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Carnival garden



Adrian and Gail Wockner in their exhibition garden at Highfields, one of five gardens that will be open for charity during the Carnival of Flowers
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Carnival gardens open

The garden of Adrian and Gail Wockner at Horizon Court, Highfields will be open for the fifth year as an exhibition garden during the Carnival of Flowers.

On show in the Wockner's garden, one of five to open as exhibition gardens this year, will be their Australian native plants which make-up 99 per cent of what they are growing.

The list includes dozens of varieties plus grasses, kangaroo paw, orchids and ferns.

They said they never intended to have such a garden - they just wanted a low maintenance yard which would allow them to travel.

But they said Lance Cockburn from Brookvale

Park inspired them with his collection and display of native plants.

Adrian and Gail say growing natives can be low maintenance, but young plants must be watered and cared for. Wet conditions last year however killed all their eremophila, a desert emu bush plant.

Their garden provides protection for quails, wrens, finches and honey eaters.

The exhibition garden section of the Carnival of Flowers was established in 1973. Each garden collects an entry fee and donates the funds to a selected charity. Over the decades contributions to charities from these gardens has been \$850,000.

Carnival of Flowers exhibition gardens open between 9am and 5pm from September 15 to 24:

- Val Pechey 5 Fern Drive Kearneys Spring
- Sue Hawkins 37 Murphys Creek Road, Blue Mountain Heights
- Cheryl and Ian Feeney 2 Blue Meadow Court, Blue Mountain Heights
- Adrian and Gail Wockner 5 Horizon Court, Highfields
- Jill and Rod Osborne 11 Horizon Court, Highfields

Social train journey for seniors

On a delightful spring day last week, Highfields Seniors enjoyed a social day out, first on the Westlander that departed from the Toowoomba Railway Station to Helidon followed by the return trip on the Toowoomba City Tours bus for visits to different venues throughout the city.



Fay Adamski and Shirley Ackland on board the Westlander bound for Helidon



Lorraine Ernst and Joy Fiedler ready to depart on the Westlander



Lois Barry and Ann Lebsanft at lunch in the Downs Steam Museum railway carriage



Jane and Terry and John and Denise, enjoy a cuppa and freshly baked scones at the Bulls Head Inn



Sue O'Brien and Dot Waldron admiring the Toowoomba Railway Stationspring gardens



John Sweeney and Mervyn Fiedler at Downs Steam Museum Railway Station

LETTERS

Salvos support The Voice

The Salvation Army is one of the biggest providers of social services in Australia.

We are a pragmatic movement, not really into empty gestures or performative virtue signalling.

I don't think in our 140-year history in Australia that we have ever been called "elites".

But we do support The Voice, simply because we believe it will make a difference.

For 140 years, the Salvos have rolled up their sleeves and helped where we can.

We started small by assisting discharged prisoners at the prison gates in Melbourne and now we provide over 2000 services across every state and territory in Australia. We support people experiencing homelessness, family and domestic violence, financial hardship, unemployment, substance use disorders, social isolation and loneliness, and help them recover from natural disasters.

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people are over-represented in almost every service we deliver.

That's why we support a Voice.

There is no escaping the fact that what we are doing right now as a nation is not working.

The Salvos will always do what we can on the ground, but the issues we see are deeper.

They are structural and systemic.

We believe the only way to practically address the hardship experienced by Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples is to change how the government makes and carries out policy.

We believe the best way to do that is to actually listen to the people affected - to give them a voice.

Not everyone agrees with us on this and that's okay. We just ask that people respectfully consider, before they decide on October 14:

Will the Voice make a difference for people who really need help?

We think the answer is a resounding yes.

- **Captain Stuart Glover, The Salvation Army Australia**

Reader queries intent of The Voice

Re The Voice: It is worth noting the change that has taken place in the YES vote protagonists since the polls have indicated a fall in support of their case.

The vitriolic response of Noel Pearson to Peter Dutton when the Coalition decided to vote against The Voice has been replaced with the sweet talk that The Voice is only about constitutional recognition of Aboriginal peoples and nothing more - just a small thing we are told for the benefit of all Australians.

A read of the Uluru Statement and its 26-page back-up document proves different. From this we can see the real intent of the

architects of The Voice is to have the power to receive compensation for past wrongs, to receive rent for land, repatriation payments, new permits and permissions, abolishing Australia Day and more.

A sample of what is ahead is seen in the West Australian Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Laws which proved unworkable and had to be rescinded.

None of this will help Aboriginal people in most need who are victims of alcohol abuse and domestic violence and who live mainly in remote communities.

With Aboriginal Agencies receiving \$100 million a day from

the Australian taxpayer, it is time for a Royal Commission into how and where this money has been spent. It appears not to be getting to the most needy.

If Aboriginal people want recognition in the Constitution this can be done through the Federal Parliament with no requirement to spend millions of taxpayer money on a referendum.

If voters take the time to research The Voice and uncover its real intent, then they will be able to make an informed decision and not rely on the mixed messages of the Prime Minister and his cohorts. - **Jeffrey Eacersall, Toowoomba**

Birds in our backyard

How lucky are we? Our regular visitors include King Parrots, Rosellas, Galahs, Cockatoos, Greenies, Peewees, Magpies, Scrub Magpies, Whipbird, Scrub Turkey, Topknot Pigeons, Bronzewing

pigeons, Honeyeaters, Bowerbird, Owl, Tawney Frogmouth, Little brown boppy birds, Noisy miners, Indian Miners, Butcher birds, Kookaburras Plover, Crows. - **Submitted by reader Ann, Old Highfields**

Fatal traffic crash at Merritts Creek

The Forensic Crash Unit is investigating a fatal two-vehicle traffic crash at Merritts Creek, north of Toowoomba on Friday, September 8.

Investigations indicate that around 11.20am, a Hyundai Tucson was travelling southbound on the New England Highway before it crashed with a Toyota Kluger travelling northbound.

The driver and single occupant of the Tucson, a 32-year-old Hampton woman, was declared deceased at the scene.

The driver of the Toyota, a 36-year-old Oakey

woman, was airlifted in a serious condition to the Royal Brisbane and Women's Hospital.

A 16-year-old girl, a passenger in the Toyota, was airlifted in a serious condition to the Princess Alexandra Hospital.

A 14-year-old boy, another passenger in the Toyota, was transported in a serious condition to Toowoomba Hospital.

The Forensic Crash Unit is appealing to anyone who might have witnessed the crash or may have relevant dashcam vision to come forward.

Haden Hall centenary

Celebrations for the 100th anniversary of Haden Public Hall are being held at the hall on Saturday, September 30, starting at 10am.

There will be a vintage display of vehicles, tractors and some market stalls.

Displays inside the hall will include early historic photos from around town.

Graham Reinke will make a nostalgic return for the festivities. After having provided accordion music for the hall's 75th anniversary 25 years ago, he will return for the centennial event

along with fellow accordionists Howard Handford and Colin Tonscheck.

The official opening will be performed by the Mayor Geoff McDonald at 11am.

This will be followed by speeches by Members of Parliament, the cutting of the anniversary cake and planting of an anniversary tree.

There will be a souvenir booklet produced for this historic occasion and other mementos available for sale.

Old fashioned games like egg and spoon races will entertain

children and adults and there will be face painting for children.

Morning tea, lunch and hot and cold drinks will be available during the day.

Kieran Lillis will provide musical entertainment during the afternoon, and a barbecue will operate from 5pm to 7pm also with live music.

This project is supported in part by Toowoomba Regional Council.

For more information phone Loretta 0427 382 578 or Donna 07 4698 8291.

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Gas from rubbish earns \$millions

TOOWOOMBA FIRST TO TREAT WATER WITH ELECTRICITY FROM LANDFILL GAS

Extracting methane from rubbish tip landfill, using it as a fuel to generate electricity, then using that electricity to treat grey water, has placed a Toowoomba Regional Council project ahead of all other landfill gas reuse projects in Queensland.

Toowoomba Regional Council last Thursday, September 7, 2023, joined renewable energy and carbon abatement company LGI to highlight the environmental and cost saving benefits of an innovative landfill gas reuse project.

LGI has constructed the methane re-use facility for Toowoomba Council.

Visiting the Wetalla Water Reclamation facility to inspect what Toowoomba was doing, were other local government representatives including Mayors, Chief Executive Officers and waste managers, from Goondiwindi Regional Council, Lismore City Council, Lockyer Valley Regional Council, South Burnett Regional Council, Southern Downs Regional Council and Western Downs Regional Council, and they saw how methane emissions from landfill can be transformed into renewable energy.

As TRC Water and Waste Committee portfolio leader Cr Nancy Sommerfield said, "It's not solar it's not wind, but it's still renewable".

The landfill is likely to supply sufficient methane for at least 30

years, even if no more organic waste is added.

Holes into the landfill are regularly drilled to access the methane.

The process of generating electricity from waste methane has been around for many years. But Toowoomba is the first to then use that electricity to power its waste water treatment.

Cr Sommerfield along with former Toowoomba Councillor John Gouldson, began promoting such a project in 2014.

Methane is one of the three most prominent carbon equivalent greenhouse gases (about 12 times as potent as carbon dioxide) and it is formed through the decaying organic material at Toowoomba's Hermitage Road waste landfill. (This was once the Bedford Street dump).

The methane is extracted under vacuum and piped about 2km to the Wetalla Water Reclamation facility, in Old Goombungee Road, and the pipeline includes a railway line crossing.

The initiative significantly reduces Toowoomba Regional Council's greenhouse gas emissions while powering the Wetalla Water Reclamation Facility, one of Council's highest energy users, with reliable, renewable energy.

Cr Sommerfield said Council expected it would save approximately \$600,000 a year in electricity costs (based on current tariffs) as well as collecting approximately \$150,000 a year in Australian Carbon Credit Unit and electricity royalties (based on current charges/royalty rates).

Since December 2022, LGI's approach has helped Toowoomba Regional Council reduce its carbon emissions by 120,000 tonnes, which is the equivalent of planting two million seedlings for the next decade.

More than 12.6 million m³ of



ABOVE: Inspecting Toowoomba's methane to electricity project: LGI's Jarryd Doran (left); Cr Rebecca Vonhoff; Cr Nancy Sommerfield; Cr Rob McKenzie, Deputy Mayor, Goondiwindi Regional Council; Matt Potter - Head of Water and Waste, Lismore City Council; Cherie Pugh, Waste Coordinator, South Burnett Regional Council; Nicole Collett, Manager Environmental Services, Southern Downs Regional Council; Todd Summerville, Planning and Environment Manager, Western Downs Regional Council and Cr Jason Cook, Deputy Mayor, Lockyer Valley Regional Council at the LGI Wetalla open day.



LEFT: Gas cleaner skid that cleans the methane that comes from the Hermitage Road landfill 2km away, before entering the generator

biogas has been captured, while 3 GWh of renewable energy generated and 33,000 ACCUs created.

LGI Chief Operating Officer, Jarryd Doran said Queensland's council leaders could save millions of dollars by going green as well as having long-term certainty of their cost of energy.

"Toowoomba Regional Council is a shining example of what

can be achieved when councils embrace green initiatives and implement environmentally responsible and sustainable practices," Mr Doran said.

"In addition to powering the Wetalla Water Reclamation Facility, surplus energy generated by LGI's Toowoomba power station can also be fed into the National Electricity Grid."

- Miles Noller

Oakey art exhibition

Members of the Oakey Art Group and Gallery will present a great collection of art in their annual members exhibition which will run from this Saturday to Sunday, September 24.

Community members and visitors are invited to the official opening at the gallery this Sunday, September 17 at 2pm.

Refreshments will be served and there will be a lucky door prize draw for an original painting. There is no admission charge.

The group, active in the community for 51 years, normally open the gallery each Tuesday and Saturday.

However, during the exhibition the doors will be open daily from 10am to 4pm.

Each year, experienced visiting tutors are engaged to hold weekend workshops in various media and a recent addition has been free guided informative and fun sessions by members in art basics. For more information contact Howard 0480 167 327 or Sue 0428 127 910.

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Goombungee public hall improvements

The restumping of the Goombungee Public Hall has been completed with the help of a second grant to finish to project. Other improvements include the fitting of a wheelchair toilet and the upgrade of the electricity supply and the installation of a new stove in the kitchen.

The hall committee ran a market day and swap meet at the hall on Saturday, August 12, and were extremely pleased with the success of the day.

Hall committee president Brian Matthews said he appreciated the way the people of Goombungee and surrounds had supported the day and thanked the sponsors WTG Western Group, Wideland Hino, Vanderfield, Brown Hurley, Daimler Benz, Toowoomba Bearing Service, Goombungee Chemist and Meringandan Produce.

The next market day will be on Saturday, November 25. For information and stall bookings phone 0407 965 472 or 0427 837 965.

Mass celebrates graduation of Year 12 Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders

WORLD CLASS EDUCATION - A PRECIOUS GIFT

More than 20 students attended the Toowoomba Catholic Schools' Mass for 2023 Year 12 Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander graduands celebrated at St Patrick's Cathedral on September 4.

Dr Pat Coughlan, Executive Director: Catholic Schools noted that the completion of Year 12 is a major milestone to celebrate in all young people's lives.

"Although they may not grasp it fully now, they have a precious gift that over half the world's population does not have, a world-class education," Dr Coughlan said.

"It is a gift to be shared, to help others achieve what they have achieved and to make the most of opportunities which come their way.

"Education is the great enabler to unlock and rise above the challenges and disadvantages which get in the way of people leading full and flourishing lives.

"Higher levels of education are associated with improved health outcomes, economic status and quality of life."

The Mass included a student-led smoking ceremony, Acknowledgement of Country and didgeridoo playing.

There were also messages shared to guide and inspire the graduands who were presented with specially designed sashes and a medallion as a memento of this milestone in their lives.

St Mary's College Year 12 graduand and a proud Kamilaroi man, Jacob Lasserre, began his secondary schooling journey with St Mary's in 2018.

Jacob said, "I am grateful for the opportunities that I have experienced while studying at St Mary's College."

"I graduate with fond memo-

ries and a great sense of pride in myself and my school.

"Finishing Year 12 opens the door to many opportunities for me to succeed and have a fulfilling career.

"While I am excited to move onto the next chapter of my life, I will dearly miss the College, but I know the friendships I have made will continue long after school finishes," said Jacob.

Brendan Stewart, Principal of St Mary's College said he was very proud of the graduating students.

"It has been wonderful to see these boys grow into thoughtful, knowledgeable and highly capable young men.

"I know they will thrive as leaders beyond the walls of St Mary's College.

Well done to all graduands, we are most proud of you," Mr Stewart said.

"We wish you the greatest

success in your future. We know you will take what you have learnt into the world and make it a better place."

Students from St Mary's College, St Saviour's College, St Joseph's College, Good Samar-

itan College, St Ursula's College and Downlands College, Toowoomba, Assumption College, Warwick and Our Lady of the Southern Cross College, Dal-

by attended the graduation.



Dr Pat Coughlan and student Jacob Lasserre



Catholic Schools' Mass for Year 12 Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander graduands

LETTER

Who's flying with the PM?

I am curious as to the introduction of tight security on VIP flights for the Prime Minister.

I understand the Prime Minister can draw adverse attention, which may endanger a flight and I ask if security is so tight after a flight, why would a person, in my opinion a civilian, not a politician, be allowed to travel on the RAAF VIP flight. Mr Albanese invited the ex-CEO of Qantas to travel with him.

This being the case, surely the members of the Australian public are entitled to see that specific manifest of passengers and to know the relevant reason Mr Joyce enjoyed the privilege of being a passenger of a VIP aircraft, when he, at the time was still in charge of Qantas. - Gordon Hoffman, Crows Nest.

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Jondaryan Woolshed celebrates 50 years of restoration

Celebrations at the Jondaryan Woolshed have marked 50 years of transforming a disused building in a paddock to an historical museum, festival events centre, and caravan park.

It was in 1973 that the Jondaryan Woolshed Preservation Committee was formed, and on Saturday, September 2, 2023, a plaque naming the 17 members of the original committee, was unveiled at celebrations attended by those who have been volunteers, committee members, workers and contributors to the centre.

Interest in the old woolshed, which had been part of the historic Jondaryan Station and Homestead in the 1800s, was sparked in 1972 when the Jondaryan State School was celebrating its centenary and required a venue to hold a celebration ball for 1000 people.

They cleaned up the old building for the event, and it promoted many to believe it should be preserved.

The woolshed was then 112 years old. The then president of the school P & C was Roy Grundy and he called the community meeting at which the Jondaryan Woolshed Preservation Committee was formed. He became president of this committee.

In 1975, owner Lawry Rutledge offered the woolshed and 12 acres of land to the community and the Jondaryan Woolshed Historical Museum and Park Association was formed, which Mr Grundy led for many years.

The Association held its first Heritage festival in 1977, and these festivals continued for 35 years with 24,000 people attending the 1987 event.

This was probably the peak period for the Woolshed, with 13,000 people attending in 1995 and 10,000 in 2002.

Old buildings from the district which people wanted preserved were relocated to the site, including an Oakey bank building which is the administration centre, a school, blacksmith, and many others which filled the vacant paddock next to the woolshed.

Old machinery was donated or acquired, and in more recent

years a line of restored windmills has been erected.

The Woolshed eventually proved too much for a volunteer non-profit association to continue, and in 2002 the Jondaryan Shire Council took over to maintain the enterprise.

The 163 year old Jondaryan Woolshed and its dozens of historic buildings which have been relocated to the site, its many collections and facilities, now involve not only management, but also an involvement of the Friends of Jondaryan Woolshed Inc. which organised the celebrations.

The Woolshed is entering a new era and is becoming an attractive location as a caravan park, particularly for grey nomads. Proposals for the reinstatement of an annual festival in 2026 and/or 2027, to mark the 50th anniversary of the formation of the Association, and the first Australian Heritage Festival, are being considered.

The Jondaryan Woolshed is now owned and managed by Toowoomba Regional Council, having acquired the facility with shire amalgamation in 2008.

- Miles Noller



Anita Polzin, Roy Grundy's granddaughter who spoke on her grandfather's behalf



Ian Stewart-Koster recalls his early memories

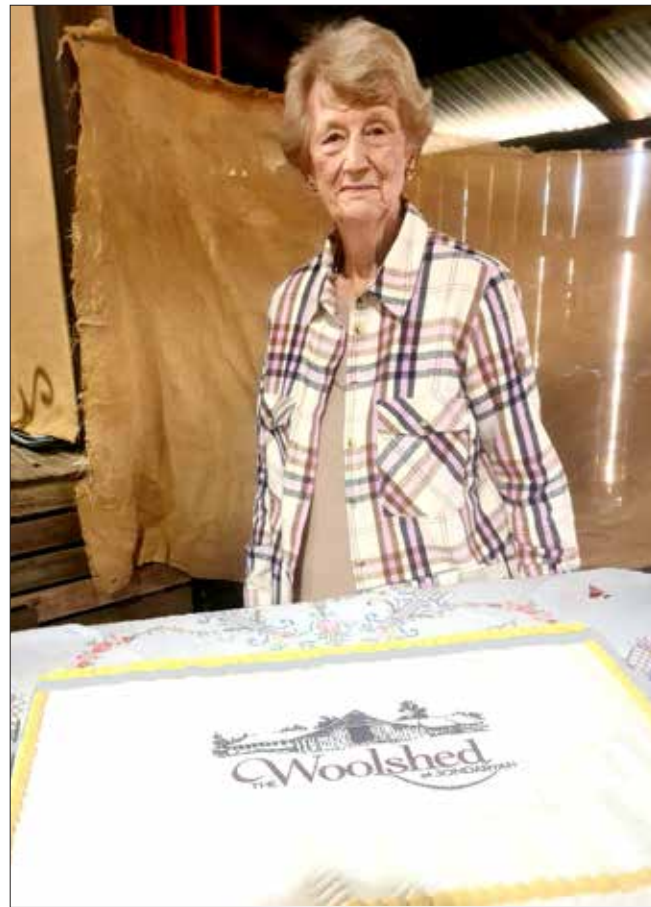


Mark Beckman - volunteer bullocky and a former staff member

• Photos by Ann Lomas



Tony Elliot (former State Member), Mayor Geoff McDonald, and Corrie Werth. Tony and Corrie were among the first directors. Tony Elliott spoke about the enormous interest shown in the Woolshed right across Australia in the early years, and he urged Governments at all levels to put money into its upkeep to keep it alive. Geoff McDonald described the woolshed as "one of the jewels in the tourism crown."



Pam Grundy donated the cake for the celebrations



Newly elected president of the Friends of Jondaryan Woolshed Shelley Burns, left, with members of the anniversary organising committee, back, Robert Campbell, Graham Turner and David Totenhofer. Front Jeanette Kummerow, Mary Lou Wicks and Sue Smith



Merrilyn Middleton and Anita Middleton, friends and workmates at the time, attended the first New Year's Eve Ball together where Anita met and married her husband, Merrilyn's cousin

Enjoy Monday Morning with Highfields Senior Citizens at the Cultural Centre



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Playing cards, board games and indoor bowls



Contact Joy

0459 370 246



Jondaryan Woolshed Preservation Committee

The committee was formed 50 years ago with the following members:-

Roy Grundy chairman, Lance Cockburn vice chairman, Bronie Thompson secretary, Richard Speed treasurer, Sophie Todd, John Matthews, Rex Teakle, Peter Walker, Corrie Werth, Tony Elliot, Reg Baartz, Keith Baartz, Sir Allen Fletcher (State Member), Tom McVeigh (Federal Member), George Cockburn, Jim Mosetta and Ian McIntyre. Their names are on the plaque unveiled at the celebrations.

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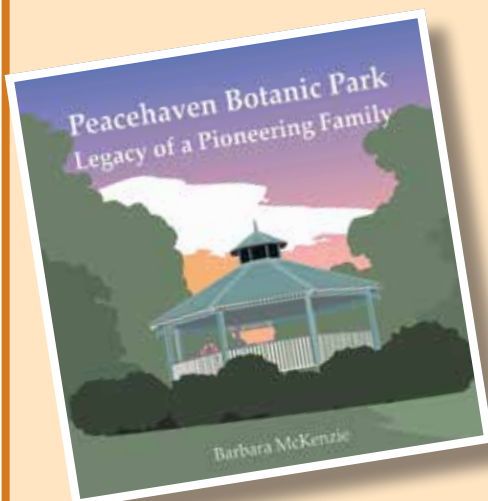
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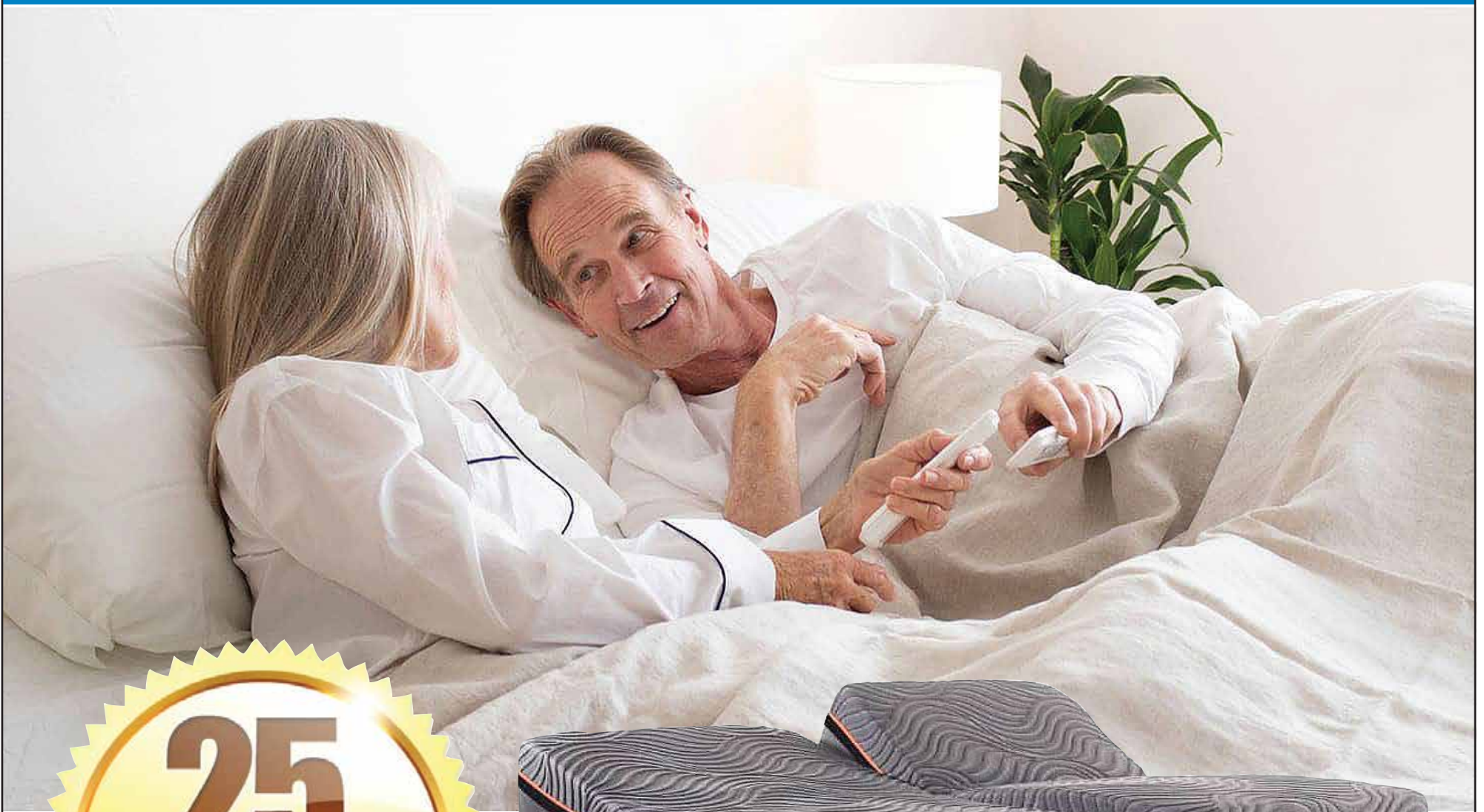
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Ambulance committee raises community awareness

DEMONSTRATING USE OF EMERGENCY EQUIPMENT

Ambulance officers and members of the Local Ambulance Committee were demonstrating the use of a defibrillator and other emergency equipment at a display in the carpark of the Highfields Village Shopping Centre last Saturday.

The display was to raise community awareness of the local ambulance committee who provide support for the local Ambulance Centre for equipment purchases and other community needs and at the same time educate members of the public on the use of emergency equipment.

The group meet on a bi-monthly basis and would welcome new members.

They are particularly looking for someone to fill the role of treasurer and would welcome enquiries from anyone interested.

For any organisations who would like to familiarise their members with procedures in emergency situations, this committee can arrange group demonstrations of CPR and AED.

Contact Sue Hamilton 0410 106 014 for more information.



Member of the Highfields Ambulance Museum Highfields Daryl Rice instructing QCWA member Gloria Jones on how to use a defibrillator.



Honorary curator of the Highfields Ambulance Museum Vince Little, with acting officer-in-charge of Highfields Ambulance Station Alister Batterham and president of the Local Ambulance Committee Nina Beardmore.



Selling raffle tickets in support of the Local Ambulance Committee, members Sue and Trevor Hamilton with Derrick Scheuer, left, officer-in-charge of Highfields Ambulance Station.

Everyone should have this book

All people, both adults and children, but especially the elderly living on their own, who take medications or have a medical condition should have an Emergency Medical Information Book.

A combined community service project by Rotary and Lions Clubs and the Ambulance Service, the Emergency Medical Information Book has saved many lives by quickly identifying details required by those responding in a medical emergency situation.

It contains a record of all your information and medical records needed if an ambulance has to be called and you need to be transported to hospital.

Each book comes in a clear plastic sleeve with strip magnets and once filled out should be placed on the fridge door for easy access by paramedics responding to the emergency.

When paramedics are called, a typical scenario is that distraught family members may be unable to give correct details of the patient's condition, their medical history or the medica-

tion they are on. Responders physically have to collect all the patient's medication in the house, try and obtain a medical history and take it to the hospital with the patient.

The book records all these details so paramedics can start to start treatment and ready a patient for transport to hospital quickly.

For those who travel and want to carry a second copy of the information with them, there is also a 'pocket edition' with most of the details recorded in your main EMIB.

It is important that both copies are kept updated especially with changes to medications so in the event of a medical emergency, you can feel at ease that you have your medical records will be with you to be handed to a paramedic or medical personal if required.

The books are available through the Local Ambulance Committees in Highfields, phone Sue 0410 106 014 or Crows Nest, phone Helen 0411 190 569.

The book can also be ordered online at www.emib.org.au

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Oakey police invite for a cuppa and chat

In support of the campaign "Secure September" on Monday, September 18, Oakey Neighbourhood Watch, Darling Downs Crime Prevention Unit and Oakey Police are teaming up to host "Cuppa with a Cop" at Great Country Pies in Campbell Street.

Cuppa with a Cop is a free community event being held between 9am and 10am where residents of Oakey and surrounding areas are invited to share a complimentary coffee or tea and a chat with members of Queensland Police Service.

It is an opportunity to discuss community issues, ask questions and get to know a little more about the community and the local police and the work they do.

During the month-long "Secure September" campaign, and through the National Secure Your

Home Day initiative, homeowners are encouraged to take stock of home security and take simple measures to improve the safety and security of their home.

By registering to participate, homeowners receive a kit with information to help reduce the risk of being a crime target.

Register at <https://secureyourhomeday.com.au>. Registered participants will go into the draw to win a \$3000 home security prize pack.

Also, for a chance to win one of three home security packs from Crimsafe valued between \$500 and \$1500, you are invited to take a short survey to share your thoughts about National Secure Your Home Day and how you feel about crime and safety in your neighbourhood.

Footy Tipping



FINALS WEEK 2 DRAW

FRIDAY: • Storm vs Roosters

SATURDAY: • Warriors vs Knights

TIPSTERS LADDER - TOP 5



1. The Fishbone 141
2. Michari Meats 138
3. Chris Brameld 137
4. Highfields Discount Drugs 136
5. Black Toyota 126
Phantom Freddy 126

RESULTS - First semi-final: • BRONCOS 26 d. Storm 0 • PANTHERS 32 d. Warriors 6 • ROOSTERS 13 d. Sharks 12 • KNIGHTS 30 d. Raiders 28

Barry Robinson

Crows Nest **NEWS**

4698 1301

Storm Warriors

First semi-final score 3
Progressive score 116



Pat Weir MP
Member for Condamine
4570 4100

Storm Warriors

First semi-final score 3
Progressive score 127



Ross and Marnie



4696 8240

Storm Warriors

First semi-final score 2
Progressive score 141

Michael Grinke



4643 8441

Storm Warriors

First semi-final score 3
Progressive score 138

Michael Zuyderwyk



4615 5600

Storm Warriors

First semi-final score 3
Progressive score 136



Andrew Hinton



4632 3258

Storm Warriors

First semi-final score 3
Progressive score 110

Tim Wicks



4691 1033

Roosters Knights

First semi-final score 1
Progressive score 126



Chris Brameld



Storm Knights

First semi-final score 2
Progressive score 137



Garth Hamilton MP
Member for Groom
4632 4144

Roosters Knights

First semi-final score 3
Progressive score 124



Phantom Freddy
NON-COMPETITIVE

Storm Knights

First semi-final score 2
Progressive score 126



Thank you to our footy tipsters. It has been an interesting battle for the top five spots right from the first kickoff. With just three games left now, Ross and Marnie from The Fishbone look to be sitting pretty comfortably at the top but Michael from Michari Meats has slipped into second spot and he and Chris Brameld could still storm home and be a challenge.

Wise choices can determine quality of life

There is a wise saying 'You were not born a winner. You were not born a loser. You were born a chooser.'

Choosing wisely can determine our quality of life in a variety of different ways.

It is estimated that adults make an average of 35,000 decisions every day. We are not necessarily aware of each and every one, as up to 90 per cent of them are made unconsciously; like whether to sit or stand, when and what to eat and many other everyday things.

More major decisions like where to live, what line of work to do, or how to spend our money, are also common choices that we all have to make.

In some areas, learning to choose can be hard, and learning to choose wisely can be challenging; especially in areas of responsibility, as our decisions affect other people.

Rather than be discouraged by this thought, let it motivate us to give greater consideration to the decisions and choices we make that are likely to be life changing for ourselves or others.

God has given us free choice when it comes to believing in him too, which is the most important choice any of us can make.

We can choose to love God or turn our back on him. He doesn't demand our love, otherwise it would not be true love at all.

Many people blame God for things that happen in this world that are not good, without taking into consideration the fact that they are mostly instigated by people that have chosen to do evil rather than to do good.

Even our health can often be influenced by our choices in terms of what we choose to put

into our bodies, and how well we look after ourselves physically.

Choices have been made by humans since the Garden of Eden.

Adam and Eve chose to eat the fruit of the tree that God had said not to touch, with disastrous consequences. (Genesis 2:16-3:24)

There are many other instances in the Bible where the choice to serve God or not, were given.

A portion of Joshua 24:14-15 records these words: "Now

therefore fear the Lord, and serve him in sincerity and truth; and put away other gods. Choose you this day whom you will serve."

A sobering choice is also written in Proverbs 1: 20-33 with the results of either listening to God, or choosing not to, made plain. The good news for those who choose to listen to the Lord is found in verse 33, "Whoever listens to me will dwell safely, and will be secure, without fear of evil."

This scripture reminds me of words from an old gospel song 'I'm safe and secure in the rock of all ages, and his banner over me is love.'

That's the heart of God towards us. Love. The most well-known bible verse puts it this way, "For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have everlasting life." John 3:16

Dear God,
I may not always have made

right choices in my life, but I ask for your help to make good choices in my life ahead.

Above all, I choose to believe in you and your love for me. Lead me on a good path so that I may come to know you better as each day passes.

In Jesus name I pray. Amen
Written by Lynda Georgeson for John 15 Christian Fellowship, Crows Nest. Contact David Hiscock 0448 982 919

Other life application articles can be found on our YouTube channel.

Tim Costello to speak on social justice issues

Rev Tim Costello AO has been invited to Toowoomba by the Missionary Sisters of Service and their mission entity Highways and Byways to deliver his lecture "The Big Picture - Living in hope and awareness."

Tim Costello is one of Australia's most respected community leaders and a sought-after voice on social justice issues, leadership and ethics.

Given Tim's extensive life experience, he will speak with conviction on a range of social issues facing the world today.

He will speak at St Theresa's Parish Centre, Toowoomba at 1.30pm on Sunday, October 22.

The cost of \$25 includes afternoon tea - children 14 and under free.

Book and pay by Thursday, October 12 using the Try-Booking link: <https://www.trybooking.com/events/land-ing/1082911>

The Missionary Sisters of Service is a congregation of Sisters founded in Tasmania by Father John Wallis in 1944 to reach out to the isolated and marginalised.

Their unique ministry was quite visionary. Their numbers were never large, but they had a vast outreach in Australia.



Rev Costello
Extensive experience

However like many religious congregations, their members are aging.

In 2010 they established Highways and Byways which funds projects in the spirit of the Sisters' vision.

Each year Highways and Byways provide small grants to community-led organisations for projects that address disadvantage and exclusion, especially in Australia's rural and regional towns and communities.

For enquiries, email hbqueensland@gmail.com

Weed free land takes steady effort



Native vines under roadside dust cover

Probably people do not want to be reminded how bad some weed patches can be (I have plenty of photos.) To remove the weeds and keep an area free of weeds takes a steady effort.

The recovery of native Aus-

tralian plants may not be quick

but gradually, many species show up.

This area had the lantana and privet thicket removed nearly 20 years ago.

Now it is almost "strangled" with native vines.

At present, the native vines

(five or six species) and shrubs/small trees (even more species) on this roadside have a brown dust cover from the dry conditions on the road

It is now home to whip birds and more. - **Dougal Johnston, Hampton**

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- 2.4M | LENGTHS
- 64 LENS | BUNDLE EACH
- 40 x 40 x 2 \$10
- 40 X40X3 \$12

GALV - STRAINER - POSTS

| 80NB - 90MM OD | EN/LEN |
|-----------------------|--------|
| 114 - 2.4M - 4MM WALL | \$50 |

RHS - PAINTED & GALV SQUARE

| 6.5M | PTD | GALV | 9M | PTD | GALV |
|---------------|-------|-------|-----------------|-------|-------|
| 20 X 20 X 1.6 | \$24 | \$25 | 65 X 65 X 1.6 | \$ | \$110 |
| 25 X 25 X 1.6 | \$30 | \$32 | 65 X 65 X 2.0 | \$130 | \$140 |
| 25 X 25 X 2.0 | \$36 | \$40 | 65 X 65 X 2.5 | \$160 | \$170 |
| 25 X 25 X 2.5 | \$44 | \$47 | 65 X 65 X 3.0 | \$185 | \$200 |
| 9M | | | | | |
| 30 X 30 X 1.6 | \$46 | \$48 | 75 X 75 X 2 | \$ | \$160 |
| 30 X 30 X 2.0 | \$59 | \$60 | 75 X 75 X 2.5 | \$183 | \$195 |
| 40 X 40 X 1.6 | \$62 | \$66 | 75 X 75 X 3.0 | \$220 | \$230 |
| 40 X 40 X 2.0 | \$75 | \$80 | 75 X 75 X 4.0 | \$260 | \$300 |
| 40 X 40 X 2.5 | \$92 | \$100 | 89 X 89 X 2.0 | \$ | \$190 |
| 50 X 50 X 1.6 | \$80 | \$83 | 89 X 89 X 3.5 | \$300 | \$320 |
| 50 X 50 X 2.0 | \$96 | \$103 | 100 X 100 X 3.0 | \$297 | \$315 |
| 50 X 50 X 2.5 | \$120 | \$126 | 100 X 100 X 4.0 | \$380 | \$410 |
| 50 X 50 X 3.0 | \$140 | \$150 | 100 X 100 X 5.0 | \$460 | \$500 |

RHS - PAINTED & GALV SQUARE

| 9M | PTD | GALV | 9M | PTD | GALV |
|---------------|-------|-------|----------------|-------|-------|
| 50 X 25 X 1.6 | \$60 | \$64 | 100 X 50 X 2 | \$150 | \$160 |
| 50 X 25 X 2.0 | \$70 | \$76 | 100 X 50 X 2.5 | \$185 | \$195 |
| 65 X 35 X 2.0 | \$97 | \$100 | 100 X 50 X 3.0 | \$220 | \$234 |
| 65 X 35 X 2.5 | \$120 | \$125 | 100 X 50 X 4.0 | \$285 | \$297 |
| 65 X 35 X 3.0 | \$140 | \$150 | 100 X 50 X 5.0 | \$340 | \$365 |
| 75 X 25 X 2.0 | \$96 | \$105 | 100 X 50 X 6.0 | \$400 | \$ |
| 75 X 50 X 1.6 | \$ | \$108 | 125 X 75 X 3.0 | \$297 | \$320 |
| 75 X 50 X 2.0 | \$125 | \$132 | 125 X 75 X 4.0 | \$390 | \$410 |
| 75 X 50 X 2.5 | \$152 | \$160 | 125 X 75 X 5.0 | \$470 | \$500 |
| 75 X 50 X 3.0 | \$183 | \$195 | 150 X 50 X 3.0 | \$300 | \$320 |

HEAVY - PFC - CHANNEL

| SIZE | 9M | 12M |
|-----------|--------|--------|
| 75 X 40 | \$200 | \$270 |
| 100 X 50 | \$280 | \$380 |
| 125 X 65 | \$400 | \$530 |
| 150 X 75 | \$530 | \$700 |
| 180 X 75 | \$620 | \$820 |
| 200 X 75 | \$680 | \$900 |
| 230 X 75 | \$750 | \$990 |
| 250 X 90 | \$1050 | \$1400 |
| 300 X 90 | \$1200 | \$1600 |
| 380 X 100 | \$1800 | \$2400 |

BLACK PIPE RUSTY

190 - 3M - 80NB/90MM OD

5MM WALL

19 LENS | BUNDLE \$100 / LENS

PIPE - PAINTED

9-2.19M 150NB x 5MM WALL \$140

RED PAINTED PIPE - 6.5M NEAR NEW

- 25NB - 33MM OD - 3.2MM WALL
- x91 LENS - RUSTY \$25 / L
- 25NB - 33MM OD - 3.2MM WALL
- 91 LENS / BUNDLE \$25 / L

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ROUND BAR - 6M

| | |
|-------------|--------------|
| 6MM - \$9 | 20MM - \$48 |
| 8MM - \$14 | 24MM - \$70 |
| 10MM - \$12 | 30MM - \$85 |
| 12MM - \$17 | 36MM - \$150 |
| 16MM - \$30 | 39M - \$180 |

SQUARE BAR - 6M

| | |
|-------------|--------------|
| 8MM - \$16 | 16MM - \$40 |
| 10MM - \$17 | 20MM - \$65 |
| 12MM - \$24 | 25MM - \$100 |

ANGLE

| 7.5M | 9M |
|---------------------|------------------------|
| 25 X 25 X 3 - \$30 | 65 X 65 X 5 - \$150 |
| 30 X 30 X 3 - \$33 | 65 X 65 X 6 - \$180 |
| 40 X 40 X 3 - \$45 | 75 X 75 X 5 - \$155 |
| 40 X 40 X 5 - \$70 | 75 X 75 X 6 - \$205 |
| 50 X 50 X 3 - \$58 | 75 X 75 X 8 - \$260 |
| 50 X 50 X 5 - \$85 | 100 X 100 X 6 - \$270 |
| 50 X 50 X 6 - \$110 | 100 X 100 X 10 - \$420 |

FLAT BAR - 6M

| | |
|----------------|------------------|
| 20 X 5 - \$15 | 50 X 10 - \$80 |
| 25 X 3 - \$13 | 65 X 5 - \$50 |
| 25 X 5 - \$19 | 65 X 6 - \$60 |
| 25 X 6 - \$23 | 65 X 8 - \$78 |
| 32 X 6 - \$30 | 65 X 10 - \$100 |
| 40 X 3 - \$22 | 75 X 5 - \$60 |
| 40 X 5 - \$30 | 75 X 6 - \$70 |
| 40 X 6 - \$36 | 75 X 8 - \$95 |
| 40 X 8 - \$50 | 75 X 10 - \$110 |
| 40 X 10 - \$60 | 75 X 12 - \$140 |
| 50 X 3 - \$25 | 100 X 6 - \$95 |
| 50 X 5 - \$40 | 100 X 8 - \$120 |
| 50 X 6 - \$47 | 100 X 10 - \$150 |
| 50 X 8 - \$60 | 100 X 12 - \$190 |

PLATE HEAVY - 2400 X 1200

| | |
|-----------------|-----------------|
| • 1.6MM - \$125 | • 8MM - \$630 |
| • 2.0MM - \$160 | • 10MM - \$780 |
| • 3MM - \$235 | • 12MM - \$940 |
| • 4MM - \$310 | • 16MM - \$1340 |
| • 5MM - \$390 | • 20MM - \$1700 |
| • 6MM - \$470 | • 24MM - \$2110 |

CATTLE RAIL GALV

420 - 6.1M - 115 x 42 x2 EN/LEN \$75

21 LENS / BUNDLE BUNDLES ONLY

GOAT - PANELS

- 1.2M X 2.2M
 - 8 RAIL | GRADUATED
 - 25MM GALV PIPE
 - PINS INCLUDED
- \$100 EA



HARROW - CHAINS

- 6M X 1.2M
 - 800KB | EACH
- \$600 EACH



U - BEAM - 12M

| | |
|--------------------|--------------------|
| • 150UB14 - \$560 | • 200UB29 - \$1200 |
| • 150UB18 - \$720 | • 250UB25 - \$1030 |
| • 180UB16 - \$630 | • 250UB31 - \$1250 |
| • 180UB18 - \$720 | • 250UB37 - \$1500 |
| • 180UB22 - \$890 | • 310UB32 - \$1270 |
| • 200UB18 - \$720 | • 310UB40 - \$1600 |
| • 200UB22 - \$890 | • 310UB46 - \$1800 |
| • 200UB25 - \$1000 | • 360UB44 - \$1750 |

ROOFING

| | |
|--------------------|---------|
| • CORRO - ZINC | \$16/LM |
| • CORRO - COLOR | \$17/LM |
| • TRIMCLAD - ZINC | \$16/LM |
| • TRIMCLAD - COLOR | \$17/LM |

PURLINS

| SIZE | C + Z - GALV | THICK | M |
|-------|--------------|-------|------|
| 10015 | - | 1.5MM | \$11 |
| 10019 | - | 1.9MM | \$13 |
| 15015 | - | 1.5MM | \$15 |
| 15019 | - | 1.9MM | \$18 |
| 15024 | - | 2.4MM | \$23 |
| 20015 | - | 1.5MM | \$18 |
| 20019 | - | 1.9MM | \$23 |
| 20024 | - | 2.4MM | \$30 |
| 25019 | - | 1.9MM | \$26 |
| 25024 | - | 2.4MM | \$35 |
| 30024 | - | 2.4MM | \$40 |
| 30030 | - | 3.0MM | \$50 |

TOP HAT ROOF BATTENS

| SIZE | THICK | M |
|-------|-------|------|
| 22MM | .42 | \$3 |
| 40MM | .55 | \$6 |
| 64MM | .75 | \$10 |
| 64MM | 1.00 | \$12 |
| 96MM | .75 | \$14 |
| 96MM | 1.00 | \$16 |
| 120MM | .7 | \$20 |
| 120MM | .9 | \$22 |

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| | |
|----------------------|---------------|
| • 4M - 2M - 800KG | \$2700 / EA |
| • CONCRETE ABUTMENTS | |
| • 4M - PAIR - 3000KG | \$1500 / PAIR |

FENCE POSTS PICKETS

| | |
|-----------------------|----------|
| • 1.65CM - 5'6" BLACK | |
| • 400 / BUNDLE | \$8.50EA |
| • 1.80CM - 6" BLACK | |

FENCE POSTS PICKETS

| | |
|-----------------------|----------|
| • 1.65CM - 5'6" BLACK | \$8.50EA |
| • 400 / BUNDLE | |
| • 1.80CM - 6" BLACK | \$9EA |
| • 400 / BUNDLE | |

BARBED WIRE - CATTLE CABLE

| | |
|---------------------------|--------------|
| • 2.5MM - IOWA - 400M | \$135 |
| 27 PALLET | |
| • 1.8MM - H/T - 500M | \$135 |
| 36 PALLET | |
| CABLE | |
| • 8.2MM - 7 STRAND - 400M | \$500 / ROLL |

PLAIN WIRE - GALV

| | |
|------------------------|---------|
| • 2.5MM - 1500M - M/T | \$180EA |
| • 2.5MM - 1500M - H/T | \$190EA |
| • 3.15MM - 750M - SOFT | \$160EA |
| • 4MM - 500M - SOFT | \$140EA |

PLAIN - SHEET - NEAR NEW

GALV - SHEET

| 40 - 1800 X 1175 X 3MM | |
|--------------------------|-----------|
| (CHECKER) | \$170EA |
| 40 - 1800 X 1200 X 3MM | \$170EA |
| 35 - 2450 X 1200 X 2.4MM | \$200EA |
| BLACK - SHEET + PLATE | |
| 31 - 2400 x 1200 x 1.6 | \$110EA |
| 5 - 2400 x 1200 x 3 | \$145EA |
| 19 - 3000 x 1500 x 6 | \$700 EA |
| 3 - 3000 x 1500 x 10 | \$1000 EA |

RHS - GALV - NEAR NEW

| EACH | | | |
|------|--------|-----------------|---------|
| 64 | - 8M | - 40 x 40 x 2.5 | - \$85 |
| 49 | - 5.8M | - 50 x 50x 2.5 | \$70 |
| 27 | - 8M | - 65 x 65 x 2.5 | - \$100 |
| 16 | - 5.8M | - 75 x 75 x 3 | \$120 |

RHS - PAINTED - NEAR NEW

| EACH | | | |
|------|--------|-----------------|---------|
| 120 | - 6M | - 75 x 75 x 4 | - \$170 |
| 81 | - 8M | - 75 x 75 x 4 | - \$260 |
| 200 | - 2.4M | - 75 x 75 x 2.5 | - \$45 |
| 60 | - 8M | - 100 x 100 x 3 | - \$180 |

LARGE DIA PIPE

| EACH | | | |
|------|------|---------------|---------|
| 5 | - 6M | - 273 x 9.2MM | - \$700 |
| 25 | - 4M | - 273 x 4.8MM | - \$280 |
| 11 | - 4M | - 323 x 6.4MM | - \$45 |

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2023-24 could be best for some time

AGRICULTURAL SECTOR REMAINS STRONG DESPITE DRIER CONDITIONS AHEAD

The release last week of the ABARES Agricultural Commodities and Crop Reports shows Australian agriculture, fisheries and forestry are set to have the third-highest yearly gross value on record in 2023-24, with production value predicted to reach \$86 billion.

Executive Director of ABARES Dr Jared Greenville said the Crop Reports, shows the sector is remaining strong despite challenging conditions.

"For agriculture, after a record \$92 billion result in the 2022-23 financial year, the forecast 14 per cent decrease will see value fall to \$80 billion in 2023-24 because of drier domestic conditions and an expected fall in global commodity prices," Dr Greenville said.

But his predictions for coming years are much less positive.

"As we come out of a higher rainfall La Niña period and move into a drier El Niño climate, it is expected that below-average rainfall and warmer temperatures will reduce Australian crop yields and production from the previous year's record highs.

"Total crop production value is set to fall 20 per cent in 2023-24 to \$46 billion. per cent "National winter crop production is expected to be around 45.2 million tonnes, slightly below the 10-year average.

"Drier conditions are so far having the greatest impact on northern cropping areas, with prospects for the southern cropping regions holding up after better-than-expected winter rainfall.

"It is also expected that summer crop plantings will fall from last year but remain above average,

due to lower rainfall forecast for spring and summer being buffered by high levels of water storages.

"Drier conditions will also mean livestock producers will need to send more animals to slaughter. As supply increases, saleyard prices for cattle and sheep are expected to fall; sheep prices are forecast to fall below their long-term average.

"At the same time, global meat prices are falling.

"These factors will mean despite higher production volumes, the value of livestock production is expected to fall by \$1.6 billion to \$34 billion in 2023-24.

"Production and prices outcomes will also weigh on export performance with the value of agricultural exports expected to decrease by 17% to \$65 billion.

"Farmers are also facing elevated input costs across key inputs such as fertiliser, diesel and labour. High interest rates are also increasing the costs of debt repayments.

"Despite all the challenges, it is important to remember that falls are coming off the back of record years which have helped rebuild financial reserves and our agricultural sector remains resilient and competitive."

The Agricultural Commodities Report - September can be read here: <https://www.agriculture.gov.au/abares/research-topics/agricultural-outlook>

The Australian Crop Report - September can be read here: <https://www.agriculture.gov.au/abares/research-topics/agricultural-outlook/australian-crop-report>

Non-GMO food market red tape slashed

Meeting the export premium market certification requirements for non-genetically modified organism (non-GMO) produce has just been made cheaper, easier, and more efficient for Australian farmers.

The Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry has phased-out the use of manual processing for non-GMO certification to 37 countries with certification now achieved through the department's electronic Export Documentation System, EXDOC.

Deputy Secretary of the Agricultural Trade Group, Nicola Hinder PSM said the change provides opportunities for Australian farmers to access

the non-GMO certification they need, more quickly and with less costs.

Certificate costs have been reduced - saving exporters \$113 per certificate for grain exports, and \$170 per certificate for horticultural exports.

There are also savings made by reducing the labour cost within DAFF, with a saving of 1500 hours of work per year.

A certificate is needed for each consignment that is exported and the new system allows exporters to print their own certificates on department security paper and receive consolidated invoices - saving them significant time and money.

Exton Angus BULL SALE

THANK YOU FOR THE LOCAL SUPPORT

Tim & Vicki Schmaling, along with their sons Jacob and Luke, would like to extend a warm thank you to the local community for the tremendous support shown at their recent Exton Angus Bull Sale (held Friday 25th August).

"We were overwhelmed by the attendance and support from local onlookers and buyers. It was a fantastic day to showcase what we do and the cattle we are producing. We're already planning for next year, and hope to see you all again!"

www.extonangus.com.au
Tim Schmaling - 0438 668 229

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FIELD DAY

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Marcia Smith (Regenerative Agriculture) & Mark Genrich (Soil Conservation)

- With input from the experts, be part of a workshop to help the new owner develop a property plan using a toolbox of knowledge and practices available today.
- Topics for discussion - fencing, water, track, cattle yard location.
- Discuss how to tidy up overgrown paddocks with regrowth, weeds and then establish cultivation and new pasture paddocks.

Venue : Ashley Volz new property 4313 Oakey-Cooyar Rd

29th September 9am-1pm

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Toowoomba - Sale Date: 4th September
212 yarded

Numbers remained very close to the previous week. The normal panel of buyers were present, but a major feeder operator was not in attendance. Quality varied in the young cattle and export section. Lines of light weight yearling steers to restockers experienced limited demand, with most classes of yearling heifers followed the trend of other sales selling to a much cheaper market. Prices for the small number of cows varied. Most of the young cattle sold to restockers. The medium weight yearling heifers sold from 124c to 198c/kg. The best of the heavy weight cows made to 188c to average 178c/kg. Light weight bulls to restockers averaged 208c and made to 218c/kg. Cows and calves sold open auction made to \$1,380/unit.

Dalby - Sale Date: 6th September
3,381 yarded

Numbers again reduced this week along with some prices. All the usual buyers were in attendance with added support from southern operators. Export prices remained close to last week with the only exception being the bull market which was well back on previous week as a major processor didn't want them. Trade feeder steers remained firm while limited competition was on heifers. Bulls - 285.2c/kg - Cows 224.2c/kg - Heavy Feeder Steers 310.2c/kg - Trade Feeder Steers - 302.2 - Trade Feeder Heifers 250.2c/kg - Weaner Steers 210-326.2c/kg - Weaner Heifers 120.0 - 222.2c/kg

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TOOWOOMBA CATTLE MARKET

Harristown Saleyards,
Monday, September 4, 2023

CATTLE SALE

Numbers remained similar with dry weather and water issues being a major factor with high supply and low demand. One major feedlot buyer not participating in buying panel.

- No heavy bulls yarded.
- Best Charolais cows A/C CHEYENNE CHAROLAIS returned \$1470.
- DAVID AND NADINE RICHARDS FROM KARARA sold 4 pens of Santa cows to a top of \$1100.
- Heavy 6 tooth Santa bullock weighing 725kg returned \$1364 A/C GRAHAN PUKALLUS FROM PLAINBY.
- Feeder steers weighing 510kg returned \$1110 selling on A/C RON AND BRADLEY TIMMS FROM HADEN.
- 4 pens of trade weight feeder steers sold on behalf of LEWIS PUSCHMANN FROM PLAINBY topped at \$951.
- Angus steers A/C MARK MOORE sold for \$944.
- Santa heifers EX OAKEY returned \$599.
- PETER AND SHARON BRAZIER FROM EMU CREEK sold 4 pens of Hereford x male calves to a top of \$596.
- Angus steers A/C LEO O'KEEFE sold in pen lots to a top of 308c/kg to average \$749.
- 6 Brangus 1st calf heifers with calves at foot sold to \$1380.
- Angus cows and calves A/C ROCKVEIW PARTNERSHIP FROM THORNVILLE sold to \$1320 with the second pen returning \$1380.
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Application ref: MCUI/2023/3147

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The Eagles love playing on the big stage and took to the game well scoring in the first 10 minutes. They completed sets and defended well in the first half and had a lead over the Dalby Dichards 16 to 6 going into the break.

The second half started off wonky for the Eagles with the Dichards fighting back to even the score at 16 all.

Both teams threw everything at into the game and it was nail biting to watch.

With time counting down, the Eagles half, Declan Ryan, took a shot for a field goal but missed.

With just five minutes to go, Dalby also had a crack at a field goal but it was charged down by Highfields' Harry Evers and recouped by Declan Ryan who ran the full length of the field only to be caught just short of the line.

With a quick play the ball, the Eagles spread it wide for Luke Cesari to score in the corner with only a minute left on the clock to put them in front once again. Highfields supporters were on their feet as too were the bench and coaching staff.

With the win, the under 19s have earned their chance for a back-to-back win when the defend their 2022 premiership title next Saturday.

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 - Wrinkled
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 - Boy's name
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 - Briny expanse
 - Cricket peg
 - English city
 - Unbuttoned
 - Lab picture (1-3)
 - Oriental sash
 - Forest clearing
 - Beach mineral
 - Girl's name
 - Records
- DOWN**
- Emerald e.g.
 - Make upset
 - Breakfast food
 - Licit
 - Less cluttered
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Sudoku Number 1094

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Sudoku Difficulty Level - Medium

SUDOKU RULES
Fill the grid so that every column, every row and every 3x3 box contains the digits 1 through 9. There is no math involved. You solve each puzzle with reasoning and logic. Each puzzle only has one solution.

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BOWLS

CROWS NEST: September 6 - Though shortened by the most welcome rain, Wednesday afternoon social bowls resulted in a win for Chryst Robins, Daryl Fraser and Don Ward and second for Roy Bell and Don Wagner.

No intracub competition matches will be called over the coming week or so in order to cater for our participation in the finals of the 2023 pennant season. However, watch the club noticeboard, as well as newspaper columns, just in case matching opponents become available.

September 2 - Crows Nest lost to Drayton in the seventh round of the DDBA pennant - good luck next Saturday in the semi-final at Gatton.

Watch the club noticeboard for pennant teams called prior to each Saturday afternoon's play.

September 3 - Crows Nest Men's Network afternoon was taken out by Lachlan Barnes, Bret Cannon and Bev Melit with David Auchterlonie, Bill Perry and Eseta Harris second. Many thanks to the members of the Network for your continued support - much appreciated indeed.

September 13 - McConnell-Richardson afternoon. **September 17** - Mixed social bowls. **September 24** - Harry Steabler's Memorial Day.

October 1 - Mixed social bowls. **October 8** - Management committee meeting at 9.30am.

New members and visitors are always welcome at Crows Nest. Contact Gary Baker bakescrowsnest@live.com.au or 4698 2197 or log onto our website www.crowsnestqldbowlclub.com.au or visit the local Facebook page Crows Nest Qld Community.

If you are looking for a friendly game on a Wednesday or Sunday afternoon, ring the club 4698 1450 before midday to get your name in on time.

For a game on Thrifty Thursdays, contact Bev 0407 749 293 before 9.30am to book a spot. - **Gary Baker**

TOOWOOMBA CITY: Volunteer rosters this week - Inside Team 6; Outside Team 3.

September 13 - 12.30pm: Wednesday social. Open triples over 20 ends. The phone will be monitored from 10am. Names in by 11.45am. Green fee \$15 includes afternoon tea.

September 14 - 9am: Our ladies team for Pittsworth Past Presidents trophy day at Pittsworth is Sue Martin, Liz Marshall, Adella Vosper and Bev Borey. Play follows morning tea at 9am.

September 15 - 9am: Friday social. Open triples format. Everyone is welcome. Green fee \$15 includes light refreshments. Be there or names in by 8.30am.

September 16 - 12.30pm: DDBA pennants Division 4 final. Our City team plays Crows Nest at a venue yet to be confirmed. The team is yet to be selected.

September 17 - 12.30pm: Prostate Cancer Awareness Day. 3-bowl open triples - 18 ends. \$15 per player includes post-game nibbles. All proceeds from the multi-draw raffle will go to the Prostate Cancer Foundation of Australia. Please be there by midday. The board is open for names or teams.

September 19 - 1pm - 3pm: Coaching/practice/roll-ups. All members are invited to come along and seek to improve their game. Club coaches are available to help. This session is free to members.

2023 club championships: **September 13** - 12.30pm: Mixed pairs R. Griffin and M. Frappell vs BJ King and J. May. **September 15** - 9am: Open fours W. McMillan, J. Cosgrove, T. Kratzmann and J. Fisher vs L. Marshall, S. Martin, J. Gooderham and M. Jones.

Weekly results: 2023 club championships: open triples L. Marshall, P. Knee and C. Otto d. J. Fisher, S. Cook (sub) and A. Vosper; W. McMillan, H. Shepstone and J. Malt d. M. Frappell, P. Hallam (sub) and T. Kratzmann.

Wednesday social Merv Jones, Trevor Conley and Michael Burke.

Friday social Carolyn Hallam, Jan Malt and Terry Kratzmann.

Saturday's Pennants Division 4 semi-final vs Souths 2 at City saw a close win to City by 60-56. City played well to win two of the three rinks. The final is on next Saturday against Crows Nest at a venue yet to be announced.

Sunday's Tedford, Lucas, and Bianchi Day was played in beautiful spring weather. 2 x 10-end games were played with Col Otto, Col Bowman and Andy Watkins winning game 1 and Liz Marshall, Mark "Pud" Waters and Ali Cameron taking the win in game 2.

However overall winners were BJ King, Jocelyn May and Margaret Neill. Thanks to our sponsors Bill, Don and Mick. - **Mick Bianchi**

NORTH TOOWOOMBA: Congratulations to all our pennant players who won their Division 2 today.

Well done to you all, and everyone involved in the pennants. **September 20** - Ladies Friendship Day open triples. Nominations need to be in by September 18.

Teams or names can be placed on the list in the club foyer or phone nominations to L. Mott.

Flyer from West Toowoomba Bowls Club for their Floral Carnival being held on Sunday and Monday October 24 and 25. - **Jan Leerentveld**

INDOOR BOWLS

St MARY'S: September 8 - St Mary's Club nominated two teams in the Friday night competition at TIBA.

The team of Margaret Tronc, Selwyn Tronc, Joseph Eskutics and Margaret Ternanov placed third. Thanks to you all for representing our club on these nights.

St Mary's Club holds social bowls every Thursday at the Indoor Bowls Hall from midday. Everyone is welcome for a fun afternoon, finishing up with a cuppa after three games of bowls, at the low cost of \$4. - **Yvonne**

TOOWOOMBA CITY LADIES: September 14 - Team for Pittsworth Past Presidents trophy day S. Martin, L. Marshall, A. Vosper and B. Borey. Morning tea 9am.

Congratulations to our mens pennant team on its victory in the Division 4 semi-final against Souths 2 at City. In a close fought match, City won 2 of 3 rinks to secure a very narrow victory by 60 to 58, a two-shot victory. Good Luck for the final against Crows Nest at a venue to be decided.

Friday social games now starting at 9am, names in by 8.30am.

This week's roster Inside No. 6, outside No. 3. Friday winners C. Hallam, J. Malt and T. Kratzmann. - **Bev Borey**

DDLBA: The 2023 pennant season was finalised at the weekend. Congratulations to all players on a very competitive season.

Winners of the flags for 2023 - Division 1 Drayton Green (Blue Flag), Division 2 North Toowoomba (Red Flag), Division 3 Laidley (Yellow Flag), and Division 4 Drayton White (Green Flag).

September 23 - Group 2 playoff for pennants in Cunningham District. Venue to be decided. - **Joyce McGeorge**

Springtime Gala



Sponsor Peter Russell from Specsavers with Toowoomba Springtime Gala winners, a composite team of Anita Gibbs, Linda Tickle, Margaret Ragh and Liz McLeary



Runners-up Drayton team of Tracy Foster, Karen Livingstone, Vicki Foster and Imelda Brumpton - photos contributed



Division 1 (Blue Flag) Drayton Club Imelda Brumpton, Jan Rollo, Linda Tickle, Lorraine Callaghan, Desley Dann, Margaret Ragh, Stella Palmer, Liz McLeary and Tracy Foster.



Division 2 (Red Flag) North Toowoomba Club Letitia Weir, Ann Jones, Lyn Mott, Karen Lavender, Brenda Shea, Sue McManus, Val Mahony, Del Clarke, Sue Ramsay, Joy Pauli and Jan Mitchell.



Division 4 (Green Flag) Laidley ladies

GOLF

CABARLAH LADIES: September 4 - 9-hole stableford. Back 9. Division 1 winner Michele Reimers 18, runner-up Margie Alcorn 15. Rundown Pamie Campbell 15, Rosemary Farquhar 12, Rhyl Walker 12. Division 2 winner Hazel Milford 15, runner-up Sue McNaught-Ford 15. Rundown Helen Walsh 13, Pauline Clauson 12, Mary Dwan 12. Pins: 17 Division 1 Rhyl Walker, 14 Division 2 Mary Dwan.

September 5 - Single stableford. Winner Michele Reimers 34, second Rosemary Farquhar 32, third Pamie Campbell 30. Rundown Judy Beste ocb 29, Gayle Ward 29, Rhyl Walker 24.

September 5 - Five ladies attended the Warwick ladies open day with Paula Heelan collecting the best net in her division with a score of 69 and Petae Frazier collected the best stableford score in her division with a score of 36.

This gave Cabarlah the maximum 9 points for the day in the open day zone pennants. With one game to play Cabarlah is in the lead with 57 followed by City 53. The final game is to be held at Gatton this Wednesday, September 13. - **Pam Campbell**

OAKEY SOCIAL: September 10 - We played an American foursomes. Winners on countback 29½ net Bob Costello and Stan Gillis, runners-up Mark Morgan and Harry Wirth.

Pins and approaches 10 L. Bartley, 11 M. Morgan 12 A. Cherry, 14 B. McDonald, 15 B. Costello, 16 under 60 and with an eagle T. King, over 60 R. Dearling, 17 M. Morgan.

Long drives A grade A. Cherry, B grade S. Lucht, over 60 B. McDonald.

Members number - 44 I. McDonald present for \$20. Raffles - 3 A. Cherry and 90 G. Lang.

September 17 - We play single stab on the front nine with a 6.30am tee off. - **Flynn/Leonard**



Winners Stan Gillis and Bob Costello, and runners-up Harry Wirth and Mark Morgan

GOOMBUNGEE: September 7 - Men's single stableford, Gary Buckley and Shane Hughes trophy and ladies single stroke monthly club trophy. Winner men Dave Scutt 40, ladies Jan Mullins 69 net. Rundown men M. Jocusens, D. Cass, G. Buckley, ladies R. Drowley, R. Purcell, A. Cass. Approaches 3/12 G. Schull, 5/14 D. Holzheimer, 6/15 A. Bryce. Ladies 3/12 V. Hartland, 5/14 R. Drowley, 6/15 V. Hartland. Putts J. Mullins.

September 8 - Nine-hole chook run winner Gary Linane, runner-up Doug Kelly.

September 10 - Goombungee v. Oakey at Oakey. Inter-club winners Oakey 419 to Goombungee 385. Goombungee winners men Gary Shea 36, ladies Robyn Drowley 38, and runners-up men Bill Robertson 38, ladies Angela Radloff 38.

September 14 - Men's single stableford, club trophy, ladies Carnival of Flowers Day - Toowoomba Golf Club - single stableford for other players.

September 17 - Two-person ambrose, Steve and Col Jenkins trophies open to golfers and non-golfers. 10am shotgun start. Please arrive 40 minutes before tee-off. - **Trent Peters**

PARKRUN/PARKWALK

HIGHFIELDS: September 9 - This morning saw 63 people run, jog and walk our course, nine first timers and seven who recorded new PBs. Well done!!

Congratulations Andrew Webb on 50 parkruns and Jess Oakley on 150 parkruns.

Fun fact: One of our regular parkrun/parkwalk families, the Oakleys, have completed a combined total of 932 parkruns/walks. That's 4660km or from the Highfields Sport and Recreation Park to Kalbarri WA or thereabouts.

Welcome to visitors from Walcha, Cleveland and Toowoomba.

The event was made possible by volunteers Amy, Jason, Juliana, Janis, Di, Lee, Kym, Narelle, Riley, Tom and Janeen. For information email highfields@parkrun.com or message via our Facebook page.

Thank you for making our parkrun/parkwalk part of your weekend. See you same time, same place next Saturday. - **Janeen Gibson**

POOL

OAKEY: September 4 - Congratulations to Kel who won the Bundaberg pool cue and hard case and Frosty who won the \$20 bar voucher.

The final was a battle between the organiser Paul and the owner Michael, with Paul taking the win.

Kelly Pool this Saturday starts at 10.30am. \$1 per game. - **Paul Chappell**

DARTS

OAKEY: August 30 - Only two weeks until finals. Grand Hotel 1 115, Grand Hotel 2 127, Bemborough Tavern 1 57, Bemborough Tavern 2 70, RSL 1 165, RSL 2 78. - **Wayne**

OAKEY: September 6 - Ladies 18-hole stableford. Winner Sheryl Barlow 39, runner-up Yvonne Jackson 35. Front 9 Joan Fisk 18 on count back. Back 9 Yvonne Lebeter 17. Pin 8 Sheryl Barlow.

September 13 - Ladies will play an 18-hole stableford.

September 7 - Thursday Sporters winner Danny O'Brien 25. **September 10** - Oakey hosted Goombungee to an interclub day. Oakey 419 d. Goombungee 385. Individual winners Goombungee Gary Shea 36 and Robyn Drowley 38, runner-up Bill Robinson 33 and Angela Radloff 38. Oakey winners Wayne Wirth 41 and Iris Thompson 38, runner-up men John O'Keefe 39.

September 16-17 - Members 18-hole stableford. - **Marlene Deans**

CROWS NEST: September 6 - Sporters (9-hole competition due to rain.) Winner Mick Bateman 21, runner-up Russell Gardner 20, third Logan Udy 19. Putting Neil Walters 12. Pins 7/16 Ashley May and Joe Tapping, 8/17 Neil Walters.

September 9 - Variety Bash two-person ambrose winners T. Weis and I. Beutel 63¾ net, runners-up R. Gardner and M. Burgess 63¾ net. Bradmans C. Cox and A. Khan. Pins 1/10 T. Weis, 2/11 M. Burgess, 3/12 R. Loch, 4/13 C. Gravalin, 5/14 C. Gravalin, 6/15 D. Greenhill, 7/16 I. Beutel, 8/17 J. Tapping, 9/18 C. Gravalin.

September 10 - XXXX day single stableford winner M. Bateman 38, runner-up D. Sanderson 37. Rundown I. Coates 37, R. Gardner 36, R. Burgess 33, J. Tapping 32. Pins 3/12 J. Tapping, 7/16 M. Bateman, 8/17 J. Tapping.

September 17 - Crows Nest Caravan Park single stableford.

September 24 - The Mens Shed 2-person open ambrose. - **Betty Cox**



Variety Bash two-person ambrose winners T. Weis and I. Beutel 63¾ with Barry Robinson



Runners-up R. Gardner and M. Burgess 63¾ with Barry Robinson



Bradmans C. Cox and A. Khan with Barry Robinson

RIFLE SHOOTING

SOUTHERN DOWNS: September 10 - 400 yards: F std and F open Kevin B. 122.11, Greg W. 121.9, Margaret T. 120.9, Bruce McA. 119.6, Gary S. 117.3, Paul R. 114.1, Clynt R. 112.4, Sierra R. 109.4, Dave T. 109.2, Merryn S. 105.1, Geoff V. 104.2, James S. 94.2. Sporter/Hunter Hayden A. 102.8, Graham P. 102.7, Danny A. 102.7, Nick K. 96.3, Dennis B. 56.

A pleasant morning with light winds made for a good attendance. Good performances from Kevin, Gary and Hayden saw them take first places in their classes. **September 17** - We will be at the 500-yard mound. Sign on at 8.30am for 9am start. Contact Margaret 4666 1018 for more details. - **Bob Tillyer**

CROWS NEST GOOMBUNGEE: September 10 - 500-yard shoot. A great day on the range with some tricky conditions we all battled.

TR: Ash B: 104.14, John G: 100.11, Dan B: 94.5, FS: Ray O: 120.6, Neil A: 111.4, Darryll M: 104.1, Chris H: 94.4, Jack K: 88.2, John L: 44.1 retired.

FO: Hamish O: 124.9, Jane T: 119.8, Doug T: 117.5, SH: Kim M: 39.1, Richard S: 31.0.

Next week is 600 yards starting at 12.30. Visitors are welcome. - **Hamish O.**



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He has extensive experience as a chaplain in aged care and hospital settings, in both the Fraser Coast and Toowoomba regions, but has always gravitated towards supporting older people.

"The difference between hospital chaplaincy and aged care chaplaincy is you can build a greater rapport with the aged care residents, get to know them, and join them on their journey," Tim said.

"It's a real pleasure to visit and chat with the residents, and to assure them that they are still valued, listened to, and important."

Tim's role entails a variety of pastoral care including devotions, praying with groups and individuals, and leading church services. He also spends time with residents' families.

"I love running chapel services."

"Standing at the front of the room and seeing the residents all singing hymns together, it's lovely to witness the



Carinity Brownesholme resident, Clare Bothmann with Chaplain Tim Smith

spiritual side of these people coming together in worship," Tim said.

Not-for-profit Carinity has chaplains supporting people in hospitals, schools, correctional centres and aged care communities across Queensland.

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Hungry caterpillar in line for national award

WORKING ON THE EVENT SINCE FEBRUARY

Mary MacKillop Catholic College has received a State Award and is being considered for a National Award for their Wakakirri performance A Very Hungry Caterpillar - The Untold Version.

Wakakirri is Australia's largest performing arts event for schools with over 200 taking part in 2023.

Participating schools are inspired by the Wakakirri ethos 'great stories inspire change' to create and perform story-dances that reflect students' thoughts, ideas and aspirations.

Wakakirri Festival Director Adam Loxley said, "The standard of performance and the stories being told by schools this year was exceptional and Mary MacKillop should be very proud of their award."

Mary MacKillop's story is inspired by the story book *A Very*



Hungry Caterpillar, yet in this version the audience also meets a group of scouts and forest fairies to add a bit of magic to the story!

Mary MacKillop's performance was described by Wakakirri Ambassador Leah Clark as "a beautiful interpretation of this iconic story."

The college's performance co-ordinator Chloe Laverjon said, students have worked hard during rehearsals in preparation for this event since February.

"We couldn't have reached this standard without the help and support of staff and students across the College ranging from prop making to administration," she said.

"For me it is such an honour to work with children and create a story-dance - the process is lots of fun and such an amazing opportunity for our students."

The Wakakirri Story-Dance Festival is a national program sponsored by The Victorian Government, Reconciliation Australia, and the

McCusker Charitable Foundation, that helps schools develop student engagement and well-being through participation in the performing arts.

Schools participate by creating story-dances which they perform in live theatres in capital cities and selected regional areas.

Mary MacKillop students will head back to Brisbane in September where the State awards will be announced, and compete for their place at the Nationals.

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