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### Top result at Tannum high

After receiving the news on a family holiday in Sydney, Brynn Mackie was overjoyed to achieve an incredible result of 99.3 out of a possible 99.95 ATAR.

The Tannum Sands State High School student said she was an hour ahead of Queensland students, who were also waiting anxiously to see their results.

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### Hands go up for possible mayoral role

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## shock closure

#### By Eilish Massie

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69 Hanson Rd, Gladstone



9.00am - 4.00pm



The Christmas period is a wonderful time of year. The day itself gives us a chance to connect with family, exchange gifts and enjoy a memorable lunch.

And then on Boxing Day, there's the Melbourne Test or the Sydney-to-Hobart yacht race, whichever takes your fancy.

One hopes the religious significance of the day won't be lost and this year, GK Chesterton's The Donkey comes to mind. It isn't specifically a Christmas poem, but I think its unexpected narrative viewpoint captures something powerful about the spirit of Christmas.

When fishes flew and forests walked / And figs grew upon thorn, / Some moment when the moon was blood / Then surely I was born./With monstrous head and sickening cry / And ears like errant wings / The devil's walking parody / On all four-footed things. / The tattered outlaw of the earth, / Of ancient crooked will; / Starve, scourge, deride me: I am dumb, / I keep my secret still. / Fools! For I also had my

hour; / One far fierce hour and sweet: / There was a shout about my ears, / And palms before my feet.

- Duncan Evans

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## New face on board

Gladstone Area Water Board (GAWB) announced the appointment of Ms Tina Zawila as a Director, effective 9 December, 2021.

Ms Zawila has worked in the financial services sector for more than 30 years' and is an experienced company director.

Board Chair Maxine Brushe said Ms Zawila's extensive corporate and community knowledge would be an invaluable asset to GAWB.

"A Chartered Accountant by trade, Ms Zawila holds non-Executive Director roles with the Gladstone Airport Corporation and the Central Queensland Hospital and Health Service. She will bring a wealth of experience to the position," Ms Brushe said.

"Ms Zawila is a passionate community advocate, holding various voluntary roles with local not-for-profit organisations including Gladstone Area Group Apprentices Limited, EQIP Business Industry and Tourism Skills Centre Advisory Committee and Yaralla Sports Club.

"We're delighted to have someone of Ms Zawila's credentials on our board. I know that she will work hard to ensure GAWB continues to deliver safe and reliable water services to the Gladstone region," she said.

Ms Zawila welcomed the opportunity to join the Board of Gladstone's sole bulk water provider.

'GAWB has supplied water to the Gladstone region since 1973 and water security is critical to our region now more than ever," Ms Zawila

"GAWB is led and operated by a passionate team of inidividuals who care about our



Tina Zawila.

customers, community and people, and I'm honoured to play a role in helping develop the organisation's strategic direction," she said.

Ms Zawila has been appointed to the Board on a three year term.

Current Director, Professor Poh-Ling Tan, has been reappointed to the Board for a further two years.

#### About Tina Zawila

Ms Zawila was appointed to the Board as a Director on 9 Decembr 2021 for a term of three

Ms Zawila has more than 30 years' experience practicing as a Chartered Accountant and Director of UHY Haines Norton CQ Pty Ltd in Gladstone, Queensland.

She successfully attained a Bachelor of Business (Accounting) with Distinction from Central Queensland University; a Diploma of Financial Planning; is a Graduate of the Australian Institute of Company Directors and is a Fellow of the Institute of Managers and Leaders.

Ms Zawila holds non-Executive Director roles with the Gladstone Airport Corporation and the Central Queensland Hospital and Health Service, as well as various voluntary roles for local not-for-profit organisations in the Gladstone region.

### And that's a wrap for tipster

The 2021 NRL Footy Tipping Competition presented winner, Ken O'Dowd with the Melbourne Storm jersey last week.

It was a close competition with the runnerup Steve Scott from Stay on Track 4x4 Accessories only a couple of points behind.

The competition is set to run again next vear in Gladstone Today.

If your business would like to be part of the 2022 Footy Tipping Competition contact Cheryl at cheryl.altouvas@todaygladstone.com.au for more information.



Sherrie Ashton from CQ Today presented the jersey to Rachel Hardy on behalf of Ken O'Dowd.

### **Christmas** cash cheer

Oueensland's Not-for-profits are set to celebrate Christmas with the Palaszczuk Government announcing the successful recipients of Queensland's largest oneoff grants program.

Member for Gladstone, Glenn Butcher MP congratulated the 5 local recipients who will each take their share of \$119,238.25 locally, of GCBF grant fund-

"These grants will be a welcome Christmas present to organisation in our communities who have worked so hard this year.

"Not-for profit community groups are the life blood of our state and the work they carry out is of great benefit to so many in Queensland.

"I'm incredibly proud to be able to deliver some Christmas cheer with this vital funding program that invests in our regions widespread and diverse commu-

Mr Butcher said that the calibre of applications in round 111 was first-class and a great spread of community groups have been awarded a grant.

#### Round 111 of the GCBF will support the below organisations locally:

- BITS Saints Australian Rule Football Club (Install Scoreboard) \$33,773.50.
- Calliope River Men's Shed (Upgrade Facility) \$28,200.00 ■ Past Brothers Junior RLF Gladstone
- (Purchase Ride-on Mower) \$28070.75. ■ Tannum Sands Kindergarten Inc. (Concrete area and computer pur-
- chase \$6,194.00. ■ Tannum Sands Rugby League Inc. (Purchase Ride-on mower) \$23,000.

In 2022, there will be four rounds of GCBF funding – one round offering grants from \$500 to \$100,000 and the other three rounds offering grants from \$500 to \$35,000.

Round 113 will open early next year and will be a super round with grants of up to \$100,000 being available. Please keep in touch with the latest information online or on the GCBF Facebook page.

To view the full list of recipients from Round 111 visit justice.qld.gov.au/grants



Jake Lockwood with the shoe he found the brown snake in.

### Rideshare reptile: Snake stows away in a shoe

#### By Eilish Massie

A young Gladstone couple were given the shock of their lives when they discovered a deadly Eastern Brown snake in the cabin of their VW Amarok ute after parking at Stockland Shopping Centre on Monday night.

The snake had been sharing the cabin of the ute for at least an hour as Jack Lockwood, a sales representative at Hayman Electrical in Gladstone, drove to Calliope and back to pick up his girlfriend, Jamie

Jack eventually discovered the ride-sharing reptile by reaching into the back seat to grab his sports shoes.

"I thought, jeez that shoe's a bit heavy so I dropped it...and a bloody snake came out," he said.

"After I dropped the shoe, I yelled out to my girlfriend to get the hell out of the car and we slammed the door shut.'

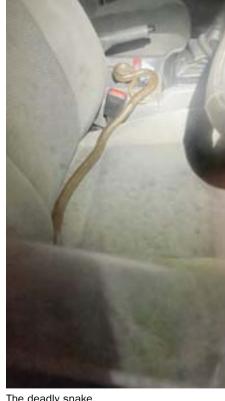
"It was such a shock that for a while I actually started to doubt that it was real. I didn't want to call the snake catcher unless I was sure there was a snake, so I went slowly back into the ute and started carefully pulling out my bags...and sure enough the snake took off under the seat.'

David Voss from Gladstone Region Snake Catchers, who coincidentally was also in the shopping centre car park getting dinner was on the scene quickly and was able to safely remove the snake.

"The Eastern Brown is the second deadliest land snake in the world and I've never had to remove one from a car before,' he

"I've had small pythons in a car before, but not a brown snake. The Eastern Brown is a very nervous snake so the young couple are very lucky it hadn't taken surprise and lashed out at them'

Jake has now had time to think about how the snake might have got into the ute, and he believes it is most likely to have got into his ute while it was parked beside a



The deadly snake.

vacant block near his property in Catalina

"The fact it was curled up tight in my shoe makes me think it had been there for quite a while', he said.

David Voss says it's rare for snakes to get into cars, but they can get through factory holes in the chassis.

"This snake had some damage to his tail which makes me think it got up into the engine housing and when the engine got hot it made for any exit he could, and that was into the cabin', he said.

The snake has been relocated to a safe

## Gladstone's health shock

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"Calliope has only one medical center, obviously it's going to have a huge impact."

The health worker said staff received the news last Wednesday afternoon.

"It is quite terrifying, these are circumstances beyond our control," she said.

"We are all very devastated, we fought very hard to get a medical centre to Calliope."

It is not the first time the medical centre has had to close its doors.

In 2017, the centre went into voluntary administration due to difficulty hiring and retaining qualified medical practitioners.

The centre reopened in 2018 as a branch of the GP SuperClinic as an allied health service and had to wait nearly a year before hiring Dr

In a statement on social media, the clinic said it was 'with sadness' the centre would close on January 15th, 2022.

"Unfortunately we do not have a GP to service the surgery leading up to (January 15), so our doors will be closed," the statement read.



Dr Natalie Cook.

We have appreciated the support of the Calliope community and have tried our best to keep the Practice running for as long as we were able.

The GP centre said all patient files were connected to GP SuperClinic and directed those to get treatment in Gladstone.

"Please be assured that the continuity of care for your health needs is available at this location," the statement read.

Calliope administration and nursing staff have also been transferred to the Gladstone

Taking to social media, residents voiced their disappointment in the centre closing. "Dr Cook was fantastic and so are the

staff....very sad news to hear of the closure," a resident said. "Such sad news, Doctor Cook was always

great to myself and my family for I believe the last 7 years and helped me through my pregnancy and did all she could afterwards for my girl now near 4 years old. I wish her all the best and her wonderful staff," another said.

For further information or to make an appointment at the Gladstone Practice, please call 4978 7868.



Calliope Medical Centre.



## Councillors vie for hot seat

#### By Eilish Massie

Some Gladstone Region Councillors have voiced their interest for the mayoral position, if Mayor Matt Burnett wins the federal seat of Flynn next year.

Come 2022, Mayor Matt Burnett will take a four to six week leave of absence to contest the federal seat of Flynn.

Callide MP Colin Boyce will also contesting the seat of Flynn, as the LNPs candidate, and if he is elected, a by-election will also be called for his state seat.

During that time period, Deputy Mayor Kahn Goodluck will step up and take on the role of Acting Mayor for Gladstone.

If Cr Burnett is successful in his pursuit of the seat of Flynn for the ALP, a by-election will be called to fill the vacant position of Gladstone region Mayor, as per the Local Government Act 2009.

A by-election can be contested by any current councillor or member of the public subject to being eligible to run for office in accordance with the Act.

Resulting in the Gladstone region to face two by-elections if Cr Burnett was successful.

The seat of Flynn is currently held by retiring MP Ken O'Dowd, and has been an LNP stronghold since 2010.

The Division of Flynn consists of Banana Shire Council, Central Highlands Regional Council, Gladstone Regional Council, North Burnett Regional Council, Woorabinda Aboriginal Shire Council, part of the Bundaberg Regional Council, part of the Rockhampton Regional Council, and part of the South Burnett Regional Council.

Councillors Glenn Churchill, Kahn Goodluck and Natalia Muszkat have expressed their interest for the role.

Deputy Mayor Kahn Goodluck said it was his intention to run for mayor if Cr Burnett was named the Member for Flynn.

if Matt wins Flynn then as the Acting Mayor, I would put my name forward in the Mayoral by-election," Cr Goodluck said.

"Having said that, Matt Burnett has a big job ahead of him to win the electorate of Flynn and Councillor Glenn Churchill said with a federal election due in 2022, he wanted the people of the Gladstone region to know there was an experienced and safe pair of hands ready to step up to be the next mayor if required and he would nominate.

"The Gladstone region is growing and entering its next phase of regional growth and development, so we need an experienced leader that you can trust," Cr Churchill said.

"I'm proud to have used my decades of experience on council and within the community to serve our region in shaping the family lifestyle that we enjoy so much.

"But, we can't forget the challenges that our communities face.

"As a police officer for over 26 years, I know what it takes to protect a community, and keep it safe for our families, young people and senior citizens.

"We need safer public spaces, better sport and rec facilities, aged care, more ways to help



Cr Chris Trevor.



Cr Desley O'Grady.



Cr Darryl Branthwaite.



Cr Glenn Churchill.



Cr Natalie Muszkat.

our families stay strong, and a greater representation right across the whole region."

Cr Churchill said the region's greatest asset was its people and their talents and skills were its greatest strength.

With your support as your mayor, I'm committed to being a safe pair of hands, for you and your family's future," he said.

Councillor Natalia Muszkat was enthusiastic when she announced her candidacy for mayor in the theoretical by-election next year.

"Yes, if Matt wins I am definitely running (for mayor)," she said.



Cr Chris Cameron.

"I can't wait to bring my passion and work ethics to the great people of the Gladstone region as their mayor."

Councillor Darryl Branthwaite said he would not be putting his name in the ring to contest for the position of mayor.

'Very happy to have a seat around the table as a Councillor," Mr Branthwaite said.

Councillor Chris Trevor said in the event of Cr Burnett securing the seat of Flynn at the upcoming federal election, he would not seek the position of mayor.

Councillor Rick Hansen said it was still in-



Cr Rick Hansen.

conclusive as to when the Federal election would be called and it could be as late as May 2022, and even then, who would be the successful candidate.

"I believe therefore it would be premature and speculative of me to consider such a position until that actual vacancy occurs," Mr Han-

Councillor Chris Cameron said in the event of a by-election, he would not be competing for the mayoral position.

Councillor Desley O'Grady did not com-





## Gladstone's gas revolution

#### By Eilish Massie

Gladstone's emerging role as a hydrogen and skilled workers hub could see the city become a focal point of Queensland's renewable energy transformation.

Speaking from Gladstone on Thursday as part of consultation on the draft Queensland Resources Industry Development Plan, Resources Minister Scott Stewart said the emerging hydrogen industry would create new markets and job opportunities for the resources sector, particularly in Central Queensland.

"Queensland's gas is supporting greater renewable energy generation by assisting with grid reliability, and it will continue to be important for manufacturing," Mr Stewart said.

"But a key challenge for this industry over the coming years will be developing new sources of gas supply as existing reserves begin to decline.

"Our jointly-funded \$10 million Bowen Basin pipeline study with the Federal Government is just one way we are working to find new gas supply.

"There will also be increasing opportunity for gas producers to become diversified energy providers by investing in low emissions gases like hydrogen.

"That is why one of the proposed actions in the draft plan includes reviewing the Petroleum and Gas Act to ensure we are ready for hydrogen and other clean resources to be used in our homes."

The draft Queensland Resources Industry Development Plan outlines the Queensland Government's 30-year vision for the resources industry, opportunities for industry growth and diversification, the industry's lead role in Queensland's economic recovery from the CO-VID-19 pandemic.

#### The draft plan has 43 actions that address six key focus areas:

- growing and diversifying the industry
- strengthening ESG credentials and protecting the environment
- fostering coexistence and sustainable communities
- ensuring strong and genuine First Nations partnerships



Resources Minister Scott Stewart

- building a safe and resilient workforce and
- improving regulatory efficiency.

Mr Stewart said keeping jobs local was a priority for the Palaszczuk Government, which would work with industry to ensure automation did not see jobs leaving regional communities.

"The government is doing our part to support a resilient, responsible and sustainable

resources sector that can meet the demands of the future," he said.

"We also expect industry to invest in retraining and reskilling to prepare workers for emerging resources industries including hydrogen, biogas and biomethane.

"By providing the right training locally, to local people – we can help protect and grow

our regional communities, regional jobs and regional economies for decades to come."

The Queensland Resources Industry Development Plan is open for consultation until February 2022 with the final plan due for release in mid-2022.

Visit resources.qld.gov.au/qridp for more information.

### Billions in exports: Report paints bullish picture on coal

#### By Duncan Evans

Coal's boom continues apace, with the December Resources and Energy Quarterly report forecasting export volumes and values in both thermal and metallurgical coal to surge and then stabilise out to 2023.

Export volumes for metallurgical coal, or coal which is used in the steelmaking process, are tipped to rise from 171 million tonnes in 2020-2021 to 181 million tonnes by 2022-2023. Export values are predicted to surge with recent price movements, rebounding from \$23 billion in 2020-2021 to peak above \$50 billion in 2021-2022, before

easing to \$37 billion in 2022–2023, the report states.

The outlook for thermal coal, which is burned to generate energy, has improved dramatically from the beginning of the year on the back of a remarkable run-up in prices.

"Surging prices are expected to push export values up to \$35 billion in 2021–22, with a subsequent easing to \$27 billion by 2022–23," the report states.

Export volumes declined from 213 million tonnes in 2019-2020 to 192 million tonnes in 2020–2021, but are expected to recover back to 204 million tonnes by 2022–2023.

"Thermal coal demand appears to be recovering more rapidly than supply. Exports remain below pre-Covid-19 peaks, but a rapid global economic recovery and cold Northern Hemisphere Winter has increased demand for power generation among significant thermal coal importers. This has led to rising pressure on inventory levels and surging prices over the second half of 2021," the report states.

It's good news for Central Queensland's thermal coal businesses, including Terra-Com's Blair Athol mine near Clermont, Bravus Mining and Resources' Carmichael mine in the Galilee Basin and Glencore's Open Cut mine near Rolleston, all positioned to capitalise on the upswing.

"Surging prices have not led to a rush of coal investment. Investment in coal remains low amidst market and policy pressure, which has been affected by announcements in and around the recent COP26 summit," the report notes.

"Some companies and countries with existing coal mining assets are likely to see a significant benefit to profits, especially in light of the ongoing expansion of coal generation and imports in parts of Asia."



## Adopting a family in need

#### By John Bell

One of Gladstone's kindest, generous and loving residents is Mrs Geraldine Liporada-Schultz.

Geraldine has thoughtfully adopted a young Gladstone family who needed help and

'I adopted a family after reading about the charity Roseberry on Facebook, which invited me to help people in need," she said.

"Initially, I thought that this young family, aged 19 and 20 with a one-month-old baby, would come to our home for Christmas lunch, and I would give them gifts in person.

"But I'm not allowed to know their names, and instead, I'm anonymously giving my presents, and Roseberry will deliver it to them.

"I think it's important to show kindness and love, and it makes me feel good to help others which is why I've always given gifts.

"I grew up living in poverty, with no Christmas gifts or food, so I know what it feels like to have nothing.

"But now I have enough as my husband works at the mines in a senior job, and we have a strong family life at home.

"But I'm just one of several Roseberry families in Gladstone and Rockhampton who are anonymously adopting and helping families in need and giving them Christmas joy.

Geraldine explained that she had joined the Cricut Facebook page, a creative technology company that makes smart-cutting machines to make creative things.

"This has enabled me to make handmade personalised presents which have included a



Some of the presents Geraldine has made for her adopted family.

personalised hamper box and personalised

"I've been up to 3am making gifts for this young family, and I've even used infusible ink to personalise their pants and shirts, plus I've

made a Santa sack.

"Then I put cookies in the Santa sack, plus Coles, Aldi and K-Mart Vouchers, and now I'm making them a 'Baby On Board' sticker for



Adopt a family Roseberry mum Geraldine with her children Athena, 2 and Alex, 1.

"I've also given them mittens for baking, cooking and educational toys for their onemonth-old baby.

"In addition, I've just made a big plastic bubble with hair care treatments inside for Mum."

### Female Koel in focus



Last week we saw the male Common Koel, this week we focus on the female. Her plumage colour and patterning allow it great camouflage while it undertakes laying eggs in other birds' nests.

Common hosts species in this area are, Friarbirds, Magpie-larks (Peewees) and fig-

When the chick hatches it forces the other eggs and hatchlings out of the nest! It is very demanding and keep the host birds flat out caring for it.

The female Koel lays its eggs in the nests of other birds.











Lachlan Mason winner of Brent Holland Merit Award.

## Passing on a fine legacy

By Eilish Massie

A former Gladstone Ports Corporation (GPC) apprentice, who lost his battle with leukaemia, has been honoured with his mother presenting the very first Brent Holland Merit Award. at the prestigious GPC Apprentice and Trainee

Brent, who lost his life in 2017, is being remembered with GPC's new award; the Brent Holland Merit Award.

The award recognises positivity and humility in the face of adversity and encourages apprentices and trainees to strive for success no matter what obstacles are placed in front of them.

This year GPC had a total of 63 apprentices and trainees, ranging from first to fourth year, with 12 expected to graduate this month and four expected to graduate in May 2022.

Brent's parents Allan and Jenny Holland were proud to present the inaugural Brent Holland Merit Award to Lachlan Mason.

"Brent received enormous support from GPC employees when he was unwell, and it is so good to see the support, care and recognition that continues to be shown to the trainees and apprentices every year at the awards night," Mrs Holland said.

"GPC employees mentor apprentices and trainees and invest their own personal time into ensuring that the younger people finish tial for us to ensure such invaluable knowltheir time as capable, community-minded individuals heading into the future in the right direction.

Acting Chief Executive Officer Paul Heagney hosted the event and was proud to hand the awards to the stellar group of apprentices and trainees.

"Our apprentices and trainees are an integral part of our workforce, and we always look forward to welcoming new ones every year into different departments and locations across the organisation," Mr Heagney said.

"GPC has a pool of very skilled employees with many years of experience, and it is essenedge is passed on to the next generation who will take the lead in the future.

"I'm so proud of our team who have been working on adding the Brent Holland Merit Award to this special event.

Apprentices and trainees walked away with 15 awards in various categories, including Mechanical, Diesel Fitting, Building Trades, Electrical and Refrigeration and Safety.

GPC is also looking for electrical apprentices to join their team. If you were looking to start your career as a electrician, visit gpcl. com.au/careers to apply.

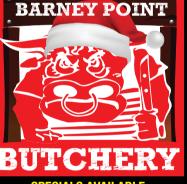
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12 Tuckerbox Court, Glen Eden

### Lighting up the streets

#### By Eilish Massie

It's the last week before Christmas for those wanting to go Christmas Light Looking! Driving the streets at night and checking out the Christmas lights displays is easily one of the best things about this time of the year.

It's certainly a tradition that's alive and well in Gladstone, with some spectacular displays set up every year.

Here is a list of houses for those wanting to go looking this year:

#### MIRIAM VALE

■ Menzies Street, Miriam Vale



18 Sutherland Street Calliope

#### **GLADSTONE**

- 26 Dartmouth Close, Clinton
- 3 Lagoon Court, Clinton
- 19 Hansen Crescent, Clinton
- 12 Tuckerbox Court, Glen Eden
- 3 Angie Court, New Auckland ■ Sharyn Drive, New Auckland
- **CALLIOPE**
- 18 Sutherland Street Calliope
- 52 Drynan Drive Calliope
- 48 Capricornia Drive, Calliope

#### **TURKEY BEACH**

■ 7 Blackney Street, Turkey Beach



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## What's ope

#### By Eilish Massie

To help keep track of which businesses are trading on during the Christmas holiday period, Gladstone Today has compiled a list of opening hours for businesses and services in

#### Stockland Gladstone (individual retailers may vary)

- Christmas Eve: 9am 6pm
- Christmas Day: CLOSED
- Boxing Day: 10am 4pm
- New Year's Eve: 9am 5:30pm
- New Year's Day: 10am 4pm

#### **Big W Stockland**

- Christmas Eve: 8am 6pm
- Christmas Day: CLOSED
- Boxing Day: 9am 5pm
- New Year's Eve: 8am 5pm
- New Year's Day: 10am-5pm

#### **Kmart Stockland**

- Christmas Eve: 8 am-6pm
- Christmas: CLOSED
- Woolworth (all stores)
- Thursday: 8am Midnight
- Christmas Eve: 8am 6pm
- Christmas: CLOSED

#### Coles (all stores)

- Monday: 8am- 10pm
- Christmas Eve: 8am 6pm
- Christmas Day: CLOSED
- Boxing Day: 9am- 6pm
- Friday: 8am- 9am ■ Saturday: 8am - 6pm
- Sunday: 9am 6pm

#### Aldi

- Monday: 8:30am- 9pm
- Christmas Eve: 8:30am 6pm
- Christmas Day: CLOSED

#### **Auto Barn**

- Monday: 8:30am 5:30pm
- Christmas Eve: 8:30am 5:30pm
- Christmas Day: CLOSED
- Boxing Day: 8:30am 5:30pm
- Friday: 8:30am 5:30pm
- Saturday: 8:30am 5pm
- Sunday: 9am 4pm ■ Banks: Closed Christmas Day
- Bunnings
- Christmas Eve: 6am 6pm
- Christmas Day: CLOSED
- Boxing Day: 6am 6pm
- Dan Murphy's
- Christmas Eve: 9am 9pm
- Christmas Day: CLOSED
- Boxing Day: 10am 7pm
- Friday: 10am 9pm
- \*\*XMAS TRADING\*\*
- Christmas Eve: 6:30am 7pm
- Christmas Day: CLOSED

- New Year's Eve: 6:30am 7pm
- New Year's Day: 6:30am- 9pm
- All other days normal trading hours

#### **Drake's Sun Valley**

- Christmas Eve: 7am 7pm
- Christmas Dav: CLOSED
- Boxing Day: 7am 9pm ■ New Year's Eve: 7am - 7pm
- New Year's Day: 7am 9pm

#### **Foodworks** West Gladstone

- Christmas Eve: 4am 10pm
- Christmas Day: 5am- 9pm
- Boxing Day: 5am- 9pm

#### **South Gladstone**

- Christmas Eve: 6am 6pm
- Christmas Day: CLOSED
- Boxing Day: 9am-1pm ■ (Deli Closed)

#### **Foodworks Clinton**

- Christmas Eve: 7am 6pm
- Christmas Day: 7am-11am
- Boxing Day: 7am 7pm
- New Year's Eve: 7am- 7pm ■ New Year's Day: 7am-7pm

#### **Gladstone Fish Market**

- Christmas Day: CLOSED
- Boxing Day: CLOSED
- New Year's Eve: 9am-5:30pm
- New Year's Day: CLOSED **Night Owl Gladstone**

- Christmas Day: 6am-midnight
- Boxing Day: 6am-midnight
- New Year's Day: 6am-midnight

#### **Spar Express Sun Valley**

- Christmas Day: 6am -noon.
- Boxing Day: 5am-8pm
- All other days normal trading hours

#### **Spar Express New Auckland**

- Christmas Day: 5am-1pm
- Boxing Day: 6am-8pm
- All other days normal trading hours **Petrol Stations:**
- PUMA (Dawson Hwy, Calliope) ■ Open 24 Hours

#### Caltex Woolworths (Auckland St)

- Christmas Day: 7:30am-noon.
- Boxing Day: 6am-6pm
- New Year's Eve: 5:30am-9pm
- New Year's Day: 6am-6pm

#### ■ All other days normal trading hours **Choice Sun Valley**

- Christmas Day: 6am-4am
- Boxing Day: 6am-4pm
- All other days normal trading hours
- Shell Gladstone
- Open 24 Hours

### Council's operating hours

Gladstone Regional Council is advising residents of its venue and facility operating hours during the Christmas and New Year period.

#### **Administration Offices and Depots**

- Phone enquiries will be taken 24 hours a day, 7 days a week on (07) 4970 0700
- Council's Administration Offices and Rural Transaction Centres will close on Friday, 24 December and resume normal hours on
- Tuesday, 4 January 2022 Depots will also close on 24 December and reopen on 4 January, as per normal hours

#### **Transfer Stations and Landfill**

- Benaraby Landfill and all Transfer Stations will be closed on Christmas Day and will operate as normal on Boxing Day and Public Holidays in December.
- Tip Top Shop at Benaraby Landfill and Gladstone Transfer Station will be closed on Box-
- Kerbside bin collection services will occur Monday to Friday as per usual schedule during the Christmas period.

#### **Facilities**

The following community facilities will close at 5pm on 24 December and resume normal hours on 4 January:

■ Gladstone Regional Libraries

- Gladstone Regional Art Gallery & Museum (GRAGM)
- Animal Pound Facility no appointments available during closure period
- Philip Street Communities & Families Pre-■ Tondoon Botanic Gardens is open every day
- (except Christmas Day) 7am-6pm • Council's Cemeteries will be available for vehicle and/or pedestrian access (depending on layout of facility) throughout the Christmas and New Year period. The gates to Port Curtis, Calliope and Boyne Tannum Memorial Parklands will be open to vehicles and pedestrians between 8am-6pm on Christmas Day, Boxing Day and New Year's Day
- Funeral services will be unavailable on 25-28 December and 1-3 January.
- Gladstone Entertainment Convention Centre (venue and Box Office) will be closed at 4.30pm on Friday, 17 December and reopen at 8.30am on January 4. Bookings and tickets to events can still be made via www.gladstoneentertainment.com
- Aquatic Centre and Mount Larcom pool hours. Please visit gladstone.qld.gov.au/christ-

■ Visit www.bluefit.com.au for Gladstone

mas-closures if you require further informa-



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## Gladstone's vax rate soars

#### By Duncan Evans

Central Queensland's vaccination rates recorded dramatic expansions from December 12 through to December 19, with the fully vaccinated figure across most local government areas (LGAs) leaping by 5 per cent or more through the week.

Gladstone's fully vaccinated rate moved from 77.2 per cent to 82.4 per cent.

Its first dose rate, meanwhile, sits at 89.8 per cent, exactly equal to the state-wide average.

Rockhampton's fully vaccinated rate sits at 82.4 per cent, a 5 per cent jump from the December 12 number, which had the fully vaccinated rate at 77.1 per cent.

Gladstone and Rockhampton are only slightly behind the fully vaccinated state-wide average, which is pegged at 84.7 per cent.

Every other LGA within Central Queensland boasted similarly dramatic expansions.

Livingstone Shire saw a rise of over 4 per cent and now sits at 81.0 per cent fully vaccinated.

Banana Shire recorded a jump of over 4 per cent and now sits at 76.6 per cent fully vacci-

Central Highlands recorded a rise of 5 per cent to move from 69.0 per cent to 74.1 per cent fully vaccinated.

Isaac boasted the largest expansion, booming by over 6 per cent to move from 57.4 per cent fully vaccinated to 63.5 per cent.

The improved numbers across regional Queensland may help Central Queenslanders meet the approaching threat of Covid, which has already infiltrated the state following the fall of borders on December 13.

This week, dozens of new cases have been detected and the case numbers are expected to grow rapidly.

A multitude of new exposure sites, from Brisbane to Cairns, have been listed in the last couple of days.

Within Central Queensland, the Caltex Dawson Valley Roadhouse and Leichhardt Hotel in Taroom have been listed as close contact expo-

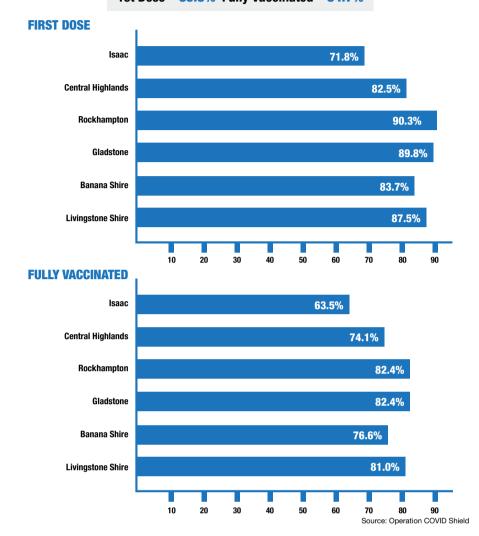
Emerald in the Central Highlands has also

#### **Central Queensland Vaccination Rates**

as of December 19

STATE-WIDE AVERAGE

1st Dose – 89.8% Fully Vaccinated – 84.7%



## Tick for our vax efforts

Gladstone has nearly reached 90 per cent of first Covid-19 vaccinations.

Gladstone MP Glenn Butcher said it was an extraordinary effort from the community.

"Gladstone is currently sitting around 90 per cent for our first dose and 82.6 per cent for our second dose," Mr Butcher said.

"Our community is well prepared thanks to our high vaccination rates and I thank the community for your extraordinary efforts during a very tough and challenging year.

"A big shout out to the nurses, doctors, chemist staff and GPs who have done a tremendous job in going above and beyond every single day to keep our community and industry safe."

Mr Butcher said it was a reminder residents could also book in for a booster dose if it had been five months or longer since their second dose of the vaccine.

"You can book or walk in at any clinic offering Covid-19 vaccines, you do not need to return to where you got your primary course of Covid-19 vaccine," he said.

The below advice is for those wanting information about the Community Vaccination Clinic's opening hours over the Christmas period:

- Thursday 23 Dec 9am 7pm
- Friday 24 Dec 9am 4pm
- Saturday 25 Dec Sunday 2 Jan Closed
- Monday 3 Jan 9am 4pm

### Charities receive generous donation

#### By Eilish Massie

Several charities benefited from a generous donation from Midday Rotary last week, as part of their annual charity giveaway.

More than \$10,000 in goods was donated to Anglicare, Salvos, Gladstone's Women's Shelter, St Vincent de Paul, Food Centre, Chaplaincy and Sheppards Arms Foundation in the Philippines.

The Rotary Club of Gladstone Midday president Gail Sellers said the money raised through their monthly Rotary Markets at the Tondoon Botanic Gardens made it possible to donate the huge sum.

"All the money raised through the markets goes to local charities," she said.

"The charities were very grateful."

Ms Sellers said 20 \$50 Christmas related bundles went to Gladstone's Food Centre

"Included in the bundles were different things people wouldn't be able to enjoy unless they were donated," she said.

"We try to be a little bit special at Christmas."

Ms Sellers said her favourite part of the day was seeing how much the donation would make a difference to the charities.

"You could tell they were going to do great things with the donation."



Rotarian Colin Peterson Rotarian Chris Coleborn and Rotarian Keith Geljon.



L to R Chris Ford of the Salvation Army Ellen from Anglicare, Kate Frost from Chaplaincy, Peter Dougherty St Vincent de Paul and also Women's Shelter Jodie O'Brien From The Gladstone Food Centre, Riley Bale is supported by the club to attend a National Youth Science Forum (NYSF), Jennifer de Salis - Food Centre, Gail Seller President Midday Rotary



Midday Rotary Secretary Jeff Faulkner presents \$1000 to Chris Ford of the Salvation Army to enable purchase of a mower, whipper snippet and a blower



Ellen Drame of Anglicare was happy to receive \$1000 from Club Secretary Jeff Osborne which will be spent in the Gladstone Region. This will enable their clients to have a few little extras at Christmas.



Brynn Mackie.

## Top score at Tannum high

#### **Eilish Massie**

After receiving the news on a family holiday in Sydney, Brynn Mackie was overjoyed to achieve an incredible result of 99.3 out of a possible 99.95 ATAR.

The Tannum Sands State High School student said she was an hour ahead of Oueensland students, who were also waiting anxiously to see their results.

"When we saw the score I was pleasantly surprised and super stoked," Brynn said.

The 18-year-old said it had taken a lot of effort to achieve the result, after spending almost 20 hours per week studying. The equivalent of spending three to four hours every afternoon including weekends.

"I did chemistry, physics, maths methods, maths specialists, general English and visual art in Years 11 and 12," she said.

"I spent loads of time studying to put it lightly, I quit my job so I could focus on studying for my externals earlier this year.'

Brynn said she was planning on studying a Bachelor of Science and Maths at Queensland University of Technology next year, and hoped to get a job in science, medical or physics research.

"I'm really interested in physics at the moment so I'm hoping to get a job in that," she



Brynn Mackie.

"I'm willing to travel wherever to get a job in the field.

Brynn said those who wanted to pursue a similar ATAR, it was all about personal drive.

"And just being willing to put all your effort into that...just heaps of effort.

### **Queensland Men's Sheds** are in the meeting zone

of the Queensland Men's Shed Association (OMSA) Zone Cluster Meetings for the new year, with the meeting being held in Gladstone at the Darts Hall, next door to the Gladstone Men's Shed. Most of the previous meetings have been held in the south-east of the state and any large meeting has been difficult to undertake in the last 12 months with COVID restrictions.

With this region being in the Capricornia Zone, it is expected to have over 75 shedders in attendance from at least 10 nearby sheds in the Capricornia Zone and others have expressed interest in attending from the Burnett region just outside of the zone's Sheds visiting Gladstone will include Baffle Creek, Boyne-Tannum, Boyne Valley, Callide Valley, Calliope River, Emu Park, Gracemere, Rockhampton and Cap Coast at Yeppoon.

It is planned to have the meeting in the Darts Hall neighbouring the Gladstone Men's Shed in Moura Crescent, Barney Point, where it will be easy to look over the

Tuesday 18th January 2022 will be the start Gladstone Shed during breaks and talk to the local shedders, some will be there for the normal workshop activity after a short break for the festive season. The program not only provides an avenue for sheds to talk about ideas and issues experienced in the Zone, but there is also a good array of guest speakers.

Those topics include a Manual Handling safety topic, Snake Awareness, updates by OFES on Smoke Alarms and a presentation from a Health Professional from Diabetes Queensland. QMSA is indebted to Diabetes Queensland, who rearranged their 2022 touring schedule to enable the visit from Brisbane to Gladstone on this particular day. President of the Gladstone Men's Shed and QMSA Capricornia Zone Representative, Ron Steen, said it was a great advantage for all nearby sheds to have the meeting here and hopes that many shedders can attend to benefit from the variety of information sharing. Further information can be obtained by email to capricornia@qmsa.









Ethan Hormer, 8.

Kousei, 4.

## Christmas is in the works

Gaetane Chiffoleau, Community Engagement Officer from the Creative Recycling Centre, led the workshop to make unique Christmas decorations from recycled materials as part of the Gladstone Regional Council's Holiday Program at the Tondoon Botanic Gardens.

**Photos by Mike Richards** 



Lilyanna Webb.



Gaetane Chiffoleau, Community Engagement Officer, Creative Recycling Centre with Amber, 10 and Zander Cutting, 6.



Kiera Leverton, 7 and Zayne Dare, 6.



Luinda, 5 and Isla, 6.



Zander Dare, 2.





Kiera Leverton, 7.



Bentley, 6.



Arabella Columbus, 9.



Growth, prosperity, community.

Transport Infrastructure Act 1994 Gladstone Ports Corporation

## PORT NOTICE 01/22 Shipping Movement Protocols - Auckland Point Construction Works

For the purpose of this Port Notice, the "construction works" will be regarded as:

1. Auckland Point Berth 1 Fender Upgrades - Jan 2022 to July 2022.

For the purposes of this Port Notice, a "liner vessel" will be regarded as:

- a. A Passenger Vessel berthing at Auckland Point No1 Berth.
- b. A Container Vessel berthing at Auckland Point No4 Berth on a regular basis of approximately one visit per month.

For the purposes of this Port Notice, a "bulk liquid vessel" will be regarded as:

a. Any fuel, gas or other vessel required to berth at Auckland Point No3 Berth for the purposes of discharging cargo using the current manifold or pipeline infrastructure on the berth.

For the purposes of this Port Notice, a "cargo vessel" will be regarded as:

a. Any other vessel required to berth at Auckland Point No3 Berth or Auckland Point No4 Berth for the purposes of loading or discharging cargo using the current infrastructure on the berth.

The following shipping movement protocols will apply to berthing at:

- Auckland Point No1 (All Vessels)
- Auckland Point No3 (Bulk Liquid Vessel and Cargo Vessels)
- Auckland Point No4 (Container Vessels and Cargo Vessels)
- The owner/charterer/agent of a liner vessel or a bulk liquid vessel must notify Gladstone Ports Corporation (GPC) of the vessels arrival at least 7 days prior to arrival. The arrival time to be determined as the time from when the vessel crosses the 6 nautical mile radius from the Fairway Buoy.
- 2. After the initial notification in paragraph 1, the owner/charterer/agent of the vessel will be required to confirm the vessels estimated arrival time with the GPC on a daily basis before 12 noon each day until the vessels arrival at the 6 nautical mile radius from the Fairway Buoy.
- 3. A 12-hour arrival window will be allocated for a period commencing from the vessels estimated arrival time at the 6 nautical mile radius from the Fairway Buoy as advised to GPC before the midday cut off that is 48 hours prior to the vessels estimated arrival at the 6 nautical mile radius from the Fairway Buoy.
- 4. If the vessel misses its allocated 12-hour estimated arrival window, the vessel will be rescheduled subject to other port movements.
- 5. In order to maintain safe, secure and efficient operation of the Port of Gladstone, shipping movements at Auckland Point No1, No3 and No4 Berths may be varied or amended by a direction of an Authorised Officer of GPC or their delegate.

These GPC - Shipping Movement Protocols - Auckland Point Construction Works are also subject to the Gladstone Port Procedures and powers of the Regional Harbour Master under the *Transport Operations (Marine Safety) Act 1994*.

The provisions of Port Notice 01/20 GPC - Shipping Movement Protocols - Auckland Point Construction Works, dated 6th April 2020 is hereby revoked.



Left to right Dylan Christie and Michael Clarke, two of the expert team at Pats Tackle World.



Left to right – Sue and Geoff Drew on the front deck of Familia Restaurant.

## A nice day out in season

## Out and About

Gladstone residents enjoyed a nice day out around the town before Christmas.

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Kim Peters looking through the stock at Pat's Tackle World.



 $Left\ to\ right\ -\ Phyllis\ Deker,\ Dave\ Watson\ and\ Bob\ Cusack\ enjoying\ a\ coffee\ at\ Muffin\ Break,\ Valley\ Shopping\ Centre\ Gladstone.$ 



Trent Albeck at Pat's Tackle World Gladstone.



Left to Right – Brook Kennedy and Mick Hardie at Muffin Break.



Left to right – Enid Johnson and Tracy Lee, enjoying coffee and conversation at Familia Restaurant Café Gelati on Flinders Parade

## OPINION

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## 'Tis the goodwill season

## Today's View

With the Christmas holidays fast approaching, it is a time that we ponder on the gift of giving. For most of our readers, Christmas provides the opportunity to give to their loved ones. Enjoying the company of friends and family while unwrapping considered presents, it is a time to reflect on the joy that giving to another can bring. For most, the size or value of the gift is not important, it is that the gift is born out of the knowledge and awareness of the receiver.

One of the great joys is seeing Christmas through the eyes of the children, their excitement and energy is certainly infectious. Christmas wrappings, open boxes, and individual stacks of presents around the living room are on display with the sound of Christmas carols playing in the background.

For the lucky ones, it is a time to enjoy the company of family and friends. Most looking forward to Christmas lunch with the traditional hot and cold meats and or seafood selections, the breaking of Bon Bons, the wearing of paper hats and the retelling of the supplied jokes. Watching and playing games of cricket in the back yard have lately given way to playstations and Xboxes, plenty of bikes, skateboards and scooters zipping around the local streets. While the parents still seek to find their opportunity to settle down after their late night in preparation for Christmas Day and after a most enjoyable and for some of us an overindulged lunch.

The school holidays and the Christmas and New Year break are the perfect time for some rest and relaxation, with some seeking to enjoy some holiday time away from their home base. Over the last few weeks there has been a considerable decrease in the number



of cars on the roads in the morning and afternoons, but this will change as our highways fill with travelers. To the residents of and visitors to Central Queensland who will be on our roads and highways throughout Queensland over the holiday period, please be especially conscious of the valuable cargo you carry, the responsibility to keep all those in your vehicle safe including yourself. During the Christmas and New Year breaks there is always a lot more traffic on the road and our drivers need to be extra vigilant. There are always some that don't think safety applies to their car or driving skill, please make sure that you and your passengers don't become an unwanted road statistic. Operating a vehicle needs the full attention of the driver. Speed, road conditions, concentration and other drivers on the road can all combine to offer a challenging environment for the driver.

While wishing everyone an enjoyable Christmas, it is our wish at CQ Today that all our residents are back in their homes and communities to enjoy the start of the new year. Please travel safely. We look forward to continuing with our twice weekly community newspaper. Just a reminder that there will be no CQ Today Weekend on Christmas Day. All newspapers get to enjoy two holidays a year and Christmas day is one of those two.

### VOX POP

### WE TAKE IT TO THE STREETS

Gladstone Today asked residents: what presents would you like to get or receive for Christmas



We used to give food parcels to our workers at Christmas before we came to Australia and I would like to do that here for those on wages in Gladstone too. Christmas is about giving to others and showing love.

- Leon O'Reilley



I would like Covid gone and get rid of masks and get our life back. - Elizabeth Medway



I would like to give a food hamper to a family in need. In fact, a lot of us do it and we just don't tell anyone.

- Kathleen Andrew



I would like to give food parcels to people who need them. - Marie O'Reilley



I would like to get rid of Covid and let people be free again. That would be a wonderful Christmas gift to the world.

- Frank Maunders

#### ON THIS DAY

#### NATIONAL CHRISTMAS MOVIE MARATHON DAY - 23 DECEMBER

#### **Important Events**

**962:** Byzantine-Arab Wars: Under the future Emperor Nicephorus Phocas, Byzantine troops storm the city of Aleppo, recovering the tattered tunic of John the Baptist

**1688:** King James II, the last Roman Catholic British monarch flees to France from William of Orange

**1783:** US General George Washington resigns his military commission as Commander-in-Chief of the Army to Congress

**1888:** Vincent van Gogh cuts off his left ear with a razor, after an argument with fellow painter Paul Gauguin, and sends to a prostitute for safe keeping

**1920:** Government of Ireland Act / Home Rule Act passed partitioning Ireland

**1954:** The first human kidney transplant is performed by Dr. Joseph E. Murray at Peter Bent Brigham Hospital in Boston, Massachusetts



## King coal delivers goods

Australian coal industry is once again being read the last rites. And every time I return, I talk to local Central Queensland coal businesses that have never been busier.

A bunch of reports released in the past week shows that the on-the-ground local knowledge is right, and the "desktop wisdom" of Canberra

First up, the Queensland Government got a Christmas present with royalties from coal doubling this year to over \$6 billion. Our mining and coal industries help pay the bills, \$6 billion could build 6 world class hospitals in our state, and that is just one year's revenue from coal. To recover from COVID and pay back the massive debts that governments have accumulated, we will need a strong coal industry.

Next up, the International Energy Agency released its annual coal report. As the head of the IEA reported, "global electricity generation from coal is expected to jump 9 per cent in 2021 to a historic high", and the report goes on to say that this high demand will likely stay at these levels until 2024, the forecast period

This experience demonstrates that you should always watch what people say not what they do. A few months ago, at the Glasgow climate conference, countries said they would cut coal use. The naive, woke, western media swallowed the lip service and reported the death of the coal industry. It has only taken a few months for the reality to set in and the IEA now says that "we do not expect (unabated) coal consumption and production to be on the Net Zero by 2050 pathway by 2024."

Whatever countries say at international climate conferences they go home and do very different things. China's latest five-year plan shows a growth in coal consumption by 1 per cent a year and calls coal "an irreplaceable energy source". Russia has massive plans to build

Every time I go to Canberra it seems that the new coal ports in the Pacific and new rail lines to transport coal to China and India. These investments would directly impact Australia's ability to take advantage of the record demand

> We do have the inside track though. In volume terms. Australia has over half the coal projects on the books around the world. However, increasing red tape and, the wokeness of our financial sector, threaten our ability to invest in these projects and to create these jobs. Labor's climate policy, that seeks to tax coal and other mines in a futile effort to cool the planet, would sound a death knell for these opportunities.

> And if we do not meet the demand, China, India and other countries will look to Russia instead. This would be not just an economic disaster for Australia but a strategic one too. We should be seeking a stronger relationship with India. Meeting India's growing energy needs is a crucial way of strengthening that relationship and making it in their interest to keep on friendly terms with us.

> Despite the doomsday view of most in Canberra, the latest figures from the Department of Resources shows just how much coal delivers for Australia. Coal is our nation's second biggest export behind iron ore, and this financial year coal is expected to make a record \$90 billion for Australia. And coal has more investment projects on the books (69 in total) than any other commodity, even more than iron

> I was in the Hunter Valley a couple of weeks ago at the Bloomfield coal mine. As a joke, I picked up 5 shiny pieces of coal, took a photo and put on social media, "One for each of the kids, Christmas shopping done". I imagine the kids will be a bit disappointed in their stockings this year but given the record coal prices perhaps they should be happier than they re-



Senator Canavan meets with Peter at the re-opened Wollongong coal mine.

### Stand back and have a great non-judgemental Christmas



I know it's human nature to judge, holding people to a higher standard, to make some comparison of them against those high standards. But whose higher standards do we judge people by? It's usually our own righteous moral standards that we use to judge people. Although who are we to think that our standards are the right ones, and everyone needs to be judged against them.

It doesn't make sense to me that people moral standards. I know we all tend to judge others in some way, look at what they are wearing, why are they doing that, they must be sleeping with someone to get that and so on and so on. The judgement just seems to

I know I have mentioned this before, but image a world where no one judges anyone else, imagine accepting everyone just as they are, not running someone down because they don't talk, or walk or behave like you do or you think they should. This world would be such a more productive world, where energy and time is not wasted on negative behaviour such as judging. Over the holidays I challenge you to take the time to visit your great moral standards and check in to see if others need to live up to a standard or even that you, yourself are really living up to those



standards. Judging others by your standards just proves one thing, that you alone are the yardstick you are measuring everyone against – a little egotistical don't you think?

I really laugh when a person I'm in a conversation with starts saying, "This person is so callous and mean," or "Oh they are only doing that to get money for themselves," or "They are so arrogant" etc etc etc... Then I ask, "Do you know them" and often, the person I'm talking with says, "No, never meet them," or "No, but I hear other people talking about them," or "I know them, but never spoken to them about this particular matter".

Really!!! Seriously people, stop judging on hearsay alone and this may make you think twice about your comments or even might lead you to stop judging altogether.

And remember the best thing about this Utopia is that you don't get judged by others

So let us all get into the real Christmas spirit ... Have a great non-judgemental Christmas and an altruistic New Year!!

## Things to know on boats

Many people complete a boating course, obtain a boat licence, and buy a boat, never considering that in many cases every boat trip begins and ends with a road trip.

There is a lot to know and a lot to consider if you will be towing your boat to the water and back.

We are going to talk just a little bit about some of the things you should be conscious of. Be aware that this is not an exhaustive list but should instead be enough to help you start thinking about whether you might have some blind spots in your knowledge.

#### Before we go any further, it will be helpful to understand some of the terminology used:

- Tare mass (TM) this is the weight of the trailer when it leaves the factory ready for sale.
- Gross trailer mass (GTM) this is the maximum mass that can be carried by the trailer's wheels and in this case includes the mass of the trailer, boat, everything on your boat and everything in your boat.
- Tow ball mass (TBM) this is the amount of mass that is directed onto the tow ball.
- Aggregate Trailer Mass (ATM) this is the combined mass of the GTM and the TBM.

The first thing to figure out is just how much mass you can actually put onto your trailer.

Locate the trailer's compliance plate which will tell you the ATM and simply subtract the TM from this figure.

The number you get is the maximum mass of your boat, things added to your boat, things in your boat etc. can be in total.

However, it's not that simple. You also need to consider the vehicle you are going to tow the trailer with.

This means locating the compliance plate or consulting the manual for that vehicle and confirming that its maximum towing capacity is more than the ATM.

You need to also confirm the maximum



capacity of the towbar. When doing this, be aware that car manufacturers have been known to sell cars fitted with towbars that have a lower towing capacity than the vehicle itself.

Also, check the rating for the towball itself and make sure the TBM (ATM-GMT) does not exceed this figure.

Once you know the GTM you can also make a decision about brakes. If the GTM is between 750kg and 2000kg you must have an override brake on at least one axel. Between 2000kg and 4500kg, you will need brakes on all axels that are part of the tow vehicle's braking system.

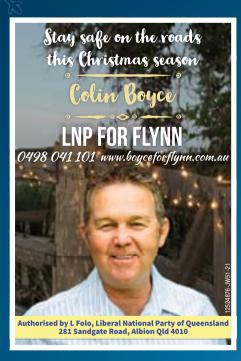
If you go over 4500kg, you are in heavy vehicle territory and should have the relevant expertise to operate a heavy vehicle. Likewise, if your trailer and boat exceed 4.3m in height, the width exceeds 2.5m or the rear overhang is more than 60% of the wheelbase (or 3.7m) you are towing an oversized load and should also have the relevant expertise to be doing this.

At this point, many people are probably thinking that some of the weights involved in these calculations are hard to determine. You are absolutely correct! For example, a boat dealer might be able to tell you the rough mass

of a boat, but they probably can't tell you what the mass will be with fuel, food, drinks, and fishing equipment onboard. This is why you should consider loading your boat up as you normally intend to, or perhaps with slightly less weight to be safe, and heading to the nearest public weighbridge before going anywhere else.

If you have any questions about towing your boat, or anything else related to your boat, you can always contact Volunteer Marine Rescue Gladstone at: james.harris@mrq.org. au or www.vmrgladstone.org.au













### Merry Christmas

#### FROM THE TEAM AT GLADSTONE TODAY

We would like to thank the Gladstone Community for your support in producing your new local community newspaper. Your encouragement and feedback is greatly appreciated.

We look forward to your continued support in 2022.

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### Q&A

What is the best advice you've ever received? Patience is a strategy.

#### What is something you do in your spare

I don't believe in 'spare' time, just time. And I try to fit lots into it. Sunday's family day and I love a BBQ lunch with my girls.

#### What is something most people don't know

Despite my rock-festival going youth, I love and am addicted to classical music.

#### What's your favourite spot in the Gladstone

The summit of Mount Larcom. It's a great climb and such an awe inspiring view.

#### What would be your last meal if you could

Slow-cooked lamb shoulder with roasted vine tomatoes and capers.

#### Which celebrity guests (dead or alive) would you invite to a dinner party?

Former Australian cricket test Captain Steve Smith, leadership guru Simon Sinek and Apple co-founder Steve Jobs.

#### Who is your favourite movie star and what do you admire about him or her?

Clint Eastwood. Certainly not his acting skills, but is longevity and flexibility. From acting to directing and producing. An outstanding career.

#### What is one of your greatest achievements? Marrying my beautiful wife Maggie and raising our 2 girls.

If you had to choose three items to take with you on a trip to a deserted island, which would they be?

A satellite phone, my WebberQ and 6 pack of Ray White Gladstone director Andrew Allen with his family.

#### with Ray White Gladstone director Andrew Allen



#### THREE ... Mocktail recipes

#### Frozen apple margarita

Who doesn't love a margarita? Swap the tequila out for some still or sparkling apple juice, add your lime juice, a bit of zest, some ice and a little drop of honey to a blender, whiz it up and hey presto! A refreshing afternoon delight.

Fruity, cranberry sangria Nothing says Spain like a drop of sangria - and this is an easy one to make non-alcoholic. Pop some ice in your glass, then put in some fresh fruit (your choice, but we recommend some sliced strawberry, orange and/or peach), grab a few sprigs of mint and top with half cranberry juice and half lemonade. Sit back, relax and imagine you're in Barcelona.

Whisky-less toddy

This winter warmer is delicious without the whisky, and a sure fire way to keep you happy and healthy all winter long. While your kettle is boiling, put a spoon or two of honey, some lemon juice, lemon rind, and mixed spices in a mug (a cinnamon stick, some cloves or cardamon pods work well). Add some sliced fresh ginger, top with boiled water - et voila! Go cuddle up on the couch and enjoy.

## Seeing the power of 'I Spy'

### THIS WEEK **JORDIE**



I have found myself aiming to include a game of 'I Spy' in my everyday routine over the past few weeks. It sounds a little strange for a 24 year old and maybe a bit sad but hear me out.

We live in an unpredictable world riddled with nitpickers that pounce on the smallest technicalities, trolls that make it their life mission on and offline to bully others, and pessimists that we can always count on to stomp on any positivity we try to build up. We are constantly made aware of every event that occurs from our little corner of the community to all across the world which weighs heavily on our mental and emotional wellbeing; it changes how we see the world around us.

With this in mind, I have found myself calling for calm and wanting to regain some innerpeace; so I actively strive to seek out positive symbols or events that do still very much exist in the everyday, commonly missed as they are hidden behind an overwhelming wall of woes on the daily.

I am choosing to open my eyes and my mind to the beauty that is still very much alive around us, the people I love dearly and the wonderful opportunities I have been gifted that allow me to live the simple but comfortable life that I do; in today's world, this is a real luxury never to be taken for granted.

There is a great sense of magic and beauty in Christmas despite also being a very sad time for many, especially after such a turbulent year. There is immense power and significance in people uniting, the feeling of belonging and togetherness, placing differences aside to give each other the gift of conversations, connections, and a sacred time to simply enjoy the company of the people around us. We have so many more reasons to hug each other tighter

this year, reach out to those we don't get to talk to as much, include others in our Christmas celebrations and lift each other up using love and compassion to gently place us all into a

To practise manifesting better things, I can highly recommend 'I Spy' on the daily. Look for the beauty and light in every day and we could

very well find ourselves living our most beautiful and brightest days yet.

It all starts with what we choose to invest our energy in each day, our actions, and especially our mindsets. Know the behaviours and attitudes that do not serve us, make the necessary changes, and we have the power to change our entire path moving forward.

I hope everyone has the most amazing, safe, and memorable Christmas and on the other side of it, I hope we can all move into a new vear filled with incredible opportunities, new beginnings, great health, success, and happiness. I genuinely wish for it to be our best one yet because after this year, we are so deserving of a fresh start.



## Gladstone Today community events billboard

#### December

#### **Thursday 23 December**

#### **Garden Tours**

Be guided through the gardens by our own Friends of the Gardens Visitor Services Volunteers. A wealth of knowledge about the Gardens is shared with visitors. The volunteers who run the Tour are trained in scientific facts about the various plants and animals and the history and stories behind Tondoon.

Time: 10am to 11:30am

Location: Tondoon Botanic Gardens, 672 Glenlyon Road,

For more information, call 4971 4444 or email tondoon@gladstone.qld.gov.au

#### **Sunday 26 December**

#### **Discovery Coast Markets**

Featuring food stalls, live entertainment, arts and creation stalls and lots more, making this event an awesome family-friendly outing. (Note: dogs are allowed on leads).

Time: 8am

Location: 1770 SES Grounds on Captain Cook Drive, Agnes Water.

For more information email dcrmarkets@gmail.com

#### **Calliope Gold Cup Races (Boxing Day)**

Racegoers will flock to JS Neill-Ballantine Park on Boxing Day for the running of the 109th Gold Cup race meeting.

Location: Calliope Racecourse.

For more information call Jim on 0487 748 913 or Marg 0419 748 913.

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#### Friday 31 December

#### NYE Party

Finish the year with a bang! Celebrate entering a new year with family and friends at Gladstone's free community.

Fireworks at 8pm and midnight.

Time: 5pm

Location: Memorial Park, Gladstone (near PCYC)

For more information see the Gladstone events page.

#### January

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#### **Sunday 9 January**

#### **Discovery Coast Markets**

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Time: 8am

Location: 1770 SES Grounds on Captain Cook Drive, Agnes

For more information email dcrmarkets@gmail.com

#### Festival of Summer

A summer to remember! This week-long festival consists of three separate events and is designed for youths aged 11 to 17 years.

Time: Various times

Location: Gladstone region

For more information see the Gladstone Regional Council's website.

#### **Friday 14 January**

#### School Holiday Movie

Come enjoy some movies whilst on holiday as part of Gladstone Regional Council's School Holiday program.

Time: 2pm



Location: Gladstone Regional Library, 39 Goondoon Street, Gladstone.

For more information see the Gladstone Regional Council

#### **Saturday 15 January**

#### **Festival of Summer Sounds**

Bringing a stellar lineup of unearthed performers along with headliner Thandi Phoenix, the Festival of Summer Sounds 18+ indoor concert is where you'll get your festival fix this January.

Time: 6pm to 12am

Location: Gladstone Entertainment Convention Centre, 56 Goondoon Street, Gladstone.

For more information or to book tickets see the Gladstone Entertainment website.

#### **Sunday 16 January**

#### **Discovery Coast Markets**

Featuring food stalls, live entertainment, arts and creation stalls and lots more, making this event an awesome family-friendly outing. (Note: dogs are allowed on leads).

Time: 8am

Location: 1770 SES Grounds on Captain Cook Drive, Agnes Water.

For more information email dcrmarkets@gmail.com

#### **Wednesday 19 January**

#### CQUni TAFE Careers Expo

Explore your TAFE training options and drop into the CQUni TAFE Careers Expo. Suitable for anyone interested in TAFE, from school students, career starters of people upskilling. Time: 2pm to 5:30pm

Location: CQUni Gladstone Campus, Leo Zussino Building

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For more information see the CQUniversity website.

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#### **Tuesday 25 January**

#### Thy Art is Murder

Thy Art Is Murder exorcise the pangs of mortality and the pains of socio-political trauma to a soundtrack of authentic crushing death metal with blackened fury and flashes of knuckle-dragging stomp.

Time: 7pm

Location: Harvey Road Tavern, Gladstone.

For more information and tickets see https://www.oztix.com.au/

#### **Wednesday 26 January**

#### Australia Day Awards

The Gladstone Regional Council Australia Day Awards acknowledge and celebrate the contributions and success of individuals and groups within the Gladstone Region. The awards provide Council with an opportunity to publicly

recognise and celebrate those in our community who have made significant contributions and achievements.

Details for the Australia Day celebrations on 26 January 2022 will be announced soon.

#### Australia Day Family Fun Day

Celebrate contemporary Australia, acknowledge our history and honour the diverse culture in our region at the 2022 Australia Day Family Fun Day.

Time: 2pm to 6pm

Location: Millenium Esplanade, Tannum Sands

For more information see the Gladstone Regional Council Events page.

#### **Builyan Many Peaks Community Development Association**

Australia day Brekkie - BBQ breakfast, poetry, trivia quizzes and cake cutting.

Time: 8am to 11am

Location: Builyan Hall, Pine Street.

For more information see their Facebook page.

#### **Boyne Valley Community Discovery Centre Inc.**

Australia Day Backyard - This is an afternoon event that begins with some waterplay, a treasure hunt and other organised games for the kids while adults relax and catch up. A backyard cricket match involving all ages follows in the cool of the afternoon. The event ends with a BBQ and cutting of the Australia Day cake and Cricket Match.

Time: 4pm to 7pm

Location: Boyne Valley Community Discovery Centre, McDonald Street, Boyne Valley

For more information see their Facebook page.

#### South End Progress Association Inc.

Australia Day Celebrations - BBQ food, lamingtons, soft drinks, water, tea and coffee are provided. Sporting activities for adults and children include tug-o-war, crab pot throwing, volleyball and cricket. Music entertainment is provided throughout the day.

Time: 10:30am to 3:30pm

Location: Golding Park, South End, Curtis Island.

For more information see their Facebook page.

#### **Turkey Beach Progress Association**

Australia Day Breakfast - BBQ breakfast, costume judging. Thong throwing, cow pat, colouring competitions, cricket match and much more.

Time: 7am to 10am

Location: Turkey Beach Community Hall, Worthington Road, Turkey Beach.

For more information see their Facebook page.

#### February

#### Friday 4 February

#### Celtic Illusion

Immerse yourself in one of the most unique productions touring the world. A breathtaking array of experiences, fusing Irish Dance, Magic and influential flavours of Fosse Michael Jackson, with a Broadway style.

Time: 7:30pm to 10:30pm

Location: Gladstone Entertainment Convention Centre 56 Goondoon Street, Gladstone.

For more information and tickets see https://gladstoneentertainment.com/

#### **Tuesday 15 February**

#### General Meeting of Council

This meeting will also be live-streamed on Council's Facebook and a recording of the meeting will be posted on social media.

Time: 9am

Location: Council Chambers - Civic Centre, 101 Goondoon Street, Gladstone.

For more information contact Council on 07 4970 0700.

#### Friday 19 February

#### Kevin Bloody Wilson

The Kevin Bloody Wilson Show is not just a concert performance, for most, it's a full on event and an opportunity to tick from your bucket-list a chance to see Australia's most unique International comedy legend. Kevin has become a national institution — a must see for any person wanting to see absolute original Australian comedy.

Time: 7:30pm Location: Harvey Road Tavern, Gladstone.

For more information and tickets see https://liveatyourlocal.com.au/

#### Sunday 20 February

#### **Rotary Charity Markets**

Come along and see the beautiful Tondoon Botanic Gardens come alive with food, craft, fruit and vegetables and much more

Time: 7am to 12pm

Location: Tondoon Botanic Gardens, 672 Glenlyon Road,

For more information, see the Gladstone Regional Council

#### **Sunday 27 February**

#### **Calliope Rotary Markets**

Markets for everyone with entertainment and food. Time: 8am to 12pm

Location: Chapman Park, 3 Taragoola Road, Calliope. For more information call Susan on 0414 874 721

## KNOW OF AN EVENT HAPPENING IN OUR REGION?\*

To add it to our Community Events
Billboard, contact
editorial@todaygladstone.com.au

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\*Event information correct at time of print.

Event details are subject to change at the discretion of the event organisation. While we endeavour to include as many events as we can, Gladstone Today cannot guarantee the inclusion of every event.



Left to right - Mathew Gow and Michael Lewis from Barney Point Butchery, Young Street Gladstone.



Support local businesses this Christmas. See Gladstone residents out and about enjoying their holidays and shopping for loved ones.

## **Enjoying what** Gladdy has to offer



Ramana Nediane providing great service with a smile at Familia Restaurant.

### Out and **About**



The helpful staff from SportsPower, Dawson Highway Gladstone left to right - Georgie Hare, Joe Romagnola and Sophie Duff.



Carsen Huth and Kerrie Vallis out shopping at SportsPower.



Left to right – Elmira Esfahani and Alison Kelly at Familia Restaurant.



Cathy and Trev Marjoran shopping for the best cuts at Barney Point Butchery.



Cherry Slice is one of my grandmother's signature recipes

- Jessica McGrath, Journalist

### **JOY'S CHERRY SLICE** A SWEET TREAT

- 125g biscuit crumbs
- 1 cup glazed cherries chopped
- ¾ cup dried apricots chopped ■ ¾ cup marshmallows chopped
- ½ cup coconut
- 1/2 cup condensed milk
- 125g butter (melted)

#### **Method**

- 1. Mix all ingredients together
- 2. Press into tray
- 3. Spread frosting or desiccated coconut on top of the slice
- 4. Refrigerate

### **JOLLY ICE CREAM PUDDING TO PLEASE**

- 1 litre vanilla icecream
- ½ cup glace cherries halved
- ½ cup mixed peel
- ½ cup chopped raisins
- ½ cup sultanas
- 1 cup glace fruit chopped
- 2 teaspoons mixed spice
- 1 teaspoon nutmeg ■ 1 tablespoon rum or brandy
- ½ cup chopped toasted almonds
- 3 teaspoons cocoa
- 3 teaspoons hot water
- 90g white chocolate

- 1. Combine all the ice cream with all the fruit.
- 2. Add the brandy/rum.
- 3. Combine the cocoa and the hot water mix well, add to the ice cream.
- 4. Pour into a foiled lined 5 cup pudding basin and freeze.
- 5. When ready to serve melt the white chocolate drizzle and pour over the pudding.



My Mum's famous ice cream pudding (right) is a crowd favourite come Christmas time. - Neesha Sinnya, Journalist

### Butter's the better option

Well another year is nearly over. It's been a year that makes me think of that old saying... When life gives you lemons...make lemonade!

I think everyone has been frantically trying their best to do just that this year. It's been very unusual to say the least.

For me it's all about making Lemon Butter when life gives me lemons.

It's much more satisfying to have a jar of rich, tart lemon butter in the fridge than a jug of boring old lemonade.



So here is the recipe I use. It's rich and delicious and oh so simple.

Go ahead and make a batch!

When life gives you lemons...

### **LEMON BUTTER**

#### Ingredients

- 6 eggs
- 1 & 1/2 cups caster sugar
- 175g Butter cut in cubes
- 3/4 cup of Lemon juice

#### Method

- 1. Place a saucepan with about 3cm of water in the bottom on the stove. Heat until it is gently
- 2. In a large glass or heatproof (not metal) bowl, whisk the eggs and sugar until combined.
- 3. Place the bowl over the saucepan so that it sits on top. Make sure the water doesn't touch the bottom of the bowl.
- 4. Whisk the lemon juice into the eggs and sugar.
- 5. Continue to whisk while adding the butter grad-
- 6. Once all butter has been added continue to whisk until it has melted and the mixture is smooth and has thickened to the consistency of honey. This will take around 15 minutes.
- 7. Remove from the heat and pour into sterilized jars. It will thicken as it cools.
- 8. Keep refrigerated. It will last around 2 weeks.

Happy whisking! Stay safe!

- My favourite way to use lemon curd is to make little tarts. Use store bought sweet tart cases or make your own out of butternut biscuits. Just sit the biccies in patty pans and place them in a 120° oven for 5 minutes. Take the pan out of the oven and use the back of a spoon to gently push the biscuits into the patty pans. Let them cool in the tin then remove and fill with lemon curd, pipe whipped cream on and top with a raspberry.
- You can also use half lemon and half lime juice in the





Great to slather on biccies.

Your year ahead Shake off all self-doubt, Capricorn. The restraints that have been tying you to the same old ruts are finally severed. Next year, you should feel a powerful push towards career advancement, with this surge carrying you through. Any new venture started after January should produce lucrative results, as well as bear the stamp of your individuality. Use your powers of persuasion while you command this new-found respect, but remember to stay adaptable. When new ideas are thrown your way, don't immediately dismiss them. Stay flexible. Your rewards include a new kind of earning potential.



(Mar 21 - Apr 20)

No one can accuse you of not pulling your weight. You've been working long and hard, so stay primed for a special surprise. Perhaps a pay increase, or a small cash bonus? Many Ariens also seem to be back in touch with every friend on the planet. Singles may find romance through family connections. End of year fun follows.

Best Day: Tuesday 28th

**ARROW WORDS** 



(Apr 21 - May 20)

At last there's an honest breath of fresh air in your relationships, allowing you to comfortably be yourself. This week offers an easier run, though there are no promises regarding how long this will last. If new love makes an entrance, it's most likely through an unusual connection, someone from overseas or with a vastly different lifestyle.

Best Day: Sunday 26th



(May 21 - Jun 21)

Look after your health, Gemini. Sure, you can have some new year's fun - but moderation is the key Thankfully, the cosmos doesn't apply the same rules to romance. Here, you can be as playful as you wish. Just don't place all your cupids in the same basket. Recognise that some affairs don't stand a chance especially the secretive kind. Best Day: Wednesday 29th

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(Jun 22 - Jul 22)

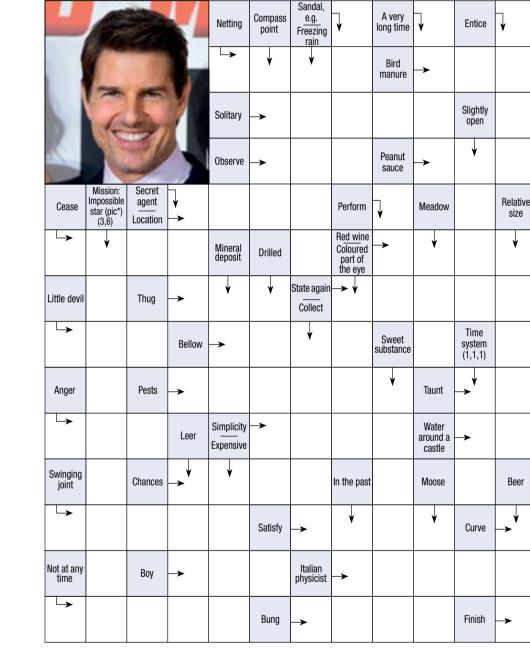
This week many Cancerians can expect a little extra cash and more variety in their lives. Changes at home also keep you on your toes. Though you usually put work above pleasure, this week could find you ducking out of the escape hatch. Well, there are the end of year festivities, after all. You're in the mood to pamper and play. Best Day: Monday 27th



#### (Jul 23 - Aug 23)

For better or for worse, this week spells temptation. Without mentioning names, someone's turning life upside down with their enticing antics. Part of the fun seems to be in leading you towards extravagance, probably at a time when you can least afford it. Enjoy what you already have and make the best

**Best Day: Sunday 26th** 





#### **VIRGO** (Aug 24 - Sep 22)

Advertise your availability and you should be showered with romantic reciprocation. For some, new love simply happens; while others rekindle an old flame. New friendships could also be forged. For many Virgos, it's a week when health, wealth and happiness benefit from a planetary thumbs up. All this thanks to a super amorous Venus.

Best Day: Monday 27th



#### (Oct 24 - Nov 22)

Here's a week for pleasure, Scorpio. Extravagance, too. One warning: respect your physical and financial limits or you could overindulge. Ditto for your bank balance. The best use of this time is to find delight in romance rather than in worldly goods. Sure, you can spend up in the new year sales - just not

Best Day: Thursday 30th

too much.



#### (Sep 23 - Oct 23)

Use what's left of the festive holidays to schedule time out for doing the things you love. This isn't the week to plan major moves or take on extra responsibilities. Instead, lighten your load and postpone difficult decisions. Catch up with all your reading, relax in nature...or simply binge on your favourite shows. **Best Day: Friday 31st** 



#### **SAGITTARIUS**

(Nov 23 - Dec 21)

The cosmos asks you to streamline your responsibilities. In the past, vou had a cavalier attitude with regard to the size of your workload. Now, you come to realise that, in taking on too much, you're missing out on the other pleasures life has in store. The next few weeks offer continued success but with a better sense of balance. Best Day: Monday 27th



#### CAPRICORN

(Dec 22 - Jan 20)

Faced with the choice of work or play - this week, the pursuit of pleasure wins hands down. You look ready to cut loose, and in the best of ways. You can also expect a small shower of gifts or material gain. There's also more enjoyment at home, and an improved rapport with friends and family. A fabulous way to end what was a difficult year.

**Best Day: Friday 31st** 



#### **AQUARIUS**

(Jan 21 - Feb 18)

Many Aquarians have recently found a new kind of success and attention but now that all the hard work is done, you should also take some time off for play. And you may as well surrender what's left of your dwindling finances to the new year celebrations. Just aim for a better financial game-plan in January. **Best Day: Tuesday 28th** 



#### **PISCES**

(Feb 19 - Mar 20) Enjoy the relative calm of this week as you slip into a more relaxed mode. and stay pretty much unflappable. You're more able to take life as it comes - and if you have put a little extra effort into recent duties, this could be a time of reward. Deservedly so. Expect surprises or sudden opportunities Best Day: Friday 31st

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## The Guide



While a lot has changed since Carols by Candlelight began in 1938

to celebrate carols and the Christmas spirit, the old-school tunes

haven't changed one bit. The rest of it? Well, the glitz and glamour

(both pictured) are joined by old favourites including Marina Prior

as a way to bring people, including the less fortunate, together

of the production is a lot more fancy and tightly orchestrated,

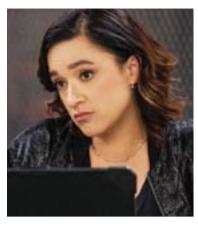
but the festive feeling remains. Live from Melbourne's Sidney

Myer Music Bowl, hosts David Campbell and Allison Langdon

and Anthony Callea, along with the Melbourne Gospel Choir.

THE ROYAL VARIETY
PERFORMANCE
ABC TV, Christmas Day,
7.40pm

In Australia, we have Christmas specials with breakfast-TV presenters taking to the stage along with some of our best musical talent. You won't see our prime minister popping up in the crowd. In the UK, the annual Royal Variety Performance is another spectacular festive event, but with this one, you can spot royal family in the exuberant audience. For some, spying a sequined Kate and tuxedo-clad William makes it all the more exciting, not to mention the famous performers. Bill Bailey, James Blunt, Elvis Costello, Sir Rod Stewart and Ed Sheeran all take to the stage, with cheeky comedian Alan Carr (pictured) playing host.



FBI: MOST WANTED 10, Monday, 8.30pm

American police procedurals are reliably slick affairs, and there's arguably no one better to create one than Dick Wolf, the veteran producer of the prolific Law & Order franchise, as well as this engaging series. While viewers can expect a crime to be committed and then enthrallingly solved by a bunch of world-weary police investigators, this series stands out from the pack in Australia because of its stars. Boasting American heartthrob Kellan Lutz (Twilight), it also features Aussie Julian McMahon (Nip/Tuck) and Kiwi-Aussie Keisha Castle-Hughes (Whale Rider). In "Unhinged". Hana (Castle-Hughes, pictured) rejoins the team and experiences a raft of new adjustments as an arson case leads to a decades-old secret.



YOUNG SHELDON 9Go!, Tuesday, 7pm

This sweet and inspired spin-off from The Big Bang Theory is nothing like its predecessor and, as we round out season four, it's a comedy that has always harboured a quiet confidence. We bid adieu to the season with "The Wild and Woolly World of Nonlinear Dynamics", and fans can look forward to more family friendly, slightly quirky drama with season five waiting, along with more lively episode titles. Expect high drama for Sheldon (lain Armitage, pictured) and his household when Missy's (Raegan Revord) first heartbreak triggers a series of events that lead every member of the Cooper family to the brink. Fans of the original show might have an inkling of what's to come. Prepare for an unsettling conclusion.

#### Friday, December 24

#### ABCTV (2)

6.00 News Breakfast. 9.00 ABC News Mornings. 10.00 Gardening Australia. (R)
11.05 The Heights. (PG, R) 12.00 ABC News At Noon. 1.00 Barrie Cassidy's One Plus One. (R)
1.30 Call The Midwife. (PG, R)
3.00 ABC News Afternoons.
4.00 Think Tank. (PG, R)
4.55 Worzel Gummidge. (Final, PG, R)
5.55 Julia Zemiro's Home Delivery. (R)
Julia Zemiro interviews various celebrities.

6.25 Shaun The Sheep.
7.00 ABC News.
7.30 Outback Ringer. (PG, R)
The Cooks have to catch 16 bulls.
8.00 Would I Lie To You? (PG, R)
Hosted by Rob Brydon.

8.30 Midsomer Murders.
(Mv, R) A butterfly collector and founding member of a global society, Circulus, is found murdered.
10.00 Talking Heads. (Final, PG) A woman

makes some surprising discoveries.

10.30 QI. (PG, R)

11.00 Sammy J: Full Credit
To Christmas. (PG, R)

12.00 Rage Christmas
Special. (MA15+adhInsv)

ABC TV PLUS (22) 6am Children's Programs. 5.50pm Peppa Pig. 5.55 Hey Duggee. 6.05 Ben And Holly. 6.20 Bluey. 6.25 Shaun The Sheep. 6.35 The Adventures Of Paddington. 7.00 Dino Dana. 7.15 Odd Squad. 7.30 Spicks And Specks. 8.00 Hard Quiz. 8.30 MOVIE: Roxanne. (1987, PG) 10.15 Doctor Who. 11.05 Live At The Apollo. 11.50 QI Christmas Special. 12.25am Would I Lie To You At Christmas? 12.55 Insert Name Here. 1.25 Sick Of It. 1.45 Community. 2.10 Parks And Recreation. 2.30 ABC News Update. 2.35 Close. 5.05 Five Minutes More. 5.10 Sarah & Duck. 5.20 The Hive. 5.30 Digby Dragon. 5.40 Late Programs.

N ITV (34) 6am Morning Programs. 10.00 Undiscovered Vistas. 10.50 Freshwater Dreaming. 11.00 Going Places. Noon MOVIE: Jowable. (2019. 11.00 Going Places. Noon MOVIE: Jowable. (2019. 11.00 Going Places. Noon MoVIE: Jowable. (2019. 11.00 Going Places. 2.30 Chefs' Line. 3.00 Wapos Bay. 3.25 The Magic Canoe. 3.50 Wolf Joe. 4.00 Aussie Bush Tales. 4.10 Project Planet. 4.35 Grace Beside Me. 5.00 Our Stories. 5.30 Living Black. 6.00 Bamay. 6.35 News. 6.40 Undiscovered Vistas. 7.30 Little J And Big Cuz. 7.45 The Great Northern Candy Drop. 8.15 MOVIE: Unaccompanied Minors. (2006) 9.45 Bedtime Stories. 9.55 Cultural Connections Immersion Festival. 10.55 Late Programs.

#### **SBS** (3)

6.00 WorldWatch. 7.30 Italian News. 8.10 Filipino News. 8.40 French News. 9.30 Greek News. 10.30 German News. 11.00 Spanish News. 11.30 Turkish News. 12.00 Arabic News F24. 12.30 ABC America: World News Tonight. 1.00 PBS NewsHour. 2.00 Dr Russell's Imaginarium. 2.30 All Is Bright. 3.45 The Cook Up With Adam Liaw. (PG, R) 4.15 The Wonderful World Of Chocolate. (PGa, R) 5.05 Jeopardy! (PG) 5.30 Letters And Numbers. (R)

6.00 Mastermind Australia. (R)
6.30 SBS World News.
7.30 Silent Night: A Song For The
World. Takes a look at Silent Night.
9.10 Freddie Mercury: The Great
Pretender. (Mls, R) Explores the
life of Freddie Mercury through
previously unseen footage.
10.45 8 Out Of 10 Cats Does
Countdown. (Ml, R)
11.40 Agatha Christie's
Criminal Games. (Maly R)

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1.25 Celebrity Mastermind. (PGI, R)
3.30 Destination Flavour Christmas. (R) 4.30
Bamay. (R) 5.00 France 24 Feature. 5.15 NHK
World English News. 5.30 Deutsche Welle
English News.

**SBS VICELAND (31) 6am** WorldWatch. **9.30** SBS Courtside. **10.00** Basketball. NBA. Philadelphia 76ers v Atlanta Hawks. **12.30pm** WorldWatch. **1.30** Florence Has Left The Building. **1.45** Gymnastics. FIG Artistic World Challenge Cup. H'lights. **3.50** WorldWatch. **5.15** Joy Of Painting. **6.15** Forged In Fire. **7.05** Jeopardy! **7.35** 8 Out Of 10 Cats Does Countdown. **8.30** Hoarders. **9.20** Taskmaster: Champion Of Champions. **10.10** The Year That Changed Love. **11.05** I Want My MTV. **12.35am** Undressed. **2.35** NHK World English News. **3.00** Thai News. **3.30** Bangla News. **4.00** Punjabi News. **4.30** Late Programs.

SBS WORLD MOVIES (32) 6am
The Odyssey. Continued. (2016, PG, French) 7.15
The Imaginarium of Doctor Parnassus. (2009, PG)
9.30 Toast. (2010, PG) 11.15 The Lunchbox. (2013, PG, Hindi) 1.15pm Vicky Cristina Barcelona. (2008, M) 3.00 Asterix And Obelix In Britain. (2012, PG, French) 5.05 Sun Children. (2020, PG, Farsi) 6.55
Monkey King: The Hero. (2016, PG) 8.30 The White Crow. (2018, Russian) 10.50 Bride And Prejudice. (2004, PG) 12.55am Touched With Fire. (2015, M) 2.55 Back To Burgundy. (2017, M, French) 5.00
Bride And Prejudice. (2004, PG)

#### SEVEN (7)

6.00 Sunrise.
9.00 The Morning Show. (PG)
11.30 Seven Morning News.
12.00 MOVIE: Santa's Boots.
(2018, PG) Megan Hilty.
2.00 House Of Wellness. (PG, R)
3.00 The Chase. (R)
4.00 Seven News At 4.
5.00 The Chase Australia. (R)
Hosted by Larry Emdur.

**6.00 Seven Local News. 6.30 Seven News. 7.00 MOVIE: Elf.** (2003, PGal, R)
A man raised as an elf searches for his father. Will Ferrell, James Caan.

**9.00 MOVIE: Fred Claus.** (2007, PGalv, R) Santa Claus' cranky older brother comes to stay with him at the North Pole. Vince Vaughn, Paul Giamatti, Elizabeth Banks.

11.20 MOVIE: Isle Of Dogs. (2018, PGalv, R) Japanese canines are exiled to a garbage island. Bryan Cranston. 1.20 Travel Oz. (PG, R) 2.00 Home Shopping. (R) 4.00 Million Dollar Minute. (R) 5.00 NBC Today.

7TWO (72) 6am Home Shopping. 6.30
Travel Oz. 8.00 Harry's Practice. 8.30 Million Dollar
Minute. 9.30 NBC Today. Noon House Of Wellness.
1.00 Million Dollar Minute. 2.00 Better Homes And
Gardens Summer. 3.30 Mayor's Christmas Carols.
4.30 M\*A\*S\*H. 5.30 Escape To The Country. 6.30
Bargain Hunt. 7.30 Billy Connolly: Made In Scotland.
8.30 The Amazing Homemakers. 9.30 Australia's
Big Backyards. 10.30 The Mentalist. 12.30am The
Fine Art Auction. 3.30 The Real Seachange. 4.00
Better Homes And Gardens Summer. 5.30 Home
Shopping.

7MATE (73) 6am ITM Fishing Show: Best Of The Best. 6.30 Mark Berg's Fishing Addiction. 7.30 Creek To Coast. 8.00 Boating. UIM Class-1 World Powerboat Championship. Roar Offshore. Replay. 9.00 American Pickers. 10.00 NFL 100 Greatest. 11.00 A Football Life. Noon Heavy Rescue: 401. 1.00 Great Lake Warriors. 3.00 Shipping Wars. 3.30 Bull Riding. PBR Australia. Monster Energy Tour. 4.00 Timbersports. 4.30 Billion Dollar Wreck. 5.30 Storage Wars: Texas. 6.00 American Pickers. 7.00 Pawn Stars. 7.30 MOVIE: Upgrade. (2018, M) 9.30 MOVIE: Outback. (2019, M) 11.20 MOVIE: Toke. (2020, MA15+) 1.25am Late Programs.

#### **NINE** (8, 9)

6.00 Today. 9.00 Today Extra Summer. (PG)
11.30 Morning News.
12.00 MOVIE: A Christmas
Movie Christmas. (2019, G)
1.45 Garden Gurus Moments. (R)
2.00 Pointless. (PG, R)
3.00 Tipping Point. (PG)
4.00 Afternoon News.
4.30 Millionaire Hot Seat. (R)
5.30 WIN News.

6.00 Nine News.
7.00 A Current Affair.
7.30 Christmas With Delta
Goodrem. (PG, R) A Christmas
concert with Delta Goodrem.
8.00 Carols By Candlelight. (PG)
The 84th Vision Australia Carols
by Candlelight from Melbourne's
Sidney Myer Music Bowl.
11.00 Christmas At Highclere Castle.
(R) A look at Highclere Castle at Christmas.
12.00 The Weakest Link. (PG, R)

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1.00 A Current Affair. (R)
1.30 TV Shop: Home Shopping. (R)
4.00 Global Shop. (R)
4.30 TV Shop: Home Shopping. (R)
5.30 Wesley Impact With Stu Cameron. (PG)

9GEM (81, 92) 6am TV Shop: Home Shopping. 7.00 Creflo Dollar Ministries. 7.30 TV Shop: Home Shopping. 10.30 Pointless. 11.30 My Favorite Martian. Noon Seaway. 1.00 Death In Paradise. 2.10 The Young And The Restless. 3.05 Antiques Roadshow. 3.35 MOVIE: Quiet Weekend (1946) 5.30 Murder, She Wrote. 6.30 Antiques Roadshow. 7.30 A Very Royal Christmas: Secrets Of Sandringham. 8.30 Poirot. 10.30 Midsomer Murders. 12.30am Antiques Roadshow. 1.00 TV Shop: Home Shopping.

9GO! (82, 93) 6am Children's Programs.
Noon The Incredible Hulk. 1.00 Airwolf. 2.00 The
A-Team. 3.00 The Nanny. 3.30 3rd Rock From The
Sun. 4.00 That '70s Show. 4.30 Malcolm. 5.00
Making Of Ghostbusters: Afterlife. 5.10 MOVIE:
E.T. The Extra-Terrestrial. (1982, PG) 7.30 MOVIE:
The Goonies. (1985, PG) 9.45 MOVIE: Uncle Buck.
(1989, PG) 11.45 Malcolm. 12.15am Desperate
Housewives. 2.10 Vanderpump Rules. 3.00 Power
Rangers Dino Fury. 3.30 Ninjago: Masters Of
Spinjitzu. 4.00 Pokémon. 4.30 Beyblade Burst
Turbo. 4.50 Bakugan: Geogan Rising. 5.10 Yu-GiOh! 5.30 Yu-Gi-Oh!

#### **TEN (5, 1)**

6.00 Ent. Tonight. (R) 6.30 Farm To Fork. (PG, R) 7.00 Judge Judy. (PG, R) 7.30 Bold. (PG, R) 8.00 Inside Bold. (R) 8.30 Studio 10. (PG) 11.00 My Market Kitchen. (R) 11.30 Everyday Gourmet. (R) 12.00 Dr Phil. (PG, R) 1.00 Jamie: Together At Christmas. (R) 2.00 Ent. Tonight. 2.30 Jamie's Easy Meals For Every Day. (R) 3.00 Judge Judy. (PG, R) 3.30 Left Off The Map. 4.00 Farm To Fork. (PG) 4.30 Inside Bold. (Final) 5.00 10 News First.

6.30 The Project.
7.30 The Living Room. (PGa, R) Barry Du Bois tackles a tricky renovation.
8.40 Have You Been Paying Attention To 2021? (Malns, R) Presenter Tom Gleisner quizzes celebrity guests about some of the

most memorable events from 2021.

9.40 Rhys Darby: Big In
Japan. (PGa) Part 3 of 4.

10.40 The Graham Norton Show. (Is, R)

11.40 The Project. (R)

12.40 The Late Show With
Stephen Colbert. (PG)

1.30 Hour Of Power Christmas Eve Special.

2.30 Infomercials. (PG, R) 3.00 Home
Shopping. (R) 5.30 Infomercials. (PG, R)

10 PEACH (52, 11) 6am The Late Show With Stephen Colbert. 7.00 NBL Slam. 7.30 Seinfeld. 8.00 Becker. 9.00 The Middle. 10.00 Frasier. 11.00 The King Of Queens. Noon Becker. 1.00 Man With A Plan. 1.30 Seinfeld. 3.00 The King Of Queens. 4.00 Becker. 5.00 Frasier. 6.00 Friends. 8.00 The Big Bang Theory. 9.30 Friends. 11.30 2 Broke Girls. Midnight Home Shopping. 1.30 Infomercials. 1.00 Home Shopping. 1.30 The Late Show With Stephen Colbert. 2.30 The Late Show With James Corden. 3.30 2 Broke Girls. 4.30 Home Shopping. 5.30 Infomercials.

10 BOLD (53, 12) 6am Home Shopping. 7.00 Infomercials. 8.00 Pat Callinan's 4x4 Adventures. 9.00 Diagnosis Murder. 10.00 JAG. Noon MacGyver. 1.00 Star Trek. 3.00 Diagnosis Murder. 5.00 JAG. 7.00 Bondi Rescue. 7.30 NCIS. 8.30 Law & Order: SVU. 11.30 CSI: Crime Scene Investigation. 12.30am Home Shopping. 1.00 Infomercials. 1.30 Home Shopping. 2.00 SEAL Team. 3.00 NCIS: New Orleans. 5.00 Diagnosis Murder.

#### **Saturday, December 25**

#### ABCTV(2)

**6am** Morning Programs. **9.30** The Pope's Christmas Mass. **11.30** Maggie Beer's Christmas Feast. (R) **12.00** ABC News Summer. **12.30** A Berry Royal Christmas. (R) **1.25** Lucy Worsley's Christmas Carol Odyssey. (R) **2.25** Would I Lie To You? (PG, R) **2.55** Hard Quiz: Battle Of The Has Beens. (PG, R) **3.30** Christmas In Australia With Christine Anu. (R) **4.30** Midsomer Murders. (PG, R)

6.00 The Penguin King With
David Attenborough. (R) Follows
a penguin's search for a mate.
7.00 ABC News On Christmas Day.
A look at the top stories of the day.
7.30 The Queen's Christmas Message.
The annual broadcast of Queen Elizabeth II's

Christmas message to the Commonwealth. **7.40 The Royal Variety Performance.**(PG) Entertainment spectacular featuring the stars of the stage and screen at London's Royal Albert Hall.

9.35 Call The Midwife. (PG, R) Mother Mildred decides to send Sister Frances and Sister Hilda to Nonnatus House.
10.35 Father Brown. (Final, PG, R)

Lady Felicia's necklace is stolen.

11.20 Rage Christmas Special.
(MA15+adhlnsv) Christmasthemed music videos.

5.00 Rage. (PG)

ABC TV PLUS (22) 6am Children's Programs. 7.30pm A Very Specky Christmas. 8.30 Adam Hills: The Last Leg. 9.10 Ql. 9.40 Live At The Apollo. 10.30 Mock The Week. 11.00 Schitt's Creek. 11.45 Catastrophe. 12.10am Upstart Crow. 12.40 Review With Myles Barlow: Christmas Special. 1.10 GameFace. 1.35 Red Dwarf. 2.05 Escape From The City. 3.00 ABC News Update. 3.05 Close. 5.05 Late Programs.

NITV (34) 6am Morning Programs. 1.05pm Long Time Ago Bloomfield River. 1.30 Jupurrurla: Man Of Media. 2.00 Ice Hockey. National Hockey Super League. 4.00 Soccer. FIFA Arab Cup. Second semi-final. Replay. 6.00 VCW: Vulcan Championship Wrestling. 7.00 Chuck And The First People's Kitchen. 7.30 Nat King Cole: Afraid Of The Dark. 9.15 MOVIE: Rare Exports: A Christmas Tale. (2010, M) 11.15 Late Programs. **SBS** (3)

**6.00** WorldWatch. **10.30** German News. **11.00** Spanish News. **11.30** Turkish News. **12.00** Arabic News F24. **12.30** ABC America: World News Tonight. **1.00** PBS NewsHour. **2.00** A World Of Calm. (R) **2.25** Patrizio Buanne: Celebration. (PG) **3.25** NSW Seniors' Christmas Concert. **4.45** Wonderful World Of Chocolate Christmas. (R) **5.35** Secrets Of The Toy Shop: Inside Hamleys. (PG, R)

6.30 SBS World News.
7.30 Deck The Halls: The Luxury
Christmas Decorators. Follows

decorators as they transform venues.

8.30 On Broadway. As audiences prepare for the return of live theatre after an absence of 18 months, an all-star cast, Hugh Jackman and Ian McKellen, tell the inside story of the last time Broadway came back from the brink

10.00 MOVIE: Lion. (2016, PGa, R)
An Indian boy gets lost on the streets of
Calcutta. Dev Patel, Nicole Kidman.

12.05 Dolly Parton: 50 Years At The Opry. (PG, R) 1.35 The Chocolate Factory: Inside Cadbury Australia. (R) 4.55 Poh & Co. Bitesize. (R) 5.00 France 24 Feature. 5.15 NHK World English News. 5.30 Deutsche Welle English News.

SBS VICELAND (31) 6am WorldWatch. Noon Alone. 4.55 WorldWatch. 6.20 Taskmaster Norway. 7.10 Travel Man: Rebel Wilson In Florence. 8.05 Brooklyn Nine-Nine. 8.30 Saving The Delorean Time Machine. 9.30 The X-Files. 1.40am Undressed. 2.40 France 24. 3.00 Thai News. 3.30 Bangla News. 4.00 Punjabi News. 4.30 Sri Lankan Sinhalese News. 5.00 Korean News. 5.30 Indonesian News.

SBS WORLD MOVIES (32) 6am
Bride And Prejudice. Continued. (2004, PG) 7.05
The Lunchbox. (2013, PG, Hindi) 9.05 The Three
Musketeers. (1973, PG) 11.05 Sun Children. (2020,
PG, Farsi) 12.55pm Monkey King: The Hero. (2016,
PG) 2.30 Toast. (2010, PG) 4.15 The Tree Of Life.
(2011, PG) 6.50 Unaccompanied Minors. (2006)
8.30 T2 Trainspotting. (2017, MA15+) 10.40 People
Places Things. (2015, M) 12.15am Late Programs.

SEVEN (7)

**6.00** NBC Today. **7.00** Carols In The Domain. (PG, R) **9.30** Christmas Pageant. (PG) **10.30** Mayor's Christmas Carols. (PG, R) **11.30** SeaLink Carols By Candlelight. (PG, R) **1.00** House Of Wellness. (PG, R) **2.00** Jabba's School Holiday Movie Special. (PGhy, R) **2.30** Salvation Army Christmas Special. (PG, R) **3.00 MOVIE:** Fred Claus. (2007, PGaly, R) Vince Vaughn. **5.30** Creek To Coast. (R)

**6.00** Seven News. **7.00** Dogs Behaving (Very) Badly.
(PG) Follows dog trainer Graeme Hall.

**8.00 MOVIE:** National Lampoon's Vacation. (1983, Mdl, R) A Chicago family encounters an endless series of disasters during their annual cross-country road trip. Chevy Chase, Beverly D'Angelo, Randy Quaid.

10.10 MOVIE: National Lampoon's Christmas Vacation. (1989, Mls, R) A hapless man tries to create a traditional, fun-filled Christmas for his family. Chevy Chase, Beverly D'Angelo.

12.10 MOVIE: Harum Scarum. (1965, G, R) A famous movie star is kidnapped by assassins. Elvis Presley. 2.00 Home Shopping. (R) 4.00 Get Clever. (R)

5.00 My Greek Odyssey. (PG, R)

7TWO (72) 6am Home Shopping. 8.30 Travel Oz. 10.00 Bargain Hunt. 11.00 Weekender. 11.30 Creek To Coast. Noon A Foodies Guide To Kyushu Japan. 1.15 MOVIE: Stay Away, Joe. (1968) 3.30 MOVIE: Charro! (1969, PG) 5.30 Ed And Karen's Recipes For Success. 6.30 The Hotel

Inspector. **7.30 MOVIE**: The Tender Trap. (1955, M) **9.30** Escape To The Country. **10.30** The Mentalist.

12.30am The Fine Art Auction. 3.30 Late Programs.

7MATE (73) 6am Morning Programs.
11.30 Your 4x4. Noon The Mike & Cole Show. 12.30
Timbersports. 1.00 Blokesworld. 1.30 Australia
ReDiscovered. 2.00 American Pickers. 3.00
Motor Racing. Velocity Invitational. Highlights.
4.00 Shipping Wars. 5.00 Billion Dollar Wreck.
6.00 American Pickers. 7.00 Pawn Stars. 7.30
Full Custom Garage: Sports Car Edition. 11.00 Late

**NINE (8, 9)** 

**6.00** Christmas Pageant. **8.00** Lord Mayor's Christmas Carols. **10.00** Good Food Christmas. (R) **10.30** CMA Country Christmas. (PG)

11.30 Christmas With Delta Goodrem. (PG, R) 1.00 Carols By Candlelight. (PG, R) 4.00 MOVIE: Blizzard. (2003, G, R) Jennifer Pisana.

**6.00** Nine News Saturday. **7.00** MOVIE: Deck The Halls. (2006, PGals, R) Two neighbours

compete in a lights display. Danny DeVito, Matthew Broderick. **8.50 MOVIE: Four Holidays.** 

(2008, Ms, R) A couple are forced to endure a noisy festive season alongside their relatives. Reese Witherspoon, Vince Vaughn, Mary Steenburgen.

10.35 Queen's Christmas Message. Queen Elizabeth II's Christmas message. 10.45 Dame Edna Rules The Waves. (Ms) An evening of entertainment.

11.50 MOVIE: The Santa Con. (2014, PGav, R) Barry Watson. 1.30 Destination WA. (R) 2.00 TV Shop: Home Shopping. (R) 4.30 Global Shop. (R) 5.00 TV Shop: Home Shopping. (R) 5.30 Wesley Impact With Stu Cameron. (PG)

**9GEM (81, 92) 6am** Newstyle Direct. **6.30** TV Shop: Home Shopping. **10.00** With You This Christmas. **10.30** Edgar Wallace Mysteries. **11.45** Seaway. **12.50pm MOVIE:** The Holly And The Ivy. (1952) **2.30** The Secret Life Of The Zoo. **3.30** A Very Royal Christmas: Secrets Of Sandringham. **4.30 MOVIE:** White Christmas. (1954) **7.00** Carols By Candlelight. **10.00** Timeless. **Midnight** Gideon's Way. **1.00** TV Shop: Home Shopping.

**9GO!** (82, 93) 6am Children's Programs. 8.00 MOVIE: Alice-Miranda - A Royal Christmas Ball. (2021, C) 9.30 Children's Programs. 2.30pm Making Of Ghostbusters: Afterlife. 2.40 MOVIE: Becoming Santa. (2015) 4.25 Children's Programs. 4.55 The Nanny: Oy To The World. 5.25 MOVIE: Dr. Seuss' The Grinch. (2018) 7.00 LEGO Masters Bricksmas Special. 10.30 The Hundred With Andy Lee. 11.30 Late Programs.

**TEN (5, 1)** 

**6am** Morning Programs. **7.30** Escape Fishing. (R) **8.00** Freshly Picked. (R) **8.30** Jamie: Together At Christmas. (R) **9.30** Studio 10. (PG, R) **12.00** 4x4 Adventures. (R) **1.00** All 4 Adventure. (PGI, R) **2.00** Christmas With Australian Women's Weekly. (R) **3.00** Everyday Gourmet. (R) **3.30** Taste Of Australia. (R) **4.00** Waltzing Jimeoin. (PGaI, R) **4.30** Roads Less Travelled. (R) **5.00** News.

6.00 Terry Pratchett's The
Abominable Snow Baby.
6.30 A Baby Reindeer's
First Christmas. (PGa)
7.30 The Dog House. (PG) Christmas
might have come early for a pug.
8.30 The Cheap Seats. (Mal, R)
Presenters Melanie Bracewell and Tim

McDonald take a look at the week that was.

9.30 The Graham Norton Show.

(PGI, R) Graham Norton is joined by
George Clooney, Michael Sheen, David
Tennant, Viola Davis and Vanessa Kirby.

10.30 The Savoy At Christmas. (PGI, R)

11.30 The Living Room. (PGa, R)
12.30 Terry Pratchett's The
Abominable Snow Baby. (R)
1.00 Home Shopping. (R)
1.30 Infomercials. (PG, R)
2.30 Home Shopping. (R) 5.00 Hour

2.30 Home Shopping. (R) 5.00 Hour Of Power.

10 PEACH (52, 11) 6am The Late Show With Stephen Colbert. 7.00 The King Of Queens.

8.00 Becker. 9.00 The Middle. 10.00 Frasier. 11.00

With Stephen Colbert. **7.00** The King Of Queens. **8.00** Becker. **9.00** The Middle. **10.00** Frasier. **11.00** Jamie's Easy Meals For Every Day. **11.30** Jamie's Easy Christmas Countdown. **12.30 pm** Jamie: Together At Christmas. **1.30** Carol's Second Act. **2.30** Brides Of Beverly Hills. **3.30** Friends. **6.00** The Big Bang Theory. **9.45** 2 Broke Girls. **12.10am** Shopping. **1.10** Infomercials. **1.40** Mom. **2.05** Late Programs.

10 BOLD (53, 12) 6am Home Shopping. 6.30 Infomercials. 8.00 Home Shopping. 9.00 The Doctors. 10.00 MacGyver. Noon Diagnosis Murder. 1.00 Pat Callinan's 4x4 Adventures. 2.00 All 4 Adventure. 3.00 JAG. 4.00 Bondi Rescue. 4.30 IFish Summer Series. 5.00 Waltzing Jimeoin. 5.30 Stories Of Bikes. 6.00 JAG. 7.00 Bondi Rescue. 7.30 NCIs. 8.30 Law & Order: SVU. 10.20 MacGyver. 11.20 Late Programs.

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#### **Sunday, December 26**

#### ABCTV (2)

**6am** Morning Programs. **9.00** ABC News Summer. **9.30** Gardening Australia: Christmas Special. (R) **10.30** The World In 2021. (R) **11.00** Compass. (PG, R) **11.30** Praise. (R) **12.00** ABC News Summer. **12.30** Landline. (R) **1.30** Doc Martin. (Ma, R) **2.15** The Royal Variety Performance. (PG, R) **4.25** Everyone's A Critic. (PG, R) **4.55** Dream Gardens. (R) **5.30** Nigella's Cook, Eat, Repeat. (R)

6.00 Antiques Roadshow. (Final, R) A look at some favourite finds.
7.00 ABC News Sunday.
7.30 Death In Paradise. (Ma, R) A radio legend is murdered live on air.
8.30 Call The Midwife. (PGa) It's December 1965, and everyone at Nonnatus House is looking forward to traditional celebrations.

10.00 Doc Martin. (PG, R) Louisa helps diagnose a pupil. 10.50 Harrow. (Madv, R) A skeleton is discovered in a backyard. 11.40 Silent Witness. (Mav, R) 12.40 Talking Heads. (Final, PG, R) 1.10 Miniseries: Mrs Wilson. (Ma, R) 4.00 Death In Paradise. (Ma, R) 5.00 Gardening Australia. (R)

ABC TV PLUS (22) 6am Children's Programs. 7.30pm Spicks And Specks. 8.00 Compass. 8.30 Louis Theroux: Gambling In Las Vegas. 9.30 The Yearly With Charlie Pickering 2021. 10.30 Brian Johnson's A Life On The Road. 11.15 Christmas In Australia With Christine Anu. 12.15am George Clarke's Amazing Spaces. 1.00 Horror Movie: A Low-Budget Nightmare. (Final) 2.00 In The Long Run. 2.25 Late Programs.

NITV (34) 6am Morning Programs. 1.15pm Soccer. African Cup NSW. 2.45 Gaelic Football. Ladies Association. Highlights. 3.00 Rugby League. NRL Perth Nines. Harmony Cup. 4.30 Softball. SA Premier League. 6.00 Colonial Combat. 6.30 Welcome To Country. 6.40 Land Of Primates. 7.40 Coast New Zealand. 8.30 Charley Pride: I'm Just Me. 9.55 MOVIE: Silent Souls. (2010) 11.30 Late Programs

#### **SBS** (3)

**6.00** WorldWatch. **12.30** France 24 English News Second Edition. **1.00** Speedweek. **3.00** Figure Skating. ISU Grand Prix. Round 5. Internationaux de France. Highlights. **4.30** Cycling. National Road Series. Cycle Sunshine Coast. Highlights. **5.00** Welcome To Country. (PGI, R) **5.10** Going Places With Ernie Dingo. (R) **5.40** By Royal Appointment: Shops That Serve The Queen. (R)

6.30 SBS World News.
7.30 Zoo Mum. (PG) A look at England's Colchester Zoo.
8.30 Walt Disney. (PG, R) Part 1 of 2. Explores the life and legacy

of American icon Walt Disney.

10.35 Michael Palin: Travels
Of A Lifetime. (PG, R) Michael
Palin revisits his travel series.

**11.30 MOVIE: Chef.** (2014, MI, R) Jon Favreau. **1.30 24 Hours In Emergency.** (Ma, R)

2.25 North To South: The Full Journey. (R)4.40 Bamay. (R)5.00 France 24 Feature. 5.15 NHK World

English News. **5.30** Deutsche Welle

English News.

SBS VICELAND (31) 6am WorldWatch. Noon Alone. 5.00 WorldWatch. 5.30 Secrets Of Our Cities. 6.35 Travel Man. 7.05 Guy Martin: The World's Fastest Electric Car? 8.30 Patriot Brains. 9.25 Dark Side Of The Ring. 10.15 What's The Problem With Nudity? 11.15 Das Boot. 12.25am MOVIE: Dead Ringers. (1988, M) 2.30 Flowergirl. 3.00 Thai News. 3.30 Bangla News. 4.00 Punjabi News. 4.30 Late Programs.

SBS WORLD MOVIES (32) 6am Monkey King: The Hero. Continued. (2016, PG) 7.35 Unaccompanied Minors. (2006) 9.15 The Tree Of Life. (2011, PG) 11.50 The White Crow. (2018, Russian) 2.10pm Fame. (2009, PG) 4.25 Bride And Prejudice. (2004, PG) 6.25 Florence Foster Jenkins. (2016, PG) 8.30 American Woman. (2018, MA15+) 10.35 The Sound Of Silence. (2019, M) 12.10am The Last Emperor. (1987, M) 3.15 Late Programs.

#### SEVEN (7)

**6am** Morning Programs. **11.30** The Ashes: The Lunch Break. **12.10** Cricket. The Ashes. Third Test. Australia v England. Day 1. Afternoon session. **2.10** The Ashes: Tea Break. **2.30** Cricket. The Ashes. Third Test. Australia v England. Day 1. Late afternoon session. **5.00** Cricket. Big Bash League. Game 20. Sydney Thunder v Sydney Sixers.

6.00 Seven News.

7.00 Cricket. Big Bash League. Game 20.
 Sydney Thunder v Sydney Sixers.
 8.10 Cricket. Big Bash League. Game 21.
 Perth Scorchers v Melbourne Renegades.
 From Optus Stadium, Perth.

11.30 Why Can't We Sleep? (PGal, R) An investigation into insomnia. 12.30 Dr Harry's Animal Encounters. (PG, R) Presented by Dr Harry Cooper. 1.30 Travel Oz. (PG, R) A look

at holiday destinations.

2.00 Home Shopping. (R)

3.30 Million Dollar Minute.

(R) Hosted by Simon Reeve. 4.00 NBC Today. News and current affairs. 5.00 Seven Early News. 5.30 Sunrise.

7TWO (72) 6am Morning Programs.
10.00 House Of Wellness. 11.00 The Great
Australian Doorstep. 11.30 Your 4x4. Noon Ed And
Karen's Recipes For Success. 1.00 Escape To The
Country. 2.00 MOVIE: Speedway. (1968, PG) 4.00
MOVIE: The Trouble With Girls. (1969) 6.00 Dog
Patrol. 7.00 Border Security. 8.30 Chris Tarrant's
Extreme Railways. 9.30 Mighty Trains. 10.30
Heathrow. 11.00 Late Programs.

7MATE (73) 6am Morning Programs.
11.30 Sailing. Sydney Hobart Yacht Race. 1pm Blue
Water Savages. 1.30 The Hunt For Monster Bass.
2.00 On The Fly. 2.30 Million Dollar Catch. 3.00
Fishing Addiction. 4.00 Ultimate Fishing. 5.00
Shipping Wars. 6.00 Cricket. Big Bash League.
Game 20. Sydney Thunder v Sydney Sixers.
7.00 MOVIE: Firefox. (1982, PG) 9.30 MOVIE:
Tightrope. (1984, M) 11.55 Late Programs.

#### **NINE** (8, 9)

**6.00** Easy Eats. (R) **7.00** Weekend Today. **10.00** The Xtreme CollXtion. (PG, R) **10.30** Ultimate Rush. (PGI, R) **11.00** Destination WA. (PG) **11.30** Making Of Ghostbusters: Afterlife. (PG, R) **11.40** MOVIE: Mr Mom. (1983, PGa, R) Michael Keaton. **1.30** MOVIE: Rocky II. (1979, PGv, R) Sylvester Stallone. **4.00** Bondi Vet. (PG) **5.00** News: First At Five. **5.30** RBT. (PGdI, R)

**6.00 Nine News. 7.00 60 Minutes.** A rogue regime's evil is exposed.

8.00 David Attenborough's A
Perfect Planet: Oceans. (PG, R)
Sir David Attenborough takes a look at
the oceans of the world and how they
are all linked by powerful currents.

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9.10 MOVIE: The Matrix. (1999, Mlv, R)
A computer hacker learns about the
true nature of reality from a group
of mysterious rebels. Keanu Reeves,
Laurence Fishburne, Carrie-Anne Moss.

11.50 Chicago Med. (Mam, R)
12.40 Miniseries: The
Bad Seed. (Mlsv, R)
1.30 TV Shop: Home Shopping. (R)
4.00 Take Two. (R)
5.00 News Early Edition. 5.30 Today.

**9GEM (81, 92) 6am** Morning Programs. **7.30** In Touch. **8.00** Beyond Today. **8.30** The Incredible Journey. **9.00** TV Shop. **10.00** Rainbow Country. **10.30** MOVIE: Contraband Spain. (1955, PG) **12.10pm MOVIE:** The Grass Is Greener. (1960, PG) **2.20 MOVIE:** That Touch Of Mink. (1962, PG) **4.20 MOVIE:** Hatari! (1962) **7.30 MOVIE:** The Core. (2003, M) **10.10 MOVIE:** Awoken. (2019, MA15+) **Midnight** Late Programs.

9GO! (82, 93) 6am Children's Programs.
1.30pm Surfing Australia TV. 2.00 Liquid Science.
2.30 Road Trick. 3.00 MOVIE: Pokémon The
Movie: White – Victini And Zekrom. (2011) 5.00
MOVIE: The Spiderwick Chronicles. (2008, PG)
7.00 MOVIE: Mission: Impossible. (1996, PG) 9.10
MOVIE: The Mummy. (2017, M) 11.15 Stunt Science.
12.15am Desperate Housewives. 2.10 Below Deck
Mediterranean. 3.00 Late Programs.

#### **TEN** (5, 1)

**6am** Morning Programs. **11.00** A Baby Reindeer's First Christmas. (PG, R) **12.00** Luca's Key Ingredient. (R) **12.30** Everyday Gourmet. (R) **1.00** Farm To Fork. (PG, R) **1.30** My Market Kitchen. (R) **2.00** Jamie's Easy Meals For Every Day. (R) **2.30** Roads Less Travelled. (R) **3.00** 4x4 Adventures. (Final) **4.00** All 4 Adventure. (PGal) **5.00** News.

**6.00 Soccer.** A-League Men. Round 6. Melbourne Victory v Western United. From AAMI Park, Melbourne.

**9.00 FBI.** (Mav, R) FBI special agent Jubal's concern for his sick son affects his judgement as the team rushes to track down two doctors abducted by a desperate father willing to do anything to save his own son.

11.00 The FBI Declassified: Saving Ethan. (Ma, R) FBI agents and analysts provide an inside look at the 2013 kidnapping of five-year-old Ethan Gilman.

12.00 Home Shopping. (R)
1.30 Infomercials. (PG, R)
3.00 Home Shopping. (R)
4.30 CBS Mornings. Morning news and talk show.

10 PEACH (52, 11) 6am Morning Programs. 9.00 The Middle. 10.00 Seatbelt Psychic. 10.30 Jamie's Easy Meals For Every Day. 11.00 Jamie's Quick & Easy Christmas. Noon Basketball. NBL. Round 4. Tasmania JackJumpers v New Zealand Breakers. 2.00 Basketball. NBL. Round 4. Sydney Kings v Melbourne United. 4.00 The Dog House Australia. 5.00 Friends. 6.00 Big Bang. 8.30 Friends. 9.30 2 Broke Girls. 11.00 Late Programs.

10 BOLD (53, 12) 6am Morning Programs. 8.30 Pooches At Play. 9.00 Healthy Homes Aust. 9.30 Escape Fishing. 10.00 iFish Summer. 10.30 The Doctors. 11.30 MacGyver. 1.30pm The Offroad Adventure Show. 2.30 All 4 Adventure. 3.30 Soccer. A-League Women. Round 4. Melbourne Victory v Melbourne City. 6.00 MacGyver. 7.00 Bondi Rescue. 7.30 NCIS. 9.30 Star Trek: Discovery. (Final) 1.20am Late Programs.

#### **Monday, December 27**

#### **ABC TV (2)**

**6.00** Escape From The City. (PG, R) **7.00** News Breakfast. **9.30** The Royal Edinburgh Military Tattoo: Celebrating 70 Years. (R) **11.00** The Heights. (PG, R) **12.00** ABC News Summer. 12.30 Call The Midwife. (PGa, R) 2.00 Miniseries: Mrs Wilson. (Ma, R) 3.00 ABC News Summer. 3.30 Ask The Doctor. (PG, R) 4.00 Think Tank. (PG, R) 5.00 Restoration Australia. (PG, R)

**6.00** Julia Zemiro's Home Delivery. (PG, R) 6.30 Movin' To The Country. (R) 7.00 ABC News. 7.30 Outback Ringer. (PG, R)

8.00 Australian Story Summer Series: Art Of The Possible. (Final, R) A profile of artist Vincent Fantauzzo. 8.35 The Queen's Green Planet.

Sir David Attenborough. 9.25 London Zoo: An Extraordinary Year. (R) Part 1 of 2. 10.10 Judi Dench's Wild Borneo Adventure. (R) 11.05 The Day Will And Kate

(R) Queen Elizabeth II talks to

**Got Married.** (PG, R) 11.50 EXPOSED: The Case Of Keli Lane. (Mal, R) 12.55 Midsomer Murders. (Mv, R) 2.25 Rage. (MA15+adhlnsv) 4.30 Catalyst. (R) 5.25 Short Cuts To Glory: Matt Okine Vs Food. (R)

ABC TV PLUS (22) Programs. **7.15pm** Odd Squad. **7.30** Spicks And Specks. **8.00** Ql. **8.30** David Attenborough's Great Barrier Reef. **9.30** George Clarke's Amazing Spaces. **10.20** Doctor Who. **11.05** Gavin & Stacey. **12.10am** Escape From The City. 1.10 Red Dwarf. 1.40 Community. **2.00** Parks And Recreation. **2.20** ABC News Update. **2.25** Close. **5.05** Five Minutes More. 5.10 Sarah & Duck. 5.20 Late Programs.

**NITV (34) 6am** Morning Programs. **1.30pm** Colonial Combat. **2.00** Shortland Street. **2.30** Chefs' Line. 3.00 Jarjums. 3.25 The Magic Canoe. **3.50** Jarjums. **4.35** Grace Beside Me. **5.00** Our Stories, 5.30 APTN National News, 6.00 Barnay. 6.30 Land Of Primates. 7.30 Nuuca. 7.40 Through The Wormhole With Morgan Freeman. **8.30** Karla Grant Presents. **9.00** Utopia Generations. **9.30** The X-Files. **11.10** Late Programs.

#### **SBS** (3)

**6.00** WorldWatch. **9.30** Greek News. **10.30** German News. **11.00** Spanish News. **11.30** Turkish News. 12.00 Arabic News F24. 12.30 ABC America: World News Tonight. **1.00** Al Jazeera News. 2.00 The Chefs' Line. (R) 2.30 Child Genius Australia. (PG, R) 3.30 The Cook Up With Adam Liaw. (PG, R) 4.00 Queen Victoria's Children. (PG, R) 5.05 Jeopardy! (PG) 5.30 Letters And Numbers. (R)

6.00 Mastermind Australia. (R) 6.30 SBS World News. 7.35 Charles And Diana: 1983. (PGa, R) A look at the 1983 royal tour. 8.30 Tony Robinson's World By

Rail: Japan. (PGn, R) Sir Tony Robinson continues his whirlwind journey around the globe by exploring Japan. 9.30 The Best Of 24 Hours In

**Emergency: Labour Of Love.** (M) A compilation of stories from King's College Hospital focusing on the love between patients and their families.

10.30 SBS World News Late. 11.00 The Crimson Rivers. (MA15+av) **12.00 Wisting.** (Malv, R) 12.50 North To South: The

Full Journey. (R) 4.10 Bamay. (R) 5.00 France 24 Feature. 5.15 NHK World English News. 5.30 Deutsche Welle English News.

SBS VICELAND (31) 6am WorldWatch. Noon Baskethall, NBA, Philadelphia 76ers v Atlanta Hawks. Replay. **2.00** Stille Nacht. **2.15** Curse Of Oak Island. 3.55 WorldWatch. 5.15 Joy Of Painting. 5.45 Abandoned Places, 6.20 Alone, 7.10 Jeopardy! 7.35 8 Out Of 10 Cats Does Countdown. 8.30 Dark Side Of The '90s. **9.20** Hypothetical. **10.10** Chad. **11.00** Sex Tape. **12.05am** The X-Files. **2.35** France 24 3.00 Late Programs.

SBS WORLD MOVIES (32) 6am Florence Foster Jenkins, Continued, (2016, PG) **7.15** Belle. (2013, PG) **9.10** The Little Witch. (2018, PG) **11.05** The Railway Man. (2013, M) **1.15pm** Unaccompanied Minors. (2006) **2.55** Belle And Sebastian 2. (2015, PG, French) 4.45 Cutthroat Island. (1995, PG) **7.00** Hoot. (2006, PG) **8.40** T-34. (2018, M, Russian) **10.45** The Infinite Man. (2014, MA15+) **12.20am** Late Programs.

#### SEVEN (7)

**6am** Morning Programs. **11.30** The Ashes: The Lunch Break. **12.10** Cricket. The Ashes. Third Test. Australia v England. Day 2. Afternoon session. **2.10** The Ashes: Tea Break. **2.30** Cricket. The Ashes. Third Test. Australia v England. Day 2. Late afternoon session. 5.00 Cricket. Big Bash League. Game 22. Hobart Hurricanes v Adelaide Strikers.

6.00 Seven Local News. 6.30 Seven News.

7.00 Cricket. Big Bash League. Game 22. Hobart Hurricanes v Adelaide Strikers. From Blundstone Arena, Hobart.

8.00 Cricket. Big Bash League. Game 23. Brisbane Heat v Melbourne Stars. From the Gabba, Brisbane.

11.30 Motorway Patrol. (PG) Follows the work of a police unit dedicated to patrolling the motorways of Auckland, New Zealand.

**12.00 MOVIE: Spinout.** (1966, G, R) Three women vie for the affections of a race car driver and lead singer of a travelling band. Elvis Presley, Shelley Fabares, Deborah Walley. 2.00 Home Shopping. (R)

**4.00 NBC Today.** News and current affairs. **5.00 Seven Early News.** 

**5.30 Sunrise.** News, sport and weather.

**7TWO (72) 6am** Morning Programs. **8.30** The Ashes: Pre-Game Show. **9.00** Million Dollar Minute. **9.30** NBC Today. **10.30** Jabba's School Holiday Movies. **11.00** Mighty Trains. **Noon** House Of Wellness. **1.00** Million Dollar Minute. 2.00 To Be Advised. 3.30 Animal Rescue. 4.30 M\*A\*S\*H. **5.30** Escape To The Country. **6.30** Bargain Hunt. 7.30 Doc Martin. 8.30 The Inspector Lynley Mysteries. 10.30 Cold Case. 11.30 Late Programs.

**7MATE (73) 6am** Morning Programs. **10.30** Armchair Experts: NFL Edition. **11.00** Sound FX: Best Of. 12.30pm No Man's Land. 1.30 Shipping Wars. **3.00** Last Stop Garage. **4.00** Last Car Garage **4.30** Billion Dollar Wreck. **5.30** Storage Wars: TX. 6.00 Cricket. Big Bash League. Game 22. Hobart Hurricanes v Adelaide Strikers. **7.00** Pawn Stars. **7.30** American Pickers. **8.30** MOVIE: Predators. (2010, MA15+) **10.45** Late Programs.

**NINE (8, 9)** 

**6.00** Today. 9.00 Today Extra Summer. (PG) 11.30 Morning News. 12.00 MOVIE: The Black Stallion **Returns.** (1983, G, R) 2.00 Pointless. (PG, R) 3.00 Tipping Point. (PG) 4.00 Afternoon News. 5.00 Millionaire Hot Seat. (R)

6.00 Nine News. 7.00 A Current Affair. **7.30 RBT.** (PGal) Follows the activities of police units.

8.30 Australian Crime Stories: Killing Florence. (Mav, R) Takes a look at the 1977 unsolved murder of designer Florence Broadhurst.

9.40 Reported Missing: Michael. (Ma, R) Takes a look at the disappearance of 40-year-old Michael Price from his home in Norwich, Cheshire 11.00 Chicago Med. (Mam, R)

Connor treats a gunshot victim. 11.45 The Village. (Mas) 12.35 Tipping Point. (PG, R) 1.30 TV Shop: Home Shopping. (R) 2.30 Global Shop. (R) 3.00 TV Shop: Home Shopping. (R)

**4.00** Take Two. (R) 5.00 News Early Edition. 5.30 Today.

9GEM (81, 92) 6am TV Shop. 7.00 Creflo. **7.30** TV Shop. **9.30** Newstyle Direct. **10.00** Danoz. 10.30 Pointless. 11.30 My Favorite Martian. Noon eaway. **1.00** World's Greatest Man Made Wonders 2.00 The Young And The Restless, 2.55 Antiques Roadshow. 3.25 MOVIE: The Rat Race. (1960, PG) 5.30 Murder, She Wrote. 6.30 Antiques Roadshow. **7.30** Poirot. **8.40** Silent Witness. **10.50** Late

**9GO! (82, 93) 6am** Children's Programs. **Noon** The Incredible Hulk. **1.00** Airwolf. **2.00** The A-Team. 3.00 Malcolm. 4.00 Children's Programs. **4.30** Malcolm. **5.30** The Nanny. **6.00** 3rd Rock From The Sun. 6.30 That '70s Show. 7.00 Young Sheldon. **7.30** Raymond. **8.30 MOVIE:** Wayne's World 2. (1993, PG) **10.25 MOVIE:** The Naked Gun: From The Files Of Police Squad! (1988, M) **12.10am**  **TEN (5.1)** 

6am Morning Programs. 7.30 Bold. (PG, R) **8.00** Inside Bold. (R) **8.30** Studio 10. (PG) 11.00 Everyday Gourmet. (R) 11.30 Jamie's Easy Meals For Every Day. (R) 12.00 Dr Phil. (PGal, R) 1.00 The Royals Revealed. (PGa, R) **2.00** Ent. Tonight. **2.30** My Market Kitchen. (R) **3.00** Judge Judy. (PG, R) **3.30** Left Off The Map. **4.00** Farm To Fork. (PG) **4.30** Jamie's Easy Meals For Every Day. (R) 5.00 News.

6.30 The Project. A look at the

day's news and events. **7.30 Bondi Rescue.** (PGI, R) Lifeguards try to enforce social distancing. **8.00 Territory Cops.** (Mdv, R) Takes a behind-the-scenes look at police

work in the Northern Territory. 8.30 FBI: Most Wanted. (Masv) Hana rejoins the team as they investigate a deadly fire at a bowling arcade

10.30 The FBI Declassified: The Swindling Seductress. (PGa) A look at the case of Dana Lawrence.

11.30 The Project. (R) 12.30 The Late Show With Stephen Colbert. (PG) 1.30 Home Shopping. (R) 2.30 Infomercials. (PG, R) 3.00 Home Shopping. (R) 4.30 CBS Mornings.

10 PEACH (52, 11) 6am Seatbelt Psychic. **6.30** The Big Bang Theory. **8.00** Friends. **10.00** The Middle. 11.30 Seinfeld. Noon Carol's Second Act. 1.00 Man With A Plan. 1.30 The Big Bang Theory. **3.00** The King Of Queens. **4.00** Becker. **5.00** Frasier. **6.00** Friends. **8.00** The Big Bang Theory. 9.30 Seinfeld. 11.00 2 Broke Girls. Midnight Shopping. 12.30 Infomercials. 1.30 Stephen Colbert. **2.30** Late Programs.

**10 BOLD (53, 12) 6am** Infomercials. **7.30** Home Shopping. **8.00** The Doctors. **10.00** Diagnosis Murder. **11.00** JAG. **1pm** MacGyver. **2.00** Star Trek. **3.00** Diagnosis Murder. **5.00** JAG. **7.00** Bondi Rescue. **7.30** NCIS. **10.20** NCIS: New Orleans. 11.20 Evil. 12.15am Infomercials. 12.45 Home Shopping. **2.15** 48 Hours. **3.15** Hawaii Five-0. **5.05** 



### Do you have an event coming up? We want to know!

Late Programs.

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#### **Tuesday, December 28**

**6.00** Escape From The City. (R) **7.00** News. **9.30** How Deadly World. (PG, R) **10.00** Antiques Roadshow. (Final, R) 11.05 The Heights. (PG, R) 12.00 ABC News Summer. **12.30** Gardening Australia Presents. (R) **1.00** Worzel Gummidge. (PG, R) **2.00** Miniseries: Mrs Wilson. (Ml, R) 3.00 ABC News Summer. 3.30 Ask The Doctor. (PG, R) 4.00 Think Tank. (PG, R) 5.05 Restoration Australia. (PG, R)

**6.00** Julia Zemiro's Home Delivery. (PG, R) **6.30 Movin' To The Country.** (R)

7.00 ABC News. 7.30 Outback Ringer. (PG, R) 8.00 Anh's Brush With Fame: Father Bob. (PG, R) 8.30 Old People's Home For 4

Year Olds. (PG, R) Part 1 of 5. 9.30 Griff's Great Australian Rail Trip: Perth To Kalgoorlie - Find A Sandgroper. (R) Griff Rhys

Jones explores Australia by train. **10.20 QI.** (Ms, R) 10.55 Hannah Gadsby's Nakedy Nudes. (MA15+s, R) **11.55** Joanna Lumley's Unseen Adventures. (MI, R) 12.40 Midsomer Murders. (Mv, R) **2.15** Rage. (MA15+adhlnsv) **4.30** Catalyst. (PG, R) 5.30 Short Cuts To Glory: Matt Okine Vs Food. (R)

ABC TV PLUS (22) 6am Children's Programs. **7.15pm** Odd Squad. **7.30** Spicks And Specks. **8.30** Ghosts. **9.00** Adam Hills: The Last Leg. **9.40** Schitt's Creek. (Final) **10.05** The Trip To Greece. 10.35 Doctor Who. 11.20 QI. 11.50 Catastrophe. 12.15am In The Long Run. 1.00 Sick Of It. 1.25 GameFace. 1.50 Community. 2.10 Parks And Recreation. 2.30 ABC News Update. 2.35 Close. 5.05 Late Programs.

NITV (34) 6am Morning Programs. 1pm Mv Survival As An Aboriginal. **2.00** Shortland Street. **2.30** Chefs' Line. **3.00** Wapos Bay. **3.25** The Magic Canoe. 3.50 Wolf Joe. 4.00 Aussie Bush Tales. 4.10 Project Planet. 4.35 Grace Beside Me. 5.00 Our Stories. 5.30 Indian Country Today. 6.00 Bamay. **6.30** Land Of Primates. **7.30** Who Killed Malcolm X. 8.20 I Am Numamurdirdi. 8.30 I, Sniper. 9.30 The X-Files. 11.10 Late Programs.

6.00 WorldWatch. 9.30 Greek News. 10.30 German News. **11.00** Spanish News. **11.30** Turkish News. 12.00 Arabic News F24. 12.30 ABC America: World News Tonight. **1.00** PBS NewsHour. **2.00** A World Of Calm. (R) **2.25** Child Genius Australia. (R) 3.25 The Cook Up With Adam Liaw. (PG, R) 3.55 Queen Victoria's Children. (PG, R) **5.05** Jeopardy! (PG) **5.30** Letters And Numbers. (R)

**6.00 Mastermind Australia.** (R) Presented by Marc Fennell.

6.30 SBS World News. 7.30 Titanic: Into The Heart Of The Wreck. (R) Takes a look at the wreck of the *Titanic* and one major

discovery that has troubled explorers. 9.00 Kenny Rogers: All In For The **Gambler.** A 2017 one-night-only concert event by Kenny Rogers celebrating

his final farewell to Nashville.

10.50 SBS World News Late. **11.20 Man In Room 301**. (MA15+a) Seppo travels to Greece.

12.20 Miss S. (Mav) **4.20** Bamay. (R) 5.00 France 24 Feature. 5.15 NHK World English News.

**5.30** Deutsche Welle English News.

SBS VICELAND (31) 6am WorldWatch 9.30 SBS Courtside. 10.00 NBA. Hornets v Rockets. 12.30pm WorldWatch. 1.30 Fysh. 1.45 Yulubidyi: Until The End. 2.00 Lee Lin Chin's Fashionista. 2.10 Curse Of Oak Island. 3.50 WorldWatch. 5.15 Joy Of Painting. 5.45 Abandoned Places. 6.20 Alone. 7.10 Jeopardy! 7.35 8 Out Of 10 Cats. 8.30 Hair Power: Me And My Afro. **9.35** Kevin McCloud: Rough Guide To The Future. 10.30 Late Programs.

SBS WORLD MOVIES (32) 6am Belle And Sebastian 2. Continued. (2015, PG, French) 6 50 Hoot (2006 PG) 8 30 Fame (2009 PG) 10.45 Pawn Sacrifice. (2014. M) 12.55pm Bandslam. (2009, PG) 3.00 Florence Foster Jenkins. (2016, PG) **5.05** Belle. (2013, PG) **7.00** The Silver Brumby. (1993, PG) **8.45** Strangerland. (2015, MA15+) 10.50 The Rehearsal. (2016, MA15+) 12.45am Late

#### **SEVEN (7)**

6.00 Sunrise. 9.00 The Ashes: Pre-Game Show. 9.30 Cricket. The Ashes. Third Test. Australia v England. Day 3. Morning session. 11.30 The Ashes: The Lunch Break. 12.10 Cricket. The Ashes. Third Test. Australia v England. Day 3. Afternoon session. 2.10 The Ashes: Tea Break. **2.30** Cricket. The Ashes. Third Test. Australia v England. Day 3. Late afternoon session. **5.00** The Chase Aust. (R)

6.00 Seven Local News. 6.30 Seven News.

**7.00 Cricket.** Big Bash League. Game 24. Sydney Thunder v Perth Scorchers.

10.00 Born To Kill? Albert

DeSalvo - The Boston Strangler. (MA15+asv) Takes a look at serial murderer and rapist Albert DeSalvo, better known as the Boston Strangler.

11.00 Beat The Chasers UK. Presented by Bradley Walsh.

12.00 The Goldbergs. (PG) Adam performs a grand gesture. 12.30 MOVIE: Deep Family Secrets.

(1997, Mav, R) Richard Crenna. **2.30** Home Shopping. (R) 4.00 NBC Today 5.00 Seven Early News.

5.30 Sunrise.

**7TWO** (72) 6am Home Shopping. 6.30 Travel Oz. **8.00** Harry's Practice. **8.30** Million Dollar Minute. 9.30 NBC Today. Noon House Of Wellness. **1.00** Million Dollar Minute. **2.00** To Be Advised. 3.30 RSPCA Animal Rescue. 4.30 M\*A\*S\*H. 5.30 Escape To The Country. **6.30** Bargain Hunt. **7.30** Pie In The Sky. **8.30** Lewis. **10.30** Without A Trace. **12.30am** Railway Restorations With Peter Snow. 1.30 The Real Seachange. 2.00 Late Programs.

**7MATE (73)** 6am Morning Programs. **1.30pm** Shipping Wars. **2.30** Pawn Stars. **3.00** Last Car Garage. **4.00** Al McGlashan's Fish'n With Mates. 4.30 Billion Dollar Wreck 5.30 Storage Wars: TX 6.00 Cricket. Big Bash League. Game 24. Sydney Thunder v Perth Scorchers. **7.00** Pawn Stars. **7.30** Highway Patrol. 8.30 Secrets Of The Supercars. **9.30** Counting Cars. **10.30** Vegas Rat Rods. **11.30** Late Programs.

#### **NINE (8, 9)**

**6.00** Today. **9.00** Today Extra Summer. (PG) 11.30 Morning News. 12.00 MOVIE: Wedding Daze. (2006, PGals, R) Jason Biggs, Isla Fisher, Michael Weston. 1.50 Talking Honey: Relationship Specials. (PG, R)

2.00 Pointless. (PG, R) 3.00 Tipping Point. (PG) 4.00 Afternoon News. 5.00 Millionaire Hot Seat. (R)

6.00 Nine News. 7.00 A Current Affair.

7.30 Travel Guides. (PGls, R) Ordinary

Australians become travel critics. **8.30 The Weakest Link.** (PG) Quiz show featuring contestants who answer general knowledge questions, with the "weakest link" voted out by their peers after each round. Hosted by Magda Szubanski.

**9.30 Kath & Kim.** (PGls, R) Kim gives Sharon a major makeover. Kath insists on updating the home theatre system. **11.40 Manifest**. (Madv, R)

12.35 Tipping Point. (PG, R) **1.30 TV Shop: Home Shopping.** (R) **4.00** Take Two. (R) 5.00 News Early Edition. 5.30 Today

**9GEM (81, 92) 6am** TV Shop. **7.00** Creflo. 7.30 TV Shop. 9.30 Newstyle Direct. 10.00 Danoz. 10.30 Pointless. 11.30 My Favorite Martian. Noon Seaway. **1.00** Poirot. **2.05** The Young And The Restless. **3.00** Antiques Roadshow. **3.30 MOVIE:** The Out Of Towners. (1970, PG) **5.30** Murder, She Wrote, 6.30 Antiques Roadshow, 7.30 New Tricks. 8.40 The Closer. 9.40 Rizzoli & Isles. 10.40 Law & Order: Criminal Intent. 11.40 Late Programs.

9GO! (82, 93) 6am Children's Programs. Noon The Incredible Hulk. 1.00 Airwolf. 2.00 The

A-Team. **3.00** The Nanny. **3.30** 3rd Rock From The Sun. 4.00 That '70s Show. 4.30 Malcolm. 5.30 The Nanny. 6.00 3rd Rock From The Sun. 6.30 That '70s Show. **7.00** Young Sheldon. **7.30** Raymond. **8.30 MOVIE:** Baywatch. (2017, MA15+) **10.50** MOVIE: The Dictator. (2012, MA15+) 12.20am Late

#### **TEN (5, 1)**

6am Morning Programs. 7.30 Bold. (PG, R) **8.30** Studio 10. (PG) **11.00** Everyday Gourmet. (R) 11.30 Jamie's Easy Meals For Every Day. (R) **12.00** Dr Phil. (PGal, R) **1.00** The Royals Revealed. (PGa, R) **2.00** Ent. Tonight. 2.30 My Market Kitchen. (R) 3.00 Judge Judy. (PG, R) 3.30 Left Off The Map. **4.00** Farm To Fork. (PG) **4.30** Jamie's Easy Meals For Every Day. (R) 5.00 News.

6.30 The Project. A look at the day's news and events.

7.30 The Dog House Australia. (PG, R) Follow the staff at the Animal Welfare League as they match dogs to their new families

**8.30 NCIS.** (M) Gibbs and McGee head to Alaska as the team works to uncover the conspiracy behind the serial killer.

**10.30 NCIS: Los Angeles.** (Mv, R) The team searches for Katya 11.30 The Project. (R) A look at

the day's news and events. 12.30 The Late Show With Stephen **Colbert.** (PG) Late night talk show. 1.30 Home Shopping. (R) 3.00 Infomercials. (PG, R) **3.30** Home Shopping. (R)

4.30 CBS Mornings.

**10 PEACH (52, 11) 6am** The Late Show With Stephen Colbert. **7.00** The King Of Queens. 7.30 Seinfeld. 8.00 Becker. 9.00 The Middle. **10.00** Frasier. **11.00** The King Of Queens. **Noon** Becker. **1.00** Man With A Plan. **1.30** Friends. **2.00** Seinfeld. **3.00** The King Of Queens. **4.00** Becker **5.00** Frasier **6.00** Friends **8.00** The Big Bang Theory. **9.30** Mom. **11.35** Frasier. **Midnight** 

Shopping. 12.30 Infomercials. 1.30 Late Programs.

**10 BOLD (53, 12) 6am** Home Shopping. **7.00** Infomercials. **8.00** Bondi Rescue. **8.30** Roads Less Travelled. 9.00 Rhys Darby: Big In Japan. 10.00 JAG. Noon MacGyver. 1.00 Star Trek. 3.00 Diagnosis Murder. 5.00 JAG. 7.00 Bondi Rescue. **7.30** NCIS. **8.30** Blue Bloods. **10.20** A-League Highlights Show. 11.20 Evil. 12.15am Shopping. 12.45 Infomercials. 1.15 Shopping. 2.15 Late

#### **Wednesday, December 29**

6.00 Escape From The City. (R) 7.00 News. **9.30** How Deadly World. (PG, R) **10.00** Griff's Great Australian Rail Trip. (R) 11.00 The Heights. (PG, R) 12.00 ABC News Summer. 12.30 Gardening Australia Presents. (R) 1.00 Worzel Gummidge. (PG, R) 2.00 Miniseries: Mrs Wilson. (Final, PG, R) **3.00** ABC News Summer. 3.30 Ask The Doctor. (PG, R) 4.00 Think Tank. (R) 5.00 Restoration Australia. (R)

6.00 Julia Zemiro's Home Delivery. (R) 6.30 Movin' To The Country. (Final, R) 7.00 ABC News

7.30 Outback Ringer. (PG, R) Clarry's nephew joins the team.

8.00 Hard Quiz Celebrity Special.

(PG, R) Hosted by Tom Gleeson. 8.35 Spicks And Specks. (PG, R) Adam Hills, Alan Brough and Myf Warhurst celebrate the music, dance and fashion of the '90s.

9.30 Fisk. (Mls, R) A woman takes a job at a law firm. 10.00 Adam Hills: The Last Leg. (R)

10.45 The Queen's Green Planet. (R) 11.30 Father Brown. (PG, R) 12.20 Silent Witness. (Mav, R) 1.15 Adam Hills: The Last Leg. (R) **2.00** Miniseries: Delicious. (MI, R) **2.45** Rage. (MA15+adhlnsv) **4.35** Catalyst. (PG, R) **5.30** Short Cuts To Glory: Matt Okine Vs Food. (R)

6am Children's ABC TV PLUS (22) Programs. **7.15pm** Odd Squad. **7.30** Spicks And Specks. **8.00** Would I Lie To You? **8.30** Brian Johnson's A Life On The Road. 9.15 David Stratton's Stories Of Australian Cinema. 10.15 Doctor Who. 11.05 You See Monsters. 12.05am Louis Theroux: Gambling In Las Vegas. **1.05** Community. **1.25** Parks And Recreation. **1.45** ABC News Update. **1.50** Close. 5.05 Late Programs.

**NITV (34) 6am** Morning Programs. **2pm** Shortland Street. **2.30** Chefs' Line. **3.00** Wapos Bay. 3.25 The Magic Canoe. 3.50 Wolf Joe. 4.00 Aussie Bush Tales. **4.10** Project Planet. **4.35** Grace Beside Me. **5.00** Our Stories. **5.30** Te Ao With Moana. 6.00 Bamay. 6.30 Land Of Primates. 7.30 Hip Hop Evolution. **8.30** Going Native. **9.00** Hunting Aotearoa. **9.30** Charley Pride: I'm Just Me. **10.55** Late Programs.

#### **SBS** (3)

6.00 WorldWatch. 10.30 German News. 11.00 Spanish News. 11.30 Turkish News. 12.00 Arabic News F24. 12.30 ABC America: World News Tonight. 1.00 PBS NewsHour. 2.00 A World Of Calm. (R) 2.25 Michael Mosley: The Great Intelligence Test. (PGa, R) **3.30** The Cook Up With Adam Liaw. (PG, R) 4.00 Queen Victoria's Children. (PG, R) 5.05 Jeopardy! (PG) 5.30 Letters And Numbers. (R)

6.00 Mastermind Australia. (R) Presented by Marc Fennell. 6.30 SBS World News.

7.30 Great Australian Railway Journeys: Port Augusta To Darwin. (PG, R) Michael Portillo heads to Australia.

8.40 The Royal House Of Windsor: Adapt Or Die. (Ml, R) Explores the House of Windsor and how they have survived all manner of crises.

9.50 Departure. (Mav) Kendra and Ellen share inside information. 10.40 SBS World News Late. **11.10** In Therapy. (Mal)

**12.00 DNA.** (Malv, R) 1.40 8 Out Of 10 Cats Does Countdown. (Mls, R) 2.40 The Ghan: The Full Journey. (R) 5.00 France 24 Feature. 5.15 NHK World

English News. **5.30** Deutsche Welle

English News.

SBS VICELAND (31) 6am WorldWatch. Noon Basketball. NBA. Charlotte Hornets v Houston Rockets. Replay. **2.00** Slingshot. **2.10** Curse Of Oak Island. 3.50 WorldWatch. 5.15 Joy Of Painting. 5.45 Abandoned Places. 6.20 Alone. 7.10 Jeopardy! **7.35** 8 Out Of 10 Cats Does Countdown. **8.30 MOVIE:** Twelve Monkeys. (1995, M) **10.55 MOVIE:** The Bank Job. (2008, MA15+) **12.55am** The X-Files. **2.35** France 24. **3.00** Late Programs.

**SBS WORLD MOVIES (32) 6am** The Little Witch. Continued. (2018, PG) **6.55** The Silver Brumby. (1993, PG) **8.40** Cutthroat Island. (1995, PG) 10.55 Belle And Sebastian 2. (2015, PG, French) 12.45pm T-34. (2018, M. Russian) 2.50 Hoot. (2006, PG) **4.30** Race. (2016, PG) **7.00** Asterix: The Mansions Of The Gods. (2014, PG, French) **8.35** Burning Man. (2011, MA15+) **10.40** Downriver. (2015, MA15+) 12.30am Late Programs.

#### SEVEN (7)

**6am** Morning Programs. **11.30** The Ashes: The Lunch Break. **12.10** Cricket. The Ashes. Third Test. Australia v England. Day 4. Afternoon session. **2.10** The Ashes: Tea Break. **2.30** Cricket. The Ashes. Third Test. Australia v England. Day 4. Late afternoon session. 5.00 The Chase Aust. (R)

6.00 Seven Local News. 6.30 Seven News.

7.00 Cricket. Big Bash League. Game 26. Melbourne Renegades v Hobart Hurricanes. From Marvel Stadium, Melbourne.

10.00 Ambulance: Code Red.

(Ma, R) A desperate 999 call comes in from a woman who is injured after being thrown out of a vehicle

11.00 Autopsy USA: Prodigy. (M) Forensic pathologist Dr Michael Hunter takes a fresh look at the 2017 death of rapper Prodigy.

12.00 American Crime. (Malv, R) Dustin fears for his safety.

1.00 Gold Coast Medical. (PGa, R) A sports star faces an uncertain future. 2.00 Home Shopping. (R) 4.00 NBC Today. News and current affairs. 5.00 Seven Early News. 5.30 Sunrise.

**7TWO (72) 6am** Home Shopping. **6.30** Travel Oz. **8.00** Harry's Practice. **8.30** Million Dollar Minute. 9.30 NBC Today. Noon House Of Wellness. 1.00 Million Dollar Minute. 2.00 To Be Advised. 3.30 RSPCA Animal Rescue. 4.30 M\*A\*S\*H. 5.30 Escape To The Country. 6.30 Bargain Hunt. 7.30 The Vicar Of Dibley. **8.40** Mrs Brown's Boys. **10.40** Miranda. 11.20 What A Carry On! Midnight Andrew Denton's Interview. **1.15** Late Programs.

**7MATE (73) 6am** Morning Programs. **Noon** Sound FX: Best Of. **12.30** No Man's Land. 1.30 Shipping Wars. 2.30 The Grade Cricketer. 3.00 Last Car Garage. **4.00** Al McGlashan's Fish'n With Mates. **4.30** Billion Dollar Wreck. **5.30** Storage Wars: TX. **6.00** Cricket. Big Bash League. Game 26. Melbourne Renegades v Hobart Hurricanes. **7.00**Pawn Stars. **8.30** Storage Wars. **9.30** Storage Wars.
Miami. **10.00** Irish Pickers. **11.00** Late Programs. **NINE (8, 9)** 

**6.00** Today. 9.00 Today Extra Summer. (PG) 11.30 Morning News. **12.00 Travel Guides.** (PGIs, R) 1.00 The Weakest Link. (PG, R) 2.00 Pointless. (PG, R) 3.00 Tipping Point. (PG) 4.00 Afternoon News.

**6.00** Nine News. **7.00** A Current Affair. 7.30 Mega Zoo. (PG) A much-loved

5.00 Millionaire Hot Seat. (R)

meerkat faces an X-ray. **8.30 Emergency.** (MI, R) Mark assembles a crack team to save a man with life-threatening gunshot wounds. 9.30 A+E After Dark. (Mm) A patient

in emergency becomes agitated after waiting to be seen for a bleeding hand. 10.30 New Amsterdam. (Mam, R) Max challenges hospital administration.

11.20 Manifest. (Madv, R) Ben forms

an alliance with a student 12.10 Tipping Point. (PG, R) 1.05 A Current Affair. (R) 1.30 TV Shop: Home Shopping. (R) 2.30 Global Shop. (R)

3.00 TV Shop: Home Shopping. (R) 5.00 News Early Edition. 5.30 Today.

**9GEM (81, 92) 6am** TV Shop. **7.00** Creflo Dollar Ministries. 7.30 TV Shop: Home Shopping. 10.30 Pointless. 11.30 My Favorite Martian. Noon Seaway. **1.00** World's Greatest Man Made Wonders **2.00** The Young And The Restless. **2.55 MOVIE:** The World Of Suzie Wong. (1960, PG) 5.30 Murder, She Wrote. 6.30 Antiques Roadshow. 7.30 As Time Goes By. 8.50 Midsomer Murders, 10.50 House. 11.50 Late Programs.

**9GO! (82, 93) 6am** Children's Programs. **Noon** The Incredible Hulk. **1.00** Airwolf. **2.00** The A-Team. **3.00** The Nanny. **3.30** 3rd Rock From The Sun. **4.00** That '70s Show. **4.30** Malcolm. **5.30** The Nanny. **6.00** 3rd Rock From The Sun. **6.30** That '70s Show. **7.00** Young Sheldon. **7.30** Raymond. **8.30 MOVIE:** 21 Jump Street. (2012, MA15+) **10.40 MOVIE:** White Chicks. (2004, M) **12.45am** Late

Day. (R) **5.00** News. **6.30 The Project**. A look at the day's news and events.

**TEN (5, 1)** 

7.30 Ambulance Australia. (Mad, R) Paramedics perform a resuscitation

6am Morning Programs. 7.30 Bold. (PG,

R) **8.30** Studio 10. (PG) **11.00** Everyday

Gourmet. (R) 11.30 Jamie's Easy Meals For

Every Day. (R) **12.00** Dr Phil. (PGal, R) **1.00** 

The Living Room. (PG, R) 2.00 Ent. Tonight.

2.30 My Market Kitchen. (R) 3.00 Judge Judy.

(PG, R) 3.30 Left Off The Map. 4.00 Farm To

Fork. (PG) 4.30 Jamie's Easy Meals For Every

8.30 The Boxing Day Tsunami. (PGa) Documents the story of the 2004 Boxing Day Tsunami that killed more than 250,000 people in South East Asia, with researchers hearing from survivors and explaining how the tragedy happened.

10.30 The Royals Revealed: Succession - The Royal Bloodline. (PGas) A look at the royal succession. 11.30 The Project. (R)

12.30 The Late Show With Stephen Colbert. (PG) 1.30 Home Shopping. (R) 2.30 Infomercials. (PG, R) 3.00 Home Shopping. (R) 4.30 CBS Mornings.

**10 PEACH (52, 11) 6am** The Late Show With Stephen Colbert. **7.00** The King Of Queens. **8.00** Becker. **9.00** The Middle. **10.00** Frasier. 11.00 The King Of Queens. Noon Becker. 1.00 Man With A Plan. 1.30 Friends. 2.30 NBL Slam. 3.00 The King Of Queens. 4.00 Becker. 5.00 Frasier. 6.00 Friends. **8.00** The Big Bang Theory. **9.20** 2 Broke Girls. **Midnight** Shopping. **12.30** Infomercials. **1.00** Shopping. 1.30 Late Programs.

**10 BOLD (53, 12) 6am** Infomercials. **8.00** Stories Of Bikes. **8.30** iFish Summer Series. **9.00** A-League Highlights Show. 10.00 JAG. Noon MacGyver. **1.00** Star Trek. **3.00** Diagnosis Murder. **5.00** JAG. **7.00** Bondi Rescue. **7.30** NCIS. **8.30** NCIS: Los Angeles. 10.20 Evil. 12.10am Home Shopping. **1.40** Infomercials. **2.10** 48 Hours. **3.10** SEAL Team. **4.05** NCIS. **5.00** The Doctors.

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#### **Thursday, December 30**

6.00 Escape From The City. (R) 7.00 News. **9.30** Nigella's Cook, Eat, Repeat. (R) **10.00** Judi Dench's Wild Borneo Adventure. (R) 11.05 The Heights. (PG, R) 12.00 ABC News Summer. 12.30 Hard Quiz Celebrity Special. (PG, R) **1.05** Worzel Gummidge. (PG, R) **2.10** Miniseries: Delicious. (Ml, R) 3.00 ABC News Summer. 3.30 Ask The Doctor. (R) 4.00 Think Tank. (R) 5.00 Restoration Australia. (PG, R)

**6.00** Julia Zemiro's Home Delivery. (PG, R) **6.30** Crocodile Territory: Protecting A Predator. (R)

7.00 ABC News 7.30 Outback Ringer. (PG, R) 8.00 Barrie Cassidy's One Plus One. (Final)

8.30 Joanna Lumley's Unseen Adventures. (Final, PG, R) Part 3 of 3. 9.20 Firestarter: The Story Of Bangarra. (Ml, R) The story

of three Aboriginal brothers. **10.55** Aussie Inventions That Changed The World. (PG, R) 11.50 Call The Midwife. (PG. R) **12.50** Hannah Gadsby's Nakedy Nudes. (MA15+s, R) 1.50 Miniseries: Delicious. (MI, R) 2.40 Rage. (MA15+adhlnsv) 4.30 Catalyst. (PG, R) 5.25 Short Cuts To Glory: Matt Okine

ABC TV PLUS (22) 6am Children's Programs. **7.15pm** Odd Squad. **7.30** Spicks And Specks. **8.30** Mock The Week. **9.00** Hard Quiz Celebrity Special. 9.35 Insert Name Here. 10.05 Doctor Who. **10.55** You Can't Ask That. **11.25** David Attenborough's Great Barrier Reef. **12.25am** The Yearly With Charlie Pickering 2021. **1.25** Community. **1.45** Parks And Recreation. **2.10** ABC News Update. 2.15 Close. 5.10 Sarah & Duck. 5.20 Late Programs.

NITV (34) 6am Morning Programs. 1.25pm Nulla Nulla. 1.30 Going Native. 2.00 Shortland

Bush Tales. 4.10 Project Planet. 4.35 Grace Beside

Me. **5.00** Our Stories. **5.30** The 77 Percent. **6.00** 

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With Érnie Dingo. **8.30** Trickster. **9.30 MOVIE:** 

Street. **2.30** Chefs' Line. **3.00** Wapos Bay. **3.25** The Magic Canoe. **3.50** Wolf Joe. **4.00** Aussie

6.00 WorldWatch. 10.30 German News. 11.00 Spanish News. 11.30 Turkish News. **12.00** Arabic News F24. **12.30** ABC America: World News Tonight. **1.00** PBS NewsHour. 2.00 The Italians. (PG) 2.15 A World Of Calm. (R) **2.40** Decoding The Great Pyramid. (R) **3.40** The Cook Up With Adam Liaw. (PG, R) 4.10 Inside The Ritz Hotel. (R) 5.05 Jeopardy! (PG) 5.30 Letters And Numbers. (R)

**6.00** Mastermind Australia. (R) **6.30** SBS World News. **7.35** The Wonderful World Of

Chocolate. (PG) A tour of the factory that makes Twin Peaks.

8.30 MOVIE: Becoming Bond. (2017, MA15+s, R) A model is offered the role of James Bond. George Lazenby, James Walsh.

10.15 Prince Philip: An

English News.

Extraordinary Life. (PGalv, R) **11.10 SBS World News Late. 11.40** Gomorrah. (MA15+av, R) **12.40** We Are Who We Are. (MA15+ns, R) 1.35 8 Out Of 10 Cats Does Countdown. (Mls, R) **2.35** The Ghan: The Full Journey. (R) 4.50 Nulla Nulla. (PGn. R) **5.00** France 24 Feature. **5.15** NHK World English News. 5.30 Deutsche Welle

SBS VICELAND (31) 6am WorldWatch. Noon Project Blue Book. 1.40 Calling. 1.55 Timecode. **2.15** Figure Skating. 2019-2020 ISU European C'ships. Replay. **3.50** WorldWatch. **5.15**Joy Of Painting. **5.45** Abandoned Places. **6.20** Alone. 7.10 Jeopardy! 7.35 8 Out Of 10 Cats Does Countdown, 8.30 The Curse Of Oak Island, 10.10

The Source. 11.00 Vikings. 11.55 Late Programs.

SBS WORLD MOVIES (32) 6am Bandslam. Continued. (2009, PG) 7.05 Asterix: The Mansions Of The Gods. (2014, PG, French) 8.40 Race (2016 PG) 11.10 Swiss Army Man (2016 M) 1pm The Silver Brumby. (1993, PG) 2.45 The Straight Story. (1999, PG) 4.50 Romeo And Juliet. (2013, PG) **7.00** Legend Of The Guardians, (2010, PG) **8.50** Edge Of Darkness. (2010, MA15+) **10.55** Neerja. (2016, MA15+, Hindi) 1.10am Late Programs.

#### **SEVEN (7)**

**6am** Morning Programs. **11.30** The Ashes: The Lunch Break. 12.10 Cricket. The Ashes. Third Test. Australia v England. Day 5. Afternoon session. **2.10** The Ashes: Tea Break. **2.30** Cricket. The Ashes. Third Test. Australia v England. Day 5. Late afternoon session. 5.00 The Chase Aust. (R)

6.00 Seven Local News. 6.30 Seven News.

7.00 Cricket. Big Bash League. Game 27. Perth Scorchers v Melbourne Stars.

10.00 World's Deadliest Weather:

Caught On Camera. (PGa) Stories of people caught in dangerous natural phenomenon, including a twister ipping through Tuscaloosa.

11.00 Nurses. (Ma, R) A cancer patient undergoes brain surgery. **12.00 American Crime.** (Mal, R) Kimara

advises Dustin to contact the police. 1.00 Gold Coast Medical. (Ma. R) A baby has its own birth plan. 2.00 Home Shopping. (R) 4.00 NBC Today. News and current affairs. 5.00 Seven Early News.

5.30 Sunrise.

**7TWO** (72) 6am Home Shopping. 6.30 Travel Oz. **8.00** Harry's Practice. **8.30** Million Dollar Minute. 9.30 NBC Today. Noon House Of Wellness. **1.00** Million Dollar Minute. **2.00** To Be Advised. 3.30 RSPCA Animal Rescue. 4.30 M\*A\*S\*H. 5.30 Escape To The Country. **6.30** Bargain Hunt. **7.30** Father Brown. **8.30** Inspector George Gently. **10.30** Murdoch Mysteries. **12.30am** The Fine Art Auction. 3.30 Late Programs.

**7MATE (73)** 6am Morning Programs Noon Sound FX: Best Of. 12.30 No Man's Land. **1.30** Shipping Wars. **2.30** Pawn Stars. **3.00** Last Car Garage. **4.00** Al McGlashan's Fish'n With Mates. 4.30 Billion Dollar Wreck. 5.30 Storage Wars: TX. **6.00** Cricket. Big Bash League. Game 27. Perth Scorchers v Melbourne Stars. **7.00** Pawn Stars. **7.30** MOVIE: 2 Guns. (2013, M) 9.45 MOVIE: Out For Justice. (1991, MA15+) **11.45** Late Programs.

#### **NINE (8, 9)**

**6.00** Today. **9.00** Today Extra Summer. (PG) **11.30** Morning News. **12.00 MOVIE:** Uptown Girls. (2003, PGI, R) Brittany Murphy, Dakota Fanning, Heather Locklear. 1.50 Making Of Ghostbusters: Afterlife. (PG, R)

2.00 Pointless. (PG, R) 3.00 Tipping Point. (PG) 4.00 Afternoon News. 5.00 Millionaire Hot Seat. (R)

6.00 Nine News. 7.00 A Current Affair.

7.30 Great Getaways. (PG) Holiday ideas from Australia and New Zealand. 8.30 MOVIE: My Big Fat Greek

Wedding. (2002, PGI, R) An unluckyin-love restaurant maître d'upsets her traditionalist parents by wanting to marry a non-Greek man. Nia Vardalos, John Corbett, Michael Constantine.

10.30 New Amsterdam. (Mamv, R) 11.20 Chicago Med. (Mamv, R) 12.10 Tipping Point. (PG, R) 1.05 A Current Affair. (R) **1.30 TV Shop: Home Shopping.** (R) 2.30 Global Shop. (R) **3.00** TV Shop: Home Shopping. (R) **5.00** News Early Edition. **5.30** Today.

**9GEM (81, 92) 6am** TV Shop: Home Shopping. **7.00** Creflo Dollar Ministries. **7.30** TV Shop: Home Shopping. **10.30** Pointless. **11.30** My Favorite Martian. Noon Seaway. 1.00 As Time Goes By. 2.05 The Young And The Restless. 3.00 Antiques Roadshow. 3.30 MOVIE: The Halfway House, (1944, PG) 5.30 Murder, She Wrote, 6.30 Antiques Roadshow. 7.30 Death In Paradise. 8.40 MOVIE: Rain Man. (1988, M) 11.25 Late Programs.

9GO! (82, 93) 6am Children's Programs. Noon The Incredible Hulk. 1.00 Airwolf. 2.00 The A-Team. **3.00** The Nanny. **3.30** 3rd Rock From The Sun. 4.00 That '70s Show. 4.30 Malcolm. 5.30 The Nanny. **6.00** 3rd Rock From The Sun. **6.30** That '70s Show. **7.00** Young Sheldon. **7.30** Raymond. 8.30 MOVIE: 22 Jump Street. (2014, MA15+) 10.45 MOVIE: Get Lucky. (2013, MA15+) 12.20am Late

#### **TEN (5, 1)**

6am Morning Programs. 7.30 Bold. (PG, R) **8.30** Studio 10. (PG) **11.00** Everyday Gourmet. (R) 11.30 Jamie's Easy Meals For Every Day. (R) **12.00** Dr Phil. (PGal, R) **1.00** The Royals Revealed. (PGas, R) **2.00** Ent. Tonight. 2.30 My Market Kitchen. (R) 3.00 Judge Judy. (PG, R) 3.30 Left Off The Map. **4.00** Farm To Fork. (PG) **4.30** Jamie's Easy Meals For Every Day. (R) 5.00 News.

6.30 The Project. A look at the day's news and events.

7.30 Ambulance Australia. (Madv, R) A man crashes his car from an exit ramp. **8.30 Law & Order: SVU.** (M) The team faces the court of public opinion and the fury of social media fans when they arrest two smug influencers after a popular TikTok dancer posts a rape allegation against them.

10.30 The Royals Revealed: Harry And Edward - Princes In Exile. (PGal, R) A look at Prince Harry's abdication.

**11.30** The Project. (R) 12.30 The Late Show With Stephen Colbert. (PG) 1.30 Home Shopping. (R) 3.00 Infomercials. (PG) 3.30 Home Shopping. (R) 4.30 CBS Mornings.

**10 PEACH (52, 11) 6am** The Late Show With Stephen Colbert. **7.00** Frasier. **8.00** Becker. **9.00** The Middle. **10.00** Frasier. **11.00** The King Of Oueens, Noon Becker, 1.00 Man With A Plan. 1.30 Friends. 2.00 Carol's Second Act. 3.00 The King Of Queens. **4.00** Becker. **5.00** Frasier. **6.00** Friends. **8.00** The Big Bang Theory. **9.30** Seinfeld. **11.00** 2 Broke Girls. **Midnight** Shopping. **12.30** Infomercials. 1.30 Late Programs

**10 BOLD (53, 12) 6am** Home Shopping. 6.30 Infomercials. 8.00 What's Up Down Un **8.30** NBL Slam. **9.00** Diagnosis Murder. **10.00** JAG. Noon MacGyver. 1.00 Star Trek. 3.00 Diagnosis Murder. **5.00** JAG. **7.00** Bondi Rescue. **7.30** NCIS. 8.30 Hawaii Five-0. 10.30 SEAL Team. 12.30am Infomercials. **1.00** Home Shopping. **2.00** SEAL Team. **3.00** Blue Bloods. **4.00** Hawaii Five-0.

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- 49 Excitement (5)
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- Someone who works at the front desk of an office or hotel (12)
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- Pantry (6)
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- Self-centred (11)
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- Endearingly (7)
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- 2 Classical musical drama (5)
- Mistake (7)
- Reach (6)
- Amphibian (4)
- Wander aimlessly (7)
- Separate (5,2)
- Collector's book (5)
- The capital of Kenya (7)
- Surpassed (10)
- Blanch (5)
- Group of musicians (9)
- Sloth (8)
- 20 Sudden resolve (7)
- Stumble (3)
- 23 Someone with a stake in a company (11)
- 24 High fashion, haute (7)
- Lip (4)
- Patch of water (6)
- 28 How most modern appliances are powered (11)
- Vestige (5)

- Serpent (3) Transcendent state (7)
  - Strive (9)
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  - Still (3)
  - Needle-case (4)
- Science of poisons (10)
- As opposed to in (3)

- Diameter of a gun barrel (7)
- Supernatural event (7)
- Eight-legged sea creature (7)
- Austere in religious matters (7)
- Melodious (5)
- Yield (6)

- Twelve (5)
- Large plant-eating mammal with horns (5)
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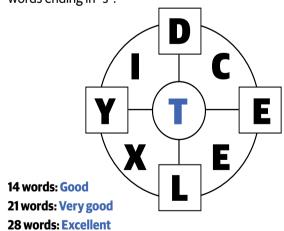
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Using the nine letters in the grid, how many words of four letters or more can you list?

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#### **SOLUTIONS**

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**ANSWERS:** 

# DICK OUIZ

- The vanilla bean comes from which type of flower?
- 2. Which Australian prime minster assumed office just two days before the crash of the New York Stock Exchange in 1929?
- **3.** What US state is the smallest?



- **4.** Which 2021 Netflix series was adapted from the series of novels written by Julia Quinn?
- 5. A.J. Cook (pictured) plays Jennifer Jareau in which long-running TV series?
- **6.** Vinson Massif is a mountain on which continent?
- **7.** What famous building was once known as the Cappella Magna?
- **8.** What type of currency was used in Greece before the introduction of the Euro?
- 9. In what year did ABBA win Eurovision?
- **10.** The Menz Chocolate factory has its two locations in which Australian state?

7. Orchid 2. James Scullin 3. Rhode Island 4. Bridgerton 5. Criminal Minds 6. Antartica 7. The Sistine Chapel 8. Drachma 9. 1974 10. South Australia

### **COMICS**

#### **Bottled Fruit**



"Kick it to me! Kick it to me!"

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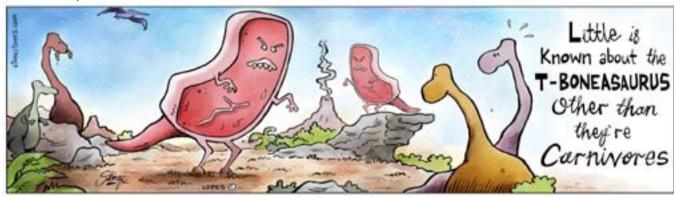
#### **Bushy Tales**



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**Ballard Street** 



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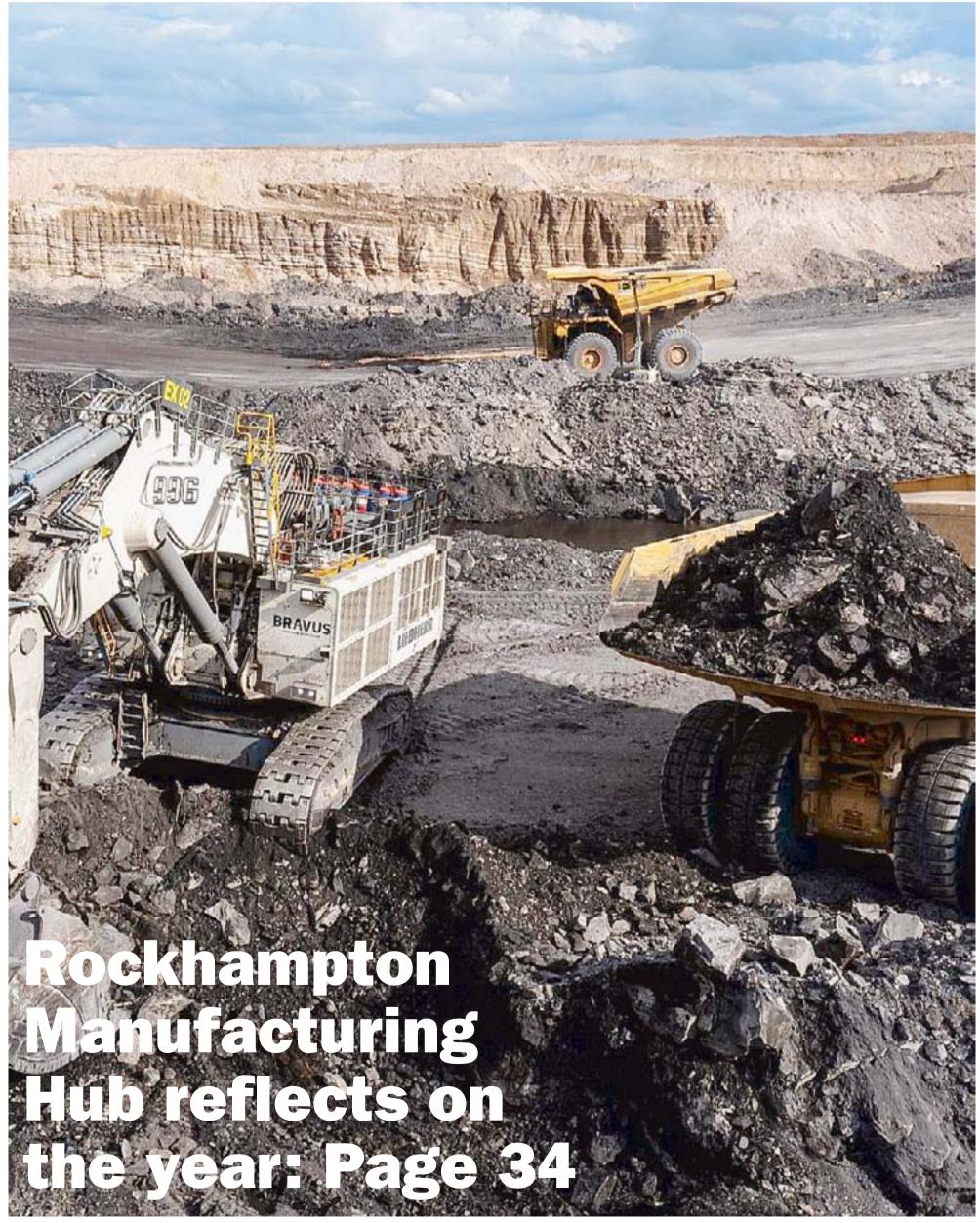
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## Port milestone reached

A new \$10 million dollar project to build Common User Infrastructure at the Port of Bundaberg is a step closer, with the detailed plans complete and tenders now open to local busi-

A new bulk goods conveyor facility at the port will improve loading facilities for a wide range of goods.

Federal Assistant Minister for Regional Development and Territories Nola Marino said once complete, the Common User Infrastructure will provide an opportunity for the Hinkler region and surrounds to increase

exports of bulk commodities including minerals, timber products (wood pellets and woodchip) and agricultural produce.

"This \$10 million investment from the Australian Government under the Hinkler Regional Deal will deliver new capability at the Port of Bundaberg. This will increase economic activity for the Hinkler region and provide opportunities for local producers to compete in world markets," Assistant Minister Marino said.

Queensland Transport and Main Roads Minister Mark Bailey said the project highlighted the importance of protecting public infrastructure and getting it ready for the future.

"The Palaszczuk Government has worked incredibly hard to make sure Queensland's ports remain publicly owned infrastructure," Mr Bailey said.

"Gladstone Ports Corporation made a \$93 million profit last financial year, money all going back to Queensland taxpayers because it's a government owned corporation.

"This project shows just how important it is to keep ports as public infrastructure, because we can make sure it will support local businesses and workers.

"It's the start of an exciting time for the port, allowing it to expand its export capabilities.

"It's also in a great position to be at the forefront of Queensland's renewable energy revo-

"The port is looking toward expansion to cater for wind farm projects which will help create even more long-term sustainable jobs.

Federal Member for Hinkler Keith Pitt said once completed the new conveyor will open up the Port of

Bundaberg to a wider range of vessels with improved loading and unloading times.

"The Port of Bundaberg has been underutilised for many years and this new infrastructure will be the boost needed to attract more businesses to the region," he said.

"The sooner construction gets underway the better, as we need as many opportunities for more local jobs here as possible, and I hope to see as much construction work as possible going to local firms."

Member for Bundaberg Tom Smith said the call for tenders was a positive step forward for

"Delivering improved infrastructure that will support our export operations is a big boost for Bundaberg and for Queensland as a whole," Mr Smith said.

"This opportunity brings with it a pipeline of jobs from design, installation and commissioning - boosting our economic recovery from COVID-19.



Common User Infrastructure Concept 1.

"I look forward to seeing this project progress, to the benefit of our community and local industries.

Gladstone Ports Corporation (GPC) and Sugar Terminals Limited (STL) signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) in 2019 to expand on existing cargo handling capabilities and have been working to deliver the new enabling infrastructure.

GPC and STL are providing additional financial contributions to assist in progressing

Port of Bundaberg Manager Jason Pascoe said GPC and STL were now on the hunt for bids from local businesses before tenders close on 21 January 2022.

'It's a really exciting time at the Port of Bundaberg," Mr Pascoe said.

"The plans are now complete and we're looking to engage local businesses to participate in formal tender processes for the supply, fabrication, installation and commissioning of a new common user system at the

Port of Bundaberg."

GPC Acting Chief Executive Officer Paul Heagney said the detailed plans signalled a major milestone for the project.

'We've been working around-the-clock with STL on this project and to now go to market with a detailed design is a great achievement," Mr Heagney said.

"The project is in conjunction with our strategic planning work to promote the Port of Bundaberg and surrounding State Development Area and we're excited to see the project stimulate industry growth for the region.'

STL Chief Executive Officer David Quinn said the project, following final approvals, would generate significant employment opportunities for the region and attract new commodities to the Port.

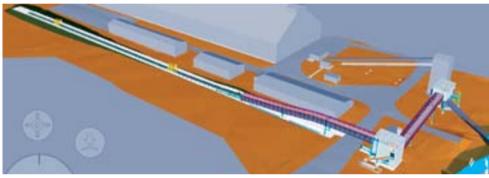
"The new infrastructure will have the capacity to provide customers with competitive loading rates and pricing. This will allow the region to develop projects with certainty on costs and Port availability," Mr

"The project has been designed to complement our existing sugar handling operations which will minimise costs for all customers."

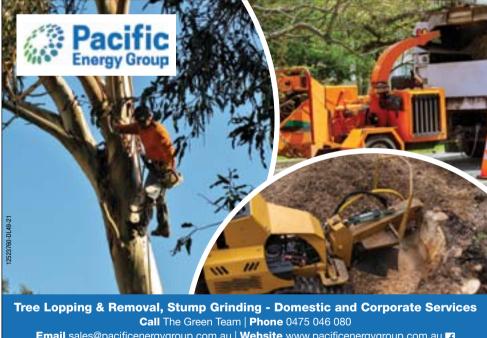
More information on the tender opportunity visit qtenders.hpw.qld.gov.au/qtenders/

More information on the Hinkler Regional Deal is available at infrastructure.gov.au/territories-regions-cities/regions/regional-deals/





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## A STANDOUT YEAR FOR ROCKHAMPTON SETS THE SCENE FOR INCREASED MOMENTUM IN 2022!

As the year draws to a close it's pleasing to be able to sit down and reflect on what a tremendous year 2021 has been for Rockhampton.

As Rockhampton Regional Council's economic development arm, Advance Rockhampton are proud to have been a part of Rockhampton's success, with the team achieving stand out results for the region across Economic Development, Tourism and Events. Whilst 2021 presented significant challenges due to travel and other restrictions as a result of COVID-19, Rockhampton continued to shine as a region to live, visit and do business.

Advance Rockhampton's Tourism and Marketing team are putting Rocky on the Radar, hosting a Meetings, Incentives, Conferences and Events (MICE) famil, bringing together industry leaders from across Australia to showcase Rockhampton's premier venues and suppliers. Tourism proudly took the 10K Tagged Thready competition to the water for its second year - with keen boaties taking to the mighty Fitzroy River to try and catch the winning prize! Rounding this out, the Tourism team saw a big year of ambassadors visiting the region, with Mum Pack Travel, Sean Scott Photographer and Back 2 Basics all promoting the Rockhampton region

to their substantial networks. And, don't forget to download the Explore Rockhampton App!

It was all go in Industry and Economic Development with major projects at Shoalwater Bay, Rookwood Weir and the Bowen and Galilee Basins continuing to drive great economic outcomes for the region. The Rockhampton Ring Road project major contractors are set to be announced in early 2022, ensuring that these major projects will continue to deliver for Rockhampton region for several years to come. The Economic Development team have been busy running industry engagements sessions, project forums and development workshops with a greater focus on resources and construction, agriculture and water, defence industries and renewable energy projects.

Following a lengthy industry engagement, the addition of an E-Scooter fleet is now within reach, with permit applications being called for this month, meaning residents and visitors will be scooting between the CBD and Stockland, CQU to Kershaw Gardens and connecting our CBD retailers, restaurants and hotels with the showgrounds and sporting precincts in early 2022!

To top it all of – what an outstanding year

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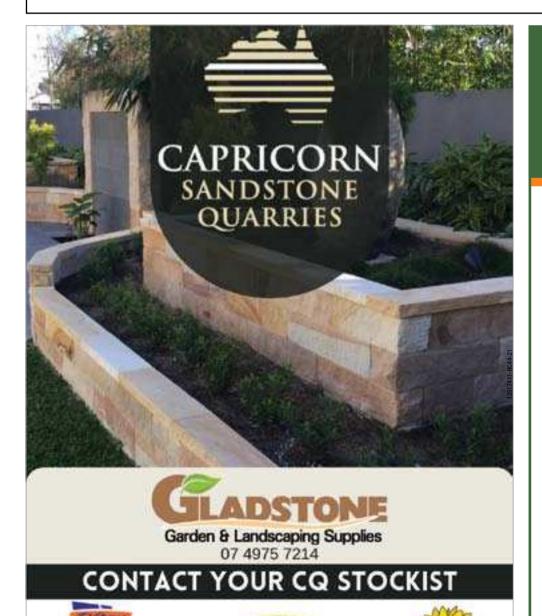
it has been for events in Rockhampton. Our regional location has meant we have been full steam ahead in delivering a jam packed year for residents and visitors. Advance Rockhampton delivered a full calendar of events, with the award winning Rockynats 01, Rockhampton River Festival, Rockhampton Show, the CBD Christmas Fair and three NRL games coming to our city.

We would like to wish all readers a Merry Christmas and we look forward to working with you all again in 2022 to continue Putting Rocky on the Radar. Greg Bowden Executive Manager Advance Rockhampton



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David Nunn, Managing Director of High Risk Solutions.



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## Doing our part for region

Serving Central Queensland for the past nine years, High Risk Solutions provides access solutions through scaffolding, rigging, work at height safety, and specialist equipment.

Founded by David Nunn in 2012, the company has expanded to include over 95 employees spread across three locations, Gladstone, Rockhampton, and Emerald.

Looking back across the year, David is proud to see how the company has grown.

"Whilst working at a previous company, I felt like a number, not a person," he said.

"So I started High Risk Solutions, and now I work with a really good team who value hard work.

"We also value building a positive relationship and impact within our community."

Since its inception, High Risk Solutions has strived to improve its services and provide for the local community. Evidence of this has come through programs implemented by High Risk Solutions, including the Scaffolding Open Day.

The purpose of the event is to showcase what is required for a career in scaffolding and included live demonstrations. The open day was an opportunity to offer five candidates aged 18 to 21 a traineeship in 2022.

"The point of this day is to show our candidates in real-time what they will be exposed to," he said.

"Our expectations are quite high, as scaffolding is a tough industry.

"But the job is rewarding for the right people."

Candidates who receive a traineeship offer will be entitled to an entry-level job with long term prospects.

"We have had some really successful kids come through our traineeship programs," he said.

"We were looking for people who show initiative and work well in a team."



Employees of High Risk Solutions.

The Scaffolding Open Day saw a high calibre of attendees interested in working in the industry.

Throughout the year, High Risk Solutions have completed several projects and introduced new employees to the team.

The employees have had the opportunity to  $% \left\{ \mathbf{r}_{i}^{\mathbf{r}_{i}}\right\} =\mathbf{r}_{i}^{\mathbf{r}_{i}}$ 

develop their skills and complete training and certificate qualifications.

#### Some of the projects across the three locations have included:

- Shutdown work
- Ongoing work for QAL, GPC, and Rio Tinto
- Scaffold erection and dismantle
- Residential and edge protection
- Work within the mining sector, including; BMA, Kestrel and Gregory.

Now that this year is coming to a close, High Risk Solutions would like to thank their clients for their continued support and wishes everyone a Merry Christmas.

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## Reflecting on fine year

As we wind down for another year – and one of the most disrupted we have seen for a long time - it is time to reflect on what we have achieved this year as a manufacturing community.

It must be said that the Qld Manufacturing Sector is one of resilience and action – please take some time to look at the stats below and what you have contributed not only to our local community but to the broader Australian community as manufacturers:

#### Queensland Manufacturing Gross Value Add (GVA) - 2020-21

Manufacturing contributed around \$22.3 billion to the Queensland economy in 2020-21.

In Gross Value Added (GVA) terms, manufacturing is the fifth-highest contributing industry in Queensland.

Manufacturing contributes 6.4% to the

Regions outside SEQ account for around 29% of the manufacturing industry's GVA (\$6.4

Central Queensland is the highest contributing SA4 region outside of SEQ, contributing around \$1.3 billion per annum, followed by Wide Bay at \$1.2 billion.

Queensland's manufacturing industry accounts for 20% of Australia's manufacturing

The highest contributing subsectors to manufacturing GVA in Queensland are food product manufacturing (\$5.5 billion, 24.5%) and metal and metal product manufacturing (\$3.7 billion,

From a CQ Manufacturing Hubs perspective, it has been a massive year for us as well.

The Manufacturing Hubs Program has created \$153m of value to the state through grants, activating employment and co-investment in businesses and projects, and connecting regional manufacturers to opportunities in the defence, renewables, rail, aerospace, food, and mining sectors. We have also helped create and protect over 1200 jobs in regional communities through supporting manufacturers, and we opened two new Manufacturing Hubs in Mackay and the Gold Coast.

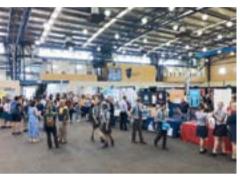
I'm proud to say that in CQ, we have directly supported 13 manufacturers with Manufacturing Hub Grants valued at nearly \$3m, creating and protecting 375 jobs.

#### Some other highlights include:

- Connecting regional manufacturers across the state and nationally
- Supporting regional discovery tours by Downer Rail and Rheinmetall Defence
- Developing State-wide Programs to be delivered next year, including an expanded LEAN Manufacturing workshop to include additional resources and Cultural Maturity ses-
- Hosted TIO Trade Commissioners
- Connected schools, government agencies, and QMI and helped the first Edmund Rice



Rockhampton Manufacturing Hub is located at CQUniversity's Rockhampton North campus.



Students attend CQUniversity's Career Day.

College be accepted as a GISP School for Advanced Manufacturing

- Regional skills tours and connections through advanced manufacturing equipment such as **Augmented Reality Welders**
- Have one of our local manufacturers accepted to be a member of the Ministerial Manufacturing Council
- Held ISO information sessions and supported several manufacturers to upskill their staff and gain international qualifications and ac-
- Expanded our service offerings to support the Wide Bay and Maryborough regions in conjunction with our colleagues as DSDILGP

I would also like to acknowledge the ongoing work and commitment of the other hubs, their staff, and our colleagues in the Regional Development, Water, and Manufacturing Strategy teams based across the state.

A special thanks to the direct team here in Mick Elliott, Richard Austin, and Stacey Holmes. Stacey was a fantastic asset to the CQ Manufacturing Hubs and the program, and we wish Stacey and her family all the best in her

Finally, thanks to all of you who support the manufacturing sector in regional Queensland. Know that your efforts are recognised in supporting vibrant regional communities at all

Have a great Xmas and New Year's, enjoy a well-earned break, and we look forward to working with you all again in 2022 and beyond.







Chief Executive Officer Jack Trenaman.

## 2022: Defend and advance

With the coming of another new year often comes a wave of optimism – and while it is easy to ignore optimism and focus on how conditions may have been less than ideal in 2020 and 2021, I believe that 2022 should be seen by Central Queenslanders and businesses as a year of new opportunity.

You would not have to spend more than 5 minutes in conversation with me to know that I am all about keeping it local, supporting and rebuilding regional Australia as a whole. I know we have excellent businesses here in Central Queensland that punch well above their weight against the competition of multinational companies.

This is one of the reasons I was very open this year again for local businesses that were not getting a fair go in Government projects and contracts, especially when local capability was more than sufficient to deliver larger work packages locally. We have now seen the Federal and State Governments rhetoric change in regard to the politicians now public supporting genuine local SME contract content inclusion which also reduces Australia's sovereign risk and we can genuinely start to rebuild lost manufacturing skill sets within local small to medium enterprises (SMEs).

There is still a lot more work to do in this area as the current model has to change to support political promises in rebuilding regional business skill sets, however, the tide is turning for local SME inclusion to be now acceptable with Government bureaucrats genuinely working with SME's to rebuild our/ Australia's lost manufacturing skills that have gone offshore for way too long. There is more to getting this new model right and fair than attending a business breakfast or developing social media posts. Industry needs delivery with contract awards to genuine SME's which in turn always furthers the community by in-

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vestment from existing businesses in their local communities.

It's also an exciting time to be a regional supplier in the resources sector especially after the Australia vs China export/import spat of certain resources which was on top of the Covid disruptions. Some of the big mining houses are really starting to support local, genuine engineering services companies like ours over their previous "labour hire model." Support for companies like ours which only employ permanent employees and invest and train heavily in excess of 40+ trainees/apprentices every year to continue to grow the pool of trade skills in regional Queensland. It is good to see the "labour hire model" no longer the model of choice for the resource sector.

So where's the opportunity? While it is the most over-used word in the book, I genuinely know our strategy that has kept SMW Group growing through all the difficulties of the last two decades is innovation and our ability to produce two solutions for any one problem found by our customers.

SMW Group is built on innovation – it's in our tagline, "Engineering Continuous Improvement." For us, innovation means never accepting the status quo and always seeking out solutions to the everyday problems we encounter

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drive right here in regional Queensland.

But the key to keeping our momentum going in the right direction is Pressing for fairness.

This basic strategy and in this area have two basic directions – at any point, you can choose to retreat, or you advance. This is appropriate for the current economic and local content environment opportunities we have missed in CO before.

To retreat would be to give in to fear and let the status quo prevail. But while you think this may save your community reputation because of the fear of losing a dollar or two in a nearterm possible contract relationship, the future of our business and similar business needs strong leadership to press for fairness at all levels of government to assist all SME's to expand market share opportunity.

History favours the brave. It's a well-documented fact that companies who make bold moves in times of crisis normally see more growth opportunities. Making a move for government contracts market share now and becoming a trusted supplier should set you up for success – so don't stop pursuing especially with all the infrastructure spend pencilled in for CQ next year and beyond "snooze and we will lose."

SMW Group heads into its 22nd year of operation, and we have seen it all when it comes to industry ups and downs. While we might be learning from the past 2 years of Covid impact, the business has been a rollercoaster well over the last 10 years with floods in 2010/11, Cyclone Marcia 2015, Flooding from Cyclone Debbie 2016, Coal downturn 2018 & Covid 2020/21 so finding the delicate balance between 'defend and advance' and 'caution' is where the real opportunity lies.

So, where will you find opportunities in

2022? It will be by partnering with other local companies to get the "door ajar" on major projects like Shoalwater Bay and the Rockhampton Ring Road. We will all have to lean into further technology development and investing in our R&D capability and retain competent staff into the future to succeed here.

A great example of strong leadership and commitment locally and pressing for fairness is the successful affiliation of our beloved Capras with the newly appointed NRL Dolphins, this is an excellent outcome for CQ and Rugby League and the effort put in behind the scenes by the CEO Peter White and the Capras team was tireless and extremely professional so let us congratulate them and press even further so we can have both our State and Federal governments round up the stadium investment at the home of Rugby League of Browne Park to \$100M. We do need to ensure we have a first-class facility well into the future "food for thought".

A further example of strong leadership locally "pressing for fairness" is the Head of Adani Australia's Lucas Dow having to push for stronger penalties against deplorable extreme activism behaviour of the Carmichael Mine project. These activists endanger local CQ workers who are employed on the project that are just trying to make a good buck and pay their mortgages. No resource workers should be exposed to nonsense behaviour of these type of events as the workers just want to go and work safely. So well done Lucas, let us all hope your continued commitment will also see change for the entire resources sector when it comes to fair penalties for illegal trespass and safety breaches of activists.

One thing is for sure – we cannot do the same thing if we want 2022 to be different from the last two years. Find the opportunity and go after it every day 24/7.







Hi vis workers produce the gas and coal to fuel Australia's domestic energy grid that keeps the lights on at night.

Lucas Dow, CEO and Country Head Adani Australia.

## Call to support the hi vis

Opinion by Lucas Dow, CEO and Country Head Adani Australia

Hi vis is the iconic uniform of thousands of Queenslanders.

Hi vis workers are the people who quietly go about driving the trucks and trains, fixing the engines, and loading the ships that help earn Queensland the royalties from metals, minerals, coal and gas exports that pay for such things as roads, schools, hospitals, teachers and nurses. They are the ones who produce the gas and coal to fuel Australia's domestic energy grid that keeps the lights on at night.

All sides of politics and government are quick to claim they support hi vis workers and the resources industry.

But when the rubber hits the road where are they?

In recent times the men and women who work on our ports, railways, and mines have been left without the support of their government and politicians as they deal with the scourge of professional anti-fossil protestors who interfere with their equipment, invade their work sites and intimidate and harass them.

My business recently shared a video on social media of these activists intimidating and abusing our workers at our Bravus Mining and Resources' Carmichael mine. The video really hit a nerve with people in the mining industry. This confronting video has been watched more than one million times.

The group of anti-fossil fuel activists featured has been camping on our mine site without our consent for about three months and the Queensland Government refuses to move them on, despite their presence being a breach of Queensland mining legislation. These protestors have been driving dangerously, harassing and intimidating our workers, stopping traffic trying to enter and exit the mine site and even flew a helicopter onto the mine without our permission to deliver supplies to their camp.

Their dangerous antics are just some of the stunts anti-fossil fuel activists have pulled off around the country lately. Their activist peers have stopped coal trains in the Hunter Valley and Central Queensland by locking onto railway tracks and wagons, they have halted port operations in Newcastle, Central and North Queensland by chaining themselves to live conveyors and to the booms of equipment

high above the ground, and they have blocked roads and site access in Western Australia.

It is a fact that many of the protestors are multiple offenders, a tiny group of people who get nothing but a slap on the wrists from the courts and are then back within weeks engaging in the same illegal activity.

The Police Minister was quoted in the media this week saying the maximum penalty for willful damage of a rail line is 14 years imprisonment while use of a Dangerous Attachment Device carries a maximum sentence of two years in jail.

Unfortunately, penalties are useless if they are not applied.

One woman arrested after locking onto a train near Bowen last month has been arrested four other times in the last few years for performing dangerous protests and was most recently let off with a one month suspended sentence and a \$500 fine - less than you get for busking without a permit in Queensland.

By comparison in NSW, one of the activists involved in disrupting the Port of Newcastle in November received a 12-month non-association order with her partner, a 24-month Community Corrections Order, two convictions

and thousands of dollars in fines.

I have no problem with people expressing their opinions. That's what helps keep our democracy strong. But staging protests that put lives in danger or that prevent others going about their legal business is selfish and is not in the interests of our broader society. As citizens we expect governments and institutions to apply the law evenly to support and protect everyone's rights. We don't expect them to turn a blind eye to the behaviour of some, just because they are noisier and have bigger audiences on social media than others.

When Queensland's borders reopen on Monday it is likely there will be an influx of professional protestors flying in from Sydney and Melbourne.

It's time the Government got serious about making sure there are real consequences for activists who choose to deliberately break the law and put Queenslanders' lives at risk before a tragedy happens.

Right now, the very clear message from elected representatives to resources industry workers is "if you wear high vis you're on your own, don't look to government to watch out for you at work."





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## TCC's student ambassadors

The Cathedral College's Reagan McKenzie and Moura State High School's Reef Brazaitis will be starting Year 12 next year as ambassadors for the resources sector after they were chosen by the Queensland Minerals and Energy Academy to receive the QMEA ambassador award.

The duo was among 20 students chosen from 90 QMEA-affiliated schools from as far north as Mount Isa and Townsville, to Central Queensland and the Coalfields as well as Brisbane in the South East.

The students made it through a selection process which included showcasing work performed in school and in the community including leaderships roles, charity support and extracurricular activities.

As part of the award the students spent three days in Brisbane engaging with the cutting edge of mining and resources innovation including a visit to Hastings Deering's Learning Centre for Excellence in Acacia Ridge.

Hastings Deering's managing director Mark Scott said touring facilities like Hastings Deering gave students a snapshot of the underpinning skills and knowledge of many of mining's support industries.

"They are terrific kids with genuine intent to pursue careers in the resources sector," Mr Scott said. "We make it as hands on as possible: allowing them to talk to people about future roles and meeting people who will become contacts they can refer back to when they finish school or university. The ambassador program can really give them a head start in the state's resources sector.

"Of the 1800 apprentice applications we received for our 2022 intake, 400 (20%) came from QMEA schools: an increase of 3% on our 2021 intake. Both our 2021 cohort and the 2022 intake include applicants who were both ambassadors and also attended QMEA schools."

The program involves 200-plus industry mentors from QRC member companies who work with the QMEA to provide students with hands-on, real-world experiences. The Academy has introduced a record 5000-plus students to the benefits of working in resources over the past 12 months.

QRC's Director of Skills, Education and Diversity Katrina Lee Jones said QMEA was a great opportunity for industry to interact with the next generation of young minds coming through our local education systems.

"It also allows those industries to give back to the local communities that support them," Ms Jones said. "This year QMEA students participated in a range of new activities - from navigating a LEGO robotic mine truck from pit to port, to modelling the use of hydrogen in a fuel cell. Each activity challenges students to think creatively and work as a team, and the outstanding results speak for themselves."

The students are a mixture of those taking a professional pathway (intending to study a STEM - science, technology, education and math - related course at university) and VET pathways (intending to gain a trade).

The QMEA aims to promote the idea of professional and trade pathways and people working together along with promoting the latest and greatest of technology, training and opportunities in the minerals and energy sector.



The Cathedral College's Reagan McKenzie and Moura State High School's Reef Brazaitis with Hastings Deering learning delivery supervisor Shane Whalley.



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## A big region needs a fast response



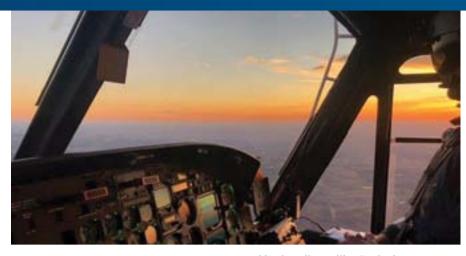
# Be prepared this summer

Since January 2021, Rescue300 has responded to one mission each month\* involving activated beacons, boating incidents or missing persons at sea. The importance of carrying a correctly registered EPIRB is immense, with it often meaning the difference between life and death.

When in their correct working order, Emergency Position Indicating Radio Beacon or EPIRB's, are a lifesaving device used to locate the precise position of someone in serious distress or a lifethreatening situation. However, for these beacons to be used correctly, they require appropriate storage, correct contact information registered, and undergo regular services. Failure to do so can mean costly consequences for emergency services.

With the same principle going for personal locating beacons, avid hikers often finding themselves disorientated on even the more popular hiking trails in the region depend on an accurate and reliable means of communication.

Rescue Crew Officer for RACQ CapRescue, Garth Snaidero, says it's not just boaties that need to be prepared this summer.



"The unfortunate truth is that we see it all too often, ill-prepared boaties set out for a day on the water without sufficient means of communication.

It's a common trend we also see with hikers

and bush walkers alike. By letting someone know when you're due to return, carrying some form of communication and location device can mean the difference between a positive or dire result." Mr Snaidero said.

\* As of November 2021



## **Resources Charity Golf Day**

In early October, the 4th Annual Resources Charity Golf Day was held at the Yeppoon Golf Club in aid of RACQ CapRescue. The event, organised by Hastings Deering Rockhampton, raised over \$14,000 for the Service.

Hastings Deering's Central Queensland Area Manager Peter Martin said the company had helped raise almost \$50,000 over the last four years of commitment to RACQ CapRescue.

Mr Martin said RACQ CapRescue provided immeasurable peace of mind to the community providing an invaluable service to the area and surrounding communities.

"There have been countless times we have seen the team at work, whether it is a car crash or winching flood affected townsfolk to safety," he said. "The service is paramount to the community.

"As one of the largest employers in Rockhampton and Capricorn Coast and a workforce that supports the CQ region, we believe in giving back to the community in which we live and work. The event also creates a competition opportunity for the Yeppoon Golf Club (not for profit club) which assists them through sales on the day, creating many positive outcomes."

Community Fundraising Officer, Caitlin Buttenshaw, says events such as these are integral to the operations of the Service.

"RACQ CapRescue relies on 40% of its funding to be raised through the community by businesses such as Hastings Deering and events like the annual Resources Charity Golf Day.

The team at RACQ CapRescue would like to thank Hastings Deering Rockhampton for their ongoing support and commitment to our Service."

Photo (left to right): Scott Barwick -Hastings Deering, Cameron Fewtrell -RACQ CapRescue, Peter Martin -Hastings Deering.





## Wowan crash

RACQ CapRescue was recently tasked to the scene of a serious motor vehicle accident involving two cars travelling in the Wowan

It was reported the two vehicles collided at an intersection near the Burnett Highway with the single occupant of one vehicle being treated by emergency service crews at the scene for minor injuries.

While the driver of the second vehicle, a female patient aged in her late sixties, was

airlifted to Rockhampton Base Hospital in a stable condition with suspected internal injuries including multiple fractures. She was also treated for precautionary spinal injuries prior to take-off.



## **Semi rollover on Bruce Hwy**

RACQ CapRescue was recently tasked to the scene of a semi-trailer rollover near



Raglan, on the Bruce Highway. The truck was heading south when it crashed - just after 7am, trapping the driver.

Queensland Fire and Emergency Services worked to extricate the man from the wreckage in order to meet the Rescue300 helicopter at the Raglan Hotel. The patient was treated by their on board Critical Care Paramedic and Doctor for abdominal and suspected head injuries, before being airlifted to Rockhampton Hospital in a stable condition

## Gardening Neil Fisher



## Meaning in a Christmas tree

### CHRISTMAS TREES

Over recent years, Australian native plants have become very popular replacements for the traditional pines and firs as Christmas trees. While Australia has followed very closely the European traditions, many Australian plants will make a beautiful hardy Christmas tree.

Some of the most popular Australian Christmas trees being used are the Daintree Pine or Gymnostoma australianum, Norfolk Pine or Araucaria excelsa, she-oaks such as Casuarina cunninghamiana and Casuarina littoralis, the Black Cypress or Callitris endlicheri and even the Australian Christmas Bush or Prostanthera

This is not only happening in Australia, but in other countries of the world. Many Australian natives are being exported around the world for this very purpose. A good example is the popularity of the Queensland bottle tree, or Brachychiton repestre, in Japan to help celebrate the festive season.

Have you ever wondered where the tradition of having Christmas trees as part of the Christmas celebrations came from? The tradition of Christmas trees goes back over a thousand years, to when Scandinavian people, who, prior to becoming Christians, worshipped trees.

After becoming Christians, they made evergreen trees part of their Christian festivals. The legend of the first Christmas tree is told about an English missionary, travelling through Europe about twelve hundred years ago, who found a group of heathens about to make a sacrificial killing to the god Thor, under an oak tree. The missionary stopped the sacrifice and cut down the oak tree, and as the oak fell, a young pine tree appeared. He told the people that the pine was 'the tree of life' and represented Christ, and thus we traditionally have pine trees for Christmas.

The tradition of decorating the Christmas tree came from a different source. On the first day of January, the Romans exchanged decorated tree branches for good luck, and this custom was adopted by the English for Christmas.

However, the German town of Strasburg (now in France) would have to be credited with being the first to use Christmas decorations, using gilded nuts, stars, angels, toys and sweets wrapped in bright paper, selling these at their local markets. The people of Poland also adopted the practice of decorating Christmas trees, with bright paper ornaments and candles.

## THE MEANING OF CHRISTMAS DECORATIONS

According to the old tradition, a family's Christmas tree should include these twelve ornaments to ensure happiness:

- Angel symbolises God
- Bird symbolises good luck
- $\blacksquare$  House signifies family shelter
- Teapot symbolises hospitalityPine Cone symbolises eternity
- Fruit symbolises plentiful blessings
   Rose the symbol of the Virgin Mary
- Animal symbolises peace with nature
- $\,\blacksquare\,$  Santa Claus the symbol of giving and caring
- Fish symbolises Christ, as well as fertility
   Flower Basket represents beauty in the
- $\hfill\blacksquare$  Flower Basket represents beauty in the home
- Heart represents true love

## SAVING YOUR CHRISTMAS TREE

Straight after Christmas, one of the biggest problems faced by many people is how to look after the Christmas tree that has been inside for the last few weeks. While they may still look attractive, some care will be required when relocating them to their outdoor position for the next eleven months. Always one of the first problems encountered after moving their tree outside is browning of the outer shoots. Quite



The Daintree Christmas Tree is ready for sale at Limberlost Nursery Cairns.

Picture: LIMBERLOST NURSERY CAIRNS

often this will happen within days of relocating the tree but don't worry, fresh green shoots should appear within the first five to six weeks. Sometimes some of the older, brown tips may need to be pruned, and the tree may even need some light reshaping, particularly if decorations or children overcome with too much Christmas spirit have bent or broken some of the branches.

Ideally, the best position to place the Christmas tree after being inside is an open, but quite shaded area, such as a greenhouse or under the shade of a tree, e.g. a mango tree, but without any direct sunlight. Over the next five to six weeks, gradually move the tree into a sunnier position. An important note to remember is that the shadier the position in which the tree is kept during the year, the more compact in appearance the tree will be, and will therefore make a more attractive Christmas tree for the following year.

Another question always asked straight after Christmas is "Should the Christmas tree be repotted into a bigger pot?". This is not advisable, as the bigger the pot, the bigger the plant, and eventually the tree will become too big to move inside. As far as fertilising goes, a teaspoon of Osmocote during the next few weeks is highly recommended, then probably another application of Osmocote during Spring would provide the best Christmas specimen for Christmas 2022.

## **CHRISTMAS WISH**

On behalf of my family, and myself I would like to wish everyone a happy, holy and hopefully a cool Christmas and please keep safe.



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## Truth and recognition first

### **By AgForce General President Georgie Somerset**

Christmas is a wonderful time of year for many of us - a time to relax, perhaps reflect, and appreciate friends and family.

But...if someone asked me what I wanted for Christmas, I'd tell them I'd trade all my presents for large helpings of 'truth' and 'recognition', all wrapped up in bright paper topped with big red bows.

In so many ways, for AgForce and for agriculture, this has been a year of recovery, albeit in Covid-induced fits and starts.

We've strengthened many of our relationships - with government, with stakeholders - all in the spirit of doing the best for our farmers, for Queenslanders, and for the nation as a whole.

While Ekka - so often a bridge between city and country - was again cancelled this year, events like Beef 2021 in Rockhampton and the activities of our School to Industry Partnership Program, in connecting thousands of school children and teachers with agriculture, have shown there are paddock-sized amounts of enthusiasm and good will towards industry, and plenty for organisations like AgForce to build upon.

The truth and recognition I crave, however, is for agriculture's credentials on the environment and the fantastic, often unseen, unreported, unacknowledged work done by so many at such great personal expense.

In a year where climate and the environment has dominated media headlines and will



AgForce General President Georgie Somerset.

continue to do so in the lead up to the Federal election, I vow that AgForce will do all it can to shine a light on the truth and champion your efforts – we owe you at least that much.

We also haven't forgotten those of you do-

ing it tough in seemingly endless drought, while other parts of the State cop a drenching and battle floods.

Please look out for each other this festive season. Reach out to a mate if you see they're struggling and don't be afraid to seek for help vourself.

Our communities are where we are our strongest - now and always.

Merry Christmas everyone.

## CSIRO sets beef benchmark for protein production

New research by CSIRO, Australia's national science agency, has for the first time quantified the contribution Australian beef makes to the protein supply for human nutrition, paving the way to better understand efficiencies across production of other proteins.

The team used the emerging 'net protein contribution' concept to measure the quality and quantity of protein created by cattle compared to the protein they eat, looking at both grain-fed cattle and grass-fed cattle that may eat small amounts of grain.

They found typical Australian grain-fed beef production systems contribute almost twice the human- edible protein they consume, while grass-fed systems produce almost 1600 times.

It means the beef sector now has benchmark figures for the protein it contributes

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provements and compare efficiency to other protein production systems when they are assessed using the method.

Red meat is often criticised as having a very large footprint, taking up land that could be used to grow crops for human food, or eating grain that humans could be eating instead, otherwise known as the 'feed versus food debate'.

However, CSIRO livestock systems scientist Dr Dean Thomas said Australian beef production is efficient at converting both low quality protein in grains that humans can eat, as well as protein in grass that humans can't eat, into high quality protein for human

"Cattle are efficient upcyclers of grass and other feedstuffs not just in terms of the quality of protein they create. They contribute a than is used in their production as well," Dr Thomas said.

The study, published in the journal Animal, is the first time the net protein contribution concept has been applied in Australia. It rated Australian grain-fed beef a score of 1.96 and grass-fed with a very small amount of grain a score of 1597, where a number greater than one means it has a positive contribution to meeting human nutritional requirements.

To test the assumption that grain-fed beef competes with humans for protein, the team modelled real world data in typical Australian beef production systems including methane emissions, historical climate records and commercial feedlot diets.

Dr Thomas said the rations now fed to cattle in Australian feedlots can be quite low in human-edible protein sources.

"The feedlot sector increasingly uses lo-

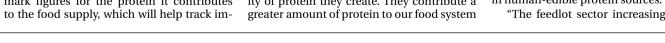
cally available by-products such as spent grain from bio-alcohol, feed-grade grain and cottonseed, while still meeting nutritional requirements for cattle," Dr Thomas said.

This research was undertaken as part of CSIRO's Future Protein Mission, which aims to improve the productivity and sustainability of new and existing Australian protein industries through science, innovation and

Future Protein Mission lead Professor Michelle Colgrave said that it was critical for Australia to obtain these benchmark figures for the beef supply chain.

"Research like this could help consumers assess their options in terms of what protein foods they choose in relation to sustainability," Professor Colgrave said.

"It also could be yet another positive selling point for Australian beef in export markets."



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## **FORECAST**

### Warnings

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### **Gladstone:**

Mostly sunny. Light winds becoming northeasterly 15 to 25 km/h in the middle of the day then becoming light in the evening. Friday. Shower or two.

### **Rockhampton:**

Mostly sunny. Light winds becoming northeasterly 15 to 20 km/h in the late afternoon then becoming light in the evening.

Friday. Partly cloudy.

### Capricornia:

Mostly sunny. Slight (20%) chance of a shower in the southwest in the afternoon and evening. The chance of a storm in the southwest in the afternoon and evening. Light winds becoming northeasterly 15 to 25 km/h in the middle of the day then becoming light in the late evening.

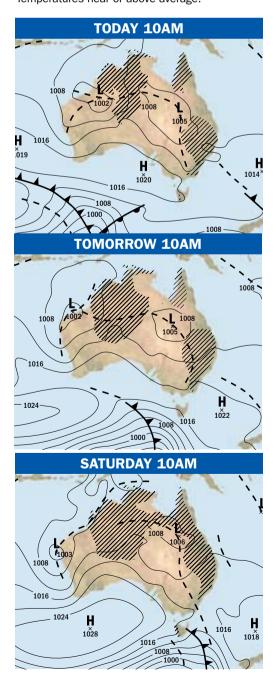
Friday. Partly cloudy. Medium (50%) chance of showers in the south, slight (30%) chance elsewhere. The chance of a storm. Light winds becoming northeasterly 15 to 20 km/h during the day then tending easterly 15 to 25 km/h during the afternoon.

### **Central Highlands and Coalfields:**

Mostly sunny. Slight (30%) chance of a shower in the south in the afternoon and evening. The chance of a storm from the late morning. Winds north to northeasterly 15 to 20 km/h becoming light in the middle of the day then becoming east to northeasterly 15 to 20 km/h in the evening.

### Queensland:

A high in the Tasman Sea will maintain a ridge along the east coast. A trough will extend from northwestern to southern Oueensland. Mostly sunny in the far southwest and the east coast between Cooktown and Gladstone. A slight to medium chance of showers and storms elsewhere, increasing to a medium to high chance about the western Peninsula and in the southeast. Possible severe storms in the southeastern interior. Temperatures near or above average.



cold front

Forecast Rain

24 hrs to 9am

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trough

## **GLADSTONE FORECAST**



**TODAY** Mostly sunny. 32



**TOMORROW** Shower or two. 32



**SATURDAY** Shower or two. 30



**SUNDAY** Shower or two. 30

















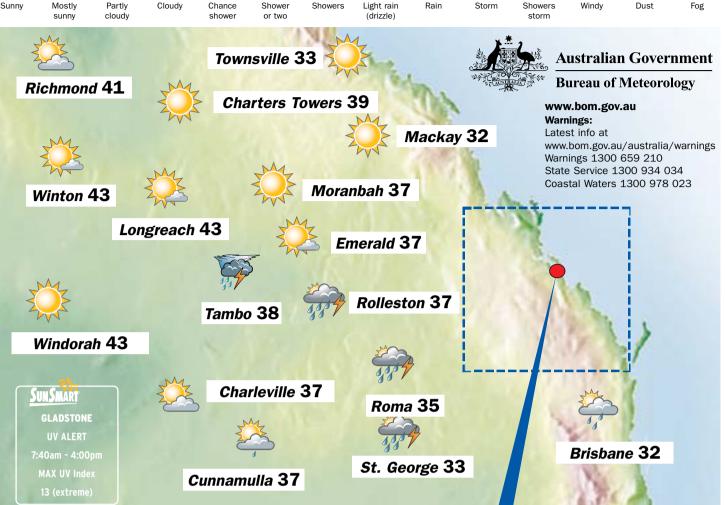












## **COASTAL WATERS**

### St. Lawrence to Burnett Heads:

Winds: East to northeasterly about 10 knots. Seas: Below 1 metre. Swell: Easterly below 1 metre inshore, increasing to around 1 metre offshore. Weather: Mostly sunny.

Friday. Winds: Northeasterly about 10 knots tending easterly 10 to 15 knots during the afternoon. Seas: Below 1 metre. Swell: Easterly below 1 metre. Weather: Partly cloudy.

## Bowen to St. Lawrence:

Winds: North to northeasterly below 10 knots. Inshore winds increasing to 10 to 15 knots in the morning then becoming east to northeasterly about 10 knots in the evening. Seas: Below 0.5 metres. Swell: Easterly below 1 metre offshore south of Mackay. Weather: Sunny.

Friday. Winds: North to northeasterly about 10 knots tending east to northeasterly 10 to 15 knots during the afternoon then decreasing to about 10 knots during the evening. Seas: Below 0.5 metres. Swell: Easterly below 1 metre offshore south of Mackay. Weather: Mostly sunny.

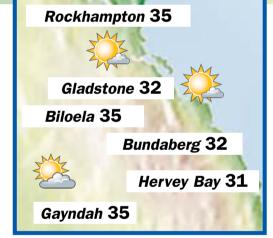
## **Hervey Bay:**

Winds: Northeasterly 10 to 15 knots decreasing to about 10 knots in the late evening. Seas: Below 1 metre. Swell: North to northeasterly below 1 metre. Weather: Mostly sunny.

Friday. Winds: East to northeasterly 10 to 15 knots turning southeasterly during the afternoon. Seas: Below 1 metre. Swell: North to northeasterly below 1 metre. Weather: Partly cloudy. 60% chance of showers.

	CAPITAL CITIES				
City	Condition	Max			
Adelaide	Sunny.	29			
Brisbane	Shower or two.	32			
Canberra	Shower or two.	26			
Darwin	Possible storm.	35			
Hobart	Partly cloudy.	19			
Melbourne	Partly cloudy.	21			
Perth	Sunny.	35			
Sydney	Showers.	25			
SUN & MOON					

SUN & MOON						
	Sunrise	Sunset	Moonrise	Moonse		
Thursday	5:06am	6:42pm	9:57pm	8:12am		
Friday	5:06am	6:43pm	10:35pm	9:08an		
Saturday	5:07am	6:43pm	11:11pm	10:03am		
Sunday	5:07am	6:44pm	11:45pm	10:58am		
Monday	5:08am	6:44pm	Nil	11:54am		
Tuesday	5:09am	6:44pm	12:20am	12:52pm		



## THE WORLD

	THE WOR	LD					
World conditions today							
City	Weather	Max	Min				
Athens	fine	12	3				
Auckland	fine	25	17				
Bangkok	fine	32	23				
Beijing	cloudy	1	-3				
Berlin	cloudy	1	-3				
Christchurch	fine	20	13				
Denpasar	rain	32	25				
Dublin	sunny	12	5				
Hong Kong	cloudy	22	19				
Honolulu	showers	26	20				
Jakarta	storms	30	24				
Johannesburg	storms	24	15				
Kuala Lumpur	storms	33	24				
London	cloudy	/ //11	4				
Los Angeles	rain	14	11				
Madrid	rain	12	9				
Moscow	snow	-16	-21				
New Delhi	fog	24	7				
New York	cloudy	4	-2				
Noumea	showers	30	24				
Paris	cloudy	9	0				
Auckland	fine	25	17				
Port Vila	cloudy	28	21				
Seoul	fine	7	-3				
Singapore	storms	33	24				
Suva	storms	32	25				
Tel Aviv	showers	17	12				
Tokyo	fine	10	3				
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The proposed Riverston Bay Marine Zone is located around Riverston Parkland at Lake Awoonga, which is located at 865 Awoonga Dam Road, Benaraby, QLD, 4680 and formally described as Lot 90 on SP275218. See map below with boundaries of the proposed marine zone illustrated

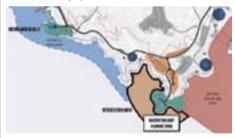


Figure 1: Map of pro Any form of motorised watercraft is proposed to be excluded

from this area, except for emergency services and GAWB personnel in emergency situations. The purpose of creating this motorised watercraft exclusion zone is in response to balancing the amenity experience and safety of different user groups. This proposal will consolidate this area as the first choice for families and users who wish to use the water for general recreation. The proposal has been informed by the Recreation Strategy and Lake Awoonga Master Plan that was prepared in consultation with the Community Consultative Forum

The discussion paper may be viewed online at the Gladstone Area Water Board website at https://www.gawb.qld.gov.au/recreation. If you unable to view the paper online, please contact GAWB on (07) 4976 3000 to obtain a copy.

Written submissions on the discussion paper may be made to: Email: landteam@gawb.qld.gov.au OR Post: Gladstone Area Water Board PO Box 466, Gladstone QLD 4680

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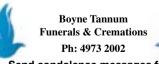
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Late of New Auckland Place Formerly of Tannum Sands and Gladstone Passed away peacefully Thursday 16th December 2021

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## Let's talk sport with Aaron Stevens and Liam Emerton



## Great moments in sport

In this week's edition of Let's Talk Sport 4RO's **AARON STEVENS** joins Gladstone and CQ Today's **LIAM EMERTON** for a look back on 2021 and all the sport throughout, as they explore their favourite local, national and international moments from the year that's gone.

### LOCAL MOMENT OF THE YEAR

Well we've come to the end of another huge year in sport for Central Queensland, but was there anything in particular that caught your eye as a major moment in local sport?

Aaron: There were so many great moments in local sport right throughout the year but I can't go past, Jamie Dwyer and Anna Mears being inducted into the sporting hall of fame.

Just an incredible moment for Central Queensland to have two great sportspeople inducted into the sporting hall of fame at the

What incredible people they are. Jamie Dwyer, I had the chance to talk to him towards the end of the year during the Sideline View.

He's so humble, he talks about it being a team sport and he was just happy to win player of the year on the occasions that he did.

This just surpasses this, he didn't think about achievements during his career, all he thought about was the next tournament or the next gold medal or the next World Cup, he didn't think about what happens after his ca-

To be inducted into the sporting hall of fame is amazing and then you've got Anna Mears who's exactly the opposite as it's such a

She went through so much hardship and injuries, and to come back the way she did after her injuries was amazing.

When you consider some of the great sportspeople to come out of Central Queensland we could have a sporting hall of fame of our own.

Go back to Rod Laver, let's do it, let's make a Central Queensland sporting hall of fame because it would be really impressive.

Jamie Dwyer, Anna Mears and Rod Laver could be the first inductees and there's a long list behind them.

**Liam:** What an honour for them, such a huge achievement for them both.

In terms of my favourite local moment I just can't go past the first-ever NRL game and then the North Queensland Cowboys coming

Because the atmosphere in that stadium when the Cowboys were running hot was incredible, nothing I have ever experienced was like that.

I remember going to a Western Sydney Wanderers game in Parramatta Stadium when they first became a club and it was electric just

There's a specific moment I remember when Jake Granville was running through and it looked like the local boy was going to score but he got caught and the atmosphere of the massive cheer turned into the huge grown, that for me was an amazing moment.

Professionally as a journalist and as a local, well I've only been here for 18 months so I don't know if that makes me a local vet, as a fake local it was incredible and I know how much the people of Central Queensland wanted a game of rugby league here.

After the disappointment that was St George versus the South Sydney Rabbitohs game being cancelled right on the dawn of the game itself.

It was fantastic to be in the stadium to celebrate that moment with everyone that was

And of course, we had the Tigers and the Sharks and while it wasn't the greatest game it was the first-ever NRL season game in Rockhampton and it was just a magical moment.



How good was this year's final series?

### NATIONAL MOMENT OF THE YEAR Okay now think to a national scale, is there anything throughout the year that you thought was massive for Australia?

Aaron: Do you know what I thought was fantastic, and I'm going to go back to the NRL here, I thought it was one of the best finals series in a long, long time.

The grand final, and we've spoken about this, the Rabbits did score late to make it a contest and put some respectability into that scoreline but the Panthers were pretty much in control that entire game but a cracking last five minutes except for the missed goal for Adam Reynolds.

But the finals series itself and the whole season was just a really competitive one.

We went into the season thinking it was going to be a two or three-horse race, with the Rabbitohs up there and the Storm as well as the Panthers and possibly the Roosters, but it was an up-and-down season for all those clubs and when it came down to the final whip being cracked at the end of the season, the final series was one of the best I had seen in a long, long time.

**Liam:** Indeed it was and even just prior to the final series, that battle for the top eight we had the Tigers, Titans, Canberra, Sharks, there were all these different teams in there and ready to make it into that top eight.

Aaron: And the Warriors, they were going great before they had that one loss which was really disappointing for them and put them

That was the Warriors who spent a whole year away from New Zealand again, they were there too, and you look at next season and you wonder what's going to happen in the NRL.

Because there were so many teams fighting for a spot in the top eight and those outside the eight, your Bulldogs, my Broncos obviously have recruited really well and will be coming

Panthers have lost a couple of players, Melbourne Storm has this controversy around them so let's see how they come out next year.

I just think next season... we've witnessed the competitiveness of that season in the finals series in 2021.

Liam: I'm sure we will be touching on how good next season is going to be very shortly, in fact in a future edition we will.

There's one national moment that I pick out only because it drew me so far into the sport

I'm not a big tennis fan but when Ash Barty won Wimbledon, wasn't that a special mo-



The T20 World Cup was Aaron's favourite international moment of the year.

National pride on the line, we talked about Ash Barty a couple of weeks back when we were chatting about Sam Kerr, it was such a special moment for her and Australia.

I stayed up till 2am or so watching this game which certainly isn't like me to get around ten-

It tells you how big this moment was and Ash is such an incredible athlete and great representative for Australian sport.

I think she has to be one of the biggest moments for sport this year and her winning Wimbledon and doing as her hero did, that can't be topped.

Another one quickly is that Mitchell Starc ball as the first delivery of the Ashes but we will leave that for another day.

### INTERNATIONAL MOMENT OF THE YEAR Lastly we have the international sporting scene, is there one moment that you can think of that was absolutely amazing and huge for sport right across the world?

Aaron: Well ultimately it comes down to an Australian sporting moment, but it wasn't that initially, and that is the T20 Cricket World

We haven't seen a lot of international competition and when we have seen it it's either not up to scratch, we've had players pull out.

But the T20 World Cup was the first event that we had seen on an international scale that was at full strength.

The likes of India, Pakistan and of course New Zealand, I tipped NZ to win it very early on because their form was just amazing.

And to see an international competition for

the first time for so long, at its peak and at its very best was terrific to see.

And eventually Australia won it against our old rivals New Zealand. The final was exciting, it looked like New Zealand might pull it off for a while but it was all the other games and just the fact we were able to see international sport at its top level being played with the best players out there was terrific to see.

Liam: That was huge and it was such a great World Cup because you didn't know if England, NZ or Australia were going to win and that's what you needed.

You need shocks like India being knocked out so quickly, everyone thought wow, that's incredible, and how did that happen.

You need that in a competition and that's what a World Cup brings, no matter the sport.

But for me there's one moment that sticks in my mind and that is my mighty Chelsea FC and them winning the UEFA Champions

It was such a special moment for me as a sporting fan, I've waited about nine years to taste that again and to beat Manchester City who are one of the best teams in the world was

And a lot of my good friends support City so it made it just that little bit sweeter.

You have to be crazy to wake up at 3am, 4am to watch a game of soccer so that isn't obviously everyone's cup of tea but the English Premier League is massive at the moment.

Fantastic to see my boys in blue go out there and win the UCL against such a strong team and that is a moment that couldn't be beaten



Euan Austin bowls for CQ.



Fraser Judd clips the ball behind him.

## Junior cricketers sparkle

**By Liam Emerton** 

The Northern Zone Championships in Home Hill last week were a great success for Central Queensland

CQ had a number of squads make the grand final play off as well as making top four finishes almost across the board.

Queensland Cricket was kind enough to send CQ Today some terrific action shots from that weekend so we hope you enjoy the double-page spread.

Thanks again to Queensland Cricket for their support of CQ Today.



Fraser Judd takes a catch.



John Mulville produces a spectacular diving throw in an attempted run out.



Henry Lau rips into his action.



Tom Wass smashes one away.



Jack Hudson was named player of the carnival.



Henry Villiers delivers.



John Mulville embraced by Henry Villiers.



The CQ under 13s coming together for a team picture.



Sidney McCullagh bowls for CQ.



Jonty Harch working hard behind the stumps.



Jonty Harch with a big swing.

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## FISHING with Hooked Fishing Charters



The lads from Gracemere RSL enjoyed their trip on the water.

## Christmas fish wrapped up

Hooked Fishing Charters were out for the last time before Christmas this week and certainly didn't leave without the perfect gift.

Even the young were pulling in some nice fish with Jye, Peter and Tim enjoying their time on board with Hooked.

Gladstone and CQ Today would like to thank Hooked Fishing Charters for their support after delivering another great year of pictures for our audience to enjoy.



A trevally for Peter during his time out on the water with Hooked



A lovely catch on board with Hooked.



Jye Kidd had a great day out with Hooked Fishing Charters.

## Fishing

# Reefs and rivers on fire

First of all, merry Christmas to all. Let's hope we all catch a few fish and crabs over the festive season.

### **BUNDABERG INSHORE**

The inshore reefs have been firing lately with snapper, grassy sweet lip, mackerel and schools of tuna.

The Cochrane Artificial Reef and the 4 mile off the Elliot River have been the go-to spots with a range of mentioned fish.

Soft plastics have been working well on the snapper, with strip baits also working well for the sweet lip.

The mackerel have been caught on a floating pilchard behind the boat.

### **BURNETT RIVER**

With the fresh water starting to slow down, we have started to see a few more fish caught up river.

Strathdees Rocks and sand bars have been producing a few nice whiting, bream and grunter.

Most of the fish have been caught on the

run-in tide when the cleaner water starts moving up the river.

Drifting has been the most used method in

the river, covering ground.

There have been a lot of crabs caught in the past two weeks due to the bit of fresh water.

## KOLAN AND BAFFLE CREEK

Both river systems have been crabbing really well with some anglers only soaking there pots for a few hours and catching a few nice crabs.

The whiting and flathead have been on the move with the fresh water pushing them towards the mouth.

There has been a few good mangrove jack caught in the dirty water using a paddle tail in a pearl white colour on the retrieve.

If there is a bit of run where you fish, the key is to burn the plastic back and if there isn't much run, slow down.

## LAKE MONDURAN

With many anglers getting to the dam at this time of the year, there have been some cracking fish caught around and over the magic metre mark.

Most of the fish have been caught trolling the Main Basin and Bird Bay in the deeper water.

With the water level rising over the past few weeks, it has made it a bit harder.

The go-to lures are the Molix 140 Shad and



Owen Taylor, 10, with a nice trevally he caught at Baffle Creek

the new Zerek Flat Shad X.

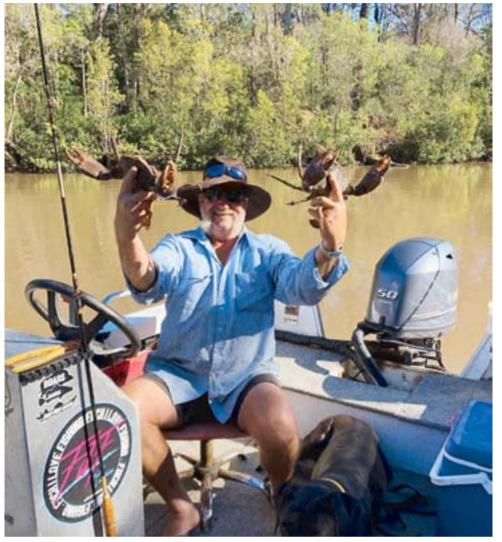
The main colour used is black and gold but they have been catching them on whites and a natural colour, too.

The weed beds in Bird Bay have been producing well due to the water now rising.

The weed beds are about 1 metre under the water.

When fishing the weed beds, the method to catch the barramundi is to wind your soft plastic over the top of the weed bed.

The barramundi are sitting in the weed waiting for an easy feed.



Doug Ewald with some muddies he caught in the Kolan River.



Shane James with a 99cm barra he caught at Lake Monduran.



# Gladstone Today On the second second



CQ stars are shining bright PAGE 44





Our CQ swimmers Sally Vagg, Tegan Sprought, Taryn Roberts and Emma Doherty after winning the girls 15 and over 200m medley relay.



Gladstone South's Kayden Gibson and coach Adam Eiseman at the Queensland State Championships.

## CQ medal haul in Brisbane

**By Liam Emerton** 

Central Queensland is swimming in medals after one of the strongest State Championships on record.

Our local swimmers managed to capture 34 medals, 12 gold, 11 silver and 11 bronze, in a week-long haul by the best in CQ.

Rocky City's Taryn Roberts topped the Central Queensland charts with six gold, one silver and one bronze, while Gladstone Souths' Kayden Gibson was the best male performer securing three gold, two silver and a bronze.

Rocky City's success hardly stopped with Roberts, as Sally Vagg (two) and Amelie Smith (one) were able to pick up the other three golds secured by CQ.

Lachlan Kuss (Rocky City), Kane Martin (Gladstone), Spencer Brown (Caribeae), Elizabeth Moor (Rocky City), Jack Lynch (Rocky

City) Shianne Plunkett (Gladstone) and Tyler Seagrott (Caribeae) all found their way onto the podium during the Queensland Champioships.

While medals are always great there were plenty of positives for the kids who didn't make the top three in a race with a number of athletes finishing top 10 in their respective age groups.

"It was great to see that we had a great range of age groups that were successful," said CQ Swimming Association president Neal Thomsen.

"Our medalist ranged from 12 years old to opens and it was just a brilliant response from the CQ swimmers.

"We had the kids who have been at that high level for quite a while and we had some new ones come through which is really good "We had a really good spread between Rocky and Gladstone. We had a few top tens from out west as well which is great.

"Even the kids who didn't top ten there were some really huge PBs and everything came together.

"We took away 12 gold medals which is phenomenal for a region like ours where some of these meets in the past have been dominated by Brisbane Clubs."

Thomsen said the mentality of swimming in a massive competition can get the better of some athletes but our CQ swimmers took the challenge head on.

"Kayden Gibson, for example, the final session goes for three or four hours and he swam in four finals in one night," he said.

"On that night he took out two gold and one silver, so to perform at that level across that

many events in a single day and still pick up three medals shows great strength, endurance and mindset.

"Rocky City won so many medals across their more experienced swimmers, we're used to seeing Taryn Roberts and Sally Vagg and Lachlan Kuss perform at that type of level.

"To see them continue and better themselves, achieve PBs and win medals it's always good to see.

"And the coaches with the smaller clubs, who didn't take quite as many swimmers away, they've done the same thing, they've helped drive their swimmers to some really great results

"It's a huge event and it can be pretty daunting for a twelve year old kid to be stepping up in the middle of the Brisbane Aquatic Centre in front of all the people and still punch out a top ten swim or medalist swim is amazing."



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