away on the 28th April 2014 in Canberra where he resided with wife Cleo (nee Angel) for the last 15 years. Keith is survived by wife Cleo and daughter Angela.



Then came Angels Friendly Grocer owners Glen and Trish (nee Angel) Trevor who have operated the grocery and bakery for the last 15 years or more. During 2014 they celebrated as the proud employers of Carl Berlin (photo above) who won the inaugural Murgon Business and Development Association Inc Award for the Outstanding Customer Service Award . Glen said it was such a pleasure to have Carl Berlin working with them.

**NOW LATE IN 2014,** Glen and Trish Trevor part of the ANGEL family relinquished the Grocery and Bakery shop to a southern business operator AAI SHREE KHODIYAR Pty Ltd. who will trade as Angels Friendly Grocer and Supermarket.

We wish Glen a very happy retirement and lots of time on the Bowling Greens and Trish we hope you enjoy your golf and many thanks to both of you for being part of the friendly progressive business community in Magnificent Murgon, at the foothills of Boat Mountain, in the heart of the Burnett Valley, part of the great South Burnett.





## WELCOME

It is our pleasure to welcome their Manager Jignesh (Jig) and store person Dipakkumar (Dip) and their families to Magnificent Murgon. Jig is a very pleasant person and looks forward to serving their many customers in the traditional friendly country way by carrying their customers purchases to their cars or delivering to their homes. Many new lines of groceries have been introduced and the Supermarket has had minor changes with wider and clearer isles which will make shopping at Angels Friendly Grocer and Supermarket a pleasure for both young and older people.

Jig said customer service is his first priority and he welcomes comments from customers about different lines he should carry. Competitive pricing, vegetables and fruit plus the tasty pastry items from the Supermarket Bakery section is the icing on the cake and are a must to see and enjoy.

Being part of the Murgon Christmas promotion "TRY LOCAL and be Surprised" was just one of the commitments Jig has been involved in since coming to Murgon and he would dearly love Customers to introduce themselves and say, Hi Jig, welcome to Murgon.





Angels Friendly Grocer and Supermarket would like to wish everyone a Happy, Safe & Prosperous 2015 and look forward to meeting you.