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MURGON MOMENTS

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Cherbourg Takes Home Shield



Daisy Williams and Lizzie Fisher, from the Uniting Care Safe House, and Murgon Mustangs club president Wayne Gscheidle, right, presented the "There's No Excuse For Domestic Abuse" shield to Cherbourg Hornets captain Patrick Alberts

Murgon Mustangs hosted a huge day of rugby league with their annual Domestic Violence Awareness Round.

There were stalls around Murgon Sportsground from various service agencies promoting the "no excuse for domestic abuse" message.

Out on the paddock, round robin games were held simultaneously across seven fields from U6s through to U12s.

Special presentations were made after the round in each age group was completed.

There were also three A Grade games, featuring both men's and women's teams (results below).

The main game of the day was the A Grade local derby between the Murgon Mustangs and the Cherbourg Hornets.

Sadly, there was little joy for the hosts.

The Hornets ran out winners 72-16 after leading 30-12 at half-time.

Letter to the Editor

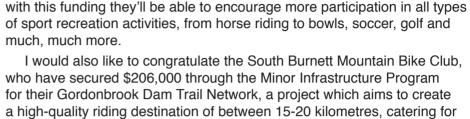
Congratulations local sporting clubs

On behalf of our community, I would like to congratulate the local sporting clubs who have been successful with their applications to Round Three of the Active Clubs grant program.

In fact, 59 local sporting clubs have each secured \$2,500 through the program to help purchase muchneeded equipment, support volunteers and run come and try days.

This is a great result for our region and excellent recognition for our hardworking volunteers who keep our sporting clubs running.





for their Gordonbrook Dam Trail Network, a project which aims to create a high-quality riding destination of between 15-20 kilometres, catering for all ages and abilities. This is an amazing project that creates economic and health opportunities for our local community as well as promoting the South Burnett as an Adventure Tourism Hub for South-eastern Queensland.

These grassroots clubs are the backbone of local communities and

Deb Frecklington, Member for Nanango



Mayor Otto calls for the Biosecurity Levy to be removed

South Burnett Regional Council Mayor, Brett Otto has joined National Party Leader and Member for Maranoa David Littleproud in questioning the federal government recent budget announcement to impose a levy on farmers to fund biosecurity. Mayor Otto has called on the federal government to reverse the decision, saying it is another impost on struggling farmers.

With world demand for food expected to increase by 70 percent over the next 40 years, the South Burnett Regional Council Mayor is talking up agriculture as the future of the local economy.

"I absolutely support investment in biosecurity, indeed our council spends a significant amount of local ratepayers funds on disease control, including controlling invasive animal and plant species. We certainly do need much more investment in biosecurity from both state and federal governments, however not at the expense of our farmers", Mayor Otto said.

From July 2024, a levy will be introduced on producers equivalent to 10 per cent of their 2020-21 levy rates. This means producers of grassfed cattle will pay an extra 50 cents per head and a cotton producer will pay an extra 22.5 cents per 227kg bale, on top of their current levy payments.

Mayor Otto joined the Nationals leader in asking "why would any Australian government tax their own farmers to pay for foreigners to bring their products into this country?" and supports the National Party's stance on establishing an 'importer container levy', as recommended by the independent Craik Biosecurity review.

Mayor Otto has echoed the Nationals MP's sentiments in saying that "importers of foreign products should pay for the biosecurity risk they pose, not Australian farmers."

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Requesting Community support to reduce Vandalism in the South Burnett

South Burnett Regional Council calls for the Community's support to curb vandalism and anti-social behaviour in the South Burnett as a matter of public safety and preservation of public facilities.

Vandalism of Council's public facilities is on the rise, with public toilets a main target. Increasing incidents occur during school holiday periods with the cost to rate payers also increasing each year. The current cost for Council to clean up the vandalism has already exceeded the cost from the previous financial year, with two months still remaining.

Reg McCallum Park in Nanango was vandalised three nights in a row

Murgon Swimming Pool was vandalised twice in one night,

Blackbutt public toilet

Butter Factory All Inclusive Park. Nanango.

The community raised a great deal of funds to refurbish this park and it was very disappointing Mayor Brett Otto condemned the behaviour, saying "the ongoing vandalism of public infrastructure is costing our ratepayers thousands of dollars every year, it needs to stop. I would encourage the community to be vigilant and report any suspicious behaviour to Police Link on 131 444 or council on 4189 9100".

"Vandalism is an issue everywhere, but that does not mean that we should accept it here in our region. The cost is one that we as a community cannot afford.

Chemotherapy at the Kingaroy Hospital.

Patients will soon be able to receive chemotherapy at the Kingaroy Hospital. Kingaroy is the latest site in the Darling Downs Health region to benefit from a new teleoncology service based at the Toowoomba Hospital.

The service involves a specialised oncology nurse in Toowoomba who provides clinical support to a nurse in the rural facility via a live video stream. The nurse on the ground then safely administers and monitors the delivery of the chemotherapy to the patient.

"Patient safety is paramount when administering chemotherapy to patients," Nurse Unit Manager at the Kingaroy Hospital, Trudy Bell said.

"This new service at the Kingaroy Hospital will ensure we have the right clinical skills and the required safety nets in place to support our patients and provide excellent care."

The service will initially cater to patients who meet certain eligibility criteria. It is hoped however the service will grow and help more patients stay closer to home to receive treatment.

"Travelling to receive medical treatment can take quite a significant toll on patients," Trudy said.

"To provide a service that removes the need for travel is a wonderful asset to the Kingaroy and South Burnett community."

Kingaroy Hospital Director of Nursing Gaye Binns said a team of nurses was currently undertaking specialised training in the administration of chemotherapy.

"It's not only great news for our patients and the community, it is also a great opportunity for our staff to learn new skills in their hometown," Gaye said.

"We have a great hospital and a wonderful day therapy unit in which to provide this service.

"We are all set up and look forward to welcoming our oncology patients soon."

It is hoped the first patients will receive treatment next month.

Darling Downs Health currently provides teleoncology services to patients located in Dalby, Warwick, Charleville, St George and Roma.





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Urology patients seen closer to home in Kingaroy

People living in the South Burnett requiring specialised urology services are now able to stay closer to home thanks to the expansion of the Specialist Outpatient Department at the Kingaroy Hospital.

Two urologists, Dr Sapre and Dr Wang, plus their clinical support staff are now seeing patients at Kingarov Hospital to provide diagnosis and treatment of diseases and conditions related to the urinary tract.

"There has been a growth in the local need for specialised outpatient services," Kingaroy Hospital Director of Nursing Gaye Binns said.

"There is now an opportunity for those residents to be able to stay closer to home to receive their care."

Jackie Isaacson is the Specialist Outpatient Department clinical nurse. She's been working in the clinic for about four years and has just recently been promoted to clinical nurse.

"Having the clinics here at the hospital removes the need for people to travel outside of the region for their initial or follow-up appointments with their specialists," she said.

"Travelling for medical reasons has such an impact on people and not just those requiring care. It's the patient's families who are impacted too because they are often needed to drive their loved ones to and from appointments.

"This service has a huge positive impact on our patients."

The Specialist Outpatient Department at Kingaroy Hospital also provides a variety of services to patients including cardiology, gynaecology, obstetrics, surgical and paediatrics, as well as a pacemaker clinic.

A doctor's referral for any of these services is required.

Sth Burnett Man Faces 99 Charges

Police have charged a 33-year-old Mount McEuen man with 99 offences as part of "Operation Victor Distinct".

The man was arrested near Chinchilla on April 30, allegedly in possession of a stolen vehicle containing stolen firearms.

He has been charged with multiple offences including entering premises and committing an indictable offence (22 counts), stealing a vehicle (15), unlawful possession of firearms (11), enter a dwelling (8), stealing (5), evading police (4), fraud (2), arson of vehicle, dangerous operation of a motor vehicle, break and enter, and possession of a shortened firearm.

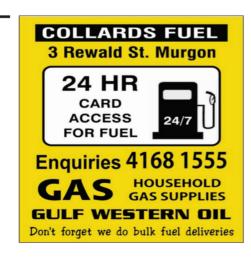
He has been remanded in custody and will appear in Toowoomba Magistrates Court on June 5.

The Mount McEuen man was one of 16 people charged with a total of 178 offences as part of the ongoing police operation targeting rural thefts, unlawful firearms and drugs in the South Burnett and Western Downs.

Date Claimer

Proston Christmas Carnival

SATURDAY 9TH DECEMBER 2023





ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS

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Online Zoom meeting is also available

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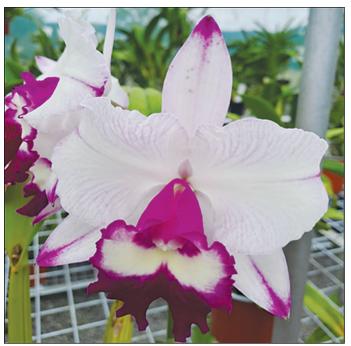
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Murgon - This lovely split level highset home is presented to the market in impeccable condition. The home is beautifully painted inside and the floor coverings are in excellent order throughout. - 3 bedrooms, built in robes

in 2 rooms and one is air conditioned - Spacious bathroom - shower only, vanity, toilet is separate, plenty of storage - Security Screened - Verandah - Open plan air conditioned lounge/dining - Built in Kitchen - Sits on a neat 751m2 block - Fenced back and sides - Covered entertainment area - Carport at side - Backyard access - Guest bedroom under house - Enclosed under for storage - Shade screens and shutters on front windows. \$315,000



Murgon -3 bedrooms 2 with built in robes and air conditioning. large open sunroom at the front of the home, both air conditioned. The kitchen is modern and built with with Island Bench to the Dining

area. There is also an office/study. The bathroom is modern and benefits from a bath and separate walk in shower. There are 2 toilets. new floor coverings, new paintwork rear patio area. A single carport plus garage/ workshop, large high shade shed for the caravan, boat, trailer. home is available with vacant possession. 10.5kw solar system with 28 panels means no more power bills. Heat pump hot water system. Town and tank water connected to the home. \$350,000



Murgon - modern kitchen with large five burner gas cook top, dishwasher and pantry. A semi open plan kitchen and dining area. The bathroom has a shower over bath and

a separate toilet. generous patio. 3 bedrooms, 2 with built in robes, ceiling fans and fresh carpet. large 8 x 7 meter shed. Features: 3 bedrooms with ceiling fans, -Modern Kitchen -Air conditioning in the living space -3 Rain water tanks (50,000 litres) Location: -650m to the High School and Pool -450m to the Primary School -650m to IGA - The home is currently rented to a Government Dept until 23 March 2024 at a weekly rent of \$365 pwk.

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Kathy's Comments

Notice of Works - Campbells Road and Silverleaf Road Silverleaf

I am excited to let everyone know that Rehabilitation works along sections of Campbells Road and Silverleaf Road are scheduled to commence Monday 29 May 2023 and are expected to be completed by Friday 30 June 2023, weather permitting.

In order to provide a safe work environment, the work areas will be controlled by signage or with traffic controllers as required. Motorists are requested to travel with extra care, to drive to the prevailing road conditions and to adhere to signage.

These works are jointly funded through;

- Australian Government's Roads to Recovery (R2R) and Local Road and Community Infrastructure (LRCI).
- The jointly funded Australian and State Government's Restoration of Essential Public Assets (REPA) Programs.

Great Feedback on Elbow Road

I am also excited to receive great feedback from locals about the work done on Elbow Road. There are a lot of people saying that it is the best they have ever seen it. It is always great to get positive feedback and I thank the community sincerely for letting me know when something is done well. Please continue to let me know if there are concerns or matters that need following up as I really want to hear all feedback both positive and negative.

Kapernick Park Upgrade

I would like to give a big shout out to the amazing World Youth with a Mission Group, led by Pastor Chris Downes from the Murgon Baptist Church. The group cleaned up the area around Kapernick Park so that travellers can once again see the wonderful views that the Boat Mountain area is renowned for. Thank you also to Greg Kapernick for allowing the works to be done on your land so that the whole community can benefit. The World Youth with a Mission Group are young people from all over the World who come into communities to do good for others. They work with young people talking about their spiritual faith and they also try to find local community projects where they can help. The Kapernick Park project was a great one with mowers and whipper snippers and lots of young energy required. Thank you again to everyone involved for a job well done.

Proston Gearing Up for their Centenary

Proston is preparing for a big weekend and there are lots of preparations happening to make the town look as good as it possibly can be for their celebration. I was pleased to have Nat Zerner, who works at Di Di, cut the timber and erect a fence as our donation towards a town feature displaying Robin Dower's sculptured weaners. There will also be a windmill and a trough. Parks and gardens staff are also working on gardens for the area. It should look spectacular and be a great addition for the town.

DV Footy Day

Congratulations to the Murgon Junior Rugby League for hosting another successful event to put an end to Domestic Violence. The day is around the game of footy but the purple ribbons given out to everyone and the messages throughout the day are the central focus. There have been lots of activities around the Domestic Violence awareness month and it is a



strong message to all of us that there is no excuse for domestic abuse.

Volunteer Forum

Thank you to Rene from the PCYC and all of the service providers and community organisations who came along and set up a stall to try encourage more volunteers. I had some good feedback that some of the groups had gathered names of some interested people. Let's hope that we get more locals stepping up and giving some time back to the community. I think that volunteering can be very rewarding because it can be uplifting to know that you are making a difference, that you are supporting the community and that you are giving something back. One of my favourite sayings is "we make a living by what we get, but we make a life by what we give"

Clovna Hall Dinner

It was wonderful to once again be back in the Cloyna Hall for the Combined Services Club Dinner. It was a great night with \$2000 dollars raised to go back to the hall committee for upgrades to the hall. It was interesting to hear guest Speaker, Claire Kapernick, talk about the role that BIEDO (Burnett Inland Economic Development Organisation) plays in our community.

Federal Budget Exciting News for Local GPS

I received good feedback from the local General Practitioners that the announcements in the Federal budget would make some significant improvements for local medical centres. This desperately needed to happen as the local medical centres have been struggling to keep their Practices viable with the Medicare Rebate concerns and the lack of incentives for rural doctors.

Contact Details

Please contact me if you wish to raise a matter or make a time to catch up.

Cr Kathy Duff (Division 5) South Burnett Regional Council.

Phone 07 41680225 or 0437020705 or email kathy.duff@sbrc.qld.gov.au

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Following a request for assistance, the Murgon Lions Club with the support of Scooters & Mobility Hervey Bay, have made Easter a happier time for Murgon resident Mr Peter Sorrensen with a donation of a portable mobile scooter to replace the previous one which was stolen.

The Murgon Lions Club would like to thank the staff of Scooters & Mobility for their assistance in the purchase of the scooter.

Mr Sorrensen thanked the club and was very gratful for their donation.



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June-How You Going?

Days are hotter, nights gets cool. Come May/June and the nights will continue to become cooler, at least in South Burnett. I have now lived here for the last seven years, and for me one of the best choices I have made. Living in this region is peaceful, calm, slow pace, lots of country scenery that you can't get enough of. For some people it can be spiritual. You not only physically love this place, but your mind, emotions, your inner being also finds rest. I have always loved country living, call it regional or rural. Many are now moving this side of QLD, buying houses, finding roots and calling it home. My wife and I have lived in Wondai for the last seven years. Absolutely love this place. The nearest towns out of Wondai are Murgon, Goomeri, Kingaroy. I go to Proston twice every month for preaching and Bible study. Not many attend church these days, but for those who do attend, they find their spiritual fulfilment in God. How so? We are not only physical being, flesh and blood, but we are also spiritual being. What does that mean? The word spirit and soul is sometimes used interchangeably in the bible. They are our emotions, will, intellect. That part in us that looks for fulfilment, satisfaction, happiness, purpose. They are spiritual. Spiritual side of things can be satisfied in admiring God's creation, like South Burnett where there is Table Land and Bunya Mountain. Many find spiritual satisfaction comes from religion, in believing that there is a God. It's a belief and people can choose if that's the way they want to go. Many choose not to believe in any higher power, God, and that is there choice. As I get older, I find that my fulfilment in life

comes from learning new things: meeting new people, visiting new places, seeing different towns in South Burnett, trying out different restaurants, different kinds of food. I am also a reader and educating myself on different subjects from internet stimulates my thinking. I am always looking for something new, It is adventurous, fulfilling, makes me happy. Spiritual fulfillment and happiness sometimes can be used interchangeably. When you are fulfilled inside, you are happy outside whether that comes from admiring creation, travelling and seeing new places or finding fulfilment in God. The important thing in life is to be fulfilled, happy and learning. I have believed in Jesus Christ for the last forty years, it's been fulfilling and spiritual. I can't say it is same for everyone, because not everyone believe in God. They find spiritual fulfilment in something else. Others find it in doing activities with their friends like Mans shed or Shed Man. I have also seen groups of bicycle riders, motor bike riders, antique cars, walkers, runners, swimmers. Golfers? I play golf. Over the years I have learned that people, though we are same, human beings, but we are different in what gives us fulfilment, what gives us passion, what draws our attention. And that's what I find very much mind blowing. We are who we are. We will find what we like most and find satisfaction and fulfilment in that. Jesus said, "Ask, and it will be given to you; seek, and you will find; knock, and it will be opened to you. For everyone who asks receives, and he who seeks finds, and to him who knocks it will be opened (Matthew 7:7-8).











120th Anniversary Of the Establishment of Wondai





Kathy Duff attended a meeting this morning with an enthusiastic group from Wondai led by Noel Selway to organise an event to celebrate the 120 years of the train coming to Wondai. It will be held on the exact day 120 years later Thursday the 14th of September 2023. More details to come but please save the date!!

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ANNUAL COMBINED SERVICES DINNER AT CLOYNA HALL









The annual combined services dinner at Cloyna Hall is always a great fun night with proceeds going to the restoration of the hall. With plenty of raffle prizes and a scrumptious meal it's a night not to be missed. Guest speaker was Clare Kapernick from BIEDO. Photo top right being thanked by Amanda Dennien from the Cloyna Hall committee.

We sadly mourn the loss of:

McINTYRE, Lorraine Fay, Late of Murgon

HILL, Garran, Late of Wondai and formerly of Bendigo

MEIKLEJOHN, Moya Ann, Late of Tingoora

BARNES, Debra Elaine (Branch), Late of Proston and formerly of Beachmere and Nanango

BISHOP, Bruce Reginald, Late of Murgon

BAUER, Dorothy Helen (nee Reinke), Late of Caboolture and formerly of Proston

CLEGG, Alfred "Alf" George, Formerly of Proston, Late of Kingarov

HILL, Beverley Clair, Late of Deception Bay, Formerly of Cherbourg

BELL, Maxinne Joy, Late of Deception Bay, Formerly of Wondai DYNEVOR, Sarah Jane, Formerly of Woodridge, Late of Cherboura

CHAPMAN, Harold John, Late of Cherbourg

WEAZEL, Gladys Joyce, Late of Cherbourg

DUNCAN, Roslyn Sadie, Late of Cherbourg

GROVES, Carol Ann, Late of Murgon

BISHOP, Rosemary, Late of Hervey Bay, formerly of Cloyna & Murgon

RANKIN, Ronald (Ron) Edward, Late of Brigooda via Proston. REINKE, Jean Isobel, (nee Hatchman) Late of Wondai

SIMPSON, Jack (Snr), Late of Cherbourg.

SENIORS MONTHLY Morning Tea

WHEN: Last Tuesday of Month

TIME: From 10am

WHERE: Graham House Community Centre

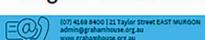
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Pratts Annual Weaner Show & Sale



1400 Quality weaners were yarded at our Annual Weaner Show & Sale . The market for the steer portion held up fairly well throughout. The heifer market was tough in places. Obviously, with the current market, prices cannot be compared with last year's result. Buyers from the Downs, Central & North Queensland were in attendance as well as local competition from the Burnett region. Charbray steers a/c A & R Barsby sold to \$3.60 c/kg for \$1393.00. 3 pens of Charbray steers from M Smith Gayndah sold for \$3.84 c/kg topping at \$1226.00. G Zahl Gayndah sold Charolais cross steers for \$\$3.92 c/kg (\$1348.00) & \$3.88 c/kg (\$1166.00). Charbray steers a/c I Davies Kilkivan sold for \$1386.00 and \$3.85 c/kg & \$1223.00 at \$4.04 c/kg. 2 pens of Charbray steers from Wilbourne Enterprises Windera sold for \$4.12 c/ kg (\$1257.00) & \$4.08 c/kg (\$1206.00). Charbray steers a/c M & M Hunter Stuart River sold for \$1150.00 & \$3.92 c/kg. T Court Goomeri sold Charbray steers for \$4.02 c/kg returning \$1182.00. Daddamarine Trust Booubyjan sold Charbray steers for \$4.22 c/kg & \$1079.00. T & A Dennien Windera sold Charbray steers for \$1147.00 at \$4.24 c/kg. Charolais cross steers a/c A & H Perrett Gunalda sold for \$974.00 at \$3.90 c/kg. Charbray steers from Bryan Logging Murgon sold for \$833.00 at \$4.04 c/kg. Angus cross steers a/c D Morris Wondai sold for \$1315.00 & \$3.60 c/kg. Brangus steers a/c D Smith Gayndah sold to \$1016.00 at \$3.78 c/kg. 2 pens of Santa steers from Kelly Brothers Crownthorpe sold for \$3.92 c/ kg (\$1310.00) & \$4.02 c/kg (\$999.00). D Stanton Goomeri sold 2 pens of Santa steers for \$1003.00 (\$4.00) & \$833.00 (\$4.12). Santa steers a/c The Quinn Family Crownthorpe sold for \$4.22 c/kg returning \$879.00. M & S Kenny Gayndah sold Braford steers for \$4.24 c/kg returning \$921.00. M Cooper Windera sold Droughtmaster cross steers for \$4.00 c/ kg & \$953.00. 3 pens of Charbray heifers a/c A & R Barsby sold to \$3.08 c/kg topping at \$1093.00 & averaging \$985.00. Emjay Charbray sold Charbray heifers for \$3.38 c/kg returning \$893.00. Santa cross heifers from R Schmidt Stalworth sold for \$829.00 & \$2.80 c/kg. Boonara Brangus sold Brangus heifers for \$3.10 c/kg to return \$841.00. Red Angus heifers from G &A Sippel sold to \$2.96 c/kg returning \$824.00. Santa cross heifers a/c I Phillips Murgon sold for \$833.00 at \$3.06 c/kg. The Davies Family Yarraman sold Santa cross heifers for \$2.88 c/kg & \$710.00. A large percentage of the heifers sold from \$2.30 c/kg to \$2.80 c/kg.

Steers For Trade: 1ST D & J Morris - Wondai 2ND G & A Sippel - Murgon 3RD Davies Family - Yarraman Heifers For Trade: 1ST D & J Morris - Wondai 2ND A & R Barsby - Tansey 3RD T Court - Goomeri Steers For Export: 1ST A & R Barsby - Tansey 2ND A & R Barsby - Tansey 3RD I & J Davies - Kilkivan Heifers For Breeders: 1ST A & R Barsby - Tansey 2ND M & D Smith - Gayndah 3RD Boonara Brangus - Tansey

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(Goomeri Primary School) RECEIVES HELPING HAND THANKS TO CRT

The CRT Primary Schools Program is providing support for projects that will have a big impact on rural and regional primary schools across Australia.

(The Goomeri P&C) is one of 25 successful applicants, receiving a gift of \$2,000 in what is the second year of the program.

Andrew Holden, Owner of Nedloh Rural Goomeri (spokesperson) says schools play a vital role in their regional community.

"This program is focused on recognizing the important role P&C associations play in supporting the growth and development of the next generation, says (Mr Holden).

"CRT is proud to provide a helping hand to support (The Goomeri School P&C) with (Purchasing a refrigerated Water Cooler/Bubbler). (With Goomeri hitting 45 degrease Celsius in summer the importance of being able to get access to a cold drink is vital. The kids are looking forward to the new Bubbler.).

Mr Holden said Nedloh Rural are aways looking at ways to support the local community.

CRT General Manager Greg O'Neil says applications have been overwhelming.

"We received more than 170 applications this year which made it really difficult for the selection panel to narrow that down to our 25 successful applicants."

"CRT stores are a local employer in many regional communities across Australia, and schools also play a vital role in these communities. This program is focused on recognising the important role P&C associations play in supporting the growth and development of the next generation," Mr O'Neil says.

"This years' funding will support after school care programs, gardening equipment, sporting and creative arts programs, indoor and outdoor learning equipment, excursions, emotional regulation equipment and learning resources for students," says Mr O'Neil.

The CRT Primary Schools Program will return in 2024.

For a list of successful applicants visit: www.crt.com.au/ primary-schools-program/

Photo by Jen zelinski Left to Right, Mr Doorackers School Principal, Mrs Trish McArthur P&C President., Mrs Di Holden Nedloh Rural Goomeri, Mr Andrew Holden Nedloh Rural Goomeri



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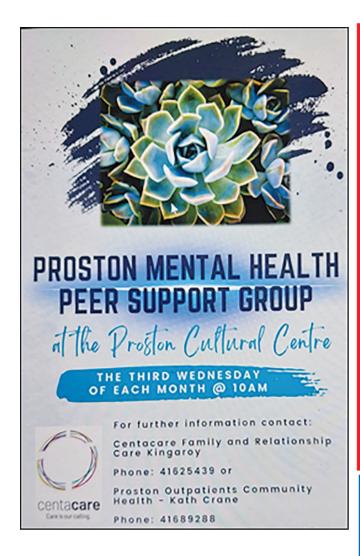
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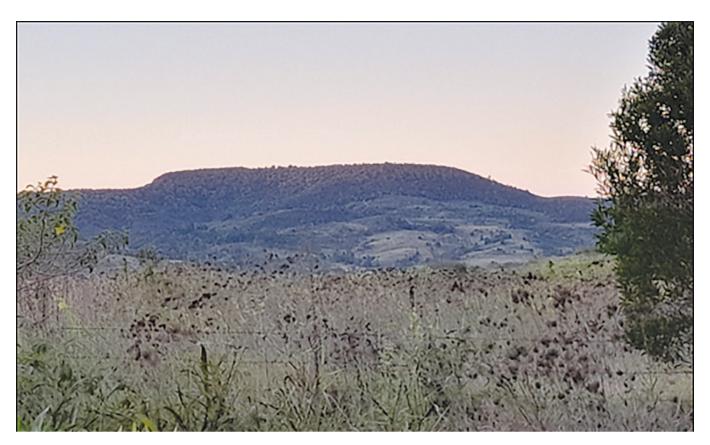




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Vintage Report 2023



It's an exhilarating feeling as a wine producer to harvest fruit that you have spent the best part of the last 12 months cultivating. The anxiety, worry and nervousness disappears and you look forward to the pleasures about to be created.

Vintage 2023 has been a fantastic outcome for the region's wine producers and winemakers. When growing winegrapes in the South Burnett you enter into a fraught partnership with Mother Nature. Sometimes she co-operates, other times she can be very difficult. Either way you still have to get your viticulture just right. This season saw frequent rain events during flowering and fruit set which increased disease pressure at a crucial time. If you controlled this period then you were beautifully set up for what was to come from December through to mid-March.

The drier than normal ripening conditions, combined with the cooler nights, lengthened the ripening season which created excellent varietal flavours, softer tannins and delightful crisp acidity all beautifully balanced. It was almost a replica of the excellent drier vintages of 2005, 2006 and 2007.

Clovely Estate's award winning winemaker Nick Pesudovs (pictured right) commented, "A fantastic vintage with some varietal standouts. Verdelho continues to flourish and the Semillon was exceptional. Saperavi and Shiraz will produce amazing wines deep in colour and plentiful flavours. It was a season where both red and whites enjoyed ideal conditions."

South Burnett Wine Industry Association President, Simon Berry was also very upbeat in his assessment of Vintage '23 and thought it would have positive long-term implications for the region.

"Not only was fruit quality spot on, yields also increased. We will now have top quality wine in larger quantities. We have an excellent product with vibrant cellar doors. We need to keep reminding the wider public what a great area we have to visit, drop back a gear or two and totally relax and enjoy our food, wine and serenity."

Spread the word, Vintage 2023 is an absolute CRACKER!!!

Pictured right: Lightning Tree Wines' handpicked Nebbiolo grapes are fed into the crusher at Clovely Estate Winery during Vintage 2023 in the South Burnett.

Further media information contact:

SBWIA Secretary, Vikki Stewart 0411 274 631





JOKES OF THE MONTH

Reporter interviewing a 104 year old:

'And what do you think is the best thing about being 104?' the reporter asked

She simply replied, "No peer group !!"

IS THIS YOU??

During my physical examination, my doctor asked me about my physical activity level.

I described a typical day this way

"Well, yesterday afternoon, I took a five hour walk, about 7kms, through some pretty rough terrain.

I waded along the edge of a lake.

I pushed my way through brambles

I got sand in my shoes and my eyes

I avoided standing on a snake

I climbed several rocky hills

The mental stress of it all left me shattered.

At the end of it all I drank eight beers.

Inspired by the story, the doctor said, "you must be one hell of an outdoors man!"

No, I replied, I'm just a bloody awful golfer.



MURGON RSL SUB BRANCH

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Successful Grant application for repairs to the Blackbutt State Emergency Service Facility

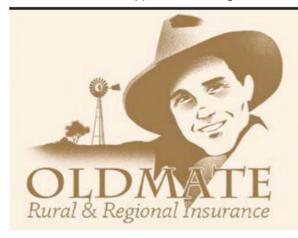
South Burnett Regional Council is pleased to advise that the grant application under round 2023-24 of the State Emergency Service (SES) Support Grant Program to carry out capital works at the Council owned State Emergency Service (SES) facility located at 25-27 Muir Street Blackbutt Queensland has been successful.

The State Emergency Service (SES) Support Grant is a Queensland Government Grant Program administered by Queensland Fire and Emergency Services (QFES). The SES Support Grant is a highly sought-after funding Program and Council is thrilled that the grant application has been successful.

Council will receive \$73,236.75 as the SES Support Grant with the remaining cost of the project to be borne by Council. The total project cost is estimated to be \$97,649.

The project entails constructing a new roof, replacing the ceiling, and carrying out other minor capital works at the SES facility in Blackbutt. The project works will commence in the next financial year and is expected to be completed by 30 June 2024.

Council is extremely grateful to have received \$73,236.75 from the State of Queensland through QFES under the 2023-24 SES Support Grant Program for undertaking this project.



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Murgon Fat & Store Cattle Sale Report 23/05/2023

750 were varded in Murgon for the sale of the 23rd of May. The market for most descriptions was very tough. Better quality feeder steers remained fairly firm. Bulls sold to \$2.60 per kilogram and \$2240.00. Bullocks topped at \$2.46 c/kg and \$1730.00. Cows over 500 kilograms sold to \$2.35 per kilogram and \$1520.00. Cows 400 to 500 kg topped at \$1.99 per kilogram for \$880.00. Export heifers sold to \$2.64 per kilogram for \$1550.00. Cattle were drawn from Lower Wonga, Mt Perry, Mundubbera, Monogorilby, Kingaroy, Nanango, Kilkivan & local areas. Angus/Droughtmaster cross steers from Nanango sold for \$3.46 c/ kg for \$1430.00. 410 kg Charbray steers from Yarraman sold for \$1410.00 and \$3.44 c/kg. Santa cross steers from Johnstown weighing 458 kg sold for \$3.40 c/kg and returned \$1560.00. 470 kg Charbray steers from Tansey sold for \$3.38 c/ kg and \$1600.00. 350 kg Angus cross steers from Gayndah sold for \$1240.00 at \$3.54 c/kg. Charbray steers 320 kg from Yarraman sold for \$3.21 c/kg returning \$1140.00. 325 kg Charbray steers from Lower Wonga sold for \$1140.00 at \$3.50 c/kg. Local Braford weaner steers sold to \$3.96 c/kg and \$850.00. Angus cross weaner steers from Goomeri sold for \$870.00 at \$3.72 c/kg. Angus cross weaner steers from Gayndah sold for \$3.70 c/kg to return \$890.00. Local Santa cross heifers 416 kg sold for \$1088.00 at \$2.61 c/kg. 383 kg heifers from Monogorilby sold to \$2.86 c/kg for \$1098.00. Local Santa cross heifers 379 kg sold for \$995.00 at \$2.62 c/kg. 2 pens of local Droughtmaster cross heifers sold for \$\$2.47 c/kg (\$722.00) & \$2.46 c/kg (\$741.00). Angus cross weaner heifers from Goomeri sold for \$2.50 c/kg and \$569.00. Droughtmaster weaner heifers sold for \$633.00 at \$2.47 c/kg.

The next Murgon sale is on Tuesday the 6th of June at 8.00am



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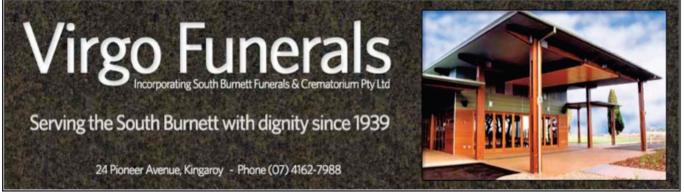
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NATIONAL VOLUNTEERS WEEK





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CTC Small Town Skills and Family Fun Days

Save the dates!

Due to the overwhelming success of the recent CTC Small Town Skills and Family Fun Days, South Burnett Libraries are excited to be a part of the next two events scheduled for Wednesday 28 June at Blackbutt and Thursday 6 July at Wondai. These events are an excellent opportunity for skill sharing amongst community members and provide local families the chance to attend free and fun activities over the school holidays. There will be crafts, games, yummy food and much more so be sure to save these dates to your calendar!



NAIDOC Week

National NAIDOC Week celebrations are held across Australia in the first week of July each year (Sunday to Sunday), to celebrate and recognise the history, culture and achievements of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples. NAIDOC Week is an opportunity for all Australians to learn about First Nations cultures and histories and participate in celebrations of the oldest, continuous living cultures on earth. The theme of NAIDOC 2023 is 'For our Elders' and South Burnett Libraries are showcasing a selection of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander authors and their works. Please follow the link below to reserve titles of interest.

https://library.southburnett.qld.gov.au/Montage/all.aspx?&listid=89



Discover the magic... @ your library

Under 8's Day

South Burnett Libraries will once again be taking part in Under 8's Day at Memorial Park in Kingaroy on Thursday 29 June 2023 from 9.00am-12.00pm. This year's theme is 'Play: You, Me & Our Communities'. The library team are excited to host both interactive crafts and an obstacle course challenge for families to join in the fun of imaginative play and exploration of stories.

When you see the library stall at this event, be sure to stop by and say hello! Library staff will be joined by many other local organisations, including Good Start and CTC who will be set up on the day with loads of free crafts and activities for children and their families. To find out more about this event, be sure to follow the South Burnett Libraries Facebook and Instagram pages.

We'd love to see you!



Out and About at BaconFest

Join the South Burnett Libraries team at BaconFest by visiting our activity station as a part of the Little Piggies section on Saturday 19 and Sunday 20 August 2023. Staff will be available to chat about the extensive range of free resources available at our six library branches as well as providing some fun activities for families over the two days. Pop in and say hi and join us in some story time fun on what is sure to be a great weekend.

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Murgon's new That Antique Shop in the Angels buildings



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MURGON HOSPITAL AUXILIARY RAISES ANOTHER \$35,000 FOR HOSPITAL EQUIPMENT









Thank you to the Chairman of the Darling Downs Hospital Board, Mike Horan, and your team for coming to Murgon for your meeting and giving us an update on health services in our community. It was also great to have Annette Scott in attendance. A lovely morning made extra special when our local Murgon Hospital Auxilliary were acknowledged for their wonderful fund raising efforts!! Kathy Duff.

Photo: Hospital Auxiliary Members with Chairman of the Darling Downs Hospital Board Mike Horan.

Community Health Building marks milestone

More than 600 episodes of care have been provided in the recently refurbished Community Health Building located on the Murgon Hospital site.

The building refurbishment was made possible thanks to a significant \$250,000 donation from local resident Colin Pearen on behalf of his family, as well as support from the Murgon Hospital Auxiliary and other community groups.

The upgrades to the former staff quarters have enabled the building to be a local hub for services like allied health and other visiting medical professionals, as well as providing community health services including child health and the Community Hospital Interface Program (CHIP) nurse. "This building is a wonderful addition to the services we provide at the Murgon Hospital, and it is proving to be a real asset to the community," Acting Director of Nursing at Murgon Hospital Devi Dobe said.



"We are using it as a meeting space as well. It has really brought the staff together with a common place to gather."

Previously the services provided out of the current building were in the town centre, away from the hospital.

The impact of the Community Health Building, which opened in November last year, was shared with Darling Downs Health Board members yesterday when they visited the Murgon facility.

Every second month the health service Board meets in a rural facility with a commitment to meet and hear from staff and local residents.

"It is wonderful to hear how this building, and the many healthcare services available in Murgon, are having such a positive impact on this community," Darling Downs Health Board Chair Mr Mike Horan AM said.

"This visit was also an opportunity to meet and say thank you to the community organisations that support the wonderful work of our staff.

"Members of the Murgon Hospital Auxiliary are tireless in their support and commitment to this facility. They are passionate about their hospital and the important health care services, including palliative care, it provides. Their commitments do not go unnoticed and demonstrate the generosity and spirit of our rural communities."

During their visit to the South Burnett, the Board also toured the Cherbourg Hospital and met with community members and local councillors.

Photo: Darling Downs Health Board members with Darling Downs Health Chief Executive Annette Scott (front, middle) at the Murgon Community Health Building.

CREATIVITY IN THE WINERY

Some say it takes a streak of madness to start distilling your own white spirit from scratch. 18 months ago we had an itch, a copper still and an excess of grapes on our hands. Armed with our trusted eight-plate column still and a steady supply of wine, we've spent many long afternoons dreaming, drafting and sipping until the botanical balance was just right. The rest they say is history!

INTERNATIONAL ACCOLADES

This month our small-batch craft spirit distillery, <u>South Burnett Distillers</u>, returned home from the prestigious London Spirits competition with a silver award for its Apinya gin. With the essence of tropical Southeast Asia infused into every drop, the international judges were astounded by our grape-to-glass gin.

ON THE WORLD STAGE

The 2023 London Spirits Competition received more than 2000 entries from 80 countries. Over three days some of Great Britain's top bartenders and spirits buyers sniffed, swirled and sipped their way through a huge array of spirits from around the globe, judging each drink on quality, value, and packaging.

"At South Burnett Distillers we're trying to do something different and this international accolade shows that we're on the right path. The London Spirits Competition awards the world's best spirits, and we're honoured to be included in that list."

"Having total control over the distillation process is vital. Fermenting the finest grapes and distilling our own base spirit gives our gin range a softer, more textural edge not seen in other spirits."

COME AND TRY FOR YOURSELF!

South Burnett Distillers looks forward to sharing its exceptional grape-to-glass spirits with gin lovers across South East Queensland and beyond. Taste all four signature gins and our Devil's Advocate Vodka when you visit Clovely Estate's Vineyard Cellar Door, just a few hours' drive from Brisbane, Toowoomba and the Sunshine Coast, or order online and we'll deliver to your door.

One sip of the award-winning Apinya gin will transport you to the tropical beaches of Phuket, with aromatic botanicals including lemongrass and coconut, with a delicate fresh lime perfume and lingering juniper finish.

"The Apinya gin has been extremely popular at our cellar door. The unusual choice of botanicals offers the gin lover a modern and refreshing take."

"Receiving this award on the global stage will have an enormous impact on our industry and tourism, promoting Queensland's South Burnett region locally and to the world."



PHOTO COURTESY SOUTH BURNETT ONLINE

Distiller Nick Pesudovs has spent the last couple of years putting his heart into crafting top-quality grape-to-glass spirits from scratch.

As head winemaker at Clovely Estate the South Burnett local has an experienced palate, and this international award is proof his talents extend beyond wine.

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Pesudovs says distilling local wine into a grape-based spirit takes extra time and effort, but the result is in the glass – and it's clear the judges tasted that difference.

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"For a fledgling distiller, 18 months from inception, to be recognised at this level is truly humbling and an acknowledgement of the massive effort we put in to design such a beautiful drink," says Pesudovs.

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South Burnett Distillers looks forward to sharing its exceptional grape-to-glass spirits with gin lovers across South East Queensland and beyond.

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South Burnett Distillers is a small-batch distillery based in the heart of the South Burnett region of Queensland, Australia. We handcraft premium spirits using locally sourced, grape-spirit using traditional distilling techniques.

Key facts:

- Small-batch SEQ craft distillery wins silver in global competition
- Judges impressed with unique grape-to-glass gin
- · Award-winning Apinya gin inspired by Southeast Asian botanicals
- Distiller Nick Pesudovs says hard work and a commitment to quality paid off

Notice of Works - Campbells Road and Silverleaf Road Silverleaf

South Burnett Regional Council wishes to advise that Rehabilitation works along sections of Campbells Road and Silverleaf Road Silverleaf are scheduled to commence Monday 29 May 2023 and are expected to be completed by Friday 30 June 2023, weather permitting.

In order to provide a safe work environment, the work areas will be controlled by signage or with traffic controllers as required. Motorists are requested to travel with extra care, to drive to the prevailing road conditions and to adhere to signage.

Council apologises for any inconvenience caused and thanks you for your patience whilst works are in progress.

These works are jointly funded through;

- Australian Government's Roads to Recovery (R2R) and Local Road and Community Infrastructure (LRCI).
- The jointly funded Australian and State Government's Restoration of Essential Public Assets (REPA) Programs.

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South Burnett Regional Council funds 3 Projects with Queensland Government Regional Arts Funding

Cr Potter announced that the South Burnett Regional Council has approved \$8,080 in arts grants for three projects. The projects include youth acting for screen and screen production, dancing, and a creative skills workshop.

In this round of funding from the Regional Arts Development Fund (RADF), a partnership between the Queensland Government and regional councils, will see the following projects carried out:

- \$3,000, Noosa Film Academy Pty Ltd, Youth Acting for Screen and Screen Production themed workshops
- \$3,000, Kingaroy State High School P & C Ass., Dance Workshops with Phluxus2 Dance Collective
- \$2,080, Robyn Dower, Kickstart Creativity

Minister for the Arts Leeanne Enoch said as part of this successful, long-term collaboration, the Queensland Government will provide \$2.13 million for RADF 2022–2023 to a total of 59 local councils, who will contribute a coinvestment amount of over \$1.9 million.

"Established in 1991, RADF is a long-standing success story between the Queensland Government and regional councils, enabling local artists and arts workers to tell their rich and unique stories, boosting regional employment opportunities and other positive economic outcomes", Minister Enoch said.

"For 31 years RADF has provided a legacy of creating new art and cultural experiences for Queensland audiences and communities, and a platform for professional development and growth across the regional arts sector."

The Regional Arts Development Fund is a partnership between the Queensland Government and South Burnett Regional Council to support local arts and culture in regional Queensland.

The successful and long-running RADF program gives communities the flexibility to shape their own arts and cultural priorities.

LETTER OF SUPPORT

In a time when things seem to be going haywire with carjackings, car theft home invasions, assaults and murders committed by juveniles it was nice to go to a place where this all seems a long way away. The place – The Murgon Swimming pool. Black and white children all playing in the pool, all under the watchful eyes of their parents and Lori. Mums and Dads swimming or relaxing, all able to put a smile on their faces when greeted with a friendly smile.

While my grandson (9) was staying with us over Christmas, we of course were expected to go every day (plus I was trying to get there every day for exercise)

During these times I got to observe Lori break up arguments between children with no bias. Stop back pool behaviour (Bombing and diving). Clear the reserved lanes for people exercising. If something was going on 9 times out of 10 Lori was onto it within seconds. Especially people running around the pool.

What I really liked was the respect the children had for Lori. They may have argued or stampeded off, but kids are not perfect.

I know Lori runs a few venues at the PCYC and is a known figure around town. The pool grounds are always clean and tidy, and Lori always has pool nappies for the babies. Lori runs swim classes for the kids.

I am hoping that the decision to hand the contract for the 2023 – 2024 season will go to Lori. I am a mentor with the Brake the cycle driving program and get much satisfaction from doing it. I believe that Lori does her part in getting the children to swim, learn respect and basic safety required to become young mature adults.

Sincerely. Ken Bleaney Mob: 0400006530



PCYC South Burnett Gymnastics Classes

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See our timetable for specific class times https://www.pcyc.org.au/clubs/pcyc-south-burnett/timetable/





The triumphant Cherbourg Hornets team after their A Grade victory Photo & media coverage Courtesy South Burnett Online

Trash or Treasure day

Mondure Public Hall will be hosting a Trash or Treasure day on Sat. 10th. June commencing 7am.

There will be Collectables, Electrical goods (tagged) China, Trestle tables, forms, glass ware and much more.

Relay for Life will be having a stall

Sausage Sizzle, Sandwiches, Scones, Cakes, Tea or Coffee will be available for purchase

This is a cash only day

Sites are available for those who wish to have a stall cost \$10.00 inside Hall \$7.00 outside Enquires please phone. **Kay 0428731803 or Gay 0400 860 107**.

Thank you Regards Kay Gustafson

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Lots of fun at Nanango races with family, friends and the beautiful horse, Hard Landing. He didn't win today but we still had lots of fun celebrating Stella Miller's birthday.



So Deb dropped in again today, and this time she brought a friend. Nice to meet you David, see you back in Cherbourg again sometime soon. Michael Monk.



It was lovely to meet Renee from Kingaroy & her Mum, Mary, at the Mother's Day Classic in Wondai. Renee is fighting breast cancer and had a large group of supporters called the Rack Pack walking & running with her. Thank you Ros Heit, Claire Kapernick, Felicity Jorgensen, Mick Freeman & your team for organising the morning and the Lions Club for catering & Tina Torrens for filming!!



A massive thank you to Pastor Chris Downes & the Youth with a Mission Group who donated their time, energy & equipment to clean up the area around Kapernick Park so visitors to our region can witness the spectacular views!!HIGH BAR



Kathy Duff in Goomeri with Mayor Brett Otto South Burnett Regional Council & Mayor Glen Hartwig Gympie Regional Council with interested community members to start discussions on future plans for the Moondooner to Kilkivan section of the rail trail!!

Moment - with Murgon Local Ambulance Committee



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Shed Men

All Men & young Blokes are invited to the 49th meeting of The BARAMBAH SHED MEN

At Norco Murgon - 21 Lamb Street Camp oven dinner for the night

1st Speaker: Ray Richards owns the local Norco store and has done a variety of other businesses and no doubt has a few stories to tell

2nd Speaker: is Clifton Proud who has been an Ambulance office for over 20 years and at least 10 of them local. Clifton is in the process of transitioning in to a chaplaincy role in the Ambulance service

DATE: Saturday. 17th June 2023

Start - 4.30pm

COST: \$15 meal, Dessert, Soft Drinks, tea/coffee (under 15 free)

RSVP: For catering Mon 12th June 2023 Chris Downes 0499775022 chrisbrond@gmail.com

Ron Mason 41685183 rmaon5@bigpond.com

John Armstrong 0428684951 jrarms4605@gmail.com

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Wondai Regional Art Gallery - June 2023 Exhibition

The month of June will see the Wondai Regional Art Gallery hosting a travelling exhibition.

Audiences in the South Burnett have the opportunity to experience the depth and beauty of the Bunya Mountains as part of Western Downs Regional Council's first touring exhibition, Response to the Bunyas.

This exhibition features a selection of works from 24 local artists which were first exhibited as an outdoor popup display at Western Downs Regional Council's (WDRC) inaugural Arts on Top: Regional Arts Forum held in May 2021 and will now be displayed in Wondai Regional Art Gallery from 29th May to 1st July 2023.

WDRC Spokesperson for Community and Cultural Development Councillor Kaye Maguire said this initiative provided talented participating artists exposure for their work which demonstrates the beauty of our region.

Bunya Mountains resident and featured artist Kay Joyce said she was pleased to be part of such a great initiative which shared a beautiful collection of creativity and sentiment with the wider community.

"As an exhibition during the Arts on Top conference, Response to the Bunyas enabled visitors to experience and learn something of the mountain, and as a travelling exhibition, it extends that opportunity to those further afield in the towns hosting the exhibition," Mrs Joyce said.

For more information on the exhibition contact Western Downs Regional Council on 1300 COUNCIL (1300 268 624) or visit www.wdrc.qld.qov.au







"Kidz Korner" Wheatlands State School

Hometown hero Selwyn Cobbo is inspiring a new generation

The Broncos winger returned home to the Cherbourg Aboriginal community to show off the Broncos new Indigenous jersey, but no jersey would upstage the man himself.

Cobbo's grandfather proudly boasted that every kid in the district had a football and wanted to play rugby league, so deep had Cobbo's imprint been with the Broncos.

Former State of Origin great Johnathan Thurston who was filming Cobbo for a television special also travelled to Cherbourg and Wondai with him.

Cobbo watched the Cherbourg Hornets in which he once played and told them that Cherbourg's under-8s and 10s teams would soon feature in curtain raisers to a Broncos game .

Cobbo, was joined by fellow Bronco Ezra Mam, and was pleased to be visiting home.

Selwyn Cobbo scored two tries in the exciting first game of this years State of Origin rugby league series. It has been stated that if you had to work in the Cherbourg community on the night of the big game you could gauge the score by the way the whole community let out a huge cry of joy.



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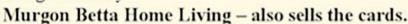
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Future Show Steers Shine at Murgon Combined Agents Annual Weaner Sale.



921 head were yarded at the Combined Agents Weaner Sale on the 1st of June. The Market for steers remained firm across the board whilst the heifer market was very tough with little demand for light heifers. Cattle were drawn from Nanango, Cushnie, Binjour, Brigooda, Woolooga, Gympie and Locally. The Steers in the 280-330 Kg range were well sort after with show quality Limousin Steers from Wondai topping the sale at \$4.52 per kilogram to return \$1,469.65. Nanango State High School purchased quiet Limousin Steers for their show team for \$4.40 per kilogram to return \$1,292.50. Heavy Weaner Steers up to 400kg sold to a top of \$1,193.69, with local Charbray steers selling to \$3.34 per kilogram for \$1,152.99. Whilst Charbray Steers from Tansey in the same weight category sold for \$3.26 per kilogram to return \$1,076.46. The 200kg-280kg weight range topped at \$1,058.36. A pen of Simbrah Steers from Brigooda topped at \$4.00 per kilogram to return \$875 and Charbray steers from Woolooga returned \$3.96 per kilogram to come back at \$814.69. In the lighter steer section up to 200kg \$650.18 was the top with a pen of Brangus Steers from Tansey making \$3.48 per kilogram.

In the heifer section local 300kg Charbray heifers made \$2.50 per kilogram to return \$750. In the mid range heifers 200-280kg again local Charbray Heifers made \$2.50 per kilogram to return \$687.50 whilst in the lighter section up to 200kg top money was \$2.20 per kilogram for 170kg Simmental Heifers from Nanango.

The Next Regular Murgon Fat and Store Sale is this Tuesday 6th June. Contact your preferred Agent to book your cattle in.

Photo: Future Show Steers with Vendor Representative Greame Wicks and Auctioneer Jason Wicks of Wicks and Co Agencies.



Photo L-R: Barry Gleich, Neville Ballinger, Denis Dowdle, Kyle Gleich.

The Murgon & District Bantam Club Inc. held their fourth annual show on the 30th April in the Poultry Pavilion on the Murgon Show Grounds.

Over 400 entries were received from Murgon and associated areas and all parts of Southern Queensland. As there was such a high interest many competitors had to be turned away even though extra pens were brought in from Wondai Show Society, leaving room for 370 competitors.

Judge for the day John Gibson from Lismore in NSW commented & praised the organization and the high quality of birds in the eight divisions and 87 different classes. John also commented on the different aspects judges look for when selecting winners and also that the Bantams are getting much bigger in size.

President Denis Dowdle thanked all the exhibitors and sponsors (Pukara Estate, Kewpie Stockfeeds, Bendigo Bank, Murgon Betta Home Living, Earth & Grace Skincare, and others) and with Secretary Susan Mollenhauer presented the prizes. President Denis thanked everyone who helped make this event such a huge success especially the judge John Gibson and everyone who helped in the kitchen and the setting up of cages etc.



Champion Bird
of the show was
exhibited by Neville
Ballinger of
Maryborough with
his

White Leghorn Cockerel





Runner up was a Pit Game Plain Face Pullet exhibited by B&K Gleich of Mundubbera. Third Place went to Michael English of Nanango for his Blue Tail Wheaten Hen.

Numerous other prizes were distributed for the 87 different classes. \\

Editors footnote: Well done to all involved.



A young competitor, Champion Junior Exhibitor, Grayson Lyell at the Murgon & District Bantam Club Inc Fourth Annual Show with Judge John Gibson of Lismore will surely guarantee the competition for many years.

BARAMBAH GARDEN CLUB



Members and guests of the Barambah Garden Club held their monthly meeting at the home of Joy Thompson of Moffatdale on Friday 12th May 2023..

The meeting was well attended and considering the dry weather in the district, the competition table with its many sections was fully supported. The lucky door prize went to Bob Wiseman and the raffle was won by Barbara Hartmann King.

A lovely morning tea was served followed by the Guest Speaker for the day who was Romaine Undery from the Ramesa Nursery on Findowie Road Kingaroy. Romaine conducts various workshops on how best to do most things in the garden, including the planting and care of Bonsai. Romaine attends Festivals and Markets and has a hand-crafted gift line.

She shared her knowledge on using Coco Pith for pots, seedlings and hanging baskets which is a unique process for moisture retention, root growth and is a soil conditioner.

Romaine brought a selection of plants to the gathering for sale which was much appreciated by the members. A lovely lunch was shared with lots of happy gardening talk and plenty of laughter. We all had a lovely day.

Barambah Gardening Club hold their meeting on the second Friday of every month.

Phone Barbara on 0741681675 mobile 0488740785 or President Ann 0438686238.

Happy Gardening Everyone... Barbara Hartmann King

Photo: Romaine Undery from Ramesa Nursery, Guest speaker for Barambah Garden Club in the home of Joy Thompson, Moffatdale

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Multi Draw -

BRETT STEINHARDT Red P37 \$100 Murgon Tyre & More Voucher.

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ROBYN SIPPLE Purple S23. \$50 Cash

MAUREEN - Purple S38 - \$50 Wondai IGA voucher

PENNY - Basket Bath Towel Set - Grey Y27

MARIE - APRICOT M98 - Mozaic Photo Frame

JOY HORNE - K72 Green - Carney Feed Store \$25 voucher

DONNA HINLEY - Grey Y38 - \$100 Woolworths voucher.

DENISE STEINHARDT - Red P 54 Golf Boy Statue.

KAREN NEWSON - Grey Y 80 - 3 Tiered Glass Container.

JANINE STEINHARDT - Apricot M98 - Child Play.



This year the Dalby & District Show Society made an attempt to break the World Record for most stationary engines running at one time. Engines had to be greater than 30 years old to qualify and a minimum of 360 engines were required to break the World Record. Yes, they did break the World Record with 471 vintage stationary engines running continuously for 10 minutes.

But wait - there's more.



What happens when 124 people go to the Dalby Show wearing overalls – They win the National Record for the most people wearing Overalls in One Place at One Time.

Congratulations to the Dalby & District Show Society. (Photos curtesy of Dalby & District Show Society)



The large hoop pine shown in the picture

The Murgon Business & Development Assoc Inc at a recognized monthly general meeting requested the removal of this hoop pine by the South Burnett Regional Council.

About 6 months ago 2 council representatives came to Murgon on other business, and we asked them to come and have a look at this tree and a adjoining tree in front of the newly constructed 55 million years ago Museum. When they had a look at the trees they identified them as being needed to be removed. The large hoop pine in question had a dead branch about 3 metres long and 75mm round lying on the footpath under the tree. There are more dead branches in the tree as well.

The other issue with this tree is that it had been lopped years ago for some reason and the 2 trunks growing out of the top of the main trunk were also a worry that a storm may break one or both of them off.

The SBRC had a problem with removing the tree as they told us that it would cost \$10,000 which would have to be budgeted for. We have been told by a tree lopper that this is not the case and it would cost less than half that amount.

We have been advised that the tree could grow another 6 meters (approx. 18feet) before it stops growing.

It isn't the case that we just want to flatten a tree for fun. These are lovely trees but should be planted in a large unsuburban area or maintained to a safe height. The people of Murgon love trees but also realize they were planted or grew at a time when the town was a little smaller in size. We had concerns of someone being injured by this tree and the damage it would do to the major electricity network alongside the tree. Trees that blew down as shown on TV in the golf tournament in America have little root system going straight down rather it is a broadening root system which does not give strength to the size of the tree.

As the decision by the Murgon Business & Development Assoc Inc at a recognized monthly general meeting to request the removal of this hoop pine is not recognized as a majority decision of our community by the South Burnett Regional Council and the statement and comments of an elected councillor representing the whole of the South Burnett Regional Council that previous Community Consultation carried out in Murgon was a sham. Which we find deeply offensive.

We are therefore asking:

Would you have this large hoop pine in your front yard?

Would you be worried about it in a storm and the damage it could cause to your house or building?

And would you feel safe about your children playing under it?

Would you be prepared to park your car within its vicinity?

Would you be prepared to lose power for ?????? if it fell over the major power lines alongside it

At a specially convened public meeting about the removal of the tree attended by 2 community people and 5 representatives of the council, it showed there was not been much interest shown by the rest of the community of whether or not the large hoop pine in Macalister Street should be removed or not, so we are asking the community to respond to the South Burnett Regional Council online survey or by e-mailing 'yes' or 'no' or "your comments" to remove the tree to murgonbusiness@bigpond.com and your email will be passed on to the South Burnett Regional Council for consideration.



PCYC South Burnett

The Queensland Police Pipe and Drums Band performed at the QEII park in Murgon after playing at Cherbourg as part of raising awareness against domestic violence.

PCYC South Burnett staff joined in at the Domestic Violence Awareness March at Cherbourg.

Thank you to this wonderful pipe band and the PCYC South Burnett for organising them.

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