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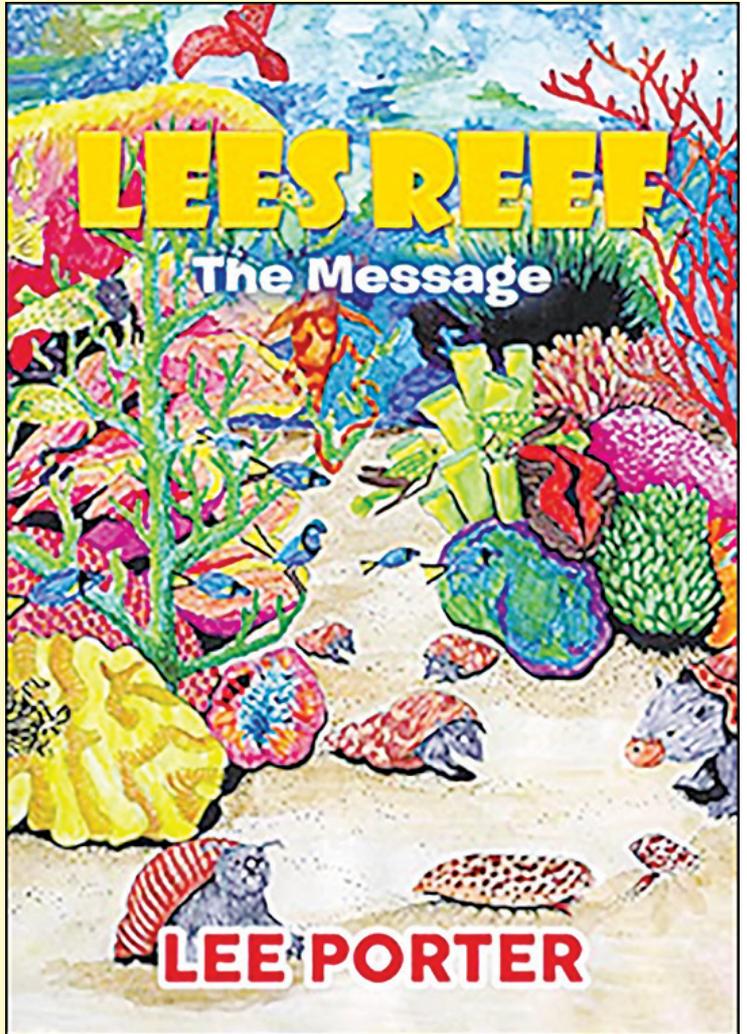
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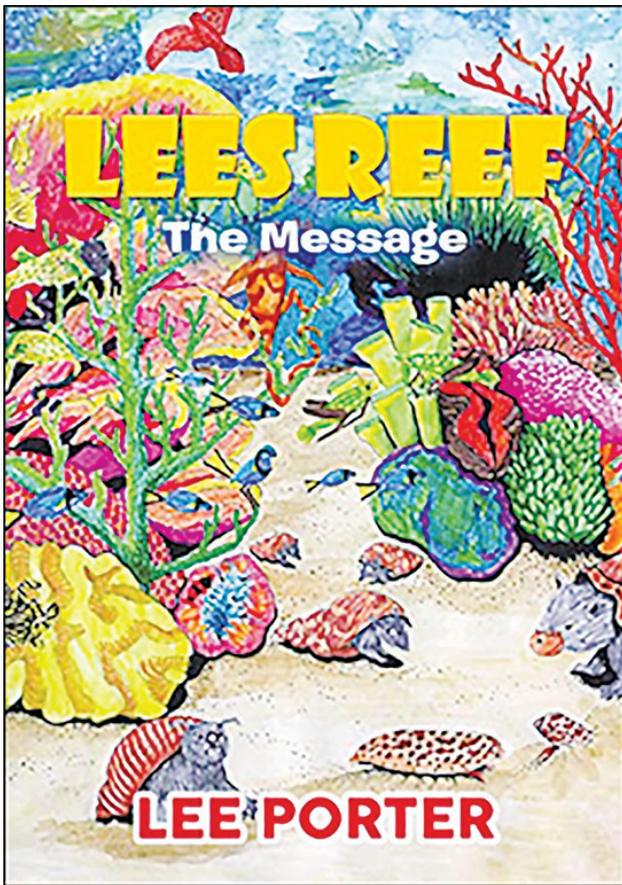


to our local artist

Lee Porter

on her published book

LEES REEF The Message



An overwhelmed Lee Porter more well known for her world class paintings shown around the world couldn't contain her excitement when her book Lees Reef went to publication on the 24th September. Lee said it's been a while coming but I finally have my book published, yippee!!! It's available on Amazon and other book outlets and also as an ebook. I Can't believe it has actually happened. It's a bit out there and based on my very active imagination from years spent underwater diving. I hope if any of you get a chance to read it, you'll enjoy! Thanks to all my friends that I took the liberty of naming the animals after. C/FWD to page

Lees Reef: The Message Kindle Edition

Lees Reef is set in the year 102,021 off the east coast of Australia, which is predominately covered in water due to climate change and the rising of sea levels. The oceans are acidic, with massive rubbish rafts that float in the currents and eddy back towards what land is left exposed.

Land and sea animals have hybridised and live in a pristine environment called Lees Reef. These unique animals live in symbiosis, all with important tasks to protect

their world, while Rogues, aggressive creatures that roam the ocean currents, constantly attack the reef in order to live there.

The reef occupants battle to decipher a mysterious human message that keeps getting sent to them as well as constant attacks by Rogues.

Willy Womtle and his friends set out to decipher the message with the help of Rogues who use advanced human technology.

Willy wants a few Rogues to come and live at Lees Reef, as they can decipher the human messages, but will his father the Mayor and the other residents allow this to happen?

by Lee Porter (Author), Reading age 13-18 years, 149 pages published in the English language .

Upcoming Works on Cherbourg Road South

Burnett Regional Council wishes to advise that heavy shoulder grading on Cherbourg Road will be commencing on Wednesday 29th September for a duration of two days works, weather permitting. This work is part of a two-stage preparation works prior to bitumen resealing later in the year. Further notification for Stage 2 will be provided in due course.

This project is funded through the Transport Infrastructure Development Scheme and Council's 2021/22 Capital budget. In order to provide a safe work environment, a one lane road closure will be in place whilst work is underway. The areas will be controlled by signage and traffic controllers as required. Motorists are requested to travel with extreme care, to drive to the prevailing road conditions and to adhere to signage. Council apologises for any inconvenience caused and thanks you for your patience whilst works are in progress.

For further information regarding the project works, please contact Council's Infrastructure department on (07) 4189 9100 or email info@sbrc.qld.gov.au

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Nanango Bank History

Rather than being the death knell for the community, the departure of the banks was the catalyst for an enduring project that would feed \$4.5 million in donations back into the town.

Wendy Zerbst was among the small group who crowded into the kitchen of Bob Head's Real Estate Agency all those years ago and hatched a plan to open a community bank branch.

"We were just ordinary people. To be honest, I was just incensed the Commonwealth Bank was going to close and leave our town with even less services," Ms Zerbst says.

The "gang of eight", including a solicitor, accountant, dentist and the owner of the town's service station, got down to business, evaluating community bank models before deciding to go with Heritage Bank.

The selection was largely made on the recommendation of local accountant Graham Archdall, whose due diligence showed they would need to raise \$150,000 for the initial capital.

"I just remember knocking on a lot of doors," says retired dentist Dave Kenny.

The capital raising process turned residents into shareholders. They received distributions in the early days roughly equivalent to bank interest.

"Those were the good old days when you got around 5 or 6 per cent," Mr Kenny said.

Eventually, the bank became big enough to conduct a buyback of all of its outstanding shares. It now owns the building the branch operates from, too.

Heritage Bank Community Branch Nanango is a joint venture between Heritage Bank and the Heritage Nanango Community Funding Limited.

"We provide the premises and pay the wages of the staff and Heritage provides the banking services," said Ms Zerbst, who is also HNCf's chairman.

The branch is open from 9am to 4.30pm each day. On Friday, it stays open to 5pm. It used to open for a few hours on Saturday, too, but there was not enough foot traffic to sustain it.

Profits from the branch are shared between the bank and HNCf, which ploughs about \$220,000 back into the community each year.

HNCf paid for the pear trees that flank the approach to town and sponsors the Nanango Mardi Gras, which wouldn't be complete without a visit from Heritage's mascot, Priscilla the Pig.

More recently it purchased a pair of tractors for the local horse and model airplane clubs to maintain their grounds.

One of its biggest and proudest achievements, however, has been the development of eight independent living units for people with disabilities. HNCf contributed \$750,000.

The big four banks have closed more than 1000 branches since CBA told its Nanango customers to do their banking in nearby Kingaroy as it packed up and left. However, as this example shows, not all communities are worse off when the banks leave.

On December 11, Nanango will celebrate the 20th anniversary of its community bank. The HNCf will put on a fun run, a quiet dinner for the directors and will once again sponsor the Christmas carnival.

Bitumen Resealing Preparation Works South Burnett Regional Council wishes to advise that shoulder maintenance works in preparation for bitumen road resealing are due commence on the below listed roads, weather permitting:

- Cloyna West Road, Cloyna – commencing week of Monday 4 October.
- Cushnie Road, Cushnie – commencing week of Monday 4 October.
- Reinkes Road, Cushnie – commencing week of Monday 4 October.



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Big crane carries big opportunities for Wide Bay in Gympie bypass project

The largest crane on the east coast of Australia will be used to lift 48 massive concrete bridge girders into place for a new bridge on the Bruce Highway over Tin Can Bay Road, as part of the \$1 billion Cooroy to Curra Section D Gympie bypass project.

Federal Member for Wide Bay and Deputy Speaker of the House of Representatives Llew O'Brien said the giant pre-cast concrete girders would be transported from Brisbane via the Bruce Highway, Brisbane Road, Cootharaba Road, and Tin Can Bay Road to Lockhart Road at Victory Heights.

"Due to the sheer size of these girders, oversize vehicle permits will be used and they will be transported overnight to minimise disruption to road users," Mr O'Brien said.

The first batch of 24 girders will be transported between midnight and 6am, from Monday, August 30 to September 7, excluding Friday and Saturday nights, with up to five girders delivered nightly.

Once they are on-site, the girders will be unloaded at night using a 200-tonne crane and stored until the remaining girders are delivered in late September to late October.

"Once all the girders have arrived, the construction crews will set up a 1200-tonne hydraulic crane, which is the biggest on the East Coast, and the girders will be installed overnight during the course of a month, weather permitting," Mr O'Brien said.

"The equipment used in these works show the sheer scale of the Section D Gympie bypass project, and highlight what a landmark project this is, not just for the Gympie region but through opening up opportunities for all of Wide Bay and Queensland.

"In addition to building a stronger road network and saving lives on the Bruce Highway, these roadworks are already benefiting Wide Bay by supporting 576 jobs throughout construction."

Due to these works, temporary traffic changes will be in place at Tin Can Bay Road, Victory Heights, and as work progresses between Sandy Creek Road and Curra, drivers should also be aware that changes are being made to Harvey Siding Road, Tamaree Road, Bannister Road, and the intersection of North Deep Creek Road and Sandy Creek Road.

Electronic signs will be in place to alert drivers to roadworks including changes to line marking and signage, trimming of vegetation to improve visibility, and speed limit reductions on roads where increased construction traffic, including heavy vehicles are expected.

Traffic control will also be in place during the work to ensure the safety of road users and construction workers.

The Bruce Highway Cooroy to Curra Section D four-lane project, the Gympie bypass, is expected to be complete by mid-2024, weather permitting, and is jointly funded by the Australian Government contributing \$800 million and the Queensland Government \$200 million.

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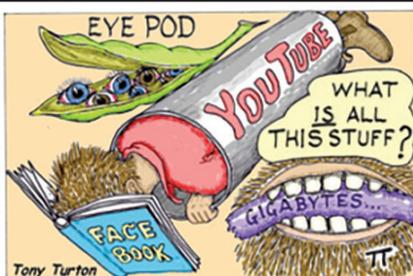
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ADULT

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If swimming good for figure,
explain whale to me.

Grants to Boost Exporters in Wide Bay

Federal Member for Wide Bay and Deputy Speaker of the House of Representatives Llew O'Brien is urging Wide Bay exporters to take advantage of the Coalition Government's improved export grants program to crack into international markets.

Mr O'Brien said the Morrison Government's has provided \$214.5 million through the Export Market Development Grants (EMDG) to support small-to-medium Australian enterprises to become successful exporters.

"By co-funding international marketing and promotional expenses, these grants will support local businesses as they grow to take advantage of lucrative overseas markets, helping drive export growth and creating local jobs," Mr O'Brien said.

"I encourage businesses in Wide Bay to apply for an export grant to supercharge their business potential and reach global opportunities."

Minister for Trade, Tourism and Investment Dan Tehan said EMDG program had been improved by simplified legislation, a streamlined application process and a shift to a forward-looking grant program which will ensure exporters know how much funding they will receive before they spend.

"Our Government wants Australian businesses to succeed internationally because it supports jobs and local communities and underpins our economic recovery," Mr Tehan said.

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Leitch Street Murgon - 3 bedrooms with modern built in kitchen. Lounge/dining. Bathroom has a shower over the bath the toilet is separate. Ramp access at the rear plus a small side verandah. Large 2 bay lock up colourbond shed with workshop space at the

rear. Fully and well fenced. \$170,000



Hanley Lane Murgon - Situated in a quiet cul-de-sac is this tidy 3 bedroom home. Spacious air conditioned living with tiled floor extends to a modern built in kitchen.

Two bedrooms have built in robes. There is a single garage at the house with access into the home which is being used as additional living space. A 3 bay colorbond shed has parking for 2 cars with a workshop to the side and has power connected. The garden sheds also benefit from being connected to power. Rear entertaining area. Easily maintained gardens. \$250,000



Cooper Street Murgon - 3 bedroom brick home, all with built-ins, main bedroom with walk in robe & sitting room. Lovely open kitchen/dining, lounge. Kitchen with dishwasher. Home

has split air conditioner and ceiling fans, 2 bathrooms and internal laundry. Double lock up shed, with cement driveway, and a garden shed. Property is on both tank and town water supplies. This property is situated in a great area in town, close to Hospital, schools and has a rural outlook. \$220,000

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In 1973, Glen and Joy Vonhoff started operating a Farm Holiday on their property at Manyung, between Murgon and Goomeri. Malcolm and Helene Nasser, both doctors, arrived with their seven children - Malcolm was head Pediatrician at Brisbane Royal Childrens Hospital. They all learned to ride horses and milk cows etc, enjoying it so much that they came again some months later. The Vonhoffs and Nassers have remained friends for the last 48 years - the children grew up to be Drs, teachers, lawyers, etc. Malcolm, now close to 90 years old, is in an aged care home. Last Saturday 25th September, their daughter, Andrea, who was 8 years old back in 1973, was doing a Rail Trail ride and called in to say hello to the Vonhoffs who live adjacent to the rail trail, along with her husband Damien and 12 other bike riders. Glen gave them a brief 'tour' of his 'museum' in the barn. Andrea and Damien are on the left of the back row.

How wonderful that Andrea would want to see the 'Holiday Farm' again after all those years.

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Harris Road, Kingaroy

Road Closure South Burnett Regional Council wishes to advise that pavement rehabilitation works from the Floodway on Harris Road to the intersection of Keith Shaw Drive are due to commence week starting 27 September 2021.

Work on this section is expected to be completed in mid-October, weather permitting.

In order to provide a safe work environment during construction it will be necessary for a portion of Harris Road to be restricted to one lane only.

Alternate routes via Clark and Swendson Road or Edenvale North Road are shown in the map (below).

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Another part being manufactured by the members of the Murgon Men's Shed



Another project the Murgon Men's Shed members have been working on ... this horse-pulled timber jinker last hauled logs from the Stonelands area about a century ago; all that was left was the metal parts and some pieces of wood



Some of the weathered pieces of timber from the jinker which the Men's Shed members are replacing



Telstra's public payphones are now free - announced today by Telstra CEO, Andrew Penn. This means any Australian can now use all of our 15,000 payphones on street corners and in the tiny towns, truck stops and airports in every corner of the country to make calls for free.

The decision is aimed at helping those in crisis situations and boosting connectivity during the pandemic for people without access to a mobile.

Telstra CEO, Andrew Penn said the change means everyone can now use payphones to make a free local or national call to a standard fixed line or a call to an Australian mobile.

Payphones have been part of Australia's landscape since they were first used in the 1880's and at one point – just before the arrival of mobiles – there were more than double the number that we have today.

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Murgon: Murgon RSL Sub Branch invites the Murgon and District residents, visitors and travellers to attend a short Remembrance Day Service to be conducted in Murgon at the War Memorial Lamb Street, Murgon on Thursday 11th November 2021.



Meet at the cenotaph at 10.30am for a service including the playing of the Last Post. 1 minute silence will be observed at 11.00 am. The service will conclude after the wreath laying. If you are intending to lay a wreath, please arrive a few minutes early so that your name can be added to the list.

Contact Kevin Gill 0438

Goomeri Chapter: Service commences at 10.30am. Meet at the Memorial Clock, Cnr Wide Bay & Burnett Hwy, Goomeri. Contact David Pitstock 0427 169 043

We sadly mourn the loss of:

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HUTCHISON, Esma Freda, Late of Castra Murgon, formerly of Tingora

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Council Picks Final Water Projects

The SBRC will commission the development of a 25-year plan about how to best use Tarong Power Station's 29.9ML Boondooma Dam water allocation when the power station is decommissioned in 2037 (Photo: SBRC)



South Burnett Regional Council will spend \$579,000 to advance six water projects across the region.

The money will come from the Council's remaining share of the \$2 million Burnett Water Feasibility Study funded by the Federal Government, which began in December 2019.

Five of the projects aim to improve water security and agricultural productivity in the region, while the sixth will develop a 25-year economic road map to address the closure of the Tarong power stations.

Tarong has a 29,900ML high-priority water allocation from Boondooma Dam but its water requirements are expected to steadily reduce as Tarong moves towards closure in 2037.

The six projects are:

Development of a 25-year economic road map addressing Tarong Power Station's closure and water projects that can be pursued using Boondooma Dam water to maximise urban, commercial and irrigation benefits

Development of a business case examining Kingaroy water security and the conversion of Gordonbrook Dam from town water supply to irrigation use (\$25m); this includes the construction of a 150ML off-stream storage facility at the Kingaroy water treatment plant (\$5m), the upgrade of Gordonbrook Dam to government standards (\$12m), and the construction of the Wooroolin water reservoir (\$4m).

Barlil Weir demand assessment to determine its economic viability

Barambah West Weir hydrological assessment to determine the viability of building a 15m barrage on the Barker-Barambah system for reliable irrigation in the Moffatdale-Murgon area, followed by an economic assessment if the project passes hydrologic analysis

Blackbutt irrigation assessment to prepare a business case to develop new or augmented water infrastructure for Blackbutt irrigators

A review of water-saving initiatives at Swickers – including the construction of a recycled water plant – in order to assist the company in securing funding

The six projects were unanimously approved for further study at the SBRC's September meeting last Wednesday and announced by Mayor Brett Otto at a media conference on Thursday.

The final reports are expected to be delivered in May 2022.



Kathy Duff

I had the wonderful pleasure of receiving a defibrillator on behalf of Council for BP Dam from the Kingaroy Rotary Club tonight at their meeting. The Kingaroy Rotary Club are doing some amazing things including handing out around 24 defibrators & their latest project feeding homeless people. A big thank you for all that you are doing for our community!

Another Grand Final Victory!

An A grade rugby league Grand Final clash between Cherbourg and Murgon was always going to ensure a big crowd – and excited fans – and Saturday's encounter lived up to expectations!

A big crowd packed into the main grandstand and around the fences to watch the Hornets and Mustangs go head-to-head in the A Grade,

There was little love shown on the paddock by traditional rivals Murgon and Cherbourg in the keenly contested A Grade Grand Final.

There was plenty of tough tackling, and several players were binned for 10-minute stints.



At full-time, Cherbourg was ahead 40-24 but the final scoreline didn't reflect the closeness of the game, particularly during the first half.

Tyreese Gyemore opened the Hornets' account a minute after kick-off to put Cherbourg in the lead.

Minutes later Paddy Alberts looked to have crossed for another Cherbourg try, but play was called back and a Hornets player was sent to the sin-bin.

Murgon took full advantage, scoring two tries – by Arthur Saltner and Maurice Fisher – while the Cherbourg player was off.

With 28 minutes to go in the half, Murgon was ahead 12-6 and continued to press their advantage.

Cherbourg then looked to have crossed again, only to be called back for a forward pass.

But two minutes later, frustrated Cherbourg fans erupted as Thomas Simpson barged over the line and Alex Speedy's conversion evened the scores at 12-all.

Cherbourg scored twice more – and Murgon once – before half-time.

At the break, Cherbourg led 24-16 but the Mustangs were still well in the game.

They tried to strike back after the restart, but their initial push to the Hornets' line was centimetres short.

The battle continued for almost 15 minutes before Charlie Bond broke the tension, plucking an across-field kick out the air and scoring in the corner for Cherbourg.

Four minutes later, Fred Bell notched up his second try for Cherbourg, which Bernard Hopkins converted.

The scoreline was starting to blow out: 34-16.

Murgon scored twice more before full-time but it wasn't enough to cut down the Hornets' lead.

The Mustangs kept on attacking until the end, but the scoreline read 40-24 when full-time sounded.

Cherbourg tries were scored by Fred Bell (2), Tyreese Gyemore, Thomas Simpson, Errol Simpson, Charlie Bond and Keith Gadd.

Goals were kicked by Alex Speedy (3) and Bernard Hopkins (3).

For Murgon, tries were scored by Maurice Fisher (2), Arthur Saltner, Jameel Sullivan and Shane Borninkhof. Daron Saltner-Bligh kicked two goals.

Courtesy South Burnett Online

Council News

These works are funded through the Australian Federal Government's Roads to Recovery program. In order to provide a safe work environment, the work areas will be controlled by signage or with traffic controllers as required. Motorists are requested to travel with extreme care, to drive to the prevailing road conditions and to adhere to signage. Council apologises for any inconvenience caused and thanks you for your patience whilst works are in progress. For further information regarding the project works, please contact Council's Infrastructure department on (07) 4189 9100 or email info@sbrc.qld.gov.au.

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SOUTH BURNETT LIBRARIES AND CHILD HEALTH



South Burnett Libraries continue working in partnership with the Kingaroy Child and Family Health Organisation to provide a drop-in clinic service within the Nanango, Blackbutt and Kingaroy Libraries.

Emma, who is a clinical nurse and Sarah from the Australian Breast-feeding Association attend the libraries to meet with new parents to catch up on how the new bubs are progressing whilst answering

any concerns or questions that parents may have. Library staff are available to chat about the State Library of Queensland's First 5 Forever program with the parents and children who attend. This initiative aims to raise literacy and learning awareness in children from the ages of 0-5 years by sharing easy ways to "Talk, Play, Sing and Read" every day. Families who are new to the library service are made to feel welcome and encouraged to bring their young children along for the regular First 5 Forever programs offered, which include Rhyme Time and Story Time sessions.

The next drop-in clinics hosted by South Burnett Libraries are as follows:

- Blackbutt - Every second Thursday beginning Thursday 16 September from 9.00am
- Kingaroy - Tuesday 16 November from 9.00am
- Nanango - Monday 11 October and Monday 22 November from 9.00am

NANO WRIMO - VIRTUAL

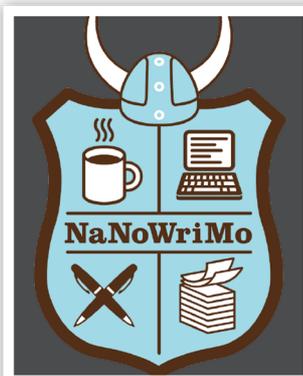
What is Nano Wri Mo? Well, it's National Novel Writing Month!

Every November, writers, novelists and want-to-be authors come together - this year virtually - to challenge themselves to write a novel in 30 days.

NaNo Wrimo tracks words a little bit like a Fitbits tracks steps which keeps the participants motivated to reach their goal.

For tips, hints and how to join in, please find information in the following link.

<https://nanowrimo.org/about-nano>



SOUTH BURNETT LIBRARIES GET SPOOKY

Due to the overwhelming success of the Halloween celebrations hosted in 2020, South Burnett Libraries are excited to invite families dressed in their best Halloween attire to join in some scary activities and challenges this October!

As Halloween falls on a Sunday this year, Freaky Friday sessions will be held at Blackbutt, Murgon, Nanango and Wondai libraries on Friday 29 October from 3.30-4.30pm, with Proston inviting ghosts and ghouls to the library on Thursday 28 October from 3.30-4.30pm. Spooky Saturday at the Kingaroy Library will run on Saturday 30 October from 9.00am-12 noon. Each library will host a scavenger style hunt, with lollies offered to those who complete the challenge. For more information about these sessions, be sure to follow the South Burnett Libraries Facebook page.

SENIORS AGED CARE INFO SESSIONS

Lucy English from the local Lutheran Services will be hosting several information sessions within the Kingaroy, Wondai and Nanango Libraries during October for Queensland Senior's Month. These sessions will cover all aspects of My Aged Care and how to navigate through the services and care packages available locally for seniors. This process can be daunting without assistance, and Lucy is passionate about assisting seniors to find the right advice regarding entitlements and processes.

Session times will be advised, please contact your local library for more information.

Discover the magic... @ YOUR LIBRARY

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Barambah Garden Club

Some Wonderful Information About Growing Everything.



The Barambah Garden Club was happy to welcome Kim Martin, sales manager for BOSS AUSTRALIA, to speak at the monthly meeting held on 10th September at the home of Marie and Bevin Routledge of Houghton Street, Murgon. Twenty-two members were in attendance on the expansive patio, and the competition tables were over-flowing with bountiful spring flowers and foliage in every category.

After the meeting, all moved inside to listen to Kim's very helpful advice about growing everything organically with the aid of live microbiology. It was one simple solution for completely nourishing plants which also aided in soil rejuvenation. The liquid fertilizer could be sprayed safely on plants and soil without harm for perfect results.

Kim used a digital screen to make her point about growing organically. In the past farmers used to rest and alternate the paddocks which helped the soil recover. When Synthetic Fertilizers became available, this practice ceased which proved counterproductive over a period of time.

Boss Australia has gone Global with huge success at the famous Singapore's 'Gardens By the Bay' 101 hectares in the Central Region of Singapore. Huge specimens of palms, boabs and olive trees have been transplanted to create instant gardens.

The Australian garden is one of the healthiest outside of Australia but it is early days yet.

Kim also touched on playing music to plants, talking to plants and mentioned the book: "The Secret life of Plants", documenting controversial experiments regarding plant sentience and much more.

Members returned to the patio to enjoy a lovely lunch and a friendly chat.

In my opinion plants are living, breathing, wonderful additions to our lives. They give us food, they give us beauty. We should look after them with the best of care. Perhaps that is why we attend Garden Clubs.

The next meeting will be held on the second Friday in October at the home of Bill and Audrey Kapernick on Crownthorpe Road, Tableland. There will be a guest speaker.

Barbara Hartmann King 0741681675 or contact President Ann 0438686238



A MOMENT - with Murgon Local Ambulance Committee

Term 3, for Students at two local schools, was particularly busy, as it included learning **basic emergency First Aid**. The program, **RESQ R000S**, was delivered by Murgon LAC members in partnership with local ambulance staff.



Children had practice in recognising **Little Emergencies** (those that Mum, Dad or another adult could deal with) and **Big Emergencies** (when even adults might need help from the Police, Fire & Rescue or Ambulance). They practised **when**, and **how**, to make a **Triple Zero (000)** emergency call - and how to answer the questions they would be asked.

Older students also learned to recognise, and respond to, a **range of emergency situations** – including **bleeding, burns and suspected fractures**. A snake awareness session, with demonstration of the pressure immobilisation technique for **snakebite**, was followed by treatments for a range of **other bites and stings**. **Anaphylaxis and seizures** were subsequent topics. Culmination of the program was a practical session of **CPR and use of an AED**.

Instructors were pleased with the children's involvement in the program - and the pertinent questions that they addressed to ambulance personnel, who gave their time to attend many sessions. **Thank you!**

Among recent staff movements at QAS Murgon, was the appointment of an OIC. **Welcome, OIC Mistey Curran!**

Thank you for spending **A Moment – with Murgon Local Ambulance Committee**



MURGON CHRISTMAS FESTIVAL 2021

In 2019, Murgon and district residents embraced the Christmas Festival enjoying the food, entertainment, singing and the Christmas message, facilitated by the Barambah Ministers Association. Sadly in 2020 this event joined so many others cancelled by Covid.



This year we have again committed to bringing this event together. While we realise that a lot can happen between now & December 10th, we are encouraged to have stall holders, food providers and operators of amusements and rides come on board with us, committing to being part of the event. We are also encouraged by the financial support already given by community groups, businesses and individuals. Thank you!

New this year will be an Art competition .

JESUS Gift of Grace. All entries will be on display at the festival.

To minimize the risk of cancelation we are looking to local talent being the feature of the evening, providing an enjoyable event for our local community.

Keep the date free to

CELEBRATE CHRISTMAS

FRIDAY DECEMBER 10TH FROM 4.00PM



With honour they serve. It was a moving Police Remembrance Day Service at the Catholic Church in Nanango!

Save The Date

Murgon RSL Sub Branch Upcoming Events



October

19th October - Get Online Week – Morning Tea – 9.30am - No Charge

This year's theme is 'Get online. Get connected'. This is a great opportunity to enjoy morning tea while sharing ideas. Do you have a useful tip you can share? Is there something you would like to find out how to do on your digital device?

30th October – Art Show, Wine & Cheese Night – 'The Road to Victory' Art Exhibition. Come and enjoy this fabulous collection of WW1 paintings by artist Ross Driver. Cost to be advised.



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December

10th December – Community Lunch. Bookings open 12th November.

All events are open to the public. Details available from the

Welfare Drop-In Centre, 44 Stephens Street Murgon on Tel 4313 3018 or 0407 737 097



Our new signs have now been erected, thanks' to Klien Signs and they look great.

Visitors are still calling daily and with the school holidays we have seen an increase in children numbers. Some are return visitors but many are first time to the South Burnett area and are all surprised at what our region has to offer. We are looking forward to hosting a Caravan Club from Warwick in October for a butter making demonstration and morning tea and we have enquiries coming in for early 2022.

The Museum would really appreciate having more volunteers so that this local Tourist facility can continue to operate. We are fortunate that we can still open six days a week but it would be great to have some extra help. I have always found it interesting to talk to visitors, find out where they are from and tell them about our great town. Please, if you could spare a couple of hours a week, call out and talk to one of our volunteers during our opening hours Tuesday – Sunday 9.30am – 12.30pm or call us on 07 41 695001. Would love to see you. Joy Fennell



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Situated on a large 5,154sqm block only minutes to Murgon. Featuring 3 comfortable bedrooms all with fans, built-in wardrobes, and security screens. A large family bathroom including a separate bath, and plenty of storage. Open plan

kitchen, spacious living area with a large sliding door to the covered deck. The large timber deck off the front and one side of the home provides plenty of space for entertaining. Separate laundry. Located at the end of a quiet cul-de-sac with rural views. **MURGON \$300,000**



Situated just outside Wondai on 1 hectare, is this spacious 5-bedroom home. This property consists of four bedrooms, the fifth can be a bedroom or an entertaining area. Main bedroom includes an ensuite and walk in robe. Spacious lounge and separate sitting

room with a woodfire. Open plan kitchen and dining with a large built-in pantry. The dining room leads you to the concreted and covered entertainment area. The full-length front verandah has a rural outlook. 3 carport spaces, large shed, garden sheds, and tank water. **WONDAI \$440,000**



Lovely new renovated home ready for its new owners. All new guttering, freshly painted inside, laser leveled, new plumbing, new bathroom and a renovated eat in kitchen with a dishwasher and new gas stove. Lounge and bedrooms

are carpeted with air conditioning and ceiling fans. Blinds throughout, security screens on front and back doors and a security system connected. Front balcony to sit and enjoy the peace and quiet. Large shed out the back with a huge backyard big enough for the children to explore. **MURGON \$200,000**



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For the past 12 months the team here at Across Country Real Estate and Livestock have been on fire. Therefore, we need your listings. We specialize in rural, residential, and commercial property sales and property management. We also offer free appraisals! If you think we might be able to assist you, contact the office on: 4168 1600.

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MURGON RSL SUB BRANCH

VETERAN SERVICES
PENSIONS AND WELFARE SERVICES
SUB BRANCH MEMBERSHIP

MONTHLY GENERAL MEETING
 10am - First Saturday of each month
 Murgon RSL Welfare Drop-In Centre
 44 Stephens Street West, Murgon

SPEAK TO THE TEAM
secretary@murgonrsl.org or 0427 915 533



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MURGON SHOW RODEO

Saturday 30th October 2021

GATES OPEN at 2PM
BULLS at 3pm

Celebrate our incredible region with the 2021 Murgon Rodeo at the Murgon Showgrounds. Entertainment, food, and fun kick off at 2PM with rodeo schedule starting at 3PM. Bring along the family, soak up the sunshine and enjoy what our awesome region has to offer! Get in quick, tickets will sell fast (online only) and you don't want to miss your place! 30th October, 18-21 Macalister St Murgon, see you there!



Discover South Burnett

Visit the lakes of the South Burnett and experience fishing, water sports and fun in the outdoors. Camping, cabins, villas and caravan sites are available. Both dams have excellent amenities including ensuite facilities, hot showers, laundry facilities, kiosks with groceries, bait and tackle.

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Under 14s Grand Final



The Under 14s Murgon Mustangs celebrate after their Grand Final win

The Under 14s Grand Final was a tussle between local favourites Murgon – whose fans packed the stand – and the Kingaroy Red Ants.

It was an even contest which had supporters yelling from the sidelines. Murgon started strongly, pressuring the Kingaroy line.

Possession changed hands a couple of times before Damon Cooper put the first points on the board for the Mustangs. Trent Aubrey converted, and Murgon led 6-0.

Three minutes later, Harrison Braithwaite struck back for Kingaroy, scoring in the corner. The goal attempt was waved away, leaving the Mustangs ahead. Before half-time, Murgon put on two more tries – by Zach Harris and Darryl Gyemore (under the posts). Both were converted.

As the siren sounded, Brayden Watcho-Page scored in the corner for Kingaroy, taking the half-time score to 18-8.

Kingaroy went on the attack in the second stanza, with Liam Irwin scoring almost immediately after the restart, followed a short time later by a try to Fletcher Prain.

With 19 minutes left in the game, Murgon's lead had been sliced to 18-16. For the next 10 minutes, the result could have gone either way, before Zach Harris scored his second try for the afternoon after a zig-zagging run, shaking off defenders.

Murgon was now ahead 22-16, but Kingaroy was on the attack – looking for a converted try to even the scores – when the full-time hooter sounded.

Murgon tries were scored by Zach Harris (2), Damon Cooper and Darryl Gyemore. Trent Aubrey kicked two goals and Mervyn Law kicked one.

For Kingaroy, tries were scored by Harrison Braithwaite, Brayden Watcho-Page, Liam Irwin and Fletcher Prain.

Murgon Mustangs' Nick Webb was named Player Of The Match.

Courtesy South Burnett Online

Date Claimer

Saturday 21ST May 2022

PCYC MASQUERADE BALL

Council Backflips On Magpies



Photo : Murgon primary school teacher Susan Mollenhauer brought along one of her son's cycling helmets to Wednesday's meeting to show councillors the repeated damage caused by just one rogue magpie

South Burnett Regional Council will hire a contract bird catcher to relocate dangerous magpies from Council land. The decision – taken at Wednesday's General Meeting – reverses a 4-3 vote at last month's meeting to shelve the idea. Council will also now develop a policy to detail how it will handle dangerous magpies on Council land in the future.

The sudden about-face came after Murgon primary school teacher Susan Mollenhauer and Kingaroy pensioner Penny McGill addressed Wednesday's meeting about the difficulties magpies were causing them.

Susan told the meeting her family was being menaced by a magpie that had roosted in a tree next to Boat Mountain Road for the past seven years.

Contrary to views expressed at August's meeting that the swooping season only lasted six to eight weeks, Susan said the bird threatening her family attacked from April through to December.

She said she had tried feeding the bird and walking – not riding – past its nest, but neither strategy altered its behaviour.

And at the peak of swooping season the bird grew so aggressive her children could not even ride their bikes in the driveway.

As a result, there were only a few months each year when her family felt genuinely safe.

Susan said there was no viable alternative route to school for her children, and because she worked away from Murgon three days a week she was unable to drive them.

Recently, her son had been swooped and struck so violently on his way to school that his bike swerved across the road into gravel – a situation that could have led to tragic consequences.

She said the bird had also altered her own way of life, forcing her to take out a \$500 gym membership because she could no longer walk on the road for exercise.

Susan said when she had approached a Council staffer about the matter, she was told she would have to pay more than \$700 to have the bird removed.

However, since the nest was located on Council land she did not have legal authority to do this.

She also questioned why she should be paying this on top of her \$2500 annual rates bill.

Susan said many other people used Boat Mountain Road for walks and had suffered similar issues.

“This is one nasty little bird,” she said.

Susan told the meeting Council had a policy covering dangerous dogs which stated people had a right to feel safe in the community.

And she reminded Councillors it was the responsibility of property owners to ensure people who accessed the property owner’s land could do so safely.

“If this magpie was on my property it would be my responsibility to remove it,” Susan said.

“But it’s on Council land.”

Pensioner Penny McGill, who lives at the Kingaroy Showgrounds caravan park, told the meeting she had been plagued by a rogue magpie for almost 10 years.

This bird’s behaviour was so bad it had forced her to change her routines.

This included doing her shopping in the evening and travelling with an umbrella as a shield.

Penny, who recently celebrated her 77th birthday, said she would appreciate Council’s help in solving the problem.



Kingaroy resident Jason Ford said he had been forced to stop using the South Burnett Rail Trail for a few months after suffering repeated magpie strikes between Kingaroy and Memerambi ... he underlined the point on social media with this composite image (Photo: Jason Ford)

After the two presentations, Cr Kathy Duff read letters she had received recently from

Jason Wyeth, the secretary of the South Burnett Rail Trail Users Association; and Kingaroy resident Jason Ford.

In both letters, the writers said they had either recently witnessed or personally experienced magpie attacks along the South Burnett Rail Trail, and expressed concerns this could result in a serious incident if action was not taken to re-home particularly aggressive birds.

Cr Duff moved a motion that Council delegate relocating the magpies to CEO Mark Pitt for action, and Cr Kirstie Schumacher suggested Council also develop a policy for the management of aggressive magpies to outline how it would handle similar situations in future.

The motion to relocate the most aggressive birds and develop a policy was then put to a vote and carried 4-3, with Crs Jones, Henschen and Frohloff opposed.

After the meeting, Susan told southburnett.com.au she wanted to emphasise she was an animal lover and actually fed a family of magpies in her backyard which caused no issues.

Her address to Council was prompted by nothing more than this one rogue bird that was causing her family so many problems.

And she stressed she did not want the bird killed – just safely removed.

NB. The rogue Boat Mountain Road magpie was one of 20 magpies on a list considered at last month’s Council meeting.

Courtesy South Burnett Online

Voicing Business and Community

An invite to Regional Community groups from across the South Burnett Voicing Business and Community Join the South Burnett Regional Council, the Chambers of Commerce and Industry (CCIQ) and the Burnett Inland Economic Development Organisation (BIEDO) to discuss current community and business impacts.

Tuesday 12th of October, 2021 12 - 4 pm (inc networking) The Palace Hotel, Nanango

To register go to: www.biedo.org.au/event-details/voicing-business-and-community-south-burnet

Wondai's annual Spring Garden Expo

sprang into life again at the weekend, welcoming visitors with perfect Spring weather.

Organising committee president Helen Young said there had been record numbers of visitors and a wonderful display of stalls.





Elder's Death Shocks Community



FLASHBACK: Barambah Local Justice Group chairman Bevan Costello speaking at the launch of a Reconciliation Action Plan developed by the Magistrates Courts of Queensland (Photo: Cherbourg Radio)

The sudden death of well-known Cherbourg Elder Bevan Costello has sent shockwaves through the South Burnett community.

Mr Costello, who was the announcer at Saturday's South Burnett Rugby League Grand Final, was well-known for his role with popular local band Muddy Flats and his work as an educator and on legal issues.

He was chair of the Barambah Local Justice Group, a member of the Queensland Sentencing Advisory Council and sat as a JP Magistrate on the local Murri Court.

The proud Wakka Wakka man also spent more than 30 years' with Education Queensland, including serving as Deputy Principal of Cherbourg State School and Principal of the Barambah campus of Arethusa College.

He served two terms as a councillor on Cherbourg Aboriginal Shire Council, was a founding member of The Ration Shed Museum and helped establish the Muran Djan Centre for Cherbourg men.

He was also chairman of Budburra Books. Mr Costello's involvement with rugby league went back to his youth and extended to rep level.

His concern for the health and welfare of the Cherbourg community also ran deep.

Mr Costello was involved in the promotion of the recent vaccination clinics at Cherbourg, fronting the media on several occasions. South Burnett Regional Council held a minute's silence for Mr Costello at the opening of their meeting on Wednesday morning. Mr Costello, 65, is believed to have suffered a heart attack.

Southburnett.com.au and the **Murgon Moments** extends our deepest sympathies to Mr Costello's family, friends and colleagues.

Gympie/ South Burnett Division Handcraft and Cultural Committee will hold a handcraft weekend on 13th and 14th November 2021. It will be held at Murgon QCWA rooms McAllister St Murgon. Classes will commence at 8.30am Sat, cost of the weekend will be \$30 for meals and kits will be extra. The classes will be Mosaics- Deidre Lee, Chicken Scratch – Leonie Hempsall, Pin Prick Cards – Rae Ensor, Ukrainian White work – Jeanette Westlake, Needle Tatting- Eileen Vos and Red Work- Lois Thurecht. Registrations close October 29th. RSVP Jeanette Westlake 54866161 or email nanan01@live.com. Anyone wishing more information or their own flyer contact Lois 0407965094.

Lois Thurecht PR Officer

The GCBF super round is coming in 2022



Next year will be a big year for the Gambling Community Benefit Fund (GCBF), with some exciting changes to the program.

For the first time, annual grants of up to \$100,000 will be available in a GCBF super round.

Super round

The super round will be available to eligible organisations in the first round of 2022, which will close on 28 February.

Organisations planning to apply for the super round, should read the funding guidelines before applying for funding in rounds prior to the super round as there are some restrictions.

For example, if you submit an application in the round closing on 31 August 2021 (Round 111) and/or the round closing on 31 October 2021 (Round 112) and you are successful, you may not be eligible to apply for the super round funding.

Successful grant recipients of more than \$35,000 will be required to provide an audit prepared by a registered company auditor or suitably qualified person to acquit their grant.

Organisations seeking more than \$35,000 to fund the construction of a monument will need to be sponsored by their local council.

We encourage all organisations to apply for funding, including those from some of our under-represented applicant areas including domestic and family violence services, multicultural groups and those located in regional and remote Queensland.

Other program changes

Other changes to the GCBF program include:

Four funding rounds each year, instead of five.

The first round of every year will be a super round, and the remaining three rounds will have funding of up to \$35,000 available.

The closing dates for 2022 are

28 February

31 May

31 August

31 October.

What hasn't changed?

The GCBF is Queensland's largest one-off community grants program and distributes approximately \$60 million each year to not-for-profit community groups. We encourage community organisations across a wide range of sectors including non-for profits to apply to enhance their capacity to provide services, leisure activities and economic opportunities for Queensland communities.

Find out more about the grants and how to apply.

South Burnett shine in wheelchair basketball competition on the Gold Coast



Suncoast Spinners are proud to present our B grade team that competed at the Gold Coast B Grade tournament on Saturday the 25th September 2021.

Team : Drew Rhoden No.4, Felicity Clarke No.5, Lincoln McDougall No.7 South Burnett,

Taylor Peterson No.8 South Burnett, Logan Clarke No.11, Bradley Heimerl No.17 South Burnett, Steve Clarke No.22 and Rohan McDonald No.23

James Hill – Coach, Trent Campbell - Manager

On Saturday the 25th September the Gold Coast Rollerblaze hosted a B Grade tournament where 7 teams from the Sunshine Coast, Fraser Coast and the Gold Coast competed. Three players from the Suncoast Spinners South Burnett wheelchair basketball program competed in their first tournament playing with the Suncoast Spinners team.

Team Coach James Hill Said: “It was a great opportunity for players new to competition to learn the ropes and everyone had a blast. The Suncoast Spinners team displayed an abundance of enthusiasm and sportsmanship”



A special mention to South Burnett local Bradley Heimerl taking home an All Star Five Award

Suncoast Spinners South Burnett Wheelchair Basketball Coach Michael Oxley said:

“It was great to see three players from South Burnett play in a Gold Coast Rollerblaze Wheelchair Basketball Tournament on Saturday. They played for Suncoast Spinners who manage the local program at Murgon PCYC. Lincoln showed some great speed, while Taylor made some



impressive cuts into the keyway and Brad played with great spirit and scored some nice baskets. Brad was named in the All Star 5, which is the best 5 players in the tournament. All players had a smile on their faces and loved their first tournament, they would love to have some more players join them at our regular Come and Try Days on Saturdays Oct 9, 23 Nov 6, 20 & Dec 4 at the Murgon PCYC 10am - 12midday.”

WHEELCHAIR BASKETBALL

SATURDAY 10AM - 12 MIDDAY

MURGON PCYC

OCT 9, 23

NOV 6, 20

DEC 4







Congratulations Cafe Murgon 110 Lamb Street Murgon 4605 ...5 years in the Cafe business certainly calls for celebrating with cake, flowers and friends all round

A wonderful 5th birthday celebration at Cafe Murgon today. It was an absolute pleasure to be part of the celebrations & to thank their team for helping to promote Murgon with their beautiful, warm & friendly customer service!!



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2022 AUSTRALIA DAY AWARDS NOMINATIONS NOW OPEN!

South Burnett Regional Council Mayor Brett Otto is pleased to announce that nominations are now open for the region's annual Australia Day Awards for 2022.

Mayor Otto expressed the importance of acknowledging community members and groups that go above and beyond for South Burnett and its people.

"From Blackbutt to Wooroolin to Proston, we are a diverse region. These awards allow equal opportunity across the entire South Burnett to recognise the invaluable work being done by the many local community groups and individuals", the Mayor said.

"The Australia Day Awards provide the opportunity to reward these organisations and individuals for their commitment and tenacity towards creating a better quality of life for our region," said Mayor Otto.

Award categories are as follows:

South Burnett Citizen of the Year	South Burnett Young Citizen of the Year
South Burnett Junior Cultural Award	South Burnett Senior Cultural Award
South Burnett Junior Sportsperson	South Burnett Senior Sportsperson
South Burnett Sports Administrator/Coach/Official Award	South Burnett Community Organisation of the Year
South Burnett Volunteer of the Year	South Burnett Lifetime Achievement Award
Local Achiever Award (Town & Rural)	

Council encourages all community members to submit a nomination for the 2022 Australia Day Awards.

Further information on award categories and how to nominate visit Council's website. **Nominations close 4:30pm on Friday 12 November 2021.**

For further information regarding the 2022 Australia Day Awards please contact Council's Executive Services team on 1300 789 279, 4189 9100 or email info@sbrc.qld.gov.au.

PINK UP THIS OCTOBER



Don't forget to start preparing for Pinking up South Burnett during the month of October to raise awareness & funds for the fight against breast cancer


McGrath
Foundation



In the pink ... Murgon's local councillor Kathy Duff with the A Grade Grand Final officials: linesman Andy Dascombe, referee Rob Grogan and linesman Rob Zelinski

Cherbourg Kookaburras Under 14s with their colourful new uniforms



A junior netball carnival attracted 30 teams – and hundreds of supporters – to the Kingaroy Netball Association's courts in Fisher Street.

It was the second big carnival the club has hosted within weeks.

Players travelled from Bundaberg, Chinchilla, Dalby, Gympie and Cherbourg to compete in games for Under 8s through to Under 14s.

It was also an opportunity for Cherbourg's four teams – Under 14s, Under 12s, Under 10s and Under 8s – to show off their new uniforms, sponsored by Cherbourg Council.

Jodie Springhall, from the Kingaroy Netball Association, said Kingaroy businesses had been "absolutely amazing" with the support they had given to the club recently.

"We have a whole table full of prizes; unbelievable generosity!" she said.

Murgon State School Community Garden Workshop On Thursday 7th October

Murgon State School will welcome the staff from Barambah Environmental Education Centre (A Flat) to help facilitate the planting of over 170 native plants, shrubs and trees. We invite interested community members to attend this event by returning the note that went home last week. If your child has not brought home a note, please contact our office on 4169 8333 to register your interest in participating on the day. Community members who participate by planting a tree will also be gifted a native plant to take home for their own gardens. Please RSVP if you would like to attend.

Term 4 – 3 Way Meets As part of our ongoing commitment to student success, next term, students and parents will be invited to attend the final face-to-face meeting of the year. At this meeting, teachers will discuss your child's progress and outline the assessment process as we head towards the end of the year.

Kind Regards, Aaron Jones Principal



A strong message at Cherbourg at the RUOK Day March. Councillor Kathy Duff was glad to be able to walk with the Cherbourg community & others to stand united in the fight to stop suicide in this community & all of our communities!!



The next part of the building will be the establishment of the pre historic garden in the centre of the building. Since the slab has been laid and people can see and imagine what our new centre is going to look like a lot of people have said they can't wait till it is open and they have fossils. If anyone has fossils that have been found preferably in the South Burnett and Murgon area and would like them to be displayed in the new Murgon Creation Centre please phone Glenda Geraghty Ph 0467 031 436.

The Murgon Hospital Auxiliary Father's Day Raffle winners

1st Prize Frank Whitby, 2nd RD, 3rd Robyn Sippel, 4th Chloe Johannesen, 5th Trish Blair,
6th K Heritage, 7th Kathy Forrest, 8th John Schultz

The Murgon Hospital Auxiliary Committee would like to thank everyone for supporting our Hospital & Raffle.

Come Along and Share in Some Good Times!



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Playing



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Social Support so you can live life your way

At Blue Care Murgon our Day Respite experience is designed to make you feel like you are with old familiar friends — consider us your home away from home.

With a different format and activity each day from Monday to Friday there will surely be an activity that is to your liking.

Share your day with us and indulge in some social activity or if you just wish to meet new people, we are here for you.



Respite starts at 9:00am daily with drawing to an end at 2:00pm. But, we often hang around a little longer, having an extra cuppa, happily chatting and catching up with each other.

Our Day Respite Team has been especially chosen to make your day a most enjoyable experience.

If you require transport one of our team can pick you up and drop you back home once the day has come to an end.

Freshly made on site, homemade style morning tea and lunch are part of the day's events. All meals provided are included in our respite day rate.

More Good times had!

Participating



Socialising



Council's Customer Service moves to Kingaroy Library South Burnett Regional Council is undertaking required maintenance on the Customer Service Centre in Kingaroy, commencing Monday 11 October 2021. "To ensure that we maintain continuity of service for our customers as much as possible during this period, the customer service centre will operate from the Kingaroy Library in Glendon Street," Mayor Brett Otto said. "This will mean a change for our customers in the first instance however it will be a great opportunity for customers to experience what the Kingaroy library has to offer while doing business with Council." There will be minimal disruption to service while the move takes place on Thursday 7th and Friday 8th of October, and we apologise for any inconvenience. The current opening hours for the Customer Service Centre of 8.30am to 4.30pm Monday to Friday will be maintained whilst located at the library.



Federal Member for Wide Bay and Deputy Speaker of the House of Representatives Llew O'Brien is encouraging Wide Bay individuals and organisations to apply for a share of \$13 million for activities to assist farmers and land managers improve their understanding and management of their soil.

Smart Farms Small Grants boost for Wide Bay soil

Smart Farms Small Grants: Soil Extension Activities round is now open.

Wide Bay organisations and individuals can apply for grants of up to \$250,000 over two years.

Two-year Soil Extension Activities to improve understanding of Australia's soil condition and how to better manage it.

Grants supporting outcomes under the Smart Farms Small Grants Program and the National Soil Strategy.

Applications open close 9pm AEDT 12 October 2021.

Federal Member for Wide Bay and Deputy Speaker of the House of Representatives Llew O'Brien is encouraging Wide Bay individuals and organisations to apply for a share of \$13 million for activities to assist farmers and land managers improve their understanding and management of their soil.

Mr O'Brien said the final round of *Smart Farms Small Grants* would fund a diverse range of soil extension activities across Australia, with grants of between \$100,000 to \$250,000 available.

"These grants will enable our local farmers and land managers build on their knowledge and awareness of soil, leading to better soil management practices and helping improve productivity," Mr O'Brien said.

"This will also deliver benefits for our communities and natural resources in Wide Bay, and will help to improve our air and water quality."

Under this round, multiple activities may be applied for in one application. Grants are available for between \$100,000 to \$250,000 per activity and will be delivered over two years.

Applicants may apply for a maximum of \$2 million per application.

Eligible activities could include engaging a soil extension officer; conducting soil management workshops, seminars, roadshows or field days; creating communications products, webinars or online materials; and/or establishing trials, demonstrations and monitoring sites.

Extension Activities will seek to improve soil management, improving productivity and profitability. These measures will also support and complement the two-year National Soil Monitoring and Incentives Pilot Program which forms part of the National Soil Strategy.

Minister for Agriculture and Northern Australia David Littleproud said the round provided an exciting opportunity for raising awareness and knowledge of our nation's soil.

"This round will continue to support the Smart Farms Small Grants Program outcomes while also supporting outcomes under the National Soil Strategy," Minister Littleproud said.

"We all know that healthy soil is the basis for great agricultural output as well as environmental benefits, so this final round of Smart Farms Small Grants is getting back to basics.

"Soil extension activities will take action to improve soil health with evidence-based interventions leading to improved soil management practices.

"If we get this right, our farmers and land managers will see increased productivity and profitability, which will help the entire agriculture sector reach its Ag2030 goal to grow agriculture to \$100 billion by 2030."

For more information and details on how to apply, visit the Community Grants Hub www.communitygrants.gov.au/grants

Fast Facts:

The Smart Farms program is the key agriculture portfolio initiative under phase two of the \$1.1 billion National Landcare Program.

To date, Smart Farms Small Grants has funded a total of 384 projects to the value of \$25.5 million.

The National Soil Strategy sets out how Australia will value, manage and improve its soil for the next 20 years.

More than \$54 million will be available under National Soil Monitoring and Incentives Pilot Program to encourage farmers and land managers to undertake more comprehensive soil testing in exchange for sharing their data with the program.

Information about the Australian Government's investment in Landcare can be found at www.agriculture.gov.au/ag-farm-food/natural-resources/landcare/national-landcare-program/australian-government-investment-in-landcare

Information about the National Soil Strategy can be found at www.agriculture.gov.au/ag-farm-food/natural-resources/soils



Head of Rural Clinical School appointment

Associate Professor Dr Riitta Partanen has been officially appointed as Head of The University of Queensland's Rural Clinical School (UQRCS) after a competitive recruitment process.

Dr Partanen will make a smooth transition into the role, after acting as Interim Head of UQRCS since April 2020.

"I am looking forward to leading the UQRCS team; encouraging students from our regional, rural and remote communities to study medicine at UQ and to provide rich, immersive rural clinical learning for our medical students, as well as supporting interns and junior doctors in our communities," she said.

Serving rural communities for over 27 years and being engaged in rural medical education for over 20 years, Dr Partanen has established a solid foundation of knowledge suited for the role.

Growing up in Tully, Dr Partanen went on to become a UQ medical graduate and, after her completing internship at the Mater Public Hospitals,

she moved to Maryborough where she worked as a junior hospital doctor and then undertook her specialty training in General Practice. Riitta continues to be a GP in Maryborough.

Dr Partanen has worked for UQ since 2005, establishing UQRCS Hervey Bay, where she was the Director for 15 years and the GP Academic Lead for 13 years.

Over the years, she has served as a member of The Royal Australian College of General Practitioners (RACGP) Rural Education Committee and was actively involved in the Wide Bay Division of General Practice, being Chair for her final two years with the Division.

"I have thoroughly enjoyed my time working for UQ, seeing how positive learning experiences for our medical students in regional, rural and remote communities both increases their interest to and prepares them for work in these same communities," she said.

"UQ provides short and long-term medical education across Central Queensland, Wide Bay, Darling Downs and South West Queensland and with nearly 40 per cent of our UQRCS graduates working in regional, rural and remote communities for their junior doctor years, we must be doing something right."

And just in case she did not have enough on her plate Dr Partanen is a PhD Candidate undertaking research in the area of rural medical workforce.

Medical Dean and Deputy Executive Dean Professor Stuart Carney congratulated Dr Partanen on her appointment.

"Riitta is passionate about rural medical education, growing the rural medical workforce, and ensuring equitable access to health care for regional, rural, and remote communities," he said.

Cattle producers set for bumper spring

29 July 2021

Key points:

Australia's cattle herd will rebuild quickly, reaching 26m head this year

2021 slaughter has been revised down to 6.3m head

Carcase weights have been adjusted up to 311.7kg/head to reflect the abundance of grass, and increased proportion of grainfed slaughter.

Cattle producers are expected to experience the best spring in recent memory, according to Meat & Livestock Australia's (MLA) latest Australian Cattle Industry Projections.

MLA's Market Information Manager, Stephen Bignell, said the outlook was encouraging with a positive spring expected for many eastern states' producers.

"With a favourable three-month weather outlook signalling a strong spring, average adult carcase weights are set to rise significantly leading to higher weight gain," Mr Bignell said.

"Carcase weights have been revised 11kg higher to average 311.7kg and slaughter will remain depressed, with the 2021 volume expected to hit 6.3 million head.

"On the back of improved carcase weights, production has been revised higher despite slaughter declining. Total production is being forecast to 1.96 million tonnes cwt, highlighting Australia's ability to maximise beef output despite low supply."

Mr Bignell said the national herd is estimated to reach 26 million head this year, 5% above 2020 levels.

"Currently there is an abundance of feed which is encouraging stock retention. This tight supply is being reflected in lower saleyard throughput, reinforcing that the national herd rebuild is well underway," Mr Bignell said.

"Slaughter is forecast to drop this year on the back of the national herd rebuild as producers retain more stock however it is expected to pick up slightly toward the end of the year as more cattle come off feed."

In relation to prices, rain events remain the key indicator of market performance.

"The industry EYCI price predictor has the EYCI sitting at 874c/kg at the end of 2021," Mr Bignell said.

"In line with the astronomical lift in young cattle prices seen last week, the National Medium Cow Indicator has risen 40c year-on-year, or 13%, to sit at 308c, with the National Heavy Steer Indicator up 100c, or 16%, to sit at 412c/kg lwt."

Mr Bignell said globally, as economies continue to recover from COVID-19, demand for Australian beef should also improve.

"COVID-19 continues to disrupt beef trade and sales in many Asia-Pacific nations, however economic growth rates are forecast to gradually lift, maintained by improved vaccination rates in developed markets and improved consumer sentiment supporting beef consumption and import demand," Mr Bignell said.

Young cattle

Last week, the EYCI hit a new all-time record, breaking through the 1,000c/kg mark to hit 1,003c/kg cwt. This week, the EYCI has returned to below 1,000c/kg, sitting at 988c/kg cwt. At this price, the EYCI is still performing well and is 235c/kg above the same time last year.

Rain, restocker confidence and weaner cattle sales were the drivers behind the new EYCI record. This week, the drop in price coincided with reduced throughput – down 2,500 eligible cattle on last week.

This week, it has also been made clear the sheer impact the Roma sale has on the performance of the EYCI. Last week, Roma accounted for 40% of EYCI cattle, but this week on Tuesday 29 July it was back to 28%, which has contributed to the decline in the indicator.

Courtesy, Meat and Livestock Australia

Notification of Works South Burnett Regional Council wishes to advise that shoulder resheeting and heavy formation grading works are due to be start on Hazeldean Road, South Nanango week commencing 27 September, weather permitting.

Proston Now a Dementia Friendly Community

“It Starts with You” was the take home message from the Dementia Friendly Community Education Session held in Proston on Saturday 11th September. A large crowd enjoyed hearing from speakers on a variety of topics related to supporting people living with dementia and their carers.

A desire to support a community member living with dementia and the caring and understanding response shown by the Proston community was the catalyst to form a Dementia Friendly Community support group. Following a successful grant application to Dementia Australia for Proston to be recognised as a Dementia Friendly Community, a community education day was planned. We are very grateful to the two Proston Community Members Pat and Roger Henry who agreed to be the faces of Proston Dementia Friendly Committee initiative.

Dementia Friendly Community Committee member, Kath Crane, was delighted with the attendance and interest shown by the community. “It was wonderful to see such a great cross-section of our local community coming along to hear these speakers. It was gratifying to see such a positive response from those who attended. We thank all the speakers who gave up their Saturday to come along and share their knowledge and expertise. A special mention should be made of Marie-Louise Bone, the Queensland co-ordinator for Dementia Friendly Communities Australia, who travelled from the Gold Coast to be with us.”

The event was opened by Cr Kathy Duff and guest speakers included Mrs Pat Henry, Dr Graham McAllister, Marie-Louise Bone, Jonesy QAS and Jon Gordon Proston Police, QCWA Country Kitchens cooking demonstration, Lucy English Lutheran care, Jenny Gemmell SB Care and Helena, Inspire for Care.

The Proston group are hosting a Dementia Australia facilitator for three in depth education sessions at Wondai RSL Mon 18th and Tues 19th October. We are hoping that people from across the South Burnett will take advantage of this education opportunity. Monday sessions are : Worried about your memory 1 – 3pm , followed by Carer Gateway information session 3.30 – 4.30 pm, Understanding Dementia 6 – 8 pm. Tuesday morning session : Communication and dementia 9.30 am – 12.30pm. All sessions are free Everyone is welcome. For more information contact Kath Crane 0407091019.



Photo L-R: Proston DFC support group Margaret Westerman, Kath Crane, Linda Rea, Pat Henry, Heather Carfoot and Glenda McArdle. And other guest speaker Dr Graham McAllister.

Results for the QCWA Hivesville Branch raffle. 5 draws.

1st David Hunter - purple Q 46. 2nd. Chris Thompson - apricot E 39, 3rd. Dale Cavanagh - apricot E 19
4th. Elam Campbell - grey X 37, 5th. Jacky Dionysius - purple Q 82.

We would like to thank all who have supported our raffle. It is much appreciated.

Regards, Shelley Thompson, Hivesville Branch Treasurer

Grant gives a lift to Murgon Men's Shed railway museum

Two restored carriages will be lifted into place to form a railway display at the Murgon Men's Shed, with Federal Member for Wide Bay and Deputy Speaker of the House of Representatives Llew O'Brien announcing a \$15,000 grant for the project.

"The Murgon's Men Shed members have done an incredible job to restore a 100-year-old first- and second-class carriage and a steel goods wagon that were rescued from a yard near Rockhampton after being decommissioned in the 1980s," Mr O'Brien said.



"This \$15,000 grant through the Stronger Communities Programme will enable the Shed to hire a crane to lift them into place to form part of the planned Rail Museum at the start of the South Burnett Rail Trail, and to begin landscaping around the area."

Once in place, the Rail Display Complex will be built around the carriages and will eventually house a steam engine, goods wagon and other restored railway items.

"The planned Rail Display Complex is a fantastic initiative that will provide a fascinating glimpse into the history of our Queensland railways and boost tourism through the South Burnett, and the Murgon Men's Shed committee and members are doing a remarkable job to bring it to fruition, so I am pleased to support their work with this federal funding towards the \$60,000 project," Mr O'Brien said.

The Stronger Communities Programme Round 6 provided up to \$150,000 for each of the 151 federal electorates in Australia, with grants of between \$2,500 and \$20,000 available for eligible organisations including incorporated not-for-profit community service and sporting groups and councils.

"There is always strong interest in the Stronger Communities Programme grants, and competition is keen, so I encourage organisations interested in bringing forward SCP project proposals in future rounds to contact my electorate office on telephone 4121 2936, or the Sunshine Coast, or Wide Bay Burnett Regional Development Australia Committees through the website www.rda.gov.au," Mr O'Brien said.

Previous rounds of the SCP delivered funding to a range of organisations in Wide Bay, assisting with:

An aerator for the fish ponds at Murgon, through the Rotary Club of Murgon

First aid equipment and tools for Murgon Men's Shed

A community garden for Graham House Community Centre

Electrical works for the Queensland Dairy and Heritage Museum
Upgraded kitchen and hot water supply for Goomeri Show Society
Improved car parking and accessibility for South Burnett First Aid Volunteers at the Murgon Training Centre



Member for Wide Bay Llew O'Brien with Murgon Men's Shed members, secretary Allen Mitchell, Leo Geraghty, Keith Hatchett and president David Mollenhauer outside the restored 1918 carriage

South Burnett Parkinsons Support Group

Our September meeting saw a small group gather at the **Wondai Regional Art Gallery** for a social morning tea. We welcomed Elizabeth and Jim from Nanango who came to learn more about our **Support Group**.

Carmen organised the eats with "healthy" treats such as lamingtons, chocolates and biscuits. Including a sole strawberry on each plate was deemed enough to put morning tea into the healthy category.

Game winners included Darryl (**Trendiest Word**), Lyn (**What's In The Box**) and Carmen (**Lucky Number**).

Ancy came in her bright attire with a colourful flower in her hair. She was the "bright spark" on the day but unfortunately Carmen forgot to award the prize. (What was she thinking to forget???)

Merrilyn read a **Smile** poem which all enjoyed.

With no guest speaker there was plenty of time for PD discussion and other chatter. Time was also available for a quick Gallery Walk. As the new exhibition was being hung on the day the volunteers were very busy.

NEXT MEETING: MONDAY OCTOBER 25 @ GRAHAM HOUSE. TIME: 10.00 a.m. GUEST SPEAKERS: Bob & Kerry Baldwin. TOPIC: CPR & DEFIBRILLATORS.

BOOK by phoning **Carmen 5486 1268** or **Darryl 4168 3116**

Parkinson's disease is a chronic ,neurological disease for which there is presently no cure. Diagnosis can be difficult as there is no blood test to confirm the presence of the disease. Symptoms are varied and worsen over time. The local Support Group provides an avenue for people to meet with others who are managing the disease,their carers and supporters. The group provides friendship,fun and resources. There is no joining fee.

ALL WELCOME.

Carmen Emery-Strathdee, Coordinator, South Burnett Parkinson's Support Group, 07 5486 1268

To sell light or fatten?

23 September 2021

EYCI hits a new record of 1,033c/kg cwt, 33% above year-ago levels

Increasing proportion of yearling heifers to the detriment of less males for EYCI-eligible cattle

Vealers hit their seasonal lull on top of already low supply, driving up prices

The Eastern Young Cattle Indicator (EYCI) hit a new record of 1,033c/kg cwt on Tuesday 21 September, topping the previous record by 1.50c, set back on 25 August. Roma acquired 30% of the yarding with Dalby, Wagga and Dubbo attaining 11%, 10% and 6% respectively, of which nearly all averaged above the 1,000c mark.

While there haven't been any real declines in EYCI eligible cattle of late and no significant recent rainfalls, incredibly strong demand fundamentals continue to drive the market up.

Heifers

The gradual increase of yearling heifers coming onto the market versus yearling steers has highlighted producer sentiment to consider selling females rather than holding onto them to build up their herd.

The alternative 'grab the cash and run' for lighter animals as opposed to feeding them out to breeding or fattened weight, continues to be supported by increases in lighter animals being sold despite there being bodies of feed available for producers to carry stock.

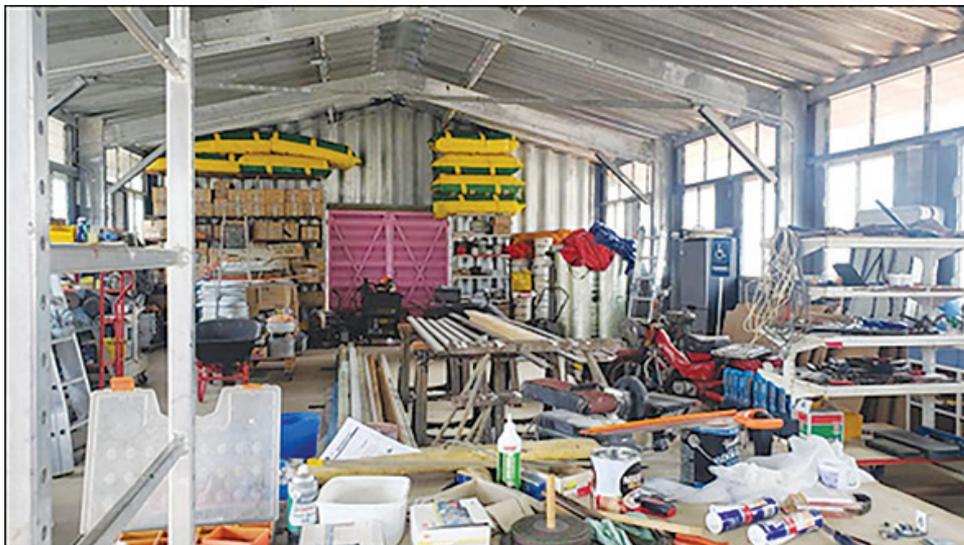
This is due to the market being driven by restockers who are offering higher money for lighter animals, meaning less time on feed. This contradicts traditional fundamentals of feeding for longer to deliver a greater final profit and has continued to do so as producer confidence heightens.

Vealers

Vealers have continued to dwindle in volume, as typically seen at this time of year, allowing for a higher proportion of yearlings to be sold. This has resulted in significant increases in prices paid for vealers.

Last week, the price for vealers jumped \$100/head to average \$1,700/head thanks to some heavier lines coming through. However, despite 0–200kg types not being included in the EYCI, analysis shows an increase of these lighter type vealers being sold to the detriment of declining heavier types. This trend further highlights the sentiment of demand for lighter animals, raising the question of how far this type of lighter buying can go if the good season progresses and prices are high.

Courtesy MLA, Meat and Livestock Australia



Amazing progress happening with the Proston Men's Shed!!



We're expanding!

This week we completed Stage 1 of the new Restaurant, Brewery and Distillery!

As subscriber to Dusty Hill Vineyard, we are giving you the first look of our Brewery and Restaurant so far as an exclusive sneak peak!



Its all Happening

In preparation for the opening of our new Restaurant, Brewery, Distillery, 'Stables Motel' and Boutique Cottages we are now accepting applications for current and future vacancies!

We are excited to offer opportunities at Dusty Hill Vineyard and our other venues, The Goomeri Bakery and Joe's Grand Hotel. As an employee of any one of our venues, you will perform a variety of hospitality functions including the set up and coordination of weddings and functions, cocktail making, wine tasting, coffee making, bookings and administration, providing exceptional customer service to customers and visitors of our venues and region, and much more!

We are currently recruiting for a Chefs, Housekeeping, Front of House team members, and Full Time Hospitality Trainee for immediate start.

As Stage 2 is about to kick off, we are seeking Qualified Carpenters and Bricklayers to commence work on building our 'Stables Motel' and Cottages. We are also accepting expressions of interest applications in our future vacancies in:

Kitchen Operations - Kitchenhands, Cooks, Chefs (all levels)

Restaurants, Brewery and Distillery - Front of House team members and team leaders, and Venue Managers, Brewer and Distiller, Housekeeping

To apply, please direct your application to 4info@dustyhill.com.au. For more exciting news and updates, and for information about our current vacancies, please follow us on our socials

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We look forward to welcoming you back to our venues soon.

Joe and Miranda Prendergast

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Kathy's Comments

Relay for Life Fundraiser starting in Murgon

On Friday night, the 8th of October, there is an opportunity to join in the walk from Murgon to Kingaroy to raise funds for Relay for Life. The Mayor and I are in training and plan to walk the whole way to arrive in Kingaroy for Relay for Life at the Showgrounds at around 12.00 noon on Saturday. The event is called "Moonlight with the Mayor" and there will be a fee of \$50 to walk with the Mayor. I am offering "Catch up with Kathy" for \$25 and walk with me for a bit. We plan to gather at the Murgon Men's Shed around Midnight to start the walk at 1.00pm. We will travel slowly and all stick together. There will be bikers ahead in case anyone wants to have a break and ride for a while. There will be tail walkers and first aid. There will be an opportunity to join in at different spots and walk for a shorter distance with stops for Brekky, morning tea and lunch. Keep an eye on my Facebook page for more details.

Australia Day Nominations now Open

Please make sure that if you know someone or an organisation that is deserving of an award, that you fill out a nomination form and submit it to Council. The nomination forms are available on Council's website or at the Council Offices. Nominations close at 4.30pm on Friday November 12th. The categories are Citizen of the Year, Young Citizen of the Year, Junior and Senior Cultural Awards, Junior and Senior Sportsperson, Sports Administrator/Coach/Official Award, Community Organisation of the Year, Lifetime Achievement Award and Local Achievers for each town and Rural Local Achiever.

Magpie Motion

I moved a motion at the last Council Meeting that was carried by 4 votes to 3 "that we delegate to the CEO to have removed by a licensed person any magpies that are causing injury or harm to people in the South Burnett and that we develop a policy on magpie removal". There was a deputation to Council to have dangerous magpies removed and that is why there was an opportunity to raise the matter again as a previous motion to remove 20 birds had been defeated. I believe it is a better outcome if the dangerous birds are removed even for the sake of the birds as there have been dead birds found along the rail trail recently. The bird relocater who I spoke to said that they take the birds a minimum of 100kms away from people. They are mostly males but if they are females with young, they relocate them with their young. I think it is the best outcome for the birds and our community.

QEII Park Upgrade Feedback Wanted

Council has allocated \$150,000 to go towards upgrading the eastern end of Queen Elizabeth Park in Lamb St in Murgon. We are wanting everyone who is interested to let us know what you would like to see in the park. Unfortunately, some of the trees will have to be removed for safety reasons because they are too old, causing trip hazards or undermining the infrastructure. This is an opportunity for you to put your ideas forward so please take the time to provide your feedback.



Hivesville Progress Association AGM

It was wonderful to see a large crowd at the Annual General Meeting of the Hivesville Progress Association. Congratulations to Barb Hockey who was elected President and her team who will lead the association for the next twelve months. The group have lots of exciting plans for Hivesville so I look forward to working with them for some good outcomes.

Pink up for the month of October

Don't forget to pink up for the month of October to raise awareness and funds to help with the fight against breast cancer. Last year we had lots of fun and raised some much needed funds. The Facebook page is called Pinking Up South Burnett so follow it if you would like to see what happened last year or watch as the month unfolds this time with lots of fundraising and pinking up events. Maybe we can even pink up most of a town like Proston did last year!!

Boondooma Homestead AGM

Congratulations to the Boondooma Homestead Committee on returning the same office bearers for another 12 months. It is great to see the enthusiasm of the committee as they gear up for a very special Remembrance Day Service and an early Christmas celebration.

Proston Dementia Friendly and Blueing Up

Congratulations to Proston on Blueing up for Men's Mental Health for September. I also attended a very successful Dementia Friendly Workshop to advance Proston to be a Dementia Friendly Town. It was a real eye opener to learn about the issues associated with dementia and I congratulate Proston on this wonderful initiative.

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Cattle were consigned from Biloela, Mundubbera, Gayndah, Mt Perry, Brisbane Valley, Kingaroy, Kilkivan & locally.

2 pens of Santa steers from Nanango sold for \$5.61 c/kg to return \$2252.00 & \$2128.00 at 401 & 379 kg respectively. A third pen in the line of 60 sold for \$5.53 c/kg for \$2174.00. Local Red Angus steers 336 kg sold for \$5.75 c/kg and \$1934.00. Charolais cross steers from Woorooden sold for \$1911.00 at \$5.00 c/kg. 328 kg Angus cross steers from Tansey sold for \$1835.00 at \$5.58 c/kg. Brangus steers ex Biloela sold for \$5.50 c/kg and \$1558.00. Droughtmaster steers 295 kg also sold for \$5.50 c/kg & \$1622.00. 300 kg Charolais cross steers from Johnstown sold for \$1620.00 at \$5.40 c/kg. **Charolais cross weaner steers** sold to \$6.46 c/kg for \$1556.00. Charolais cross weaner steers from Manyung sold for \$1713.00 at \$6.13 c/kg. Charolais weaner steers from Tansey sold for \$1400.00 at \$6.40 c/kg. 2 pens of Charolais cross weaner steers from Mt Perry sold for \$6.46 c/kg & \$6.82 c/kg returning \$1440.00 & \$1197.00 respectively. Droughtmaster weaner steers from Hivesville sold for \$1430.00 at \$6.22 c/kg. Angus weaners steers from Wondai sold for \$1340.00 at \$6.18 c/kg. 405 kg Charbray heifers from Manumbar sold for \$1820.00 at \$4.50 c/kg. 350 Angus heifers from Goomeri sold for \$1740.00 at \$4.99 c/kg. Droughtmaster cross heifers from Winderera sold for \$4.54 c/kg and \$1620.00. Charbray heifers weighing 380 kg sold to \$4.50 c/kg and \$1710.00. 293 kg Angus heifers from Goomeri sold to \$5.30 c/kg for \$1557.00. 2 pens of **Droughtmaster weaner heifers** from Hivesville sold for \$5.72 & \$5.98 c/kg returning \$1300.00 & \$945.00. Charolais cross weaner heifers sold for \$5.64 c/kg and \$1390.00. Local Charolais cross weaner heifers sold for \$1358.00 at \$5.60 c/kg. South Devon weaner heifers from Cushnie sold for \$5.48 c/kg to return \$1315.00. **PTIC Droughtmaster Cows** sold to \$2110.00. **Charbray Cows & Calves** sold to \$2420.00, and Droughtmaster Cows & Calves sold for \$2400.00. The next Murgon sale will be on Tuesday the 12th of October at 8.00 am.



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- 2nd. Prize \$300.00 worth Goods Judy Buchanan
- 3rd. Prize \$150.00 worth Goods Trish O'Hanlon

Congratulations to winners, Mondure Hall Committee wish to thank all participants.

Money raised will go towards Hall upgrades.

We would especially like to thank the following businesses for their support of both Raffles.

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"The 2021 edition of the School Leavers' Guide is a useful resource, containing a range of practical information to help year 12 students get ready for life after school, whether they are considering university, a trade or even starting their own business," Mr O'Brien said.

"Year 12 students have many choices and decisions to make about the future and it's important to consider all of the alternatives and support that is available to help them reach their goals.

"The School Leavers' Guide provides an up-to-date overview of options for education and training, financial assistance, employment programs, and other information which may help school leavers as they enter this exciting new phase of life."

The guide will be distributed to secondary schools in the Wide Bay electorate. It is also available to download from Mr O'Brien's website at <https://llewobrien.com.au/one-stop-shop/>

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