

Murgon Music Muster 2023





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Santa's First Press Release

"Ho Ho Ho! It's that time again," says South Burnett Regional Council's CEO Mark Pitt.

Planning for this year's Christmas Light competitions is well underway, with the delivery of 6 Santa statues for the Santa's Workshop trophies, along with the 2023 finger board for the winner of the collaborative Christmas Light competition. As with previous years, to win the fingerboard, the CEO and his wife are looking for the community to work together, to create a display. "The last two years the Grinch in Kingaroy has been the winner, with other previous winners being Proston and Amaroo Drive in Wondai," said Mr Pitt. "Remember, to win the prize, you must complete the entry form," he reminds residents.

This year the Santa's Workshop is also a focal point, looking for childcentred bright and engaging light displays from local businesses, however you don't need to be in town to win. "The judges will choose one winner from each division, and to enter you must complete an entry form and nominate your ABN. Community Organisations, Schools and anyone with an active ABN can enter," Mrs Pitt said. "And in the latest news, individual house displays will also be able to enter, and we look forward to seeing what you can dream up for us!"

Nominations are now open and will close at 4.30pm on Friday 24 November 2023. Entries are available both in paper form from council offices or online Christmas Lights Display – South Burnett Regional Council. Judging will take place from Friday 1 December to Sunday 10 December 2023. All entries will be featured in the South Burnett Santa Claus Lane Christmas Lights Display 2023 map which will be available in South Burnett Today on Thursday 7 December 2023 and Council's Website.

"We look forward to seeing what entries we receive and brightening the lives of children of the South Burnett," Mr Pitt added.

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

Arts Queensland has just announced three new funding streams.

They are:

First Nations Arts Business Grants This is up to \$10k for First Nations artists and organisations to engage in strategic & business planning, governance planning etc. We have been advised that this is a simple application process, and as long as the applicants meet the eligibility criteria and have a quote from a relevant service provider, they have a very good chance of success.

Performing Arts Market Development Fund This is for up to \$80k for assisting with international showcasing or market attendance activities.

Visual Arts Market Development Fund Up to \$60k towards showcasing or exhibiting work overseas.

Growing Workforce Participation Funding Success

South Burnett Regional Council has been successful in the second round of the Growing Workforce Participation funding.

This Growing Workforce Participation Fund project is proudly funded by the Queensland Government. This fund aims to develop partnerships with industry to build longevity and sustainability in the workforce by empowering industry and employers to support jobseekers from identified groups who experience greater disadvantage in the labour market.

Council has identified that there is a skills shortage in industries relating to Sports and Recreation and

Horticulture. The \$180,000 in funding received will allow employment opportunities for First Nations young people across the communities of Wondai, Murgon and Cherbourg. This program will help build the confidence and provide motivation to youth and Aboriginal people of the South Burnett region.

Applicants will have the opportunity to apply for a position at Council's Wondai and Murgon Swimming Pools where they will gain skills relating to Pool Management and Operations. In the cooler months they will assist Council's Facilities and Parks team along with studying for a Certificate II in Horticulture. This will be a 12-month program providing successful applicants with hands on experience and employment.

Council will advertise the positions come early November 2023 and is looking forward to working with the successful applicants.

For further information regarding the Growing Workforce Participation Fund, please visit https://backtowork.initiatives.qld.gov.au/growing-workforceparticipation-fund/

To apply please visit Council's website https://www.southburnett.qld.gov. au/about-council/work-for-council or contact People and Culture on 4189 9100.

This project is proudly funded by the Queensland Government through its Growing Workforce Participation Fund.

Checking for Safe Tank Water Delivery to your Home

It's that time of the year when the warmer weather hits and water deliveries increase to properties that rely on tank water.

Did you know?

Water Carriers that provide Drinking Water to the public are required to hold a Food Business Licence with the Council and ensure they are complying with the public health requirements for Safe Drinking water.

Council would like to encourage all residents when ordering water deliveries to undertake the following checks:

1. Request to sight a copy of the Water Carriers Current Food Business Licence

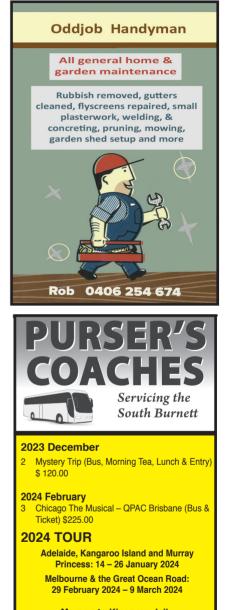
2. Check where the water is coming from – is it town or a private source

3. Ensure you receive a receipt and paperwork about the water delivery

5. If you are unsure please contact Council 4189 9100 to lodge your enquiry

If you would like more details about keeping your Tank Drinking Water safe please see the following link Safe water on rural properties (health.qld. gov.au)

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



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For enquiries regarding school bus or bus charter. Contact Harvy or Andrew on 4168 1533

Sunflower Seeds of Hope

Local charity Boots 'n Bulldust Inc has provided sunflower seed sachets to be handed out at Council Customer Service Centres to help spread the message of support for those living with depression.

'When you see a sunflower know that we care' is the motto of Seeds of Hope. The aim is for people to plant the seeds now so that in the summer the flowers will remind sufferers that they are not alone, there is hope and other people are thinking of you.

Research shows that the Christmas New Year period has the highest rate of suicide and violence in our community.

Planting sunflowers in November to bloom over this period shows support of those at risk. If you have a sunflower in your garden, this shows that you are a person who can be approached to chat or help.

Sandy Towell started this to acknowledge and make people aware of asking for help or just checking in on

people. What you see on the outside may be masking what they are thinking on the inside.

Sunflowers were Sandy's favourite flower and are also part of the Boots N Bulldust Reloved Op Shops logo and front window in Pound St, Kingaroy.

Customer Service staff will have the sachets available at their counters throughout the South Burnett.

Call for 2024 Australia Day Award Nominations

Nominations are now open for the South Burnett region's annual Australia Day Awards for 2023. The awards will be presented on Sunday, 21 January 2024 at the Kumbia Hall.

Acting Mayor Jones said "the South Burnett Australia Day Awards provide the community with an opportunity to recognise outstanding groups and individual's commitment and tenacity in creating a better quality of life for our region".

"These awards allow equal opportunity across the entire South Burnett to nominate those who have made special contributions to their local community," said Cr Jones.

Award nominations will be judged by a panel of people drawn from throughout the South Burnett.

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 Awards (Town & Rural)

For further information on award categories and how to nominate, visit Council's website www.southburnett.qld.gov.au/australia-day/australia-day-7

Nominations close at 4.30pm on 17 November 2023.

For further information regarding the 2023 Australia Day Awards, please contact Council's Executive Services team on 4189 9100 or email info@sbrc. qld.gov.au.

AL-ANON

If you are troubled by the drinking of someone close to you, there is now a local support meeting being held at

Goomeri Showgrounds Pavilion Building

Laird St Goomeri

Thursdays 11 am

Contact: 1300 252 666

Or www.al-anon.org.au

for more information

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS

A local AA meeting is now being held at the Baptist Church Hall

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Online Zoom meeting is also available

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Get Involved -Have your Say, Grants,

- QCoal Foundation Scholarship Support for regional and remote students to study at James Cook University. Closes 31 Jan 2024.
- Community Sustainability Action Grants Koala Applied Research SEQ. Grants up to \$100,000. Closes 23 Nov.
- Celebrating Multicultural Qld Program Funding for projects that build social connection and cohesion. Closes 12 Nov.
- Accessible Tourism Elevate Fund Applications
 open 26 Oct
- Qld Business Energy Saving and Transformation (QBEST) - Appliance cashback scheme for small and medium business.
- Manufacturing Energy Efficiency Grants
 (MEEG) Funding between \$5,000 and \$25,000
 for manufacturers to reduce energy consumption.
 Closes 30 June 2024.
- Women in Manufacturing Apprentice Awards -Closes 15 Nov.





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Proston This home is situated Just minutes from the thriving country town centre of Proston. The home offers spacious living with large front sunroom which leads to the spacious living area with wood fire. The kitchen is both spacious and built in with breakfast bar extending to a good size dining area. 3 spacious bedrooms. Serge position. Single acrage. * New

Highset on good solid timber stumps. Corner position. Single garage. * New Roof & Insulation on the house * New Roof on the garage * Ceiling fans throughout * Water tank and town water * 2 Toilets * Recent white ant inspection and preventative treatment * Wood Heater * Big Rooms * Front Verandah * Safe, friendly community, This charming home is ideally located, with Wondai and Murgon just a 30 minute drive and Kingaroy a little further. Proston has an excellent shopping area, with a 7 day a week supermarket, department store, hair dresser, health and beauty, cafe to name a few all within a very strong local country community. Listed at \$359,000



Murgon Vacant possession from 9th November 2023. Enter at the front onto the full length verandah with a bedroom on each side of the hall. A 3rd bedroom can be accessed either through 1 bedroom or directly off the front verandah. Living at the back with a good sized eat in kitchen. The

bathroom has a shower over the bath, the toilet is separate. Under the house is the laundry. Fully and well fenced yard. \$185,000



Murgon - Look no further, you can own your own home and feel secure in the knowledge you have acquired a neat, solid and tastefully renovated home. This lovely split level highset home is presented to the market in impeccable condition. The home is beautifully painted inside and the floor coverings

are in excellent order throughout. - 3 bedrooms, built in robes in 2 rooms and one is air conditioned - Spacious bathroom – shower only, vanity, toilet is separate, plenty of storage - Security Screened - Verandah - Open plan air conditioned lounge/dining - Built in Kitchen - Sits on a neat 751m2 block - Fenced back and sides - Covered entertainment area - Carport at side - Backyard access - Guest bedroom under house - Enclosed under for storage - Shade screens and shutters on front windows Listed at \$315,000



Moffatdale Vacant 1553m2 allotment. Fenced on all 4 sides. Power at front. Moffatdale State Schools is just 200m away from Prep to grade 6. School buses run to all the Murgon Schools. Set in the Heart of Moffatdale, The South Burnett's great winery region. Moffatdale and Barambah make up the

majority of the region's vineyards and cellar doors. Moffatdale is also home to Bjelke-Petersen Dam. More affectionately called BP Dam by the locals and also known as Lake Barambah, the dam plays a major role as the main water source for the local agricultural industry. The popular water sports venue is also renowned for its superb freshwater fishing. Only 10 minutes from Murgon which has a thriving town centre and can cater to all everyday needs. \$110,000

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Kathy's Comments

Thank you to the Fire Brigades and Emergency Services

A big thank you to all of our Rural Fire Brigades and Emergency Services who have been working around the clock to control bush fires in our region. It is a tough time for everyone and we pray that we can all stay safe and that we get some beautiful rain soon to help our farmers and businesses across our region.

BIEDO Drought Workshop and Support for Farmers

There was a successful drought workshop run in Murgon that was well attended by a lot of local farmers. It was noted that the fodder and water carting subsidies are no longer available. There is still an opportunity to apply for Independent Drought Property Declarations, but the support this provides has changed. We are still working on getting the whole of the region drought declared.

Everyone is now being encouraged to do a Farm Business Resilience Plan. Once this is completed, there is then an opportunity to apply for Drought Preparedness Grants of up to \$50,000 for on-farm capital improvements that improve drought resilience. There are also Drought Ready and Recovery Finance loans of up to \$250,000 for preparedness measures consistent with the plan. Farm Management Grants offer a 50% rebate up to a maximum of \$2500 on the cost of eligible professional advice to produce a Farm Business Resilience Plan for your property.

For Properties that have Independent Drought Declarations there is access to Emergency Drought Assistance Loans of up to \$50,000, Drought Carry-On Finance Loans of up to \$250,000 at a concessional interest rate if the Emergency Drought Assistance Loan is insufficient to manage drought conditions. There is also land rent rebates, water license waivers and drought relief from electricity charges scheme. For support and help with any of this a good contact is Ann Boyle on 0448999742 or ann.boyle@rfcssq.org.au

Roadside Grazing Permits.

It has been confirmed that there will be no charge for Roadside Grazing Permits. We are encouraging anyone who wants to use the roadside or stock routes for grazing their cattle that they apply for a permit so they are covered if anything happens. It is also a good opportunity to reduce the fire hazards in these areas.

South Burnett Drought Support Committee

A new committee has been formed that is a partnership between BIEDO and Council so that if anyone or any group want to donate funds to support farmers there is a central point of collection and distribution. There is also an opportunity for these donations to be tax deductible as BIEDO will go through GIVIT to ensure this. The plan is to directly support farmers and local businesses in the South Burnett through a voucher system. For donations or support please contact BIEDO on 0400695456 or community@biedo.org.au

I would like to thank Peter Coombes through the Lions Club and the Eagleson family for a recent hay drop to support struggling farmers in our community with some bales of hay.

Murgon Bush Christmas, Christmas Lights and Christmas Tree Competition

The Murgon Bush Christmas is on Friday the 8th of December and as part of that there will be an opportunity for schools and community groups to decorate a tree and have some fun and festivities at the Murgon Showgrounds. Col Perrin has also



sponsored a Christmas Lights competition for this year for Murgon rural, town and businesses. There are brochures out with further details on the Murgon website and around the town.

Proston and Hivesville Christmas Fairs

Proston's Christmas Carnival will be on Saturday the 9th of December and will be held at the Proston Showgrounds. Hivesville is also planning another great event on Sunday December 3rd at 5.30pm at the Memorial Park.

Grant application for Toilets

Council has endorsed two applications for grant funding under the Minor Infrastructure and Inclusive Facilities Fund to replace the inadequate toilet facilities at Butter Factory Park Nanango with larger accessible amenities and for the construction of a new accessible Facility at the Murgon Skate Park.

Stage Two QEII Park

Stage II of QE2 park will be completed before Christmas 2023, weather permitting. The plan is then to have an official opening of the park and the footpath to recognise the State Government Works for Queensland funding. We also want to include and acknowledge Venus Rabbit who provided the indigenous art on the plaques along the footpath.

Australia Day Nominations Closing soon.

17 November at 4.30pm is the closing dates for nominations for the South Burnett Australia Day Awards. The Council event will be held in Kumbia this year on the Sunday before Australia Day and there will be individual events held across the region on Australia Day. Murgon Australia Day is at the Qld Dairy and Heritage Museum, Hivesville will have a breakfast in Memorial Park and Proston has a Scouts afternoon with cricket and refreshments including tea and damper.

Contact Details

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

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

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

"Caring for our Community"

Some Upcoming Events in

November

Murgon Music Muster - 31st October - 5th November
Chrissy Trees 4 U - Season Opens - 4th November
Burnett Sunsets Community Concert - Kingaroy Town Hall - 4th November
Menopause The Musical - Kingaroy Town Hall - 10th November
Kingaroy Speedway - Spring Spectacular - Kingaroy - 11th November
Family Fun Day - Murgon State School - 11th November
Inverlaw Hall Dance - 11th November
Dinner Under the Stars - Bunya Mountains - 18th November
Motors n Mochas - Kingaroy - 19th November
Bunya Red Farm - Open Farm Day - 19th November
Beauvale Daylillies Open Garden - 18th & 19th November

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

Nanango Church Yard-Op Shop Markets - 4th Saturday of the Month - 110 Burnett Street

- 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



SBRCEOI-23/24-10 Invitation to Offer - One (1) Black Dexter Heifer

South Burnett Regional Council is seeking offers for the acquisition of one (1) Black Dexter Heifer.

Offer documents and links can be found on Council's website under Tenders & Supply.

The highest or any offer may not necessarily be accepted. Collection of the animal will be from the Coolabunia Saleyards, D'Aguilar Hwy Coolabunia. Receipt of offers close 2pm Friday 10 November 2023.

For further information please contact Council's NRM Team on 1300 789 279, 4189 9100 or email info@sbrc.qld.gov.au.

SBRCQ 23/24-66 Trustee Permit to Occupy for Grazing Purposes - 44 King Street Nanango

South Burnett Regional Council would like to invite offers for a trustee permit to occupy for grazing purposes at 44 King Street Nanango.

Offer documents are available from the Council website under Tenders & Supply and can be submitted to info@sbrc.qld.gov.au, in person or via mail to Council's tender box located at 45 Glendon St Kingaroy by the closing date.

Closing date is 2pm Friday 10 November 2023.

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

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RENTAL INVESTMENT \$295.000

Lowset timber home, 3 bedrooms, built ins & ceiling fans, split air conditioning in main

bedroom, polished floor lounge with split air conditioning, separate dining, kitchen with upright stoves, separate shower to bath, sunroom, laundry downstairs with extra toilet, double garage with one remote door, sensor lights around the house, all windows and doors have security screens, fully fenced back yard, cemented driveway, presently rented till new year showing excellent return.



LARGE FAMILY HOME MINS TO TOWN \$530,000

Lowset brick home 5 bedrooms, built ins, ensuite, split air conditioning in main

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power, two houses, large 4 bay machinery shed with two shipping containers for storage and tools, there are two paddocks which have been cleared and large house yard, dam at bottom of paddock which pump up to a smaller dam in house yard, all fencing in good order, old yards, chicken coop, all this on 51 acres.

House 1. Modern Timber kitchen-dining-lounge with split air conditioning and wood heater, one bedroom with aircon, roomy bathroom with shower over bath, large deck overlooking paddocks, gardens.

House 2. One bedroom-kitchen-lounge, separate shower and toilet with ceiling fan, awning at front of dwelling

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A Moment – with Murgon Local Ambulance Committee

Murgon LAC was delighted to welcome three new members at the Annual General Meeting in August. With a busy year ahead, their assistance will be greatly appreciated.

In September, LAC members attended the Wondai Show and the CTC Community event in Murgon. Focus was *Cardio-Pulmonary Resuscitation(CPR)* and use of an *Automated External Defibrillator(AED)* – with participants (of all ages!) involved in hands-on experience. Basic *First Aid Handy Hints* booklets, *snakebite awareness* pamphlets and *Emergency App+* information cards were also distributed.

A **RESQ ROOOS** basic First Aid program at Wheatlands State School also concluded in September. During Term 3, Years 5/6 students had participated in activities to recognize and respond to a variety of medical emergencies. In the final session, 14 student completed **CPR Awareness**, a state-wide program for adults, teens and older children, promoted by the Queensland Ambulance Service.

In October, those LAC members involved in delivering training programs had the opportunity to update their own accredited training. Kingaroy LAC hosted an intensive training day for members from Kingaroy, Murgon, Nanango and Proston, conducted by guest presenter and paramedic, Michelle, from Toowoomba. Both CPR and a comprehensive range of First Aid topics were covered in an excellent

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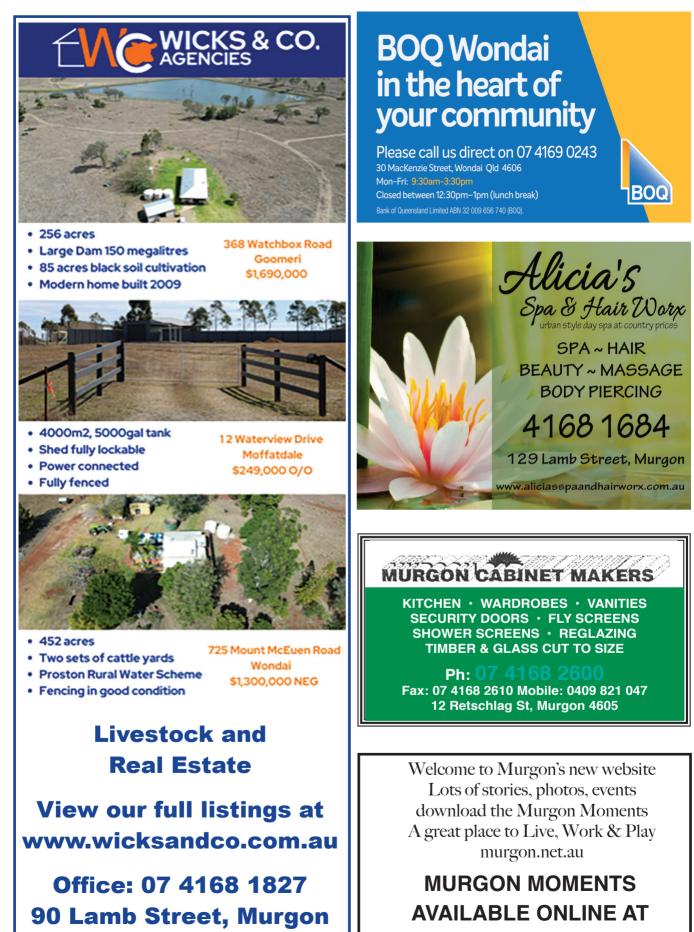
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- and tiring! – day's program. Exciting news was that a wider range of "awareness" programs for LAC delivery to community groups is being introduced.

Final major activity for October will be a Regional LAC Forum to be conducted at Dalby. Forums are open to LAC members from stations throughout the Darling Downs and South-West Region and provide updates on what is happening in Queensland Ambulance Service at both state and regional levels, as well as opportunities to share information between LACs. (This will be the first forum since COVID.)

Thank you for spending a Moment with Murgon LAC.





Murgon.net.au/murgon moments

Upgrades to Amenities block at Lions Park Kingaroy

South Burnett Regional Council is pleased to announce that construction will commence on Monday 23 October 2023 for a new amenities block at Lions Park in Kingaroy.

The new building will provide two accessible toilets, two ambulant compliant cubicles and a further two unisex cubicles. The existing amenities block will remain open to the public during construction and on completion will be demolished.

This refurbishment is being funded under the State Government's Works for Queensland round 4 program.

In advance, Council wishes to apologise for any inconvenience these upgrades may cause and thanks the community for their understanding.

For further information on these upgrades contact Council's Facilities and Parks team on 4189 9100 or email info@sbrc.qld.gov.au.





CLOSING TIME

For all news items and advertisements is the 20th of each month and they are e-mailed to

murgonbusiness@bigpond.com



86 Lamb Street, Murgon Qld 4605. Ph: 07 4168 1600, Mobile: 0418 784 493, Email: tracey@acrosscountry.com.au



WONDAI - Lovely 4 bedroom home with ensuite and walk in robe, open plan lounge & dining, kitchen with split air conditioning, second living area, ceiling fans in all bedrooms,

colourbond fenced backyard, double remote control garage, above ground pool and spa.

This property also has a water tank WONDAI. Offers Over \$499,000



Murgon - Exclusive 3 Bedroom house with a fly screened enclosed veranda. Air-con in main bedroom and loungeroom. 6.6kw solar system with

5kw battery. Ceiling fans throughout. Block size 5154m2, fenced on 3 sides. Tank and town water. Septic system, no sewerage connected. Rates approx \$1250 every 6months MURGON \$450,000



Wondai -4 Bedroom brick home, 3 with built-ins. Main room has walk in robe, air-con & ensuite. Loungeroom plus a rumpus room both with air-con. Near new kitchen with dishwasher and

tank tap. Outdoor entertainment area covered with concrete flooring. Double lock up garage with remote and a 2.5KW solar system. Tinted glass and security screens on all external doors. **PRICE \$590,000**



Wondai - 3 Bedroom Brick home, positioned back from the road on 1HA of land. Practical kitchen, dining and lounge with Air-con and

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'OUTLAWED TOURING PRESENTS'

LEAVING JACKSON

Experience LEAVING JACKSON this year. After performing sold out shows throughout Australia and New Zealand, Leaving Jackson: The Johnny Cash and June Carter Show returns with a bigger show than ever. All the hits and stories that captured the life of a LEGEND -From the famous "Walk the Line" and "Folsom Prison Blues" to the Legendary songs of the "Highway Men" Leaving Jackson will perform them all.

Starring Jeff Carter Jnr and Narelle Ryan, backed by a full band, 'Leaving Jackson' presents an energizing show that captures the spirit of Johnny Cash. Following successful tours in Australia and New Zealand, the return of Leaving Jackson brings an even more impactful performance. With timeless hits that define a legend's life, from "Walk the Line" to the haunting "Folsom Prison Blues" and the stirring melodies of the "Highway Men," the show promises to lift spirits and ignite resilience.

This event is not just a show, it's a chance for the community to come together, seeking solace in the music and tales of a true icon. Leaving Jackson: The Johnny Cash and June Carter Show stands as a testament to the strength of music and communal gatherings in fostering social recovery and resilience, uniting individuals and communities. It's a night that will be cherished for its music, its message, and the unity it brings to the community.



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Date: Friday 8 December 2023 Location: Kingaroy Town Hall Time: 7.30pm to 10pm

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This project received grant funding from the Australian Government



We sadly mourn the loss of:

FISHER, Kurt Douglas "Lippy", Late of Cherbourg

LANGTON, George Carl, Late of Cherbourg

BONE, Sakyre David Godfrey Charles Matthew Gene, Late of Cherbourg

Drought and Fire

While I understand there is a currently a review of how drought declarations are made, the Minister cannot wait until the end of the year to release this report. People living with the daily grip of drought need to know what is going on. In the meantime, I would encourage producers to apply for an Individually Droughted Property Declaration.

Not only are landowners dealing with starving livestock and dry dams, some have also been hit with bushfires destroying farming infrastructure and whatever precious feed may have still been in the paddock. In Cooyar approximately 2000 acres was burnt out (pictures below), with local property owners losing fences, cattle yards, sheds, tanks, timber and other infrastructure. I have written to the Deputy Premier and the Federal Minister for Emergency Management asking for a disaster activation for Cooyar. I am also closely following the the bushfire situation in several other parts of the South Burnett and thanks must go to all our firies working incredibly hard in very difficult conditions.

Deb Frecklington MP, Member for Nanango <nanango@parliament.qld.gov.au>

SENIORS MONTHLY Morning Tea

WHEN: Last Tuesday of Month TIME: From 10am WHERE: Graham House Community Centre

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Made in Queensland grants

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- Local manufacturers set to benefit from another \$20 million on offer for round 6
- MiQ is a hugely successful program with a total investment of \$101.5 million

The Palaszczuk Government's successful Made in Queensland grants program is set to deliver more jobs across Queensland, with the release of the round 6 guidelines today.

Further information:

Made in Queensland Round 6 application guidelines are available now. Applications will open on 16 October 2023 and close on 11 December 2023.

For more information visit: www.rdmw.qld.gov. au/miq



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2023 SCHOOL LEAVERS' GUIDE FOR YEAR 12 STUDENTS

Federal Member for Wide Bay, Llew O'Brien, has released a School Leavers' Guide for year 12 students as they prepare for life after high school.

"The 2023 edition of the School Leavers' Guide is a useful resource, containing a range of information designed to help year 12 students prepare 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 the alternatives and the support that is available to help them reach their goals.

"The School Leavers' Guide provides an up-to-date overview of the options, including 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 for downloading from Mr O'Brien's website at www.llewobrien. com.au

Additional hard copies can be obtained by telephoning Mr O'Brien's office on (07) 4121 2936.





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Lions District 201Q4 and Local Heroes Join Forces for South Burnet Hay Drive

Lions District 201Q4 [Sunshine Coast north to Rockhampton and West to Winton] in collaboration with a group of compassionate South Burnet residents who prefer to remain anonymous, were proud to announce a significant contribution to regional Queensland.

The South Burnet, as like many other

regions, has faced its fair share of agricultural challenges over the years, with extended droughts taking a toll on local farming communities. During this period, the unsung heroes among us have selflessly served as a conduit for those seeking assistance, embodying the true spirit of community support. The individuals behind these charitable efforts have reached out to help those in need, extending their compassionate hands without judgment.

Peter Coombes, Lions Zone 4 Chairman, wasted no time when he was contacted about the dire situation in the South Burnet. He swiftly brought the mater to the attention of the district Lions District 201Q4, and a unanimous vote resulted in this collective effort a B-double truck carrying top-quality oaten hay set out from West Wyalong, en route to South Burnet. This critical supply was transported by Paul and Gina, owners of Gleich Contracting, a local business.

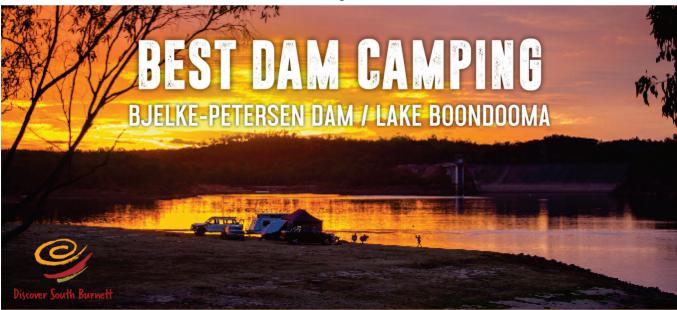
Lions District 201Q4 have done a lot of drought support and this is the first of this type [hay drive] here in Southern Qld.

Lions District 201Q4 also encourages individual applications for drought relief via the Need for Feed Australia website (htps://www.needforfeed.org/), which is project of Lions Clubs.

This remarkable partnership is a shining example of the power of community collaboration and compassion. Lions District 201Q4 and the dedicated South Burnet residents, who prefer to remain nameless, have come together to provide vital support for a region in need.

Everybody recognises the important mental health boost that this hay drive will provide. We are working with local council and the state on further support including mental health and suicide prevention.

Peter Coombes Ph: 0400 300 267 - Lions Club of Murgon



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Mobile women's health clinics upcoming schedule now available

Darling Downs Health mobile women's health nurses are on the road, travelling to our rural locations to provide free and confidential health clinics.

Our mobile women's health nurses offer a range of services, including cervical screening tests, breast awareness, sexual health testing and advice for issues such as continence, menopause, family planning, contraception and general wellbeing.

Community members are encouraged to call and make an appointment or visit our website at: www.darlingdowns.health.qld. gov.au/services/womens-health-clinics

Upcoming clinics will be held at the following locations:

Location	Date	Booking Contact Number
Warwick Specialist Centre	Wednesday, 1 November 2023	07 4660 3500
Wandoan Outpatients Clinic	Wednesday, 1 November 2023	07 4627 4444
Esk Hospital	Monday, 6 November 2023	07 5424 4600
Chinchilla Hospital	Monday, 6 November 2023	07 4662 8888
Murgon Community Health	Monday, 6 November 2023	0408 762 170
Kilkivan Community Health	Monday, 6 November 2023	0408 762 170
Clifton Medical Centre	Tuesday, 7 November 2023	07 4697 3097
Nanango Community Health	Tuesday, 7 November 2023	07 4171 6700
Goondiwindi Hospital	Wednesday, 8 November 2023	07 4578 2400
Crow's Nest Medical Centre	Thursday, 9 November 2023	07 4698 1176
Inglewood Multipurpose Health Service	Thursday, 9 November 2023	07 4652 0777
Murgon Community Health	Friday, 10 November 2023	0408 762 170
Child & Family Health Toowoomba	Monday, 13 November 2023	0419 669 340
Dalby Hospital	Monday, 13 November 2023	07 4669 0517
Breast Screen Toowoomba	Tuesday, 14 November 2023	0419 669 340
Millmerran Multipurpose Health Service	Tuesday, 14 November 2023	07 4695 3111
Stanthorpe Community/Oral Health	Wednesday, 15 November 2023	07 4683 3460
Miles Hospital	Wednesday, 15 November 2023	07 4628 5600
Proston Community Health	Wednesday, 15 November 2023	0499 816 454
Wondai Community Health	Wednesday, 15 November 2023	07 4169 2600
Jandowae Multipurpose Health Service	Thursday, 16 November 2023	07 4668 4555
Blackbutt Medical Centre	Thursday, 16 November 2023	0499 816 454
Kingaroy Hospital	Friday, 17 November 2023	07 4162 0200
Pittsworth Well Women's Clinic	Monday, 20 November 2023	0419 669 340
Tara Hospital	Monday, 20 November 2023	07 4678 7900
Murgon Community Health	Monday, 20 November 2023	0408 762 170
Taabinga Family Practice	Tuesday, 21 November 2023	07 4162 3116
Warwick Specialist Centre	Wednesday, 22 November 2023	07 4660 3500
Taroom Hospital	Wednesday, 22 November 2023	07 4628 9900
Oakey Hospital	Thursday, 23 November 2023	07 4691 4888
Chinchilla Hospital	Thursday, 23 November 2023	07 4662 8888
Esk Hospital	Monday, 27 November 2023	07 5424 4600
Breast Screen Toowoomba	Tuesday, 28 November 2023	0419 669 340
Stanthorpe Community/Oral Health	Wednesday, 29 November 2023	07 4683 3460
CRAICCHS Kingaroy	Thursday, 30 November 2023	07 4163 6566

CALL FOR FEEDBACK ON COMMONWEALTH FISHERIES POLICIES

The Australian Government is conducting five year reviews of two major Commonwealth fisheries policies, and Federal Member for Wide Bay Llew O'Brien is encouraging industry stakeholders and interested parties to provide their feedback on these policies before 3 November 2023.

"This is an opportunity for the local industry to have their say and influence policies on Harvest Strategy and Bycatch, and whether they are still effective, or need to be updated or amended," Mr O'Brien said.

The Harvest Strategy Policy sets out principles for creating sustainable and productive harvest strategies for fisheries managed by the Australian Government, and the Bycatch Policy is intended to minimise the incidental catch of species that can't be sold, like birds, mammals, and reptiles.

The Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry has prepared a discussion paper and survey that asks specific questions about the performance of the policies, and the feedback received will be used to prepare a draft report for each policy.

The discussion paper and survey can be found at https://haveyoursay.agriculture.gov.au/fisheries-policy-reviews.



Wildlife Rescue South Burnett Inc. Covering the South Burnett and Surrounds Carers 24hrs 0499682908

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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

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"Fishing is a key driver of the Wide Bay economy and professional fishers in the region will have their own opinions on the effectiveness of these policies, and the impacts they have on the productivity and sustainability of the industry, and I encourage them to have their say," Mr O'Brien said.

Decision on Telecommunication Facility Appeal

On 22 February 2023, South Burnett Regional Council resolved to refuse a development application for a Development Permit for a Telecommunications Facility located at Redman's Road Coolabunia. This was resolved after extensive discussions, with several councillors absenting themselves after declaring a conflict in this matter. Subsequently, the applicant lodged an appeal to the Planning and Environment Court. The court ordered mediation in this matter which has taken place over several months, and legal advice recommended that it was in the best interest of the Council to negotiate a suitably conditioned approval to resolve the appeal.

Based on this advice and mediation process, the Court decision was made to grant the approval with conditions after the court ordered mediation and process on Wednesday 18 October 2023.



Happy Birthday Valerie



Valerie June Parkinson celebrates 90 years. Born in 1933 to Violet and Percy Megee, Valerie celebrates her 90th birthday. Travelling from Victoria and braving the Qld heat, Valerie celebrates surrounded by family at her son's place in Nanango. Valerie has 11 children, over 60 grandchildren, over 46 great grandchildren and over 15 great great grandchildren. Her family from near and far have sent cards as a surprise on the day. With love from your family Valerie we hope you enjoy your special day.

Ready Steady Recycle Community Survey

South Burnett Regional Council is seeking feedback from the community on the new recycling bin service introduced in January 2023.

Residents have embraced the new recycling service and are actively helping to divert waste away from landfills, ensuring the longevity of the South Burnett landfills and minimising costs associated with waste levy payments paid to the State Government.

For the continued success of the recycling service, we encourage the community to complete the survey and share any tips or comments on how you recycle at home. Scan the QR code below or follow the link.

SBRC Community Survey: Ready. Steady. Recycle. (surveymonkey.com)

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



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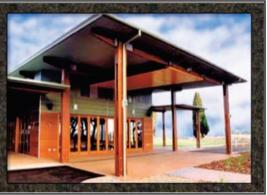


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This event is hosted by Wheatlands State School P&C to raise funds to enhance our school's educational resources and provide students with an improved learning experience.

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- Cash Bar, Raffles, 18+ event, 18th November 2023, Doors open 6.45pm, Show starts 8.00pm

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Cr Kathy Duff declares she will run for Mayor



Cr Kathy Duff has announced that she will run for Mayor of the South Burnett Regional Council at the 16th March 2024 Local Government election. With over 20 years as a South Burnett Councillor, Wondai Shire Councillor, and former Deputy Mayor, Cr Duff said she has the time, energy, experience, and passion required to serve the community and take the region forward. "With Mayor Otto's public statement that he will not contest the next election, I am humbled to have his full support along with countless messages of encouragement from locals throughout the South Burnett who have called for me to step up and run for Mayor." Cr Duff said that our community is seeing increasing rates and, in many cases, less services. I am committed to a five-point plan to deliver an effective, industrious Council that supports our region. The plan is to:

"I know the community want a Council that spends the ratepayer dollar as if it were their own, and the Council I lead will do just that" Cr Duff said. I have mentioned my plan about returning local depots and local jobs and people get excited. The community are asking for better roads and they want pot holes fixed instead of being circled, they want less red tape and a customer-focused Council asking, 'How can I make

this work for you? The community have spoken loudly to keep the divisional councillors to make sure every corner of the South Burnett has a voice and to ensure that available funds and services are distributed fairly across the whole region. Cr Duff noted the importance of the next election, stating 'The next four years will be our opportunity to see a Council that works for our community, serves our community, goes the extra mile for our community and one that we can all be proud of.'

STATEMENT FROM MAYOR BRETT OTTO - SOUTH BURNETT REGIONAL COUNCIL

South Burnett Regional Council Mayor Brett Otto today announced he will not be seeking re-election at the 2024 Local Government election. Elected in 2020, Mayor Otto will continue to serve in his role for the remainder of the current Council term.

Mayor Otto said that his recent leave of absence had afforded him the opportunity for reflection, and the interests of his health and his family would be his priority going forward.

"It has been an honour to serve my community since my election in 2020," Mayor Otto said. "Our current Council term started amidst the unprecedented challenges of the COVID-19 pandemic and has been marked by record levels of flooding, fires, and drought ever since."

Despite these challenges, Mayor Otto said he had a positive view of his time in office, stating "It has been a privilege to lead the South Burnett through these trying times, and it is testament to the resilience of our community that we have been able to achieve some excellent outcomes over the past three and a half years."

"The role of Mayor has afforded me the opportunity to fight for our fair share from higher levels of government and to reinforce the tremendous sense of community pride that define our residents. Moreover, I am proud to have led the fight to support our communities, fix our parks and gardens, and improve Council's service delivery throughout the region."

"My work has centred around a hands-on philosophy when confronting the issues that face the South Burnett and I'm grateful for the opportunity to have laid the groundwork for a prosperous future.

Mayor Otto said he was looking forward to thanking and recognising those who have helped and supported him as he approaches the end of his term – I would like to recognise my fellow Councillors, and CEO Mark Pitt for his support and guidance. I would like to acknowledge the commitment and support of the Council staff and also the many volunteers across our communities who together continue to make the South Burnett a unique and wonderful place to live, work and play.

I want to particularly thank my wife, Ros, and my children, Cassie,, Nick, Alex and Katelin and all my family and friends.



New shop opens at Bert Button Lookout at Cherbourg



Congratulations Heath Sander and the Murgon Rotary Club and Ross Wessling and the Tablelands Hall Committee on a packed hall with around 18 community groups and service clubs represented at the hall fundraiser with special guest Brock who talked about his life and how he ended up as a Murgon Policeman. The night raised over \$3000 with the bar money still to come in

What's on © South Burnett Libraries



November 2023 | www.southburnett.qld.gov.au/libraries

School Holiday Activities

South Burnett Libraries will once again be hosting school holiday activities during the summer break with several in-house sessions planned at each branch. Our libraries will also have take-home craft packs available, so be sure to drop in and see what's available to keep holiday boredom at bay! Keep an eye on our social media pages for session dates and times.

South Burnett Libraries Resume Child Health Clinic Visits at the Kingaroy Hospital

On Tuesday 14 November 2023, library staff will attend the Child Health Clinic located at the front of the Kingaroy Hospital as the health nurses host an Expo Day to launch new screening equipment. Library staff will be available to chat with families about our First 5 Forever early literacy program and the sessions that we host at all our library branches.

Swaggie Man Events at Blackbutt and Nanango Libraries

Children's entertainer The Swaggie Man' will be performing at the Blackbutt Library on Thursday 30 November at 10.00am and the Nanango Library on Friday 1 December at 10.00am. The Swaggie Man encourages a love of Australian music and language that is both fun and interactive for the children and families that attend. We'd love to see you!



Christmas Carnival Save the Date! Thursday 14 December 2023

Library staff will join in the Christmas cheer by hosting a stall at the annual Kingaroy Christmas Carnival event on Thursday 14 December 2023. The library will have some lucky raffle prizes, a Christmas craft and as an extra treat the Kingaroy Library will be open until 7.00pm for families to browse and choose some books and movies for the festive season.



Discover the magic... @ your library



Movie Madness in November

Come along to the Kingaroy library on Saturday 11 November from 10.00am to watch a movie as a family for free. This month we will be showing The Super Mario Bros Movie which is guaranteed to be a winner for all ages. BYO pillow to be extra comfy!







McMahon Park and MILP Inc Community Consultation



Community Consultation

- Location: McMahon Park, Wrights Way Murgon
- Date: Tuesday 14 November 2023 at 9am-11am •

A community consultation is being held regarding a proposed lease/transfer to Murgon Independent Lifestyle Project Inc. (MILP) for a section of the park to establish units suitable for adults with disabilities and a care-takers residence.

Council encourages the community to have their say by attending the consultation.



For further information contact Council: Phone: 4189 9100 Email: info@sbrc.qld.gov.au



Website: www.southburnett.gld.gov.au @Southburnettregion

Exceptional staff and growing services celebrated in Annual Report



Darling Downs Health Board Chair Mike Horan AM with Chief Executive Annette Scott PSM

Darling Downs Health has released its 2022-2023 Annual Report, reflecting on the significant achievements and milestones in the most recent financial year.

From game-changing hospital announcements to exciting innovations and new technologies, it was certainly a busy 12 months for the health service.

Darling Downs Health Chief Executive Annette Scott PSM acknowledged the remarkable efforts of staff who continue to care for their communities despite an increase in the number and complexity of presentations.

"As we read about the highlights in this year's Annual Report, I would first like to sincerely thank every single staff member at Darling Downs Health for their unwavering dedication and compassion. Without our workforce we couldn't care for our communities," Ms Scott said.

Several key achievements outlined in the Annual Report reflect the major investment in infrastructure.

Early enabling works started on the \$1.3 billion new Toowoomba Hospital which will deliver additional overnight beds as well as new and expanded services to cater to the growing population. Funding was also announced for new hospitals in Tara and Millmerran, bringing with it the opportunity to build modern facilities for rural communities.

In Toowoomba, the expanded Emergency Department and new Isolation Ward were opened at the end of 2022, increasing capacity for the major facility. Construction surged ahead on the new Day Surgery complex, which will increase the surgical capacity for the region with two new state-of-the-art operating theatres.

"With so many infrastructure projects underway across the region, the expansion of services will help us meet the needs of our growing population," Ms Scott said.

"Through the launch of our Health Equity Strategy and Health Equity Implementation Plan, we demonstrated our commitment to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander health. This work outlines how we will achieve health equity for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people by putting their needs at the centre of how we design and deliver care."

Ms Scott also highlighted several other achievements outlined in this year's Annual Report.

"This includes the first diagnostic angiogram at Toowoomba Hospital, the first contrast enhanced mammography biopsy in Queensland, a new Primary Health Clinic in Millmerran, expansion of our teleoncology service and planning for the state's first trial drone program for medical dispatch."

To read the full 2022-2023 Annual Report visit the website: Annual reports | Darling Downs Health

2023 AGE PENSION GUIDE NOW AVAILABLE

The updated 2023 guide to the Age Pension, including payment rates, assets tests and conditions, is now available from the office of the Federal Member for Wide Bay, Llew O'Brien.

"Payment rates, rules, and other details for the Age Pension are updated twice a year, and some rules are quite complex so the Age Pension Guide is produced to ensure Wide Bay pensioners have access to up-to-date information that is clear and easy to understand," Mr O'Brien said.

"The October 2023 Age Pension Guide contains information about the guidelines, payments and eligibility tests relating to the Age Pension, as well as commonly asked questions and useful contact telephone numbers."

Mr O'Brien said a range of factors could affect Age Pension payments, including the income and asset tests, deeming rates, and other provisions.

"These asset tests and other provisions are adjusted from time to time and can change the amount of assistance that pensioners are entitled to receive, so it is important that people have access to the latest information about the support that is available."

"The Guide also provides helpful information about the Pension Bonus and Work Bonus Schemes, the Carer Payment and Allowance, and health and concession cards that are available to pensioners."

People on the mailing list should receive their copy of the Guide in the post this week. It is available free of charge and can be ordered by telephoning 4121 2936, or downloaded through the Helpful Guides section of Mr O'Brien's website at https://llewobrien.com.au/helpful-guides/





A well attended Annual Meeting of the Murgon Business & Development Association Inc

MURGON BUSINESS & DEVELOPMENT ASSN. INC.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT 2023:

This year has been very different, with firstly the floods and now drought conditions once again.

We extend a warm welcome to all our new Murgon citizens and Business Owners to become part of our family. We have an excellent number of financial members and Murgon's main concerns as always in the coming year will be to get our share of any new development, and establishing further small industry and erecting more houses on our estates, and the finishing of part 2 renovations of QE11 park. It was sad to hear of some of our businesses closing, whilst we also attracted new businesses and extensions to others. We are going through very hard times and we need each other's support by shopping locally. Our shop locally gift card has been a huge success.

Our whole community should be proud of our town and its achievements and be a part of it, and with your help continue to improve the local economy and our quality of life.

Our popular breakfast and dinner meetings during the year have been well attended, and we look forward to further input from our members. Evening Board meetings and meet and greet will continue in 2024.

Bjelke-Petersen Dam, Boondooma Dam, Barambah Bush Caravan and Camping, the Murgon Dairy & Heritage Museum and our 48 hour free camp have been major attractions during this past year and Murgon has thrived on tourism and the fishing has been excellent which has also encouraged the return of fishing comps being held. Remember Murgon is on show to visitors 24 hours a day 365 days of the year and it is our job to make visitors welcome and rid them of any negativity about our town. We in Murgon have excelled in promoting these opportunities as well as the successful Wine and Olive industry and our courteous and friendly nature and then combine all this with our World class scenic views, 1st class sporting facilities, our highly competitive business community and our festivals and fun, - Murgon is definitely a great place.

I would like to especially thank our hard working Secretary, Margaret Long, Treasurer Lorraine Goodchild, all office bearers and promotional committees and those who presented reports to our meetings. Many thanks to Lorraine Goodchild for the updating of messages and news items on our web site murgon.net.au and our facebook page.

Our Christmas celebrations will continue this year with Carols by candlelight and smaller entertainment organized in conjunction with combined organizations and the Murgon Show Society on the Murgon Show and Sporting Ground.

We are very appreciative of the support and patronage of The Cherbourg Community.

We also wish to thank the volunteers for their commitment to our town at the Visitor Information Centre and the Murgon Museum and those responsible for some of our major attractions that have included the return of the magnificent Murgon Rotary Music Muster injecting much needed revenue to our community, major Festivities at

the Wineries, the Murgon High School Annual Speech Night and Senior Formal, The Murgon Men's Shed Railway Museum, the Murgon Rugby League sporting events, the Anzac Day celebrations, the ladies Pink Ladies Golf Day, the Bjelke-Petersen Dam Fishing Carnival, the Easter Speggtacular and many others including our annual local show.

We are appreciative of the local police department and Government agencies for their efforts in containing crime in our area and their involvement with the SB PCYC here in Murgon and we thank Sgt Renae Bond and her staff and volunteers of the SB PCYC who have instigated many youth programs, Sadly Murgon recently lost Sgt Renae to a higher position at Logan PCYC, many thanks for your commitment to the South Burnett Renae it was always a pleasure to work with you and we wish you great success in your new position.

Remember "Lock it or Loose it" that was our motto

Whilst at times our town security cameras have created major headaches, more over they have been very helpful in solving and reducing criminal activities.

We extend a very big thank you to all our members and businesses, especially Teys Murgon, one of our major employers, Service Clubs, Police, Ambulance, Doctors and Medical staff, Graham House, CTC, SES, Fire Services, Security officers, the Murgon Hospital Auxiliary and the Life Flight helicopter who saved many of our young and old, and to all concerned in promoting "Magnificent Murgon at the foothills of Boat Mountain, in the heart of the Burnett Valley, part of the Great South Burnett 2.1/2 hours from city or sea and look forward to a great 2024.

The South Burnett Rail Trail is another success story bringing many visitors to Murgon.

We also acknowledge the commitment shown by our area representative Councillor Kathy Duff, Federal member Mr Llew O'Brien and State Opposition Leader Mrs Deb Frecklington.

Congratulations to those recipients of local and Australia Day Awards and to sporting representatives who have achieved higher honours.

We are currently printing 5,000 copies, 48 pages of our local magazine The Murgon Moments and have now printed 205 monthly issues since enlarging our local newspaper some 16 years ago, (special thanks to our newspaper experts, script writers, the many story tellers, our advertisers and committee's for backing this local news production and to Darryl and Lyn Koy & Phenella Hiron, Jo Kemp and the Murgon Post Office in delivering to the Murgon town and outlying areas). I would also like to thank our print setter Linda Urch for her understanding and help.

Once again during this past twelve months we have sadly lost some of our great community workers, volunteers and family and we extend our sympathy to all these families.

Murgon and our surrounding districts are synonymous with tough and changing times, and we look forward to better weather to set up our community for good summer crops, We thank the South Burnett Regional Council who have again worked closely with us and for the beautiful QE2 Park renovations,

During these past years many of our ambitions and dreams have become a reality, The \$3 million, 55 million years ago with our World Renowned Murgon Fossil's and Art Gallery opened in October 2023. This world class facility along with the Cherbourg Ration Shed, the Murgon Dairy and heritage museum, Wineries and Dams will attract visitors from all over the world. The upgrading of the old Nurses quarters at the Murgon Hospital to different health clinics (thankfully from a generous donation from the Pearen family), renovation of the SB PCYC toilets, and the erection of new homes on our estates will continue into next year.

But as always there are still some of our ambitions that have eluded us, more small industries that employ people, the painting of the water towers, and we are still working on others and one day they too will become a reality.

It would be remiss of me if I didn't also congratulate the Murgon Men's Shed in bringing back a 1928 Railway steam engine which will form part of their Railway Museum.

Before I close, I would like to ask for your special assistance.

A lot of us have held positions with this organization for many years

Please be fair to my successor, you have all done a fantastic job over many years and thank you.

I have been led to believe we have more than sufficient numbers for positions on the board of this organization going into 2024.

Please, if you feel you need a break, enjoy your rest, and please step back as my successor will need a lot of active assistance with new ideas that are being talked about.

We need new blood and new ideas to move this organization forward and keep this well respected organization held in high regard by people of Murgon and the South Burnett.

Take a look at our town through the eyes of our visitors, it is a very vibrant country town and you should be congratulated.

Remember STAY AWHILE – TRY LOCAL - &- BE SURPRISED

And have a safe and wonderful Christmas and a happy and prosperous New Year and welcome my successor to be elected here this evening.

Leo Geraghty OAM – President



The new President and team members, L-R : Amy Wicks President, Robyn Hallewell Secretary, Lorraine Goodchild Treasurer and other board members Lance Rea Senior Vice President, Joy Fennell, Leigh Hook, John Robinson, Shane Sippel.



Former long standing Secretary Margaret Long and President Leo Geraghty OAM who both didn't seek re election and who have guided the association for over 17 years. Between them they have put in a enormous amount of work which hasn't gone unnoticed, great community members... thank you for all the work you have done and continue to do.



REMEMBRANCE DAY - 11 November 2023



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 Friday 11th November 2022.

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 015 684 or 07 4313 3018.





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Murgon Sub Branch

MURGON RSL SUB BRANCH SENIORS CHRISTMAS COMMUNITY LUNCH

Thursday 7th December 2023 11.30 for 12 noon

Bookings open on Monday 13th November 2023 close at 5pm on Friday 24th November 2023 or sooner if all seats are filled.

To book your place please call 07 4313 3018 No Charge

Come along and enjoy the fun

No group bookings will be accepted. Individual telephone calls only. Please note there are limited seats available for this event

4605 CHRISTMAS COMPETITION "Your interpretation of Chris

Murgon Business Murgon Town Murgon Residence House Window Rural Great prizemoney for each category!

Entries by email to **1st \$300** Winners must *murgonshow@outlook.com* attendance at the Please include your name, 2nd \$200 Bush Christmas event on address, category and phone number. Entries **3rd \$100** 7.00pm to receive their close on Friday Dec 1st, judging nights will be Monday 4th and Tuesday the 5th Dec. from 6.30pm to 10.00pm.

Sponsored bu Col Pearen.

attendance at the Murgon Friday December 8th at prizes. Non attendance will be a forfeit and prizemoney will go to the next highest score.

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ENTRY FORM - 4605 CHRISTMAS LIGHTS COMPETITION - MURGON & DISTRICT.						
Entries will close on 1st Dec 2023.	Email entry form to : kathy.duff@	A and				
Your NAME	Your ADDRESS	Your PHONE No.	Your Email			
*Place a tick ✓ beside your catergory						
CATEGORY 1	Murgon Business-House Window					
CATEGORY 2	Murgon Town Residence					
CATEGORY 3	Murgon Rural					
			Any questions, please contact:			
			Kathy on 0437 020 705			
Entires close Friday 1st Dec. 2023.			Prize money kindly donated by:			
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Email your entry form to kathy.duff@sb	rc.qld.gov.auor hand it to Kathy.		1st, 2nd & 3rd prize in each catergory.			

Wondai Regional Art Gallery November 2023 Exhibition

The month of November will see the Wondai Regional Art Gallery hosting one exhibition.



"<u>From the lathe, to lense, to pencil, to brush</u>" by Ann-Maree Harrison, Dwayne Howlett, Alice Hauritz, Tahnie Hauritz

From the lathe, to lense, to pencil, to brush brings together four family members with interests in multiple art forms.

Self taught exploring new techniques inside and outside their comfort zones, art pieces have been created with the courage and support of family and friends. Each piece of art

has its own characteristics and stories to tell.

The resulting collection presented to the gallery is an interesting mix of art forms and mediums, textures and techniques. The pieces include wood turning, wood burnishing, photography, pencil work and acrylic and oil mediums.

"Kidz Korner" Murgon Kindy

The exhibition will remain in the Wondai Regional Art Gallery until 3pm on Saturday 25th November 2023. *The exhibition will be open 7 days a week, 10.00am till 3.00pm. Free Entry. Telephone: 07 4168 5926 or email wondai.art@sbrc.qld.gov.au*

Thanking Emergency Services during the current Bushfire Events

The Acting Mayor of South Burnett Regional Council, Cr Gavin Jones, today thanked the Queensland Emergency Services for responding to the calls for help and for their ongoing efforts during the recent Bushfire events.

"Crews are working tirelessly on a large number of bushfires across the state, and we are extremely grateful for their commitment and dedication, we urge the public to stay up-to-date with all bushfire warnings issued," said Acting Mayor Jones.

With the current bushfires it is a timely reminder to think about how extreme weather could impact your life, make a plan to stay safe and pack supplies so you don't get caught out. For further information visit Get Ready Queensland: Emergency Survival Kit List I Get Ready QLD.

"Ours is a resilient community, and it is during times of hardship that this shines through."

"I'd also like to thank everyone else who has assisted and is continuing to assist, including neighbours who are helping each other," said Acting Mayor Jones.

Due to heightened fire conditions, a local fire ban has been extended for the South Burnett region and will remain in place until 23:59 Monday 6 November.

Under a local fire ban all open fires are prohibited and all Permits to Light Fire which have been issued in the designated areas have been suspended for the duration of the ban.

To keep up to date with all bushfire warnings, updates and mapping go to https://www.qfes.qld.gov.au/Current-Incidents.

Council's disaster dashboard can be found here Dashboard (southburnett.qld.gov.au).

EDITORS FOOTNOTE - BLAZEAID

Should you need help in repairing fences this is the correct way

Advise your local council that you have 6 different property owners that require assistance with rebuilding fences etc following a bush fire or flood.

Request your local council to contact Blazeaid for an assistance camp to be set up in your area and the council to provide a suitable camp site.

If your request is successful Blazeaid will set up a camp with volunteers.

You are required to provide necessary posts and wire etc unless it is donated.

Blazeaid are not allowed to set up a camp without council request and approval.

Blazeaid would request local organizations to donate food etc to help in providing food to the volunteers, in lots of cases council would make some sort of donation to the start of camp proceedings.

Roadside Grazing Permits

South Burnett Regional Council advises at the October Ordinary Meeting of Council, it was resolved to waive the fees associated with roadside grazing permits.

Whilst the Sought Burnett is not officially drought declared, at this time Council acknowledges the need for roadside grazing during the current period of financial hardship due to the drought type conditions. The position of drought declaration within the South Burnett region will be reviewed in April 2024.

The removal of the fee is seen as a way of encouraging more applications to Council to ensure the correct level of public liability insurance is held. Roadside grazing also reduces the fire risk with the reduction of grass on roadsides.

To obtain a permit, landholders will need to complete an application for a "Stock Route Grazing Permit" detailing the following information:

- number of head and description of herd (sex, age, brand)
- public liability insurance details (minimum of \$20 million)
- · property identification codes and lot on plan numbers of where the stock have come from

• the area applying to be grazed. This is usually adjacent to the landowner's property, however, if it is not, Council may require a letter of non-objection from the adjoining landholder

To apply for a permit please complete the application here: Application for a Stock Route Grazing (Agistment) Permit (www.qld.gov.au) and submit to Council.

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

Come along to the

Friday 8th Dec. 2023 - 5pm to 9pm

Sponsored by Local, State Fed Governments through

Disaster Recovery Funding rrangements (DRFA) grant Bendigo Bank & MBDA.

Supported by: Murgon Show Society, Murgon Rotary, Apex

& Lions Clubs

SOUTH BURNETT

Xmas Carol

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at the

Murgon Showgrounds

Santa will be there! Food trucks, Canteen, Stalls, Entertainment, Ham wheels, Christmas Carols and more.

FREE ENTRY

Auction 6.30pm Live Xmas trees already decorated

"This event is sponsored by Local, State & Federal Governments through South Burnett Regional Council with a Disaster Recovery Funding Arrangements (DRFA) grant.

Community Bank Yarraman & District, Nanango and Blackbutt and the Murgon Business & Development Assoc. Inc. are also sponsors. Thank you for your support."

Contact Lanse:

0487 233 084



Murgon Centre Base Respite Challenge Day 2023



The Murgon Centre Base Respite annual Challenge Day is a flow on form our daily and weekly quizzes that are designed for fun, engagement and to challenge all who attend our Blue Care Murgon Community Centre. These annual challenge days only happen through the generous support from a few of Murgon's local business and the enthusiasm of our clients.

A big applause and thank you to Shane from Betta Electrical & Betta Home Living, Skeets from Murgon Fruit Mart, John from Robinsons News & Gifts & Amanda from Murgon Pharmacy for their support and donations that contributed to a wonderful day had by everyone who participated.

Overall Challenge Winner for 2023 was Allan Wilkins (centred holding trophy) from left to right we have Bob Wiseman (winner of two categories – Australian Sporting Legends & What Am I), Mariam Chantrill (winner of one category – What Country Am I), Allan Wilkins winner of four categories – Song Titles, Animal Trivia, Famous Faces & Famous Singers), Shirley Kehl (winner of one category – Flags of the World) and Les Kelly (winner of two categories – Screen Legends & Significant Australians



Murgon RSL Sub Branch 2023 Remembrance Dinner





Community champion Alan Eagleson's property and happy farmers collecting hay organised by Peter Coombes through the Lions Club. It was wonderful to see Graham House handing out bags with drought support information.

Murgon Men's Shed



6.00am Start 6.00am Start Saturday, 11th November 2023 75 McAlister Street, Murgon

HOME GOODS / KITCHEN / CLOTHING / FURNITURE BOOK / AND MORE

ALL DONATIONS WELCOME Call/text: 0437 773 062



BARAMBAH GARDEN CLUB

Members of the Barambah Garden Club visited the Moffatdale Ridge Winery/Vineyard on Friday 13th October.

The fifteen members who attended stood among the grapevines with owner Jason Kinsellar. He was asked about the beautiful rose bushes, established at the end of each row. Jason informed us they were planted thirty years ago, when it was a practice to do so. It was thought roses were companion plants for various reasons; but he could see no reason except they grew well in the same conditions as grapes and of course added some real beauty.

Jason continued with a detailed history of the family operated vineyard. He shared his knowledge of growing, pruning, and harvesting and told his audience just why Australian wines are

considered some of best in the world if not the best and why.

Controlling the 'temperature' of the grapes from the first bud to the final harvest is very important. Grapes must have enough sun and water through the growing season and enough cold when dormant to produce quality grapes for wine making. Soil management is also crucial. Jason prefers the manure from feedlots to enrich the soil. Fertiliser is also mixed with the irrigated water which is a drip system with plastic pipes. He uses roundup to strip the lower growth off the vines which is a means of preventing disease. The grapes are mechanically harvested by removing the fruit clusters with gentle shaking of the vines, separating the grapes from their stems.

The members learnt a lot from Jason's experience and knowledge, and mostly, how 'getting it right' was so very important for the perfect flavour of a perfect wine. The family have won many awards over the years including the Australian small Winemakers Show and the Queensland Wine awards.

The icing on the cake for Jason and his wife Susan is family. Their three children are employed at the winery which is an absolute bonus for them. In 2015 a new state-of-the-art building brought all the processing back on site to increase capacity to a staggering 10,000 cases per annum. What a wonderful success story.

The Garden Club members enjoyed a tasty morning tea with scones, cake, and fruit. The opportunity to purchase a bottle of 'Kinsellar Favourite Wines' was an added pleasure.

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

Qld Dairy & Heritage Museum Murgon.

Year 9 students from Brisbane Adventist College spent a day at the Museum volunteering. We were so grateful for the time given and what they achieved. Painting and gardening, jobs that the volunteers had on their to do list. They were a pleasure to work with. Thank you so much.

I always enjoy reading the comments that visitors leave. We recently had a visit from a John Cameron who was SBTimes editor from 1985-93 and 1998-2005. John wrote that he had attended the official opening ceremony and reported on developments



through to 2008. He commended the volunteers and said that they were a credit to the community in keeping the history of the dairy industry alive, an industry that was once the back bone of the South Burnett.

SATURDAY 11TH, NOVEMBER 9AM-2PM

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South Burnett Health & Community Services Expo '23



South Burnett Regional Council with support from the Darling Downs and West Moreton PHN are proudly hosting the South Burnett Health and Community Services Expo '23.

The Expo is an opportunity for the South Burnett community to engage with local services and healthcare providers, in order to understand what is available to them in the region and how it can be accessed for greater quality of life for locals.

When: Where: Thursday 23 November 2023 Kingaroy Town Hall Glendon St, Kingaroy 9.00am – 4.00pm

Time:

For more information please contact Council on 4189 9100





Australian Government This project received grant funding from the Australian Government

SOUTH BURNETT PARKINSON'S SUPPORT GROUP



Our October meeting was held at the *Murgon Veterans' Welfare Centre*. Guest Speaker for the month was local podiatrist, Casey. Thanks to Stan for organising the monthly speaker. Casey came well prepared with handouts, a *Powerpoint* presentation, and products. Stan was the chosen candidate to have his foot circulation checked and a personal silicone toe support molded. Casey provided the group with several handy hints for looking after our feet. A useful exercise to do at home involved writing the Alphabet in the air with your toes. The importance of keeping moving was emphasised. Casey was the judge for the morning's creative activity. This involved decorating a pre-drawn foot. Terry's efforts were recognised by the judge as worthy of the winner's prize. As coordinator Carmen left early, she is still to see the members' creativity.

Col picked the *Lucky Number* for the day. Special thanks to Lena & Kerry

who presented Carmen with a handmade card (by Lena) and CD (by Kerry) in recognition of her work.

Our next event will be the end of year Christmas Party DATE: Monday November 27th VENUE: Wondai Diggers' Club TIME: 11.00 a.m start

SPECIAL REQUEST: Dress up in your Christmas attire **COST**: \$20 p. person Friends and family are welcome to attend but must put their name forward by **TUESDAY NOV. 21st**. For catering reasons Carmen needs numbers for all attending by this date. There will be a 2 course meal with a hot roast and dessert.

Many games & prizes to be won on the day. It will be the usual fun filled event. Councillor Kathy is expecting to be there to keep the party lively.

For further information contact Carmen on 5486 1268

Parkinson's disease is a chronic progressive disease for which there is presently no cure. The local Support Group is a friendly group who welcome new members and supporters. The Murgon Cancer Group presently attend the Parkinson's monthly meeting and are valued supporters.

Water Meter Reading Program

South Burnett Regional Council wishes to advise residents that Council and/or its appointed water meter reading officer will soon begin reading water meters throughout the region for the half year period ending 31 December 2023. This will apply to all premises connected to the water supply schemes in Blackbutt, Boondooma, Kingaroy, Kumbia, Murgon, Nanango, Proston, Proston Rural, Tingoora, Wondai and Wooroolin for the purpose of recording water meter readings.

The water meter reading program will commence on Monday 30 October 2023 and is expected to continue until Friday 29 December 2023 and will be conducted between the hours of 6.00am and 6.00pm daily.

The water meter reading program collects information for the billing of water consumption that will be included on the 6 monthly rate notices to be issued in February 2024.

Meter reading personnel may be required to enter properties to gain access to and read the water meters. It is a requirement of our water meter reading personnel that soil or other material that is removed from any meter box to record a reading is returned to the meter box. This prevents drains from being blocked or ratepayer lawns being damaged by anything removed from the meter box.

For the safety of meter reading personnel, please ensure that your animals are enclosed within your property and check that garden vegetation does not obstruct access to your water meter.

More details about the billing of water consumption and other useful information can be found on Council's website www.southburnett.qld.gov.au.

Support Local Business by Shopping Local this Festive Season

The Local Disaster Recovery Group (LDRG) encourages the South Burnett region to support their community by shopping locally in the lead up to the festive season.

The South Burnett is home to a diverse range of local businesses with various produce, products and services sourced from within the South Burnett Region.

Cr Kathy Duff said, "Supporting our local businesses creates jobs in the region and supports our diverse and growing economy and community. Local businesses play a vital role in contributing to our region and supporting a sustainable future".

Making a purchase from a local business provides the region with economic stimulation and opportunities for the local business community to develop and grow their businesses within the region, so remember to shop local and support a local business this festive season.



Mayor's Community Christmas Luncheon Tickets Now on Sale

The Mayor's Community Christmas Luncheon will bring much needed cheer to the South Burnett on Friday 1 December 2023 at the Kingaroy Town Hall, with tickets now on sale for \$25 at all Council Customer Service Centres. This is an important fundraiser for the South Burnett with all proceeds supporting local families in need this Christmas.

Acting Mayor Gavin Jones encourages South Burnett locals to purchase a ticket and join in a festive feast for a good cause.

"Christmas is a time for giving and an opportunity to come together, by purchasing a ticket to the Mayor's Community Christmas Luncheon you will be helping to make Christmas a little extra special for those who may be doing it tough," said Cr Jones.

The Mayor's Community Charity Luncheon will welcome entertainment from Friends of the Shed as well as raffles with a variety of prizes generously donated by local South Burnett businesses.

This year's luncheon is proudly supported by Queensland Country Women's Association, Nichols Printing, Huston Motors, SunPork, Kingsley Grove Estate, Bunnings, Perie's IGA Kingaroy, Crow FM, Kingaroy RSL, Sunshine Mitre 10 and South Burnett Regional Council.

For further information contact Council's Executive Services team on 1300 789 279, 4189 9100 or email info@ sbrc.qld.gov.au.



Another wonderful Kindy's Ladies Luncheon. Lots of amazing sponsors, fantastic food and company at the Royal in Murgon. Congratulations Amanda Dennien & your team

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