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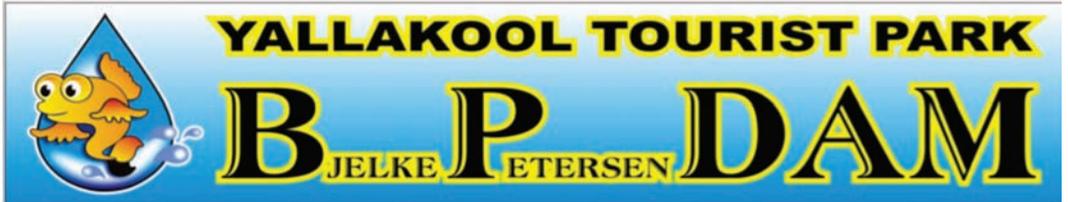
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MAYOR 2020

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Authorised by B. Otto, 13 Avocado Crescent, Kingaroy for B. Otto (candidate)

Indigenous Languages and Arts program.

Federal Member for Wide Bay Llew O'Brien is encouraging eligible community organisations to apply for funding from the Liberal and Nationals Government 2020-21 Indigenous Languages and Arts program.

The program supports projects which preserve, maintain and express culture through Indigenous languages and arts," Mr O'Brien said.

Projects funded under the Indigenous Languages and Arts program share uniquely Australian stories and increase recognition of Indigenous languages and arts in the wider Australian community.

"The Morrison Government is committed to supporting Indigenous languages and arts organisations to ensure that heritage, culture and knowledge can be preserved and passed on to future generations.

"Preserving languages and supporting traditional and contemporary Indigenous art forms is important for Australia, and it's also important to help promote the work of our talented Indigenous artists and performers internationally."

The funding is available for a range of projects that seek to celebrate and promote Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander cultures through community-led Indigenous languages and arts activities.

The Australian Government invests around \$20 million through the Indigenous Languages and Arts program annually to promote participation in, and maintenance of, Australia's Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander cultures through languages and arts.

Applications close on 6 April 2020 at 11.59 pm (AEDT).

Air-con backflip a win for kids – and the LNP

LNP Leader Deb Frecklington has welcomed the Palaszczuk Labor Government's decision to finally adopt the LNP's policy of air-conditioning every state school in Queensland.

The stunning backflip came after the Palaszczuk Labor Government spent the last two years attacking the LNP's air-conditioning commitment.

"This is a big win for the LNP, but most importantly it's a big win for Queensland kids and teachers," Ms Frecklington said.

"The LNP has campaigned for air-conditioning in all our state schools because we know kids struggle to learn in hot classrooms.

"I have always argued that cool kids are smart kids.



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Burnett Inland Women in Ag Day

Tuesday 24th March 9am – 3pm @ Wondai RSL

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Prime Minister's Spelling Bee

Federal Member for Wide Bay Llew O'Brien is encouraging students in schools throughout Wide Bay to test their spelling skills by taking part in the inaugural Prime Minister's Spelling Bee.

The Prime Minister's Spelling Bee is a nationwide competition for students in years 3 to 8 that promotes reading and literacy.

"The Liberal and Nationals Government believes literacy and numeracy skills should be the cornerstone of every student's education, Mr O'Brien said

"The Prime Minister's Spelling Bee is a great initiative because it will help improve spelling, and that helps improve reading, which helps to improve learning.

"We want to encourage younger Australians to be avid readers so they become curious, creative and informed citizens.

"I visit schools throughout Wide Bay regularly and I understand the importance of strong literacy skills. I'm always impressed by the interest the students demonstrate in their learning and I hope all students take up this exciting opportunity which provides them with an exciting pathway to improve their literacy skills."

The school round of the Prime Minister's Spelling Bee will be held from March 16 to 26. The online competition will be conducted in classrooms with three reading levels for years 3-4 (green category), years 5-6 (orange category) and years 7-8 (red category). Entrants are required to answer 30 spelling words per round.

Registrations are open now for the Prime Minister's Spelling Bee and will close on March 15. For more information or to register visit <https://www.kidsnews.com.au/spelling-bee>

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Visitor numbers are slowly coming back, but having had drought, bushfires and now floods it is going to take time for the Tourist Industry to pick up. We must stay optimistic and look forward to 2020 being a great year.

If you belong to a group or organization, the "Barn" at the Museum is somewhere that you could meet. Why not give it some thought? We can provide morning tea and while there you can have a look at our wonderful displays. If you are interested you can contact the Museum to obtain prices and details. The Museum is open 9.30 – 12.30 Tuesday to Sunday. Note we are now closed on Mondays. Contact number is 07 41 695001.

The Museum is always looking for volunteers, Any spare hours you may have to help out would be appreciated.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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GOOMERI ANZAC DAY Program 2020

DAWN SERVICE

5.15am – Dawn Service held at Memorial Clock, Cnr Wide Bay & Burnett Hwy, Goomeri.

7.30am – Pilgrimage to the Cemetery – Meet at the Cemetery, Goomeri West Road, Goomeri.

MARCH & SERVICE

9.45am – Assemble at Dickinson's Park.

March to cenotaph for wreath laying followed by Service in

Hall of Memory.

Please contact David Pitstock on 0427 169 043 with any questions.

We extend an invitation to everyone to attend the Anzac Day commemorations on 25th April

MURGON ANZAC DAY Program 2020

DAWN SERVICE

4.45am - Fellowship at Diggers Room (Rum & Milk) for RSL Members.

5.15am - Guard Mounted

5.20am - Service men and women fall in and march to the cenotaph

5.30am - Service commences

A "GUNFIRE BREAKFAST" will be held in the Diggers Room following the service. All donations to Legacy.

MARCH AND SERVICE

The March steps off at 9.45am (Parade assembles from 9am in the car park of the Murgon Services Club) with Mr Joseph Thompson taking the salute and giving the address.



There will be a flyover from the RAAF during the march.

Anyone who would like to either March on the day to represent their

organisation or would like to lay a wreath, please contact

Ritchie O'Neill on 0427 133 408 no later than Monday 20th April.

Refreshments provided in the Diggers Room following the service.

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The National Day of Action Against Bullying and Violence on March 20

Llew O'Brien, Federal Member for Wide Bay is calling on local students, teachers and school leaders to join a national movement to stand up to bullies.

The National Day of Action Against Bullying and Violence on March 20 is a nationwide event against bullying and cyberbullying.

"I strongly encourage all schools in the Wide Bay to sign up and get involved on Friday, 20 March for the 10th National Day of Action Against Bullying and Violence," Mr O'Brien said.

"We know that bullying, and cyber bullying, is a growing concern for students and families, with one in five young school students experiencing online bullying each year.

"The theme for this year's national day is Take Action Together to empower our school communities to unite with others and share ideas and actions to address bullying.

"Last year 72 schools and 22706 students from Wide Bay took part in the national day of action and we want this year to be bigger and better.

"Participation in the National Day of Action also sends a strong message to our young people who may have been subjected to bullying that they are not alone and help is available."

For more information and to register your school visit www.bullyingnoway.gov.au.

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Baiting stations will be held throughout the South Burnett from Monday 9 March to Monday 16 March 2020.

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BUSH SCHOOL at Cloyna State School



Our students enjoy nature-based learning in the wooded area of our school near the oval. It has been set up with tables and chairs to do a variety of activities. We read stories and create characters with natural products, paint under the trees, create with clay, use nature to do our counting and messy maths, enjoy the company of the magpies and insects while we learn. Overall, we enjoy the opportunity to be in nature and still be learning. Even the older students like coming down to do their reading and group discussions!

Nanango Electorate
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Deb
FRECKLINGTON MP
Member for **Nanango**

February 2020

Get Involved - Have your Say, Grants, Prizes, Surveys, Events and Reviews

[Queensland Electoral Commission](#) - Check you are enrolled for the upcoming Council elections in March.

[Community Assistance Grants](#) - Somerset Regional Council. Next round closes 24 April

[Emergency Bushfire Response in Primary Industries Grant](#) - Now available for the Somerset & Toowoomba regions. Contact QRIDA 1800 623 946.

[Rural and Regional Enterprise Scholarships Program](#) - Up to \$18,000/student

[Tarong Community Partnership Fund](#) - Supporting organisations in the South Burnett.

[FRRR Strengthening Rural Communities Grants](#) - Round 5 'Small & Vital Grants' closes 24 March.

[RACQ Foundation Community Fund](#) - Helping community groups affected by disaster.

[Fair Play Sporting Vouchers](#) - Helping kids to join get involved in sport. Open now! Closes 1 April.

[Seniors Month 2020 Grants](#) - Celebrate our Seniors in August 2020. Grants close 15 March.

[Qld Training Awards](#) - 59th annual Awards nominations now open. Closes 31 March.

[Growing Indigenous Tourism in Qld](#) - Grants to new indigenous tourism experiences in regional areas. Closes 21 April.

[Buy Smart Competition](#) - Open to Students in Year 4-12 to learn more about consumer rights. Closes 18 Sept.

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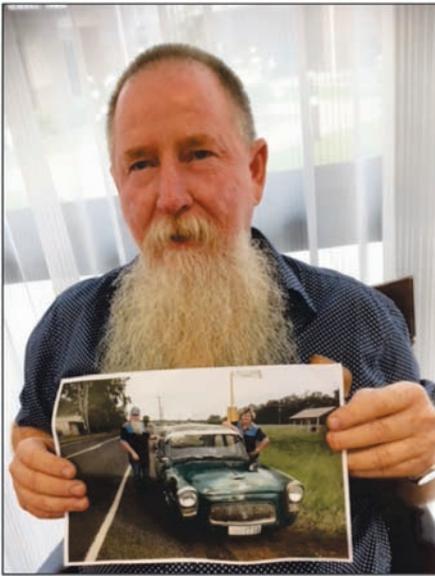
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After a three month break a small number of members and friends gathered at **CASTRA** for an update, a cuppa, and a chat. Several apologies were received due to illness and other engagements.

There was general business to discuss before the less formal “circle chat”. Suggested prospective speakers for 2020 included a representative from **Careflight** and **NDIS**.

Donna surprised Carmen and Lyn by arriving with a **1949** halfpenny to add to Lyn’s special **70th** birthday coin collection. THANK YOU Donna for your generosity. Charles was having “a big day out” from **Orana** where he is living and he was looking very well and more agile. Gary was wearing his **best** shirt for our first meeting as was the other Garry. Gloria had the important job of driving Wanda and Gay from Wondai for the meeting. As usual Darryl multi tasked as photographer, milkman and cake provider. Ancy and Peg were there to chat and offer suggestions. Merylyn finished off the meeting by reading 2 **New Year** poems.

Our group is a friendly informal one with **no fees** attached. It comprises PwP, their carers, friends and supporters who are all loyal attenders.

NEXT MEETING: MON. MARCH 30 **VENUE: GRAHAM HOUSE MURGON** **GUEST SPEAKER: MARK DUFFY** - topics to include non motor symptoms of PD & services available.

This will be a social morning tea as well with an approx cost of \$5 per person. All Welcome.

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Photo: Gary Long holding a photo of one of his restored cars previously owned by Ken & Del Beer.

TOPOLOGY’S COMPOSERS AND GUEST MUSICIANS BRING CREATIVE INSPIRATION AND POSITIVE IMPACT TO THE SOUTH BURNETT



Aria nominated Topology, operating successfully out of Brisbane for 23-years, came as cultural ambassadors and educators, bringing musical prowess and inspiration to students through their enriching and engaging workshops at three South Burnett State Schools on Monday February 24...Cloyna, Windaera and Moffatdale SS.

Topology are established leaders in musical creativity in Australia, prolific creators of new original work, expert collaborators across genres and art forms and award-winning music educators. John Babbage (saxophone) founding member and principal virtuoso musician and composer, visited with his unique composition expertise with all students enrolled for the comprehensive and innovative music workshops. Cloyna participated in the three workshops with all 11 students enrolled in the workshop program. Grant Collins joined John, with his energetic bucket drumming, percussive workshop, always a hit with the students and local Blackbutt musician Mathew Wild, conducted workshops on the ukulele.



Wondai Regional Art Gallery March 2020 Exhibition

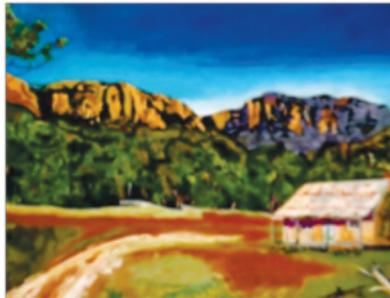
The month of March will see the Wondai Regional Art Gallery hosting three exhibitions.

“Natures Silent Melody” by Elizabeth Schmidt (First gallery)



This is an exhibition using eco-printed and rusted blankets, cotton and silk cloth and paper. Elizabeth have been interested, for some time, in using various plant leaves, bark and twigs to hot water dye, with the help of some mordants, cloth and paper. Her love of embroidery transfers to the softly dyed textiles in the form of flowers and some little creatures of the Australian bush.

“Tony And Friends” by Tony Love (Second gallery)



Tony began painting eight years ago and is mostly self taught. He loves the bright colours of oils and likes to paint a diverse range of subjects.

“Alison Iszlaub Collection” (Third gallery)

In the Third Gallery is the late Alison Iszlaub’s art collection which has been donated to the Art Gallery.

“Kids Corner” St John’s Lutheran School, Kingaroy

Opening Night: Friday 6th March 2020, from 6pm.
\$5.00 entry includes Hot & Cold Supper & Punch, Wine will be served by Cranes Wine
Live Entertainment

The exhibition will remain in the Wondai Regional Art Gallery until 4pm on Saturday 28th March 2020.

The exhibition will be open 7 days a week, 10.00am till 4.00pm. Free Entry.

Telephone: 07 4168 5926 or email wondaiartgallery@southburnett.qld.gov.au

IN MURGON THIS MONTH

Particulars available at the Visitor Information Centre

Sunday	1	Bowls, Golf, Church Services, Catholic Mass,
Monday	2	SES,
Tuesday	3	Creative Friendships, Queensland Rural Womens Network Inc, Squash,
Wednesday	4	Bowls, Rotary, Murgon Men's Shed,
Thursday	5	St Joseph's Bingo, Cards (9.30am Bowls Club), Golf, Mainly Music, Nursing Mothers, South Burnett Cake Decorators, Spinners & Weavers,
Friday	6	Community Bingo,
Saturday	7	Bowls, Golf, Murgon Men's Shed, BYTE NITE at pool, Proston Show, Nanango Markets,
Sunday	8	Bowls, Golf, Church Services, Murgon Markets,
Monday	9	SES, SB Parkinsons Support Group, Wild Dog and Feral Pig Baiting Program to 16th March
Tuesday	10	Cattle Sale. Creative Friendships, Lions, Murgon Show Society, Squash,
Wednesday	11	Rotary, Bowls, Murgon Men's Shed,
Thursday	12	St Joseph's Bingo, Cards (9.30am Bowls Club), Golf, Ambulance, MBDA Meet, Norco Murgon Reopen Day,
Friday	13	Barambah Garden Club, Community Bingo,
Saturday	14	Bowls, Golf, Catholic Mass, Nanango Stamp Club, Murgon Men's Shed, Murgon Show,
Sunday	15	Bowls, Golf, Church Services, Catholic Mass,
Monday	16	SES, Murgon Neighbourhood Watch, Update – Burnett Water Feasibility Study Murgon RSL,
Tuesday	17	Creative Friendships, Squash, St Patricks Day, BP Dam Fish Stocking,
Wednesday	18	Rotary, Bowls, Hospital Auxiliary, Steps, Murgon Men's Shed, SB Regional Council, Last date for discount Rates
Thursday	19	St Joseph's Bingo, Cards (9.30am Bowls Club), Golf, Mainly Music, Spinners & Weavers, National Seniors,
Friday	20	Community Bingo, BYTE NITE SB PCYC, National Day of Action Against Bullying and Violence,
Saturday	21	Bowls, Golf, Goomeri Show, Murgon Museum, Murgon Men's Shed, Barambah Cellars 1st anniversary,
Sunday	22	Bowls, Golf, Church Services, Hivesville Markets,
Monday	23	SES,
Tuesday	24	Cattle Sale, Creative Friendships, Diabetes Support Group, Lions, Squash, Uniting Church Friendship Group,
Wednesday	25	Murgon Moments Deadline, Murgon Men's Shed, Rotary, Burnett Bird Keepers,
Thursday	26	Cards (9.30am Bowls Club), Golf, St Joseph's Bingo, Murgon RSL Sub Branch Community Luncheon,
Friday	27	Community Bingo, Goomeri & District Garden Club,
Saturday	28	Bowls, Golf, Catholic Mass, Murgon Men's Shed, Election Day South Burnett, Wondai Country Markets,
Sunday	29	Bowls, Golf, Church Services, Camera Club,
Monday	30	SES, Murgon Parkinsons Support Group,
Tuesday	31	Creative Friendships, Squash,
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Wednesday	1	Murgon Men's Shed, Rotary,
Thursday	2	Cards (9.30am Bowls Club), Golf, Mainly Music, Nursing Mothers, South Burnett Cake Decorators, Spinners & Weavers, St Joseph's Bingo,
Friday	3	Community Bingo, South Burnett Easter SpEGGtacular in Murgon,
Saturday	4	Bowls, Golf, Murgon Men's Shed,
Sunday	5	Bowls, Golf, Church Services, Catholic Mass,
Monday	6	SES,
Tuesday	7	Cattle Sale, Creative Friendships, Squash, Queensland Rural Womens Network Inc,
Wednesday	8	Murgon Men's Shed, Rotary,
Thursday	9	Cards (9.30am Bowls Club), Golf, St Joseph's Bingo, Holy Thursday,
Friday	10	Good Friday Easter,
Saturday	11	Easter Saturday, Proston CWA Easter Parade & Fun Run,
Sunday	12	Easter Sunday,
Monday	13	Easter Monday,

Easter Church Services

Church of Christ Sunday 9:30a.m.

Easter service Sunday morning at 9 .30 am At New Horizons.

Lutheran Church Services for Easter

Maundy Thursday 9th April

Combined Service Kingaroy 7:00 pm

Combined Service Murgon 7:00 pm

Good Friday 10th April

Kumbia 8:00 am Kingaroy 9:30 am

Yarraman 8:00 am Nanango 10:00 am

Wondai 8:00 am Murgon 9:30 am

Easter Day Sunday 12th April

Kumbia 8:00 am Kingaroy 9:30 am

Yarraman 8:00 am Nanango 10:00 am

Wondai 8:00 am Murgon 9:30 am

Baptist Church Murgon

Good Friday - joining with Cherbourg Easter Convention

Sunday Church Service 9:30a.m. (MacAlister Street)

Wondai Baptist Church

Good Friday

8am Wondai Baptist

8am Proston Baptist

Easter Sunday

9:30 am Wondai Baptist

10:00 am Proston Baptist

Uniting Church Murgon

Sunday 9:30 a.m

SAVE THE DATE
Friday 3rd April
 South Burnett Easter
SpEGGtacular
 in Murgon

(...the last day of school for Term 1)



Neighbourhood Watch Queensland

You are invited to attend
Murgon Neighbourhood Watch

Where: Murgon Services Club Diggers Room, When: 6.00pm to 7.30pm, Date: Monday 16th March, 2020

Topic: Monthly Meeting

Come and enjoy an informative night with other members of your community.

****There is no cost to attend and no joining fee****

Get Involved Have your Say, Grants, Prizes, Surveys, Events and Reviews

Fair Play Sporting Vouchers - Helping kids to join get involved in sport. Open now! Closes 1 April.

Seniors Month 2020 Grants - Celebrate our Seniors in August 2020. Grants close 15 March.

Qld Training Awards - 59th annual Awards nominations now open. Closes 31 March.



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BARAMBAH CELLAR-BRATION!

Barambah Cellars celebrates its 1st anniversary on Saturday, March 21 and it's going to be quite a party!

The cellar door at 167 Tiperary Road Moffatdale, is home to two wine labels, Lightning Tree Wines and Nuova Scuola Wines.

Peter Stewart of Lightning Tree Wines said visitation to the region's newest cellar door during the past 12 months had exceeded expectations. "We've had a great response from locals and visiting tourists.

"The general indication is people love the view from our deck; it's a beautiful vista stretching from the vineyard, across the Barambah Valley to Boat Mountain," he said.

"We get visitors from Gympie, the Sunshine Coast, Toowoomba, Harvey Bay and Brisbane, as well as internationally, and they all say how impressed they are by the quality of our wines, the facilities and all on offer here in the South Burnett."

To celebrate the success of the past 12 months Barambah Cellars will have an afternoon of live music by Guy Davis, wonderful wine and sumptuous shared platters, Saturday, March 21. There'll also be festive anniversary cocktails and bocce on the lawn. All welcome, bookings recommended phone Sarah 0408 850 595 or Peter 0412 379 347.

If you can't make it for the celebrations, Barambah Cellars is open Thursday to Sunday 10.30am to 4.30pm. Drop in for a relaxing wine and platter of delicious local produce.

Join Lightning Tree Wines and Nuova Scuola to celebrate their 1st Anniversary at Barambah Cellars, Moffatdale on Saturday, March 21





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Come Party With Us!

Saturday, March 21, 2020 — 10.30am to 4.30pm

Join in our 1st Anniversary Celebrations

Live music by Guy Davis from 12.30pm...
Anniversary Cocktails \$6

Enquiries to: Sarah 0408 850 595, Peter 0412 379 347



Murgon Market Report 25/02/2020



950 were yarded on Tuesday with all descriptions selling to dear rates. Bulls sold to \$3.20 c/kg and \$2560.00. Bullocks sold to \$3.78 c/kg and \$2257.00. Heavy Cows over 500 kilograms topped at \$3.06 per kilogram and \$1960.00 averaging \$2.86 c/kg. Cows 400 to 500 kg sold to \$2.96 per kilogram for a \$2.63 average. Lighter Cows under 400 kg topped at \$3.00. Export heifers sold to \$3.49 per kilogram and \$1777.00.

Cattle were drawn from Mundubbera, Gayndah, Nanango, Yarraman, Proston, Kingaroy, Kilkivan and locally. Braford steers weighing 436 kg sold for \$3.77 c/kg for \$1647.00. 390 kg Droughtmaster cross steers sold to \$3.97 c/kg to return \$1548.00. Murray Grey steers with a weight of 305 kg sold for \$1187.00 at \$3.89 c/kg. 307 kg Red Angus steers from Hivesville sold for \$1187.00 at \$3.86 c/kg. Charbray steers from Johnstown sold for \$3.85 c/kg for 382 kg and \$1473.00. 371 kg Charbray steers sold for \$1370.00 at \$3.69 c/kg. Local Simmental cross weaner steers sold for \$3.99 c/kg returning \$1155.00. 258 kg Charbray weaner steers sold for \$4.00 c/kg to return \$1035.00. Brangus steers weighing 289 kg sold for \$3.99 c/kg and \$1155.00. Droughtmaster weaner steers from Gayndah sold for \$1038.00 at \$3.80 c/kg. Charolais cross weaner steers from Johnstown sold for \$4.00 c/kg and \$840.00. Light Droughtmaster weaner steers from Gayndah sold for \$4.12 c/kg to return \$702.00. Simmental cross weaner steers also from Gayndah sold for \$777.00 at \$4.02 c/kg. Droughtmaster cross heifers from Winderera weighing 391 kg sold for \$1344.00 at \$3.43 c/kg. Charbray heifers from Mundubbera sold to \$1119.00 at \$3.39 c/kg. Local Santa heifers weighing 330 kg sold for \$3.35 c/kg and \$1136.00. 308 kg Santa heifers from Nanango sold for \$1021.00 and \$3.31 c/kg. A line of 70 local Droughtmaster weaner heifers sold for an average of \$670.00 and \$3.16 c/kg, the tops selling to \$3.33 c/kg. Santa weaner heifers from Nanango sold to \$3.55 c/kg to return \$609.00. Speckle Park weaner heifers from Wondai sold for \$3.25 c/kg and \$588.00.

The next Murgon sale is on Tuesday the 10th of March at 8.00 am.



A FIRST AID MOMENT – with Murgon LAC **Our slithery friends are about!**

It's that time of the year when snakes are on the move again.

Keep an eye out!

If you think someone has been bitten, here are tips on what to do.

For all snake bites,

1. Call triple zero (000) for an ambulance.
2. Apply a *pressure immobilisation bandage*
3. Keep the person **calm** and as **still** as possible until medical help arrives.
4. If you can't use a pressure bandage, because the bite is on the trunk or stomach, apply and keep **constant firm pressure**.

DO NOT wash the bite area because any venom left on the skin can help identify the snake.



We sadly mourn the loss of:

CONNOR, Nina Joy (nee Reynoldson/Vonhoff), formerly of Murgon

DEAN, Graham Francis, Late of Wondai, formerly of Wooroolin

KLIBBE, Edwin William, Late of Goomeri west

CLANCY, David Nicholas, Late of Wondai

ALTMANN, John Alexander, Late of Wondai

BENKLER, Markus Richard, Late of Wondai

HEATHWOOD, Alexandra Marion, "Lex", Late of Castra Murgon

DORSE, Olive, late of Goomeri

TAYLOR, Colin Edward, Late of Goomeri

Council Ordinary meeting dates January to March 2020

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

- Wednesday, 18 March 2020

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

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

For further information regarding Council meetings contact Council's Executive Services team on 4189 9100 or email info@southburnett.qld.gov.au.

Dam Levels as at 1/3/2020

BP Dam 21.72%

Boondooma Dam 34.40%

Silver Leaf Weir 100.50%

Joe Sipper Weir 100.55%

MURGON RSL SUB BRANCH

VETERAN SERVICES
PENSIONS AND WELFARE SERVICES
SUB BRANCH MEMBERSHIP

MONTHLY GENERAL MEETING
10am - First Saturday of each month
Murgon Services and Memorial Club
Cnr Lamb and Gore Sts, Murgon

SPEAK TO THE TEAM
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Across Country Real Estate & Livestock



Newly renovated 3 bedroom home in a quiet location. Freshly painted inside, new sliding windows and screens. Large eat in kitchen with a separate dining and lounge. Newly renovated bathroom. Bedrooms with carpet & 2 with built ins. Laundry & toilet downstairs leads you out to the backyard that has plenty of room for the kids to play. Outdoor cemented and covered patio area for entertaining. **\$145,000**



This renovated Queenslander home features 3 bedrooms, 3 bathrooms & a study. Perched on elevated ground in Tingooro, boasting some great views from the wrap around deck. Large open plan modern timber kitchen & dining area with views. Main bathroom with vanity & bath tub. Spacious master bedroom complete with a ceiling fan, French doors & an ensuite. Second shower & toilet near back deck. Spacious concreted laundry area underneath the home with ample storage cupboards. **\$220,000**



Quality executive furnished home with a massive shed on 2HA. Positioned at the top of the block capturing the views complete with quality antique furniture. Featuring 4 spacious bedrooms with built ins & ceiling fans. Main with a walk in robe & spacious ensuite. Polished spotted gum floors throughout, fly screens on all windows & doors. Lounge & spacious formal dining room with French doors leading out to the full length front timber verandah. 3.5 KW solar system with 16 panels, 4 rainwater tanks, heaps of storage space. **\$499,500**



This large home has 4 large bedrooms, with fans & carpet. Beautiful open dining room & modern kitchen with a separate lounge area. A large covered & cemented entertainment area. Whole house has been re plumbed, has gas hot water as well as solar & pump. All walls are insulated. The property consists of a new set of steel yards, new boundary fence, 5 dams & 3 paddocks. The land has the capacity to run 50 cows. **\$650,000**

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Murgon Crusaders have booked themselves a berth in the A Grade Grand Final

Murgon Crusaders are through to the Grand Final of the A Grade Gympie cricket competition after a strong performance at the weekend.

Gympie Colts won the toss in the Qualifying Final at Murgon Sportsground, sending the home team into bat. Dwayne Malone, who came in at number three, shone with the bat while opener Jason Webber was strong at the other end.

Malone was just shy of his century when he was caught by Dean Walker off a Sam Lang ball on 93. Malone hit nine fours and four sixes during his 99 minutes at the crease.

Webber was the next best with bat, adding a valuable 46 runs. Murgon were 8/215 at the end of 35 overs. In reply, Gympie Colts were all out for 152 in the 28th over.

Top-scorer was Sam Lang with 37 off just 24 balls. Lang had a strong day for Gympie, also taking three wickets (3/51 off seven overs) and catching out Murgon's Kurt McArthur.

Graham Brown and Bryce Edwards shared the bowling glory for Murgon, each taking three wickets. Edwards finished with 3/21 off six overs, and Brown 3/37 off 5.6.

Harry Sippel also had a good day with the ball. Although he failed to take a wicket, he bowled tight, notching up two maidens and conceding just 19 runs off his five-over spell.

Despite the defeat, Colts get to live again. They will face the winner of the Elimination Final, Kenilworth, in Gympie on Saturday.

The winner of this Preliminary Final will then take on Murgon – who now have a week off – in the Grand Final on March 7. Courtesy South Burnett Online

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Congratulations to the Murgon Show Society for organising a spectacular Show Cabaret as a lead up to the Show & to announce the winners of the Showgirl & Rural Ambassador competition!!'



Congratulations to Romana Ricketts. Murgon Miss Junior Show Girl 2020. And other Entrants in the 2020 Murgon Miss Show Girl Quest

‘Clean Up Australia Day’ starts early in Murgon

The PCYC RESTART youth, staff and volunteers walked along the Murgon Rail Trail today, Tuesday 3rd, as part of the ‘Clean Up Australia Day’ events which occur throughout Australia. By doing this the youth learnt about the environment and about being proud of our country. We collected five bags of rubbish from the Rail Trail, from discarded cups to old car exhausts. Some youth also found remnants of the old train rail, including spikes which were used to hold the original track in place. The attendees then celebrated with a sausage sizzle and a nice cold drink.



The South Burnett Eagles!!!! Rugby carnival in Charleville



The South Burnett Eagles!!!! Rugby carnival in Charleville. 14s played hard footy only having one try scored against them in the round games to finish 5 from 6 games and making the grand final against the undefeated massive Valleys team. They were up 4 nil to start the game but valleys came back to win 16 to 4. Great achievement for their first attempt.

Weekend wrapped up with a talk from South Burnett and Cherbourg local legend Willie Tonga, who graciously gave his time to talk exclusively with our 16s and 14s.

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- *Carousel
- *Jumping Castle
- & more

5.30pm - 9.30pm

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- *Icecream
- *BBQ
- *Fairy Floss
- *Doughnuts
- & more

- Live Entertainment
- Glow Stuff & Show Bags for the kids

The Easter
Bunny will be
there on the
night!

Photos 6pm - 8pm



Cherbourg Anzac Day Service

Assemble at 7.45am

Parade at 8.00am

Salute taken by Squadron Leader Nathon Thompson



Cherbourg Memorial park has undergone further modification and beautification.

The most recent transformation completed, has seen sandstone blocks installed for seating and decorative silhouettes added to the memorial wall honoring our communities fallen soldiers.

Council has delivered this positive project in consultation with the Cherbourg Heritage Precinct (Ration Shed Management) and Uncle Eric Law.

In an interview with Cherbourg Radio, Uncle Eric said he looked forward to seeing the new seating being utilised by community as a place of quiet contemplation or to relax with friends and family.

MURGON NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH Volunteers will be required

On the 14th March we will be manning the bottom gate of the Showgrounds for the Murgon Show from 6:00am to 6:00pm.

Six volunteers will be required for this, three for the morning shift and three for the afternoon.

We will also have a display in the Pavilion and two people would be required for this.

If you are able to help, please contact Brett on Mobile No. 0467 191 448 or email brettandheather@outlook.com by Wednesday 26th February.

From the funds received for looking after the gate we hope to purchase shirts for our NHW Group.

A business card for Abbott's Property Maintenance. The top part has a purple background with the company name in a stylized font. Below that, on a black background, are the services offered in white text.

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Storytime at Wondai Library

Weekly Storytime sessions continue to be held every Tuesday at 9:00am.

Parents and caregivers with children aged between 0 - 5 are welcome to come and join in on the fun as we share stories, rhymes, songs and activities.

A local Child Health Nurse is also available every second week to answer any questions.



Wondai Library Card Group

Every Wednesday @ 10am Wondai Library

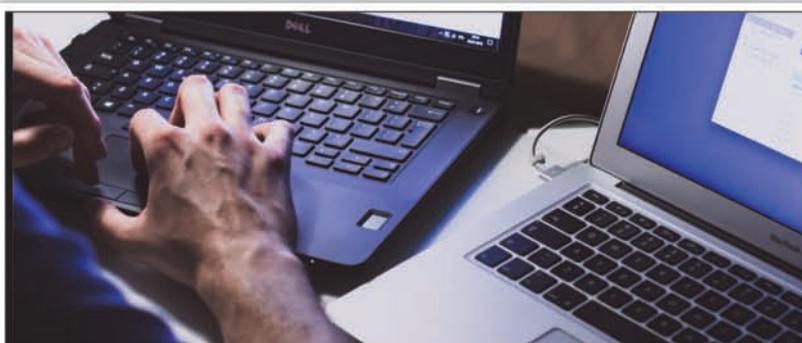
Everyone is welcome to come along and join in a friendly game of cards.

Card games are to be decided by the players and no bookings are necessary.

Conversation Group



Members of the community are invited to join Wondai's Conversation Group. This friendly and informal group gathers on the last Thursday of every month at the Wondai Library from 10:00am to 12:00pm. Everyone is welcome to join in the conversation to discuss all sorts of current and popular topics. Morning Tea is provided (gold coin donation).



Tech Savvy Seniors at Wondai Library

Tech Savvy Seniors is open to everyone who might know little to no knowledge about technology.

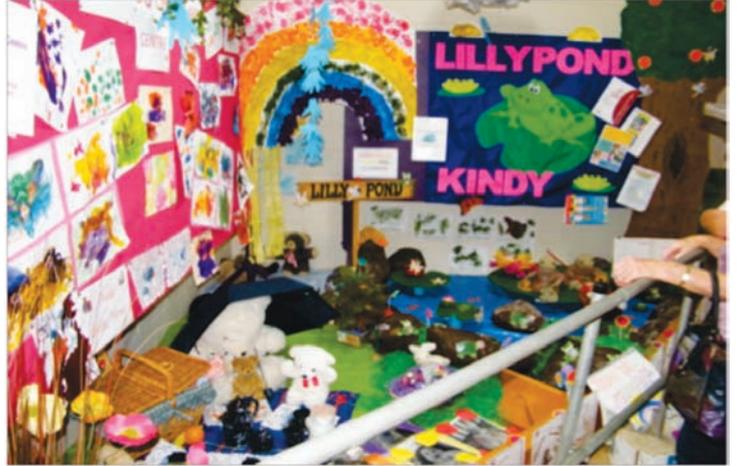
These sessions provide participants the chance to learn about computers, smart devices (iPads/smartphones), the internet & email, as well as online shopping and internet banking in a safe and friendly way.

All sessions are free and by appointment only.

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IT'S SHOW TIME IN THE SOUTH BURNETT



PROSTON 7TH March, MURGON 13TH-14TH March, GOOMERI 20th-21st March 2020,

Goomeri's 80th Annual Show

The first part of the South Burnett's Agricultural Show circuit gets underway in March with the first three culminating in Goomeri on the 20th & 21st which sees it celebrate its 80th Annual Show. This year we have created a theme for the Show and it is "Thank a Farmer" and it was born due to the terrible drought conditions that we were all suffering at the time of organising the show. Thankfully now it is nice to see that these conditions have improved markedly.

A lot of time and effort has gone into this year's program and a number of changes and additions have been made. This has been done as we want everyone and we mean everyone from a 1 year old to a 101 year old to be able to participate in the Show. Another significant change that we have had to make is arranging our own Side Show Alley Amusements as the Showmen's Guild who normally come to the show and pay us to do so have decided that they aren't attending, this now means we have to arrange and pay independent operators to attend the Show which has added a major cost to us.

Friday will see all the Pavilion entries being judged and on Saturday all the usual things such as the Full Ring Program, Showjumping, Stud and Prime Cattle, Pavilion and Dogs will be on show but we have a large list of Special Events and Entertainment happening on the day as well. Some of these are – the Official Opening by

Federal Member for Wide Bay Mr Llew O'Brien at 2.30pm, Dreamtime Reptiles holding shows and allowing the handling of some wildlife for photos between 1 & 3pm, Free Face Painting and Balloon Modelling from 3.30pm through to 7.30pm, our massive Fireworks display at 7.45pm and once again this year we will be running our outdoor movie from a little bit after 6pm. Two other novelty competitions that we are running this year is our Scarecrow and Colouring In Competitions, both of these are relating to our theme "Thank a Farmer". All Scarecrows are to be entered at the Showgrounds by 9am Friday 20th and is open to all. The Colouring In competition is open to all children up to Grade 6, templates for these entries and details of where collection points for these entries will be, can be found in the Show Schedule. Entry for both of these competitions is free. And to add to this all your normal Show Food and Drink will be available and Side Show Alley will see Dodgem Cars, Jumping Castle, Cup & Saucer, a Show favourite the Laughing Clowns, Rock Climbing Wall and Water Blaster.

We are also looking for entrants to run in the Miss Showgirl and Rural Ambassador competitions. Both of these wonderful competitions can open up a world of opportunities that you cannot even imagine when you do first enter so if you are able to enter, please do so. For details of criteria and how to enter please contact the Show Society.

Finally we would like to let everyone know that this will be the last Show for a number of the current Committee Members as we will be stepping down from our positions later in the year so we urge everyone to become a member and be involved with the Society so that it can continue long into the future as it's not just the Show that we run and if the Society was to fold it would have a large effect on the whole community. Also the local Agricultural Show tradition and movement is something that is one of a kind and although it may seem as if it means nothing but work for the people who organise and volunteer at them, you can and will gain a lot out of the experience of being part of it as it is one of the biggest volunteer organisations of not only in the country but the world.

Lyle Hasselbach, President, Goomeri Show Society

Barambah Garden Club News

As is our custom club members met on the 2nd Friday of the month at the home of Bill & Lyn Vlaanderen. We had an enjoyable meeting despite the heat. Even after all this rain we had a good display in the produce competition. If the amount and quality of the roses they have obviously liked the rain.

Our guest speaker was Les Koy and he spoke about a little known insect called the burrowing cockroach. No not the flying pests we get in the house at night but a quiet achiever.



They spend their lives hidden deep in sandy or loam soil. Although if you have some scrub with plenty of leaf litter you may be lucky enough to see a little fellow. Yes, it would be a male because she only comes to the surface to take leaves and twigs into her burrow to eat later. We found Les's talk fascinating and hope to have him visit us again

Our speaker in April is talking about grasses.

If you would like more information, please phone Ann 0438686238 or Mary 0417 198 953

Until next time Happy Gardening. Photos Les Koy & burrowing cockroach



BOOT SALE

On Saturday April 18th The Ballogie Rural Fire Brigade will be holding a car boot sale and sausage sizzle.

We are looking to make this a monster sale and all are welcome to bring along your goods to sell.

The cost of having a site is only \$2.

The set up time is 8.00am to be ready to sell by 9.00am.

All proceeds from the sausage sizzle will go directly to the Ballogie Rural Fire Brigade.

Bookings for a site are essential. Contact Lee on 0418782972 to reserve your site.

The address for this event is Ballogie Rural Fire Brigade located at 12358 Chinchilla Wondai Road.

Please come along and join us and show your support for your Rural Fire Brigade.



Water levels increase in the South Burnett

Our two dam's water levels have seen a much-needed increase over the past month due to some consistent storm activity through the area. Boondooma currently sits at 34% and Bjelke-Peterson Dam at 21%. The rising water levels haven't seen a huge change in the way the fish are biting, they are still easily catchable and some great hauls have been caught from both dams in recent times.

Boondooma

There's always a few good fishing options for Boondooma. Early on in the day, your best option would be to hit the trees in either the Stuart or Boyne arms chasing Bass, Yellow Belly or even Saratoga amongst the spindly timber. I usually start here first when the arms are quiet and it usually pays off. I like to cruise amongst the trees with the electric motor and cast 5/8 Bassman Spinnerbaits or soft lipless cranks in tight to the spindly trees, let the lure sink from 3 to 5 seconds and start my retrieve. This usually accounts for a few Bass and Yellow belly. The Goldens particularly like lipless cranks cast tight to the structure and the Bass tend to hit as the lure bounces over the underwater structure. If you're after a Saratoga, casting surface lures when the water is still is a great way to catch one of these prehistoric fish. These techniques are a great way to fish and it can be nail biting stuff at times, especially when you hook up to a quality fish.

Later in the day when the sun is up, I'd be moving out to the main basin and sounding for concentrations of fish in the 15 to 25 foot range. This time of year the fish that sit in this zone called the "thermocline" are a real sucker for slow retrieved or burned 5/8 spinnerbaits, 1/2 ounce rigged plastics and 18 gram Norries spoons. So give this a try next time you're out, but make sure you find some good shows of fish on the sounder before you start casting. It pays to put the work in to find them because you can be greatly rewarded.

Trollers are getting some big Bass in the main basin trolling 5/8 spinnerbaits, mainly around the Barbour's pole area, the dam wall, Leisegangs ledge and Pelican point. Be patient and the rewards will come.

Bait fisherman are still recording good catches in the timbered sections of the dam, using shrimps and worms. Silver perch, Bass, Yellow belly and Eel tail catfish are all catchable and good eating quality.

Red claw have picked up since the rain. Remember if the pot is empty make sure you keep moving them as

you might drop a pot on the honey hole.

Lake Barambah

BP has been the pick of the dams as far as numbers of fish go. Sessions of 20 to 40 plus fish are not uncommon and if you put the work in you can get some quality as well. A few areas that have been fishing well lately are the open water straight out from the park boat ramp, wide of the Quarry and wide of bass point. Soft plastics rigged on a 1/2 ounce head have been very effective. Soft Vibes and spinnerbaits are also a great go to lure if the fish are sitting up off the bottom with a burn and kill retrieve.



The South Burnett dams have been producing good fish of late

Areas not to forget are the areas around the edges of the dam that hold some rocky structure, because the dam is so shallow, the fish like to move up into these areas to feed most of the year. Coming into autumn the fish will definitely be up in these areas. Baits like spinnerbaits and blades could become a key bait at this time of year.

Trollers are catching some nice fish trolling around the main lake points of the dam, and the open water out from the main boat ramps. Deep diving hard bodies are also accounting for some nice yellow belly especially the more fluorescent colours.

Bait fishermen are still getting some nice Golden perch along the rocky walls around the edges of the dam using shrimps and worms as bait.

The red claw have been fairly quiet this year but they are still there to be caught. Set your pots around rocky structure for the best results. After the water influx I'm expecting their numbers to pick up significantly.

Fishing Charters

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

Until next time, tight lines and bent rods. Matthew Langford

Inland rail development/However not coming to Murgon

Headline, On track to deliver a boost for Queensland, by Dan Knowles.

A game-changing new infrastructure project will reshape freight transport, writes Dan Knowles

IT'S nation building on a heroic scale, a train line that will reduce the Great Dividing Range to a gentle slope, the vast plains of inland Australia to scenery and hook up billions of dollars worth of products and produce to customers hungry for them across Australia and the world.

The Inland Rail, which finally got the green light from the State and Federal governments last week, is set to transform how freight gets around Queensland and Australia.

It's proponents say Queensland's 400km section will create an incredible 7200 jobs, and pour \$7.2 billion into the state economy.

It will take more than 3500 trucks off Queensland roads and cut hours from passenger journeys.

For the traditionalists, railways are peak infrastructure. They make such good sense, taking goods off expensive-to-build roads and out of competition with car passengers.

For the proudly progressive, the project will create not just commerce but communities, drafted to include targets for local and indigenous employment.

For the engineering buffs, it has been likened to the Snowy River scheme, opening up the landscape.

And for the green-tinted, it will cut freight carbon emissions by 750,000 tonnes a year by taking long-haul trucks off the road.

Hooking up with the line from Melbourne through New South Wales to enter Queensland near Goondiwindi, it will cut across the Condamine and Macintyre floodplains and under the Great Dividing Range at Gowrie near Toowoomba.

The 6km tunnel – high enough to handle double-height containers – will cut almost five hours from the current trip from the top of the range to the bottom.

It will take the line from Gowrie at 493m above sea level 99m lower by the end of the tunnel before hitting 145m above sea level at Helidon.

The 400km Queensland stretch will include 79 bridges, including 11 viaducts to carry the line high and flat across deep valleys in the landscape.

As well as the epic 6km Toowoomba tunnel, there will be two others. An amazing 24 million cubic metres of earthworks will be needed to make the line come true.

South of the border, the rail line has spurred the creating of "inland ports" where products arrive or depart, loaded or unloaded from other train lines or trucks and moved on to either market or customers.

In Parkes, where the east-west line to Perth arrives at the north-south Melbourne-to-Brisbane axis, property prices are rising and jobs numbers are growing.

There are already 1000 service providers attached to work out of Inland Rail's Brisbane HQ, with \$700 million in contracts already signed and being spent. That will only increase when construction on the Queensland section begins, probably in 2022.

But like the arrival of the railroads across the American west, it is not without its challenges.

To farmers who rely on water flows during big rains to top up their dams, cutting across flood plains is a big concern, a worry sharpened by Queensland's current terrible dry.

And communities that remember the devastation of floods are worried, too, about the line's possible impacts.

Closer in, residents around urban corridors have raised objections about noise and the goods that will rumble past their properties.

Inland Rail boss Richard Wankmuller – part of the government-owned Australian Rail Track Corporation – said they would listen to concerns.

He said public consultation and the local expertise it could provide along the rail routes would be a big part of planning where the line goes, but pointed out many use existing train corridors.

"When you grow up, when you and generations of your family grew up in a floodplain, you're pretty convinced you can't build anything in a floodplain because anything that's been built before has failed," Mr Wankmuller said.

"A lot of that stuff was designed way back when under old standards and some of it even before computers.

"So it's a little bit different situation today but we certainly understand why people are scared.

"And we have the obligation to help them through that and prove to them that this can be done.

"We're bringing technologies that have been used elsewhere. We're doing it in a very safe way.

“We’ve set up an international panel to bring people from around the world to help the local population understand this has been done before and we have experts on looking at it to make sure that we’re going to be safe.

“And quite frankly, in a floodplain, you don’t just solve it with technology, you solve it with local knowledge.

“So what people have to say is really important, the photos they have from the ’60s and the ’70s, where we can triangulate that and say yeah, you’re right, look at that water level, because we don’t have measuring devices back then we can calibrate using their data.” The benefits of getting the line built would be massive, he said. At \$6 billion for the Queensland section alone, it is one of the biggest building projects in the state.

It’s been broken up into four sections to open the way for smaller, local contractors and companies to bid for the work, and built into that is also demands for Indigenous employment. The list of jobs needed is extensive – tunneling technicians, 3D modellers, geotechnical specialists, engineers, hydrology experts, construction apprentices, electricians, designers, traffic controllers, concreters, drivers, fencers, earthworks machinery operators, security guards, signwriters and an army of hospitality and accommodation providers.

Iconic Australian manufacturing operations at Whyalla and Port Augusta will get a boost, too, providing the steel and welding needed for the mammoth project.

“We have a skills development program where we get out in the region,” Mr Wankmuller said.

“If farmers can operate heavy machinery and they think they can help in the construction we are trying to develop skills’ programs to allow them to do that, get the tickets and certifications they need.

“There’s also a lot of people you don’t have to retrain.

“For electricians we have all kinds of signs that have to be put on these work sites and vehicles, the restaurants, the coffee shops.“Even tyre repair shops – with so many vehicles the tyre repair businesses are going to boom. It goes beyond what everybody just thinks of as rail.”

On the 22/23 of February 2020, Neil Collard the South Burnett senior sports person for 2020 had his first race back in the Australian Off Road Championships (AORC) since 2018 after his 3rd knee operation.

This was round 1&2 of the AORC & Qld championship held at Cooby Dam, this event was held by the Toowoomba Motorcycle Club. These rounds were in a sprint format which goes by the fastest times.

So day 1, the track was rough and Neils times got him to 9th in the E3 class, 9th in Qld and 37th in the Australian championships outright. But day 2 was a more technical track and Neil felt more comfortable and placed 7th in E3, 4th in Qld and 28th in the AORC.

Neil’s goal in 2020 is to break into the top 20 in the AORC. To be able to do this Neil will have to work extremely hard to get to his goal, as Neils is an apprentice at Holeshoot Diesel. Neil is very lucky to have a boss that gives him time off to race and also sponsors Neil. To help Neil along the way he will have to save his pennys to get suspension done to his bike and this is not cheap.

So as the year goes on Neil will keep you all up to date on his progress.

Could we also thanks Neil’s sponsors MPE, Holeshoot Diesel, Northcoast Petroleum , Collards Fuel , Body fuel & fitness studio.



Grants success for 11 Wide Bay sporting champions

Federal Member for Wide Bay Llew O'Brien today announced 11 Wide Bay sports stars will receive grants of \$550 to \$750 to help them participate in state and national competitions.

"Wide Bay has a proud reputation of producing outstanding sportsmen and women, and I congratulate these sports stars on their success in this latest round of the Local Sporting Champions program," Mr O'Brien said.

"Wide Bay's sporting champions come from all communities, they participate in a diverse range of sports, and they do a fantastic job representing our region in state, national and international competitions.

"The cost of participating in these events can be quite high, especially where travel over great distances is required, so this funding will help to ease that pressure on local families, and help our young athletes achieve their sporting goals."

The Federal Government's Local Sporting Champions program supports young sportsmen and women between the ages of 12 and 18, by providing grants to help meet the costs of participating in sporting events, including travel, equipment, uniforms and accommodation.

The following athletes have been successful:

Name	Community	Sport	Competition
Cody-Jon Gardner	Gympie	Skate	Champions Cup
Tannar Jenkins	Gympie	Athletics	2019 QLD School Sport U13-19 Athletics Championships
Amelia Garner	Southside	Athletics	2019 QLD School Sport U13-19 Athletics Championships
Harrison Sippel	Redgate	Cricket	2019 QLD School Sport 13-14 Years Boys State Cricket Championships
Kirralee McCulloch	Tinana	Hockey	2020 Australian Indoor National Championships - U13 Boys & Girls
Erin Boardman	Cooran	Softball	2020 Softball Australia U14 Girls' Regional Softball Championship
Jarraah Kelly	Tinana	Bicycle Motocross	2020 BMX Australia National Championships
Thomas McCarroll	Maryborough	Softball	2020 Softball Australia U14 Boys' Regional Softball Championship
Jordan Hoffman	Tinana	Basketball	2020 Basketball QLD U16 Boy's State Championships
Joseph McClintock	Gympie	Eight Ball	2020 Australian Junior Eight Ball Pool Championships
Bayley Crawford	Sunrise Beach	Basketball	2020 Basketball QLD U18 State Championships

"There were many applications for the Local Sporting Champions Program and only limited grants are available, but I am really impressed by the depth of talent, the level of commitment, and the ambition and pursuit of excellence, that the applicants demonstrated."

The Australian Sports Commission (ASC) is responsible for the management and coordination of the program, with grant recipients selected by a local panel. Applications for the grants can be made at any time, through the Australian Sports Commission's website www.ausport.gov.au/champions

For further information please contact Mr O'Brien's office on 1300 301 968.

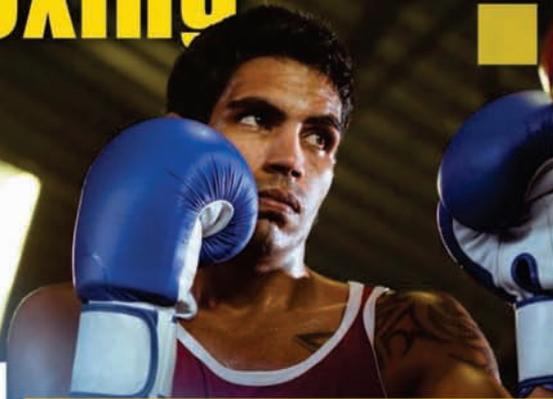
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South Burnett PCYC

March Update

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All Events and Wedding professionals welcome to be stallholders. Stalls from \$50. Visitor entry \$2 at the door.

Clean up Australia day event held by PCYC Restart team. March 3rd 9:30am meeting at PCYC cleaning the South Burnett Rail Trail in Murgon. See reception to sign up.

In partnership with local schools and the Department of Education and Training, PCYC will conduct **RESTART** as an **8-day Program**. Students participating in the 8-day program complete it over a fortnight period learning new skills in a variety of units. Individualisation and targeted intervention will help increase the young person's social capacity, self-esteem and self-efficiency. The program is proudly run by Kelly Summerville, with youth workers Julie Benson and Liam Gilmour.



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Volunteers from Murgon Visitor Information Centre travelled to Moreton Bay Caravan, Camping Expo recently to promote the region. It was a busy weekend for volunteers engaging with nearly 3000 visitors and giving out over 1000 information packs on the South Burnett. Thank you to those tourism operators who contributed to the information packs.

The data we have collected from visitors will be used to form an e-newsletter for March. We have a short window of opportunity whereby we can connect with potential visitors and market the region. This e-newsletter will focus on Easter festivities, the recent rainfalls and increased dam levels.

If you have a special event or deal for Easter you would like to promote please provide them to me by the end of the week. Thank you Stacey Perrett

Coal Fired Power equals Manufacturing Jobs

There are 223 coal fired power stations being built around the world. We should not permit a situation where we export our coal to the rest of the world for them to create jobs but not use some of it ourselves to keep our jobs here.

3000 jobs at Gladstone in our alumina and aluminium industries rely on us returning to a time where we provide affordable power. Coal fired power supports these jobs and there is no viable alternative right now to keep them

but the continuing use of coal fired power.

Coal exports have increased by more than six times since before the mining boom. Gas exports have increased by even more (an increase of more than 20 times). On the eve of the mining boom in 2004, Australia exported just \$2 billion of gas. Last year we reached \$50 billion of exports and became the world's largest exporter of LNG.

New Zealand has done the modelling. A net zero policy in New Zealand was shown to reduce their economy by 10 to 20 per cent. That would mean a \$200 to \$400 billion impact in Australia, and 100,000s of Australians would lose their jobs. The impact in Australia would likely be even higher than this given our large coal and gas industries.

These figures were supplied with name and address supplied.

COAL PLANTS WORLDWIDE

WHAT SOME PEOPLE DON'T WANT YOU TO KNOW

	<p>CHINA: 1,069 COAL PLANTS, BUILDING 105 MORE.</p> <p><u>TOTAL: 1,174</u></p>
	<p>INDIA: 294 COAL PLANTS, BUILDING 31 MORE.</p> <p><u>TOTAL: 325</u></p>
	<p>INDONESIA: 75 COAL PLANTS, BUILDING 24 MORE.</p> <p><u>TOTAL: 99</u></p>
	<p>JAPAN: 82 COAL PLANTS, BUILDING 14 MORE.</p> <p><u>TOTAL: 96</u></p>
	<p>EUROPE/EU: 216 COAL PLANTS, BUILDING 7 MORE.</p> <p><u>TOTAL: 223</u></p>
	<p>AUSTRALIA: ONLY 19 COAL PLANTS...</p> <p><u>AND SOME PEOPLE WANT TO SHUT THEM DOWN TO SAVE THE WORLD!</u></p>

Source: Global Energy Monitor - Global Coal Plant Tracker/Coal Swarm

We are on our way to Proston



It was great to see this wonderful bus load of ladies & other ladies who travelled to the Proston Golden Spurs Hotel for Elaine Madill's monthly ladies luncheon. Kathy Duff was the Guest Speaker to tell the story about the Proston Shops!!

Great Wondai Ladies Lunch today. Thanks Elaine who organises the lunch and thanks Cr Kathy Duff who updated us on developments at Proston

Comment from one of the ladies Highly recommend the Golden Spurs if you are wanting a night away from the kitchen. The food was delicious and considering there were so many of us, all the meals were hot and freshly cooked. Well done Andrew & Dianne Grant!!

WE ARE ONE



It was absolutely awesome to see a huge crowd supporting the launch of Visit South Burnett in Nanango. The opportunities are endless for the South Burnett if we all work together. I urge you all to become members & help put together some event packages & promotions to showcase our beautiful region to the rest of the World!!



Some awesome artists & some amazing pieces at the Barambah Pottery workshop !!



How great is this!! Yet another goal for Proston. The Local Ambulance Committee of 15 is the largest within their zone of 26 Local Ambulance Committees including Toowoomba!! They raised \$12000 for this manikin to enable the community to feel comfortable in giving CPR!!



Congratulations to the new leaders for 2020 at the Proston State School. Hopefully they will lead by example & live up to the school motto "Strive to Excel"!

The first meeting for the year for the Reconciliation Fun Run Committee. There is a slight date change to Sunday 24th May. Dust off your running & walking shoes & start to get ready for the 7km trek between Murgon & Cherbourg!!



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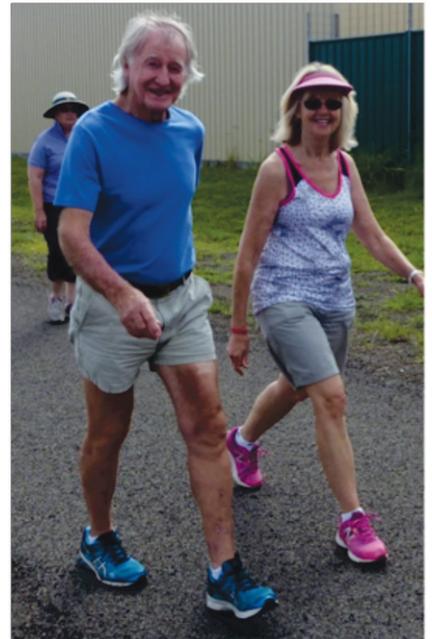
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Written and authorised by Kathy Duff | "DiDi Station", Proston QLD 4613 | kathy@duff.com.au



The full bitumen surface South Burnett Rail Trail from Murgon to Kingaroy and the usual dirt surface from Kilkivan to Murgon is a great way to look at this beautiful country scenery, now with its lush green farms.

Barambah Shed Men donate \$500.00 to Graham House towards the Drought Relief Fund

The organisers of the Barambah Shed Men wish to thank all those men who attended the 42nd and 43rd Shed Night meetings.

For our catering we attempt to keep the costs as low as possible, so we thank all those who let us know of their attendance. This helps us to have enough food for everyone and not have any leftovers. As a result over the last two meetings we have accumulated \$500.00.

This \$500.00 we have given to Graham House towards the Drought Relief Fund.

Once again we thank you for your participation and look forward to seeing you once again on the 13th June for our 44th Shed Night.

God Bless, Chris Downes, Chairman

An elderly woman died last month.

Having never married, she requested no male pallbearers.

In her handwritten instructions for her memorial service, she wrote,

'They wouldn't take me out while I was alive,

I don't want them to take me out when I'm dead.'



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Congratulations to Romana Ricketts. Murgon Miss Junior Show Girl 2020.

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The third boy says, 'I got you both beat. My Dad scribbles a few words on a piece of paper, he calls it a sermon, and it takes eight people to collect all the money!'

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Arts projects at festivals

Arts and culture organisations in Wide Bay are invited to apply for a share of more than \$500,000 for arts projects at festivals and significant one-off community celebrations.

Federal Member for Wide Bay, Llew O'Brien is encouraging local organisations to apply for the next round of Festivals Australia funding for projects including parades, performances, workshops and installations to promote community engagement at local festivals in regional and remote communities.

Mr O'Brien said festivals are a highlight on the community calendar for people of all ages.

"Festivals Australia funding supports local artists and organisations to deliver projects that enhance events with arts and cultural experiences, telling local stories and explore who we are."

"The Festivals Australia funding program provides valuable opportunities for local artists to come together to share their works, and are a drawcard for tourists, which boosts local economies."

Applications close on Sunday March 22 at 5pm.

Organisations are encouraged to check the Australian Statistical Geography Standard (ASGS Remoteness Areas 2011) to determine whether their festival is in an eligible location.

For more information and to apply visit: www.arts.gov.au/festivals.



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11.30 for 12 noon

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Kathy's Comments

Visit South Burnett

I would like to extend my sincere congratulations to Jason Kinsella and the team representing Visit South Burnett. I was really proud to see the way they have led the discussions at the meetings they held across the region. I was overwhelmed and delighted to see a packed house at the official launch in Nanango. I really and truly hope that everyone now gets on board to make this region the best it can possibly be as far as the promotion of tourism goes.

Ten Minutes with a Master

It was great to be totally booked out for this and to know that what we put on was something that farmers could really utilise. The idea of the day was to make appointments with 10 different service providers so our farmers could come in for only one day and see ten people without having to prearrange appointments. I have had very positive feedback and because some farmers missed out we will look at arranging another day into the future. Thank you to BIEDO for helping to coordinate the event and to Michelle from Centrelink for her support. I would also like to particularly thank Belinda Clair from Rural Financial Counselling for organising the use of the offices at the DPI.

Murgon Footpath Project

Thank you to Heath Sanders and his team for the work you have done so far. The night work is making it a lot easier for the shop owners and I have had positive feedback from the business owners. It has been a lot of fun working with the local businesses and particularly the descendants of some of the original shop owners as we explore the history of the shops for the plaques to go on the footpath. The photos of some of the original shops include the horse and buggy days and it is amazing to look back and see how it was in the early 1900's.

Support our Local Shows

The local show circuit is about to begin and I urge you all to support the shows. We are an agricultural region and the local show is an opportunity to showcase our towns to travellers from outside our region as well as to our own locals. Please put an entry into the pavilion, volunteer to help or just attend your local show.

Proston Happenings

I attended a wonderful evening catching up with the Proston Ambulance Committee. Their committee of 15 members is the largest within their zone of 26 LAC's including Toowoomba. In 2019 the committee donated \$1000 to the QAS Legacy. They purchased a \$12,000 manikin to enable the community to feel comfortable in giving CPR. They also purchased equipment for their QAS Officers. The members have a beautiful new navy uniform that they look very smart in. I know they were planning to proudly represent Proston at the recent Kingaroy Ambulance Centenary. I would like to congratulate Kathy Crane on the opening of the Proston Community Labyrinth. Kathy is the Community Health Nurse and this has been her dream for a very long time. I was pleased that our Council were able to help bring it to reality with our community grant support. I am pretty sure that this is the first one in the South Burnett and maybe even Queensland. It is a peaceful place made up of pavers in a circular pattern that start at the outside and go around in a pattern that takes you to the centre. It helps with mental health



issues but also for relaxation and exercise. It has been well utilised already and is near the Lions Park which will hopefully also get more use now with the additional attraction nearby. Thank you to Brent Leeman from Peak Services for coming to Proston to present the community with a \$10,000 cheque that was part of the Butch Lenton Memorial award. The Proston community put on a fabulous morning tea and I was pleased that Mayor Keith, our CEO, Mark Pitt, our General Manager of Finance, Susan Jarvis and Cr Roz Frohloff were able to attend. The shops are looking great and one pop up shop is already covering all of the group's costs. Well done everyone.

Graham House Transport Celebration.

The Mayor, Cr Ros Heit and I attended this wonderful milestone celebration. I told the story to the crowd about the time the Proston Charity Campdraft raised \$10,000 for a car purchased at Leo Geraghty's. It was a proud moment when Leo drove the car into the centre of the ring with hundreds clapping and cheering and 11 people lined up each holding a letter spelling COMMUNITY.

Water Security

Please don't forget to provide feedback into the South Burnett Water Study. The Murgon consultation is March 16th at the RSL Club between 10.00am and 12pm. You can also register your interest on waterstudy@southburnett.qld.gov.au.

Contact Details

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

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Mini-Makeover For Wooroolin Hall



Wooroolin Memorial Hall will get a mini-makeover thanks to a \$7954 State Government grant.

Premier Anastacia Palaszczuk announced on Tuesday that the Wooroolin Community Committee was one of six groups across Queensland to receive funding under Round 2 of the Queensland Veterans' Memorial Grants Program.

Wooroolin Community Committee secretary Wendy Turner said she was delighted the committee was receiving the funding.

It would be used to refurbish the silky oak doors that lead into the hall as well as the tiled steps.

Local councillor Ros Heit said it was fantastic news for the Wooroolin community members who do so much to maintain their facilities.

Premier Palaszczuk said it was a privilege to support the communities and organisations caring for war memorials across Queensland.

"Memorials link the past to the present and are an important way for young people to understand the contribution of our servicemen and women," she said.

"The Queensland Veterans' Memorial Grants Program helps to ensure veterans' groups and other eligible community organisations can continue to create and conserve a lasting legacy for future generations."

The final round is now open and includes funding of up to \$40,000 per project and additional funding of up to \$10,000 for conservation management plans.

Applications close in August. Courtesy South Burnett Online



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Grants to help Wide Bay commemorate Victory in the Pacific Day

Wide Bay community groups can apply for grants of up to \$10,000 to commemorate the 75th anniversary of Victory in the Pacific Day, Federal Member for Wide Bay Llew O'Brien announced today.

Mr O'Brien said the Saluting Their Service (STS) Commemorative Grants program was recently expanded to place a focus on the Second World War and later wars, conflicts and peacekeeping operations.

The guidelines now allow for a diverse range of projects to be funded under the STS Commemorative Grants program, including documentaries, digital projects, and podcasts as well as community memorials and preservation of wartime memorabilia.

"We must never forget that nearly one million Australians served in the Second World War, while more than 39,000 died and another 30,000 became prisoners of war," Mr O'Brien said.

"It is important that future generations of Australians remember the sacrifices made, and learn about the critical role of our service personnel.

"Victory in the Pacific Day marked the end of the Second World War, so it is an important date to acknowledge, and these grants will help groups in the Wide Bay community to commemorate their local servicemen and women.

"I encourage Wide Bay groups to apply for a project that commemorates and honours our local Second World War history."

Applications for the Saluting Their Service Commemorative Grants program are now open on the Community Grants Hub (<https://www.communitygrants.gov.au/>) and close on Tuesday, 31 March 2020.

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A MOMENT – with Murgon Local Ambulance Committee

Our first meeting for 2020 began well, with a full attendance of members and a fairly full agenda.

We were delighted to hear that the new electronic training manikin, purchased last October, is being put to good use and appreciated by our ambos.

Local history enthusiasts, Muriel and Jeff Schultz, have compiled an interesting account - centred on Alan Pitt, a former Murgon Ambulance Officer – that gives insight into how the Ambulance Service functioned in Murgon around the 1950's. Committee members were delighted to receive a copy and express their sincere appreciation to Muriel and Jeff for their outstanding effort.

Our first two commitments for 2020 were CPR Awareness activities in support of Kingaroy LAC which has launched their CPR Awareness program this year. Kingaroy Ambulance celebrates its centenary of service this year. Congratulations and best wishes to Kingaroy staff and LAC members.

For the next few months, Murgon Ambulance Station will be the home of Axel, the replica ambulance, who will be putting in an appearance at local shows and other events to promote the important Triple Zero (000) message – and let children experience how it feels to drive an ambulance, complete with lights and sirens! Thank you for spending ... A Moment, with Murgon Local Ambulance Committee.

NATIONAL SENIORS

The first coach trip for 2020 is on Thursday 19th March to Maleny Dairies, Bunya Bistro for lunch, then to Maleny Cheese Shop. Bring your eskys. Cost \$70.00 p/p & departing Murgon at 6.30am, Wondai 6.40am,

Kingaroy 7.10am, Goomeri 8.00am & Kilkivan 8.20am. The April Meeting is on Thursday 16th at the Murgon Bowls Club after morning tea at 9.30am. The Photo Competition is "My Holden".

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Regards, Patricia Seiler, Publicity Officer.

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