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Mr Peter Clempsey from Maroochydore got the lucky pumpkin spot and won \$1,000.

# OUR TRIP TO THE NETHERLANDS & WHY ?

17th of June 1944 Halifax MZ 715 crashed near Dodewaard

On 16 June 1944 at 11.45pm a Halifax MZ 715 bomber and its British and Australian crew departed from Full Sutton Airfield, Yorkshire England. The aircraft belonged to 77 Squadron RAF and was part of an air fleet of 162 Halifaxes, 147 Lancasters and 12 Mosquitos. They departed from several air fields.

The attack was aimed at the Fischer-Tropsch synthetic petrol plant in Sterkrade near Bocholt in the Ruhr Area. This strategic factory produced 10,000 tons of petrol a month with which the front in France was kept supplied. The Invasion of Normandy had started only a few days earlier. Bomber Command in England thought it necessary to attack the plant in order to reduce the petrol supply to German troops.

The weather was bad that day. Thick clouds not only covered the entire flight path but also the target. The installations lay far apart. The Allied air force could do little and bombed the target through thick clouds and the declining glow of the markers. The bombardment was, however, too scattered and – as evident afterwards – had little effect on production.

Coincidentally the German battle control had chosen the environs of Sterkrade as an assembly point that night for its air defenders. The consequences were disastrous.

In total about 31 allied aircraft, including 22 Halifaxes from 77 Squadron, were shot down by German fighters and anti-aircraft artillery. The air attack resulted in the most fatal event in the history of 77 Squadron RAF.

The crew of Halifax MZ 715 survived the hell above Sterkrade and started the return flight to their home base. However, above Zetten in the Betuwe (about 7 kilometres from here) the bomber was intercepted and shot on fire at 4.10am by a German night fighter from Fliegerhorst (a German air field) near Venlo. The bomber exploded and the wreckage was scattered in the area between Dodewaard and Ochten. The bodies of four crew members were discovered close to the wreckage. One crew member, radio operator A. J. Owen, survived the explosion and landed by parachute. Locals brought him to the Van Hal family in The Dreef. A doctor was called. The same night he was arrested and taken to hospital in Arnhem as a prisoner of war. After discharge from hospital he was interned in Kamp L7, Bankau near Kreuzberg in Upper Silesia (Germany, now Poland) and could return to England after liberation in 1945.

The four crew members who perished were buried by the Germans with military honours at the cemetery in Uden – now a Commonwealth War Cemetery – on 20 June 1944. Two crew members – Gunners A. J. Burns and P. E.T. Tiernan were found under the wreckage a few days later. Transport difficulties prevented their burial in Uden and instead they were buried here in Dodewaard at the Municipal Cemetery on 24 June 1944.

The Halifax MZ 715 crew members:

- Craine, Alain Irvine, RAAF Pilot (Pilot Officer), age 21, buried in Uden;
- Davies, Traver Rhys, RAF Navigator (Flying Officer), age unknown, buried in Uden;
- Owen, A. J., RAF Radio-operator (Warrant Officer) age unknown, survived;
- Braid, Alexander Albert, RAAF Bomb Aimer/Gunner (Warrant Officer), age 26, buried in Uden;
- Gledhill, Victor , RAF Flight Engineer (Flight Sergeant) age 19, buried in Uden;
- Burns, Alfred John, RAAF Gunner (Flight Sergeant), age 21, buried Dodewaard;
- Tiernan, Patrick Edward Thomas, RAAF Gunner (Flight Sergeant) age 29, buried in Dodewaard.

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## COLLECT ALL THE BABIES

Collect all the babies on the face of the earth, and all the women about to give birth.  
Gather the leaders of every nation, Insist they look on the next generation  
Ask them seriously about all the dissention, about wars, weapons and disarmament intention  
Make them believe there is but one way to act, that is, settling differences with words and facts  
Surely the vision of children, and mothers to be, should unfurl a sense of reason, for leaders to see  
That power is not everything, too much will destroy, precious lives, with the God-given right to live and enjoy.

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We left Murgon on Saturday evening 26th April 2014 at about 6.15pm via a 9 seater courtesy bus and driver supplied by Huston Motors of Kingaroy venturing to Brisbane and picking up our media photographer and book composer Liz Caffery for our long journey to Amsterdam in the Netherlands. At 2.30am Sunday morning in Brisbane we boarded our flight for Singapore then some hours or more later reboarded again in Singapore for Dubai and then onto Amsterdam (total flight time from Brisbane 23 hours).

Our home in Amsterdam for the next two days was at the Casa 400 hotel. On Monday morning we walked from the hotel to the trainstop and used the many tram cars to visit some of the tourist spots we had in our itinerary, we soon realized that the common means of transport was by bicycle.



We picked up one of the many volunteer guides who showed us some of the attractions of Amsterdam including the beautiful old buildings, the cobblestone streets and footpaths, the Amsterdam museum with its lovely art work and mannequins portraying the early eras of settlement dating back to the sixteenth century and inside some of the finest old churches. There was even time to just relax and rest our weary feet because the pace on most occasions was full on trying to see as much as we could in such a short time. For two months an amusement park was set up in the middle of the city, road works were carried out with precision understanding between tram drivers, heavy machinery and construction workers. We went on a tour of the many canals and witnessed the many house boats moored along the rivers.





Some of the houses are very narrow but tall, some are three or more stories high (depending on the wealth of the family) but with a very small front door so many of the older buildings were built leaning forward with a crane mounted high up in the roof line to allow you to crane large items up to the higher levels which had bigger opening doors.



The next day was taken up with a tour of the Anne Franks House which has been donated by its former owner to be used as a museum. The daily queue of people wanting to see this amazing house stretches over many blocks. The Frank family (consisting of four people and four friends) in July 1942 hid in the upper story building for two years hiding from the Germans whilst the father continued with his business on the lower floor. All the upstairs windows were blocked out and the staircase was covered by a large moving bookcase and meals were smuggled into the home on a daily basis by one of the staff. The Frank family and friends were eventually found

and imprisoned and Anne lost her mother whilst being held in the war camp. Amazingly Anne not realizing her father Otto was still alive also lost her life about a month before the end of the war. Of the eight people in hiding, only Otto Frank survives the war and died at the age of 91 in Basel (Switzerland).

Our group then split up and ventured further, sightseeing, getting completely lost but enjoying a ride on the trams going in the wrong direction but arriving at the maritime museum when it was closing.



It is now Wednesday morning and time to pick up our hire vehicles and travel to Arnhem and visit the Uden War Cemetery and find the graves of some of our local Australian soldiers. We then booked into our accommodation at the Holiday Inn at Arnhem and then it was off to check out the town of Dodewaard some 15 minutes down the road.



Whilst driving around Dodewaard we found this quaint little pub which we all know can direct you to most anywhere. We found the publican and some of his clients very friendly and helpful and speaking some broken English but lovely people.



Home to bed for the night as next day we are off to Belgium which was approx a 2 hour drive and we were to have a fairly full day. We visited the Menim Gate, Buttes Cemetery, Tyne Cot Cemetery and the Flanders Field Museum. Inside the Menim Gate and on the walls are thousands of names of all the fallen soldiers killed in wars. You hear the names of some of our local Murgon veterans read out on Anzac Day but to see their name here is very moving. We found all the names of the soldiers on our list and put a poppy next to their names. In one of the photo's Mayor Wayne Kratzmann is seen placing a poppy against the name Kluck P.T., Private, 52 BN AUSTRALIAN INF.



Now it's time to visit Tyne Cot Cemetery where there are more of our local comrades buried along with thousands more. On the wall of the Tyne Cot cemetery museum is a message which we just don't seem to understand.

"We can truly say that the whole circuit of the earth is girdled with the graves of our dead.

In the course of my pilgrimage, I have many times asked myself whether there can be more potent advocates of peace upon earth through the years to come, than this massed multitude of silent witnesses to the desolation of war" King George V, Tyne Cot Cemetery, 11th May 1922.



Well the day was not finished yet, now we are off to Dunkirk where 300,000 soldiers were rescued off the beach at Dunkirk. The photo L-R is Don Davey Kingaroy-Wooroolin RSL and Jim Kingston Murgon RSL standing on the beach at Dunkirk.



It is now Friday morning and our party are on the road again from Arnhem to Dodewaard to the City Hall Neder-Betuwe where we are officially welcomed to Neder-Betuwe by the Mayor ir. Cees Veerhoek who then led us on a tour of City Hall and talked jointly with our Mayor Wayne Kratzmann about the challenges of local government. We were then taken on a bus tour visiting companies and locations such as, Tree Nursery, Nuclear Power Station, lunch at inn De Engel and many other important locations. On arriving back at the Town Hall we were met by the Australian Tiernan and Burns families who had made this trip and were also welcomed by Mayor ir Cees

Veerhoek and Mr Cees van Meer chairman of the Committee May 4th Dodewaard. Buffet dinner and then a short movie shown of Neder-Betuwe followed by a presentation about the last flight of the Halifax by a member of the committee followed by some Australian songs including Waltzing Matilda finished off a great night. And then when we thought this couldn't get better upon leaving we were given a DVD of Neder-Betuwe and a small memento two sterling silver ornaments of a pear and an apple which I believe now is a way of saying thanks to Australia for letting us once again grow these items.

Saturday and the next segment unfolds in the Neder-Betuwe City Hall with the Tiernan & Burns Memorial Day with the Inauguration display of the propeller blade, plaque and medals of Patrick Tiernan and Alfred Burns which are donated to the people by the Tiernan and Burns families for lifelong display.





That afternoon we witnessed the Commemorative ceremony at the Dodewaard cemetery attended by over 1,500 people and included a very accomplished band and an aircraft fly past doing a complete roll (waving goodbye)



The band then led the walk to the graves of Pat and Alfie with the people forming a guard of honour for the Tiernan and Burns families, the Neder-Betuwe and South Burnett delegation. For many years the Municipal Council and the May 4th Committee of Dodewaard pay a visit to the Kalkestraat cemetery on May 4th, Remembrance Day; They lay flowers and hold two minutes silence at the war graves of the two Australian soldiers. It is a tribute and a sign of respect for what these soldiers – far from home – have done for the liberation of our country. who were these young men, what was their task, what have they been through, in a word: what is their history, where did they come from? We now believe this has been answered. At a special part of the Kalkestraat Dodewaard cemetery lay the graves of Pat and Alfie along with their story of the flight and a replica Propellor Blade. Wreaths were laid by both family and councils along with a wreath from the South Burnett delegation of the RSL. Numerous school children also laid flowers and paid their respects.



Mayor Wayne Kratzmann presents a specially produced print to the Mayor of Neder-Betuwe ir Cees Veerhoek from the people of the South Burnett and Murgon.

On Sunday we again came back to Dodewaard to be part of their celebration of Remembrance Day





May we thank the Mayor of Neder-Betuwe ir Cees Veerhoek, your wife Tineke other Council delegates, Rita, and the Dodewaard committee and the people of Neder-Betuwe for your friendship and kindness during our visit to your country, we will treasure it forever. Hope to see you in 2015 in Murgon, Australia.

We also wish to thank Julie Foley of the South Burnett Regional Council and Liz Caffery for their tireless efforts in the part they played in conjunction with the South Burnett Delegation in the organization of the trip, and to our courtesy bus and driver supplied by Huston Motors.

***Leo Geraghty, very honoured to represent the Murgon Community***



Photo L-R : Glen Vonhoff. Dave McKenna. David Mollenhauer. Frank Reeve. Tony Gregory. Ibro Ljubijankic. Next day for the Men's Shed at 11 Rewald St Murgon is Wednesday 11th June 9 am to 1 pm.

We have had some equipment donated already. Anyone who would like to donate ssssssssssssssomething can ring David Mollenhauer on 41 685912 or email him on [dlmolly@gmail.com](mailto:dlmolly@gmail.com)

## LIONS DISTRICT SECRETARY RECEIVES TOP AWARD



Mrs Jan Barsby is the recipient of a Melvin Jones Fellowship Award. The announcement was made at a recent Lions District Cabinet Meeting. This nationwide award is the highest form of recognition within Lions and embodies humanitarian ideas consistent with the nature and purpose of this international service organisation. The recipient of this award is identified as a model of exemplary service to her club and the community which it serves.

Jan has demonstrated outstanding drive and commitment in her voluntary work as the secretary of District 201Q4 which stretches across Central Queensland. The District Governor photographed congratulating Jan below commented that Jan's sensitivity towards others, coupled with her administrative proficiency has made her a most worthy recipient of this prestigious award.

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The night golf event was funded through a Sport and Recreation

'Get Going' grant received by the Club last year. It has also enabled the Club to host 'come and try' days and purchase some new equipment.

Photo : Angus O'Brien, Rebecca Hydes and Nangkita O'Brien enjoyed searching for their golf balls under the stars during Proston Golf Club's social night golf.

## NIGHT GOLF A HIT

Glow sticks, LED golf balls, flash lights and illuminated fairways were the uncommon features of a recent game of social golf at the Proston Golf Club. The innovative Club, which hosts a number of out of the ordinary events each year - including grey nomad competitions - were happy with the turn-out for their first night golf event and look forward to hosting another in October.

"We enjoyed seeing all the stars while spending time searching for our golf balls," said Nicole O'Brien, who played night golf with her two children. "The Proston Club is secluded from town, so we had no lights except the club house and the small lights on the course. Golf is hard enough to play during the day, so it was very interesting trying to find a ball off the fairway in the dark! We had a lot of laughs and I'd recommend it to anyone looking for something fun to do."

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Council advises that a small number of the 18,500 rate notices that were issued on 23 May 2014 are displaying an incorrect Net Payable figure.

Three (3) Australia Post batches containing payments made in March 2014 have been updated twice. This has caused some rate notices to show a Credit balance with the notation of **Account fully paid - NO PAYMENT REQUIRED.**

Council staff are presently working together with our software provider to correct the error.

Council will be contacting those affected ratepayers by letter this week advising them of the error and providing them with the correct balance that is payable. Council apologises for any inconvenience caused.

"A Morning with Leo Geraghty, and what a lovely morning it was ... though only back from the Netherlands one & half days, he honoured his commitment to attend the Proston Public Library and to talk about his early childhood ; his schooldays in Proston; the history of Murgon Moments and briefly of his very recent journey to the Netherlands and the terrible price paid in war for the good life we have today. Leo was articulate, charming, humble and held his audience of forty one in rapt attention.



He also supported Margaret Westerman's request for used spectacles that are no longer of use, to be left at the Proston Library , which is a "Lions Recycle for Sight" drop point ... the glasses are re-cycled and are then sent to third world countries... a truly great humanitarian project. A morning tea followed and lots of social interaction."

**Margaret Westerman, Senior Library Officer,  
Proston Public Library.**

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## JOKE FOR THE MONTH

### For Those of A Certain Age

A group of seniors were sitting around talking about all their ailments at the local Coffee Shop.

"My arms have become so weak I can hardly lift this cup of coffee," said one.

"Yes, I know," said another. "My cataracts are so bad I can't even see my coffee."

"I couldn't even mark an "X" at election time because my hands are so crippled", volunteered a third.

"What? Speak up! What? I can't hear you", said one elderly lady.

"I can't turn my head because of the arthritis in my neck," said another, to which several nodded weakly in agreement.

"My blood pressure pills make me so dizzy!" exclaimed another. "I forget where I am and where I'm going," said another.

"I guess that's the price we pay for getting old," winced an old man as he slowly shook his head.

The others nodded in agreement.

"Well, count your blessings," said a woman cheerfully. "Thank God we can all still drive."

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## MOFFATDALE STATE SCHOOL CENTENARY COMING IN 2015



Photo: We all had a great time and graduated from Moffatdale State School in 2013



The first Moffatdale State School Centenary meeting will be held at 6.30pm on Thursday 17th July at the school and we are looking for interested people to help in the organizing of this celebration in 2015. Remember your times at school, find out what Sharon Tuesley found in the old principals report book, bring your ideas and meet the current principal Mr Aron Jones or phone him on 0741 684724 between 9.00am and 3.00pm. Photo: We all had a great time and were part of the Moffatdale State School in 2013

## MURGON & DISTRICT BRANCH NATIONAL SENIORS AUSTRALIA



The General Meeting will be held on Thursday 19th June at the Murgon Bowls Club at 10 am after morning tea. A guest speaker will be present.

Our next tour is on Thursday 17th July to Lake Somerset & Lake Wivenhoe. Cost is \$54 P/P leaving Murgon at 7.30 am Tingoorra 7.50am Kingaroy 8 am Nanango 8.10 am Yarraman 8.25 am.

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

There has been a destination change for November, it is now a cruise leaving Mooloolaba. Our 2014 Tours Itinerary is available on request.

# Kathy's Comments

## Give & Enjoy for the Farmers

Joan Adams and a team of volunteers helped to organise an amazing night to support our local farmers at the Tablelands Hall. There was free food, fun and fellowship for the farmers funded by the Red Earth Community Foundation. Joan is endeavouring to organise some more evenings where farmers can just relax and enjoy a social evening together. Congratulations to Joan and everyone involved in a very successful and extremely worthwhile project and I hope that we can find some more funding to do a follow up.

## Health & Wellbeing Open Day

I was pleased to be able to attend in the afternoon and had great feedback from stall holders that it had been a wonderful morning. Tracey and Roberta did an awesome job and I am looking forward to the next one.

## Farewell to Babu Singh

I had the pleasure of catching up with Babu at the Kapernick's place for a Rotary send off as he says goodbye to Murgon to return home to Fiji. We enjoyed a Fijian welcome drink made especially by Babu for the occasion. It was a lot of fun and we will miss his wonderful community support as we wish him luck **in his future endeavours.**

## Thanks to Murgon State School for helping to support our Farmers

I was delighted to accept a donation towards supporting our farmers after students raised funds for a dress up farm day. I was told that farmer, Rex Shelton, did a great job judging the fantastic costumes. It is great to see everyone getting behind our farmers, especially our students, after the two major floods and a devastating drought.

## Volunteers Forum and a big thank you to our Volunteers

It was great to catch up with some of our fantastic volunteers at the recent forum held in Kingaroy. Volunteers are the backbone of our community and our Council get an unbelievable amount of support from volunteers at our facilities including our Libraries, Museums and Visitor Information Centres. Thank you to everyone who helps us by volunteering your time to help to support and strengthen our community.

## Funding for Trapping to support the control of wild dogs and pigs.

Burnett Mary Regional Group has provided funding to support some professional trappers to work across our region to help with the control of wild dogs and feral pigs. There are a number of groups involved in helping to coordinate this and Council is working closely with key stakeholders to ensure that this project is a success.

## Bye Floodplain Plan

The Plan is in place and we are working with key stakeholders now to try to come up with some solutions to the ongoing problems that have been identified. Thank you to John Day from Burnett Mary Regional Group for helping to coordinate this project and to the landholders who are all participating to try to get some good outcomes rather than let the Plan simply collect dust!!

## Levers Road set to be replaced

We had a final meeting at Tablelands Hall to discuss the



future plans for Levers Rd. The solution will be to resume land from the adjoining property and simply move the road over. Tenders will be called and weather permitting the goal is to have the project completed before Christmas.

## Grading of Rural Roads

I am starting to get some roads graded as the flood work is finishing up and our crews are picking up the pieces that still need attention. Please call our Customer Service Centre and register a Customer Request on 41899100 or let me know and I can put in a request on your behalf if you have a road related concern.

## Cloyna Combined Services Dinner

I think that one of the best nights of the year is the Dinner to raise money for the Cloyna Hall. It is always a great night of fellowship and it was particularly special this year with Greg Smith, Kirsten Upton and Jeffery Kinsella just back from the Netherlands and able to share their exciting and moving adventure.

## Waste Happenings

We are merging all of the major contracts for our waste collection across the region which should provide some savings into the future. We are also working closely with Cherbourg as they get their Material Recycling Facility up and running. We are hoping to be able to have bins at all of our major facilities for recycling that may be able to be processed through the Cherbourg facility depending on the success of trials that are in place at the moment.

## Councillor Contact Details

As always I am working on following up jobs and concerns that have been brought to my attention. Please contact me if you have an issue or wish to make an appointment  
Cr Kathy Duff (Division 5) South Burnett Regional Council  
Phone 07 41680225 or 0437020705 or  
email [kduff@southburnett.qld.gov.au](mailto:kduff@southburnett.qld.gov.au)

## MURGON QUOTA HIGH TEA - FUNDRAISER FOR CANCER



On Saturday afternoon 17th May, Murgon Quota Service Club joined together for a High tea to raise funds for Cancer. The scrumptious afternoon tea (to replace Australia's Biggest Morning Tea) was hosted by Barbara King at her home in Nagel Court. Ladies contributed their cooking skills and it was a fun afternoon with entertainment, a stroll around the garden and lots of cheery conversation. The Donation Box proved very profitable.

Photo in Barbara's Garden: Barbara King, Maree Watson, Lyn Norton, Thelma Rewald, Megan Kiely, Shirley Sakrzewski,

Joyce Robinson, Gloria Berry, Bev Garrad, Pam Schabon. Sitting: Kath Braithwaite & Mary Roberts.



### “GYROPLANE ENTHUSIASTS AND INTERESTED PARTIES”

The Australian National titles were held at Wondai airport during the Easter Weekend 18th - 21st April 2014. The South East Queensland Gyroplane Club hosted the Australian National Titles on behalf of Australian Sports Rotorcraft Association at WONDAL during the Easter Weekend.

In addition to competition events on Saturday and Sunday, there was an opportunity to get up close and personal with the pilots and their machines.

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## FRIENDLY FARMERS, COME TO SCHOOL DRESSED UP



Winners are grinners: Raising money for the South Burnett's drought stricken farmers and winning Murgon State School class prizes for best dressed Come as a Farmer or Farm Animal Day were front and centre Shyeakah Fisher (cow) and back, I-r Zachary Smith, Lily Riley, principal Pamela O'Loughlin, William Beardmore, Ally Kemp, Merlwood pig farmer Rex Shelton, James Flavel, Lateesha Haim (pig) and Darcy Steinhardt.



On the 23rd of May Murgon State School students came dressed up as any farm animal or farmer as you so desire. They were requested to bring a gold coin donation which will be donated to the farmers in need, who are still in drought conditions. They include front, Sienna Cluff (cow), Charlotte Sherriff (cat), Zoe Hall (duck) and Ella Sippel (cow) and back, Fayanne Gibson (pig), Lachlan Cross (fox), Koby Douglas (cow) and Jessamy Zerner (pig)..

# IN MURGON THIS MONTH

Particulars available at the Visitor Information Centre

Sunday	1	Church Services, Bowls, Golf, Catholic Mass, Graham House Celebration Day,
Monday	2	Murgon Judo Club, SES, QUOTA,
Tuesday	3	Art classes Graham House, Creative Friendships, Queensland Rural Womens Network Inc,
Wednesday	4	Bowls, Murgon Judo Club, Rotary, Shab's,
Thursday	5	Social Golf, St Joseph's Bingo, RSL Bingo, Guides, Mainly Music, Nursing Mothers, South Burnett Cake Decorators, Spinners & Weavers, APEX,
Friday	6	Social Tennis, Community Bingo, Shab's,
Saturday	7	Bowls, Golf, Dance Lessons Tablelands, Catholic Mass,
Sunday	8	Church Services, Bowls, Golf, Murgon Markets, PCYC Remote Control Car race day,
Monday	9	Murgon Judo Club, SES, Parkinsons Support Group, QCWA,
Tuesday	10	Art classes Graham House, Creative Friendships, Cattle Sale, LIONS, Murgon Show Society,
Wednesday	11	Bowls, Murgon Judo Club, Rotary, Shab's, Active Parks 11th-25th,
Thursday	12	Golf, St Joseph's Bingo, RSL Bingo, Guides, Ambulance meet, Murgon Business & Development Assoc Meet, QCWA,
Friday	13	Social Tennis, Community Bingo, Shab's, Barambah Garden Club, Friday Night Live, Murgon State School P & C Auction,
Saturday	14	Bowls, Golf, Anglican Mothers Union, Burnett Flyers Fly In,
Sunday	15	Bowls, Golf, Church Services, Buffalo Lodge, Catholic Mass,
Monday	16	SES, Neighbourhood Watch Meet,
Tuesday	17	Art classes Graham House, Creative Friendships,
Wednesday	18	Bowls, Murgon Judo Club, Rotary, Shab's, Steps, Hospital Auxiliary,
Thursday	19	Golf, St Joseph's Bingo, RSL Bingo, Guides, APEX, Mainly Music, National Seniors, PCYC Meet, Spinners & Weavers, School P&C Disco Onesies Party
Friday	20	Social Tennis, Community Bingo, Shab's, Blue Light Disco, Murgon Moments Deadline,
Saturday	21	Bowls, Golf, Catholic Mass, Dairy Museum Meet, Shortest Day of Year,
Sunday	22	Bowls, Golf, Church Services, Hivesville Markets, PCYC Remote Control Car Fun day, Annual LADIES LUNCHEON,
Monday	23	SES,
Tuesday	24	Art classes Graham House, Creative Friendships, Uniting Church Friendship Group, Cattle Sale, Diabetes Support Group, LIONS,
Wednesday	25	Bowls, Murgon Judo Club, Rotary, Shab's,
Thursday	26	Golf, St Joseph's Bingo, RSL Bingo, Guides, Mainly Music,
Friday	27	Social Tennis, Community Bingo, Shab's, Goomeri & District Garden Club,
Saturday	28	Bowls, Golf,
Sunday	29	Bowls, Golf, Church Services, Camera Club, Catholic Mass,
Monday	30	SES,
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**Student Council Leaders at Murgon State School presenting Councillor Kathy Duff with money raised for the farmers through the dress up as a farmer or farm animal competition**

## DATE CLAIMER

The 2014 South Burnett Careers Market being hosted by the Kingaroy TAFE College will be held on Tuesday 5th August 2014 between 9am to 3pm.

The Kingaroy TAFE College is situated (Cnr Geritz Road & Bunya Highway, Kingaroy)

For further information Contact:

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Dear MBDA members, we welcome all local businesses to become a member of our Association....for only \$66 for the 12 months. Membership will allow you to take advantage of the Murgon web page and facebook page for the promotion of your business. Upcoming Community events can also be highlighted on both these sites.

Recently we have been busily promoting Murgon & district through the Murgon FB page and through our Murgon Website page. We would like to see more businesses take on using Social Media as a form of free promotion for your own business.

As a member of MBDA you are now entitled to promote your business on the Murgon FB page <https://www.facebook.com/#!/MurgonQLD> which now has almost 700 likes and growing daily. When someone likes a page, they'll get to see the postings (your promotions) and if they then share with their friends (either by posting or talking about it) it all helps to spread your message further....which hopefully can turn into customers for your business. So while a Member has their own Facebook page building up their own number of followers, it also makes it easier (more accessible) for us to get their latest promotions shared through our Murgon FB page/ Website quickly and also more often .... rather than waiting for someone to notify us (or not notify us) therefore perhaps missing out altogether on letting this number of people know about what is happening with your business.

Members are also now listed on our Murgon Website page under the "Local Directories" page ..... <http://www.murgon.net.au/-local-directory.html> . Please check that you are listed and that the information is correct and let us know if any changes are needed. We also intend to add a listing of Community Organizations/Clubs soon. Check out the other pages on the Website if you haven't done so already. You can find a link to the Murgon Moments online as well.

If you would like any further information on other ways we can help promote your business, please contact Margaret (Murgon Real Estate) at [murgonre@bigpond.net.au](mailto:murgonre@bigpond.net.au) (Ph 4168 2922) or myself (Lorraine) at [rlgoodchild@bigpond.com](mailto:rlgoodchild@bigpond.com) (Ph 0427 231852).

Also please consider coming along to the MBDA Meetings...always looking for fresh ideas and input to promote and support our town & district (don't worry that you might get landed with a job...all positions are filled for this year!) and remember there is more chance of someone listening to our concerns if it comes through an organization rather than a single voice crying in the wilderness.

Regards, Lorraine Goodchild, for MBDA, [rlgoodchild@bigpond.com](mailto:rlgoodchild@bigpond.com) Ph 0427 231852

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## THE CHERBOURG RATION SHED – a winner of a National Museums Award

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*...recognise the significant positive impact of our highest achievers in contributing to the sector by establishing benchmark excellence in Exhibitions, Public Programs, Indigenous projects, and projects and developments that promote ethical and sustainable practices.*



The Ration Shed took out the first prize in the Indigenous Project or Keeping Place Award for the submission of the organisation's educational materials. These range from the Timeline display in the Ration Shed to the Memory archive website, the videos, workbooks and other publications which are made available to schools and visitors who come to the Cherbourg Historical Precinct.

The award commendation reads:

*A wonderfully rich project reviewing important Indigenous history and changing perceptions and awareness in Cherbourg.*

For more information please visit:

[http://www.museumsaustralia.org.au/site/magna2014\\_winners.php](http://www.museumsaustralia.org.au/site/magna2014_winners.php)

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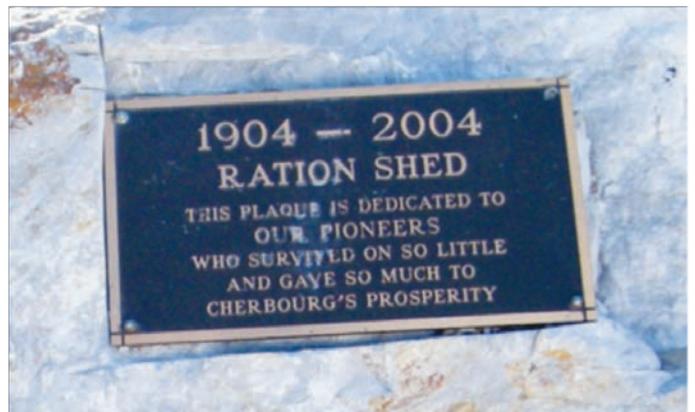
For links to the Memory project, please visit:

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For links to our educational resources, please visit:

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**Photo: Sandra Morgan and Ada Simpson proudly show off their award.**



## GRAHAM HOUSE COMMUNITY CENTRE CELEBRATES IN STYLE!



Sunday 1st June – what a great day for Graham House Community Centre!! Approximately 150 people including staff of Graham House, volunteers, service providers and community members gathered at the Graham House Hall in Pearen Street for a day of celebrations.

In welcoming everyone, Kathy Baker (2nd on the left) President of the Graham House Committee, said the day was about acknowledgement, recognition and celebration.



*“Graham House acknowledges **National Volunteers Week** and pays tribute to the 70 volunteers who generously contribute their time and skills to our organisation. We recognise **Domestic and Family Violence Prevention Month** and the need to raise community awareness of the social and personal impact of domestic and family violence and the support available to those affected, and we celebrate what being a **Community Centre** is all about - providing the people of our community with support and services to build strength, skills and resilience to empower them to meet their own needs.”*

Manager Linda O’Hare acknowledged the 25th anniversary of Graham House Community Centre and further contributed to the celebratory mood with the launch of the new Graham House website, logo and uniforms. All staff and volunteers were decked out in their new attire presenting a bright, fresh and professional look for the organisation. Centre staff were on hand to assist with any queries and representatives of the Graham House groups were also available to talk about their group and the benefits of being involved and connected with community. (You can check out our new website at [www.grahamhouse.org.au](http://www.grahamhouse.org.au))

Another positive for the day was the announcement that the Murgon Men’s Shed which is auspiced by Graham House Community Centre is now a reality with temporary premises being located at 11 Rewald Street Murgon. Councillor Kathy Duff from the South Burnett Regional Council updated everyone on the progress Council has made in securing the old railway building located in Gore Street,

Murgon as the permanent home for the Murgon Men's Shed. It is anticipated with the support of Jeff Seene, Member for Callide, access for the group to the permanent premises will be finalised in the near future.

In her presentation International Australian Women's Cricketer Holly Ferling acknowledged the people in her life who have supported and assisted her in her career - coaches, trainers, drivers, canteen workers etc, all volunteers who have played an important and valuable role in her sporting and social development. Holly was very gracious in presenting volunteers with Appreciation Certificates, chatting with them and posing for photos.

Due to unforeseen circumstances Steve Renouf in his role as a Domestic Violence Ambassador was unable to attend however Jim Sloane the Older-Wiser-Stronger Worker for Graham House, provided the audience with a view of what constitutes domestic violence, its prevalence within the community, the affect it has on families and how and where to go for assistance and support.

Sponsors of Graham House were also acknowledged and thanked for their ongoing support.

A delicious morning tea was provided by the Graham House Community Kitchen, followed by a sausage sizzle lunch.

The children were not forgotten with face painting, techno games and a jumping castle.



### Supporting our community

*Graham House Community Centre Inc. is provider of high quality inclusive service that responds to the needs of individuals with empathy and dignity.*

*Graham House Community Centre provides holistic assistance and nurtures the strengths of individuals and the community to empower them to meet their own needs.*

[www.grahamhouse.org.au](http://www.grahamhouse.org.au)

## CYCLING EVENTS RETURN TO SOUTH BURNETT



The Brisbane Camperland Road Team Series and South Burnett Community Rides are set down for the 21st and 22nd June.

Round 3 of the Teams Series will be a two day event which will consist of the Tour de Kumbia on Saturday 21st June 2014 and the Tour de Kingaroy on Sunday 22nd June 2014.

**The South Burnett Community Rides, presented by the South Burnett Regional Council,** will be held in Kingaroy on Sunday 22nd June and they will precede the Tour de Kingaroy. Members of the South Burnett community who own a bicycle are invited to participate.

The Community Rides were conducted for the first time last year over three courses of different distances. They proved to be very popular with those who participated, especially with the winners of the various random draw prizes at the conclusion of the rides.

Entries will open soon with Cycling Queensland for the community rides. All information will be available on the website [www.qld.cycling.org.au](http://www.qld.cycling.org.au) shortly.

Photo: **The Budget Forklifts Team in action in Round 2 of the Queensland Road Teams Series.**

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Models Betty and Lucille stole the show at the recently held "Fashion Parade and Elegant afternoon tea" at Southern Cross Care Castra Retirement Home.

Mark Smith and Lorraine Goodchild having fun and learning heaps with Trudi Bartlett (centre) at the Social Media Workshop organised through the Murgon Business & Development Assoc.




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## THE SB PCYC REMOTE CONTROL CAR CLUB



Over 21 competitors turned out for the monthly SB PCYC remote control car meet recently. Lots of fun and controlled driving was enjoyed by everyone coupled with beautiful Queensland warm winter weather.

The club meets again on Sunday 22nd June for a fun day and everyone is welcome to attend. The club is situated at the end of Macalister Street in Angels paddock on the left on the way to the aerodrome.



Photo: Batteries being changed and electricals being checked and bodies being given the final clean prior to racing, not your usual racing car pit stop.

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