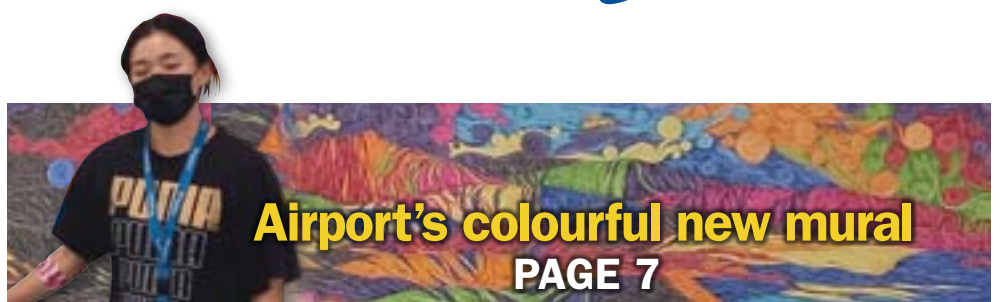


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Turtle power

Quoin Island Turtle Rehabilitation Centre is searching for passionate volunteers to join its crew after celebrating its 10th anniversary last month.

Owner and local businessman Bob McCosker opened the centre in 2012 in response to major flooding events that led to the disappearance of sea turtles' main food source, sea grass.

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GP numbers spiral, reach tipping point

The Biloela community is crying out for better health services as the number of GPs hits crisis levels.

A mother-of-three sent in a submission about the need for better help to a Senate inquiry in Central Queensland recently, and the LNP Opposition held a town hall on Tuesday to hear people's stories.

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Foot on the gas

By Eilish Massie

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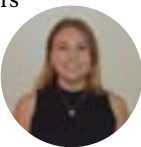
It was lovely to see LifeStyle Church Gladstone donate much needed supplies to the Lismore community. Seeing what the town went through, I can't even imagine how the community would feel losing everything they once owned.

Lifestyle Church Gladstone lead pastors Dan Gunter and Leon Druce along with senior pastor Aaron Bachmann travelled to Lismore on 11 March. The trio donated thousands of dollars worth of supplies including portable gas cookers, gas bottles, hundreds of bottled water, food, clothing and suitcases filled with household items. Pastor Gunter said the damage left behind was catastrophic, and was devastating to witness.

"It felt like you were in another world, it was an eerie feeling," Mr Gunter said.

The LifeStyle Church's donation was a reminder that there is still good out there, despite what else is happening in the world.

- Eilish Massie



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A selfless mission

By Eilish Massie

Two weeks on since floodwaters ravaged the northern New South Wales town of Lismore, Gladstone volunteers said the damage in some areas was 'catastrophic'.

Lifestyle Church Gladstone lead pastors Dan Gunter and Leon Druce along with senior pastor Aaron Bachmann travelled to Lismore on 11 March to help the flood-affected community, bringing a truck worth of supplies with them.

Armed with portable gas cookers, gas bottles, hundreds of bottled water, food, clothing and suitcases filled with household items, the team said every item was vital after the flood destroyed everything in its path.

Pastor Gunter said the damage left behind was catastrophic, and was devastating to witness.

"It felt like you were in another world, it was an eerie feeling," Mr Gunter said.

"Powerlines down, streets damaged, houses floated away, cement trucks in trees, soccer posts in car parks a block away, trees on shed roofs - and then to see almost every business in a town was impacted.

"This is a town with more than 35,000 people and to see thousands of families with every belonging they owned, now piled as rubbish that lined street after street, was so sad.

"It was hard to watch as people right now are just trying to survive one day at a time."

Mr Gunter said the Lismore community were grateful for the donation.

"We felt like it was not much in the big picture, but it was received with so much gratitude and thanks," he said.

"People were so encouraged to think that a Van from CQ drove all that way to assist them - they could not thank us and the people of CQ enough."

Mr Gunter said people could help the Lismore community by giving financial support or volunteering.

"We have a partnership with the Convoy of Hope - who are on the ground doing their part," he said.

"Money given to this organisation goes to resources in those areas, we have seen with our eyes, the help they are bringing. It is an organisation we trust and support.

"We also saw Lifeline had a strong presence and had many people in the crisis centre volunteering - we're sure they would love to have some fresh energy assisting, as this help will be needed for many weeks to come."

Lifestyle Church wanted to thank the community, Gladstone Mechanical and Slowlane Cafe for their support.

"We would like to say a big thank you to all those who chose to do something," Mr Gunter said.

"If we all do one small thing, together we see many do great things."



Familiar face appointed GM for GEA

By Eilish Massie

Former Gladstone Regional Councillor Peter Masters is the new general manager at Gladstone Engineering Alliance (GEA).

Mr Masters starts his role as general manager on Monday 28 March 2022.

He brings with him over seven-years experience as a general manager, and 30-years experience working with boards, committees and members. He also served as a four-year term as a councillor with Gladstone Regional Council and has extensive experience working in collaboration with industry, business and the community and advocating with all tiers of government.

GEA board president Patrice Brown said the quality of candidates who applied for the role of general manager was of the highest calibre and the board would like to thank all the candidates for the time and effort they put into their applications.

"GEA is extremely fortunate to have a high performing team of employees who work to optimise outcomes for the benefits of the SMEs who make up our membership base," Ms Brown said.

"Under Mr Masters leadership we are confident the team will enhance the delivery of services to GEA members and strengthen the connections with established industry, new project proponents and other businesses working in the engineering, manufacturing, energy, construction and industry supply chain sectors."

GEA general manager Peter Masters said it was an exciting time to be joining the team at Gladstone Engineering Alliance and was looking forward to working with the staff and board to advocate for its members and help drive future growth and prosperity in the industrial sector.

"Having grown up in Central Queensland, I am extremely proud of the region, what it has achieved to date and the potential it holds for the future," Mr Masters said.

"GEA has a strong history of working towards establishing a world-class industry supply in Central Queensland and I am looking forward to ensuring that GEA continues to meet its objectives and providing its members with unparalleled opportunities to grow their capabilities and capacity."



Peter Masters is the new general manager at Gladstone Engineering Alliance.

Botched bins a live threat

By **Brittney Manning**

Facing Island residents have been left feeling frustrated following the ongoing delivery of damaged tip bins, despite multiple complaints to council.

Island resident Noel Kearney has lived permanently at Facing for 16 years and visited for more than 25 years.

He has contacted the Gladstone Regional Council to complain about the delivery of bins with damaged or missing lids on at least three occasions.

“This year, already in three months, we’ve had three bins that were totally unsatisfactory,” he said.

All waste at the island is disposed of at its transfer station at Farmers Point, and bins are replaced weekly.

Mr Kearney said the issue has been ongoing for years and has gradually worsened in the past few months.

The council sent a waste management representative to the island to inspect his complaint at the transfer station.

“I thought we’d resolve the situation, that the bins would not come over like that anymore.

“The very next Monday, a bin turned up with no lid at all and subsequent phone calls weren’t returned.”

Major concerns are held for local wildlife and the environment with the island’s Eastern beach being a popular nesting spot for turtles.

“The transfer station is only 200 metres from the beach,” he said.

“We do our best to keep the front beach clean. A few of us are constantly cleaning up the front beach to keep the turtles reasonably safe.”

Mr Kearney said he has witnessed crows and wildlife entering the lidless bins to pick out rubbish, which is then spread into the surrounding bush and beaches.

The full bins are transferred to and from Facing and Curtis islands by the local ferry service each Monday.

Without lids, the wind easily blows paper, plastic and other waste from the bins into the ocean.

“We just don’t need this added grief. It’s totally unnecessary,” he said.

Mr Kearney made his most recent complaint to the council last week and was advised that the issue was being worked on.

Gladstone Regional Council were contacted for comment but did not respond prior to deadline.



Facing Island’s Eastern beaches are a popular turtle nesting spot.

Picture: BRITTNEY MANNING



Mr Kearney reported receiving bins with broken or missing lids on multiple occasions.



Pictures: NOEL KEARNEY



Dr Ewen McPhee on the far left, and Dr Ellen Burkett, Dushy Thangiah, with Minister for Health and Ambulance Services the Hon Yvette D’Ath MP, AMA Queensland Chair Dr Eleanor Chew and President Professor Chris Perry at an AMAQ event.



Dr Ewen McPhee.

Calls for intervention as GP numbers spiral into crisis

By **Emma McBryde**

A Biloela mother-of-three has joined the chorus of people in the community crying out for better health services.

In a submission to the Senate Inquiry into the Provision of General Practitioner and Related Primary Health Services, which travelled to Emerald last week to personally hear from impacted Central Queenslanders, she stated that she had been forced to take two days off work several times for the 220km round trip to Gladstone or 300km round trip to Rockhampton to see specialists for the treatment of her children.

“By the time you add the cost of fuel and the \$180 plus for the appointment... it can be challenging,” she stated anonymously.

“If telehealth was more readily available, it would make it a lot easier.”

LNP Opposition Leader David Crisafulli and LNP health spokeswoman Ros Bates yesterday held a ‘health crisis town hall’ in Biloela.

“We’ve heard stories including Biloela lacking medical equipment like a CT scanner,” Ms Bates said.

“Queensland Hospitals were under severe strain before Covid-19 and Biloela Hospital was no different.”

Emerald GP Dr Ewen McPhee told the Senate inquiry that it was “virtually impossible to gain Australian-trained doctors”.

He said after three years of advertising, they had received no Australian-trained doctors.

“Our over reliance on international medical graduates over the last 20 years has fundamentally failed this country,” he said.

“The only way you can fund a general practice properly these days is by churning numbers and having more doctors. We need to challenge that. We need to re-vision what regional, rural and remote general practice and hospital medicine looks like to capture the imagination of our young doctors and our medical students.”

One issue raised during the inquiry was that many Australian-trained doctors paid more in hospitals at the beginning of their careers were unlikely to take a decrease to their pay to become a GP, especially in a rural or regional area.

CQ Rural Health said the number of GPs and primary health services to rural, and regional Australians, was at a crisis level.

In a submission, the group said services were largely unsupported, and the development of health services is planned in silos at

both State and Federal levels with no local input and no integration of services in communities.

“In rural and remote communities, the GP is the home of health care and links the patients to all the health services and provides many of these services within the general practice,” CQ Rural Health stated.

The group said the State and Federal governments need to work together to solve the problem by improving planning.

The inquiry covers the current state of outer metropolitan, rural, and regional GPs and related services; the impact on GPs; various policies; GP training reforms; the Medicare rebate freeze; and, the impact of the Covid-19 pandemic on doctor shortages in outer metropolitan, rural, and regional Australia.

The report is due at the end of June.

Major projects gassed up

By Eilish Massie

The Federal Government is accelerating priority gas infrastructure projects with a funding boost, including new gas pipelines in Gladstone.

More than \$50million has been promised to boost seven gas infrastructure projects which the Scott Morrison government claims would 'protect Australia from potential energy shortages.'

Among the seven projects includes a feasibility study for carbon dioxide carrying pipelines which would run south from Gladstone to the Surat and Cooper basins.

Minister for Industry, Energy and Emissions Reduction Angus Taylor joined Federal Member for Flynn Ken O'Dowd and LNP candidate for Flynn Colin Boyce at an announcement at East Shores on Tuesday.

Mr Taylor said the government was working with industry to accelerate priority projects to ensure Australia does not experience the devastating impacts of a gas supply shortfall, as seen recently in Europe. He said Russian gas accounted for around 32 per cent of total European and UK gas consumption, but Russia's invasion of Ukraine created an unacceptable risk to global gas security.

The International Energy Agency (IEA) has noted that the significant price increases in Europe have been driven in part by a lack of investment in supply and infrastructure.

"The ACCC and AEMO have made multiple warnings of the forecast gas supply shortfall in the east coast market as early as this decade. This, along with the energy crisis in Europe, should act as a warning of what could happen in Australia if there is not enough investment in the gas sector at home," Mr Taylor said.

"Gas prices in the United Kingdom and Europe have increased by more than 300 per cent over the past 12 months. Our prices have remained around 75 to 80 per cent below these international highs. We must continue to invest in gas to keep our price internationally competitive to support local business."

However energy market analyst and coal expert at Climate Energy Finance Tim Buckley refuted the Coalition's claims, and said they were 'war profiteering' of Russia's invasion of the Ukraine.

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"Any new Greenfields capacity will likely



Minister for Industry, Energy and Emissions Reduction Angus Taylor said at the announcement, held at Gladstone's East Shores precinct on Tuesday morning, the government was working with industry to accelerate priority projects to ensure Australia does not experience the devastating impacts of a gas supply shortfall, as seen recently in Europe.

take five to seven years to come to fruition, and so using Putin's gouging of EU gas customers as an excuse is a convenient non-truth.

"There is a federal election in May 2022 - even if Morrison has failed to call it because of the legal challenge of many of his proposed Liberal Candidates, but putting that aside, this is nothing but sledging and politics.

"Developing even more fossil fuel projects for export has nothing to do with Australia's energy security, nor will it allow sustainable

economic growth - given there will be no economy on a dead planet."

Mr Taylor said the federal government's investment would 'help keep the lights on and homes heated' in southern Australia, and support industries and businesses to keep operating.

"Our National Gas Infrastructure Plan, released last November, highlighted the critical need for more gas storage to provide greater supply flexibility during winter peaks, along

with the need to get more northern gas to the south,"

That's why we are investing in seven priority projects as part of our gas-fired recovery, to make sure Australia has adequate supply and storage to avoid expected shortfalls in production in southern Australia that could emerge by 2024. The government will now engage with the project proponents to finalise grant agreements.

Fitzroy to Gladstone Pipeline contractors shortlisted

Two contractors have been shortlisted for the construction of the Fitzroy to Gladstone Pipeline.

Gladstone Area Water Board (GAWB) has announced McConnell Dowell and CPB Contractors have successfully been shortlisted following a competitive procurement process.

The Fitzroy to Gladstone Pipeline is a proposed option to address the single-source water supply risk from Awoonga Dam, enabling long-term water security for urban and industrial customers of GAWB and providing water to Gladstone's emerging hydrogen industry.

GAWB Chief Executive Officer Darren Barlow said there had been strong market interest in the project.

"We weren't surprised to see the volume of responses from the construction industry, as the Fitzroy to Gladstone Pipeline is a pivotal water project for the region and one which many people want to be a part of," Mr Barlow said.

"The range of submissions allowed us to undertake a very competitive procurement process, meaning we're confident we have selected the two parties who are best positioned to move forward to the Early Contractor Involvement process, which will allow us to select the preferred construction contractor.



Gladstone Area Water Board (GAWB) has announced two shortlisted parties who will participate in an Early Contractor Involvement process to identify a preferred contractor to construct the Fitzroy to Gladstone Pipeline.

"Our project team looks forward to working with McConnell Dowell and CPB Contractors over the coming months as we move

towards a construction decision from the Queensland Government."

Mr Barlow said a core focus for GAWB as

part of the Fitzroy to Gladstone Pipeline project is ensuring local suppliers and services are provided with opportunities.

"We're committed to providing project opportunities to local suppliers and obtaining local services where practicable," he said.

"A core component of our procurement process is local content, which we hope will deliver tangible benefits to the Gladstone region such as jobs, supply contracts and local capability raising.

"We'll be working closely with McConnell Dowell and CPB Contractors over the coming months to ensure local content strategies are implemented, and I also strongly encourage local suppliers interested in the project to contact these two shortlisted contractors now to explore what the potential opportunities will be during the construction phase."

The Department of Regional Development, Manufacturing and Water appointed GAWB as the Delivery Management Proponent for pre-construction activities for the Fitzroy to Gladstone Pipeline project in August 2021. The project is currently progressing through a pre-construction phase.

Following completion of this work, a decision is expected to be made by Queensland Government by the middle of 2022 on whether to proceed to construction of the pipeline.

Rio Tinto ends deal

By Eilish Massie

Rio Tinto has terminated all commercial relationships with Russian company Rusal following the invasion of Ukraine.

In an announcement on Sunday, Prime Minister Scott Morrison said the government has banned the export of aluminium to Russia as part of intensifying sanctions.

Mr Morrison said the ban would prevent Australian commodities from being used to make weapons.

He also said Australia would donate coal and further military equipment to Ukraine to “support the brave and courageous resistance” as part of a new aid package that also includes \$30m in emergency humanitarian assistance.

“The government has imposed an immediate ban on Australian exports of alumina and aluminium ores, including bauxite, to Russia, which will limit its capacity to produce aluminium, which is a critical export for Russia,” Mr Morrison said.

Mr Morrison said aluminium was a “critical input into weaponry, including guns, ammunition and missiles”.

“Our decision here should say very clearly that to all countries, all companies operating in Australia, we are watching these things very, very carefully.

“And it’s vital that we ensure that we diversify away from and not be providing any support to Russia, particularly at a time when they’re invading their neighbours.

“This significant step demonstrates our absolute commitment to holding the Putin regime to account.”



Queensland Limited Alumina.

Picture: BRITTNEY MANNING

Gladstone’s Queensland Alumina Limited is part owned by Russian company Rusal, a joint venture split 80-20 between Rio Tinto and Rusal.

Rusal and its parent company En+ were released from US sanctions after Russian oligarch Oleg Deripaska surrendered his majority interest and control over the two companies. As part of that agreement, Mr Deripaska was not able to receive any financial benefits from his minority stakes.

A Rio Tinto spokesman said the company noted the government’s announcement on 21 March, 2022, regarding export sanctions.

“As announced on 10 March 2022, Rio Tinto

is in the process of terminating all commercial relationships it has with any Russian business,” he said.

“Our priority remains the wellbeing of our people, our communities and the continued safe operation of our businesses, in full compliance with all governmental directions, including the Queensland Alumina Limited joint venture.”

It is understood it is now up to Rusal to decide what to do with its 20 per cent share of QAL’s annual alumina production, and whether it will look to sell the roughly one million tonnes a year, normally sold to Russia, to alternative markets.

Gladstone Central crash

An elderly man was taken to hospital following a single-vehicle crash in Gladstone Central on Wednesday night.

Paramedics were called to Goondoon Street and Herbert Street at 7.21pm.

The man was taken to Gladstone Hospital in a stable condition with neck pain.

Callopie fatal crash

A 65-year-old Mount Larcom man died after a two vehicle crash at Mount Alma last Thursday.

Preliminary investigations indicate about 4.15pm a utility was travelling east on the Dawson Highway when it has collided with a 4WD headed in the opposite direction.

The driver and sole occupant of the utility, a 65-year-old Mount Larcom man, died at the scene.

The driver and sole occupant of the 4WD was transported to Gladstone Hospital with minor injuries.

Forensic Crash Unit officers are investigating.

Moura thefts

Biloela detectives have charged two people after an alleged assault during a break-in of a Moura home on March 17.

Police will allege that at around 9.30pm on Thursday, March 17 two men, one armed with a knife and the other armed with a metal bar, forced their way into a Nott Street home.

They confronted a 25-year-old man, assaulting and threatening him, before stealing cash whilst conducting a search of the house and damaging property. The pair later fled on foot.

The 25-year-old sustained facial bruising and superficial cuts from the assault and was transported to Moura Hospital for treatment.

Detectives arrested a 26-year-old Woorabinda man on Saturday, charging him with one count each of armed robbery in company using personal violence, enter with intent at night and in company, assault occasioning bodily harm whilst armed and in company, wilful damage and obstruct police. He was denied police bail and was due to appear in the Rockhampton Magistrates Court on Saturday, March 19.

Detectives later charged a 28-year-old North Toowoomba man on Sunday with one count each of enter dwelling with intent, armed robbery, assault occasioning bodily harm, and wilful damage.

He was due to appear in Toowoomba Magistrates Court on Monday.

Investigations are on-going.



Peter Blundell passed away on Christmas Eve last year after a short battle with cancer.

Wife’s touching tribute to beloved husband

By Eilish Massie

More than 1000 people attended former Southern Downs mayor Peter Blundell’s funeral after he lost his battle with cancer last Christmas Eve.

Now, his wife Charlie is urging not just 1000, but hundreds of thousands of people to get their skin checked regularly.

“Pete was a farmer all his life and had had previous melanomas and skin cancers but by the time he was diagnosed (in October) it was too late... it had spread to his head and neck,” she said.

“It was a purely preventable cancer so if there was anything I wanted to share is to go get your skin checked.”

After marrying in September, Charlie said her and Peter only spent 105 days together as husband and wife before he passed away at the age of 59.

“Life is pretty rough at the moment but I’m lucky I am involved with community groups, it is what makes me get out of bed in the morning,” she said.

“We thought we would have many years together but we didn’t.

“He loved people, and was the most gentle kind giant and never had the ability to see the bad in anybody, saw the good in everyone.

“I suppose it’s just a reminder to people to live and enjoy life while you can.”

Charlie will be thinking of Peter this July when she participates in Cancer Council’s



Charlie Blundell will be participating in this year’s Relay for Life in honour of her late husband, Peter Blundell.

Relay for Life event, seven months on after Peter passing.

She has been chosen as this year’s female face for the event, which aims to attract hundreds of participants.

“Cancer Council was extremely helpful when we were in Brisbane for Peter’s cancer treatment,” she said.

“They sorted out our accommodation, and travel to and from the airport and hospital.

“This service is so vital for families.”

Charlie said all the funds raised from Relay for Life would go towards supporting cancer patients and their families.

Relay for Life patron Liz Cunningham said this year’s theme was ‘the power of purple’.

“This year’s Relay for Life will be jam packed with creativity, good fun, team building, great exercise as well as an opportunity to remember those we love who have battled cancer,” Ms Cunningham said.

Ms Cunningham said the funds raised through the event would also go towards important research.

“It’s so important that we remember that many illnesses have been successfully treated through consistent research.

“Cancer, as a disease, has many forms. I believe each and everyone of us has been affected by it.

“From skin lesions to invasive cancers, research is the key to finding cures, unfortunately that research comes at a price.

“We hope many will see the value in an event to support the Central Queensland Cancer Council.”

This year’s Relay for Life will be held at Chanel College on Saturday 30 July.

For more information and to register for this year’s Relay for Life event, go to relayforlife.org.au/event/gladstone-2022



Gladstone*Today* COMMUNITY EVENTS BILLBOARD

MARCH

Thursday 24 March

Garden Tours

Join us for a gentle stroll and be guided through the gardens by our own Friends of the Gardens Visit Services Volunteers. A wealth of knowledge about the Gardens is shared with the 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: Meet at the Courtyard, Tondoon Gardens

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

Saturday 26 March

Music Trivia Night

Enjoy a night of music trivia. Raffle tickets are available for purchase, adult tickets are \$10, and kids tickets are \$5.

Time: 6.30pm for 7pm start

Location: Gladstone Bowls Club

For more information or to book email gismamusicworkshop@gmail.com

Moonlight Movies

Celebrate Parks Week with this free pop-up movie under the stars - fun for the whole family! The War with Grandpa (Rated PG). Pack a picnic and chairs, popcorn and fairy floss available for purchase.

Time: 7pm

Location: Bunting Park, Archer Street, Calliope

For more information email info@gladstone.qld.gov.au

Sunday 27 March

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.

Neighbour Day 2022

An annual event that encourages community connectedness and provides support for the most vulnerable in our community. This year we want you to host a picnic and connect with your neighbours in the Gladstone Regions Biggest Picnic.

Submit your picnic photo or video for your chance to win one of the 10 platters to share and continue connections with your neighbours.

Time: 8am to 10.30pm

Location: Gladstone region

To register visit <https://conversations.gladstone.qld.gov.au/2022-neighbour-day>

Conversations with Council

Community members are invited to connect, discuss and engage with Councillors and officers. Community is at the core of our business and by coming along, having a chat and sharing your thoughts and feelings.

Time: 11am to 1pm

Location: Nagoorin Hall, Queensland.

For more information email info@gladstone.qld.gov.au

Tuesday 29 March

Mindcare: Checkmates

If you are looking to enjoy a free group activity, have some fun and meet some new friends, this is the place for you! Everyone is welcome, however, bookings are required.

Time: 10am to 11am

Location: Gladstone Mindcare, 147 Goondoon Street, Gladstone



For more information email info@gladstonemindcare.org.au

Wednesday 30 March

Events Volunteer Information Session Happy Hour

Our Volllie Squad help deliver major events throughout the year, including Ecofest, Luminous, PopCon, Christmas Street Party, NYE, Australia Day and so many more. Become a Volllie to get involved, make new friends and gain skills to enhance your resume - all while having fun and giving back to your community. Join us to be the first to hear about our newly created Volllie Squad Program - where we get to show you just how much we appreciate you being in our team. Happy hour food will be provided and a free drink on arrival. The bar will be open the duration of the event to purchase drinks.

Time: 5.30pm to 7pm

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

For more information contact or to register by Monday 28 March at communityevents@gladstone.qld.gov.au

APRIL

Friday 1 April

Youth Week

Queensland Youth Week is an annual celebration of young people from 12 to 25 years of age. Youth Week provides an opportunity for our community to celebrate young people and provides opportunities to share ideas, attend events, workshops, activities and more.

Time: 8am to 5pm

Location: Gladstone Region

For more information call 07 4976 6300.

Mayor's Youth Breakfast

Community members were asked to identify and recognise

the region's younger residents, aged between 12 to 25 years, for their achievements and contributions to the community. The nominees will receive an invitation to the Mayor's Youth Breakfast as part of the Youth Week Celebrations.

Time: 8am to 11am

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

For more information call 07 4976 6300.

Base Camp: Youth Summit Planning Workshop

Base Camp is a Youth Summit Planning Workshop that is designed for young people aged 15 to 25 to encourage them to be fearless and bold, stand up, discover their voice and follow their passion.

Time: 11am to 4pm

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

For more information call Community Engagement Centre on 07 4976 6300.

Saturday 2 April

Beach Arts Music (BAM) Markets

Live entertainment, great food and a wide variety of market stalls. Bring a blanket and some chairs and make an afternoon of it.

Time: 2pm to 7pm

Location: Millennium Esplanade, Tannum Sands.

For more information, visit <https://btabc.com.au/bam/>

Tuesday 5 April

General Meeting of Council

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

Time: 9am to 11am

Location: Virtual

For more information contact Council on 07 4970 0700.

Friday 8 April

Creatures of the Night

Come join us for a walk in the Gardens to see what wildlife we can find in the dark.

Time: 5.30pm to 7.30pm

Location: Tondoon Botanic Gardens, 672 Glenlyon Road, Gladstone

For more information and to make a booking visit tondoon@gladstone.qld.gov.au

Boyne Valley Country Music Campout

This not for profit family event is sponsored by Bendigo Bank Calliope & Districts, supported by Boyne Valley Community Discovery Centre, Audio & Lighting Services QLD and Boyne Valley Lions Club. The aim of the weekend is to get our country music (listening and performing) friends together to simply enjoy our music and each other's company in an informal atmosphere. Campout officially commences at 6pm on Friday, with a campfire concert featuring Central Queensland and visiting artists.

Time: 6pm to 11pm

Location: Boyne Valley Community Discovery Centre Inc, 15 McDonald Street, Ubobo

For more information visit <https://boynevalley.org.au/>

Saturday 9 April

Boyne Valley Country Music Campout

Saturday 9am to 12pm is open mic on the stage - all are welcome to participate. Concerts featuring Central Queensland and visiting artists commence at 1.30pm and conclude at approximately 11pm.

Time: 9am

Location: Boyne Valley Community Discovery Centre Inc, 15 McDonald Street, Ubobo

For more information visit <https://boynevalley.org.au/>

Sunday 10 April

Boyne Valley Country Music Campout

Sunday morning brings the Lions Club Poets Breakfast Fundraiser. You can purchase breakfast, be hilariously entertained and bid in the auction, all for a good cause. Then another concert will bring the Campout to a close around midday.

Time: 9am

Location: Boyne Valley Community Discovery Centre Inc, 15 McDonald Street, Ubobo

For more information visit <https://boynevalley.org.au/>

Thursday 14 April

Conversations with Council

Community members are invited to connect, discuss and engage with Councillors and officers. Community is at the core of our business and by coming along, having a chat and sharing your thoughts and feelings.

Time: 5pm to 7pm

Location: Harbour Festival, Queensland.

For more information email info@gladstone.qld.gov.au

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Artist Ping worked on the project for nine months in view of travellers and locals.

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Ping used a ribbon-like style of painting developed during her university studies.

Art weaves local identity

By Brittney Manning

Tourists and locals watched a flying artwork take form at the Gladstone Airport as artist Ping painted a picture of the region's identity.

Calliope-based artist Ping picked up the brush on her project, Fly into Art, in June 2021.

She clocked up a total of 388 hours on site before she completing the piece in February this year.

"This piece is a landscape of Gladstone, all of the colourful ribbons wrap the landscape from Yarwun to Tannum Sands," Ping said.

"The colourful ribbons mean we all came

from different immigration backgrounds in different times. And that's what makes our country so energetic and strong."

An Aboriginal flag features in the piece's centre as a representation of the motherland and, inspired by the Olympics, was joined by the Australian flag in the corner.

Tucked into the piece's ribbon-like detail, a style Ping developed during her studies at university in Taiwan, are adopted landmarks of Gladstone, including industrial buildings and the natural harbour.

Ping said she was proud to represent her impression of the people of Gladstone and

their role in weaving the city's unique identity.

Tourists and locals passing through the airport had a chance to glimpse the work as it took form on the building's wall.

"Painting such a big piece [was] always [on] my to do list. I [was] never able to do it before because it doesn't fit in my house," Ping said.

"I love the interaction and the comment I got from the passengers.

"Making art is a very long and lonely process, it was lovely to have someone to talk to all the time and encourage me [to] keep going."

Fly into Art will be on display at the Glad-

stone Airport until the end of March.

It will then join an exhibition including sculptures and installation art, created in partnership between Ping and another artist.

"Watch the space!"

Ping said she was inspired by the region and community to complete the project, and thanked the Gladstone Airport corporation and the Regional Art Development Fund for its support.

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Rehabilitated turtles are released on Quoin Island shores.



Owner and founder Bob McCosker and Manager Kim Van Oudheusden.



Ten years for turtle centre

By Brittney Manning

Quoin Island Turtle Rehabilitation Centre is searching for passionate volunteers to join its crew after celebrating its 10th anniversary last month.

Owner and local businessman Bob McCosker opened the centre in 2012 in response to major flooding events that led to the disappearance of sea turtles' main food source, sea grass.

Manager Kim Van Oudheusden said the centre has since rehabilitated and released 236 sea turtles back into the wild.

"Our mission is to rescue and rehabilitate sick and injured sea turtles," she said.

"We like to get the community involved as well, because this is not our responsibility, it's everyone's responsibility."

What started as a seemingly simple initiative has grown to accommodate animals injured throughout the Central Queensland region.

Of the 236 turtles taken in by Quoin Island Turtle Rehab Centre, there were 213 Green turtles, 14 Hawksbill turtles, six Flat Back turtles and three Loggerhead turtles.

All species are either endangered or critically endangered.

After the recent flood events, especially in the South East, centres across the state have been inundated with unwell or starved turtles.

Ms Van Oudheusden said normally 50 per cent of their patients come from the Yeppoon area, and 50 percent from the Gladstone area.

In 2021, 70 per cent of their patients were from the Gladstone area, and only 30 per cent from the Yeppoon area.

"From the incoming Gladstone area ani-

mals in 2021, 40 per cent came from Lilley's Beach (Boyne Island).

"We've had animals for two and a half, three years even, that have stayed with us.

"So it's quite a commitment," she said.

The not-for-profit is powered by volunteers and caretakers, with the \$10,000 rehabilitation cost per turtle fully funded by Mr McCosker.

Community volunteers dedicate their time on Saturdays to assist with health checks, cleaning duties and food preparation for the turtles.

The centre has just opened applications for a live-in volunteer, whose responsibility will involve the daily upkeep of the turtles alongside a caretaker.

"All that is required is pretty much that they love animals, that they've got common sense and good work ethics."

The successful applicant must commit to a minimum of three months and will live in the island's retreat, which was renovated by Mr McCosker after he purchased it in 2009, but is currently not operating.

"There are a lot of [applicants] that just come out of uni that have their marine biology degree but don't have any experience yet.

"Volunteering is always highly regarded, if you have been giving and not expecting anything in return."

Quoin Island Turtle Rehabilitation Centre accepts donations through its Facebook page, or the community can forward their Containers for Change funds to the centre using the Scheme ID C10144592.

All donations will be used for food, medication and veterinary bills for the sea turtles.

If you find a sick or injured turtle, contact the centre on 0408 431 304.



The centres costs around \$300,000 annually to run.



Volunteers scrub the turtle tanks every weekend.



Quoin Island is located just off the Gladstone coastline.





The Miriam Vale Community Centre will receive a \$1.7m upgrade courtesy of the Black Summer Bushfire Recovery Grants Program.

Grants allow for enhanced disaster preparedness and response capabilities

Gladstone Regional Council's ability to strengthen the resilience and recovery of communities has received a boost courtesy of the Black Summer Bushfire Recovery Grants Program.

Council was successful in obtaining \$2.37 million in funding from the Federal Government initiative, with three projects set to be undertaken.

The Miriam Vale Community Centre will receive a \$1.7m upgrade in order to modernise the facility, which has been utilised as a place of refuge through multiple disasters including the 2018 Deepwater bushfires and 2019 Mount Maria bushfires.

The centre will have an air conditioning system installed, electrical upgrade, amenities upgrade with Disability Discrimination Act (DDA) compliance works and an additional fire protection system put in place to help future-proof the facility and provide a comfortable place for residents to seek shelter in the event of an emergency.

Gladstone Region Mayor Matt Burnett said the Miriam Vale Community Centre upgrade will provide residents an enhanced place of refuge if a natural disaster occurs.

"The Miriam Vale Community Centre was crucial during the devastating Deepwater bushfires, but upgrades are required and this project aims to deliver a fit-for-purpose centre that will provide temporary shelter and a safe place away from

the area of impact for people in need," Councillor Burnett said.

"Additionally this will allow more variety of use outside of disaster events, currently the community centre is underutilised during the warmer months due to the lack of air conditioning, so just that improvement alone will make a big difference for community groups who also use the centre."

The Gladstone Region's Local Disaster Coordination Centre (LDCC) will also receive a \$314,000 upgrade.

The LDCC will undergo technology and telecommunications upgrades in order to enhance Council's capability to coordinate operations in response to emergencies.

The final piece of funding (\$354,000) will subsidise the employment of a First Nations Fire Officer and implementation of a cultural burn and land management program up until March 2024.

"The First Nations Fire Officer will apply cultural knowledge and natural resource management practices to manage bushfire risk on Council-controlled land throughout the region," Cr Burnett said.

"The Officer will engage with Traditional Owners to deliver culturally-appropriate land management and burning practices to ensure improved environment and cultural outcomes."

Council committed to mozzie control

Summer is officially over, but the hot weather and rain around the Gladstone Region continues to provide the perfect breeding ground for mosquitoes.

Gladstone Regional Council remains committed to following through with its Mosquito Management Plan.

Council's Vector team has been putting ProLink treatment traps around water ponding areas to reduce breeding activity.

Fifty traps have been placed at Clinton, Barney Point, Benaraby, Boyne Island, New Auckland and Callemondah.

The traps, which are located on the water's edge, contain a treatment called ProLink briquet.

This slow release hormone regulator inhibits the mosquitoes' growth cycle and prevents young insects from maturing into adults.

The traps are inspected and the ProLink briquet is checked every four weeks.

Each one can last in the right condition for up to three months.

The stick like trap features an information tag with a clearly identified Council logo, as well as a phone number to call.

Residents are asked not to touch or move the traps to any other location.

Council will continue to use them while they're succeeding in reducing mosquito numbers.



Council has set up 50 mosquito treatment traps around the region.

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Watt’s deal on flood funds?

By Matthew Pearce

ALP Senator Murray Watt says the Federal Government’s failed regions like Central Queensland with its \$4 billion dollar Emergency Response Fund.

Established in 2019, the ERF allows the government to draw up to \$200 million in any given year, beyond what is already available to fund emergency response and natural disaster recovery and preparedness. “We’re now in our third disaster season since the Emergency Response Fund was created - not a cent has been spent on disaster recovery and not a single disaster readiness project has been built,” Senator Watt, who is Shadow Minister for Disaster and Emergency Management, said.

“This could have been used to build flood levees, evacuation centres, culverts and drainage systems. Instead, it’s earned the Morrison-Joyce government over \$800 million in interest.”

LNP Candidate for Flynn Colin Boyce said the scale and magnitude of recent flooding events was exactly what the Emergency Re-

sponse Fund was created for.

“The catastrophic January, February and March flooding events have impacted at least 81 Local Government Areas, from the North Burnett Regional Council right through to northern New South Wales,” he said.

“The Morrison Federal Government are supporting both Queensland and New South Wales with \$75 million of funding to support community recovery and to reduce the impacts of future floods.”

Senator Watt said an Albanese Labor Government would revamp the “failed ERF” and create a new Disaster Ready Fund.

“Up to \$200 million per year will be invested on disaster readiness to protect lives and livelihoods. Labor’s fund will invest in flood levees, evacuation centres, culverts and drainage systems to keep Australians safe.”

He said the ALP would continue to fully fund disaster recovery through the usual budget arrangements, but their Disaster Ready Fund would provide a permanent, dedicate fund for disaster readiness.



US Navy personnel assist with the clean up following devastating floods in south-east Queensland. Picture: AAP IMAGE/JONO SEARLE

Water concerns as region’s three-year drought drags on

With the Gladstone region declared in drought for three years and Awoonga Dam currently at 55 per cent capacity, a recent Infrastructure Australia report has revealed water security is one of Central and Western Queensland’s greatest concerns.

The Regional Strengths and Infrastructure Gaps report stated that the proposed Fitzroy to Gladstone Pipeline seeks to address the single source water supply risk from Awoonga Dam.

Gladstone Area Water Board chief executive officer Darren Barlow said despite recent rainfall across the region, Awoonga Dam’s “low supply alert” remained in place.

“The Gladstone Region was drought declared by the Queensland Government in May 2019,” he said.

“This declaration has not yet been lifted. “While a low supply alert is not a supply

restriction, it is an opportunity to act early, adopt voluntary reduction strategies and raise awareness of water security in the Gladstone region.”

Mr Barlow said GAWB was well-prepared to manage all scenarios, including water security, drought conditions, low supply, and supply restrictions.

“We all have a role to play in conserving water,” he said.

The report stated that groundwater in and around Emerald had high salinity levels and was not suitable quality for a town water supply or most agricultural purposes without significant treatment.

It found that ongoing droughts had impacted farmers across the region, with farmers based outside of Emerald feeling the effects of no water allocations and needing to adjust their crops.

It also noted that a 2019 assessment of Longreach’s water supply found that while it would be able to meet current and projected urban water requirements until at least 2041 with a moderate degree of reliability, it may be at risk of falling to very low water levels during extended periods of severe drought, with the potential for water supply shortfalls occurring, even with water restrictions being imposed.

Infrastructure Australia collaborated with 48 Regional Development Australia committees to conduct extensive consultation on community views and stakeholders in developing the report, which offer a highlight of each area’s diverse assets, growth industries and infrastructure requirements.

Infrastructure Australia Chair Col Murray said it was the first time a report of this magnitude had been conducted solely on regional Australia, localising each area’s

strengths and opportunities.

“It provides a foundation of data, knowledge and community perceptions to support future infrastructure planning, decision-making and network governance across the country,” he said.

“Our consultation highlighted that many regions are eager to capitalise on new opportunities and industries.

“However, they need to have robust, reliable and resilient infrastructure networks to tap into this growth.

“Governments at all levels, businesses and communities themselves, have acknowledged the need to address these challenges for many years, but too often they work in isolation.

“We hope to encourage all stakeholders to come forward with solutions for local challenges and seize opportunities for growth, innovation and investment.”

1770 festival prepares for a colourful street parade

The 1770 Festival Saturday morning Street Parade is the most colourful and sometimes comical display of local businesses and community groups, reflecting the personality of Agnes Water and 1770.

In 2022 the theme for the annual Street Parade will be celebrating history and culture.

Organisers encourage everyone to put on their thinking caps and get creative to bring alive the history and culture that have brought us to where we are today.

Your float and dress can represent an era in history, an historical event, your culture, time periods, historic characters (fictional or non-fictional), historic fashion, anything from our past that we can all share and celebrate in our diverse and multi-cultural community.

The Parade will start at the 1770 Marina, 9am on Saturday 21 May, and will travel along Captain Cook Drive to the 1770 Festival at the SES Grounds allowing spectators plenty of space to view the imaginative and creative talent our community has to offer with their floats, costumes and displays.

As an annual commemorative event, the significance of people coming together at this time continues to be greater each year. Gooreng Gooreng representatives work with the festival team to add workshops and market stalls from within their attending family members, in addition to interactive presentations and storytelling.

Local businesses support the 1770 Festival through their Street Parade floats, sponsorships, prize offerings, volunteer time contributions and promotion of the event. Notable contributions for the 2022 festival have been confirmed from Gladstone Regional Council, Tourism and Events Queensland, Agnes Water Tavern, Bendigo Community Bank, Owen Painting & Decor, Sandcastles 1770 Resort, and 1770 LARC! Tours.



Community groups and local schools are a delightful highlight in several aspects of the 1770 Festival event program, especially the Street Parade, and organisers are looking very forward to sharing and celebrating with everyone all that is our wonderful community.

Whilst the event dates reflect Cook’s legacy of exploration, since its inception the 1770 Festival has presented a platform to connect the community, promoting global cultural unity while celebrating local history together.

Watch as this stunning location bursts into

a colourful kaleidoscope showcasing the vibrant street parade and range of activities, amusements, presentations, stalls and fireworks – it’s tons of fun, with plenty to see and do for all ages, tastes and budgets.

If that wasn’t exciting enough, to celebrate 30 years of the 1770 Festival and the theme of unity, the organisers have made this an admission free event for all.

Festival Dates – Friday 20 May to Sunday 22 May 2022 at SES Grounds, Captain Cook Drive, Seventeen Seventy.



Calls for coal project snub

The Capricorn Conservation Council has called upon the Federal Environment Minister to reject Clive Palmer's Central Queensland Coal Project after the Department of Defence expressed concerns about it.

Defence has expressed concerns about the mine's proximity to the Shoalwater Bay Expansion Area.

Defence has been using Shoalwater Bay to train with Singaporean forces for the past 20 years.

Potential issues raised have included security and contamination.

Capricorn Conservation Council said the reasons for the mine to be rejected continue to grow.

Dr Coral Rowston, from the council, said it been almost a year since the Queensland Department of Environment said Clive Palmer's coal project was "not suitable" to proceed.

"The experts have said that the proposal presents a number of unacceptable risks that cannot be adequately managed or avoided, mostly because the location of the project being so close to the reef, nationally important

wetlands, Queensland's largest Fish Habitat Area and within a locally significant catchment," she said.

"The scientists say no, Queensland says no, the local reef community says no and now the Defence department have raised significant environmental and security concerns.

"The reasons to refuse the project are now towering over the Environment Minister, and yet she is still putting off this decision.

"We are calling on Minister Ley to listen to experts, stop delaying this decision and immediately refuse this dangerous coal project on the Reef coast."

Ms Rowston said the Central Queensland Coal Project has been stalled for the best part of a decade.

The Federal Government's Independent Expert Scientific Committee has done an assessment of the project.

She said the assessment stated that the project threatened significant and irreversible damage to internationally valued ecosystems subjected to mine-affected water amongst other serious impacts.

A ride in a hot air balloon inspired author's series

By Tahirih Lemon

Local author Linda Higgins, "a born and bred Gladstone girl", writes young adult sci-fi, dystopia, fantasy, and contemporary genres. Her pen name is L J Higgins.

When asked what inspired her to become an author, Linda responded, "I've loved reading and writing since a young age, and always hoped to write and publish a book one day."

She has since published 13 books.

Discussing her latest series, The Balloonist Chronicles, Linda explained: "The series follows Olivia and Lucy, when Olivia crashes during a storm onto Lucy's property and begins sharing her story of adventuring to different worlds."

Describing how she came up with the idea for her latest series, Linda said: "For my 10th wedding anniversary my husband and I went for a hot air balloon ride. I thought 'what if you could travel to other worlds in a hot air balloon? Imagine if a hot air balloon crashed in your backyard?'"

Listing the many things that fuel her passion as a writer, she mentioned, "reading, other authors, readers, life experience, and the characters and stories I create that just want their story told."

Linda currently works as a youth support worker. She moved to Biloela a couple of years ago for a lifestyle change and to be closer to her husband's family.

She provided a blurb about her most recent published book, Circus in the Clouds: The Balloonist Chronicles #3.

"Drifting in her hot air balloon through the clouds of an endless sky, Olivia is rescued by a crew of circus performers on a flying ship.

"The cute and charismatic ringmaster, Lukah, hides a secret, and despite Olivia's instincts telling her he can't be trusted, she's drawn to him and his enchanting smile."

She is writing the fourth and final book of The Balloonist Chronicles. Her books are currently available on Amazon.com and are free in Kindle Unlimited.

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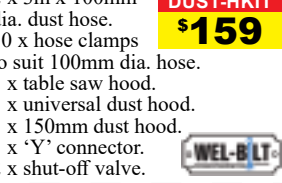
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Grant help for businesses

Gladstone businesses and community groups will continue to have easier access to grants through a free grant writing program.

Gladstone Regional Council and the Together Gladstone initiative have provided funding that will allow grant writing support service NFP House to offer assistance in applying for funding grants and their administration.

To be eligible for grant writing support service assistance, businesses and community groups must:

- Be located within the Gladstone Region Local Government Area
- Complete an enrolment form to register your interest, available from NFP House.

Financial contributors of the Together Gladstone Fund include Boyne Smelters Limited, ConocoPhillips as downstream operator of Australia Pacific LNG, Queensland Alumina Limited, Rio Tinto Yarrow, Santos GLNG, Shell's QGC Business and other local industries.

Gladstone Regional Mayor Matt Burnett said the initiative has already made a positive impact in our region.

"The free grant writing support service pilot project last year was certainly success and demonstrated demand for this type of service to ensure businesses and community groups aren't missing out on funding opportunities," Councillor Burnett said.

"Building capacity and upskilling applicants increases the chances for organisations to successfully receive grants, which not only benefits the recipient themselves, but the broader community as well by bringing community projects to life."

The grant writing program will offer both one-on-one support and group workshop opportunities.

Eligible applicants can register their interest in receiving the free support online at nfp-house.org.au/programs

Contact NFP House via email at admin@nfp-house.org.au or call 0460 792 812 for more information.

In response to the region's recovery from the pandemic, the Together Gladstone Fund, administered by Council, has supported the region's social, tourism and economic sectors with grants of between \$5,000 and \$10,000.

Successful recipients of the Together Gladstone Fund to date include:

- Returned & Services League of Australia (Queensland Brand) Gladstone Sub Branch incorporated
- Gladstone Paws Incorporated
- Strong Communities Limited
- Gladstone Area Promotion and Development Limited
- Gladstone Women's Health Centre

Visit gladstone.smartygrants.com.au/TogetherGlad for more information.



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Mirani MP calls for return of Upper House in Qld

By Emma McBryde

As this week marks 100 years since Queensland became the only state to have just a Lower House, Mirani MP Stephen Andrew has called for the Upper House to be returned to restore "checks and balances".

Mr Andrew said the abolition of the Upper House, the Legislative Council, in 1922 had led to an undemocratic process and unfettered power for governing parties.

"(The Upper House) brings a depth of overlay... it provides checks and balances to the Lower House," he said.

He said the current unicameral system allowed the Palaszczuk Government to run roughshod over non-government members by ramming through legislation that effected several laws in the one bill, without the legislative scrutiny that would come from an Upper House.

"Is it time to change the system and bring back the Upper House?" Mr Andrew said.

"Is it time to give Queenslanders a referendum on it?"

"They don't seem to get much of a say in their democratic destiny right now."

The Upper House was seen as a redundant relic plagued by absenteeism when it was abolished in 1922, rather than an important part of the democratic process to ensure legislative scrutiny.

At the time it was known colloquially by its opponents as the "House of Fossils" because members were appointed by the Governor for life instead of being elected.

This week, non-government MPs have criticised the current committee system, while the Greens continue to maintain their support for a referendum on whether an Upper House should be reinstated.

Katter's Australian Party Dalrymple MP Shane Knuth has in the past called for a reinstated Upper House in the past.

"Consecutive governments have slammed through legislation with little to no consultation, which has caused devastation for rural and regional Queensland," he said.

Although KAP Leader Robbie Katter condemned the committee system, he said he was not convinced the return of the Upper House was the solution.

"But the KAP would certainly be open to discussions around reforming the system to ensure integrity of the government and to prevent the democratic process from being manipulated and exploited," he said.

Katter's Australian Party criticised the committee system as weighted in the govern-



Mirani MP Steve Andrew.

ment of the day's favour because half of the membership is made up of the ruling party's MPs, including the chair.

Independent Noosa MP Sandy Bolton has been calling for a review into the committee processes.

LNP Opposition Leader David Crisafulli also criticised the committee process, but stopped short of supporting a referendum.

Neither major party has shown support

for a return to a bicameral parliament or a referendum in the past.

"The way our Parliament is working needs to change," Mr Crisafulli said.

"The committee system in Queensland is broken and in desperate need of repair."

Premier Annastacia Palaszczuk was unable to respond by deadline to the question of whether Labor would support a referendum.

However, she ruled out pursuing a refer-

endum in a response to a petition for it with almost 1000 signatures tabled by Mr Andrew in 2021.

Ms Palaszczuk said Queensland's electoral laws were significantly reformed in the early 1990s in the wake of the Fitzgerald Commission of Inquiry, stating the parliamentary committee system played an important role in enhancing legislative processes and providing oversight and scrutiny of government actions.

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Rotarians at the Discovery Coast Markets on their Mystery Tour.



Ian Rayment won he raffle prize of a jewellery box.

Rotary’s mystery bus tour

By Rotary Update with Cheryl Royal-Scott

On Saturday, 12 March Rotarians from Yepoon, Rockhampton, Gladstone, Agnes Water and Hervey Bay took part in a Mystery Bus Tour organised by Rotarian Wade Hughes for the Discovery Coast Rotary’s Progressive Dinner at Agnes Water/1770.

This included a three-course meal, we all met at 5pm for a complimentary glass of wine or beer.

Departing at 5.30pm we boarded the 56-seater coach with our bus driver Pauline. Wade our tour guide had organised a selection of music from the 50s or 60s to keep us entertained while travelling.

With anticipation we were curious of where and what was to happen. Bus driver Pauline took great pleasure in fooling us a few times by, changing course to distract us from our main destinations.

We finally arrived at our first stop the 1770 Bowls Club for beverages and a wonderful display of finger food which was enjoyed by all. We started to settle in with speeches from Adele Hughes and the President of the 1770 Bowls club, before we knew it, we were then on our way to our second destination, Town of 1770 Golf Course, for a sit-down mouth-water-

ing barbecue and refreshments.

A thank you from us all, to the chefs and the kind hospitality throughout our stay. The Discovery Coast Rotary Club raffled off superb prizes. Congratulations to all our winners. Our final destination for the evening for a selection of deserts and beverages was at the home of Yvonne Thompson who has spent over 25 years, a volunteer as a wildlife carer of Roo’s, wallabies who were victims of cars and dogs as well as Dino the Pelican, and newborn birds. Through her creativity she manages to find a solution to feed these tiny newborns, from whatever she has on hand.

She spoke with such passion of her adventures, and we were fortunate to see where it all took place and to witness her amazing recovery work on these animals. Our final journey home was full of fun as the selection of music liven up to songs of the 80’s, and tunes from the “Rocky Horror show. Russell Cooper from the Rotary Club of Rockhampton kept us amused and in fits of laughter.

Sunday was a trip to the Discover Coast Rotary Market at Seventeen Seventy as Rotarians cooked a community BBQ breakfast and all the funds raised, \$2,500.00 from both days was donated to the Rotary International Foundation Ukrainian Disaster appeal.



Rotarians at the Discovery Coast Rotary’s Progressive Dinner.

Braking the cycle by supporting learners on the roads

Domino’s registered charity Give for Good has today announced a one-year partnership with PCYC Queensland’s ‘Braking the Cycle’ program, a driver mentor program designed to support learner drivers who do not have access to a supervisor or registered vehicle to complete their logbook hours.

As a delivery-based company with more than 60 years of experience delivering pizzas to customers, Domino’s is committed to ensuring everyone on the road is educated in safe driving – something that PCYC Queensland aims to do through the Braking the Cycle program.

In addition to providing a vehicle and mentor to assist learner drivers in gaining their licence, PCYC Queensland aims to provide young people across Queensland with increased employment opportunities, driver education, and connection with their local communities.

During the one-year partnership, Give for Good has committed \$40,000 to Braking the Cycle to provide fuel for 13 of the program’s locations across the state, from Cairns in Far North Queensland, to towns in Central Queensland, including Rockhampton and Gladstone, all the way down to the Gold Coast.

By providing fuel for these thirteen sites, Give for Good will be supporting more than 1,300 program participants as they learn to drive, equating to over 163,000 kilometres and 5,900 logbook hours.

With thousands of Domino’s own team



Give for Good x PCYC ‘Braking the Cycle’.

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members on the roads every day, driving both cars and scooters, Give for Good General Manager Bronwyn Spencer said the charity understands the importance of ensuring drivers are educated in safe driving practices, and through supporting Braking the Cycle, hope to enable even more young Australians to have a safe driver education.

“Through this partnership with PCYC Queensland’s Braking the Cycle program, Give for Good can help make a real difference in ensuring more youth across Queensland have the opportunity to gain a driver’s licence to become safe and educated drivers with a bright future ahead of them.

“Statistics show those with a driver’s li-

cence are highly employable, and suited to driver-based roles, so as Domino’s registered charity, we look forward to connecting graduates with their local Domino’s store to help them on their employment journey.”

PCYC Queensland is committed to addressing community needs and positively impacting young people’s lives, and through the Braking the Cycle program, know they can directly contribute to the employability of young people in Queensland said PCYC Queensland Chief Executive Officer Phil Schultz.

“At PCYC Queensland, we are passionate about helping young people succeed in life and know that for around 30 per cent of young people, lack of transport prevents



Over the next year, the Give for Good program will be delivered at Dominos stores in Rockhampton and Gladstone.

them from attaining employment.

“In gaining a driver’s licence, more young people have a greater opportunity to gain employment and attend higher education.

“With the support of Give for Good through this partnership, we know together we can help contribute to the success of even more young Queenslanders across the state, and that’s an exciting prospect.”

Give for Good secures much of its funding through Domino’s ‘Round Up for Charity’ initiative.

Generous pizza lovers who wish to support Give for Good’s partnership with PCYC Queensland, along with other important Australian-based initiatives, are encouraged to round up their next Domino’s order when paying online.



Members of the Army arrive in Fairfield to help residents with the flood clean up.

Picture: AAP IMAGE/JONO SEARLE

Call for National Service

By Matthew Pearce

A former CQ councillor has called for the reintroduction of National Service as a way of working for the dole.

Rose Swadling's comments about National Service received a big response from readers in a discussion on the CQ Today Facebook page about welfare payments and the aged pension last week.

"Government need to bring back National Conscription, this would give our young folks good life skills and a career," she wrote.

"Those young folks, who are able, should be made to work for their dole money."

Speaking with Gladstone Today, Ms Swadling, who is the former Rockhampton deputy mayor, said two years of service in the military would provide young people in need of direction with life skills and a career.

"This isn't about 'shooting people', it's about giving young people a sense of their own self worth as well as the opportunity to gain a trade or perhaps a career in any of the services," she said.

"It's about giving them a path forward not making excuses for bad behaviour."

Ms Swadling said she had personally seen the difference made by cadet units at schools.

"I was part of a cadet unit at Glenmore High School and the kids that went through there have done really well in life," she said.

"It's a great opportunity to learn skills and discipline and one my own kids have taken."

She said many many young people were without direction, something the military could provide.

"We've seen the army, navy and air force all come together in times of need such as the recent flood situation," she said.

"Military service provides a great opportunity for people to be able to take on leadership roles and structure their lives, because a lot of young people are lost.

"It's not the right thing for everyone but after two years in the military if they did decide to take the opportunity to stay, it's a career for life."

Compulsory military training has been introduced several times in Australia's history including the two World Wars and the Vietnam War.

From 1951, 18-year-old men were required to undertake 176 days of military training as part of the National Service scheme until it was abolished in 1959.

Ms Swadling's comments recieved a big response on CQ Today's Facebook page,



Rose Swadling.

with some supporting the idea and some against it.

Judy Delaney said she believed everyone who was physically and mentally healthy should do a year in the armed forces.

"That would give people the benefit of new skills, discipline with the added benefit of learning respect for firearms and how to shoot," she said.

"We have the full time defence force, the reserve units but a citizen defence force might be the way forward."

Bev Johnston said she was hesitant to suggest a path which did not affect her directly.

"I would only vote for it, if every able bodied person of a certain age were required to do it and certainly not for them to be used as cannon fodder in an old man's war," she said.

Ursula Leyden said military training introduced discipline.

"Not a bad idea in itself. Does not mean they are sent for active service," she said.

"Some overseas countries such as Switzerland have military service for young people without sending them for any active service."

Tonia Haynes said a military education wasn't the way to solve the "violence issues of this planet"

"But its an easy one because we have always done it," she said.

"The fact that it always brings a totally lousy result continues to evade the tiny intelligence of many, who are too frightened to explore other options because they are new and potentially alien."

A mystery

February 11, 2012, marked the 100th anniversary of a tragic event in the coastal Miriam Vale region south of Gladstone in Central Queensland. This has become known as the 'Turkey Station Murder'.

The protagonists were 17-year-old Edith Anderson, daughter of Bustard Head lighthouse keeper Frederick Anderson and his wife Mary Jane (nee Major), the murdered man, 32 year old Arthur Cogzell, the youngest of six sons of William Henry Cogzell and his wife Elizabeth (nee Hone) of Eurimbula Station, which adjoined Turkey Station, and 21-year-old George Daniels. Both Edith Anderson and George Daniels were employed at Turkey Station, Edith as a domestic and George as a stockman and horse breaker. Arthur Cogzell sometimes worked for the part owner/manager William Valentine Worthington and his wife Susan Elizabeth (nee White), but he was also a family friend of both the Anderson and Worthington families.

Edith Anderson's father was a Swedish migrant, Arthur Cogzell's father was an Englishman from Wiltshire and George Daniels was of mixed race with a full blood Kanaka father and a half-caste Chinese mother. George Daniels was apparently a capable, intelligent young man whose misfortune was to become attracted to Edith, who was in turn naïve and not socially mature. The strict social conventions of the time frowned upon white/mixed-race relationships. When it became evident that it would be wise to separate the two of them, the Worthington and Anderson families agreed that Arthur Cogzell would escort Edith home on horseback on 11 February, when the tidal creeks to access Bustard Heads were at low tide. George Daniels resented Arthur Cogzell, who had reprimanded him on occasions and he possibly saw Arthur as a rival for Edith's affections. When Arthur Cogzell was warned by George's work mates that he needed to watch his back, the warning was not taken seriously. Subsequent events and evidence given at



the inquest into Arthur Cogzell's murder, including letters of farewell written by George Daniels, showed that George's actions were premeditated. On the morning of the 11th of February, 1912, Edith Anderson and Arthur Cogzell left Turkey Station around 9am. The first of the creeks to be crossed was six kilometres from the station. It was here later in the morning that another local man, Frederick Bowto, found the dying Arthur Cogzell. He had been shot twice in the back by George Daniels, who had lain in wait and taken Edith, leaving behind the horses and Edith's saddle bag, which contained some clothing and wages. By the time help arrived Arthur Cogzell was dead. Overnight and on the following few days, heavy rain washed out all the tracks. Police, native trackers and civilian volunteers mounted an intensive search of the district until the end of May. A second search was carried out from June to August and was followed by a third search of the coastline and islands in December. These searches yielded no information. The 10 months search, the most intensive in Queensland's history at the time, which also included a reward of 500 pounds, brought no solid results but much unfounded speculation. The most likely answer to the fate of Edith Anderson and George Daniels is one believed by the Anderson family - that George shot Edith and then killed himself. nearby Rodds Bay.

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No excuses for bullying

Today's View

The definition of a bully is to seek to harm, intimidate, or coerce (someone perceived as vulnerable).

Can bullying be stopped or is this an unfortunate trait that we as human beings will continue to use throughout our lives? The recent news headlines have again brought this trait into focus with the unfortunate loss of a federal politician. Apparently bullying is not just a human trait is also happening in the animal world as well, but the experts say there is a difference, animals don't bully for amusement or their own pleasure.

Bullying should not be condoned and recognised for what it is, one showing power over another for the sake of self-satisfaction, humiliation or just their own enjoyment. I image that this has been part of our human physic for as long as we have existed. The unfortunate thing is, it will most likely be part of our lives or of those that we cherish for generations to come.

As a youth, which by the way is becoming harder to visualise as the years role by, I like most had played a part in being a bully or by way of not stopping the act, condoning the behaviour. In my time it was at its worst where boys congregated and where they were trying to impress their friends, aiming to be part of the popular or bigger group. Unfortunately, I had witnessed the behaviours and failed to intervene solely because of self-preservation believing that it was better that it happened to someone else.



Labor Senator Kimberley Kitching, who died last week, had reportedly told senior Labor figures she had been bullied. Picture: AAP IMAGE/MICK TSIKAS

One could say it was different times and the behaviour hasn't been brought into focus as much as it has today, but that doesn't excuse my inaction.

We have all heard of the solutions and advice given, stand up to the bully, don't be intimidated, use force against them, the bully is a coward. I always thought this was poor advice for the subject, the offered solution could bring about more intimidation. When you are smaller and less aggressive than the bully, it takes a fair amount of resolve and contin-

ued defiance before the bullying behaviour is stopped. By standing up, you become more of a target than before and for longer.

Over the last generation there has been a concerted effort by our leaders and educators to change that behaviour in our schools and playgrounds and their efforts should be applauded. While it is hoped that there is an instant change to human behaviour, most people understand that successful change can take time and generations before there is benefit.

The bully has permeated through our society for so long, and has used many names, it has happened in the belief of helping others, politics, or religion. On the world stage it is still visible with stronger or larger nations trying to influence others through armed or trade interventions.

I recall a quote from Simon Wiesenthal: "For evil to flourish it only requires good men to do nothing", if the bully is to be stopped, we all have a part to play in its eradication.

VOX POP WE TAKE IT TO THE STREETS



Michelle and Brittany with Meeka and Benji.



Wayne and William.



Jack, 13, and Kai, 16.

Word on the street this week

Do you think Gladstone needs more live music venues?

Eve and Scott

Eve: BAM once a month, and Bundy is having a concert coming up which I thought, why does Bundy get that and we don't?

Scott: We used to have battle of the bands here, and everyone used to turn up. They should bring that back.

Jack, 13 and Kai, 16

Jack: It wouldn't hurt to have a couple more.

Kai: More would be cool.

Wayne and William:

Wayne: We've only been here two months and we live in Boyne so as far as the nightlife concerns, it doesn't really affect us as much.

William: We moved up here from Melbourne, and Melbourne obviously has a lot more live music so it would be nice, it would be good to have something here, it's near the beach.

Michelle and Brittany, with Meeka and Benji

Michelle: Yeah I think so, there's not a lot of live music around... only at the markets.



Eve and Scott.



Lynch's Jokes of the Week

1. Sherlock Holmes and Dr Watson were going camping. They pitched their tent under the stars and went to sleep.

Later, in the middle of the night Holmes woke Watson and said, "Watson look up at the sky and tell me what you see."

Watson replied: "I see millions and millions of stars."

Holmes then asks, "And what do you deduce from that?"

Watson replied: "Well if there are millions of stars and some of those stars have their own planets like Earth and if they are like earth there might be life also."

Holmes reply to Watson's deduction was, "No you idiot, someone has pinched our tent."

2. What Australian animal can jump higher than the Sydney Harbour Bridge?

All of them – because bridges can't jump.

3. The other day my young fella was downstairs when he yelled, "Hey Dad, have you seen the dog bowl?"

Straight away, I thought, I didn't even know he played cricket.

OPINION

Senator Matt Canavan



Future depends on coal

This week Australia gifted 70,000 tonnes of coal to Ukraine to help their war effort. We are a long way from this conflict and so cannot provide much direct assistance to Ukraine's brave fight against Russia's barbaric invasion.

The best thing we can do to hurt Russia is to produce more coal, oil and gas so that Putin does not make as much money off the inflated commodity prices that are helping to fund his war.

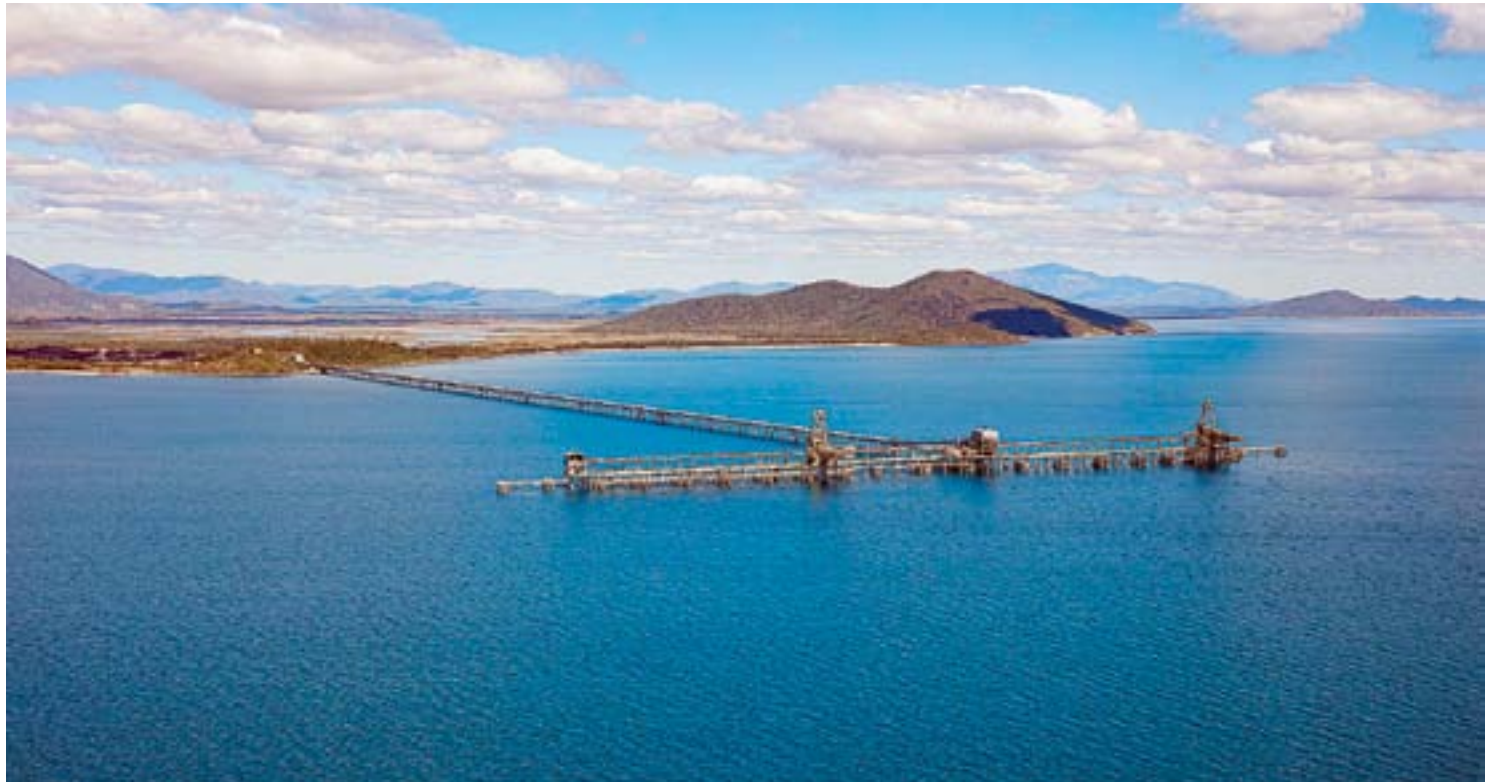
Europe has become dependent on Russia's gas because of their surrender to green scare campaigns that have seen them ban fracking and shut down coal fired power. For all the strict economic sanctions the west has placed on Russia since it invaded Ukraine, Europe continues to buy huge amounts of coal, oil and gas from Russia, helping Putin to finance his war. At current prices, Europe is paying Russia every week around \$6 billion for gas, \$2 billion for oil and \$600 million for coal.

Europe desperately wants our coal and gas to help wean them off their Russian dependency. No one in Europe is asking for us to send them solar panels.

That is because it is fossil fuels that helps provide the strength to any country seeking to defend their borders. You need fossil fuels to make many things in factories, you need fossil fuels to move trucks, tanks and planes, and you even need fossil fuels to grow food, as most fertilisers are made from fossil fuels.

The free world is quickly waking up from the green induced coma that has seen it shut down manufacturing and weaken our defences. Fortunately we have not gone as far as Europe down this path. So we have opened new coal mines, like the Adani Carmichael mine, and we retain some capacity to help the world wean itself off natural resources from rogue nations.

A couple of weeks ago I was at the Abbot Point port from which Adani's coal is exported. A ship had already left full of coal from the Carmichael mine. More will follow as the final



Coal is being exported from the North Queensland Export Terminal at Abbot Point.

testing of their rail line is complete.

This week I was due to visit the Adani mine, but I did not make it because of the funeral for my colleague Senator Kimberley Kitching.

There are 2000 Queenslanders employed at Carmichael thanks to the fight we all put up to protect these jobs. Anthony Albanese and Labor did nothing to help deliver these jobs. We were left on our own to fight for it.

Do you remember when Labor claimed that if we opened the Adani mine it would crash the coal price and threaten the viability of other

coal mines around Australia? Labor's climate change Minister at the time, Mark Butler, said that the Adani mine "would simply displace coal and jobs in existing coal regions, like the Hunter Valley."

Well the Adani mine is here and coal prices are at record levels. Mark was wrong and Labor was wrong because they listen to the Greens, not us.

The Adani project is the biggest investment from India in Australia by far. The coal that it will deliver to India will come as a huge relief

to them at a time when energy prices are surging around the world.

India will need lots more energy as it grows and develops. If we do not increase our energy production to help them, then countries like Russia will instead fill the void. That will push other nations away from the free nations of west into the arms of dictatorial regimes like Russia and China.

The future of the free world depends on us developing our natural resources so that free nations are not dependent on the unfree.

Recruitment process lacks respect for job candidates

I have been hearing some disappointing recruitment stories recently, ones that truly resonate with me as I have previously experienced a lot of it myself.

Due to my strong feelings on this topic, this article will contain necessary repetition to get my point across.

There seem to be quite a few companies these days that have this attitude that it is only the candidates who have to prove themselves during the hiring process. These groups don't stop to realise that they have just as much to prove to the people who have shown special interest in working for them.

What makes this particular company so great to work for? What are their values?

Do they strive to provide their best tailored service to everyone equally across their customer base? They are putting themselves out there just as much as the applicants, showing the community what they're about as an organisation and how they interact with the people.

To the candidates, how a company treats them reflects the quality of their potential employment and their service to the community overall.

There seem to be so many groups that say they will only respond to those shortlisted and to me, this is a very poor way to conduct themselves and it certainly doesn't promote them in a very positive light at all. That's like saying 'if you wave to me in the street, I'll decide if you're worth waving back to'. It's about closure and basic courtesy, two things every single applicant, shortlisted or not, deserves.

I have been gravely disappointed in the



severe lack of respect shown across the hiring process over the years. It seems many of these recruitment 'processes' are not committed to in full, many applicants are left in the dark and ultimately made to feel like they are not good enough. This is like a flashing neon sign that informs the masses that this organisation has a very questionable culture.

My heart truly breaks for applicants who dig deep to sell themselves, sift through all of their prior experiences that reflect their hard work over the years, and spend a great deal of valuable time to put together an application, only to receive no acknowledgement or response at all.

It's really not hard to at least have a template and mail merge on standby, ready to give people the closure they need.

This is how the hiring process should be tied off. Many applicants have put the same amount of effort into applying for the job, so why is it that only some are good enough for a response over the others who didn't get shortlisted?

In a world where finding work is testing and time-consuming enough, it is the height of rudeness and arrogance to have a recruiter gift only the applicants of interest with re-



Jordie Lynch says businesses have to prove themselves just as much as jobseekers.

spect while the others receive radio silence.

It makes people feel that if they are not worthy of a response, they are not worthy of great opportunities; and they absolutely are worthy. It is these particular employers that are not. If everyone has the same right to apply, everyone has the same right to a reply.

Job-hunting is stressful enough as it is and the way an organisation treats the candidates can make or break their self-worth and determine how they move forward.

There is an inflated sense of entitlement demonstrated by only a select few groups but it's enough to have an awfully negative ripple effect on all job-seekers. It builds a

bad reputation for the company hiring and leaves a sour impression for candidates and other members of the community who learn of their experience.

I really hope this changes because there's no excuse for it. No one deserves to feel like their application isn't worth a response.

This can truly have a devastating impact on someone's confidence long-term, cause them to doubt their skills and potential and it can generally damage the way they see themselves. If these recruiters put themselves in the candidates' position, they would very quickly understand that they deserve so much better.

The other missing step

Your Business Questions Answered with James Harris

Last time I made a passing reference to another missing project management step and a number of curious readers have asked what it is.

This missing step can actually be more serious because unlike training, which we spoke about last time, it is often impossible to go back and retrospectively undo the damage if you miss this step.

The missing step we are talking about is stakeholder consultation, and more specifically consultation with end users.

You may have heard a variation of this story about a company that spent a large amount of money to automate a system that weighed packed boxes on its production line. When a box was underweight, it stopped the conveyor belt and sounded an alarm so someone could remove and check the box.

As the story goes, the directors went to inspect the production line to see this new and expensive system in action.

They found a pedestal fan beside the conveyor belt. The foreman told them that it was taking too much time to check each box and restart the conveyor belt every time an underweight box went past so he set up the \$10 fan to blow underweight boxes off the conveyor before they could trigger the system.

Before you assume this is just a story, let me tell you about another example that I know to be true. A very large Australian finance company rolled out a new VoIP phone system for all their call centres.

That is to say, middle and lower-level management rolled out this system with no consultation with end users. Several months went by before a general manager decided to take it upon himself to investigate why the compa-



James Harris shares a story about a pedestal fan and a conveyor belt.

ny's poor reputation for customer service was getting even worse. One call center employee told him that not being able to put callers on hold was probably a significant factor. His first reaction was that it was not conceivable that all the company's Australian call centres had a phone system that didn't allow callers to be put

on hold. Sure enough though, that is exactly what had been rolled out.

If the person in the call center didn't know the answer to a customer's query, they might have to make half a dozen or more calls to find someone who knew the answer and was prepared to pick up their phone. While this was happening, the client was on the phone with the exasperated call center person the whole time, being told over and over that no one was answering. Imagine the impression this left clients with. And to make things worse, lower and mid-level managers became aware of this problem shortly after the new phone system went live and were actively hiding it from senior managers so they wouldn't look bad!

Granted this company had quite a few entrenched cultural problems that contributed to how this all played out and they ended up being taken over by a larger competitor when their share price sank low enough.

Having said that though, one of the key elements at work here is good old-fashioned arrogance. The belief that end users shouldn't be involved in making decisions, or for our purposes scoping projects, because end users tend to hold non-management roles and, 'managers know better'. The irony with this of course is that generally the people who know the most about what is happening in an organisation in detail, and consequently what needs to be done, are the people at the 'coal face'.

The implications of this for project managers are obvious, but so often ignored. With that in mind, I have often made the following suggestions to clients who were project managers or who were business owners about to embark on projects:

- To begin with, build in a consultation step. Accept that you don't know everything, and you certainly don't know enough to put to-

gether a complex project that affects other stakeholders without their help.

- If you have a project team, make sure some end users are on that team.
- If you find yourself starting to think that you know more about what needs to be delivered than the end users, take a deep breath and get over yourself. Seriously, it doesn't matter what title is on your business card, if you are not the end user than you have to realize that the end users' opinions are at least as important as, and probably more important, than yours.
- Talk with as many of the stakeholders that will be impacted by the project that you can identify as a bare minimum, but in reality, you should actively be working with these stakeholders.
- Don't meet with stakeholders once and just tick the 'consultation box'. Keep meeting with and getting input from stakeholders, particularly end users, right throughout the project.
- Recognize that if the deliverable is a new or modified product, you have 2 distinct types of end users that must be happy; the people that will buy the product and the staff that are going to have to sell it to them.

If you want a successful project, you can't be arrogant. You need to consult with all stakeholders, particularly the end users, from beginning to end. If you don't, you might find yourself having to explain why you spent hundreds of thousands of dollars when a \$10 fan would have worked just fine.

If you have a question about undertaking a project or running your existing business, we'd love to hear from you because we'll select new questions to answer here every two weeks. You can submit your question to james@qsb-consulting.com using the subject 'CQToday'.

First term underway and CQUniversity is buzzing again



By Professor Nick Klomp, Vice-Chancellor and President, CQUniversity Australia

It's been great to see CQUniversity buzzing with the return of students for Term 1, 2022.

We were thrilled to welcome not only our returning students to campus, but our new students, many of whom are coming straight out of finishing high school.

This term has been a particularly monumental one as for the first time in more than two years, we saw a new cohort of international students on the Rockhampton campus. Some of these students have been waiting since the start of the pandemic to travel to Australia and begin their studies at CQUniversity.

Rockhampton has seen strong enrolment numbers for this year, both in higher education and TAFE, with an almost 12 per cent enrolment increase in undergraduate courses and a 15 per cent increase in TAFE student numbers from 2021.

Despite Covid putting a strain on many industries and occupations over the last couple of years, underlying demand and long-term shortages in key professions like health and education have attracted new students to the University.

Interest in our health-related courses continues to grow and it is no surprise that our most popular undergraduate courses this year are the Bachelor of Nursing, Bachelor of Paramedic Science and Bachelor of Medical Science. Our Bachelor of Education (Secondary) course is always popular, and with a huge shortage of regional and rural teachers, I am excited to see a large number of commencing students ready to become the next generation of skilled and passionate educators for our region.



Speaking of schools, this Friday (25 March) we will host our annual University Experience event where we will open the campus to more than 250 Year 12 students from across the region.

The event will allow students to explore their post-high school options while par-

ticipating in a fun, experiential program on campus, replicating a day in the life of a CQUniversity student.

Here at CQUniversity, we believe everyone deserves access to world-class tertiary education and training, so students will be provided with information on our alternative pathways,

the support they can expect from our Academic Learning Centre (ALC) and any other questions they have about going to university.

I hope that the University Experience will open the eyes of some high school students who perhaps thought further study was not an option for them.

Q&A

with Ride4Lives president Mark Brookes

What is the best advice you've ever received?
It's best to be really amazing at a few things then trying to be good or ok at everything.

What is something you do in your spare time?
Try to get out to our coral reef systems and islands for a dive or fish.

What is something most people don't know about you?
I used to earn money giving massages.

What's your favourite spot in the Gladstone region?
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Who is your favourite movie star and what do you admire about him or her?
Keanu Reeves, I admire his unique qualities.

What is one of your greatest achievements?
Being apart of an organisation that wants to help support other people and hopefully save lives.

If you had to choose three items to take with you on a trip to a deserted island, which would they be?
Spear gun, mask and fins.



THREE ... things about the ocean

1 Water at the bottom of the ocean is incredibly hot
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2 The ocean is home to nearly 95% of all life
With so much going on well below the surface, it's easy to forget that the oceans are teeming with life. In fact, 94% of life is aquatic, according to the USA Science & Engineering Festival. That means those of us who live on land are part of a very, very small minority.

3 The world's largest living structure is in the ocean
The world's largest living structure isn't an enormous copse of trees or even a massive fungus—it's the Great Barrier Reef off the coast of Australia. The reef spreads out over an area of 133,000 square miles and is so huge it can actually be seen from outer space.

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Small businesses cannot afford to get left behind.

Time to commit to small businesses

Most of us are feeling the effects of uncertainty in this somewhat post-Covid-19 world.

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A recent Queensland wide business survey, released in February, shows 41 per cent of businesses are less confident in reaching their business goals in 2022, an increase from 39 per cent in the September 2021 quarter. Small businesses cannot get left behind.

They are the lifeblood of our community, creating local jobs and providing essential goods and services.

Thriving small businesses help make the Gladstone Region an attractive and liveable



community and are key to our economic recovery.

Gladstone Chamber of Commerce & Industry is calling on larger enterprises to play their part in enabling the growth and prosperity of local small businesses by making a commitment to becoming small business friendly.

This means recognising and considering small businesses as an important customer and supplier of your products and services.

Actively engaging and being mindful of small businesses, their issues, and priorities, when you make key decisions that impact them, such as purchasing and payment practices, tender processes, and policy decisions.

Another is supporting GCCCI, a not-for-profit of over 128 years, in our work to help small businesses develop networks, access education, and increase their capabilities.

We encourage any larger enterprise that wants to learn more about becoming small business friendly to contact us today to discuss how they can make real change to support small business resilience and recovery.

Choughs are social creatures



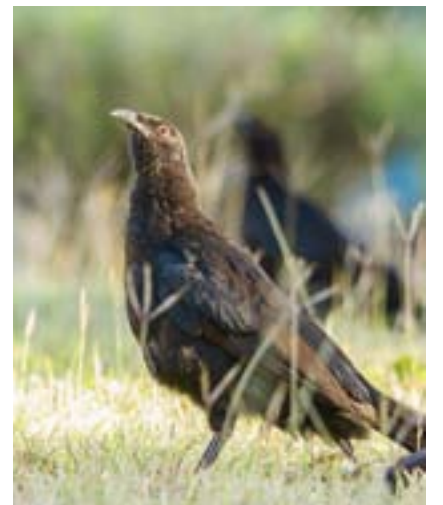
This image shows a White-winged Chough! Because Choughs are of similar size and colour, people often mistake them for Crows or Australian Ravens!

However, they are quite different with white wing patches, a more curved bill and red eyes.

White-winged Choughs are extremely sociable creatures, almost always seen in groups of ten or more.

They feed on the ground, eating seeds and insects.

There is usually only one breeding pair in a group with the others lending a hand with nest building, incubation and feeding of chicks.



Bob Trask snapped this photo White-winged Chough.

Here's cheers to all the wonderful women in wine

National Women in Wine Day is a social initiative recently founded by Yolanda Papapietro and Renae Perry, co-founders and co-owners of Papapietro Perry Winery in California, USA.

They chose 25 March to celebrate annually an expression of gratitude to the women shaping the wine industry.

They have a cool website (womeninwine-day.com).

That provides information on US based females in the wine industry.

Simply by scrolling through the uploaded photographs and then individually clicking on the image to be supplied with their bio.

Roxie Ward, the current winemaker at Butternut Wines.

Reminded me of the internationalism of the wine industry, when I read that she moved from California to Australia to complete her degree in Wine Science whilst working at several Australian wineries.

Pam Dunsford has been a trailblazer for females in the Australian wine industry.

Having grown up in an era when women did not hold winemaking positions. She became the first.... quite a few times.

Her first, first started in 1972, when despite being opposed by the principal, she entered the at the time all-male Roseworthy Agricultural College of South Australia to study oenology with 180 male students.

Upon graduation Pam, was the first female, in a senior winemaking role at a large company, Wynns Winery, in the McLaren Vale.

Pam was the first female wine-show judge, and the first female to be employed by Krug Champagne.



Fourth generation Hunter Valley winemaker, Lisa McGuigan, sought to introduce her own brand of wine marketing.

The best advice Lisa McGuigan says she has been given in business is to dare to be different and not worry about what other people say or think. If you check out her career, it is clear she jumped onboard with the advice.

She has turned winemaking conventions on their head by focussing on the packaging as she did on the product.

Her first experience with wine came as a nine-year-old girl on a tour of their family vineyard, Wyndham Estate with her father, industry icon, Brian McGuigan.

She sampled a taste from one of the tanks. From there she understood the passion and commitment her family had for the region and the wine they produced.

As Lisa's career blossomed, she noticed that good wines traditionally, had conservative looking packaging.

She changed that with the release of her Tempus Two range.

It attracted females because of its alternative packaging. Along with the wine being of a high quality – Lisa had created a winner.

Founder of The Fabulous Ladies' Wine Soci-



Fourth generation Hunter Valley winemaker Lisa McGuigan.

ety and the Australian Women in Wine Awards, Australian, Jane Thomson, turns creative ideas about wine into globally recognised success stories. Jane has exclusively designed a Wine

Communications Coaching program.

Raise a glass of your favourite vino to the six ladies mentioned above and all the other females in the wine industry.



Masters - Commended - Lorikeet - Rex Boggs.



Open - Commended - Dancing Bird of Paradise - Col Stevenson.



Masters - Commended - Apartments - Greg Tungle.

Print photo competition

By Rockhampton Photography Club

In March, the Rockhampton Photography Club once again held their monthly competition night in their clubroom in the Walter Reid Cultural Centre, rather than via Zoom. So we were able to view and judge both our February and March print competitions. For your viewing pleasure, here are some of the photos that stood out in these print competitions. Enjoy!



Open - Commended - Old Tired Beetle - Col Stevenson.



Masters - Commended - Where the Water Flows - Glenda Worley.



Open - Commended - Waiting to Board - Gordon Worley.



B Grade - Merit - What a Catch - Pam Garven.



Masters - Commended - Nature's Textures - Glenda Worley.



Masters - Commended - Painted Silos - Glenda Worley.



Open - Merit - Lurking Spider - Col Stevenson.



Open - Commended - Clearly Out of My Mind - Kevin Langford.



Masters - Commended - Capri - Mark Collins.



Masters - Commended - Goma Bike - Col Fock.



Open - Commended - Sha-waza Dancer - Linda Rodgers.

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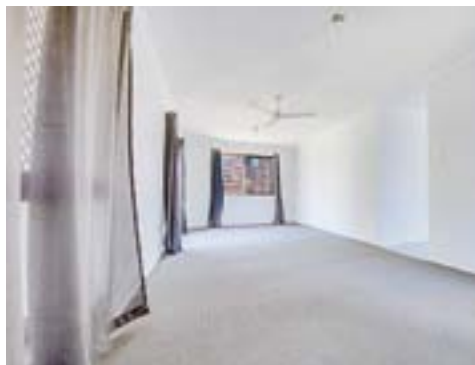


NOW for sale is this two-bedroom unit at sought after Cooe Palms. Just minutes stroll to Lammermoor and Cooe Bay beaches, and only a 5 minute drive to Yeppoon's CBD location is paramount.

Coee Palms is a well established estate with low body corporates and is a low maintenance property offering a generous living area with air-conditioning and ceiling

fan, good sized kitchen and master bedroom with air-conditioner. The home has a single car garage with storage and a patio area. Public transport is almost at your door, and the home has excellent tenants making this an ideal portfolio top up for the astute investor.

Call Lisa Wilson now for your private inspection 0418 247 020. ●



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Address: Unit 15/14-24 Elma Street, COOEE BAY **Description:** 2 bedrooms, 1 bathroom, 1 garage **Price:** Offers over \$259,000 considered **Inspect:** By appointment
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Offers over \$445,000 considered

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REFRESHING THOSE OUTDOOR AREAS

BY ELLE CECIL

PERHAPS the deck is a bit dull or your paved entertaining area is a bit shabby - now is the time to get on top of refreshing these outdoor areas.

Refresh paved areas

Visit your local hardware store and find a paver or concrete cleaner suitable for your pavers at home. You can use a brush and a bit of elbow grease, but for best results a pressure cleaner should be used to blast away dirt, mold, grime and other nasties.

Pick the first of a few sunny days to clean your pavers and then let them dry for a day or two. You can also purchase paints or sealants for your pavers to keep their colour vibrant and clean, and extend the longevity of the outdoor area. Refilling gravel or sand in between pavers or around your entertaining area will also keep it looking polished and fresh.

Stain or paint your deck

If your deck and railings are looking a bit dull or shabby, you may need to recoat them with either a stain or paint. When deciding on the colour and finish, it is important to consider the products previously used on the timber. Oil-based stains will sink into the timber and fade away with time, as opposed to acrylic or water-based stains that sit on the surface and peel or flake away.

Preparation is key when restaining or painting a deck - the surface must be clean and stripped back of any previous product or dirt to ensure a pristine, lasting finish. Scrub or pressure clean your deck, or use a timber stripper to remove past products.

The type of stain you use will determine the application method, but your local hardware experts will be able to advise you



Proper care and maintenance will also extend the life of your outdoor area, saving you money in the long run.

on the tools and techniques required to get your desired result.

Install an outdoor awning

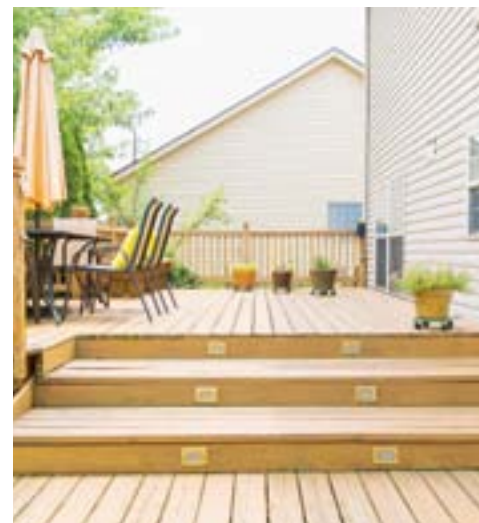
Whether you're upgrading your existing awning or installing a completely new setup, outdoor blinds and awnings are practical and attractive ways to maintain sun safety for your family and your outdoor area.

Replacing an existing awning will likely be more straightforward than installing a new one, as all you have to do is safely remove it, measure the size of the awning, decide on a colour, density and style, then purchase and install it.

If you are installing a brand new outdoor blind or awning, you may have a little more work on your hands. To begin, you should decide the style of awning or blind you'd like - it may be a fixed awning, or perhaps a retractable or roll-up blinds. You then need



Even the simplest of refreshers can make your space seem new.



Refresh your outdoor area. Pictures: ISTOCK

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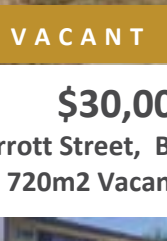
Description: 6 bedrooms, 3 bathrooms, 3 garage **Inspect:** By appointment

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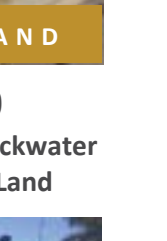
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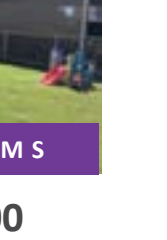
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3 bed 1 bath 2 car



3 BEDROOMS

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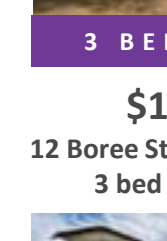
4 Bredhauer Street, Blackwater
3 bed 1 bath 2 car



2 BEDROOMS

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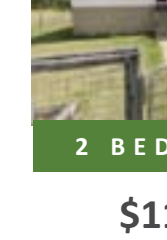
2 Main Street, Bluff
2 bed 2 bath 2 car



4 BEDROOMS

\$229,500

6 Cherry Street, Blackwater
4 bed 2 bath 2 car



3 BEDROOMS

\$155,000

10 Seeman Street, Blackwater
3 bed 1 bath 2 car

Your Family Agency in the Central Highlands



Levi Harris and Ashtyn Schulz have both graduated Little Athletics QLD.



Milly Sharp (U14) took out 1st place in her 1500m Race Walking Event.



Archie Tennent (U13).
Pictures: DANIELLE SIBENALER PHOTOGRAPHY



Parker Bowman (U11).



Kynan Rogers and Dylan Gardiner put on a nail-biting race in their 200m final.

Athletes take state champs

Selected athletes from the Gladstone Athletics Club competed in the McDonald's Little Athletics QLD State Championships from 11 to 13 March in a spectacular show of strength.

These athletes qualified to participate after successfully earning a place at our Regional Championships in Bundaberg from 5 to 6 February.

Milly Sharp placed 1st in her 1500m Race Walking Event and will go on to The Australian Track and Field Championships in Sydney from 12 March to 3 April.

Levi Harris and Ashtyn Schulz are now graduates of Little Athletics QLD and will go on to QLD Athletics (Levi) and VIC Athletics (Ashtyn).

Zoe Geiger is also a graduate of Little Athletics QLD and will go on to QLD Athletics.

Archie Tennent won three firsts and one second at State Championships and qualified for the LAQ National Team.

Australian Little Athletics Championships will be held on 23 and 24 April in Melbourne.

Kynan Rogers and Dylan Gardiner came second and third in their 200m final respectively. It was a nail-biting race with a sensational outcome.

Dylan will compete at The Australian Track and Field Championships from 26 March to 3 April in Sydney.

Little Athletics is a uniquely Australian sport for children aged 5 to 16 years.

Each year across Queensland, approximately 14,500 participants enjoy the activities that Little Athletics has to offer.

Congratulations to all of Gladstone's young athletes in their outstanding efforts.

Athlete profiles provided by Gladstone Athletics Club.



Ruby Gibson (U10).



Zoe Geiger (U17) will go on to QLD Athletics.

TV

Today

Secret society
Regency romance
Bridgerton returns
for a second season

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Back to school

First Day star **Evie Macdonald**
focuses on the positives ahead of
the ABC teen drama's second season

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Teen star a class act

Evie Macdonald, the star of ABC high school drama *First Day*, is wise beyond her years. **Siobhan Duck** speaks with the actress about the show's impact

At just 16, Evie Macdonald has a self-assurance, maturity and poise which belies her age. In many ways it's understandable because, when someone spends their formative years fighting simply to be themselves, they are forced to grow up pretty fast.

Although always outgoing, the teenager (who was assigned male at birth) says her self-confidence has only grown since transitioning several years ago.

Macdonald didn't agonise over her gender identity. Just as she understood that her eyes were blue, Macdonald knew, and never questioned, that she is a girl. It was just others who proved harder to convince.

"There wasn't a point in my life where I was like: 'I'm a girl,'" she says.

"I always knew. I had grown up knowing it my entire life. My subconscious was always Evie. I have always been here. I was just dressed differently and called by different names.

"So, when I got to transition, people would ask my parents if they noticed any changes or if I was a different person. But they just said I was the exact same kid, only happier."

The teenager stars in the acclaimed ABC drama *First Day*. The series, which is aimed at children, tweens and teens, follows a shy trans girl named Hannah (Macdonald) as she navigates all the usual high school dramas.

Now in its second season, Macdonald hopes the series will continue to demystify what it is like to be a trans person, building greater understanding and empathy.

While the bubbly and extroverted Macdonald's personality is very different to her character's reserved nature, the actress can identify with some of her struggles.

"I mean, some of the rules that Hannah had were very similar to me," she explains.

"Things like, no sleepovers when no one knows you are trans. I was okay with that growing up, because it meant that I wasn't going to be put into a bad position.

"So [it brings up] some of those old memories with my parents as they were trying to help me transition."

Although they have always been hugely supportive of their daughter, Macdonald's parents were initially resistant to her transitioning.

"I fought with my parents for years about it," she says.

"They didn't understand what it was. There was no information. There was no research. There was barely anything for them to look at. Back then, when you searched up the word transgender it came up with drag queens and that's not what it was."

Support system: *First Day's* second season sees Hannah (Evie Macdonald) navigate a new school year alongside friends Olivia (Elena Liu) and Nat (Nandini Rajagopal).



Her parents have come a long way since their initial reactions. In fact, it was Macdonald's mum who saw the casting call for *First Day* and encouraged her to audition.

Although she realised that putting herself out there in such a public role could open her up to trolling, Macdonald felt the opportunity to be a role model for other trans kids outweighed any potential backlash.

"There's always going to be negativity in the world, but I think if I impacted one person's life in a positive way then it's worth it," she says.

"I've actually had countless messages [about the show].

"It's been really overwhelming. I have had a great deal of support and it's been really amazing."

Like many trans kids struggling with their identity, Macdonald faced playground bullying. Most of it, she says, borne out of ignorance.

"At the end of the day, what does their opinion matter?" she says.

"I am happy, and knowledge is power. And if I ever speak to anyone who is against others being gay or trans, I explain it to them in detail of what it is like, and they often come out realising that what they have been saying is really unkind."

Even now, as an out and proud trans person Macdonald still has to stare down bullies who hide behind fake social media profiles.

"A lot of men have a really big problem seeing me as a real girl," she says with a sigh.

"And I always say to them: 'OK, define what a real woman is then.' They'll usually say stuff like: 'Oh you can't have babies; you don't get a period and your boobs are fake.' 'Let's go through this', I will say to them: 'Not all women can reproduce. Some people can't get their period because they have issues with their menstrual cycle. Does that make them any less

woman? Oh, and another thing, my boobs are real!'"

McDonald believes her own journey would have been far easier had she grown up seeing people like herself on the TV.

"There were no shows or movies about being trans and I think the thing that fascinated me most was probably *The Little Mermaid* because she went through that change," she reflects.

"I was just drawn to so many things about [Ariel]."

Certainly, there have been big inroads made in trans representation in entertainment in recent years including Laverne Cox's star-making turn in *Orange is the New Black*, the compelling drama *Pose*, which followed the evolution of ball culture in New York and Hunter Schafer's poignant portrayal of the trans teen Jules in Foxtel's teen drama *Euphoria*.

Closer to home, trans advocate and actress Georgie Stone made history when she joined the cast of *Neighbours*.

"There is definitely still a way to go but having that trans representation on TV is so important because it's showing people that we are just normal people," she says.

"We deserve to be in TV series and not be just based around: 'Oh my god, she's the trans girl!' and all that.

"It needs to be shown that we're normal people because that's what we are. I don't go around my day, every day to everyone pointing it [her gender] out. Because at the end of the day, all my classmates, my friends, they know I am just me."

■ *First Day*, Thursday, March 31, 5pm, ABC ME; all episodes streaming from 7am AEDT, ABC iView

Movie Guide

PICK OF THE WEEK



Friday
FANTASTIC BEASTS AND
WHERE TO FIND THEM
Seven, 8.30pm, M (2016)

Those who despaired at the end of the Harry Potter series need not have worried – there's plenty of life left in JK Rowling's universe of witchcraft and wizardry. This spin-off is a prequel of sorts and the first in a series of five. Set 70 years before Harry discovered the truth about his parents, it moves the action to America – New York City, to be exact – and stars Oscar-winner Eddie Redmayne as Newt Scamander, author of a book about magical creatures, who finds himself caught up in a conflict between the wizarding community and the No-Majs (American for Muggles). ★★★★★



ANOTHER YEAR
ABC TV Plus, Friday, 8.30pm, M (2010)

Shot against the backdrop of the four seasons, this comedy-drama stars Gerri and Tom (Ruth Sheen and Jim Broadbent, both pictured) as a happily married London couple approaching their twilight years. Over the course of a year we are introduced to their circle of family and friends, all of who seem to be afflicted by some kind of unhappiness. These are people you could know, and herein lies the charm of this film – the beauty is in its relatable and interesting characters. ★★★★★



GLADIATOR
Nine, Saturday, 8.30pm, M (2000)

Director Ridley Scott (*House of Gucci*) revitalises the sword and sandal epic, employing at-the-time-cutting-edge computer-generated images to recreate ancient Rome. Russell Crowe (pictured) is Maximus, the Roman general who is demoted to slave when he falls out of favour with Commodus (Joaquin Phoenix). Maximus finds himself as part of the gladiator circus and takes the opportunity to avenge personal loss by climbing the ranks to become the Colosseum's star attraction. ★★★★★



THE GREATEST SHOWMAN
7Flix, Saturday, 8.50pm, PG (2017)

There is no end of colour and spectacle in this musical romp through 1850s America and the rise of the self-proclaimed inventor of showbusiness, P.T. Barnum (Hugh Jackman, pictured). Michael Gracey's directorial debut boasts a stellar cast with Jackman, Zac Efron, Michelle Williams and Zendaya all proving their singing, acting and dancing talents. This is a film full of heart that celebrates self-acceptance, fearless abandon and choosing the life you want to lead. ★★★★★



BLUE JASMINE
SBS World Movies, Sunday, 8.30pm, M (2013)

Prolific filmmaker Woody Allen may have delivered one of his finest works to date with *Blue Jasmine*, a showcase for the amazing talents of Cate Blanchett (pictured). Cutting between her past and present life, we are presented with unhinged 40-something Jasmine (Blanchett), a former New York socialite, who after falling on hard times after the breakdown of her marriage to Hal (Alec Baldwin), goes to San Francisco to stay with her free-spirited sister Ginger (Sally Hawkins). ★★★★★



ROBOCOP
9Go!, Monday, 8.30pm, M (2014)

Sticking to the original plot of the 1987 sci-fi classic, this remake sees Joel Kinnaman (pictured) as policeman Alex Murphy, who is transformed into RoboCop after an accident. Aussie Abbie Cornish's main job is to lay on the tears as his wife Clara, who agrees to the risky procedure, putting Alex's life into the hands of businessman Raymond Sellars (Michael Keaton) and scientist Dr Norton (Gary Oldman). Frustratingly, the biting political satire and humorous bent of the original are absent. ★★★



GHOST IN THE SHELL
9Go!, Tuesday, 8.30pm, M (2017)

Inspired by the hugely popular manga series of the same name, *Ghost in the Shell* had a string of critics calling out everything from plot holes to casting choices. But putting all the politics aside for the moment, the story centres on Major (Scarlett Johansson, pictured), a police officer in the not-too-distant future who battles cyborg criminals. But this street-wise warrior has a past that seems erased from her memory. It's a fast-paced actioner guaranteed to get the pulse racing. ★★★

The Guide

PICK OF THE WEEK

THE DOG HOUSE AUSTRALIA 10, Tuesday, 7.30pm

Real-life stories of hardship and tragedy intersect with an assortment of furry, slobbering, cute canine friends in this week's heartwarming episode. Dr Chris Brown (*Bondi Vet*) may not be on screen to show off his megawatt smile, but his familiar voice guides us through the emotional roller-coaster of finding the perfect companion to adopt from a shelter. One-eyed Maltese Harlie (pictured) has not had a whole lot of love in her short life, but could Karin, who recently suffered a terrible accident, be the charming canine's perfect match? Along with two other inspiring dog adoption stories, this stirring series proves that love really does come in all shapes and sizes, with various assortments of hair.



FATHER BROWN ABC TV, Saturday, 7.30pm

Step back into the 1950s and revisit the picturesque and charming town of Kembleford, the fictional village set in the Cotswolds. *Father Brown* returns for its ninth season, with the guarantee of murder and intrigue brimming in the idyllic farming locale. In "The Menace of Mephistopheles", the titular hatted clergyman (Mark Williams, pictured) faces a confounding mystery when Sergeant Goodfellow (John Burton) turns to him for help after he witnesses Inspector Mallory (Jack Deam) frame an innocent man.



GRAND DESIGNS NEW ZEALAND ABC TV, Sunday, 7.40pm

They say a man's home is his castle, but what one person considers to be attractive and inviting, the other may find dull or intimidating. With Sumita and Cameron Dale (both pictured), it's fair to say their dream home doesn't really lend itself to any of these adjectives. The married ex-police officers shun convention by buying a plot of land to build their "lighthouse" dwelling. Their strict budget and unusual home design results in a building unlike any seen on this series. Tune in to read into presenter Chris Moller's reaction.



THE AMAZING RACE Seven, Monday, 8.40pm

Where there's a will, there's a way for a big-budget extravaganza such as *The Amazing Race*. Teams kicked off this 33rd season of the competition in February 2020, then resumed filming more than a year later in September 2021. Now, it's the final leg, with three teams left: flight attendants Raquel and Cayla (both pictured), internet personalities Kim and Penn, and best friends Ryan and Dusty. Filmed using a private jet to avoid COVID complications, the \$1 million cash prize seems like a drop in the ocean in comparison.



Friday, March 25

ABC TV (2) 6.00 News Breakfast. 9.00 ABC News Mornings. 10.00 Q+A. (R) 11.10 George Clarke's Amazing Spaces. (Final, R) 12.00 ABC News At Noon. 1.00 The Pool. (PG, R) 1.55 <i>Les Misérables</i> . (Mv, R) 3.00 ABC News Afternoons. 4.00 <i>Escape From The City</i> . (R) 4.55 Kurt Fearnley's One Plus One. (a, R) 5.30 Hard Quiz. (PG, R)	SBS (3) 6.00 WorldWatch. 11.00 Spanish News. 11.30 Turkish News. 12.00 Arabic News F24. 12.30 ABC America: World News Tonight. 1.00 PBS NewsHour. (R) 2.00 North America With Simon Reeve. (PGadvw, R) 3.00 NITV News: Nula. 3.30 Destination Flavour China Bitesize. (R) 3.35 The Cook Up With Adam Liaw. (PG) 4.05 Portillo's Greatest Railway Journeys. (PG, R) 5.05 Jeopardy! (PG) 5.30 Letters And Numbers. (R)	SEVEN (7) 6.00 Sunrise. 9.00 The Morning Show. (PG) 11.30 Seven Morning News. 12.00 MOVIE : High School Lover. (2017, Madv, R) Paulina Singer. 2.00 House Of Wellness. (PG) 3.00 The Chase. (R) 4.00 Seven News At 4. 5.00 The Chase Australia. Hosted by Larry Emdur.	NINE (8, 9) 6.00 Today. 9.00 Today Extra. (PG) 11.30 Morning News. 12.00 MOVIE : Sinister Savior. (2020, Mav) 1.45 Garden Gurus Moments. (R) 2.00 Pointless. (PG) 3.00 Tipping Point. (PG) 4.00 Afternoon News. 4.30 Millionaire Hot Seat. (R) 5.30 WIN News.	TEN (5, 1) 6.00 The Talk. (PGa) 7.00 Judge Judy. (PG, R) 7.30 The Bold And The Beautiful. (PG, R) 8.00 Studio 10. (PG) 12.00 Dr Phil. (PGadl) 2.00 Entertainment Tonight. 2.30 Everyday Gourmet With Justine Schofield. (R) 3.00 Judge Judy. (PG, R) 3.30 Left Off The Map. 4.00 Good Chef Bad Chef. 4.30 The Bold And The Beautiful. (PGa) 5.00 10 News First.
6.00 The Drum. 7.00 ABC News. 7.30 Gardening Australia. Josh Byrne unpacks native plant myths. 8.30 Miniseries: The Teacher. (Mals) Part 3 of 4. After receiving a suspended sentence, Jenna stops drinking and starts to reassess her life. 9.20 Grantchester. (Ma, R) A professor dies at a computer laboratory. 10.05 Mum. (Final, MI, R) 10.35 ABC Late News. 10.55 Shaun Micallef's MAD AS HELL. (M, R) 11.25 Starstruck. (Final, MI, R) 11.45 QI. (Final, Ms, R) 12.15 Rage. (MA15+adhlmsv)	6.00 Mastermind Australia. (PG) 6.30 SBS World News. 7.35 Robson Green's Icelandic Adventure. (M) 8.30 Queen Victoria: Love, Lust And Leadership. (M) Part 3 of 3. 9.25 The Pyramids: Solving The Mystery: The Last Secrets Of Giza. (R) 10.20 SBS World News Late. 10.55 8 Out Of 10 Cats Does Countdown. (Mals, R) 12.45 Agatha Christie's Criminal Games. (Mav, R) 2.30 Destination Flavour Down Under Bitesize. (R) 2.45 Soccer. 2022 FIFA World Cup CAF Qualifier. Cameroon v Algeria. 5.15 Soccer. 2022 FIFA World Cup CAF Qualifier. Egypt v Senegal.	6.00 Seven Local News. 6.30 Seven News. 7.00 Better Homes And Gardens. Dr. Harry helps out a labrador. 8.30 MOVIE : Fantastic Beasts And Where To Find Them. (2016, Mhv, R) During the '20s, a British wizard finds himself in trouble with the law in New York City. Eddie Redmayne, Katherine Waterston, Colin Farrell. 11.15 To Be Advised. 12.15 MOVIE : Beast. (2015, Malv, R) Chad McKinney. 2.30 Home Shopping. (R) 4.00 Million Dollar Minute. (R) 5.00 NBC Today.	6.00 Nine News. 7.00 Rugby League. NRL. Round 3. South Sydney Rabbitohs v Sydney Roosters. 9.00 Golden Point. A wrap-up of the South Sydney Rabbitohs versus Sydney Roosters match, with news and analysis. 9.45 MOVIE : The Foreigner. (2017, MA15+lv, R) A businessman seeks justice. Jackie Chan, Katie Leung. 11.50 The Man With The World's Biggest Testicles. (MA15+amn, R) 12.50 My Way. (PG, R) 1.20 Explore. (R) 1.30 TV Shop: Home Shopping. (R) 4.00 Take Two. (R) 4.30 Global Shop. (R) 5.00 TV Shop: Home Shopping. (R) 5.30 A Current Affair. (R)	6.30 The Project. A look at the day's news. 7.30 The Graham Norton Show. (Mals, R) Graham Norton chats with Miriam Margolyes, Paul Rudd, Ron Howard, Halle Berry and Stephen Fry. 9.30 The Dog House Australia. (R) Charlotte is looking for a dog to give her best friend, Zeke the pug, some love. Narrated by Dr Chris Brown. 10.30 To Be Advised. 11.40 The Project. (R) A look at the day's news. 12.40 The Late Show With Stephen Colbert. (PG) Hosted by Stephen Colbert. 1.30 Home Shopping. (R) 4.30 Infomercials. (PG, R)
ABC TV PLUS (22) 6am Children's Programs. 5.10pm Fireman Sam. 5.20 PJ Masks. 5.50 Peppa Pig. 5.55 School Of Roars. 6.05 Octonauts. 6.20 Bluey. 6.25 Shaun The Sheep. 6.40 Andy's Safari Adventures. 7.00 Dino Dana. 7.10 Andy And The Band. 7.30 Spicks And Specks. 8.00 Hard Quiz. 8.30 MOVIE : Another Year. (2010, M) 10.35 MOVIE : Like Minds. (2006, M) 12.25am QI. 12.55 Community. 1.20 Parks And Recreation. 1.45 Grand Designs. 2.30 ABC News Update. 2.35 Close. 5.05 Little Princess. 5.15 Hoot Hoot Go! 5.20 Pingu In The City. 5.30 Wallykazam! 5.55 Late Programs.	SBS VICELAND (31) 6am WorldWatch. Noon Huang's World. 1.40 Flophouse. 2.30 My Homie Sells Homies. 3.00 Jungletown. 3.50 WorldWatch. 5.15 Joy Of Painting. 5.45 Shortland St. 6.15 Forged In Fire. 7.05 Jeopardy! 7.35 8 Out Of 10 Cats Does Countdown. 8.30 Hoarders. 9.20 Atlanta. (Return) 10.20 Day Of The Dead. 11.10 Instinctive Desires. Midnight VICE News Tonight. 12.55 Inside Sex Work In New Zealand. 1.15 Cycling. UCI World Tour. Volta a Catalunya. Stage 5. 3.15 Thai News. 3.30 Bangla News. 4.00 Punjabi News. 4.30 Sri Lankan Sinhalese News. 5.00 Korean News. 5.30 Indonesian News.	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 Caravan & Camping WA. 2.30 Sons And Daughters. 4.30 To Be Advised. 5.30 Escape To The Country. 6.30 Bargain Hunt. 7.30 Railroad Australia. 8.30 Selling Houses Australia. 11.45 Greatest Outdoors. 12.45am The Fine Art Auction. 4.00 Better Homes And Gardens. 5.30 Home Shopping.	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 Days Of Our Lives. 12.55 The Young And The Restless. 1.50 The Bill. 2.55 Antiques Roadshow. 3.25 MOVIE : Mr Forbush And The Penguins. (1971, PG) 5.30 Murder, She Wrote. 6.30 Rugby League. NRL. Round 3. South Sydney Rabbitohs v Sydney Roosters. 7.00 Antiques Roadshow. 7.30 Escape To The Chateau. 8.35 MOVIE : Inferno. (2016, M) 11.00 House. Midnight Antiques Roadshow. 12.30 My Favorite Martian. 1.00 TV Shop: Home Shopping.	10 PEACH (52, 11) 6am The Late Show With Stephen Colbert. 7.00 NBL Slam. 7.30 Seinfeld. 9.00 Becker. 10.00 The Middle. 11.00 Frasier. Noon To Be Advised. 1.00 Mom. 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 Mom. 11.00 Nancy Drew. Midnight Home Shopping. 12.30 Infomercials. 1.00 Home Shopping. 1.30 The Late Show With Stephen Colbert. 2.30 The Late Late Show With James Corden. 3.30 Becker. 4.30 Home Shopping. 5.30 Infomercials.
NITV (34) 6am Morning Programs. 9.10 Bushwhacked! 9.35 The Magic Canoe. 10.00 Arctic Secrets. 10.50 Going Places. 11.50 Bamay. 12.15pm MOVIE : Narrow Margin. (1990) 2.00 Shortland St. 2.30 Chefs' Line. 3.00 Bushwhacked! 3.25 The Magic Canoe. 3.50 Wolf Joe. 4.00 Aussie Bush Tales. 4.10 Grace Beside Me. 4.35 Molly Of Denali. 5.00 Our Stories. 5.30 NITV News: Nula. 6.00 Bamay. 6.35 News. 6.40 Extreme Africa. 7.30 MOVIE : The Silver Brumby. (1993, PG) 9.30 First Nations Bedtime Stories. 9.40 Through The Wormhole With Morgan Freeman. 10.30 NITV On The Road: Barunga Festival. 11.30 Late Programs.	SBS WORLD MOVIES (32) 6am Princess Caraboo. Continued. (1994, PG) 6.50 Bugsy Malone. (1976, PG) 8.30 Finding Graceland. (1998, PG) 10.20 Monk Comes Down The Mountain. (2015, M, Cantonese) 12.25pm Django. (2017, M, French) 2.35 The Fifth Element. (1997, PG) 4.55 The White Balloon. (1995, Farsi) 6.30 The Emperor's Club. (2002, PG) 8.30 Monster. (2003, MA15+) 10.30 What We Do In The Shadows. (2014, M) 12.05am The Host. (2006, M, Korean) 2.15 Le Brio. (2017, MA15+, French) 4.00 Do Not Hesitate. (2021, M, Dutch) 5.45 The White Balloon. (1995, Farsi)	7MATE (74) 6am The Fishing Show. 7.00 Step Outside With Paul Burt. 7.30 Creek To Coast. 8.00 American Pickers. 9.00 Storage Wars: Texas. 9.30 Pawn Stars. 10.00 A Football Life. 11.00 America's Game: The Super Bowl Champions. Noon Biker Battleground Phoenix. 1.00 Picked Off. 2.00 Hellfire Heroes. 3.00 Billion Dollar Wreck. 4.00 Timbersports. 4.30 Barter Kings. 5.00 Pawn Stars UK. 5.30 Storage Wars: Texas. 6.00 Friday Night Countdown. 6.30 Football. AFL. Round 2. Sydney v Geelong. 9.30 AFL Post-Game Show. 10.00 Armchair Experts. 10.30 MOVIE : Blood Diamond. (2006, MA15+) 1.30am Late Programs.	9GO! (82, 93) 6am Children's Programs. Noon Xena. 2.00 Hercules. 3.00 The Nanny. 3.30 3rd Rock From The Sun. 4.00 That '70s Show. 4.30 Everybody Loves Raymond. 5.30 The Nanny. 6.00 MOVIE : Dr Seuss' The Lorax. (2012) 7.45 MOVIE : The Italian Job. (2003, M) 10.00 MOVIE : Horrible Bosses 2. (2014, MA15+) 12.10am Young, Dumb And Banged Up In The Sun. 1.10 Keeping Up With The Kardashians. 2.10 Vanderpump Rules. 3.00 Bakugan: Battle Planet. 3.30 Ninjago: Masters Of Spinjitzu. 4.00 TV Shop: Home Shopping. 5.00 Pokemon Master Journeys: The Series. 5.30 Mega Man: Fully Charged.	10 BOLD (53, 12) 6am Home Shopping. 8.00 Escape Fishing With ET. 8.30 Bondi Rescue. 9.00 Star Trek: The Next Generation. 10.00 Diagnosis Murder. 11.00 JAG. Noon NCIS. 1.00 Walker, Texas Ranger. 3.00 Diagnosis Murder. 4.00 JAG. 5.00 Star Trek: The Next Generation. 6.00 Bondi Rescue. 7.30 NCIS. 8.30 Law & Order: SVU. 10.30 CSI: Crime Scene Investigation. 12.30am Home Shopping. 1.00 Infomercials. 1.30 Home Shopping. 2.00 Motor Racing. Formula 1. Round 1. Bahrain Grand Prix. Replay. 3.00 JAG. 4.00 Walker, Texas Ranger. 5.00 Diagnosis Murder.

CONSUMER ADVICE (P) Pre-school (C) Children (PG) Parental Guidance Recommended (M) Mature Audiences (MA15+) Mature Audiences Only (AV15+) Extreme Adult Violence (R) Repeat (a) Adult themes (d) Drug references (h) Horror (s) Sex references (l) Language (m) Medical procedures (n) Nudity (v) Violence.

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ABC TV (2) 6.00 Rage. (PG) 7.00 Weekend Breakfast. 9.00 Rage. (PG) 12.00 ABC News At Noon. 12.30 Midsomer Murders. (Mv, R) 2.00 Grantchester. (Ma, R) 2.45 Father Brown. (PGv, R) 3.30 Landline. (R) Hosted by Pip Courtney. 4.00 Basketball. WNBL. Finals Series. 6.10 Grand Designs. (PG, R) Hosted by Kevin McCloud. 7.00 ABC News. Takes a look at today's top stories. 7.30 Father Brown. (Return, Ma) Sergeant Goodfellow turns to Father Brown after he witnesses Inspector Mallory frame an innocent man. 8.20 Unforgotten. (Malv) Sunny and Cassie discover that a graduating class of police officers could all be connected to the case, and some are still serving in the force. 9.05 Troppo. (Malv, R) Ted and Amanda's investigation heads down a dark path when more of Jong Min's remains are recovered. 10.05 Call The Midwife. (PG, R) Sister Frances cares for a cancer patient. 11.05 Les Misérables. (Final, Mav, R) Javert confronts Valjean. 12.20 Rage. (MA15+adhlnsv)	SBS (3) 6.00 Soccer. FIFA 2022 World Cup African Qualifiers. Egypt v Senegal. Continued. 7.30 WorldWatch. 12.30 ABC America: World News Tonight. 1.00 PBS NewsHour. (R) 2.00 Small Business Secrets. (PG, R) 2.30 Gymnastics. 2022 FIG Individual Apparatus World Cup. Highlights. 4.30 Be My Brother. (R) 4.40 The Students, The Traitor And The Nazis. (PGav, R) 5.40 Secret Nazi Bases. (PG, R) 6.30 SBS World News. 7.30 Celebrity Letters And Numbers. (M) Hosted by Michael Hing. 8.30 Exploring Northern Ireland. (PG) Part 4 of 4. Siobhán McSweeney explores Northern Ireland causeway coast on her electric bike. 9.30 World's Greatest Bridges: Brooklyn Bridge. (R) Engineer Rob Bell recounts the story of the construction of New York's Brooklyn Bridge. 10.25 Anne Boleyn: Arrest, Trial, Execution. (R) Part 1 of 3. 11.20 MOVIE: Inside Llewyn Davis. (2013, Mal, R) Oscar Isaac. 1.15 MOVIE: Apocalypto. (2006, MA15+v, R, Maya) 3.45 Perspective Shift. (PGa, R) 5.00 France 24 Feature. 5.15 NHK World English News. 5.30 Deutsche Welle English News.	SEVEN (7) 6.00 NBC Today. 7.00 Weekend Sunrise. 10.00 The Morning Show: Weekend. (PG) 12.00 Horse Racing. Tancred Stakes and Mornington Cup. 4.30 Border Security: Australia's Front Line. (PG, R) 5.00 Seven News At 5. 5.30 Creek To Coast. 6.00 Seven News. 7.00 Football. AFL. Round 2. Gold Coast Suns v Melbourne. From Metricon Stadium, Queensland. 10.00 To Be Advised. 12.20 Motor Racing. Supercars Championship. Round 2. Tasmania SuperSprint. Day 1. Highlights. From Symmons Plains Raceway, Tasmania. 1.20 Harry's Practice. (R) Dr Harry Cooper and Dr Katrina Warren present information about animals and pet care. 2.00 To Be Advised. 2.30 Home Shopping. (R) 4.00 Get Clever. (R) Educational kids' program in which the wonders of maths and science are explored. 5.00 House Of Wellness. (PG, R) Presenters Ed Phillips and Zoe Marshall take a look at locations that highlight living well.	NINE (8, 9) 6.00 Easy Eats. (R) 7.00 Weekend Today. 10.00 Today Extra: Saturday. (PG) 12.00 Destination WA. (PG) 12.30 Drive TV. (PG) 1.00 My Way. (PG, R) 1.30 Outback & Under. (Premiere) 2.00 MOVIE: Pontiac Moon. (1994, PGI, R) Ted Danson. 4.00 The Garden Gurus. 4.30 Getaway. (PG) 5.00 News: First At Five. 5.30 Frozen The Musical: Bringing Broadway To Brisbane. 6.00 Nine News Saturday. 7.00 A Current Affair. 7.30 Space Invaders. (PG) Experts help people declutter their lives. 8.30 MOVIE: Gladiator. (2000, Mav, R) After a successful Roman general is betrayed and his family is murdered by the emperor's heir, he seeks revenge. Having been forced to become a gladiator, he uses his new position in the arena to torment his nemesis. Russell Crowe, Joaquin Phoenix, Connie Nielsen. 11.30 MOVIE: The Social Network. (2010, MI, R) Jesse Eisenberg. 1.50 Talking Honey: Relationship Specials. (PG) 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, R)	TEN (5, 1) 6am Morning Programs. 7.30 What's Up Down Under. (R) 8.00 Left Off The Map. (R) 8.30 Pooches At Play. (R) 9.00 Freshly Picked. (R) 9.30 St10. (PG) 12.00 4x4 Adventures. (R) 1.00 The Offroad Adventure Show. 2.00 All 4 Adventure. (PG, R) 3.00 What's Up Down Under. 3.30 Waltzing Jimeoin. (PGI, R) 4.00 Farm To Fork. (PG, R) 4.30 Taste Of Australia. (R) 5.00 News. 6.00 Soccer. A-League Men. Round 20. Macarthur FC v Melbourne City. From Campbelltown Stadium, Sydney. 9.00 Ambulance Australia. (Mal, R) In Brisbane, a bystander calls in a crash in the heart of Brisbane's CBD involving a motorcyclist and taxi. Paramedics arrive to find the victim face down on the road and not moving. 10.00 Ambulance. (Mal, R) Takes a look at the London Ambulance Service as it deals with all manner of crises. Amid stabbings, overdoses, accidents and heart attacks, dispatcher Mandy reflects on losing her son. 11.00 FBI: Most Wanted. (Madv, R) The team pursues an abusive man on the warpath to find his ex-girlfriend, who is trying to flee him for good. 12.00 Home Shopping. (R) 3.30 Infomercials. (PG, R) 5.00 Hour Of Power. Religious program.
ABC TV PLUS (22) 6am Children's Programs. 7.10pm Andy And The Band. 7.30 Spicks And Specks. 8.00 QI. 8.30 Live At The Apollo. 9.15 Sammy J. 9.20 Whose Line Is It Anyway? 10.05 Penn & Teller: Fool Us. 10.50 Gavin & Stacey. 11.20 Schitt's Creek. 11.45 Archer. 12.05am Year Of The Rabbit. 12.30 The Young Offenders. 1.05 The Planets. (Final) 2.05 ABC News Update. 2.10 Close. 5.05 Little Princess. 5.15 Late Programs.	SBS VICELAND (31) 6am WorldWatch. 9.00 SBS Courtside. 9.30 Basketball. NBA. Atlanta Hawks v Golden State Warriors. Noon WorldWatch. 1.00 Lee Lin Chin's Fashionista. 1.10 Hunting Hitler. 2.50 Over The Black Dot. 3.20 Yokayi Footy. 4.15 WorldWatch. 5.45 Insight. 6.45 Extreme Food Phobics. 7.35 Impossible Engineering. 8.30 Secrets Of America's Shadow Government. 9.20 Black Market. 10.15 Late Programs.	7TWO (72) 6am Shopping. 8.30 Travel Oz. 10.00 Australia's Best Backyards. 10.30 One Road: Great Australian Road Trips. 11.00 Horse Racing. Tancred Stakes and Mornington Cup. Noon Weekender. 12.30 Weekender. 1.00 House Of Wellness. 2.00 To Be Advised. 4.00 Creek To Coast. 4.30 Queen Of The World. 5.30 Ed And Karen's Recipes For Success. 6.30 The Yorkshire Vet. 8.30 Escape To The Country. 11.30 Late Programs.	9GEM (81, 92) 6am Morning Programs. 7.30 TV Shop. 8.00 Beyond Today. 8.30 TV Shop. 10.00 MOVIE: Mandy. (1952, PG) Noon MOVIE: Hue And Cry. (1947) 1.40 MOVIE: The Green Man. (1956) 3.20 MOVIE: It's A Mad, Mad, Mad, Mad World. (1963, PG) 6.30 Rugby Union. Super Rugby Pacific. Round 6. Queensland Reds v NSW Waratahs. 8.45 Super Rugby Pacific Post-Match. 9.00 MOVIE: The Gauntlet. (1977, MA15+) 11.15 Late Programs.	10 PEACH (52, 11) 6am The Late Show With Stephen Colbert. 7.00 The King Of Queens. 8.00 Frasier. 9.00 Becker. 10.00 The Middle. 11.00 The King Of Queens. Noon Australian Survivor. 3.00 Friends. 6.00 The Big Bang Theory. 10.15 Friends. 12.15am Home Shopping. 1.15 Infomercials. 1.45 Mom. 2.35 Naked Beach. 3.30 Nancy Drew. 4.30 Home Shopping.
NITV (34) 6am Morning Programs. 1.30pm Yokayi Footy. 2.25 Rugby Union. Ella 7s. 2.50 Sportswoman 2021. 3.20 Over The Black Dot. 3.50 Rugby League. Koori Knockout. Men's. Final. La Perouse Panthers v Newcastle All Blacks. Replay. 5.50 VICE Sports. 6.20 First People's Kitchen. 6.50 News. 7.00 The South Sydney Story. 7.30 Milford Graves Full Mantis. 9.15 MOVIE: Dark Age. (1987, MA15+) 10.55 Late Programs.	SBS WORLD MOVIES (32) 6am The White Balloon. Continued. (1995, Farsi) 7.20 The Emperor's Club. (2002, PG) 9.20 A Monster In Paris. (2011, French) 11.00 Bugsy Malone. (1976, PG) 12.45pm Orchestra Class. (2017, M, French) 2.35 Finding Graceland. (1998, PG) 4.25 Kim Ji-Young, Born 1982. (2019, PG, Korean) 6.35 Hunt For The Wilderpeople. (2016, PG) 8.30 The Big Short. (2015, M) 10.55 Late Programs.	7MATE (74) 6am Morning Programs. 11.00 Harley-Davidson TV. 11.30 The Weekend Prospector. Noon Football. AFL Women's. Finals Week 2. 2.00 Blokesworld. 2.30 Rides Down Under: Workshop Wars. 3.30 Football. AFL. Round 2. Essendon v Brisbane Lions. 6.30 Pawn Stars. 7.00 MOVIE: Indiana Jones And The Kingdom Of The Crystal Skull. (2008, PG) 9.30 MOVIE: Robin Hood. (2018, M) 11.45 Late Programs.	9GO! (82, 93) 6am Children's Programs. 1.30pm A1: Highway Patrol. 2.30 Motor Racing. FIA World Endurance C'ship. 1000 Miles of Sebring. 3.30 Ultimate Rush. 4.00 Surfing Australia TV. 4.30 Road Trick. 5.30 Children's Programs. 5.45 MOVIE: Mr. Peabody & Sherman. (2014, PG) 7.30 MOVIE: Transformers. (2007, M) 10.20 MOVIE: Blade II. (2002, MA15+) 12.45am Road Trick. 1.15 Kardashians. 2.10 Late Programs.	10 BOLD (53, 12) 6am Shopping. 6.30 Infomercials. 9.00 The Doctors. 10.00 What's Up Down Under. 10.30 Bondi Rescue. 11.30 Star Trek: The Next Generation. 12.30pm JAG. 1.30 Diagnosis Murder. 2.30 Pat Callinan's 4x4 Adventures. 3.30 Hotels By Design. 4.00 Bondi Rescue. 4.30 iFish Summer Series. 5.00 Escape Fishing With ET. 5.30 Scorpion. 7.30 NCIS. 8.30 NCIS: New Orleans. 10.20 NCIS. 11.20 Late Programs.

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ABC TV (2) 6.00 Rage. (PG) 7.00 Weekend Breakfast. 9.00 Insiders. 10.00 Offsiders. 10.30 World This Week. (R) 11.00 Compass. (PG, R) 11.30 Praise. (R) 12.00 News. 12.30 Landline. 1.30 Gardening Aust. (R) 2.30 Australia's Ocean Odyssey. (R) 3.30 Short Cuts To Glory: Matt Okine Vs Food. (R) 4.00 Back In Time For Dinner. (PG, R) 5.00 Art Works. (PGns, R) 5.30 Antiques Roadshow. 6.30 Compass: Safdar Ahmed is Still Alive. (R) Geraldine Doogue speaks with Safdar Ahmed. 7.00 ABC News Sunday. (R) 7.40 Grand Designs New Zealand. Two ex-police officers want to build a lighthouse. 8.30 Troppo. (Malv) Amanda is shocked to discover the attack on Ted, and is determined to find the culprit. 9.25 Killing Eve. (Mv) 10.05 Harrow. (Mav, R) A health and wellness vlogger is murdered. 11.00 Top Of The Lake: China Girl. (Malns, R) 12.00 Mum. (MI, R) 12.30 Harrow. (Malnv, R) 3.10 Rage. (MA15+adhlnsv) 5.00 Insiders. (R)	SBS (3) 6.00 WorldWatch. 7.00 Small Business Secrets. (PG) 7.30 WorldWatch. 11.30 Motor Racing. ProMX Championships. Round 1. 2.30 WorldWatch. 3.30 Athletics. World Athletics Indoor Championships. Day 3. Highlights. 4.30 The Rising: Serena Williams. 5.00 Small Business Secrets. (PG, R) 5.30 Destination Flavour China Bitesize. (R) 5.40 The Secret History Of World War II. (PGa, R) 6.30 SBS World News. 7.30 Stonehenge: The New Revelations. (PG, R) Follows a team of experts as they investigate a previously undetected monument near Stonehenge. 9.05 Easter Island: The Truth Revealed. (PG, R) Three archaeologists take a look at the history of the Easter Island statues. 10.45 Cycling. UCI World Tour. Gent-Wevelgem. Men's Race. 2.00 Cycling. UCI World Tour. Gent-Wevelgem. Women's Race. 3.15 Going Places With Ernie Dingo. (R) 4.45 Bamay. (R) 5.00 France 24 Feature. 5.15 NHK World English News. 5.30 Deutsche Welle English News.	SEVEN (7) 6.00 NBC Today. 7.00 Weekend Sunrise. 10.00 The Morning Show: Weekend. (PG) 12.00 House Of Wellness. (PG, R) 1.00 MOVIE: Police Academy 3: Back In Training. (1986, PGIs, R) Steve Guttenberg. 2.30 Motorbike Cops. (PG, R) 3.00 Highway Cops. (PGal, R) 3.30 Border Security: International. (PG, R) 4.00 Better Homes And Gardens. (R) 5.00 Seven News At 5. 5.30 Weekender. 6.00 Seven News. 7.00 Dancing With The Stars: All Stars. (PGI) 8.30 Crime Investigation Australia: On Borrowed Time – The Michael McGurk Assassination. (Malv) A look at the murder of Michael McGurk. 9.50 Born To Kill? Dennis Nilsen – The Kindly Killer. (MA15+av) 10.55 The Blacklist. (Return, Mav) 12.00 Motor Racing. Supercars C'ship. Round 2. Tasmania SuperSprint. Day 2. H'lights. From Symmons Plains Raceway, Launceston, Tasmania. 1.00 The Proposal. (Ms, R) 2.00 Home Shopping. (R) 3.30 Million Dollar Minute. (R) 4.00 NBC Today. 5.00 Seven Early News. 5.30 Sunrise.	NINE (8, 9) 6.00 Weekend Today. 9.00 Sports Sunday. (PG) 10.00 NRL Sunday Footy Show. (PG) 11.00 Rugby League. NRL Women's Premiership. Round 5. Titans v Knights. 12.50 Rugby League. NRL Women's Premiership. Round 5. Broncos v Eels. 2.30 Rugby League. NRL. Round 3. Brisbane Broncos v North Queensland Cowboys. 5.00 News: First At Five. 5.30 My Way. (PG, R) 6.00 Nine News Sunday. 7.00 Married At First Sight. (M) The social experiment continues. 8.40 60 Minutes. Current affairs program, investigating, analysing and uncovering the issues affecting all Australians. 9.40 Nine News Late. A look at the latest news and events. 10.10 Australian Crime Stories: Justice For Lucille. (Ma, R) A look at the case of Lucille Butterworth. 11.10 The First 48: The Ties That Bind. (MI) 12.00 Shallow Grave. (Mav, R) 12.50 The Garden Gurus. (R) 1.30 TV Shop: Home Shopping. (R) 4.00 Believer's Voice Of Victory. (PGa) 4.30 Take Two. (R) 5.00 News Early Edition. 5.30 Today.	TEN (5, 1) 6am Morning Programs. 7.30 Tomorrow's World. (PGa) 8.00 The Offroad Adventure Show. (R) 9.00 Luca's Key Ingredient. 9.30 St10. (PG) 12.00 Left Off The Map. (R) 12.30 GCBC. (R) 1.00 My Market Kitchen. (R) 1.20 Australian Survivor. (R) 2.30 The Dog House Australia. (R) 3.30 Waltzing Jimeoin. (PGIs, R) 4.00 Farm To Fork. (PG, R) 4.30 Taste Of Australia. 5.00 News. 6.30 The Sunday Project. Joins panellists for a look at the day's news, events and hot topics. 7.30 Australian Survivor. A group of 24 Australian castaways find themselves stranded in Far North Queensland. Presented by Jonathan LaPaglia. 9.00 FBI. (Mv) The team realises it has a cross-country serial killer on its hands, and the case has ties to Isobel's father and his hotel, which leads to revelations about their fractured relationship. 11.00 The Sunday Project. (R) Joins panellists for a look at the day's news, events and hot topics. 12.00 Home Shopping. (R) 2.30 Infomercials. (PG, R) 4.30 CBS Mornings. Morning news and talk show.
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NITV (34) 6am Morning Programs. 11.00 Football. CAFL. 12.30pm Motor Racing. W Series. Round 7. Highlights. 1.00 Soccer. Serie A Femminile. 2.45 Rugby Union. Monsoon Rugby Union. 4.15 Softball. SA Premier League. 5.45 Going Native. 6.15 News. 6.25 Natural Born Rebels. 7.30 Equator From The Air. 8.30 This Magic Moment. 10.20 Winning Time: Reggie Miller Vs The New York Knicks. 11.40 Late Programs.	SBS WORLD MOVIES (32) 6am Morning Programs. 7.10 Hunt For The Wilderpeople. (2016, PG) 9.05 The Illusionist. (2010, PG) 10.35 Unaccompanied Minors. (2006, PG) 12.15pm Gundala. (2019, M, Indonesian) 2.30 The Emperor's Club. (2002, PG) 4.30 White Lion. (2010, PG) 6.15 Maiko Haaaaan!!! (2007, PG, Japanese) 8.30 Blue Jasmine. (2013, M) 10.20 Special Forces. (2011, MA15+, French) 12.25am Late Programs.	7MATE (74) 6am Morning Programs. 8.00 Creek To Coast. 8.30 Shopping. 9.30 Fish Of The Day. 10.00 Fishing. International Series. 10.30 Hook Me Up! 11.30 Step Outside. Noon The Fishing Show By AFN. 1.00 Ultimate Fishing. 2.00 Football. AFL. Round 2. Richmond v GWS Giants. 5.00 Shipping Wars. 6.00 MOVIE: The Count Of Monte Cristo. (2002, PG) 8.45 MOVIE: Kingsman: The Golden Circle. (2017, MA15+) 11.40 Late Programs.	9GO! (82, 93) 6am Children's Programs. 1.30pm Speedseries. 3.30 Peaking. 4.00 The Break Boys. 5.00 Children's Programs. 5.10 MOVIE: Playing With Fire. (2019, PG) 7.00 MOVIE: Ghostbusters. (2016, PG) 9.25 MOVIE: Godzilla. (2014, M) 11.50 Allegiance. 12.45am Kardashians. 1.40 Vanderpump Rules. 2.30 The Break Boys. 3.00 Power Rangers Dino Fury. 3.30 Thunderbirds. 4.30 Teen Titans Go! 4.50 Late Programs.	10 BOLD (53, 12) 6am Infomercials. 7.00 Shopping. 7.30 Key Of David. 8.00 The Doctors. 9.00 Healthy Homes Aust. 9.30 Bondi Rescue. 10.00 iFish Summer. 10.30 Reel Action. 11.00 Escape Fishing. 11.30 4x4 Adventures. 12.30pm Scorpion. 1.30 Pooches At Play. 2.00 Soccer. A-League Women. Grand Final. 5.30 What's Up Down Under. 6.00 Bondi Rescue. 7.30 NCIS. 9.25 NCIS: Los Angeles. 11.15 Late Programs.

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6.00 The Drum. 7.00 ABC News. 7.30 7.30 . Presented by Leigh Sales. 8.00 Australian Story. Australians share their personal stories. 8.30 Four Corners. Investigative journalism program that leads national debate and confronts issues that matter. 9.20 Media Watch. (PG) Paul Barry takes a look at the latest issues affecting media consumers. 9.35 China Tonight. A look at current affairs from China. 10.05 ABC News Video Lab. (R) Examines events and issues. 10.40 ABC Late News. 10.55 The Business. (R) 11.10 Q+A. (R) 12.15 Harrow. (Madv, R) 2.00 Rage. (MA15+adhlnsv) 4.25 The Drum. (R) 5.25 7.30. (R)	6.00 Mastermind Australia. (PG) Presented by Marc Fennell. 6.30 SBS World News. 7.35 Scotland: Escape To The Wilderness. (PG) Part 3 of 4. 8.30 Secrets Of The Tower Of London. (PG) Merlina, the Tower's oldest raven and star attraction, goes missing during winter. 9.30 The Great House Revival. (PG, R) Hugh Wallace follows the restoration of an 1850s Regency-style mansion. 10.25 SBS World News Late. 10.55 Beneath The Surface. (Premiere, MadI) A woman is left devastated when her son falls overboard. 12.05 Tin Star. (MA15+v) 1.00 Unit One. (MA15+av, R) 4.10 VICE Guide To Film. (MA15+ans, R) 5.00 France 24 Feature. 5.15 NHK World English News. 5.30 Deutsche Welle English News.	6.00 Seven Local News. 6.30 Seven News. 7.00 Home And Away. (PGs) 7.30 SAS Australia. (Mal) Aussie celebrities tackle a series of physical and psychological tests from the SAS selection process. 8.40 The Amazing Race. (Final, PGI) After travelling to seven countries and 17 cities, one team will be crowned the winner. 9.40 The 94th Annual Academy Awards. (PG, R) A ceremony honouring achievements in filmmaking over the past year, from the Dolby Theatre in Los Angeles. 12.40 MOVIE: The Girl Next Door. (1998, Masv, R) A woman resorts to murder. Tracey Gold. 2.30 Home Shopping. (R) 4.00 NBC Today. 5.00 Seven Early News. 5.30 Sunrise.	6.00 Nine News. 7.00 A Current Affair. 7.30 Married At First Sight. (M) The social experiment continues. 9.00 La Brea. (Mv) With cold weather approaching, Eve, Levi and Ty return to the fort, despite their near-death experience there. 10.00 Nine News Late. A look at the latest news and events. 10.30 100% Footy. (M) Features the latest rugby league news. 11.30 Bluff City Law. (Mad, R) 12.15 Tipping Point. (PG, R) 1.10 Hello SA. (PG) 1.30 TV Shop: Home Shopping. (R) 2.30 Global Shop. (R) 3.00 TV Shop: Home Shopping. (R) 4.00 Believer's Voice Of Victory. (PGa) 4.30 A Current Affair. (R) 5.00 News Early Edition. 5.30 Today.	6.30 The Project. A look at the day's news. 7.30 Australian Survivor. A group of 24 Australian castaways find themselves stranded in Far North Queensland. 8.30 Would I Lie To You? Australia. (M) Two teams, consisting of celebrity guests, go head-to-head in a battle of wits that has them trying to fool the opposition. Hosted by Chrissie Swan, with team captains Chris Taylor and Frank Woodley. 9.40 FBI: Most Wanted. (Mdv) The team tries to track down a murderous member of the incel community. 11.30 The Project. (R) A look at the day's news. 12.30 The Late Show With Stephen Colbert. (PG) Hosted by Stephen Colbert. 1.30 Home Shopping. (R) 2.30 Infomercials. (PG, R) 3.00 Home Shopping. (R) 4.30 CBS Mornings.
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6.00 The Drum. 7.00 ABC News. 7.30 Budget 2022: The Treasurer's Speech. Josh Frydenberg delivers the Federal Budget. 8.00 Budget 2022: An ABC News Special. Coverage of the 2022 Federal Budget. 9.00 Budget 2022: Reaction And Analysis. Continuing analysis of the 2022 Federal Budget. 10.00 The Business. 10.30 Four Corners. (R) 11.15 Media Watch. (PG, R) 11.30 Parliament Question Time. 12.30 Harrow. (Madlsv, R) 3.10 Rage. (MA15+adhlnsv) 4.25 The Drum. (R) 5.25 7.30. (R)	6.00 Mastermind Australia. (PG) 6.30 SBS World News. 7.30 Great British Railway Journeys: Stoke Mandeville To Beaconsfield. (PG) Presented by Michael Portillo. 8.30 Insight. Explores why first love is so powerful, and how it impacts our future lives and relationships. 9.30 Dateline. A look at Moldova, whose residents believe they are in Putin's firing line. 10.00 The Feed. 10.30 SBS World News Late. 11.00 The Point. (R) 11.30 Shadow Lines. (Final, Malv) 12.20 Transplant. (Ma, R) 2.45 Soccer. 2022 FIFA World Cup CAF Qualifier. Senegal v Egypt. 5.15 Soccer. 2022 FIFA World Cup CAF Qualifier. Algeria v Cameroon.	6.00 Seven Local News. 6.30 Seven News. 7.00 Home And Away. (PGs) 7.30 SAS Australia. (Mal) Aussie celebrities tackle a series of physical and psychological tests from the SAS selection process. 10.00 The Rookie. (Mav) Nolan deals with an increasingly serious relationship and underhanded election techniques. 11.00 The Latest: Seven News. 11.30 Autopsy USA: David Bowie. (Mad, R) A look at the death of David Bowie. 12.30 The Day We Walked On The Moon. (PG, R) 1.30 Harry's Practice. (R) 2.00 Home Shopping. (R) 4.00 NBC Today. 5.00 Seven Early News. 5.30 Sunrise.	6.00 Nine News. 7.00 A Current Affair. 7.30 Married At First Sight. (M) The social experiment continues. 9.00 The Hundred With Andy Lee. (M) Andy Lee is joined by a panel of comedians and 100 Aussies to explore the fun behind the facts. 10.00 Nine News Late. A look at the latest news and events. 10.30 True Story With Hamish & Andy: Sam. (M, R) 11.00 Mr Mayor. (PG) 11.25 Killed By My Stalker. (Malv, R) 12.00 Tipping Point. (PG, R) 1.05 Delish. 1.30 TV Shop: Home Shopping. (R) 4.00 Believer's Voice Of Victory. (PGa) 4.30 A Current Affair. (R) 5.00 News Early Edition. 5.30 Today.	6.30 The Project. A look at the day's news. 7.30 The Dog House Australia. Narrated by Dr Chris Brown. 8.30 NCIS. (Mv) Follows special agents who are part of the Naval Criminal Investigative Service in Washington, D.C. 9.30 NCIS: Hawai'i. (Mv) Torres and Knight travel to Hawai'i when they learn a key witness in an old cases has turned up with evidence. 10.30 NCIS. (Mv, R) 11.30 The Project. (R) 12.30 The Late Show With Stephen Colbert. (PG) 1.30 Home Shopping. (R) 2.30 Infomercials. (PG, R) 3.30 Soccer. 2022 FIFA World Cup AFC Qualifier. Australia v Saudi Arabia. From King Abdullah Sports City Stadium, Saudi Arabia.
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<p>6.00 The Drum. 7.00 ABC News. 7.30 7.30. 8.00 Hard Quiz. (PG) Presented by Tom Gleeson. 8.30 Shaun Micallef's MAD AS HELL. (M) Hosted by Shaun Micallef. 9.00 Tomorrow Tonight. (Return, Md) Hosted by Annabel Crabb. 9.30 Melbourne Comedy Festival: The Gala. (Mls) From the Palais Theatre, Melbourne. 10.30 Adam Hills: The Last Leg. (PG, R) 11.15 ABC Late News. 11.30 The Business. (R) 11.50 Killing Eve. (Mv, R) 12.30 Parliament Question Time. 1.30 Adam Hills: The Last Leg. (PG, R) 2.10 Harrow. (Malnv, R) 3.05 Rage. (MA15+adhlnsv) 4.25 The Drum. (R) 5.25 7.30. (R)</p>	<p>6.00 Mastermind Australia. (PG) 6.30 SBS World News. 7.35 Tony Robinson: Britain's Greatest River. (PGasw) Part 1 of 4. 8.30 Life On The Outside. (MA15+) Part 3 of 3. The three formerly-incarcerated people - Jeremy, Sierra and Dane - approach the end of their 100-day homestay. 9.35 The Responder. (MA15+) Chris plans to hand the drugs in. 10.35 SBS World News Late. 11.05 In Therapy. (Final, Mal) 11.35 The Handmaid's Tale. (Malv, R) 12.25 The Good Fight. (Mal, R) 1.25 Before We Die. (Mlsv, R) 3.45 Motherboard. (PGal, R) 4.45 Destination Flavour Down Under Bitesize. (R) 4.55 Destination Flavour: Singapore Bitesize. (R) 5.00 France 24 Feature. 5.15 NHK World English News. 5.30 Deutsche Welle English News.</p>	<p>6.00 Seven Local News. 6.30 Seven News. 7.00 Home And Away. (PGs) 7.30 Police Strike Force. (Mad) Takes a look inside police investigations. 8.30 The Front Bar. (M) Hosts Mick Molloy, Sam Pang and Andy Maher take a lighter look at the world of sport. 9.30 The Latest: Seven News. 10.00 Unbelievable Moments Caught On Camera. (PGa, R) A climber's fall is captured on bodycam. 11.00 Autopsy USA: Gregg Allman. (MA15+ad) Takes a look at how Gregg Allman's liver transplant became cancerous. 12.00 Splitting Up Together. (PGdls, R) 1.30 Harry's Practice. (R) 2.00 Home Shopping. (R) 4.00 NBC Today. 5.00 Seven Early News. 5.30 Sunrise.</p>	<p>6.00 Nine News. 7.00 A Current Affair. 7.30 To Be Advised. 10.00 Nine News Late. Takes a look at the latest news and events from Australia and around the world. 10.30 Forensics: The Real CSI: Standard Evidence. (MI) Police use forensic evidence to identify an attacker. 11.40 Grand Hotel. (Mls, R) Danny tries to keep his relationship a secret. 12.30 Tipping Point. (PG, R) Hosted by Ben Shephard. 1.30 TV Shop: Home Shopping. (R) 2.30 Global Shop. (R) Home shopping. 3.00 TV Shop: Home Shopping. (R) 4.00 Believer's Voice Of Victory. (PGa) 4.30 A Current Affair. (R) 5.00 News Early Edition. 5.30 Today.</p>	<p>6.30 The Project. Join the hosts for a look at the day's news, events and hot topics. 7.30 Ambulance Australia. (Final, Mal) A call comes in for a woman who has fallen off her balcony while trying to retrieve her friend's cat. 9.30 Bull. (PGa, R) After an expert on anthrax is accused of orchestrating a series of biological attacks, Bull sets out to prove the city was in such a rush to calm the public's hysteria, they arrested the wrong person. 10.30 This Is Us. (PGa) Beth prepares her dancers. 11.30 The Project. (R) A look at the day's news. 12.30 The Late Show With Stephen Colbert. (PG) Hosted by Stephen Colbert. 1.30 Home Shopping. (R) 3.30 Infomercials. (PG, R) 4.30 CBS Mornings.</p>
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<p>6.00 The Drum. 6.55 Sammy J. (PG) 7.00 ABC News. 7.30 Budget 2022: Opposition Reply. 8.00 7.30. Presented by Leigh Sales. 8.30 Q+A. Public affairs program. 9.35 Rosie Batty's One Plus One: Hannah Gadsby. Comedian Hannah Gadsby talks to Rosie Batty. 10.05 Scottish Vets Down Under. (PG, R) 10.35 ABC Late News. 10.50 The Business. (R) 11.05 Manolo: The Boy Who Made Shoes For Lizards. (Mls, R) 12.35 Call The Midwife. (PG, R) 1.35 Top Of The Lake: China Girl. (Malns, R) 2.35 Harrow. (Final, Malv, R) 3.30 Rage. (MA15+adhlnsv) 4.25 The Drum. (R) 5.20 Sammy J. (PG, R) 5.25 7.30. (R)</p>	<p>6.00 Mastermind Australia. (PG) 6.30 SBS World News. 7.30 Every Family Has A Secret: Priti Gatto And Prashant Ieraci And Dawn Slater. (PG) 8.30 The Royals: Keeping The Crown: Rebel Princess. (PG) The royal family looks to relaunch its brand with a new princess. 9.30 Sex, Myths And The Menopause. (M) TV presenter Davina McCall looks at the issue of menopause. 10.30 SBS World News Late. 11.00 Gomorrah. (Return, MA15+v) 12.55 Manayek. (MA15+v) 2.40 Blinded. (Mlv, R) 3.35 Motherboard. (MA15+aw, R) 4.35 VICE Guide To Film. (MA15+d, R) 5.00 France 24 Feature. 5.15 NHK World English News. 5.30 Deutsche Welle English News.</p>	<p>6.00 Seven Local News. 6.30 Seven News. 7.00 Home And Away. (PGa) 7.30 MOVIE: Harry Potter And The Prisoner Of Azkaban. (2004, PGhv, R) Harry Potter learns that an escaped prisoner with ties to Voldemort is hunting him. Daniel Radcliffe, Rupert Grint, Emma Watson. 10.15 The Latest: Seven News. 10.45 MOVIE: Striptease. (1996, MA15+ns, R) A detective enlists the help of a stripper. Demi Moore, Burt Reynolds. 1.10 Travel Oz. (PG, R) A look at some of Australia's big celebrations. 2.00 Home Shopping. (R) 4.00 NBC Today. 5.00 Seven Early News. 5.30 Sunrise.</p>	<p>6.00 Nine News. 7.00 Rugby League. NRL. Round 4. Gold Coast Titans v Wests Tigers. 8.55 Thursday Night Knock Off. Post-match NRL news and analysis. 9.45 Cold Case: New Leads Wanted: Mona Blades. (PGa, R) A look at the disappearance of Mona Blades. 10.45 Nine News Late. A look at the latest news and events. 11.15 New Amsterdam. (Mamv, R) 12.05 The Horn: The Storm. (Malm, R) 1.00 Getaway. (PG, R) 1.30 TV Shop: Home Shopping. (R) 2.30 Global Shop. (R) 3.00 TV Shop: Home Shopping. (R) 4.00 Believer's Voice Of Victory. (PGa) 4.30 A Current Affair. (R) 5.00 News Early Edition. 5.30 Today.</p>	<p>6.30 The Project. A look at the day's news. 7.30 First Dates Australia. Singles go on a blind first date. 8.30 Gogglebox Australia. (Mals) A diverse range of people open their living rooms to reveal their reactions to popular and topical TV shows, with the help of special, locked-off cameras which capture every unpredictable moment. 9.30 To Be Advised. 10.30 Blue Bloods. (Mv, R) A body is found at a men's-only club. 11.30 The Project. (R) 12.30 The Late Show With Stephen Colbert. (PG) 1.30 Home Shopping. (R) 3.30 Infomercials. (PG) 4.30 CBS Mornings.</p>
<p>ABC TV PLUS (22) 6am Children's Programs. 7.10pm Andy And The Band. 7.30 Spicks And Specks. 8.30 Penn & Teller: Fool Us. 9.10 Hard Quiz. 9.40 Shaun Micallef's MAD AS HELL. 10.10 Ql. 10.45 Tomorrow Tonight. 11.20 Live At The Apollo. (Final) 12.05am Would I Lie To You? The Unseen Bits. 12.35 Parks And Recreation. 1.20 Black Comedy. 1.50 Plebs. (Final) 2.15 ABC News Update. 2.20 Close. 5.05 Little Princess. 5.15 Late Programs.</p>	<p>SBS VICELAND (31) 6am WorldWatch. Noon Jasper And Errol's First Time. 1.00 Most Expensive. 2.00 Unknown Amazon. 2.50 Cyberwar. 3.50 WorldWatch. 5.15 Joy Of Painting. 5.45 Shortland St. 6.15 Forged In Fire. 7.05 Jeopardy! 7.35 8 Out Of 10 Cats Does Countdown. 8.30 Roswell: The First Witness. 9.10 Behind Bars: World's Toughest Prisons. 10.10 One Armed Chef. 11.05 The Feed. 11.35 Late Programs.</p>	<p>7TWO (72) 6am Home Shopping. 6.30 Travel Oz. 8.00 Harry's Practice. 8.30 Million Dollar Minute. 9.30 NBC Today. Noon Miniseries: Bancroft. 1.00 Million Dollar Minute. 2.00 The Great Australian Doorstep. 2.30 Sons And Daughters. 4.30 To Be Advised. 5.30 Escape To The Country. 6.30 Bargain Hunt. 7.30 Father Brown. 8.30 Inspector George Gently. 10.30 Without A Trace. 11.30 Late Programs.</p>	<p>9GEM (81, 92) 6am Morning Programs. 11.30 My Favorite Martian. Noon Days Of Our Lives. 12.55 The Young And The Restless. 1.50 The Bill. 3.00 Antiques Roadshow. 3.30 MOVIE: Carry On Screaming! (1966, PG) 5.30 Murder, She Wrote. 6.30 Rugby League. NRL. Round 4. Gold Coast Titans v Wests Tigers. 7.00 Antiques Roadshow. 7.30 RBT. 8.30 The Price Of Duty. 9.30 Casualty 24/7. 10.30 Law & Order. 11.30 Late Programs.</p>	<p>10 PEACH (52, 11) 6am The Late Show With Stephen Colbert. 7.00 Frasier. 8.00 The King Of Queens. 9.00 Becker. 10.00 The Middle. 11.00 Frasier. Noon This Is Us. 1.00 The Big Bang Theory. 1.30 Friends. 2.00 Mom. 3.00 The King Of Queens. 4.00 Becker. 5.00 Frasier. 6.00 Friends. 6.30 Neighbours. 7.00 Friends. 8.00 The Big Bang Theory. 9.30 Seinfeld. 11.00 Mom. Midnight Shopping. 12.30 Infomercials. 1.30 Late Programs.</p>
<p>NITV (34) 6am Morning Programs. 2pm Shortland St. 2.30 Chefs' Line. 3.00 Bushwhacked! 3.25 The Magic Canoe. 3.50 Wolf Joe. 4.00 Aussie Bush Tales. 4.10 Grace Beside Me. 4.35 Molly Of Denali. 5.00 Our Stories. 5.30 The 77 Percent. 6.00 Bamay. 6.30 News. 6.40 Extreme Africa. 7.30 Going Places With Ernie Dingo. 8.30 Tribal. 9.20 MOVIE: Ghost Dog: The Way Of The Samurai. (1999, MA15+) 11.20 Late Programs.</p>	<p>SBS WORLD MOVIES (32) 6am Kirikou And The Sorceress. Continued. (1998) 6.20 A Matter Of Life And Death. (1946, PG) 8.15 Bandslam. (2009, PG) 10.20 Last Chance Harvey. (2008, PG) 12.05pm The Big Picture. (2010, M, French) 2.10 Cutthroat Island. (1995, PG) 4.25 Belle And Sebastian 3. (2017, PG, French) 6.05 Bill. (2015, PG) 7.50 A Kid Like Jake. (2018, M) 9.30 Match Point. (2005, M) 11.50 Late Programs.</p>	<p>7MATE (74) 6am Morning Programs. 10.00 A Football Life. 11.00 America's Game. Noon Biker Battleground Phoenix. 1.00 American Pickers. 2.00 Pawn Stars. 3.00 Hellfire Heroes. 4.00 Fish'n With Mates. 4.30 Pawn Stars UK. 5.00 Shipping Wars. 5.30 Storage Wars: TX. 6.00 Football. AFL. Round 3. Western Bulldogs v Sydney. 9.30 AFL Post-Game Show. 10.00 MOVIE: Predator 2. (1990, MA15+) 12.30am Late Programs.</p>	<p>9GO! (82, 93) 6am Children's Programs. Noon Xena. 2.00 Hercules. 3.00 The Nanny. 3.30 3rd Rock. 4.00 That '70s Show. 4.30 Raymond. 5.30 The Nanny. 6.00 3rd Rock. 6.30 That '70s Show. 7.00 Young Sheldon. 7.30 Survivor 42. 8.30 MOVIE: Jaws 2. (1978, M) 10.55 Young Sheldon. 11.20 Raymond. 11.50 Weird Science. 12.20am Below Deck Mediterranean. 1.15 Kardashians. 2.10 Vanderpump Rules. 3.00 Late Programs.</p>	<p>10 BOLD (53, 12) 6am Infomercials. 8.00 What's Up Down Under. 8.30 NBL Slam. 9.00 Diagnosis Murder. 10.00 Star Trek: The Next Generation. 11.00 JAG. Noon NCIS. 1.00 Walker, Texas Ranger. 3.00 Diagnosis Murder. 4.00 JAG. 5.00 Star Trek: The Next Generation. 6.00 Bondi Rescue. 7.30 NCIS. 8.30 Bull. 12.30am Infomercials. 1.00 Home Shopping. 2.00 NCIS: New Orleans. 4.00 Walker, Texas Ranger.</p>

On Demand



Stolen glances: Anthony (Jonathan Bailey) welcomes Kate (Simone Ashley, centre) and Edwina (Charithra Chandran, left) to London in the second season of *Bridgerton*.

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BRIDGERTON
Streaming, from Friday, Netflix

NETFLIX

The curtain is falling on Anthony Bridgerton's bachelor days in the sophomore season of Netflix's wildly popular Regency romance, based on the second novel in Julia Quinn's bestselling series of the same name.

Driven to uphold the family name but wounded by past heartbreaks, Anthony (Jonathan Bailey) intends to choose a bride with his head, rather than his heart. However, his impossibly high standards make it a rather difficult search until sisters Kate (Simone Ashley, *Sex Education*) and Edwina (Charithra Chandran, *Alex Rider*) Sharma arrive from India to make their London debut. When Anthony begins courting the wide-eyed and beautiful Edwina, Kate discovers

his true intentions – that he does not value a love match – and does everything in her power to stop their union. The spirited verbal sparring matches between the protective elder sister and the reformed rake only serve to bring them closer, complicating matters for all involved. With society gossipmonger Lady Whistledown hot on their heels, it promises to be yet another steamy, scandalous and slow-burning season of romance.



HALO
Streaming, Paramount+ *Paramount+*

With more than 82 million copies sold worldwide, Xbox franchise *Halo* is making its way onto the small screen. Following an epic 26th-century conflict between humans and an alien threat known as the Covenant, this fiery sci-fi action series stars Pablo Schreiber (pictured) as Master Chief, a cybernetically enhanced super-soldier defending humanity.



IN THE HEIGHTS
Streaming, Foxtel On Demand **FOXTEL**

Adapted from the original Broadway show by Lin-Manuel Miranda, this lively musical tells the story of corner-store owner Usnavi (Anthony Ramos, pictured with Melissa Barerra as Vanessa), his vibrant community in Washington Heights, New York City, and their hopes and dreams of bigger things to come.



BELOW DECK: DOWN UNDER
Streaming, Hayu

hayu.

Showcasing the natural beauty of the Whitsundays and the not-so-idyllic reality of working on a superyacht, this local iteration of hit hospitality series *Below Deck* is far from smooth sailing. In her new role as Chief Stew, fan-favourite Aesha Scott (pictured) is about to learn that not everyone will be motivated by her friendly management style.



DEEP WATER
Streaming, Prime Video

prime video

A sensual thriller with an enticing dark streak, *Fatal Attraction* director Adrian Lyne's first film in 20 years stars former real-life lovers Ana de Armas and Ben Affleck (both pictured) as married couple Melinda and Vic. Mired in jealousy, their relationship becomes a deadly game of cat and mouse when her extramarital conquests start going missing.



WECRASHED
Streaming, Apple TV+ **Apple TV+**

This heady limited series examines WeWork, the office leasing company that promised to revolutionise the future of work, and the toxic corporate culture that tore it apart. Once a brand worth \$US47 billion, WeWork's history can't be told without the love story at its heart between Adam and Rebekah Neumann (Jared Leto and Anne Hathaway, both pictured).

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Welcome for apprentices

Rio Tinto Yarwun, QAL and BSL employ 24 apprentices in Gladstone Rio Tinto's 2022 Gladstone Apprentice intake has seen 24 apprentices join the teams at Boyne Smelters Limited (BSL), Rio Tinto Yarwun and Queensland Alumina Limited (QAL), to begin careers in the aluminium industry.

The process commenced in June 2021 with a rigorous selection process involving interviews, assessments and medicals.

This year's apprentice intake also includes internal applicants who have gained an apprenticeship as part of the employee adult apprenticeship scheme.

The apprentices will be working in mechanical, electrical and instrumentation, boiler making and bricklaying, as well as air-conditioning and refrigeration.

Through CQUniversity, the apprentices will gain practical, on-the-job training and formal qualifications during their four or five-year trades.

The group will also be provided with mentors within the business to assist, challenge and inspire them throughout their training.

Boyne Smelters General Manager Lesley Bryce said Rio Tinto's 2022 apprentices are a diverse and eager group who have hit the ground running at the operations.

"Apprentices continue to be a valued part of our business, bringing with them new perspectives, skills and enthusiasm," Lesley said.

"I am looking forward to seeing them grow and develop in our teams of exceptional tradespeople and mentors.

"Congratulations and welcome to our 2022 apprentices."

Congratulations to BSL apprentices Parker Lindsay, Greg Elliott, Ben Wardell, Chelsy Melville, Glen Butcher, Penny Jones, Lochlan Stowe, Lachlan Bryars, Jarred Straton, Mark Adamson, Hayden Keenan



Rio Tinto welcomes new apprentices.

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Congratulations to QAL apprentices Sophia Wright, Lainey Goss, Jack Kingston, Ellie Turnbull, Scarlett Richards, Kearna Howe, Edward Gilson. Congratulations to Rio Tinto Yarwun Apprentices Tricky Murphy, Delaney Claridge, Campbell Jarvis, Luke Bebandorf, Heinrich Reimers, Billy Devlin and Shivana Saunders.



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Mooring piles will be replaced at Gladstone Port.

Mooring piles for upgrade

More than a dozen mooring piles in Auckland Creek will be replaced by Gladstone Ports Corporation (GPC) this month, giving the local boating community a welcome upgrade.

The 18 mooring piles, which are home to Gladstone's darling Wistari and local favourite Restless were originally installed in the early 70s.

Marina Superintendent David Osmond said the boaties who currently lease the moorings through GPC have been temporarily relocated into Marina Berths to facilitate the works.

"These mooring piles have served our boating community well but it's about time for an upgrade with new Corrosion Protection Pile Sleeves and Pile Ring Mooring System," Mr Osmond said.

"We're kicking off work on Feb 14 and expect the upgrades to be complete just in time as we welcome in yachties for the Gladstone Ports Corporation's Brisbane to Gladstone Yacht Race.

"GPC is investing approximately \$400,000 into the project which will rejuvenate the existing mooring piles and provide a low maintenance, safer and more durable



The new mooring piles will make for better security.

vessel mooring system."

The new piles will utilise a high density polyethylene Pile Sleeve as corrosion protection, which eliminates the need for regular pile repainting, this in turn minimising impact to the environment from maintenance activities.



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High demand for skills



The monthly Job Market Review gives local businesses a short summary of what happened in the jobs market last month – including candidate insights and regional and sector labour market performance.

High demand for skills, lots of job switching but employment growth slowing slightly

It is a bit of a mixed message at the moment as we are seeing massive demand for candidates in Central Queensland, across most industry sectors and at all levels.

This picture is also reflected nationally and internationally.

The number of Central Queensland advertised vacancies for February was up compared to the previous month.

Whereas Central Queensland employment growth (the overall increase in number of jobs) is -1.1% which is the lowest in the last decade, only equaled for one previous month in the last decade, January 2017.

It's always interesting and important to recognise the wide variety of industry dominance in our region.

For example the largest industry of employment across Central Queensland as a whole is Healthcare & Social Assistance.

However in Gladstone, Manufacturing, Construction and Retail are the three largest sectors by number of jobs.

In Rockhampton, Healthcare & Social Assistance is the largest sector, followed by Construction and then Education & Training (sources: Remplan and Economy ID).



There is massive demand for workers in Central Queensland, across most industry sectors and at all levels.

What are we searching for?

The most searched-for job opportunities from job seekers on the Jobs In CQ website in February were: Administration, Boilermaker, Nurse, Engineer and Apprenticeship.

The jobs which received the highest number of views for February were hospital-

ity roles, retail positions, administration and trades & services positions.

How does Central Queensland compare to the rest of the country?

The latest Central Queensland unemployment rate is 5.2 per cent, a slight increase from the low of 5.0 per cent in Nov 2021. With the national unemployment rate now sitting at 4.0 per cent (>23 per cent lower than CQ).

Queensland's State Unemployment rate is 4.3 per cent (the second highest State rate in Australia except SA).

It is also worth noting that a recent study published in October 2021 by Queensland Council of Unions and the ACTU, claims that Central Queensland leads the country in insecure jobs.

Nearly four in 10 workers (38.7 per cent) are in casual work. Insecure work is incredibly prevalent in Central Queensland driven by the region being host to industries that have large groups of casual workers, such as agriculture, healthcare, and retail.

This is food for thought for businesses, if they are able to find innovative ways to offer more consistent and stable work, this could be a key to solving such significant labour shortage problems.

Current labour problems are broadly expected by the Australian Chamber of Commerce to translate to lower profit margins.

Cost of living v Wages

Due to the tight labour market, wages are go-

ing up but for many, not keeping up with the cost of living (inflation).

In recent weeks we have seen a significant increase in the cost of fuel and price increases are also being seen across many food items and consumer staples.

It is widely expected that interest rates will rise later this year, which will see some homeowners facing added financial stress.

So what's the good news?

The good news is that Central Queensland offers a very attractive lifestyle, still with a relatively low cost of living compared to the cities and many other regions.

Now that border restrictions have relaxed, we are already seeing a greater degree of workforce mobility, interstate and internationally.

Migration will ultimately ease the skills shortage but it may take two years to get back to pre-pandemic levels.

With the labour shortages being felt in CQ at the moment, if you are a skilled worker looking to make a change, you are likely to have quite a few options in the CQ jobs market at the moment.

My tip though would not be to just move jobs based on the financial incentives, these are soon forgotten and absorbed with cost of living changes once you start in a new role.

Instead look at the opportunities that may be available in your current work situation, or the other aspects of employment that will make your situation more rewarding and enjoyable, such as a new challenge, flexibility, or learning something new.

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Walz Construction has signed a significant contract with Rio Tinto Yarwun, providing employment for more than 45 full-time employees.

Big contract signed

By Walz Construction

Last week Walz signed a significant contract with its existing client, Rio Tinto Yarwun. This contract is for Stage 2 Precipitation Tank Repairs and involves rectification works on 22 existing precipitation tanks. These tanks play a key role in the alumina refining process and it is imperative they are


in good order. This contract will provide full time employment for over 45 Walz employees across the next two and a half years. This project also provides further opportunities for the local supply chain with Walz engaging several local subcontractors and suppliers to assist with these works. Walz currently has a team of employees led

by Luke Dunn and Steve Powell undertaking works on the Stage 1 Precipitation Tanks at Yarwun. Over the past 13 months, Walz has performed to a high standard and this has aided in the company being successful for Stage 2 works. Walz looks forward to continuing their long-standing relationship with Rio Tinto Yarwun.


CQG helps out floods

Locally owned firm CQG Consulting was called up by Cleanaway to assist with the waste management at temporary sites post the recent major flood event in South East Qld. This is the fifth natural disaster that CQG has been engaged to capture and manage data and coordinate waste collection activities throughout the State. What started as an initiative to bring together local contractors to take on the enormous task of waste collection post Tropical Cyclone Marcia for Rockhampton Regional Council has established a niche business opportunity for CQG. Principal Engineer, Andrew Brown brings his decades of experience coordinating logistics, identifying, and managing risks and supervising contractors in the industrial sector to these projects. Andrew is supported by CQG's team of scientists, quality assurance officers and GIS specialists across Qld who rally together, often with short notice to assist Councils and waste contractors from the day after the disaster through to submission of applications for disaster funding. CQG's foresight to see the need for this type of service and its willingness to adapt and respond are short notice has been recognised beyond the region






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New investment in key minerals areas of interest

The Queensland Resources Council (QRC) has welcomed the Australian Government's commitment to support new investment in critical minerals projects, which is a key growth area for Queensland's resources sector.

QRC Chief Executive Ian Macfarlane said investments in critical minerals will become increasingly important as Queensland looks to play to its advantages in resources to create new jobs and support Australia's national security.

"Queensland's resources sector is an economic stronghold, underwriting the state economy to the tune of \$84.3 billion and supporting more than 420,000 jobs," he said.

"Investment in a range of commodities, including critical minerals, will also strengthen Australia's energy security and self-sufficiency in areas as diverse as defence and the advanced manufacturing of renewables."

The Australian Government has this week announced a new Critical Minerals Strategy, backed by a \$200 million grants program, to accelerate prospective projects plus \$50 million to support research and development.

The government also announced \$243 million for investments in critical minerals manufacturing initiatives, including \$45 million for a high purity alumina production facility near Gladstone to meet demand for lithium-ion batteries and LED lights.

"Queensland is fortunate to have diverse potential in critical and new econo-

FROM THE CEO'S DESK

my minerals including vanadium, nickel, cobalt and scandium projects, which has been recognised by the State Government and is a key measure in the draft Queensland Resources Industry Development Plan," Mr Macfarlane said.

"The QRC has previously welcomed the State Government's investment in common user infrastructure to support the vanadium industry in North Queensland, and we believe more infrastructure like this is needed to drive further industry growth.

"The Queensland resources sector has proven to be a reliable partner for local communities over decades, and especially so during the Covid pandemic," he said.

"Investments in our traditional commodity strengths as well as in the commodities of the future will help ensure the resources sector can continue to play that steady role to support Queensland jobs, our economy and our security.

"The QRC looks forward to working with the State and Federal Governments to maximise the return on investments in the critical and new economy minerals sector."



QRC Chief Executive Ian Macfarlane said the Whitehaven Coal shipment to Ukraine will be welcomed.

Help to keep the lights on

An Australian resources company has stepped up to supply a cargo of essential humanitarian aid to war-torn Ukraine, and it's not what you'd think.

Whitehaven Coal, a Queensland Resources Council (QRC) member, is supplying Ukraine with 70,000 tonnes of thermal coal to help keep the lights on and stave off freezing conditions, following an urgent request from the Australian Government.

The Australian Government is donating the shipment, worth close to \$30 million, as part of its humanitarian response to the Russian invasion of Ukraine.

QRC Chief Executive Ian Macfarlane said the Whitehaven Coal shipment will be welcomed, following reports of civilians bunkering down in cities with no electricity and limited heating in bitterly cold conditions.

"I'd like to commend Whitehaven Coal for working so quickly with the Australian Gov-

ernment to provide access to a cargo of thermal coal, which isn't easy at the moment because it's in such high demand," he said.

"Whitehaven has also contributed \$250,000 to the Australian Red Cross Ukraine Crisis Appeal to help the people of Ukraine, so it's wonderful to see such a heartfelt, local response to this unfolding and tragic situation."

Mr Macfarlane said the war in Ukraine has shone a harsh spotlight on the strategic issue of energy security.

"The secure and consistent supply of electricity is essential to so many aspects of everyday life," he said.

"With millions of displaced Ukrainians fleeing the conflict, it's vital they still have access to electricity for heating, lighting and even for charging phones so they can stay in touch with family members around the world, including in Australia."

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BRC civil engineer Nikita Nikiteev (right) with his peers at the business' rail provisioning yard in Bowen.

Engineers getting hands-on

Bowen Rail Company (BRC) civil engineer Nikita Nikiteev knows better than most the professional value of getting your hands dirty.

“I played in the dirt a lot as a kid and had a love for the exact sciences, so civil engineering was always the job for me,” he said.

“It wasn’t until I saw the opportunity of a graduate position working on the Carmichael Rail Network and getting my hands on to something challenging and meaningful that I knew where it would take me.

“It turned out that was working alongside thousands of people building a railway in the middle of nowhere, and I couldn’t have asked for a better start to my career.”

Now the 26-year-old is encouraging his like-minded peers to seize their opportunity as part of Adani’s second Graduate Program intake with its Bravus Mining and Resources and Bowen Rail Company businesses. Six positions across Bravus’ Carmichael Mine and Bowen Rail Company’s rail freight services are on offer for graduates in the fields of mining, civil and mechanical engineering, and geology.

“I’d strongly encourage anyone wanting an exciting and rewarding career to apply,” Nikita said.

“It’s continued to open doors for me, and right now I’m working as part of the dynamic team building BRC’s provisioning yard in beautiful Bowen. It’s a lot of fun and I still get to get my hands dirty.”

Bravus and BRC HR and IR Lead Rebecca Wells said the 2022 Graduate Program was open to engineers up to two years post-graduation.

She said successful applicants would benefit from 18 months of on-site work with senior engineering team members, as well as off-site training with Central Queensland University. “This is the opportunity for the many talented people who want to work in our industry to kick-start a fulfilling career in a well-paid, highly skilled job that lasts a lifetime,” Ms Wells said.

“It is also an opportunity to be a part of the social fabric that makes regional Queensland so great. “Our people become part of the communities in which we operate, and lifestyle rosters ensure you will be able to make the most of the perks that life in Townsville and The Whitsundays has to offer.”

For more information about the Graduate Program, visit www.bravus.com.au or www.bowenrailcompany.com.au. Applications close Wednesday 30 March 2022.



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By Khrysti Balanay

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With a small team of specialists, it allows for the majority of the work to be completed in-house, including machining, milling, boring and line boring and can repair steering orbitals, valve groups and hoists.

The staff can also test and certify cranes and lift trucks and provide welding and fabrication works.

Recently their company director Paul Thompson was asked to develop a solution for a problem with shuttle car suspension.

In response, he has designed a new product called NitroRide, supplying a quality, more advanced product for a longer life span for its specialist use.

According to the Workshop Manager, Kelly Manns, NitroRide is a suspension cylinder that goes underneath a shuttle car that pulls coal out.

"We had a client deliver underground mining equipment with a suspension on it, where the cylinders had failed whilst in service," Mr Paul Thompson said.

"We did a failure analysis on the cylinder, and every aspect of the cylinder did not meet the standards to pass."

"There was a need for a product, so Paul designed it and got it signed off and independently certified by RPEQ Engineer," Mr Manns added.

"This product varies from other cylinders because of nitrogen in the cylinder, hence the name NitroRide."

To ensure the product's structural integrity, NitroRide had to undergo testing to comply with Australian standards, including welding standards.

"We had to get a welding inspector to sign off on our process and workers completing the job," Mr Thompson said.



Workshop manager Kelly Manns and company director Paul Thompson.

"They then had to be sent off to be tested to a non-destructive testing agency for ultrasound testing and citric acid polish testing.

"It then had to go to a third party engineering to be signed off for its hazard level concerning underground mining."

The NitroRide suspension cylinders are designed to meet the limits of what the shuttle cars can carry and can operate for about 24 thousand hours.

"It's unique for Central Queensland and probably for Queensland itself," Mr Manns said.

"There wouldn't be too many businesses making this type of equipment from scratch.

"It takes about eight weeks to put a set of 12 together.

"That's from ordering parts to delivering the final product."

NitroRide is available from The Hydraulic Shop and is offered with a 24-month warranty and can be customised to suit business needs.

NitroRide is designed and manufactured in Australia by Australians to Australian Standards for Australian Conditions.



The NitroRide suspension cylinders.

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Strengthening CQ's Industry Supply Chain



Peter Masters is the new GEA general manager.

Masters in new domain

By Gladstone Engineering Alliance

Gladstone Engineering Alliance (GEA) is pleased to announce the appointment of Peter Masters as general manager.

Mr Masters starts his role as general manager on Monday, 28 March.

Mr Masters brings with him over seven-years experience as a General Manager, and 30-years experience working with boards, committees and members. Mr Masters also served a four-year term as a Councillor with Gladstone Regional Council and has extensive experience

working in collaboration with industry, business and the community and advocating with all tiers of government.

GEA board president Patrice Brown said the quality of candidates who applied for the role of General Manager was of the highest calibre and the board would like to thank all the candidates for the time and effort they put into their applications.

"GEA is extremely fortunate to have a high performing team of employees who work to optimise outcomes for the benefits of the SMEs who make up our membership base,"

Ms Brown said.

"Under Mr Masters leadership we are confident the team will enhance the delivery of services to GEA members and strengthen the connections with established industry, new project proponents and other businesses working in the engineering, manufacturing, energy, construction and industry supply chain sectors."

GEA general manager Peter Masters said it was an exciting time to be joining the team at Gladstone Engineering Alliance and he was looking forward to working with the staff and board to advocate for its members and help

drive future growth and prosperity in the industrial sector.

"Having grown up in Central Queensland, I am extremely proud of the region, what it has achieved to date and the potential it holds for the future," Mr Masters said.

"GEA has a strong history of working towards establishing a world-class industry supply in Central Queensland and I am looking forward to ensuring that GEA continues to meet its objectives and providing its members with unparalleled opportunities to grow their capabilities and capacity."

A sustainable economic future for Rocky's industries

**By Advance Rockhampton
Executive Manager Greg Bowden**

An exciting time for industry in Rockhampton in March with so many things happening.

It would be remiss of me not to mention the two outstanding awards at the recent 2021 Qantas Australian Tourism Awards with Beef Australia 2021 and Empire Apartment Hotel receiving gold in their respective

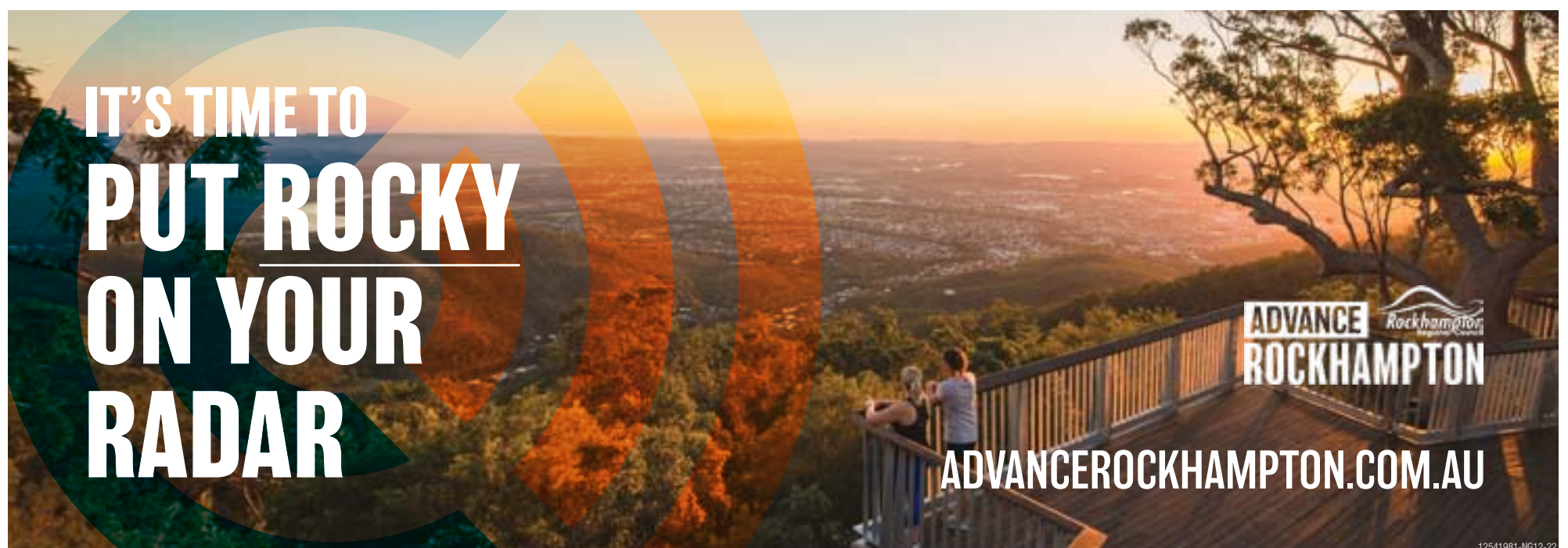
categories at the ceremony held on the Sunshine Coast. This recognition adds to the recent gold award received for the Explore Rockhampton Self-Guided Audio Tours App at the 2021 Grey Nomads Awards and silver award for Rockynats 2021 at the Queensland Tourism Awards.

We recently launched the region's major event calendar for 2022 - this was complemented by a new promotional video at www.explorerochampton.com.au/whatson

During March, we saw five business collaboration events held over a 24 hour period, one at the Smarthub, two economic events facilitated by Advance Rockhampton, a CQ Industry Collaborative event and the Regional Women's Network engaging with over 400 business and industry participants. The new Rockhampton Region Economic Development Strategy and Action Plan sessions held saw speakers from Council, Advance Rockhampton, Alliance Airlines and AEC Group

discuss the region's future focusing on 'over the horizon' timelines about what industry can do now and into the future to drive sustainable industry growth, investment and development.

Speaking of events, tickets are selling fast for Rockynats 2022, so don't miss out! Visit www.rockynats.com.au today to secure your place in history as this year will see the largest car and bike street parade ever held for a Summernats or Rockynats event.





A big region needs a fast response



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Recently Reece Schulte of G&S Engineering (G&S), a wholly-owned subsidiary of DRA Global, visited the RACQ CapRescue hangar with an incredible donation for the helicopter service.

The \$17,406 cheque was the result of the charitable staff who had donated a set amount from each pay and the commitment of G&S to match their employee's contributions dollar for dollar.

"G&S is proud to have reached the 12th Anniversary of our partnership with RACQ CapRescue through our workplace donation program that is helping to keep this vital lifesaving service available to the region. We thank our employees for their generous donations each week and CapRescue for the incredible work they continue providing to the community."

Community Engagement Officer Kim Moss recognised the significance of this donation

to CapRescue and the community.

"When staff are kind enough to donate out of their own pockets each pay, we are extremely grateful. But when the business then matches the amount, it shows us and the employees that their values and the organisations are aligned."

"We are here to keep more than 300,000 people in Central Queensland safe and the support from G&S confirms they want the same for their friends, family and co-workers."

CapRescue receives significant funding from the Queensland Government, however there is over \$4 million that needs to be raised via valuable partnerships, sponsorships, events and donations from the communities serviced.

StepUp Workplace Giving is the payroll contribution program that gives businesses



the opportunity to have a positive and lasting impact in their local community. Be seen as a supporter of an essential community service to current and potential employees.

For more information on how your business can donate to CapRescue through payroll, contact 4922 9093 or email info@caprescue.org.au.

If you would like to StepUp for CapRescue today, scan the QR.

A small donation each pay cycle can make a real difference.



Dramatic winch recovery

RACQ Capricorn Rescue performed a dramatic winch recovery off the Yeppoon coast recently, after a yacht collided with the shoreline of Miall Island. It was a high-intensity mission with aggressive weather causing immense concern for the patient. This task involved coordinating the skills and equipment from multiple rescue agencies.

Around 6am, CapRescue was alerted by an activated EPIRB from a yacht that had run aground approximately 10 miles off the Yeppoon coastline. The impact of the collision caused severe damage to the 12-meter vessel and stranded the sole occupant.

It was believed the anchor had separated in strong winds around 11pm the previous night. The emergency anchor could not be attached, and the engine could not be started, leading to the vessel being destroyed when it washed ashore.

CapRescue located the man in his 80s standing among the wreck on the shoreline, causing great concern. The Rescue Crew Officer (RCO) was winched to the scene to assess the situation further.

During the ordeal, the man received severe cuts and abrasions to his lower and upper limbs; and suffered dehydration and fatigue.

Given the condition of the man, it was decided to winch him from the bow of the broken vessel immediately rather than wait for assistance from the attending Yeppoon Coast Guard.

The RCO swiftly winched him into the aircraft, hovering 200 feet above the wreck. Rescue300 transported the man to Rockhampton Base Hospital, where he underwent further scans, treatment and close observation.



RACQ CapRescue

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CapRescue needs your help. Do you have a few hours?



Do you have a few hours spare to volunteer at a one off event near you? If so, RACQ CapRescue could really use your help!

They are seeking volunteers to assist at a range of different events all across the region. Do you live in Rockhampton, Baralaba, Raglan, Gladstone, Moura or Biloela and want to give back to your community? Then they are sure to have an event for you!

You can sign up to volunteer for a one off event or you can become a StepUp CapRescue volunteer and receive information on all of their volunteering opportunities.

Interested in finding out more? Contact CapRescue today at stepup@chrs.org.au or give them a call on (07) 4922 9093 for more information.

Gardening

Neil Fisher



Attracting beautiful birds

Finally it feels like Summer has passed and Autumn is here. Notice the bird life in the mornings or afternoons going from flower to flower.

Have you ever thought about constructing a garden to attract birds to your garden? It is not hard to do. These are some simple ways of ensuring a greater number of birds in your garden which will in turn, bring many hours of pleasure over many years.

There are his four simple needs for a bird-attracting garden.

1. Water: Provide a constant source of water, such as a pond, birdbath or dripping tap into a bowl.
2. Food: Provide a variety of native trees and bushes that become a suitable food source.
3. Protection: Never let your cat roam the garden and actively discourage neighbour's cats from entering your garden.
4. Safety: Provide a safe environment for the birds by not using any poisons like snail bait in your garden.

There are literally hundreds of plants available to the home gardener these days that will attract large numbers of birds.

For most people, this would immediately bring to mind a variety of plants such as the nectar-laden Grevilleas or Bottlebrushes, but there are many other shrubs that will create a protective bird haven in your own back yard. The following are some of my favourite plants to attract birds to the garden that flower at this time of year.

Making an impressive display in many gardens is Grevillea Sandra Gordon. This is a hybrid cross between G. Pteridiifolia and G. Sessilis. It is a tall spreading small tree growing approximately four to six metres by two to three metres with silvery lobed leaves.

It produces masses of large golden yellow brush flowers in winter and spring. It is very attractive to honeyeaters and is frost tolerant and fast growing. Sandra Gordon prefers a sunny, average to well-drained position and is highly recommended.

Callistemon Little John is also attracting many birds at the moments. This dwarf evergreen shrub produces deep red bottle-brush flowers in spring and autumn. Crowded blue-green foliage forms a compact shrub which is frost tolerant. It is suited for most soils and is best in full sun to partial shade positions.

A type of exotic Bottlebrush that is making a spectacular display is the New Guinea Bottlebrush or Combretum constrictum. The common name of this plant confuses many gardeners, as it is not from New Guinea but actually a native of Africa. This broad-leaved shrub grows to about two metres high and produces masses of orange pom-pom flowers that will attract all nectar feeding birds.



Melaleuca laterita growing in Theodore.

In Theodore you will find the Melaleuca laterita or Robyn Red-Breast attracting birds to the garden. The flowers are as the common name states bright orange in colour. These Bottlebrush like flowers are up to 8cm long and can appear throughout the year. This small upright shrub 1.5m x 1m with bright green foliage. For maximum growth a sunny well-drained spot is required.

Having its second flowering for the year is Rhaphiolepis Springtime. This vigorous hybrid produces soft apple blossom pink, star shaped flowers in abundance during Spring with lighter flowering during Autumn. It is a hardy hedging shrub for a full sun position. If left unpruned this shrub will grow to about 1.5m high and about 1.5m across. Rhaphiolepis Springtime will grow in a variety of soil types as long as it is not to wet.

A less known bird attracting shrub flowering now is the Xanthostemon verticillatus or Little Penda. This rare shrub from North Queensland valued for its beautiful and lengthy floral display. It provides a profuse display of clusters of pale lemon flowers appear most of the year. It has a bushy habit with narrow glossy dark green leaves and prefers a sunny position for maximum flower production. You can expect this shrub to grow 1.5m high and about 1m wide.

These Bird attracting plants would well make a spectacular specimens, so check with your local nursery now. One last point to establishing a garden to attract birds to the garden is reading books like "Attracting Birds to Australian Gardens" by Graham Pizzey and "Bird Attracting Plants" by Wrigley and Fagg.



Combretum constrictum flower.



Grevillea Sandra Gordon.



Callistemon Little John.



Xanthostemon verticillatus.



Rhaphiolepis Springtime.

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Rural Matters

A sustainable way of life

By AgForce Cane President Ricky Mio

Anyone who knows me understands I'm not afraid of change or innovation.

And anyone who's ever had a conversation with me – heard me talk at an agriculture event and shared a beer and a laugh after – knows that I strongly believe our industry needs to continue to evolve.

It's why AgForce is holding its North Queensland Forum: The future of sustainable agriculture in my neck of the woods, in Ayr, in early April.

Sustainability is a very real issue for the north's cane, cattle, and grain producers – despite a bumper season and record prices across all commodities.

AgForce's North Queensland Forum is a chance to put everything on the table and see what our true potential is and what we can achieve during the next 5, 10, 15 years – no matter the commodity.

For while we might produce different products, we have so many more similarities than differences within agriculture.

When it comes to my main commodity, cane, I don't believe the crystal we produce is the be-all and end-all – instead we need to make sure we're using the entire crop.

With that in mind, AgForce's Cane Board and its members are focusing on a concept known as a 'circular bioeconomy', which effectively means: We grow it, we process it, we recycle it.

Our aim is to take any waste product, put it through a biorefinery, and create renewable



AgForce's Cane Board is juicing up its commitment to sustainability.

biproductions and bioenergy.

This is farming in the 21st century: high-tech, innovative, sustainable – a far cry from the days of simply tilling a field, and it exceeds all environmental expectations.

Guest speakers at the North Queensland

Forum include recognised industry experts and specialist commentators who will discuss global and national trends, and how industry is adopting sustainable practices to assist family enterprises to be more profitable, efficient, and environmentally responsible.

It's all made possible thanks to our fantastic sponsors and great agricultural supporters: Honeycombes, Liquaforce, and Olsson Industries. Find out more and book your tickets at agforceqld-north-forum-sustainable-ag-ayr.eventbrite.com.au

Condition good, quality mixed at saleyards this week

By CQLX Market Report

Combined agents yarded 2833 head on Wednesday, 16 March, comprising of 1325 steers, 774 heifers, 620 cows, 80 cows and calves and 35 bulls.

Cattle were drawn from as far north as Pentland along with the majority from local districts. Condition was good through most of the yarding although quality was mixed. The usual feeders and processors were present along with a good line-up of restockers from local and southern locations.

HIGHLIGHTS OF THE DAY

Yarrabee Rural Industries, Dingo Sold Santa Steers to top 552c/kg to average 410kg to return \$2,195/hd

Needham Family, Marlborough Sold Brahman Cross Steers for 552c/kg weighing 387kg to return \$2,138/hd

J and T Mylrea, Calliope Sold Brahman Steers for 542c/kg weighing 378kg to return \$2,050/hd

Mt Stuart Trust, Capella Sold No.1 Grey Brahman Steers for 526c/kg weighing 371kg to return \$1,957/hd

Jindah Pastoral, Bucca Sold Charbray Cross Weaner Steers for 738c/kg weighing 356kg to return \$1,889/hd

E and T Jones, Dalma Sold Charbray Steers for 680c/kg weighing 294kg to return \$2,001/hd

Spelta Grazing, Gogango Sold Euro Cross Steers for 772c/kg weighing 278kg to return \$2,152/hd

David & Joan Dingle, Mt Larcom Sold Droughtmaster Steers for 722c/kg weighing 284kg to return \$2,051/hd

B & M Woodard, Duaringa Sold a pen of EU Brangus Weaner Steers for 854c/kg weighing 198kg to return \$1,695/hd

A & V Gabel, Wowan Sold Brahman Cows for 386c/kg weighing 615kg to return \$2,378/hd

Brookston Pastoral, Nebo Sold a run of



194 Charbray, Brangus and Brahman Cows topping at 386c/kg weighing 547kg to return \$2,054/hd

Richard Thomson, Dalma Sold Brangus Heifers for 540c/kg weighing 498kg to return \$2,689/hd

Mt Stuart Trust, Capella Sold No.1 Grey Brahman Heifers for 514c/kg weighing 350kg to return \$1,800/hd

L & C Stewart, Comet Sold Brangus Weaner Heifers for 696c/kg weighing 241kg to return \$1,677/hd

Booth Bros, St Lawrence Sold 45 Brahman Heifers for 682c/kg weighing 216kg to return \$1,474/hd

Cashmere Cattle Co, Pentland Sold Droughtmaster Cross Cows and Calves for \$3,550/unit

PUZZLES

SUDOKU No.073

To solve a Sudoku puzzle, every number from 1 to 9 must appear in: each of the nine vertical columns, each of the nine horizontal rows and each of the nine 3 x 3 boxes. Remember, no number can occur more than once in any row, column or box.

easy

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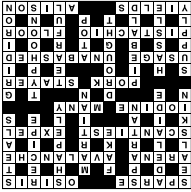
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hard

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QUICK CROSSWORD No.073

- ACROSS
- 1 Thin (6)
 - 4 Egyptian god of the afterlife (6)
 - 10 Playground (5)
 - 11 Great rock or snow fall (9)
 - 12 Least sufficient (9)
 - 13 Force out (5)
 - 14 First-aid item (6)
 - 15 Lots (4)
 - 19 Pig meat (4)
 - 20 Long-distance racehorse (6)
 - 24 Practice (5)
 - 25 Unashamed (9)
 - 27 Variety of nut (9)
 - 28 Level of a building (5)
 - 29 Bears (6)
 - 30 Actor, — Brie (6)
- DOWN
- 1 Pelt of ocean mammal (8)
 - 2 An Australian state capital (8)
 - 3 Hardy (7)
 - 5 Having a pleasing shape (7)
 - 6 Formula (6)
 - 7 Takes by theft (6)
 - 8 Sham (4)
 - 9 Relating to the planet Mars (7)
 - 16 Dry spell (7)
 - 17 Tropical storms (8)
 - 18 American football (8)
 - 19 Composed of incongruous parts (7)
 - 21 Weepy (7)
 - 22 Provide (6)
 - 23 Annoyance (6)
 - 26 At the top (4)



DECODER No.073

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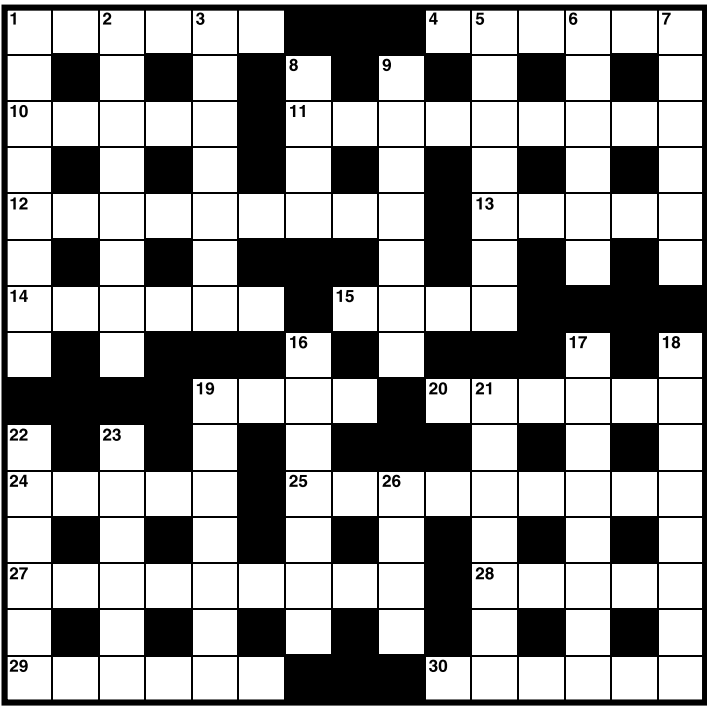
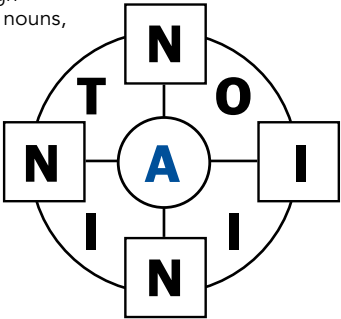
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9-LETTER WORD

Using the nine letters in the grid, how many words of four letters or more can you list? The centre letter must be included and each letter may only be used once. No colloquial or foreign words. No capitalised nouns, apostrophes or plural words ending in "s".

Today's Aim:
4 words: Good
6 words: Very good
9 words: Excellent



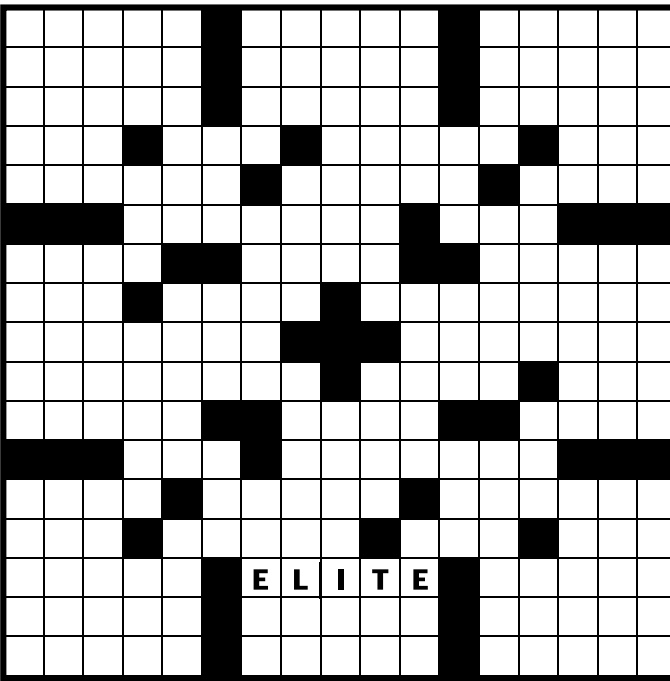
WORDFIT No.073

3 LETTERS

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- HOE
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- INC
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- NBA
- NIT
- PEA
- RAW
- SHE
- TEE
- YEA

4 LETTERS

- ARGO
- ATOM
- EROS
- GETS
- HERE
- IONA
- MARE
- MEAD
- MUST
- PASS
- POPE
- POST
- SAME
- SARA



5 LETTERS

- ADAGE
- AGATE
- ALARM
- AMASS
- AMONG
- APRIL
- ARRAS
- ASSAM
- BINGO
- CRETE
- DATES
- EATEN
- EDGES
- ELITE
- ENDOW
- ENTER
- EWERS
- FLAGS
- GRANT
- HINGE

- IDAHO
- INDIE
- IRATE
- KENYA
- LABEL
- LANCE
- LARGE
- LATHE
- LLAMA
- LOGOS
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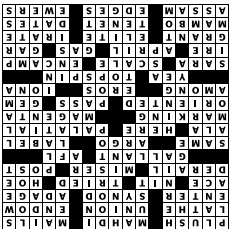
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- SWEET
- SYNOD
- TENET
- TRIED
- UNION
- UTTER
- DERAIL
- ENCAMP
- HERNIA
- INSIDE

7 LETTERS

- GALLANT
- HINTING
- MAGENTA
- MARKING
- ROLLING
- TOPSPIN

8 LETTERS

- DETAILED
- DOORSTOP
- ORIENTED
- PALATIAL



5x5

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Insert the missing letters to make 10 words – five reading across the grid and five reading down.

NOTE: more than one solution may be possible

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No.073

QUICK QUIZ



- 1 The Jacobin Club is associated with which historical revolution?
- 2 In which country is Krakatoa located?
- 3 In what year did Krakatoa famously last erupt, destroying 70 per cent of the island?
- 4 Which political party has ruled Singapore since becoming independent in 1959?
- 5 Which two monarchs were placed on the British throne after the 1688 Glorious Revolution?
- 6 The Matterhorn (pictured) straddles the border of which two countries?
- 7 Who directed the 2022 Disney film *Turning Red*?
- 8 Which of these sports was not introduced at the Tokyo 2020 Olympics: 3x3 basketball, freestyle BMX, 5x5 Rugby?
- 9 What is the literal English translation of the term 'de jure'?
- 10 Hepburn romanisation refers to the commonly-used translation method of which language into the Latin alphabet?

ANSWERS: 1 French Revolution 2 Indonesia 3 1883 4 People's Action Party 5 Mary II and William III 6 Italy and Switzerland 7 Domee Shi 8 5x5 Rugby 9 'By law' 10 Japanese

COMICS

Bottled Fruit



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Doodley Squat



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Against the Grain



Bushy Tales



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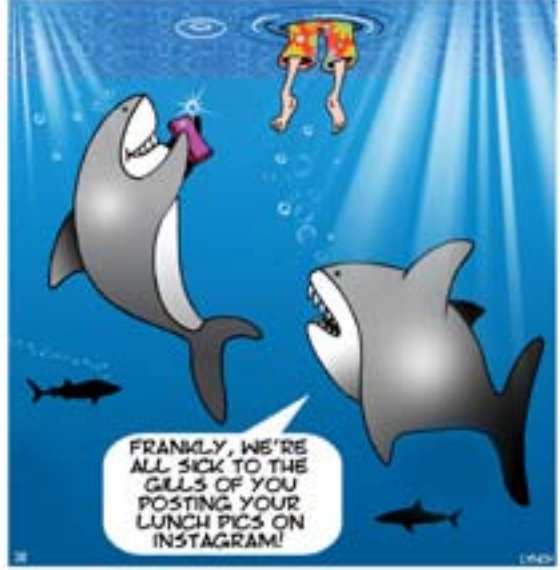
Insanity Streak



Ballard Street



Grin Bin



Your year ahead
Recent times have felt unsettled, thanks to a meddling cosmos. Misunderstandings and mistakes turned many an Aries bedroom into a battle-field. For others, it's simply become a no-go zone. Your new birthday year brings much less tension; and far more fun. By May, Jupiter and sexy Venus promise singles some high-quality romance. For those already coupled, intimacies result in fewer demands and increased passions. At work, too, this is a landmark year. Whether you're hoping to meet new people or start a new job, the planets align in your favour.



ARIES
(Mar 21 - Apr 20)

Start this week by doing what you love. Enjoy those long lunches, indulge in shopping sprees and, perhaps, some pampering days. With the Sun in your own sign again - you're back at your best. A bargain, new business or financial opportunity should soon present itself. But wait until next week before you sign any contracts or accept and deals.
Best Day: Tuesday 29th



TAURUS
(Apr 21 - May 20)

It's the ethereal rather than the material that captures your imagination this week. You can happily enjoy what you've accumulated so far, but you also let your mind break away from immediate financial concerns. A socially active Venus also brings new people into your life. Life turns more enjoyable all around.
Best Day: Sunday 27th



GEMINI
(May 21 - Jun 21)

People think differently from one another. Allow for it. Stop trying to force people to fit your life, or force yourself to fit in theirs - because it won't work. The more you impose your will on others, the greater the resistance. The weeks ahead call for co-operation. Sure, there'll be some stress, but you need not cope alone... tactfully.
Best Day: Wednesday 30th



CANCER
(Jun 22 - Jul 22)

If you've felt overburdened with responsibilities, delightful Jupiter lifts your mood. Expect a busy social scene and an equally agile love-life. With finances also improving, you finally get a chance to spend up. No surprises, then, if loved ones benefit from your generosity. Travel if you can - perhaps a cosy break-for-two?
Best Day: Saturday 2nd



LEO
(Jul 23 - Aug 23)

There's trickery in the air. Not only has someone shifted the blame and dumped you in the muck, you're expected to wade through it as well. But you don't intend to give in to such bullying. Financially, all your hard work starts to bear fruit. Some extra cash could pour in as well. You may even consider investing in a place to call your own.
Best Day: Monday 28th



LIBRA
(Sep 23 - Oct 23)

If it becomes clear that others are making unfair demands on you, don't try too hard to accommodate them. Accept the fact that you can't please all the people all the time. It's never been more important to simply be yourself, without capitulating to others' constant needs. Declare this a "me first" week.
Best Day: Friday 1st



SAGITTARIUS
(Nov 23 - Dec 21)

While others are happy to socialise this week, you seem more content to raise the drawbridge on that castle you call home. This doesn't mean being alone. It's a fair bet you'll enjoy spending time with favourite friends and family; and there's likely to be a surprise or two. Later in the week, you may bump into an old partner or friend.
Best Day: Friday 1st



CAPRICORN
(Dec 22 - Jan 20)

You've been working hard for some time now, and this week is no different. An upbeat cosmos creates a buzz around work and money, while your creativity dazzles all. If there's a project going, you'll be the obvious candidate. Even challenges can become blessings in disguise. The snag? You might attract more attention that you bargained for.
Best Day: Thursday 31st



AQUARIUS
(Jan 21 - Feb 18)

Good times flow through a week when you're free to chase your desires - probably to the point of overindulgence. You're set on experimenting with new styles. Indeed, a classy new look is sure to surprise everyone. Romance may also be a drawcard. Some are smitten with colleagues, others feel drawn to new romance. You feel loving, and loved.
Best Day: Saturday 2nd



PISCES
(Feb 19 - Mar 20)

Destiny or synchronicity, call it what you like - your life is about to change. If there are important choices to make, trust your intuition. Do you feel that events seem to be progressing with little input from you? Don't fret. Most Pisceans are now surrounded by people they can trust. And you know it.
Best Day: Friday 1st



VIRGO
(Aug 24 - Sep 22)

If you're feeling restless or drumming your fingers for action, a happier Venus should supply it. In other words, you have planetary permission to prosper and enjoy. This extends to romance too. An irresistible magnetism keeps love on its toes, so don't be surprised if someone's eager to grab your exclusive attention.
Best Day: Sunday 27th



SCORPIO
(Oct 24 - Nov 22)

Love sidles a little closer this week, and it's unlikely to be a tame entanglement. What's more, the attraction should be mutual, with no end to the emotions you can explore. The professional pace? Equally active, if a little unstable. Fortunately, few can handle creative challenges better than you.
Best Day: Wednesday 30th

ARROW WORDS												
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WEATHER

FORECAST

Warnings

See www.bom.gov.au/australia/warnings

Gladstone:

Sunny. Light winds becoming northeasterly 15 to 20 km/h in the middle of the day then becoming light in the evening.

Friday. Sunny.

Rockhampton:

Sunny. Light winds.

Friday. Sunny.

Capricornia:

Sunny. Light winds becoming northeasterly 15 to 20 km/h in the early afternoon then becoming light in the late evening.

Friday. Mostly sunny. Slight (20%) chance of a shower in the southwest in the afternoon and evening. The chance of a storm in the south in the afternoon and evening. Light winds becoming east to northeasterly 15 to 20 km/h during the afternoon then becoming light during the evening.

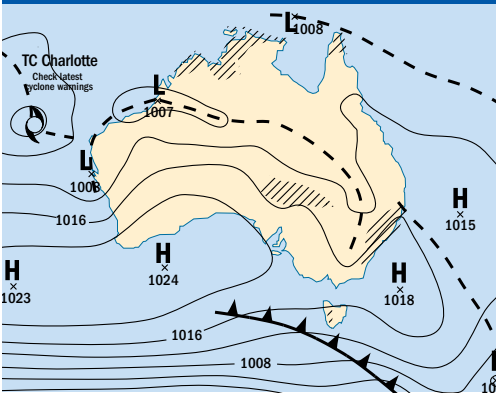
Central Highlands and Coalfields:

Mostly sunny. Medium (60%) chance of showers about the Carnarvon Ranges, most likely from the late morning. The chance of a storm in the south. Winds north to northeasterly 15 to 20 km/h becoming light before dawn then becoming east to northeasterly 15 to 20 km/h in the late afternoon.

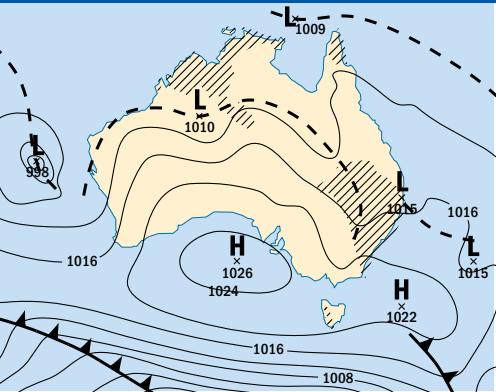
Queensland:

A surface trough will move eastward across the interior and south of the state as an upper trough moves slowly across the south. A ridge will begin to build across western Queensland in the wake of the surface trough. Another trough will extend from the Arafura Sea across Torres Strait into the northern Coral Sea. Mostly sunny in the in the far southwest and about the east coast north of Hervey Bay. A slight to medium chance of showers and storms along and east of the inland trough, from the Gulf Country into the southern and southeast inland, increasing to a high chance about the southern Darling Downs and Granite Belt area. The risk of severe storms about the southern and southeast inland. A medium to high chance of showers and storms over Torres Strait and Cape York Peninsula, north of about Weipa. Daytime temperatures above average.

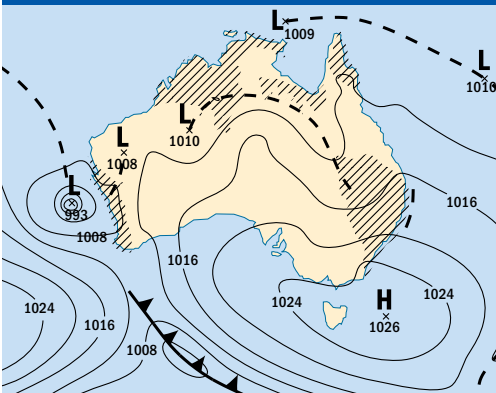
TODAY 10AM



TOMORROW 10AM



SATURDAY 10AM



Forecast Rain
24 hrs to 9am

1024
hectoPascal
(hPa)

trough

cold front
warm front

GLADSTONE FORECAST



TODAY
Sunny.
31



TOMORROW
Sunny.
31



SATURDAY
Partly cloudy.
31



SUNDAY
Shower or two.
30



Sunny



Mostly sunny



Partly cloudy



Cloudy



Chance shower



Shower or two



Showers



Light rain (drizzle)



Rain



Storm



Showers storm



Windy



Dust



Fog



Richmond 39



Charters Towers 35



Townsville 32



Mackay 30



Winton 39



Longreach 39



Moranbah 35



Emerald 36



Tambo 36



Rolleston 35



Windorah 39



Charleville 37



Cunnamulla 36



Roma 37



St. George 35



Brisbane 31

SUNSMART

GLADSTONE

UV ALERT

8:30am - 3:30pm

MAX UV Index

10 (very high)

Issued at 1pm Wednesday for
March 24, 2022

COASTAL WATERS

St. Lawrence to Burnett Heads:

Winds: Variable below 10 knots, tending east to northeasterly 10 to 15 knots in the afternoon. Seas: Below 1 metre. Swell: Northeast to southeasterly around 1 metre offshore. Weather: Sunny. Friday. Winds: East to southeasterly about 10 knots. Inshore winds tending east to northeasterly and increasing to 10 to 15 knots during the afternoon. Seas: Below 1 metre. Swell: Southerly below 1 metre. Weather: Sunny.

Bowen to St. Lawrence:

Winds: East to southeasterly 10 to 15 knots, turning east to northeasterly inshore south of Sarina. Winds decreasing to about 10 knots in the late evening. Seas: Below 1 metre. Swell: Easterly below 1 metre. Weather: Sunny. Friday. Winds: East to southeasterly about 10 knots increasing to 10 to 15 knots during the morning. Inshore winds tending east to northeasterly in the afternoon. Seas: Below 1 metre. Swell: East to northeasterly below 1 metre. Weather: Sunny.

Hervey Bay:

Winds: North to northwesterly below 10 knots becoming east to northeasterly early in the morning, then increasing to 10 to 15 knots in the early afternoon. Winds decreasing to about 10 knots in the late evening. Seas: Below 1 metre. Weather: Sunny. Friday. Winds: East to northeasterly about 10 knots increasing to 10 to 15 knots in the afternoon, then decreasing to about 10 knots during the evening. Seas: Below 1 metre. Weather: Sunny. Possible showers inshore in the afternoon and evening.

CAPITAL CITIES

City	Condition	Max
Adelaide	Partly cloudy.	23
Brisbane	Partly cloudy.	31
Canberra	Shower or two.	22
Darwin	Showers, possible storm.	33
Hobart	Partly cloudy.	20
Melbourne	Partly cloudy.	20
Perth	Sunny.	32
Sydney	Showers.	22

SUN & MOON

	Sunrise	Sunset	Moonrise	Moonset
Thursday	6:00am	6:03pm	10:34pm	11:43am
Friday	6:01am	6:02pm	11:34pm	12:48pm
Saturday	6:01am	6:01pm	Nil	1:49pm
Sunday	6:01am	6:00pm	12:37am	2:45pm
Monday	6:02am	5:59pm	1:42am	3:33pm
Tuesday	6:02am	5:58pm	2:46am	4:16pm

Rockhampton 33



Gladstone 31



Biloela 35

Bundaberg 30



Hervey Bay 29

Gayndah 33

THE WORLD

World conditions today

City	Weather	Max	Min
Athens	fine	16	5
Auckland	windy	24	16
Bangkok	storms	34	27
Beijing	cloudy	17	3
Berlin	fine	16	2
Christchurch	windy	25	14
Denpasar	fine	31	24
Dublin	sunny	17	4
Hong Kong	rain	22	18
Honolulu	showers	28	23
Jakarta	fine	33	24
Johannesburg	fine	24	12
Kuala Lumpur	rain	34	24
London	sunny	17	8
Los Angeles	sunny	30	14
Madrid	rain	15	8
Moscow	fine	11	-1
New Delhi	fine	36	21
New York	rain	12	7
Noumea	sunny	29	23
Paris	sunny	19	7
Auckland	windy	24	16
Port Vila	showers	30	22
Seoul	cloudy	14	4
Singapore	storms	34	24
Suva	storms	29	25
Tel Aviv	storms	14	7
Tokyo	cloudy	16	5
Vancouver	sunny	11	3
Wellington	showers	22	15

TIDES

Gladstone

Today:

H:	1:12am	3.7m
L:	7:44am	1.7m
H:	1:36pm	3.0m
L:	7:23pm	1.6m

Tomorrow:

H:	2:33am	3.6m
L:	9:29am	1.7m
H:	3:15pm	2.9m
L:	9:08pm	1.7m

Saturday:

H:	4:15am	3.6m
L:	11:05am	1.5m
H:	5:05pm	3.0m
L:	10:50pm	1.6m

Sunday:

H:	5:42am	3.9m
L:	12:15pm	1.2m
H:	6:19pm	3.3m

Monday:

L:	12:15am	1.4m
H:	6:43am	4.1m
L:	1:06pm	0.9m
H:	7:12pm	3.6m

Tuesday:

L:	1:12am	1.1m
H:	7:31am	4.3m
L:	1:49pm	0.7m
H:	7:55pm	3.9m

Port Alma

Today:

H:	1:14am	4.6m
L:	8:00am	2.0m
H:	1:45pm	3.8m
L:	7:45pm	2.0m

Tomorrow:

H:	2:47am	4.4m
L:	9:46am	2.1m
H:	3:29pm	3.6m
L:	9:46pm	2.1m

Saturday:

H:	4:23am	4.5m
L:	11:15am	1.8m
H:	5:05pm	3.8m
L:	11:24pm	1.9m

Sunday:

H:	5:46am	4.8m
L:	12:25pm	1.4m
H:	6:16pm	4.2m

Monday:

L:	12:36am	1.5m
H:	6:49am	5.1m
L:	1:19pm	1.1m
H:	7:10pm	4.5m

Tuesday:

L:	1:30am	1.2m
H:	7:39am	5.3m
L:	2:04pm	0.9m
H:	7:53pm	4.8m



Students trying their hands at some indoor tennis.

Inclusion Day a big success

Variety hosted a Rockhampton Disability Inclusion sports Day this week with over 100 students enjoying a day of fun and inclusion.

School students from across the region with physical, sensory, cognitive, and intellectual disabilities were given the opportunity to trial a range of sports on Thursday March 17.

Specialised coaches and athletes from key sporting organisations also attended to teach and support the students.

Variety Activate Inclusion Sports Days are a free and fun program for kids aged between 5 and 17 that aims to achieve greater inclusivity and participation in sports.

The program is also coming to numerous other Queensland towns throughout this year including Cairns, Townsville, Mackay, Bundaberg, Toowoomba and many more.

Over 100 students from 4 schools registered to take part in the Rockhampton event.

The event began with an opening ceremony at 10:10am and then the sports sessions kicked



Activities offered a variety of challenges.

off at 10:30am at CQUniversity Community Sports Complex.

Activities included National Rugby League, Queensland Cricket, Football Queensland, Victoria Park Gymnastic & Trampoline Club Inc., Athletics Australia, and Beaks Tennis.

Dress up your business for Harbour Festival 2022

To celebrate the 2022 Annual Gladstone Harbour Festival, the Quota Club of

Gladstone announces its Annual "Dress up your Business" Competition.

Quota Gladstone invites all businesses to decorate their windows and workplaces to bring some cheer to the community and the many expected visitors and to help get in the mood for the 60th Annual Harbour Festival.

This year the theme will be "Nautical".

There will be prizes for the best displays over 3 categories and entry is free.

Entries close on Monday 4 April and judging will take place on Friday 8 April with

the winners being announced on Monday 11 April to give the community the opportunity to view these spectacular displays.

Entry forms are available from gladstonequota67@gmail.com



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Public Notices and Event



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Announcements

Anniversaries

Diamond Wedding Anniversary

BRIAN & SHIRLEY WESTON
nee (Kingston)

Married 24th March 1962

Congratulations and best wishes
on your special day!

Lots of love

Linda & Michael, Rhonda & Dennis
and families
XOXO

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Birthdays

ROBERT GEARD

Happy 76th
Birthday from
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and Family

BIANCA MORRIS

Happy 18th
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from your
Nun and Pop
and Family

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Announcements

Deaths

STENGORD Helen Mildred

Late of New Auckland Place, Gladstone, and formerly of Calliope. Passed away peacefully, Tuesday 15th March, 2022, aged 84 years.

Much loved Wife of the late Bob Stengord. Loving Mother of Robyn, Lynda, Janette, Peter and Phillip.

Loved Nanny to 11 Grandchildren and 10 Great-Grandchildren. Loved Mother-in-law, Sister, Sister-in-law, Aunty and friend to many.

A Burial Service was held.

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It was a long day of fielding for The Glen.



Zane Robertson was The Glen's best with the bat on Saturday.

The Glen fall short in final

By Liam Emerton

The Glen's season has come to an end after suffering a tough loss in the Capricorn Challenge semi-final.

The Glen took on Gracemere Bulls, and after dismantling them just a fortnight ago there was plenty of confidence heading into the do-or-die clash.

But the Bulls had an ace up their sleeve and simply blew The Glen out of the water.

After being knocked around for 41 runs, Gladstone's premier cricket squad were able to pick up the first wicket of the match when Harry Rideout dismissed Lachlan Ferry for 28.

And that wicket looked to be a breakthrough that our club needed, securing the wicket of Trent Accutt 13 runs later when Nathan Cobb trapped him in front.

Just 14 runs after that dismissal The Glen had another when Steven Roser was run out by Cobb.

That made the score 3/68 and gave The Glen a top chance to force a Bulls collapse at an opportune time.

However a 79 run partnership between the Bulls' Luke Johnstone and Todd Harmsworth stopped the bleeding and pulled Gracemere up to 147 runs before Harmsworth was caught from the bowling of Dominic Coote.

Todd's brother Aaron Harmsworth was next to the crease where he helped take the Bulls to 198 runs before being the fifth batsmen dismissed.

That left the scoreboard reading 5/198, and two runs later the dangerman Johnstone was knocked over after making his fourth century in five innings.

That wicket fell at the top of the 35th over, and with 4.5 remaining, Steven Munchow and Alex Raguse combined for 45 runs.

The pair's combination helped Gracemere post the biggest total this season, with 245 runs being the target for our squad.

With the pressure on The Glen openers seriously performed with Justin Brown and Zane Robertson putting together a healthy 60-run partnership.

Roberson was aggressive with the bat, scoring 45 from 35 balls while Brown rotated the strike.

But Munchrow, who was influential in the final five overs of Gracemere's batting innings, found the breakthrough when he claimed the scalp of Robertson.

That wicket set off a collapse within the batting ranks of The Glen with Brown going down soon after.

The score was 2/60 and soon became 3/68 when Jason Seng was bowled for six runs.

Experienced players David Heymer and Nathan Cobb tried to bring some stability to the line-up but they could manage only 17 runs together before Heymer was dismissed.

Cobb was joined by Waqar Yunus who brought plenty of energy to the crease with him.

A valiant display from Cobb (21) was what the Gladstone side needed but when he was



Gracemere Bulls were all smiles after knocking over The Glen.



Justin Brown did his part in rotating the strike.



It was a tough outing for The Glen on Saturday.



Luke Johnstone was good with bat and ball against The Glen.

caught out, The Glen found themselves in hot water.

Harry Rideout and Jake Roberston tried to be good partners for Yunus but they were both dismissed for under 10 runs.

Yunus, who scored 31 runs, was then run out which truly sealed the fate of The Glen.

Two quick wickets later, The Glen were all out for 158 runs, falling 87 runs short of the required total. It was a disappointing end to the season for The Glen who just couldn't capture the magic of a fortnight ago.

The Frenchville Falcons will now meet the Gracemere Bulls in the grand final of the Cap-

ricorn Challenge this weekend.

The Falcons haven't played for several weeks while the Bulls, after that win over The Glen, are full of confidence.

The match is set to begin at 10am and will be played at Rockhampton Cricket Ground on Saturday.

Capras' classy comeback

By Liam Emerton

The Rockhampton Leagues Club Central Queensland Capras produced an all-mighty effort to claim their first opening-round win since 2019.

The CQ Capras took on the Souths Logan Magpies at Davies Park on Sunday but found themselves 16-0 down in 24 minutes.

Fringe Broncos halfback Ezra Mam was unstoppable in the first half, running in for two tries, including one spectacular 85-metre dash, which saw him pick off a chip and sprint the rest of the field.

Mam's halves partner Josh James set up a try between Mam's brace when his floating ball over the top found Benaiah Bowie, who had to reach high, pull the ball in and crash over in the corner.

The Capras needed to score next and with six minutes left in the half Jack Madden laid a beautiful short ball to the chest of Ethan O'Neill who broke the line, drew and passed the Magpies' fullback and sent his halfback over the line.

Madden's try was the first of the Capras' season and arguably no player deserves it more after a tough run of injuries and a bout with Covid hindering his pre-season.

That try made the score 16-6 at half-time but soon after the break, the Magpies found a way to score when a brilliant offload from Cal-lum Eggerling put Justin Fai over the try line.

A successful conversion meant that our CQ side had to come back from 22-6 down away from home against a very-game Magpies.

It took 17 minutes of game time but the Capras finally broke their second-half duck



Trey Browne was perfect with the boot on Sunday.

when Blake Moore's expertly weighted kick saw Jesse Jennings leap onto the loose ball, be-coming the catalyst for an amazing comeback.

Just three minutes later another grubber, this time from fullback Reece Baker, saw Nixon

Putt force a huge error which fell in the lap of Jedidiah Simbiken who just simply fell over the line.

Trey Browne, who was inch-perfect with the boot all afternoon, nailed the tricky conver-

sion to bring the Capras to within four points of the Souths side.

And the comeback was sealed when a short ball from Moore found Lachlan Hubner who burst through a gap and dove over the try line.

Again Browne's conversion flew over the black dot, giving our Capras a two point lead with nine minutes to go.

That newly-found steely resolve really shone through in those final nine minutes, with strong defence helping CQ to an opening-round win.

This weekend the Capras take on the PNG Hunters, who also earned a first-round victory.

The Hunters defeated Mackay Cutters 16-10 and will be keen to get a touch of revenge after our lads defeated them in a trial a few weeks ago.

That match will be played at Browne Park, in the Capras' 2022 return to their home ground.

Also playing that day will be our women's side who begin their BMD Premiership cam-paign against the West Brisbane Panthers.

Last season Central Queensland earned a 26-16 win over the West Brisbane Panthers in round one, and will be looking to repeat that feat on Saturday.

Capras' Queensland Cup squad was joined in the competitive winning circle this week by our Cyril Connell Cup under-16s who won 16-12 over the Blackhawks on Sunday.

Cody Sanewski, Jett Day and Tavita Penaia Te'o all crossed for our young guns to bring home the round four victory.

Our under 19 women's squad went down 26-20 and our Mal Maniga under 18s were de-feated 40-6.

Central shocked in FQPL season opener

By Liam Emerton

Welcome back Football Queensland Premier League (FQPL) Central Coast, we've missed you.

The twists and turns of the local soccer season started early this year with an absolute shocker in the first round played this year.

In the opening match played at Brian Niven Park 2021 premiers Central FC took on 2021 wooden spooners Frenchville Roos in the women's FQPL Central Coast.

The Roos signed several former players and have a new player-coach in Megan Myers but nobody was expecting them to match the might of Central FC.

However in the opening five minutes Frenchville had scored through one of their returning Roos, Olivia Dean.

Dean's chip over the keeper was superb and helped propel a huge amount of confi-dence for the Frenchville squad.

It wasn't until the 44th minute when Cen-tral FC's Gracie Moore was able to strike back and get onto level terms with the Roos.

Although plenty of back-and-forth chanc-es transpired in the second half, neither team could find the winner, handing both sides their first point of the season.

The turn-around from Frenchy is par-ticularly impressive when you consider that Central pummelled them 15-0, 9-0 and 10-0 in their three meetings last season.

In the other two matches from the wom-en's Premier League, Bluebirds United got off to a winning start by defeating the Nerimbera Magpies 2-0, and Clinton FC demolished the Capricorn Coast Eagles 12-0 to go top of the leaderboard.

Skye Noonan, Georgia Muir and Billie Orth scored five, four and three goals respec-tively to help Clinton take an early lead in the competition.

In the men's Premier League the defend-ing champions, the Frenchville Roos, kicked off their season with a solid 6-0 win against Central FC.

Following in his sister's scoring footsteps, Harry Dean nailed a free-kick and produced a silky turn accompanied by a gorgeous fin-ish to give Frenchville a 2-0 lead at the half.

Dean then made it a hattrick on the 56-minute mark to set his team up for a com-fortable win.

Ryan Hawken, Jackson Lems and Owen Mcilwraith added the remaining goals to se-cure a perfect start to the Roos' title defence.

The final game involving a Gladstone side saw Clinton FC take on the Capricorn Coast Eagles in a repeat of last year's semi-final.

Cap Coast was outdone in that emotional semi-final last year but they got a small piece of revenge by winning 2-0 over last year's runners up.

And finally, it wasn't a happy return for Southside United who was defeated by the Nerimbera Magpies 3-1.

Sam Skinner opened the scoring against many of his former teammates in the 18th minute.

Joe Bramhall doubled that advantage be-fore half-time before Joshua Gale sealed the victory for the Magpies.

Those results see Frenchville top the table followed by the Eagles and then the Magpies in second and third, respectively.



Olivia Dean's fifth-minute strike was enough to take a point away from Central FC.
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Zakodi Loats and Charlotte Spearing celebrate a goal for the Suns.



Monique Jephson preps a kick.



Monique Jephson beats a challenge and gets a kick away.



Deniell Pugh kicks the ball down-field despite pressure from a defender.



Glenmore's Chloe Guy, playing in the Suns jumper, kicks towards goal in the combined game.



Brothers Kangaroo Jessica Large, playing for BITS Saints, sprints away from Glenmore defender Amber Anderson.



The great action caught the eye of some interesting spectators.



Chloe Guy reaches to grab the ball.



Jane Power drops the ball perfectly.



Gladstone Sun Sienna Falconer breaks away from the Yeppoon defence.

Huge gala for youth girls

By Liam Emerton

Gladstone Today was invited to attend the AFL Capricornia Youth Girls Gala Day at Mount Larcom State School on Saturday morning.

The day saw four teams, and around 40 players, attend the day which showed off the best of our young Central Queensland talent.

Boyne Island Tannum Sands Saints, Gladstone Suns, Yeppoon Swans and Glenmore Bulls, along with a few players from Brothers Kangaroos and Rockhampton Panthers, made their way to the oval to play.

A few rotating, short field games began the day before a bigger game with combined teams finished off the day in the early afternoon.

The gala day is hoping to encourage a Saturday season for the Youth Girls Competition next year and using that as a building block for future competitions.

Here are the best snaps from the day at Mount Larcom State School.



Zakodi Loats smashes one long.



Issy Moore had a great display on Saturday.



Finlay Langridge gets a shot at goal in the big combined game at the end of the gala day.



BITS Saints' Temiah Lusty gets a kick away while being tackled by Brothers' Keeley Neven, playing for Yeppoon.



Jane Power looks for a teammate with a short kick.



Winter (sport) is coming

In this week's edition of Let's Talk Sport 4RO's **AARON STEVENS** joins Gladstone Today and CQ Today journalist **LIAM EMERTON** to talk about the return of rugby union and the Central Queensland Hockey League as well as reluctantly the Broncos win over the Bulldogs.

With the summer sport season finishing up, we're back into the winter season with rugby and hockey kicking off this weekend.

Aaron: Can we talk about the Broncos yet?

Liam: Soon, soon mate I promise, maybe.

Aaron: Okay I can't wait. But isn't it interesting, and it always comes around this time of year, where you've got some sports wrapping up, like cricket and basketball and then you've got winter sports getting underway.

It's that transition period where I reckon you'd have a fair few players playing either basketball or cricket who play the likes of rugby union or AFL and they're sort of looking between the two sports saying 'hold on wait for me!'

Because rugby gets underway this weekend!

Liam: It does. Rugby is a growing sport here in CQ Aaron where we're looking forward to seeing this competition play out.

Frenchville took out the trophy last year. Dawson Valley Drovers were phenomenal and they fell just short last year so they'll be looking for a little bit of revenge this season to get back to the top where they arguably belong.

But Frenchville came from fourth place, the bottom of that A Grade round robin, and found their way to the top of that competition.

It was a huge achievement for them and that shows because now they've got two teams Aaron.

This is a league that is expanding. Mount Morgan is back in, and that's huge for the Mount.

There's so much going on. There's some great teams like Colts and of course Gladstone.

Gladstone are such a great team and made the grand final a couple of years ago.

They had a little bit of a rough finals series in 2021 but they'll be back into it this week.

I expect them and Dawson Valley to be very tight up the top of the table this year.

Aaron: Liam, nine teams. Nine teams. Is there another competition in Central Queensland that can boast nine teams in the competition.

That's incredible. Frenchville now with the A and B sides we're going to see that rivalry every time those two teams come together.

Cap Coast, Colts who are one of those traditional sides, Mount Morgan back, Biloela, Brothers, Drovers.

This is a competition that promises so much this year and when you have nine teams and



Rugby makes its return this weekend.

that much participation it really bodes well for rugby in Central Queensland and there's no surprise that rugby is so strong.

Liam: Certainly no surprise here. I just wanted to ask you Aaron, what do you think of the new draw.

There's going to be about three games each week at the same ground. Do you like that idea or would you prefer teams to have their own home games?

Aaron: It's an interesting concept isn't it? It depends on the crowd numbers you get to these games.

If there are two or three games being played at the same ground then that's going to attract more people.

The thing we do have in our sport competitions around Central Queensland is that our administrators are very flexible.

So we will see how this goes but what a great concept and we will see how it goes and how it all plays out.

I think it's going to make it easier for me and you to report on it isn't it?

Liam: Yeah that's certainly right haha.

If we're talking about a structure like that it benefits towns like Biloela because you get to have this influx of people come in and play rugby.

It's only going to benefit the town and that's a good thing, that's what we should be looking at doing.

Of course when it comes to Rocky, Colts put on such a great grand final day last year so they'll be able to bring another atmosphere just like that.

So maybe that's where they're coming from. I like the idea.

It might skew results a little bit where you'll see home teams benefit greatly.

But if you're going to play a number of away games in a row then it might hurt your numbers a little bit.

That's the only negative thing I can think of but otherwise it's an interesting concept and we will see how it goes.

Aaron: And you get a situation like Colts, where their ground is one of the homes of rugby union in Central Queensland and they don't get to play at home until round three.

So it'll be interesting to see how it plays out.

But do we get to talk Broncos and Bulldogs yet?

Liam: Oh not yet we've still got one more sport that's coming back this weekend!

Hockey

Hockey is back in Central Queensland this weekend. We have hockey stars in the hall of fame from Central Queensland. It's such a great sport here in CQ isn't it?

Aaron: What is it about hockey in Central Queensland.

We've produced sporting hall of farmers and the participation in the sport is just so

large in Rockhampton and Gladstone.

There's that family atmosphere that they've been able to build up in hockey in Rocky and Glad.

If you're involved with hockey you're part of this collective group who are just all very strong.

They've got the facilities, they've got the participation. They've got all grades covered.

What else could you want from a competition that's just so strong?

And let's see if Wanderers can produce that amazing effort that they had last year.

Liam: They always face a tough task in the Meteors though mate.

Meteors aren't going to be going down lightly in this competition. They are a great club out there.

Both in their men's and women's they're extremely strong.

Between Rocky and Gladstone what's really beneficial for the CQHL are those facilities that we have.

We have two brilliant facilities in Central Queensland that host hockey each week.

You've got the players who want to play at those grounds and they always have a great atmosphere around those grounds like you said Aaron.

When you have facilities like that it draws people in and when you get such a sport loving area in CQ it brings the best out of people.

Such a great sport. My father played when he was young Aaron and I've really enjoyed getting to know the sport a lot more because it's not a big thing that takes over in Penrith.

Aaron: That's exactly it. You'd have to have blinkers on or be under a rock to not notice hockey in CQ.

Just going back to the Wanderers, I always want to say this but I always feel like I'm lying because it seems unbelievable.

But they made nine out of ten grand finals last year which was terrific.

I played hockey, I loved it. I played out on the wing and there's nothing better than hearing the crack of the ball on the back of the net when you fire it in for a goal.

Bulldogs v Broncos

Aaron: Actually, there is one thing better! Broncos win over the Bulldogs. Do we get to talk about that yet?

Liam: Okay Aaron, go ahead and brag mate.

Aaron: What a game though. I mean this sincerely, towards the end of that game when it hung in the balance, I felt that if we did lose and the Broncos went down that we still got to experience a great game of football.

I know there was some controversy and I personally hate the way the stripping rule is.

But at the moment that's the rule. But it was a great game of football and it was great to see Adam Reynolds back.

I tell you what though. The Bulldogs, you guys are going to win more than you lose.

Liam: It's one of those losses that you cop on the chin.

Adam Reynolds, is a man or a magician. He is fantastic out there.

How good was that pass through the legs to almost score that try in the corner, sadly a knock-on took that away.

He's such a great watch. I was a bit scared coming into that game Aaron especially with Reynolds leading the helm.

We need someone like that who's going to be selfless and lead for the team.

It was a great watch, you have to be proud to be a Bulldog when you watch a game like that.

I signed up as a stay-at-home member straight after. There's good times ahead.

But Manly this week could be a tough one. But top eight here we come.

Aaron: I'm going to finish simply with a... GO BRONCOS!



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Sharks	18	Eels	16
Cowboys	26	Raiders	6
Knights	26	Tigers	4
Bulldogs	10	Broncos	16

GAME DRAW • ROUND 3

DRAGONS V SHARKS
TIGERS V WARRIORS
RABBITOHS V ROOSTERS
PANTHERS V KNIGHTS
STORM V EELS
RAIDERS V TITANS
BRONCOS V COWBOYS
SEA EAGLES V BULLDOGS

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Colin Boyce	10
Tim O'Brien	8
Remo Fanelli	8

Regional Fishing



Bulky Boar and Barra Team - Humminbird Classic winners.



Grass sweetlip from a recent Trekka 2 charter to Sunshine Reef. Pictures: FISHINGNOOSA.COM.AU



Lucy Johnson with a red throat emperor she caught off Bundaberg.



Jackson Home with a flathead he caught in the Kolan River.



Jay Balazs with a spanish mackerel caught offshore from Bundaberg. Pictures: CONTRIBUTED

Mid week spoils ahead

By Today Group

Noosa

As expected, we are finally seeing a few more fishable days. With a drop in the swell mid-week, a few boats made the bar crossing with ease.

For many anglers the weather has kept them grounded but next week is shaping up to have light winds and swell so keep a watchful eye out!

Offshore, the continued run of quality reef fish continues with catches consisting of pearlies, snapper, cod, sweetlip, cobia and tuskies. For most bait anglers using pilchard and squid baits on twin hook paternoster rigs are getting most of the fish. For lure anglers, a simple 5-inch minnow style soft plastic on ¾ oz jig heads and 30lb leader will help get the bites. Check out the Power bait power jerk shad for the perfect baitfish profile especially around Sunshine Reef wide and North Reef.

Things should start to clear up next week as we leave the spring tides behind.

With the bigger tidal range gone we should start to see the dirty water getting flushed out. The predicted drop in wind and swell will see things really improve.

If heading offshore make sure you have a rod rigged up with a slug as the tuna can pop up in a second's notice and be gone. Try using 20lb outfits for tuna and smaller 20g gram slugs with the TT hardcore a consistent performer. This is the time we start to see longtail tuna so be prepared.

The river has been fishing well for those targeting flathead and whiting. Much like the ocean clearing up, the river will be starting to clean up. This will only improve the fishing and the fish will start to feed heavily. Bait anglers will find pilchards, whitebait and prawn baits will work the best on flathead with worm and squid for whiting. Keep your lines no more than 8-10lb and always cast up current for the best presentation.

Reports have been limited upriver and this should start to improve in the coming week with no rain forecast. Always ensure you have your sounder running in side or down view to pick fish from trees as there is likely to be a lot of debris around. Trolling smaller minnow style lures will work well on jacks and trevally with bigger sow rolled soft plastics loaded with scent like the new gulp gel for jewies. If you are catching catfish the river is still too fresh and its time to head back toward the mouth of Corrobah of the ski run.

The freshwater dams have just opened again after weeks of closures. The waters are still dirty and the amount of water that spilled over will mean you are going to have to work hard to find the fish as many have now moved. Keep sounders in low frequency as bass do not like high settings and try ZX blades, TN vibes and Hot Bite spoons. Use 2-3 inch paddle tails and fish areas that get the most sun as the temps dropped during the rains. Don't forget to get a SIPS permit online before you fish the local dams and keep an eye out while on the water as there could be floating branches.

Now for all the latest information log onto fishingnoosa.com.au for up-to-date bar and fishing reports, don't forget to drop into Tackle World Noosa, Noosa Boating and Outdoors and Northshore Bait & Tackle in Marcoola for all the right equipment, bait and advice to get you catching. Be sure to follow us on Facebook and remember Tight Lines and Bent Spines!

Bundaberg offshore

With the smaller tides this weekend the reef fishing should be on in the deep and shallows.

March and April is one of my favourite times of year for chasing the big red emperors,



Coral trout from a recent Trekka 2 charter down Cooloom way.

so be sure to drop some big flesh baits down around the 40m mark.

Fingers crossed the weather plays the game, but check the weather report before heading out.

Bundaberg inshore

The inshore reefs have been producing some very nice grunter and grassy sweetlip over the past week.

Most of these fish are being caught on 20g soft vibes and 5" soft plastics.

With the water finally starting to clear up, looking for a spanish mackerel would be a great idea.

I'd be thinking fishing down Elliott Heads way will be the go because that's where the water clears up first.

Trolling gar and hardbody lures is an ideal way to get the bite.

Burnett river

The Burnett is slowly clearing up and the bream are starting to chew.

Working small soft plastics over rock bars and using small prawns as bait has been doing the trick.

Plenty of grunter and flathead have been getting caught near the North Wall at the mouth as well so be sure to try your luck there.

Don't forget to drop the pots in, there's been some very good quality mud crabs being caught in the main channels.

Kolan river and baffle creek

The Kolan and Baffle have been producing some very nice mangrove jack over the past week.

The early morning surface sessions some anglers have been having with them has been impressive.

There's also been some cracking sized whiting being caught.

Pumping yabbies at low tide and fishing the incoming tide over shallow sandbars will get you into some whiting action.

Be sure to keep your cast net handy in the boat because the prawns are starting to turn up.

Lake monduran

Lake Monduran is still firing on all cylinders.

Plenty of fish were caught in the Humminbird Classic last weekend, with the biggest barra going 112cm.

Again, Jackall Squirrels and paddle tail soft plastics has been getting most of the bites.

Remember to always focus on fishing the windblown points and bays. Always fish with confidence.

You never know when that 1m+ barra is going to jump on your line.

Congratulations to the Bulky Boar and Barra team winning the Annual Humminbird Australia & New Zealand Lake Monduran Barra Classic with a bag of 5.16m of Barra!

Fishing

with Allstars Insalt's
Joe McGuire



Father and son adventures

As the quote goes... "When you teach your son, you teach your son's son." (By The Talmud)

And so, this occurs with fishing. Not only is it a lifelong skill, but it is the gift that just keeps on giving whether it is for enjoyment, escaping the rat race, being one with nature or putting food on the table. I've got two daughters and two sons that I've taught to fish and fortunately all of them love it. In my ALLSTARS INSALT online fishing competition there's been Father Son entrants from Gladstone that have won fish category cash prizes across the months of competition. Not only because of the stellar fish they continuously catch, their prime #fishbragwin angler photos, but you can tell they love to fish by the look on their faces in the photos. So, this column is dedicated to the Father Son anglers from Gladstone... Craig and Sean Ibbs.

In order to help any of you who are thinking about teaching your kids or grandkids to fish I thought I'd take the opportunity to ask Dad Craig a couple of questions to help increase our knowledge and then I asked his Son Sean to add his 2-bobs too. So, here's what they had to share...

1. How early did you start to teach Sean to fish?

I started to teach Sean to fish between ages 4 to 5 at the Darwin ponds and dams, because they were close by, safe, and easy locations to teach him.

Sean's earliest memories of fishing with his Dad Craig were around age 4 at the Daly River and ponds around Darwin.

2. Around about what age did you start to see that Sean liked fishing as much as you?

After he caught his first fish, he then started practicing in the yard throwing lures. He loved his fishing so much that in 2015 Sean started the Instagram account of #howtooutfishyourdad that now has over 3,000 followers.

Sean's favourite learn to fish memory with his Dad is at aged 7 catching a 15-20kg Trevally on Barramundi gear. It was a huge and memorable fight.

3. At what age did you start to see that you had transferred enough knowledge to Sean that he had the skills to fish as well as you?

Craig could see Sean's fishing skills developing at a very young age. It was when he was 7 to 8 years old that one fishing session comes to mind... we were fishing in Darwin and he caught 50 Barramundi in our session and I only caught 25. I knew then that I was being outclassed.

4. What's your favourite Father Son fishing story to share?

My most pivotal fishing memories of Sean are when he has caught his first big fish of a species. For example, his first big Trevally was out at Wistari in 3 metres of water out of the bommies, his first big Barramundi he made the NT News radio for his catch, the first Marlin he caught after trolling for 4-days without anything. In addition, some of my fondest memories of fishing with Sean are at the Adelaide River catching lots of Barramundi and counting crocodiles.

It's uncanny the way father/son fishing trips can be fond memories shared because Craig recounts the Barramundi and Crocodile experiences and Sean reminisced about the excitement of fishing trips in the Darwin wet season with storms and lightening striking around them.

5. What's your favourite Father Son fishing experience now days?

The role reversal between Father Craig and his Son Sean was the most significant experience for their current fishing encounters. Sean has become the guide when they fish together. Sean is now teaching his Dad how to impoundment fish.

6. What do you like about Father Son fishing in the ALLSTARS competition?

The variety of fish species in the online compe-



Sean Ibbs with his 2021 ALLSTARS winning 126cm Giant Trevally caught off Gladstone.



Father Craig and his Son Sean with matching Barramundi fishing in the Northern Territory.



Craig Ibbs with a Giant Trevally caught off Gladstone.

tion. The low cost is value for money because of the potential cash winnings. Everybody gets an opportunity to #fishbragwin

Fishing is always a competition between Craig and Sean. Craig says that when we are fishing together, if he misses a bite, Sean is instantly casting into the area to poach what he just missed. Craig continues to love to watch Sean to develop beyond just fishing into all the other associated skills; like driving the boat, reading the sounder, tying knots and his general fishing knowledge.

For this Father Son fishing article, Sean

does get the final acknowledgement, because he caught the longest Giant Trevally for the 2021 ALLSTARS competition. Despite fierce competition from North Queensland anglers like Colby Lesko off Cairns and Jason Jesse off Thursday Island, this young gun of an angler took the win. So his Dad has taught him to fish well!

So if you like fishing and you want to learn more about it, then check out my fishing columns on my website www.allstarsinsalt.com.au. I've written about how to target different species of fish that will help you get your fam-

ily members out and about to try fishing and to improve their fishing to result in a successful catch. ALLSTARS has months of competition still to occur and stories to share. I have decades of fishing tips and will interview many successful commercial and recreational anglers to share their suggestions too.

As much as I like to write about fishing, I'd also like to hear from you. So please email me at info@allstarsinsalt.com.au to share your fishing trips, fishing tips, fishing stories and photos.

A day on the water is better than a day at work.



GRUFCs prep for Pioneers

By Liam Emerton

The Gladstone Goats make their return to competition on Saturday for a whole day of rugby action in Gladstone.

The GRUFCs enter the 2022 season prepared to make waves in the competition.

Last year the side lost both the qualifying and preliminary finals, against the Dawson Valley Drovers and Frenchville Pioneers respectively.

But this year the men's side will be hoping to go one step further and make the grand final.

It will be a tough season this year too with the Mount Morgan Lorikeets and the Frenchville Pioneers B team being added to the mix.

That makes the Rugby Capricornia Limited (RCL) competition a nine-team battle, the biggest since 2020.

That was also the year that the GRUFCs last battled in the grand final, where they were knocked off by Brothers Rugby Club in the big dance.

But it's a fresh season and Gladstone Goats' president and A-Grade star Aubre Harmse said they're all looking forward to the season.

"It's really exciting. Another year to see if we can take that top spot," he said.

"We've got tough competition by the sounds of things. Brothers have recruited really well and the likes of Mount Morgan coming back into the comp is really good to see.

"It's good to see it start growing again and hopefully it keeps getting bigger and bigger.

"In a couple of years hopefully all the clubs can have an A grade and a B grade so we can get back to that top strength comp that we used to have."

The GRUFCs first match is against one of those new squads with Frenchville B first up for our rugby squad, which can be a bit of an unknown heading into the opening round.

But even with that uncertainty, the team is looking sharp and they'll be hoping to win especially as Goats' superstar David West will notch up an incredible milestone this weekend.

"You don't really know what to expect or who they're bringing down," said Harmse.

"It's really hard to pick them because you just don't know who is coming or who they're picking.

"David West will be playing his 100th game for the club this weekend too.

"It will be great to have him running around the pitch with us again.

"He's an excellent player with his natural skill that he's got and the ability to read plays



The GRUFC Goats make their return to the RCL comp this Saturday.

and the way he attacks is unreal.

"He's really valuable to the team not just in the way he plays but in terms of the culture that he brings and how he gets around the boys.

"He's just really important to us."

In the women's competition, our Gladstone Goats will combine with Colts Rugby Union

Club to create a new era in the 7s competition.

Due to a lack of numbers, the Goats and Colts will play as one side to take on the rest of the comp, in what could be a perfect match.

Both sides have had solid success in recent years and will be hoping to add to that by taking home a big win in their opening round match.

The format for the RCL competition has been tweaked this season with the scheduled games being split across two grounds.

This weekend Gladstone will host premiers Dawson Valley Drovers when they clash with the Cap Coast Crocs as well as the women's match which will see the combined Goats-Colts take on the Crocs.

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