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MURGON MOMENTS

Murgon...a great place to live, work & play



Mick Purser and his wife Heather with son Russell at the Castra celebration

April 19, 2023

The 100th birthday of retired Murgon businessman – and World War II veteran – Alfred “Mick” Purser was celebrated at a morning tea at Southern Cross Care (Castra) in Murgon..

Friends, other residents and Castra staff joined with Mick’s wife Heather, 96, and son Russell, from Noosa, to celebrate the big day in Castra’s recreation room.

There was cake, candles and even a morning of music!

It was the second birthday celebration for Mick ... on Saturday, he enjoyed a family get-together with about 70 people at the Murgon RSL Sub-Branch’s Drop-In Centre, organised by his daughter Lynne, from Brisbane.

But Castra, where Mick and Heather now reside, couldn’t let Mick’s actual birthday pass without a party.

Mick grew up on the family’s dairy farm, ‘Bendee’, between Murgon and Nanango (now part of the Bjelke-Petersen Dam).

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He enlisted in the RAAF on August 25, 1941.

Russell told southburnett.com.au his father initially served in the Charters Towers and Townsville areas recovering and repairing parts from downed US aircraft.

He then was sent to Adelaide where he trained as a pilot, and began flying DC-3s from Australia to Papua New Guinea.

After he was discharged in 1946, Mick returned to Murgon to complete his apprenticeship as a mechanic with Vic Tessmann.

Mick later bought the business, located where Murgon IGA is now, and called it Murgon Garage.

In 1967, he purchased a school bus run and began building up a bus and coach business. He sold the Murgon Garage to concentrate on his new venture.

In 1996, Mick sold Purser's Coaches to Harvy Dascombe who has continued, along with son Andrew, to build the business into a fleet which now consists of 50 vehicles.

Harvy picked up Mick on Saturday in one of Purser's buses to take him to his birthday celebration ... "He wouldn't let me drive!" Mick said.

Guest speakers at the Castra celebration included Murgon Business and Development Association president Leo Geraghty (a later owner of the Murgon Garage, by then Mitsubishi Murgon) and Trevor Otto, father of South Burnett mayor Brett Otto, who formerly worked for Mick.

Mick and Heather have been married for an amazing 76 years.

"Heather was Presbyterian and I was Church of England so we were married in the Methodist Church in Murgon," Mick joked.

The couple has two children, Russell and Lynne; four grandchildren, 10 great-grandchildren and two great-great-grandchildren.

Mick and Heather have volunteered in multiple community groups in the Murgon region for decades, including the Girl Guides, Scouts and Murgon Hospital.

Mick also served on Murgon Shire Council for many years. *Courtesy South Burnett Online.*



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Volunteer Drive Expo - Volunteers Needed

Call to action

Upcoming Volunteer Drive Expo to be held on Thursday the 18th of May at the Murgon Town Hall from 12.30pm – 2.30pm.

We are calling for all organisations in the Murgon area who engage with volunteers to be involved in this event, bring along your volunteer recruiters and all your sign up information.

We are aiming to provide information to the local community about where they can volunteer, what it's like to volunteer and how to sign up.

Please forward to your volunteer engaging local organisations.

If you are interested in having a stall at this event, please contact us here at the South Burnett PCYC.

That evening will be a local volunteer dinner. You will be able to nominate local volunteers in your organisation for recognition of their commitment. More information about this event will be forthcoming, in the mean time please claim 5.30pm – 7.30pm 18th May for this dinner.

Kind regards **Rene Bond, Youth Club Manager P: +61 7 4168 1889**

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Mental Health First Aid Training

South Burnett Regional Council on behalf of Qld Health, along with our Federal and State funding bodies will be offering free Mental Health First Aid Training.

“1 in 5 Australians will experience a mental health problem in any given year,” said Mayor Otto.

Mayor Otto encourages the community to take up this opportunity. Enabling our community to have the knowledge and confidence to recognise and respond to someone experiencing a mental health problem or crisis.

The first of these events will commence at the Kingaroy RSL on 29 – 30 May 2023.

Please ensure you book through Eventbrite or contact Councils Disaster Resilience Officer on 07 4189 9123.

Mental Health First Aid Training - 29-30 May 2023 Tickets, Mon 29/05/2023 at 8:30 am | Eventbrite

This event is supported by assistance provided through the jointly funded Commonwealth-State Disaster Recovery Funding Arrangements (DRFA).

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Deb represents concerns of region on impact of bank closures

Shadow Member for Regional Development and Member for Nanango, Deb Frecklington has made a submission to the Federal Senate Committee currently investigating the impact of bank closures in regional Australia.

Deb said it was an important opportunity to share information with the Federal Committee about the many bank closures that have occurred across the Nanango Electorate.

“Over the past several years, there have been continual bank closures in towns across the Nanango Electorate including Suncorp Kingaroy, NAB Esk and Murgon, ANZ Toogoolawah, Kilcoy and Kingaroy and reduced hours at Commonwealth Murgon,” Deb said.

“On behalf of my community, I wanted to share the economic and welfare impacts of bank closures on people from our region.

“Unfortunately, the closure of regional branches is a common theme for the big banks, who believe they can service their customers just as well online.

“We know that many people in regional areas have slow internet connection, or no computer access at all, so internet banking isn’t always the answer. Residents of regional townships value their local bank branches.

“A complete lack of public transport across the Nanango Electorate also means it is not always possible for them to travel to another township to access a branch.

“Another important issue we’re seeing in regional Queensland is the issue of cybercrime. More and more people are being targeted in scams and there is a genuine need for victims of these crimes to be able to access their bank in person to discuss and rectify their situation. Often these victims are older Australians, who can struggle to deal with the banks via the phone or internet.

“The loss of any service is always devastating for small townships, who too often feel the brunt of large companies relinquishing their commitment to serve regional areas

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SBRC 22/23-13 Request for Tender - Management Services for Boondooma Dam Caravan & Recreation Park

South Burnett Regional Council is seeking suitably qualified and experienced Facilities Manager/s for the South Burnett Boondooma Dam Caravan & Recreation Park.

Offer documents can be downloaded by registering on Council's tendering platform Tenderlink. Registration instructions and links can be found on Council's website under Tenders & Supply.

The Tenderlink Reference is BURNET- 1056006. Tenders open on Thursday 13 April 2023 and close at 2pm on Friday 5 May 2023.

For further information contact Council on 1300 789 279, 07 4189 9100 or email info@sbrc.qld.gov.au.

SBRC 22/23-14 Request for Tender - Management Services for Bjelke Petersen Dam Caravan & Recreation Park

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Wondai & District Garden Club

Thank you to all who supported the raffle and the many people who attended the Garden Expo Event.

Winners of the raffle were:

1st Chris \$250.00, 2nd Loray \$150, 3rd Rebecca \$50, 4th Julie \$50

The recipient of our proceeds will be chosen at our meeting on Friday 11th May. Meetings and garden walks are held 2nd Friday of each month.

Enquiries Denise 41689736

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centre of town. A large covered patio area is ideal for entertaining. Currently rented until July 2023 with tenants looking to relocate Reduced to \$369,000



Great location in a quiet end of cul de sac position in Wondai. Approx 6 years old this lovely brick home is in good order throughout. The home offers three bedrooms and two bathrooms. The formal lounge is situated at the front of the home and the air conditioned dining,

kitchen and family lounge flow through to the back of the property. Tiled floors with carpets to the lounge and bedrooms. Fully security screened. Fully and well fenced back yard. Paved area at the front. Very easy to manage gardens. The kitchen has a good size pantry and fridge/freezer space, wall oven cook top and dishwasher. There are 2 bedrooms to one side of the home both with built-in robes, the main bedroom benefits from a walk in robe and en-suite with shower vanity and toilet. The family bathroom has a bath and separate shower. The toilet is separate. A covered tiled patio area at the rear of the home. The spacious double garage with remote lift door has access directly into the home. In addition there is a large colourbond shed approx 16m x 8m with 2 x 3m approx roller doors. Fully concreted. Loads of power points, and insulated. There is a solar system installed to the shed with a battery storage system. Room for 4 + vehicles here plus workshop. Town and tank water to the home. A lovely home sharing a quiet location with other quality homes. Reduced to \$450,000



Highset 3 bedroom home, spacious living extends to kitchen/dining. All bedrooms have built in robes. Timber flooring throughout. Under the house has been enclosed to provide lockable car accommodation and several storage areas. There is a

carport to the side of the house. Approx 809m2 fully fenced. \$160,000



This charming home has been tastefully renovated. Air conditioned open plan living with modern built in kitchen. New paint, new floor coverings throughout. The 2 bedrooms both have built in robes. The bathroom is spacious and modern

with a big shower. A verandah on 2 sides. In addition to the main dwelling there is a further self contained granny flat with bathroom and wood fire. The 9018m2 allotment has heaps of potential. Large carport with lockable lawnlocker at rear. Plenty of space for cars, caravan and boat. Solar system installed. Plenty of tank water plus town water. \$330,000

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Kathy's Comments

Anzac Day Ceremonies

I felt privileged to be part of a number of really special Anzac Day Services. I attended the Murgon State School for the first time ever at 9.00 am on the 24th and was able to participate by saying a prayer and laying a wreath before attending the 10.30 am service at the Proston State School to lay a wreath. It was really special at both events to see the students lead the service. On Anzac day I attended a beautiful dawn service at Hivesville attended by a large crowd including students from Wheatland's State School and St Mary's in Kingaroy. The volunteers served a great breakfast for a gold coin donation. I then travelled with a number of Murgon RSL Sub Branch members to catch the 8.00 am Memorial Service at Cherbourg. It was led by Elgin Leadie who did a wonderful job running the service which was extra special for me as Shirley Law made me a special pink wreath to lay. Congratulations to Kevin Gills for leading another magnificent Anzac Memorial Service in Murgon. I read the resolutions and was really moved to see the number of schools involved in the parade and students individually lined up to place a poppy for each name as the school captains read the names of the fallen. This year at the Murgon service there were around 49 wreaths laid on behalf of groups.

Mick Purser's 100th Birthday

One hundred years is an amazing milestone and Mick Purser is truly a legend. He was able to attend the Anzac Day Service in Murgon and it was fitting that he was presented with a number of awards and certificates of appreciation to add to his long list of achievements. There have been a number of celebrations for his birthday including the one I went to at the Murgon Drop In Centre where Mick received a letter from King Charles that was read out at the function. Thank you to Mick and Heather for all that you have done for Murgon over many wonderful years.

QEII Park Upgrade

I have had lots of feedback about the work in QEII Park and particularly the water pooling in the concrete. I have raised this and been assured that the contractors will rectify this problem. We wanted to have the park open for Anzac Day and now there will be some work done to rectify the problem under the shade shelters.

Proston Gearing Up for their Centenary

Proston is preparing for their centenary celebrations on the October long weekend this year. They are looking for sponsors and volunteers to help with funding and organising some of the activities so please check out their website or Proston Heritage Collection facebook page if you would like to be involved.

Hivesville Markets

I was sad to hear that John Forrer has become ill and has had to move. John has been a strong supporter on the committee and was very much a driving force behind the Markets but particularly the monthly tacos that I have come to enjoy. I wish John all the best with his health and thank him for his contribution to the market committee.

Wakka Wakka Building

It makes my heart sing to see the building known as the old



Krebs House finally being tidied up and used again. There was an official opening and moving forward I believe that it will be a valuable asset for the whole community.

Events in Murgon Easter Speggtacular & Rodeo

Congratulations to the MBDA committee who ran the Easter Speggtacular. It was fantastic to see this event back in QEII park with a large crowd and lots of kids both big and small enjoying the spectacular rides, the stalls and displays and meeting the Easter Bunny. A huge thank you to the retiring committee who are now looking to hand the baton over to another group to hopefully continue to run this event and also a Christmas event of some sort.

Songbird Centre Opening.

I can't wait to see this amazing building opened this month. Thank you to Glenda Geraghty in particular for your passion and drive to see this project through. Exciting times ahead for Murgon and our region when we get to see this unique project open for business.

Volunteer Drive Expo & Awards Dinner

On the 18th of May from 12.30pm until 2.30pm in the Murgon Town Hall the PCYC is holding a Volunteer Drive Expo. Organisations needing volunteers or members of the public who are interested in volunteering and wanting to know more about opportunities are invited to come along. That evening there will also be a local volunteer dinner. This will be an opportunity to nominate local volunteers in your organisation for recognition of their commitment. For information, please contact Rene at the PCYC but please keep the date free.

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.
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Bjelke Petersen Dam Fish Management Committee



Dates are official, you can now start booking into your calendars the dates for the 2023 BP Dam Inland Fishing Classic Competition.

Those Dates are as follows,

Saturday the 30th of September and Sunday 1st October.

We are so excited to have this competition running again, and we hope to see familiar faces, new faces and old faces on the weekend.

Dairy & Heritage Museum Murgon.



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The PCYC is running a Volunteer Drive Expo at the Murgon Town Hall on Thursday 18th May from 12.30pm – 3pm. Volunteers from the Museum will have a stand and will be there to answer questions regarding volunteering at the Museum. Come along and have a chat to our volunteers. We really need to be able to keep the doors of the Museum open and this cannot be done without the support of volunteers.

March has been really busy and we have a busy May & June ahead of us with group bookings for tours and morning tea.

Thank you to our volunteers and members of our business community for their ongoing support. **Joy Fennell**



Murgon Show Hits ! And what a hit our train rides were, moving everyone around the grounds.

Thank you to Gary Barron from Kingaroy who owns the train carriages for making it possible for us to have this great mode of transport....a free hop-on hop-off ride.

And thank you to our Engine driver Lyndon Maroske who managed it and the passengers all day long... and a big thanks to Alan Eagleson (our President) for organising the pick-up from Kingaroy.

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New shelters for Lions Park Kingaroy

South Burnett Regional Council would like to advise the construction of two new undercover picnic shelters, footpaths and signage will begin later in the month at Lions Park Kingaroy.

This refurbishment project is proudly funded by the Queensland Government's Works for Queensland Program in association with South Burnett Regional Council. Works is on schedule as per Council's work plan for the project.

Concreting of the new footpaths is set to begin towards the end of April. The old existing shelters have already been removed with construction planned for early May.

Works will primarily be on Bill Hull Car Centre side of the park. Council would like to make the community aware that during construction there may be periods where carparking near the Peanut Van and Bill Hull Car Centre may be limited.

It is expected that works will be completed by the end of May, weather permitting.

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DV Expo for Domestic violence Month in May

The QPS Pipes and Drums band will be in Cherbourg on the morning of the 30th of May as part of the Cherbourg Domestic violence March and in Murgon for a lunchtime show. More info to come.

Privacy Awareness Week 2023 – Privacy 101: Back to Basics

Privacy Awareness Week (PAW) is coming up from 1 to 7 May 2023 and this year's theme is

'Privacy 101: Back to basics'. It's a great reminder that every day we can do essential things to protect our privacy, and the privacy of others.

PAW is an annual celebration shining a light on the importance of protecting and respecting personal information. Here at South Burnett Regional Council, we take your privacy seriously and we do everything we can to ensure your privacy rights are respected.

If Council ever asks for your personal information, we should also tell you why we need it, how we will keep it safe and if it will be shared.

Apart from making sure agencies and organisations look after your personal information, there is also a range of things you can do to protect your privacy. This PAW, we're going back to basics and sharing helpful, simple tips to protect your personal information:

1. Update your privacy and security settings on all of your devices.
2. Share with care. Be mindful of what you share on social media about yourself and others.
3. Use multi-factor authentication to better protect your online accounts.
4. Be wary of public wi-fi and avoid using it for things like internet banking.
5. When you sign up for a new service or app, be sure you know what you're agreeing to in the terms and conditions.

View Council's Privacy Policy at [information-privacy-policy-statutory038 \(southburnett.qld.gov.au\)](http://information-privacy-policy-statutory038@southburnett.qld.gov.au)

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The Cancer Support Group meets every **Tuesday morning** in the **Uniting Church hall** between **10 and 12**. We open with coffee and a biscuit. We are a very friendly group who love to talk and share our highs, our lows and our experiences. We also share a laugh and enjoy each other's company.



We love to welcome anyone who has been touched by cancer, whether you are still in treatment, are in remission, or have been given the "all clear". Support persons or carers are just as welcome. Come along if you would like company and support on your journey. We also share meetings with the Parkinson's support group.

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Situated on half an acre with 2 titles, is this beautiful family home. 4 bedrooms plus a rumpus room. Main has air conditioning, ceiling fan, a bay window, a walk in robe - plus built ins, which flow to the ensuite that has a large shower, double vanity and toilet. The other 3 bedrooms

all have built ins and ceiling fans and security screens throughout the home. Spacious modern kitchen, dining room that has direct access to the covered entertaining area and the open fireplace that is perfect for entertaining. Large formal lounge with a bay window, ceiling fans, and fireplace. Walk through to the rumpus room that can be a bedroom or set up for indoor entertaining. Main bathroom with shower and vanity and toilet next door. The generous sized laundry has plenty of storage. Outside has so much to offer with the yard being extensively landscaped with retaining walls, paved areas and established low maintenance gardens, with a variety of fruit trees out the front. Massive 4 bay shed, with 2 garage spaces with roller doors on 3 sides and 2 carport spaces. 2 x 5,000 gal water tanks and 2 smaller tanks. A 6m x 3m garden shed, greenhouse and a chookpen. **WONDAI PRICE: \$495,000**



If location and space are high on your list of priorities then this commanding 4 bedroom home located in Murgon is a must to inspect. This solid brick home is low maintenance and loaded with extras. **FEATURING:** Four-

bedrooms, main with an ensuite, walk-in robe, air-conditioner, and a ceiling fan, two of the remaining three bedrooms have built-in cupboards, and ceiling fans. Generous sized kitchen with ample cupboard and bench space. Open dining and lounge area with a large air-conditioner giving the home a spacious, relaxed feel. An extra large space which would be the ideal amusement room as it opens onto the outside entertainment area. Roomy main bathroom with a separate shower, bath, and separate toilet. Two bay garage + laundry. Security screens. Fully fenced on a 840m2 block, lovely outdoor entertaining area, and room for the kids to play. **Murgon Reduced \$475,000**



This solid brick home is situated in a quiet Street of Hivesville. A low maintenance 1,041m2 fully fenced allotment capturing the peace and quiet of rural living. Features include: Brick home with

single lock up garage. 3 bedrooms with built-ins, main has an air-conditioner. Lounge room with a fireplace. Modern bathroom with a separate toilet. Separate laundry overlooking rural land. Galley kitchen, open dining room also with an air-conditioner and glass sliding doors opening onto the undercover entertaining area. **HIVESVILLE PRICE \$290,000**



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The team here at Across Country Real estate have been selling their listings at a record pace and therefore, we need new listings. We specialize in rural, residential, and commercial property sales and property management. We also offer free appraisals! Did you know that we have now opened an office in Wondai! If you think we might be able to assist you, please call on: 4168 1600.

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An amazing day at the Wondai Races on ANZAC Day with our horse Hard Landing winning the Wondai Digger's Cup with our awesome trainer Pat Duff!! Congratulations to the organisers for a very successful day all round!!

We sadly mourn the loss of:

RAMKE, Kevin James of Atherton formerly of Murgon

SCHNEIDER, Lesley June, Late of the Castra ACF Murgon and formerly of Goomeri.

BROWN, Kieth Alexander, Late of Castra Aged Care, Murgon, and formerly Wondai

MACLURE, Jillian, (nee Coleman), late of Proston

BRIDGER, Lorraine Lilian, (nee Harries), formerly of NSW, late of Wondai

SALTMER, Howard Percy 'Frecks' late of Cherbourg

GEORGETOWN, Gavin Lloyd, late of Cherbourg

Murgon Report 26/04/2023

Murgon Agents yarded 750 on Wednesday the 26th due to the ANZAC Day public holiday the previous day. Processing cattle were slightly dearer in places mainly Bullocks, Bulls & heavier Cows. Feeders & better quality weaner steers remained firm. The weaner heifer market was very tough. Heavy Bulls sold to \$3.06 per kilogram and \$2560.00. Bullocks topped at \$3.36 c/kg and \$2090.00. Cows over 500 kilograms sold to \$2.83 per kilogram and \$2010.00 averaging \$2.60. Cows 400 to 500 kg topped at \$2.95 per kilogram for \$1340.00. Cows under 400 kg sold to \$2.43. Export heifers sold to \$3.26 per kilogram for \$1700.00. Cattle were drawn from Mt Perry, Gayndah, Mundubbera, Durong, Kingaroy, Nanango, Kilkivan & local areas.

Red Angus steers from Mt McEuen, 484 kg sold to \$3.50 c/kg to return \$1695.00. 415 kg Droughtmaster cross steers from Windaera also sold to \$3.50 c/kg for \$1450.00. Charbray steers from Gayndah weighing 345 kg sold for \$1330.00 at \$3.86 c/kg. Local crossbred steers 353 kg sold for \$1340.00 at \$3.80 c/kg. 2 pens of Charbray steers ex Laidley sold for \$1280.00 & \$1080.00 at \$4.50 c/kg. Droughtmaster steers from Sandy Ridges sold for \$4.30 c/kg returning \$1330.00. Braford weaner steers from Mt Perry sold for \$4.28, \$1240.00 & \$4.10 c/kg and \$980.00. Speckle Park cross weaner steers from Nanango sold for \$834.00 at \$4.36 c/kg. Euro cross heifers from Windaera sold for \$1360.00 at \$3.28 c/kg. Brahman heifers from Crownthorpe, 405 kg sold for \$1280.00 and \$3.18 c/kg. Santa cross heifers ex Gayndah sold for \$3.20 c/kg weighing 335 kg and \$1070.00. 2 pens of crossbred heifers from Goomeri sold for \$3.20 c/kg returning \$1176.00 & \$1175.00. 310 kg Charbray heifers from Gayndah sold for \$960.00 at \$3.10 c/kg. Euro cross weaner heifers from Wondai sold for \$3.32 c/kg to return \$890.00. Angus cross weaner heifers from Gayndah sold for \$3.30 c/kg for \$880.00. Cows & Calves sold to \$1200.00.

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School Transport Infrastructure Program Funding Announcement

South Burnett Regional Council is pleased to announce that Council has been successful in gaining funding for the School Transport Infrastructure Program (STIP) funding applications for works to improve services and safety around South Burnett Schools as listed below.

In total there are six projects costing in total over \$1.2 million dollars to be delivered in 2023/24. Council would like to take this opportunity to thank Department of Transport and Main Roads (TMR) for their co-contribution to these projects. St Joseph's Catholic Primary School and Murgon State School

St Mary's Catholic College, Kingaroy

Kingaroy State High School and Kingaroy State School bus interchange

Murgon State High School road widening

Murgon State High School and Murgon State School

Kingaroy State High School (carparking and crossing)

Council looks forward to continuing to work with DTMR and associated schools to improve safety in the community.

For further information, please contact Council on 4189 9100 or email info@sbrc.qld.gov.au.

Upgrade both crossings to a combined children's crossing and pedestrian crossing including line marking, signage, furniture and concrete median protection.

Footpath along east side of Kent Street connecting Albert Street and Fitzroy Street including an upgrade to the Carinya Street pedestrian crossing.

Installation and extension of concrete medians between all bus parking bays to ensure protected pedestrian access. Changes to ILine marking and signage may also be undertaken to improve the order of operation for buses and parent drop off.

New sealed, formalised on street parking on the west side of Gore Street between Harm Street and Cooper Street. This includes the installation of drainage infrastructure and line marking to support the safe use of the area.

Replacement of existing bitumen footpath with new concrete footpath from Krebs Street to the Pool entrance, adjacent to the School Crossing.

Upgraded pedestrian crossings at the William/ Toomey Street intersection, drainage improvements in the cul-de-sac in Avoca St and modifications to the bus zone allowing for additional carparking bays to be accessed on Avoca Street.



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VISIT THE SOUTH BURNETT NEWS

- The South Burnett Rail Trail Users Association updated members about their brand new website

<https://southburnetttrailtrail.au/> and the great news that all 89kms of Rail Trail has reopened. The Northern section of Rail Trail from Moondooner Road, just north of the Moffatdale Winery Route, through to Goomeri and onto Kilkivan is Now open.

A new Visitor's Guide is on the horizon. - We're busily working towards the second edition of the Visit South Burnett Visitor's Guide, and are excited to announce a few changes!

1. The booklet will be printed locally in the South Burnett!
2. The new booklet will go up to 56 pages – allowing for more information, larger fonts and more great photos.
3. We'll be printing 25,000 copies. – With the current guides success, we did a re-run late last year to keep up with demand.

New contact Number for Visit South Burnett!

Please note the contact number for Melanie - Tourism Development Officer has changed to 0481 749 951

Some Upcoming Events in May

- Kingaroy Show - Kingaroy - 6th-7th May
- Burrandown Picnic Races - 6th May
- Nanango Race Day - Nanango - 20th May
- Murgon Ancient Songbird Centre opening – (postponed to a later date)

Local Markets;

- Kingaroy Friendship Markets - 3rd Saturday - Kingaroy Showgrounds
- Nanango Markets 1st Saturday - Nanango Showgrounds
- Kumbia Markets 2nd Saturday - Bell St
- Wooroolin Community Markets 2nd Saturday - QCWA Building
- Yarraman Markets Every Saturday - Toomey St Yarraman
- Murgon CBD Markets 2nd Sunday – Lamb St Murgon
- Blackbutt Country Markets 3rd Sunday - Les Muller Park Coulson Street Blackbutt
- Wondai Country Markets 4th Saturday - Coronation Park Wondai
- Bunya Mountains Markets Last Sunday - Bunya Mountains
- Hivesville Country Markets - Last Sunday
- Proston - 3rd Saturday of the Month



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Registrations now open for the Festival of the Dams 2023!

Fishing fanatics get ready! The Festival of the Dams is on again in 2023, Round 1 is being held at Bjelke-Petersen Dam from Saturday 20 May to Sunday 21 May, organised by Fishing Freshwater and proudly sponsored by the South Burnett Regional Council.

Interested anglers should get their teams registered as places are filling up quickly in the 40-team event, with entries closing Saturday 20 May 2023. A fun weekend family event open to the public with raffles, lucky door prizes and much more.

Accommodation can be viewed and booked online or by contacting Bjelke-Petersen Dam Caravan and Recreation Park's onsite managers on phone (07) 4168 4746.

Fishing from Saturday 20th May 2023 6AM in 3 sessions through until 11AM Sunday 21st May, 2023

Tournament has 5 categories:

- 1) Total NUMBER of legal fish- most fish wins- 1st place
- 2) Biggest Bass- 1st place
- 3) Biggest Golden Perch- 1st place
- 4) Biggest 6 fish, total combined length of your biggest six Golden Perch or Australian Bass- 1st place, 2nd place, 3rd place
- 5) Random draw from Teams entered that have not won any of the other prize categories

Entries (available online at www.fishingfreshwater.com.au) close 20 May at 7am unless filled prior. Winners will be announced Sunday during presentation after the event.



Seeing a child smile when they achieve and learn to trust is worthy beyond words - you could be a part of this!



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Water Meter Replacement Program – Kingaroy and Wondai

South Burnett Regional Council advises as part of Council's routine maintenance programs and commitment to ensure the long-term sustainability and efficiency of Council's water infrastructure, Council has commenced a water meter replacement program in Kingaroy and Wondai.

The replacement program will commence on Monday 17 April 2023 and is expected to be completed by 30 June 2023, weather permitting.

Water meters are mechanical devices that wear with usage and age. Council has a proactive replacement program for water meters which are nearing the end of their useful life. It's an ongoing program that ensures your water meter readings (and your bills) remain as accurate as possible.

Water meter replacement depends on the specifications of the individual meter. It is normal that your meter may in fact be replaced but the meter belonging to your neighbour may not be.

Council apologises for any inconvenience that this work may cause and thank you in advance for your patience

The following steps may assist following water maintenance works:

- Flush your plumbing by running inside and outside taps
- Avoid using the washing machine or dishwasher should water be discoloured.

Frequently asked questions:

• **What causes discolouration in water?** Water mains maintenance, repairs or flushing may result in sediment being disturbed in the water pipes, resulting in the tap water appearing discoloured. In some instances, organic material found in the main water source may also cause discolouration.

• **Who pays for the water lost whilst water mains are repaired or replaced?** The cost is covered by Council's maintenance budget.

Can the water lost during water mains repairs or maintenance be recycled? No, Council does not recycle the water for public health reasons.

Please direct any enquiries to Council's Water and Wastewater team by phone 4189 9100 or email info@sbrc.qld.gov.au.



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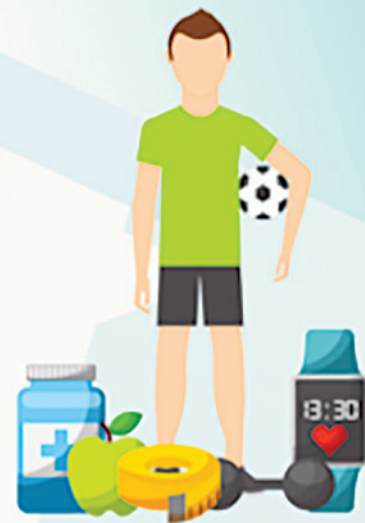
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For More information contact the
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Murgon Town Hall, Tuesday 9th May, 9.00am-10.30am

HOY AN ENJOYABLE GAME FOR ALL



Hoy is a simple bingo like game to play in groups from 2 people upwards. The idea is for a player to match all their cards to the cards the dealer turns over to become a winner.

If this sounds like something that you would like to do, then come along to our Hoy days at the QCWA rooms in Proston. They are held on the third Thursday of each month, starting at 9.00 am. Entry is \$5.00 which entitles you to an entry in the lucky door prize draw, and enjoy a delicious morning tea. We usually have an in-house raffle, drawn on the same day. \$2.00 gets you an entry ticket.

Playing games provides an important source of relaxation, socialisation, and mental stimulation. It helps with coordination and dexterity, and fosters cooperation.

Other benefits from playing games include: Alertness, Creativity, Mindfulness, Reminiscing, Laughter, Cooperative behaviour

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

- **Anzac Day Trust Fund** - Applications now open. Closes 11 June.
- **Ag Jobs Qld** - Connecting people with jobs in Qld's Ag industry
- **Qld Philanthropy Awards** - nominate a person who should be recognised for their community support
- **NCWQ Bursary Program** - Now Open! A range of bursaries to assist women with their educational expenses.
- **Rental Laws** - Have Your Say on Stage 2 rental reforms. Closes 29 May.
- **Farm Safety Calendar** - Entries open for all Qld Schools. Closes 23 June.
- **Zero Emission Vehicle Rebate Scheme** - Rebates for households purchasing electric vehicles
- **South Burnett Regional Council** - Facade improvement program. Quick Round. Closes 9th June
- **Qld Export Awards** - Opens 2nd May.
- **CTC Safer Communities Program** - Lots happening! Program for 12-24 year olds
- **Virtual Emergency Department** - Available for all Queenslanders - for people needing urgent non-life-threatening care by telehealth.
- **Extraordinary Disaster Assistance Recovery Grants** - Up to \$75K for primary producers, \$50,000 for small business, \$20,000 for clubs & associations (note deadlines approaching soon)



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Hillbilly Birth

Deep in the back woods, of Letcher County Kentucky a hillbilly's wife went into labour in the middle of the night, and the doctor was called out to assist in the delivery.

Since there was no electricity, the doctor handed the father to be a lantern and said, Here. You hold this high so as I can see what I'm doing!

Soon, a baby boy was brought into the world, Whoa there, said the doctor,

Don't be in such a rush to put that lantern down I think there's another one coming.

Sure enough, within minutes he had delivered a baby girl. Hold that lantern up, don't set it down there's another one! said the doctor within a few minutes he had delivered a third baby 'No, don't be in a hurry to put down that lantern, it seems there's yet another one coming! Cried the doctor.

The redneck scratched his head in bewilderment, and asked the doctor,

You don't reckon it might be the light that's attractin em?

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Understanding psychosocial risks and hazards in the workplace

A psychosocial hazard is anything that relates to the design or management of work, the work environment, plant and equipment, or workplace interactions and behaviours. And managing psychosocial hazards and risks at work is just as important as managing physical risks.

Business Chamber Queensland has partnered with experts in this field, DWF to bring you a webinar that will:

- highlight your obligations based on the Work Health and Safety (Psychosocial Risks) Amendment Regulation 2022 (Qld) and the Managing the risk of psychosocial hazards at work Code of Practice 2022 that came into effect in Queensland on April 1, 2023.
- explain amendments to the WHS Legislation and Codes of Practice relating to psychosocial hazards
- outline common psychosocial hazards
- help you understand your duties as an employer in managing these hazards

discuss how to address or avoid these hazards and the risks of not doing so

Please contact Business Chamber Queensland at marketing@businesschamberqld.com.au for further assistance or copies of this webinar.

CLOYNA HALL DINNER

Cloyna hall committee and Murgon Lions Club invite you and your partner to their annual dinner Friday 19th May 2023. 6.30pm for 7.00pm sit down. \$30 per person – 3 course meal. RSVP Arthur 0497 169 950 or Chrissy 0427 008 211. Guest Speaker.



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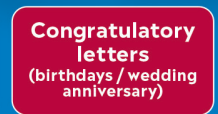
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Murgon 11th May 9.30am, Murgon Town Hall

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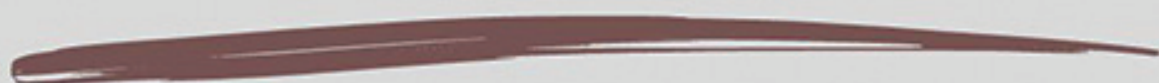
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Call to action

What South Burnett PCYC is calling all organisations and interested volunteers in the Murgon area to come together for our first ever volunteer drive.

Who Organisations needing volunteers and members of the public who are interested in knowing more about volunteering in their local community.

When Thursday the 18th of May 12.30pm - 2.30pm

Where Murgon Town Hall

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For organisation registrations



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what's on

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Local Stories - The History of the Ambulance Service with Mike England

Join Mike England as he presents the next instalment of South Burnett Libraries' local stories series, "The History of Ambulance Services in the South Burnett and Elsewhere" on Friday 19 May from 10.00am.

Mike is a former paramedic who has written a book about the history of the Yarraman Ambulance Service. He is keen to discuss the research he has undertaken into paramedic services, both nationally and locally. Please phone 4189 9256 to reserve your spot or pop in and see one of the friendly staff at your local library branch



Medieval Party 2023 - A Celebration of The Kingdom of Libraria

Save the Date! The Medieval Party will be back in July 2023!

Come along dressed in your best medieval attire and take part in the fun and games from 10am-12 noon on Saturday 1 July 2023. Follow South Burnett Libraries on Facebook and Instagram to keep up to date with what we have planned!



Save the Date! Under 8's Day

Save the date for a morning of free, fun activities in the park! South Burnett Libraries are excited to be hosting a stall at the 2023 Under 8's Day event which will be held on Thursday 29 June at Memorial Park in Kingaroy from 9am until 12 noon.

National Simultaneous Story Time

Don't forget the date!

Join in the fun of National Simultaneous Story Time on Wednesday 24 May at 11am. South Burnett Libraries will be celebrating so keep an eye on our Facebook and Instagram pages for more information.



South Burnett Libraries Collection Maintenance

Library staff have recently carried out collection maintenance in each branch, with old or tired items deleted from the system. This process allows room for new items that are added to the collection each week, thus keeping the shelves looking fresh and appealing for library customers. Items deleted from the collection are offered for sale at the Kingaroy Library, sent to St John's to be sold at their annual Book-O-Rama event or donated to local schools and aged care facilities. If you know of a community group that may have use for discarded library items, please contact the Kingaroy Library on 4189 9256.

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South-Burnett-Libraries



Council advises Rectification works to the concrete slabs on the new shelter sheds at QE11 Park Murgon will commence Tuesday 2nd May.

During these works the shelters will be the only areas fenced off, leaving the remaining park open to the public. Council would like to thank the community for their patience and cooperation during this project and looks forward to completion of these works which will allow the community to enjoy all of the parks facilities. It is looking fabulous.



Benji receives Local Hero Grant

Congratulations to the successful applicants in my first round of Local Hero grants for 2023:

Wondai Neighbourhood Watch

Kilcoy State School P&C

Brayden Watcho

Benji Lipsett

I visited Benji to personally congratulate him before he attended the Australian Junior Athletics Championships in Melbourne.

BYTE Nite

Dates Winter Season at PCYC Club - Winter season Saturdays at the PCYC

May 20th 2pm – 6pm June 24th 2pm – 6pm July 8th 2pm – 6pm

August 26th 2pm – 6pm – End of Winter season



THE GYMPIE/SOUTH BURNETT HANDCRAFT AND CULTURAL COMMITTEE
AT THE MURGON QCWA ROOMS

CENT AUCTION

81 MCALISTER ST. MURGON

SATURDAY 27TH MAY DOORS OPEN 12.30 FOR 1.30PM START
ENTRY \$5 INCLUDES AFTERNOON TEA + 1 SHEET OF NUMBERS

LOTS OF PRIZES AND A RAFFLE

DONATIONS ACCEPTED FRIDAY 26TH FOM 9AM TILL 1

FUNDS RAISED GO TO PROMOTE QCWA HANDCRAFT PROJECTS

Murgon Men's Shed Inc.

GARAGE SALE

Saturday 20th MAY 2023

75 Mac Alister Street Murgon

Gates open 6am

Too many items to list. Come look see. Must be something of interest for all folks.

We now appeal for further donated saleable items for this event.

BBQ snacks available on the day.

Phone 0400 028 088 or 0407 409 335 to arrange pick up.

The Shed takes this opportunity to extend a big thank you to all those who have contributed to our Garage sales in the past.



Attention Retirees

I read in the April edition (Issue No. 199) of Murgon Moments that the Murgon Visitor Information Centre is in desperate need of volunteers in order to keep the facility as a fully operational centre. Many retirees have plenty of time on their hands and could enjoy working as a volunteer at the Murgon centre.

For several years I have held various voluntary roles (through the SBRC) and they have been very rewarding experiences. You are not only helping your community but you are also helping yourself. It's great to meet new people, whether they be tourists or locals, and is also very beneficial for one's mental health. Doing voluntary work makes you feel good and the people for whom you donate your time are extremely grateful – a win win situation.

Julie Berry - Kingaroy

UPDATED - SBRC 22/23-10 Request for Tender - Waste and Recyclables Collection Services

South Burnett Regional Council is inviting tender submissions for waste and recycling collection services to service the South Burnett region.

Tenderers are invited to lodge tenders in accordance with the terms of the Request for Tender and Contract documents.

Offer documents can be downloaded by registering on Council's tendering platform Tenderlink. Registration Instructions and links can be found on Council's website under Tenders & Supply.

The Tenderlink Reference is BURNET-1053434. Tenders open on Tuesday 21 March 2023 and close at 2pm on Thursday 11 May 2023.

For further information contact Council on 1300 789 279, 07 4189 9100 or email info@sbrc.qld.gov.au.



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Ladies,
Murgon
Red Cross
Social
Group

would like to invite you to come and hear **Marcia Hunt**, Mobile Women's Health Nurse, address the topic: **Screenings in Women's Health** on **Thursday, 11th May, 2023** at the Church of Christ Hall, 20 Thorn Street, Murgon.

The Morning will commence at 9.30 with Morning Tea.

SBRCouncil thanks all involved in ANZAC Day Services

Commemoration services across the South Burnett were held on ANZAC Day to gather as a grateful community to honour the courage, sacrifice and to pay respect to our veterans, their families and all defence force personnel.

South Burnett Regional Council would like to thank the RSL Sub Branch's, Queensland Police, Council staff and all involved in the coordination of successful ANZAC Day services held around the region.

At the going down of the sun and in the morning, we will remember them. Lest we forget.



ANZAC DAY IN MURGON 2023

Murgon marked Anzac Day with a well-attended Dawn Service at the Murgon War Memorial with local residents and veterans backing up at 9:45am for the traditional march and service.





Parade steps off





L-R : David Piggott Deputy President & Advocate Murgon RSL Sub Branch , Councillor Kathy Duff, Mark O'Halloran Program Integration Manager, Boeing Defence Australia & former Murgon State High School Student, taking the Salute



Welcome address by Kevin Gill, Murgon Sub-Branch President



Crosses being inserted in a miniature cemetery (made by the late Jim Kingston OAM) by school students whilst Names of the Fallen were read out by Murgon High School Captains.



A gun salute



The laying of Wreaths



The release of the Pidgeon's



The song *Lest we forget* performed by all of the Murgon area school children



A Commemorate rug presented to Alfred (Mick) Purser our longest surviving 2nd world war veteran



At the end of the ceremony school children formed a guard of honour for the march off

Wondai Regional Art Gallery

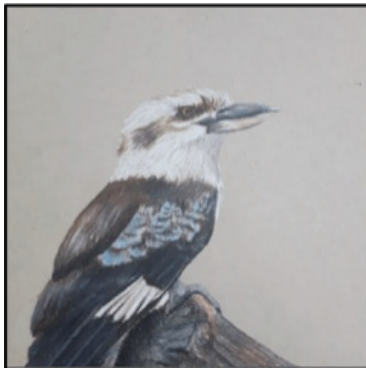
May 2023 Exhibition

'Silently drawn' brings together three artists and friends, united in their love of nature, and each on a journey to discover their truest art. Through playfully exploring new techniques, materials, and the subjects that speak to their hearts, they have forged their own paths, spanning diverse mediums and styles.

The work is evidence of each artist's journey – their learning, exploration, evolution, and wayfinding.

Collectively, it is an appreciative and loving tribute to art as a means of expression and self-care.

The resulting collection brings to the gallery an eclectic and interesting mix of colours, textures and techniques, and includes mosaic, cyanotype, coloured pencil drawings, natural materials, acrylic and mixed media.



Wendy Patterson

In this exhibition, Wendy has focused on Australian birds. She has been able to create stunning realistic

images using coloured pencils. Wendy was inspired by her late mother-in-law Pamela Patterson, who was an avid bird watcher.



Wendy Olsen

Wendy is primarily a botanical landscape artist who takes her inspiration from the 'feel' or essence of a location, with native flora being central to this experience. She invites you into the 'artist's

journey', by exhibiting work from across the timeline of rapid change in her practice.



Tania Corbet

Tania is a Kingaroy based artist. She is still finding her style, experimenting with all types of

mediums (acrylic, oil, watercolour, mosaic), but is drawn to realism. She is loving her journey of

discovery towards finding her true self.

Kidz Korner" St Joseph's Primary School

Opening Night: Friday 5 May 2023 from 6pm \$5 Entry includes Hot & Cold Supper & Punch Live Entertainment. Wine will be available for purchase from Kingsley Grove.

The exhibition will remain in the Wondai Regional Art Gallery until 3pm on Saturday 27 May 2023.

It will be open 7 days a week, 10.00am till 3.00pm. Free Entry.



Anzac Day across our region

Large crowds turned out across our region for Anzac Day and it was a privilege as always to represent our community at several services including at Proston State School, Murgon Dawn, Yarraman Graveside, Nanango Main Service and Kingaroy Main Service. Thank-you to all the families, school children and community members who turned out to honour those who have fought and served for Australia. We will remember them.



Youth Member Hannah ready to represent region

Please welcome our 2023 Youth Member for Nanango, Hannah Woodard-White of Nanango! Each year I am always impressed by our Nanango Electorate Youth Members and Hannah is no exception. She is enthusiastic and excited and it was a pleasure to talk with her about the unique opportunity she will have this year as our region's Youth Member. Hannah has started her university studies this year at QUT and is working towards a degree in both Law and Psychology. She is passionate about representing young people and being the voice of youth in our electorate through the QYP process. Youth Parliament brings together 93 young people aged 15-25

each year to teach them about the government decision-making process, while providing an excellent leadership opportunity for young people like Hannah who may one day become our future decision makers.

STH BURNETT PARKINSON'S SUPPORT GROUP



APRIL was **PARKINSON'S AWARENESS MONTH**. A big THANK YOU to Heath from **Murgon Rotary** for using the signboard at the entrance to Murgon to promote this special event. For our **APRIL** meeting we welcomed Dominique from the Gold Coast. It was an early morning for Dominique who came as our Guest Speaker to talk to us about her **Wonder Sheet**. This sheet was designed by Dominique to help people who experience problems turning over in bed. The sheet is suitable for a wide range of people including people with Parkinson's, stroke victims, those with arthritis and those who have had hip surgery etc. For more information phone 07 5591 1629 .

Most of those present at the meeting were wearing some purple: this being the Parkinson's colour. Doug sported a purple silk tie, Gloria displayed a new purple blouse and Ancy added a purple crochet coaster as an accessory. Lyn also won one of the prizes for her purple attire. Merrilyn had brought along some purple flowers from her garden to decorate the table. There were some interesting purple items for **show and tell** and

Garry's **Chux** dishcloth won him a purple wrapped chocolate koala. All the monthly prizes were coloured purple for obvious reasons. Dominique was in colour with her display.

Lena and Kerry were welcomed to the group. Lena was fortunate enough to win a prize on the day at her first visit..

Our next meeting will be held at the Wondai Diggers' Club on Monday May 29. Arrival time will be 10.00 a.m. for BRUNCH. Brunch will include cake & a cuppa on arrival, followed by soup and sandwiches. Cost: \$13 per person.

Bookings are essential. Phone Carmen to book 5486 1268.

Parkinson's disease is a chronic, progressive disease for which there is presently no cure. Symptoms are varied and include motor and non motor symptoms. Each person presents differently. Parkinson's disease is increasing in prevalence. The local Support Group is a small friendly group who welcomes all to their meetings. Presently the Murgon Cancer Group also attends.

Contacts: Darryl 4168 3116 Carmen 5486 1268.

Photo: Dominic with South Burnett PD Support group member Bev

Tansey Bowls Club

Charity Bowls Day

Saturday 13th May Social Bowls starts 2.30pm, BBQ Starts
5.30PM

Multi draw raffle with lots of great prizes

Proceeds go to RACQ LIFE FLIGHT RESCUE

**For info contact Alex Barsby 0427 830 703, Dan Richards
0428 687 273**



South Burnett Orchid Society Inc

We enjoyed a great time at the Wondai Garden Expo

We would like to thank the people who visited our stand and bought Orchid plants, we hope you enjoy them for years to come. Care for them and they will reward you with their magnificent beauty.

Our raffle was won by a supporter in Kingaroy.

If you want to know anything about maintaining orchids come and talk to our experts at our meetings which are held at 2.00pm on the last Sunday of every month at the CTC rooms in Somerset Street (Youth Park) Kingaroy.

Council Commences 2023 Planned Burn Season

South Burnett Regional Council's annual planned burn season is underway for 2023 with 4 key sites prioritised across the region.

South Burnett Regional Councillor Scott Henschen said, "The first hazard reduction burn of the season will be carried out at Boondooma Reserve from the 26, 27 and 28 of April. Other priority sites include Staines Road Reserve, Wondai East and Showgrounds and Wondai West will undergo burns before September, if conditions are suitable."

"Planned burns are an essential practice for us to help reduce fuel loads, such as grasses and dense undergrowth, and mitigate the risk of bushfires in our reserves while enhancing biodiversity," Cr Henschen said.

Council collaborates with the Queensland Fire and Emergency Services (QFES) and local Rural Fire Brigades (RFB) to execute each burn. RFB conduct each burn in accordance with a QFES Prescribed Burn Plan, which outlines the ideal temperature, fuel moisture, wind speed and direction, and humidity level to conduct the burn.

Each year the burn 'window of opportunity' is typically during the cooler months between April and September, and we're pleased to be on schedule this year after the wet weather delayed last year's season.

Before each burn RFB undertake a meticulous analysis of conditions including identifying ideal temperatures, fuel moisture, wind speed and direction, and humidity levels to conduct the burn under 'cool burn' conditions.

"Council considers impacts to flora, fauna, and our surrounding communities, and use a range of techniques to conduct safe planned burns to maintain and improve biodiversity and ecological values for the natural environment. We're always extremely mindful of the effects that smoke from planned burns may have on neighbours and visitors and appreciate their understanding while we work with the relevant agencies on this safety initiative," said Cr Henschen.

For further information contact Council on 4189 9100 or email info@sbrc.qld.gov.au.



Gem Show 'Rocks' South Burnett

It was fun for the whole family at the 2023 South Burnett Gem Show held at Wondai Sportsground on 1st April. Congratulations to the hard working South Burnett Gem And Fossicking Club who continue to grow this unique event.



Crow FM 90.7

A note from Shaz...

Well I could not have asked for a better last day on air - I'm definitely feeling the love! Thank you to all listeners and sponsors who have welcomed me into their homes, cars and workplaces each day. Thank you for allowing me to become part of your daily routine and in some cases, part of your family. You have certainly all become part of mine! To everyone who popped in for a visit, called into the Breakfast Show or stopped me in the street this week to wish me all the best for my next adventure, thank you. My heart is definitely full! Finally extra special thanks to all of the Crow Crew I've had the absolute pleasure of working with during my 9 years and 4 months at 90.7, both past and present. Until next time, take care South Burnett - Shaz xo

Urgent review our name! and opening

formerly Murgon Ancient Songbird Centre

We are proud to announce our new name:

55 million years ago

MURGON AUSTRALIA

Late idea, this would include all the animals and reptiles and birds that have been found. It has also been decided through delays in build and fit out and signage to post pone our opening to a later date to be announced when all the fit out is complete. We can promise you this museum is world class.



A very successful annual A Gardening Experience day was held at Mondure Hall on Sunday 26 th March, with almost 100 people attending. People enjoyed a Bonsai demonstration, the uses & how to make Natural Sprays, the propagation & growing of Salvias, the Growing of Herbs & Day Lilies and a Floral Arrangement demonstration.

Beth Weier won the raffle. Andrea Stewart won the Numbers Board, Lucky

Door Prize was won by Anne Brand.

Mondure Hall Committee wish to thank all who participated to make the day the success it was.



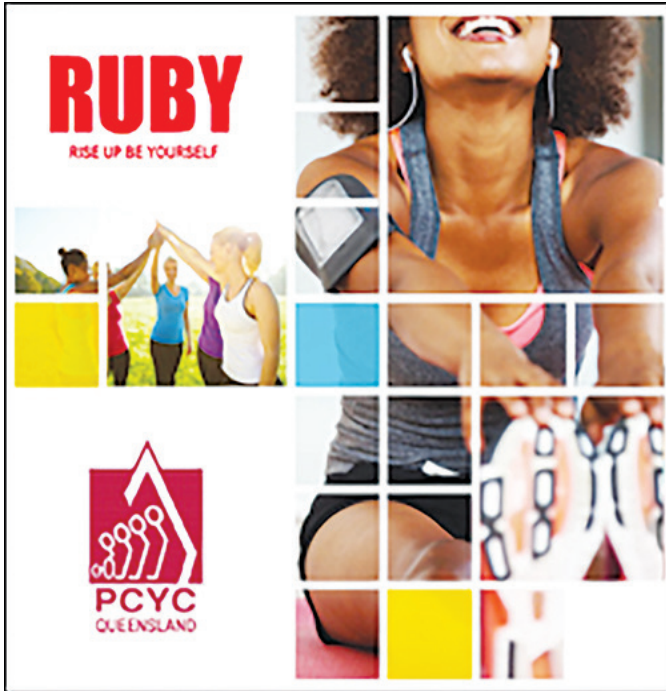
Glenda Geraghty treasurer of the new 55 million years ago receives a much-appreciated donation from Carmen Emery-Strathdee.



In 2010, Caitie Ireland, aged 12 came to her father, Tony with an idea; a concept for a teahouse to boost the success of the families Antique store. For six years the business had run successfully on the Northside of Brisbane and it was time to take it to a new level. That was when That Little Tea House was born. For 12 years That Antique Shop and That Little Tea House ran together out of the same building, offering unusual antiques coupled with a serving of tea and cakes and a fair lathering of gossip and laughs. After the Covid pandemic the family decided it was time to follow their dream of a tree change and began looking for a new place to call home.

Now, That Antique Shop and That Little Tea House have opened in Murgon hoping to bring their same love of old wares and a bloody good cuppa to this small but thriving community. Proprietor Tony welcomes you to come in, browse and share a tale or two while Caitie invites you to stay a while and enjoy one of her twenty varieties of tea and seasonal cakes. With Winter just around the corner, it's a great time of year to indulge in a spot of antiques with the added bonus of a warming brew to ease the bones. In Summer, there is the Teahouses signature iced tea to cool you down on a scorching summers day.

That Antique Shop is open Wed to Sat, 10-2pm and Sunday 10-1pm,
 That little Teahouse Thursday -Friday 10am -2pm
 Sundays 9-1pm 84 Macalister Street, Murgon. Ph 0404966197



Plus: Gymnastics, after school basketball, Squash, Wheel Chair basketball, Table tennis, net ball and many more.

Donate your eligible containers, We receive 10 cents for every eligible container donated to help us continue building safer, healthier communities through youth development.

Karen and Pam selling food at The Murgon Easter Speggtacula

BUILDING LAND OWNER PEST MANAGEMENT GROUPS WORKSHOPS





A number of free workshops are available to all land owners within the South Burnett, Cherbourg, North Burnett and Gympie Regional Council areas over the months of April and May.

These workshops will have key speakers to discuss the latest news and research from people within the industry who deal with feral pig and wild dog management.

We will also discuss:

- Benefits of land owner lead pest management groups (also known as syndicates and cluster groups)
- Advantages of using FeralScan for recording, removal and data management of feral pests
- Input from experts within the industry on aerial and ground shooting



GOOMERI

 Location: Goomeri Hall
17 Boonara Street, Goomeri 4601
 Date: 27th April from 9am to 1pm



NANANGO

 Location: Nanango Town Hall
40 Fitzroy Street, Nanango 4610
 Date: 18th May from 9am to 1pm



PROSTON


 Location: Proston Community Hall
Rodney Street, Proston 4613
 Date: 19th May from 9am to 1pm


MUNDUBBURA

 Location: Mundubburra Town Hall
26 Lyons Street, Mundubburra 4626
 Date: 31st May from 9am to 1pm

MONTO

 Location: Monto Town Hall
51 Newton Street, Monto 4630
 Date: 1st June from 9am to 1pm

For more information contact your local council or Teleisha Schuback, the Coordinator in charge of these events at:  0477602919

 Teleisha.Schuback@sbrc.qld.gov.au

Youth Mental Health First Aid for Parents & Carers

The Youth Mental Health First Aid (MHFA) Course teaches adults (18 years and over) how to provide initial support to adolescents who are developing a mental illness or experiencing a mental health crisis.

Date & Time: The course will run over 3 sessions on a Thursday from 5pm to 8pm on the following dates: 11th May, 18th May, 25th May.
Participants need to attend all three sessions to receive a Mental Health First Aid certificate.

Venue: Barambah Youth Services Hub (up from the Murgon State High School administration centre)
Gore Street, Murgon

Facilitator: Anita Smith (Rural Ed LinQ Coordinator - Senior Psychologist)

Cost: FREE. All participants will receive a YMHFA manual and certificate.

Course Content

Mental illnesses often start in adolescent or early adulthood, and it is important to detect problems early to ensure the young person is properly treated and supported. The YMHFA course teaches adults who have frequent contact with adolescents such as parents, guardians, school staff, sport coaches and youth workers, how to assist adolescents who are developing a mental health problem or are in a mental health crisis. The YMHFA course teaches adults how to assist adolescents who are developing any of the following mental health problems or mental health crises:

Developing mental health problems:

- * Depression
- * Anxiety
- * Eating disorders
- * Psychosis
- * Substance use problems

Mental Health Crises:

- * Suicidal thoughts and behaviours
- * Non-suicidal self-injury
- * Panic attacks
- * Traumatic events
- * Severe Psychotic states
- * Severe effects from alcohol/other drug use
- * Aggressive behaviours
- * Medical emergencies with eating disorders

Participants will learn about adolescent development and the signs and symptoms of mental health problems, how and where to get help and what sort of help has been shown by research to be effective.

Please email your registration for this course to Barambah Youth Services Hub at BarambahYouthServicesHub@ged.qld.gov.au or 41 729 728.

For details regarding course content contact Anita Smith anita.smith2@health.qld.gov.au or 07 4169 2632.



Fossilized fern in the rock, found murgon area.

How many thousands of years old is this?



Have you seen any on your property?

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