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[www.mccm.org.au](http://www.mccm.org.au)

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# Horse & Buggy

On the 5th of July 2023 Miles had some visitors which made everyone look twice.

Julien Welsh, Hank, Dusty and Nookie dropped in to Miles NFW to stock up on supplies for their ongoing journey. Ten and a half weeks ago Julien and his crew set out from Kooweerup, Victoria to travel to Rockhampton, Queensland. They travel roughly 30kms a day, but if the horses decide to lay down after breakfast Julien gives them a rest day.

Julien has a long history with horses, starting at pony club. He became a leading mountain racing rider for 13 years and then relocated to Melbourne where he became a professional jumps jockey.

One of the highlights of his life in the high country was his role as a "crack rider" in the Man From Snowy II, which starred Sigrid Thornton and Tom Burlinson.

These days, Julien is a race horse trainer and owner and operates Booralite Park with his wife Mel. Booralite Park provides breaking and pre-training services to both domestic and overseas trainers and owners.

We wish Julien and his travel buddies a safe and sound journey!



Julien Welsh surrounded by his trusted travel companions Hank, Dusty and Nookie  
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# Learn to Love your Budget

**Text by Donna Neale-Arnold, Financial Counsellor at Lifeline Darling Downs**

Often, when someone first comes to talk to me about their financial position, I ask – “Do you do a budget?” – the first thing a lot of people say is “Groan – I don’t have enough money to budget!” - - - which ironically is exactly the reason you need a budget, especially if you are on a limited income.

A budget can be a single piece of paper in a notebook (although there are also a lot of fancy apps out there that will do the job too!). Or if you are running a business, you will need a cash flow summary. Something that will tell you really clearly, what’s coming in & what’s going out, so that when bills come in, you have money allocated to cover it.

When Financial Counsellors work with their clients, we often do a lot of Credit Repair. This is when somebody may have taken credit and now they are unable to repay it (there are a million reasons why this happens – including sickness, relationship breakdowns, disasters, loss of job, prison, scams, etc.). The reason we work through these issues with people is so that they arrive back to a state where they are able to live within their budget every week. The stress is removed (which cannot be underestimated) and barriers to getting credit from a mainstream lender may also be removed – meaning if you do need credit, you can get it at a decent interest rate instead of paying an astronomical rate through payday lenders and lenders of last resort.

Budgeting is the most important tool for financial management. It is an Action Plan that helps us to cope with expected and unexpected issues as they arise. It can help you track your spending patterns (i.e. The Cherry Ripe you buy every time you fill up your car with petrol - also known as a Spending Leak!). It also helps you to make better financial decisions – Do I Need it and Can I Afford it?? These 2 questions should be asked before every purchase. Is it in my budget? Maybe it will have to wait for a couple of weeks until I can afford it.... instead of putting it on my Afterpay account.

The desire to spend originates from many things – boredom; feeling restricted or thinking you need to reward yourself; it can be tied to mental health issues; it can be related to addictions; it may also be the patterns you were taught from your family. Just know that all of these contributing factors can be addressed, so that control over your money is regained.

Try creating a budget for yourself and/or your family by using the budget on the Moneysmart website: <https://moneysmart.gov.au/>

Other important links: **Lifeline Darling Downs and South West QLD** – Make a Referral to see a Financial Counsellor - <https://www.lifelinedarlingdowns.org.au/make-a-referral>

**National Debt Helpline** (Hosted by Financial Counsellors) - <https://ndh.org.au/> or phone 1800 007 007

**Mob Strong** – (a free nationwide legal advice and financial counselling service for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people). <https://financialrights.org.au/getting-help/mob-strong-debt-help/> or 1800 808 488





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# Miles

As I put pen to paper to prepare this Police report, I have several topics of conversation that I would like to raise within our community for the information of our valued community members.

**Cybercrime:** Members of our community continue to attend the Miles Police Station to report or with concerns about Cybercrime and Fraud impacting upon them. Unfortunately, our reliance upon computers and electronic communications has and continues to lead to the growth of Fraud offences in our community. In Queensland, cybercrimes may be referred to your local police, or if they require urgent or specialist investigative action they may be referred to your local Criminal Investigation Branch or the Computer Crime Investigation Unit.

If you believe that you or your family members have been impacted by Cybercrime, please feel free to contact Miles Police to discuss your options and to seek additional specialist assistance.

A cybercrime is a criminal offence using computers or electronic devices which includes:

Attacks on computer systems and viruses - Cyber-bullying, sexting - online harassment or stalking - Email spam and phishing - Identity theft - Online child sexual abuse material - Online scams or fraud - Issues buying and selling online

**Protecting against Cybercrime:** Protecting yourself against cybercrime doesn't need to be complicated.

Here are some simple guidelines to make you a tougher target for cybercriminals.

- Keep your computer up to date with the latest patches and security software
- Keep your computer and internet browser configured securely
- Choose strong passwords and keep them safe
- Don't give out personal information over the phone or internet
- Check your bank and credit card statements regularly for unrecognised transactions

**Bushfires:** Whilst not a Policing issue specifically, this issue very much impacts upon our communities and our community members. This year is predicted to be a volatile year for fires in our communities, with predictions of a hot and dry summer and very hazardous conditions which are conducive to large and dangerous fire conditions.

How can you help? – there are many ways that our community members can be involved and be prepared for the upcoming season. Key messages from QFES include:

- Prepare for Bushfire Season,
- Monitor Fire Danger Ratings and
- Tune into Warnings

Please make yourself aware of the new national Bushfire warning system which includes:

- Advice,
- Watch & Act and
- Emergency Warning

Information and assistance is available by logging in to the QFES internet link located at <https://www.qfes.qld.gov.au/prepare/bushfires>





# 2 Day Tennis Tournament

Text and photos provided by: Polly Leahy

It's time to get thinking about your Tennis Doubles partner for the Annual Noonga's 2-Day Tennis Tournament held on September 16th & 17th. Grades include: OPEN Ladies & Men's Singles; A & B Grade in Ladies & Men's doubles and Mixed Doubles.

Nomination Forms will be available from August. Follow the Noonga Community Facebook Page to keep updated.

**Volunteers needed:** If you are a frequent flyer to Noonga and love the community, its members and the friendly environment and you would like to assist with volunteering at various events, then Polly Leahy would like to hear from you. Register your interest by contact ing Polly on 0427 276483.

**Pilates @ Noonga:** Don't forget Pilates @ Noonga every Friday morning commencing at 10am, Cost \$10 BYO water bottle & Pilates mat, followed by morning tea, supplied by Payton's Pantry,

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At Noonga Tennis - Haslop siblings Bec & Dan from Dulacca with their boys enjoying some cousin fun.

Noonga's 2-Day Tennis Championships, Saturday & Sunday September 16th & 17th, 2023.

Seniors Week celebration, Tuesday October 10th, 2023.

Noonga Community Christmas Tree, Saturday December 16th, 2023.

Sheryl Sinnamon Memorial Cricket Day, Saturday January 6th, 2024.

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# Let go of Dogwood Crossing

Western Downs Regional Council and volunteers of Dogwood Crossing farewelled Anne Keam on Thursday, 29th June 2023.

After 17 years of working at Dogwood Crossing, Anne retired from her role as Arts & Cultural Officer at the end of June 2023.

Western Downs Regional Council staff members and many other locals wished Anne all the best and reminisced about the past years.

Anne's dedication and love for art and her job has always been evident. Through Anne, Dogwood Crossing became respected in the art scene of the Western Downs region and beyond.

Anne developed and organised Dogwood Crossing public programs like "MiniMakers" and "Forgot-Me-Not".

We wish Anne all the best for her well deserved retirement.

But don't worry, you will still see Anne at the Dogwood on occasion. Anne will continue to work casually.

Amy Bevan has been appointed the Arts & Cultural Officer for Dogwood Crossing.



Anne Keam with her gift from staff and volunteers - a painting of Dogwood Crossing building by local artist Patricia Hinz

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Information from <https://www.qld.gov.au/transport/registration/fees/concession/senior>

Did you know Queensland Government offers a reduction on your vehicle or boat registration?

You may be eligible, if you are:

- a Queensland resident
- a Queensland issued Seniors Card holder (not available to holders of a Seniors Business Discount Card)
- Pensioner Concession Card holder
- a prescribed services person (current or former member of the Australian Defence Force) and you have been assessed under the:

- Veterans Entitlement Act 1986 as having at least a 70% degree of incapacity or

- Military Rehabilitation Compensation Act 2004 as having at least 50 impairment points.

Your concession document and the registration of the vehicle or boat must be in the same name and must be used mainly for your own private use. Concessional registration only applies to the following vehicles recorded with a private purpose of use:

- motorcycles
- motor vehicle not over 4.5t GVM
- motorised caravan (no GVM limit)
- recreational boat.

**You can only receive this concession for 1 vehicle and 1 recreational boat at a time.** You will need to fill out a new form each time you wish to transfer this concession to a different vehicle or boat. **You can only claim 1 concession per couple.**

To apply, you need to complete a registration concession application (F3937) and show or provide a copy of one of the following:

- your Queensland Seniors Card
- your Pensioner Concession Card
- your Department of Veterans' Affairs (DVA) Veteran Gold Card embossed with TPI or EDA

You can send the completed form via email or post or **in person** by visiting your nearest transport and motoring customer service centre or, if you live in a rural area, a QGAP office, Magistrates Court or local police station.

**Email** the completed registration concession application (F3937) with a copy of the front and back of the concession card or supporting letter to

[customer.service.support@tmr.qld.gov.au](mailto:customer.service.support@tmr.qld.gov.au)

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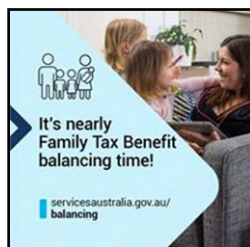




## News & Updates

### Family Tax Benefit Balancing Time

From early July we'll start balancing your Family Tax Benefit for the 2022-23 financial year. You don't need to do anything yet.



### Taxable emergency payments

If you got Pandemic Leave Disaster Payment, High-Risk Settings Pandemic Payment, Disaster Recovery Allowance Top-up or New Zealand

Disaster Recovery Allowance during the financial year, you'll need to manually include this in your tax return. These payments are taxable, but won't pre-fill in the Australian Taxation Office myTax, or show on your Centrelink payment summary.

You can check how much you got during the financial year by viewing the payment history or letters in your Centrelink online account through myGov, or letter we sent you in the post.

Find out more at: [servicesaustralia.gov.au/payments-dont-show-your-payment-summary](https://servicesaustralia.gov.au/payments-dont-show-your-payment-summary)

### School Trip

Throughout the year, ABSTUDY can also help you travel to other school events, like plays and sports matches.

This includes travel, accommodation and meal costs for a return trip between home and the event location.

To claim, get in touch with your child's boarding school or hostel asap before travelling.

Read more: [servicesaustralia.gov.au/how-to-claim-abstudy-fares-allowance](https://servicesaustralia.gov.au/how-to-claim-abstudy-fares-allowance)

### Age Pension and return to work

If you decide to return to work, you need to let Services Australia know. You may need to report your income regularly if you return to work, to avoid getting a debt.

Employment income can affect your payment. To make sure you receive the right amount, you need to report your and your partner's employment income via phone call or mygov. If you need help, Agents of Services Australia can help you.

Miles - Ph: 07 4627 2027

Chinchilla - Ph: 07 4662 8528

Tara - Ph: 07 4665 3508

## Government Services—closer than you think - Miles, Chinchilla & Tara

Services Australia can help you with Centrelink, Medicare and other government programs and services. We're all Agents of Services Australia. Using our computers, you can log into your myGov account and do your business on the spot. If you don't have a myGov account, we'll help you to set one up.

You can access the phone self service or speak to a Services Australia Service Officer. If you'd rather use your mobile phone or tablet, we've got free Wi-Fi available 24/7. You don't need a password so you can get online straight away. You can also use the Wi-Fi to download and install the Express Plus mobile apps. We can help you set up your digital services if you're not sure what to do. You can also lodge forms, get your identity documents confirmed and pick up brochures. Your local Agents are:

**Murilla Community Centre**, 73A Murilla St, Miles. We're open Monday - Friday from 9am to 4pm or call 07 4627 2027 to make an appointment.

In Chinchilla, you can visit the **Chinchilla Community Centre** in 67/71 Middle St. Monday to Friday 8:30am to 4pm or call 07 4662 8528 to make an appointment.

**Tara Neighbourhood Centre** at 41 Day Street is open Monday to Friday 9am to 12pm and 1pm to 4pm. Please call 07 4665 3508 to make an appointment.



# Uncertainty for caged eggs

Source: QFF Media Release 18/07/23 [www.qff.org.au/media-releases/uncertainty-remains-for-queensland-caged-egg-producers/](http://www.qff.org.au/media-releases/uncertainty-remains-for-queensland-caged-egg-producers/)

The Queensland Farmers' Federation (QFF) and Queensland United Egg Producers (QUEP) are carefully considering the ministerial endorsement of a national update to the Australian Animal Welfare Standards and Guidelines for Poultry (S&G) following a recent joint meeting of the federal and all state agriculture ministers in Perth.

According to QFF, "the update to the guidelines has left cage egg producers very much in a state of uncertainty without providing a definitive date for the phasing out of conventional cage egg production," said QFF CEO Ms Sheppard. As part of the update to the S&G, conventional cage egg production will be phased out, with each state left to decide the timeframe for this transition. A previous draft of the S&G had set a deadline for an end to conventional cages by 2036, however this date is 10 years earlier than the 2046 deadline the egg industry had requested.

"Australian farmers lead the world when it comes to strong animal welfare practices, and this must be acknowledged. We need to be careful in finding a balance between responding to further enhancements to these practices and maintaining sustainable food production to ensure affordable and accessible food, and in this case protein, is available for everyone"

"Consumers across the country are already struggling with the cost-of-living crisis. Eggs remain one of the best, and most affordable, sources of protein, and a premature end to cage egg production will mean consumers will be paying more for their eggs at the checkout.

Queensland United Egg Producers CEO John Coward said "Variations in a phase out date for each state will impact how the standards and guidelines are practically implemented along with the associated legislation, which could lead to variances in how each state can meet supply demands impacting fair competition in the national market."

Mr Coward said despite this, the egg industry in Queensland is looking forward to working with the Queensland Government to establish clarity on the phase out of cage egg production in the state.

## Cost of Living rebate

The community is invited to do what Queenslanders do best, and support each other by spreading the word about the additional electricity rebate for vulnerable households. The 2023 State Budget included an additional \$700 electricity rebate for vulnerable households, on top of the existing \$372 concession. This brings the total rebate to \$1,072 for those eligible. All Queensland households will receive a \$550 rebate automatically applied to their electricity bill in quarterly instalments this financial year.

The Minister for Energy, Renewables and Hydrogen, Mick de Brenni said "Our Government set aside \$1.483 billion for extra electricity bill support in this budget, to help households and small businesses facing cost-of-living pressures.

- As many as 270,000 eligible Queenslanders could be missing out on \$1072 electricity bonus.
- Queensland seniors and concession card holders urged to check with their electricity provider.
- \$1,072 cost of living rebates available for eligible seniors, veterans and concession card holders.

Find this and other possible savings on [www.concessionsfinder.services.qld.gov.au](http://www.concessionsfinder.services.qld.gov.au)





## IMPROVING PHYSICAL FUNCTION AND QUALITY OF LIFE

Chronic musculoskeletal conditions affect about 3 in 10 Australians.

Of the nearly 6.9 million people with chronic musculoskeletal conditions, the most common have back problems (*ABS 2022*), with others suffering from neck pain, pain associated with osteoarthritis and pain from injuries or fractures.

As a Myotherapist, Kadi Lillis treats people who suffer from musculoskeletal pain and associated conditions.

Having grown up on a farm in the Western Downs, Kadi understands the physical demands of living and working on the land.

"Farming, and rural life in general, can be taxing on the body. Musculoskeletal conditions can really affect a person's quality of life and can impact their ability to participate in social and sporting activities, and even limit their ability to work and earn a livelihood". said Kadi.



Kadi Lillis, *The Rural Myotherapist*.

Kadi, *The Rural Myotherapist*, has treatment rooms at the Bell Bunya Community Centre on Maxwell Street in Bell, and at Dalby Health Foods on Cunningham Street in Dalby.

Following an initial consultation to discuss and assess your condition, Kadi will discuss treatment options available.

Kadi has a special interest in helping people manage chronic pain conditions, headaches and migraines. She also enjoys assisting people with sports injury rehabilitation and prevention.

"We have a great range of allied health services in our communities and I'm happy to be offering Myotherapy in our regional area". said Kadi.

So what exactly is Myotherapy? Myotherapy is a form of physical therapy that uses manual techniques like massage and stretching to alleviate musculoskeletal pain, improve movement, and restore function in the body's soft tissues.

For more information or to contact Kadi, go to [www.theruralmyo.com.au](http://www.theruralmyo.com.au)

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# 100 Days of Learning

## in Prep Celebration at Tara SSC

What a memorable start we have had in Prep K at Tara Shire State College this term with teacher Mrs Kelsey Keogh. On Wednesday 12th July we celebrated 100 days of learning in Prep. The day consisted of students arriving to school dressed as 100 year old's and participating in hands-on activities based on the number '100'. With the help from our wonderful Prep Teacher Aide, Jo Davison, we also had a display set up of old objects ranging from a cow bell, a Singer sewing machine, the old school bell, old newspaper clippings and photos from our community, dating back many years ago. With the help of a little aging technology the students got to see themselves years older! Teacher Aides and Early Childhood Studies student helpers, contributed to make the day a complete success and helped to create special memories for our Prep students to look back on in the future.



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# 2023 Tara Open Tennis Tournament

The 74th Annual Tara Open Tennis Tournament was held at the Tara tennis club complex on Saturday 17th June with perfect weather conditions prevailing for the 39 players competing.

Twenty six men and thirteen ladies competed for the O'Connell and Coggan Cups. Players came from Brisbane, Toowoomba, Dalby, Chinchilla, Monagorilby, Condamine, Roma, St George, Goondiwindi, Hannaford and Tara areas.

Close to 80 matches were played in the open and consolation events. The standard of play was very high with many 7-5 and tie-break sets played throughout the day. The tournament concluded about 9 o'clock. The fire pits were well patronised during the evening session.

A special thank you to the sponsors of the event- Origin Australia Pacific LNG, Drought Angels, Ray White Real Estate Tara, Better Movement Clinic and the Commercial Hotel Tara.

Toowoomba player Harry Benham won the O'Connell Cup for the men's singles and Charmayne Cann from Monagorilby (Chinchilla area) took out the Coggan Cup in the ladies event.

President, Rick Brauer thanked players for attending the tournament this year and all involved with the organisation of the event, the sponsors and the catering ladies for providing the great food. A huge multi draw raffle was also held with items donated by various people. A special thank you to Dana Deane for helping the tournament director with the running of the event.

## OPEN RESULTS:

**O'Connell Cup - Open Mens Singles:** Semi final: Harry Benham d Joeffrey Candido 6-0. Hamilton Walker d Charlie Zwolsman 6-1. Final: Harry Benham d Hamilton Walker 6-3.

**Coggan Cup - Open Ladies Singles:** Semi final:

Charmayne Cann d Bella Merrick 6-0. Tara-Kate Russell d Heidi Patch 6-1. Final: Charmayne Cann d Tara-Kate Russell 6-3.

**Men's Open Doubles:** Semi final. Harry Benham & Hamilton Walker d Charlie Zwolsman & Jeremy Bazley 6-0. Ben Campbell & David Nevell d Joeffrey Candido & Declan Hobley 6-3. Final: Harry & Hamilton d Ben & David 6-2.

**Ladies Doubles:** Semi final: Sally Mohr & Debbie Pringle d Tara-Kate Russell & Bella Merrick 6-1. Charmayne Cann & Lauren Bailey d Jenny Ackland & Heidi Patch 6-2. Final: Charmayne & Lauren d Sally & Debbie 7-5.

**Mixed Doubles:** Semi final: Hamilton Walker & Charmayne Cann d James Neal & Sally Mohr 6-2. Ben Campbell & Heidi Patch d Ray Coupe & Debbie Pringle 6-3. Final: Hamilton & Charmayne d Ben & Heidi 7-5.

## CONSOLATION:

**Mens Singles:** Semi final. James Acason d Zack Farrell 6-0. Ben Campbell d David Nevell 6-1. Final: James d Ben 7-5.

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# Street Names of Tara - Bilton St

Text & Photos supplied by Ian Campbell, Tara Historical Society

In the third edition of "Street Names of Tara" we look a bit closer at the person behind Bilton Street - JOE BILTON.

We only have limited information about Joe Bilton. He was amongst the earliest settlers in the Tara district and took up land on the corner of what is now the Surat Development Road and the Leichhardt Highway. Joe ran a dairy herd there. In 1913 the Huskisson family came to The Gums and they share farmed with him for about five years.

The cream was taken to Tara twice a week by dray then railed to Dalby. Mr Bilton built a house on "Antrim". The timber for the house was milled using a "pit-saw". A pit-saw was similar to a cross cut saw but was used vertically, one operator stood above the log and pulled the saw up the other worked under pulling the saw down on its cutting stroke.

Mr Bilton had a housekeeper called Miss Ferguson (she originated from Antrim in Ireland.) Miss Ferguson had a ward named Morris, who eventually inherited the property.

Mr Bilton lived on the property until his death in 1948. Miss HESSIE ANN Ferguson lived on the farm until she passed away in 1962 aged 75. She never came to The Gums Church just over the road, but in her later years liked to sit on her veranda and listen to the people singing in the church.

Most of this account is quoted from the Memoirs of Keith Fry, supplied by courtesy of Leslie Fry.

If any family members of people in who's honour a street in Tara has been named could send a little account of that person the Tara Historical Society would be grateful please contact Murilla Community Centre 07 4627 2027.

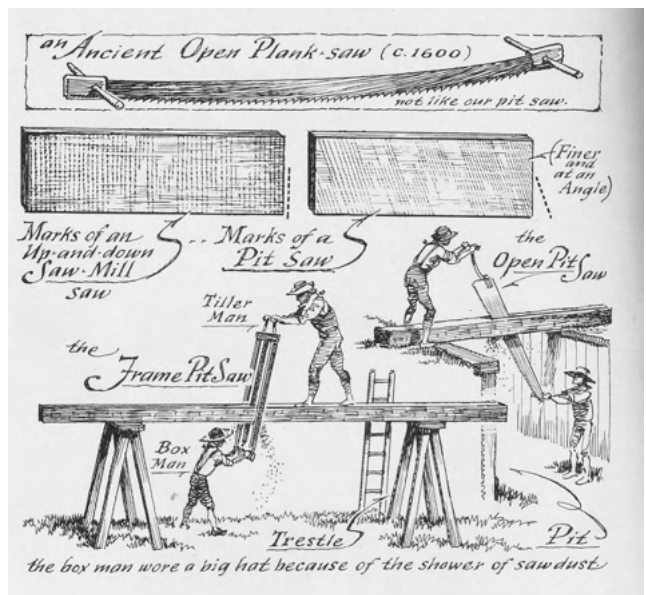


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# SW QLD Sub Chamber Dinner

On Saturday 24th June 2023, Charleville & South West Queensland Shows Association held their annual Sub Chamber Dinner at the Charleville Town Hall. Show Societies from St. George, Quilpie, Mitchell, Cunnamulla, Charleville, Dirranbandi, Taroom, Chinchilla, Miles, Wandoan and Roma came together, for the Sub Chamber - South West Queensland Shows Association AGM and finished the day off with the dinner.

Mistress of Ceremonies Teri Sommerfield, 2021 Queensland Rural Ambassador presided over the meeting with interviews and speeches from contestants and previous winners.

Nell Blackley from Taroom won the South West Queensland 2023 Dark Rich Fruit Cake competition. Miles local Faye Burton received Runner Up.

Lauren Young from Dirranbandi was awarded South West Queensland Rural Ambassador. Adam Erbacher from Wandoan Show Society was awarded Runner Up.



Left photo: Rural Ambassador Lauren Young, Dirranbandi and Runner-Up Adam Erbacher, Wandoan.

Right photo: Showgirl Winner Rebekah Miller, St. George and Runner-Up Sophie Kelly.

Showgirl Winner was Rebekah Miller from St. George and Sophie Kelly from Charleville won Runner Up.

Lauren and Rebekah will represent South West Chamber in Queensland's largest show event the EKKA, as South West Queensland Show Society Rural Ambassador and Showgirl respectively. They will compete against representatives of other Queensland Sub Chambers for the Queensland Rural Ambassador and Queensland Country Life Showgirl.

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Royal Queensland Show (Ekka) is Queensland's largest and most loved annual event, attracting on average 400,000 people. This year the Ekka will be held from 12th to 20th August 2023.

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# Murilla Kindy

We are thrilled to announce the latest happenings at Murilla Kindy otherwise known as the Jason Richard's Memorial Kindy, located at 86 Marian Street, Miles. With recent updates and engaging activities, our kindergarten continues to be a hub of growth and learning for young minds in our community.

The kindy's outdoor spaces have been transformed, creating an environment that sparks curiosity and creativity. A new addition, the construction pit, has quickly become a favourite among the children, fostering imaginative play and hands-on exploration. Nature plays a significant role in our outdoor spaces, encouraging children to explore and connect with the natural world. Our gardening sections are thriving, teaching children about sustainability and the wonders of nature.



Our experienced teaching staff play a pivotal role in creating a stimulating learning environment. Led by a qualified early childhood education teacher, who brings their expertise and passion to the classroom. With over 17 years of experience, our dedicated assistant provides valuable support, ensuring each child receives the best care and guidance.

As a community-owned and operated kindy, community engagement is at the heart of Murilla Kindy. We believe in the power of building connections beyond the classroom walls. Through partnerships with local organisations, such as Milton House, and collaborations with nearby businesses, we create unique learning opportunities that bridge generations and promote a sense of unity within our community.

Mark your calendars! On August 5th, we're hosting our highly anticipated Kindy Community Fete. The entire Miles Community is invited to join us for an exciting day. Browse through market stalls, enjoy outdoor games, indulge in delicious food, and create lasting memories with your family. It's an event you won't want to miss!



Experience the magic of Murilla Kindy where children's potential is nurtured, and the community thrives. For more information about enrolment and upcoming events, visit our website or get in touch with us. We're excited to welcome you to our warm and vibrant kindergarten family. <https://murillakindergarten.wixsite.com/murillakindergarten>

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# Trinidad, Tobago & Dragon Fruit

## Text & Photos supplied by Margarette Sinnamon

The QCWA Jackson branch continues to host their monthly community BBQ's. During the cooler months of the year they are held at noon to take advantage of the warmer time of the day.

Each year the QCWA choose a country to study and a fruit to taste and try out new recipes and flavours. This year it is Trinidad, Tobago and Dragon Fruit, so our July gathering was themed accordingly. Included with the usual BBQ menu were a number of speciality dishes provided by QCWA members.

These included Chick Pea and Pumpkin Curry, Sweet Potato Soup, Sawine dessert and Dragon Fruit tarts.

Lunch guests included, Mayor Tyson Golder, Madonna Mole, Local Development Officer (Bendemere), QCWA Maranoa Division President Susan Gale and members of the Roma and Miles Vintage car clubs. The Mayor addressed the community thanking the QCWA for hosting the luncheon and passed on the council's gratitude to all the volunteers for their continuing support of their communities.

Date Claimer: The Maranoa Division of the QCWA will be hosting a Garden Party at Jimbour House on Saturday, the 2nd September to celebrate the centenary of the QCWA. On behalf of the Maranoa Division we are inviting you to attend the Garden Party. There will be a variety of craft and market stalls and your ticket price includes lunch in the beautiful grounds of Jimbour House. Tickets are available online at <https://www.trybooking.com/CJNJC> Till next month



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## Country Week

Written and photo by Ken Brown

**HostPlus Cup delivers** The Miles Devils Club played host to the HostPlus Cup on the 15th of July. This game was played between the Redcliffe Dolphins and the Burleigh Bears. With both teams being the frontrunners in the Statewide Rugby League Competition it was always going to be a great game to have at Centenary Oval. The Dolphins however were far too strong for the Bears and ran away with the game to the tune of 38 points to 6.

**State of Origin in the Outback** Before the HostPlus Cup game was the revitalised Outback representative game. Qld Outback V's NSW Outback played each other in both Men's and Women's games. The Women, coached by local lass Nicole Richards went down in a very close game 18 – 14.



Photo by Jacob Grams, QRL

The Men's team coached by former Qld State of Origin great John Doyle and comprised of 6 current Miles Devils players completely outclassed their NSW opposition with the result being 52 points to nil. Highlight of the game was seeing Miles Forward Ereqe Nadruguvolili



Photo by Jacob Grams, QRL



Back Row: Ratu Tiusue, Jack Tupa Jnr, Eoin Bowie, Ereqe Nadruguvolili

Front Row: Jaykob Lankowski, Jobe Sivowale

scoop up a loose ball and sprint 90 metres to score a try – his second of the match.

Queensland Rugby League CEO, former Qld and Australian representative Ben Ikin travelled to Miles for the weekend and was impressed with the Miles Club facilities and the way the day progressed. He remarked how good it was to be in a regional area and see the passion for Rugby League in the Bush.

**New Bar** The Miles Devils were awarded the XXXX Community Club of the Year in 2022. With a portion of the prizemoney from the win the Devils were to put it to a project for the Club. This project was completed before the weekend and was put to good use.

A shipping container has been converted to a very functional bar area for the Centenary oval Complex and will be a very valuable asset for events held there.

**Remembering a Mate** The Miles Devils were shocked and saddened when young local man Callum Austin lost his life in a workplace accident. Callum was a good friend to many of our players and the young people who support our Club. As a mark of respect, the players, and supporters of the Miles Devils, as well as the visiting Mitchell Magpies club observed a minute's silence in honour of this well-liked young man. Callum was instrumental in working on the new bar at Centenary Oval, something we will never forget. The Club sends its condolences to Callum's family and many friends.

# Origin Community Update

## August 2023



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### International Legends of League hits Chinchilla

In June, Chinchilla hosted an International Legends of League event, which saw at least 15 former professional rugby league players visit schools and play a game between the Chinchilla All Stars and the Legends of League at Bulldog Park. The players visited schools in Jandowae, Brigalow, Tara, Condamine, Miles and Chinchilla. As one of the sponsors, Origin is proud to have helped make the event a success. We'd like to thank everyone who came along and congratulate the Chinchilla Bulldogs Ruby League Club on hosting the game.

### Celebrating Elders at inaugural NAIDOC event

With the support of Origin's Traditional Owner Relationship Development Officer Daen Munn, the Chinchilla NAIDOC Committee held its first Elder luncheon this year. The luncheon was a great opportunity for Elders in the local community to come together for a yarn to celebrate NAIDOC Week, with the theme, 'For Our Elders'. Local high school students joined the celebration through an essay competition on the NAIDOC week theme. Food, yarns, and getting together for something positive was a lovely experience for all who attended.

### Queensland Symphony Orchestra brings joy of music west

In July and August, the Queensland Symphony Orchestra (QSO) is touring the Maranoa and Western Downs regions to deliver workshops and concerts at schools, professional development sessions with teachers, and rehearsals and concerts with community bands. Australia Pacific LNG, of which Origin is the upstream operator, is delighted to once again partner with QSO to enable this tour to happen. As part of the tour, free community concerts will be held at the Tara Memorial Hall at 1.30pm on Wednesday, 2 August 2023, and at the Country Hope Church at 6.30pm on Thursday 3 August 2023.

### STEM camp helps female students chart their future

Origin recently supported Education Queensland's Girls in STEM Camp held at the Columboola Outdoor and Environmental Education Centre. Female high school students from across the Darling Downs south-west region took part in a number of STEM-related activities organised and facilitated by Origin employees and graduates. Students were given the opportunity engage with STEM professionals, explore career opportunities, and to deepen their knowledge and understanding in STEM-related fields.

### Wear your flanno to support mental health wellbeing

As part of an ongoing partnership with Drought Angels, Origin is supporting the Flanno for a Farmer annual fundraising campaign. The campaign encourages participants to don their flannos on Friday, August 25 to raise funds for farmers impacted by natural disasters and struggling with mental health. Those interested in taking part can sign up at [www.flannoforafarmer.com.au](http://www.flannoforafarmer.com.au).

### Seismic activities soon to shift to Condamine region

Seismic activities which have been occurring in the Miles and Dalwogan area over the past couple months, should be completed by early August. Once complete, Velseis, the contractor undertaking the work, will commence seismic activities in the Condamine region.

As always, please contact us if you have any questions.



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The Miles CBD Streetscape revitalisation was delivered through Western Downs Regional Council and in partnership with the Australian Government's Local Roads Community Infrastructure (LRCI) Program. On behalf of Council, Specialist design consultants from VEE Design, Fourfold Studio, HIGS, and SMEC delivered the design phase of the project.



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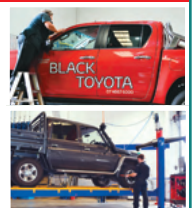
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# 84th Annual Open Horse Gymkhana

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**Results:** OPEN: Candace McInnerney on Melody, runner up; Errol Connolly on Spin

16 & Under: Tilly Austin on Pirate June Bug, runner up; Maddison Russell on Swirl

12 & Under: Nate Muller on Sparky, runner up; Felicity Wells on Just in Time

10 & Under: Rudy McInnerney on Bobcat, runner up; Xanthe Loader on Certain Doubt

8 & Under: Pip Warner on Bella, runner up; Lacey McInnerney on Freddy

6 & Under: Harry Phelps on Flowers, runner up; Tucker Kehl on Widget

Assisted: Abbey Ross on Milly, runner up; Eddie Schrag on Oakglen Chronic

Led: Felicity Boland on Trigger, runner up; Archie Hopper on Bluey

Barden Trophy for highest scoring independent rider 5 years & Under: Ned North on Kit Kat

Lawton & Lawton encouragement prize for Junior rider: Eva Hay on Jenny

Torques Cheap Junior Barrel race: 1st Georgie Warner on Yorky, 2nd Nate Muller on Sparky & 3rd Xanthe Loader on Certain Doubt

Torques Cheap Open Barrel race: 1st Tilly Austin on Pirate June Bug, 2nd Montanna Richardson on Bullzye & 3rd Maddison Russell on Swirl





# Farewell Coach

After many years of coaching Tennis in the district Mel decided to retire. Mel taught in Dulacca, Miles, Condamine, Wandoan, Drillham, Yuleba, Wallumbilla and Yuleba Creek.

He would like to congratulate all the children for their many years of dedication to Tennis, and also say a special thank you to the parents past and present for all their support during the past 37 yrs of his coaching career.

Mel has many special memories of his time on the court. In 1998, on one afternoon at Wandoan a record of 58 children walked down to the courts for Tennis coaching. Mel was fortunate to have his two children Kylie and Trent there to help.

On another afternoon at Yuleba, a rooster from a neighbouring house wandered onto the court. For a while the kids had more fun trying to catch the wandering bird than playing Tennis.

And years ago four sets of twins all came to Tennis coaching together in Miles. Each week on the same day the Vowles, Karez, Bateman and the Brookers played.

We wish Mel and his wife June a happy and relaxing retirement.



Photo taken in 2000 with Tim Sweetapple, Mel Bond holding his Australian Sports Medal and Venita Mlikota

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# Sunset View

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## VISITORS

The recent months have seen a large number of visitors travelling through Miles with many of them calling in to the Visitor Information Centre and exploring the Museum. We have welcomed travellers from all around the country, many from NSW, VIC, TAS and as far away as WA. It is fantastic to see so many travellers coming through town either on their way to or from the Big Red Bash. From all accounts it was a wonderful event and a fantastic fundraiser for many different charities. We commend the organisers and participants for their involvement in this unique Outback experience.

School holidays have brought many families to the area enjoying the fresh country air (a tad too fresh at times) and exploring our amazing countryside and all the outdoor activities available throughout the region and beyond.

It was great to meet Julian who was travelling from Melbourne through to the north coast via buggy, together with his trusty steeds and best mate. Wishing you all a safe journey and happy trails.



## GUIDED TOURS

Sunset at the Museum on Wednesday evenings is proving popular with a number of visitors enjoying this new experience which offers a different perspective of the Village under the night skies and soft lighting.

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## ANNIVERSARY DAY / BTTB 2023

September is fast approaching so be sure to mark 7-10 September on your calendar for the Back to the Bush Festival and MHVM Anniversary Day. The full Program is available for viewing and tickets are now on sale via the link: <https://www.backtothebushfestival.com.au>.

The Village is delighted to be the venue for the Dinner Under the Stars on Thursday evening 7.09.23 and the 'Hoe Down' Camp Oven Dinner & Hillbilly Goats on Friday evening 8.09.23. Get in quick as tickets are fast selling for these events.

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| TIME     | THURSDAY 7 SEPT                         |   |  |  |                                | FRIDAY 8 SEPT  |                             |                                       |   |   |  |                                  |  |  |  |                                |
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| 7:00 am  |   | Thursday & Friday Self Guided Things to Do: |  |  |                                |  |                             |                                       | Pit Stop Men's Breakfast at Queensland Hotel                                    |   |  |                                  |  |  |  |                                |
| 8:00 am  | Motorbike Adventure Ride Day 1 BOOK NOW |   | Wildflower Self Drive  |  |                                |  | Condamine Bus Tour BOOK NOW | Collection Tours / Open Gardens       | Bushwalk & Swagman's Billy Tea  | Kids Working Dog SkillsWorkshop is operated by visiting Members of the Queensland Yard & Utility Trial Association's. For school aged children. Small \$5 fee for participants. | Wildflower Botanist Guided Bus Tours BOOBOOK TOURS | Origin of Gas Tour               |  |  |  |                                |
| 8:30 am  |   |   |  |  |                                |  |                             |                                       |   |   |  |                                  |  |  |  |                                |
| 9:00 am  |   |   |  |  |                                |  |                             |                                       |   |   |  |                                  |  |  |  |                                |
| 9:30 am  |   |   |  |  | Bushwalk & Swagman's Billy Tea |  |                             |                                       |   |   |  |                                  |  |  |  |                                |
| 10:00 am |   |   |  |  |                                |  |                             |                                       |   |   |  |                                  |  |  |  |                                |
| 10:30 am |   |   |  |  |                                |  |                             |                                       |   |   |  |                                  |  |  |  |                                |
| 11:00 am |   |   |  |  |                                |  |                             |                                       |   |   |  |                                  |  |  |  |                                |
| 11:30 am |   |   |  |  | Miles Sound Trail              | Note, the Swagman's Billy Tea events are at signposted property on Pound Rd Miles. \$15 incl sourvenir enamel mug! Choice of short or longer bushwalk. |                             |                                       |   |   |  |                                  |  |  |  | Book at boobookexplor e.com.au |
| 12:00 pm |   |   |  |  |                                |  |                             |                                       |   |   |  |                                  |  |  |  |                                |
| 12:30 pm |   |   |  |  |                                |  |                             |                                       |   |   |  |                                  |  |  |  |                                |
| 1:00 pm  |   | Fishing Spots                               |  |  |                                |  |                             |                                       |   |   |  |                                  |  |  |  |                                |
| 1:30 pm  |   |   |  |  |                                |  |                             |                                       |   |   |  |                                  |  |  |  |                                |
| 2:00 pm  |   | Gil Weir                                    | Bushwalk & Swagman's Billy Tea                                 |  |                                |  |                             | Bushwalk & Swagman's Billy Tea        |   | Wildflower Botanist Guided Bus Tours BOOBOOK TOURS  | Origin of Gas Tour                                 |                                  |  |  |  |                                |
| 2:30 pm  |   |   |  |  |                                |  |                             |                                       |   |   |  |                                  |  |  |  |                                |
| 3:00 pm  |   |   |  |  |                                |  |                             |                                       |   |   |  |                                  |  |  |  |                                |
| 3:30 pm  |   |   |  |  |                                |  |                             |                                       |   |   |  |                                  |  |  |  |                                |
| 4:00 pm  |   | Golf Club - Sporters Day.                   |  |  |                                |  |                             |                                       | Kids Working Dog Skills Workshop BOOK NOW                                       |   |  |                                  |  |  |  |                                |
| 4:30 pm  | Chinchilla Jazz Band                    | Register from 2pm                           |  |  |                                |  |                             | Liberty Horsemanship School BOOK      |   |   |  |                                  |  |  |  |                                |
| 5:00 pm  |   |   |  |  |                                |  |                             |                                       |   |   |  |                                  |  |  |  |                                |
| 5:30 pm  | Official Opening in Main Street         |   |  |  |                                |  |                             |                                       |   |   |  |                                  |  |  |  |                                |
| 6:00 pm  | Chinchilla Jazz Band                    | Lantern Walk                                |  |  |                                |  |                             |                                       |   |   |  | Origin of Gas Tours fill quickly |  |  |  |                                |
| 6:30 pm  |   |   |  |  |                                |  |                             |                                       |   |   |  |                                  |  |  |  |                                |
| 7:00 pm  |   | Social Lawn Bowls & Parmy Night             | Dinner Under the Stars at Miles Historical Village ON SALE NOW |  |                                |  |                             | Feedlot to Fork Gala Ball ON SALE NOW | Hoe Down at the Village with the Hillbilly Goats and Camp Oven Meal ON SALE NOW |   |  |                                  |  |  |  |                                |
| 7:30 pm  |   |   |  |  |                                |  |                             |                                       |   |   |  |                                  |  |  |  |                                |
| 8:00 pm  |   |   |  |  |                                |  |                             |                                       |   |   |  |                                  |  |  |  |                                |
| 8:30 pm  |   |   |  |  |                                |  |                             |                                       |   |   |  |                                  |  |  |  |                                |

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# SATURDAY 9 SEPT

*In and behind the Miles Historical Village Museum*

| TIME     | FUN AT MAIN STAGE                             | WORKSHOPS  |                                     | TOUGH STUFF                                  | TRACTORS & PLANES  |
|----------|---|--|-------------------------------------|--|--|
| 11:00 am | MAIN EVENT Gates Open at 11am                 | **IMPORTANT:<br>Workshops timing & order are approximate and this workshop program will change - check final printed program | Sand Sculpting                      |  |  |
| 12:00 pm |   |  |                                     |  |  |
|          | Sheep Shearing                                | Balloons **  |                                     |  | Tractor Pull   |
| 1:00 pm  | Traditional Acknowledgement & Dance           | Whip Cracking & Plaiting **  |                                     |  |  |
| 2:00 pm  | Hay Toss                                      | Song, Dance & Culture **   |                                     | Tough Bugger Competition                     | Tractor Pull<br>Note the Tractor operates in regular sessions throughout the day |
|          | Music: Katelann Maree                         |  |                                     |  |  |
| 3:00 pm  | Dog High Jump                                 | Whip Cracking & Plaiting **  |                                     | Emergency Services Display SES, QPS QAS, QFS |  |
|          | Beard Competition                             |  |                                     |  |  |
| 4:00 pm  | Plane Ticket Auction                          | Song, Dance & Culture **   |                                     |  |  |
|          | Whip Cracking                                 |  |                                     |  |  |
| 5:00 pm  |   |  |                                     | Plane Fly Over                               |  |
|          | Dogwood Derby Go-Karts                        |  |                                     |  |  |
| 6:00 pm  | Music: Memphis Moovers                        |  | 2UP Entertainment Horsemanship Show |  |  |
| 7:00 pm  | Fireworks                                     |  |                                     |  |  |
|          | Music all night including the Hillbilly Goats |  |                                     |  |  |
| 8:00 pm  | Belly Crawl                                   |  |                                     |  |  |
| 9:00 pm  | Live Music - announcement coming soon!        |  |                                     |  |  |

# INSIDE THE FESTIVAL MAIN EVENT

*Saturday at the Miles Back to the Bush Festival*

| KIDS FUN   | DEMONSTRATIONS   | MILES HISTORICAL VILLAGE MUSEUM | TIME     |
|--|--|---------------------------------|----------|
|  | *IMPORTANT:<br>Demonstrations timing & order are approximate and this section of the program will change - check final printed program | MAIN EVENT Gates Open           | 11:00 am |
| All Day: Games, Petting Zoo, Pony Rides, Face Painting, Colouring & More | Working Dogs *   |                                 | 12:00 pm |
| Little Buggers Kids Challenge  | SES Jaws of Life *   | Whip Cracking                   | 1:00 pm  |
| Helicopter Lolly Drop  | Horsemanship *   | Kookaburra Calling              |          |
|  | Working Dogs *   | Saw Pit Demo                    | 2:00 pm  |
|  |  | Quart Pot Boiling               |          |
| All Day: Games, Petting Zoo, Pony Rides, Face Painting, Colouring & More | Horsemanship *   | Blacksmithing                   | 3:00 pm  |
|  | SES Jaws of Life   |                                 |          |
|  | Working Dogs *   | Condamine Bell Toss             | 4:00 pm  |
|  |  |                                 | 5:00 pm  |
|  |  |                                 | 6:00 pm  |
|  |  |                                 | 7:00 pm  |
|  |  |                                 | 8:00 pm  |
|  |  |                                 | 9:00 pm  |

## Main Event Tickets

\$35 Adult

\$20 Child 13-17yrs

FREE Child 12 + under

Tickets online + at the gate



# Back To The Bush Festival

It's the  
people that  
make it.



Tough Bugger



Tractor Pull



Vintage Aircraft

| TIME     | SATURDAY 9 SEPT  |   |                             |               | SUNDAY 10 SEPT  |  |  |          | TIME    |
|----------|--|---|-----------------------------|---------------|---|--|--|----------|---------|
| 7:00 am  | Parkrun  |   |                             |               | Events at the Footy Grounds (behind Historical Village)               |  |  |          | 7:00 am |
| 7:30 am  |  |   |                             | Pilates       |   |  |  |          | 7:30 am |
| 8:00 am  | Farm<br>Tours<br>BOOK<br>NOW   |   | St Luke's Markets 8am - 3pm |               | Back to the Bush<br>Festival - Sunday<br>Markets at<br>Centenary Oval | Working Dog<br>Demos by the<br>Queensland<br>Yard & Utility<br>Trial Assoc | Static<br>Aircraft<br>Display at the<br>Miles<br>Airport. \$5<br>RFDS<br>Donation<br>Entry | 8:00 am  |         |
| 8:30 am  |  |   |                             |               |   |  |  | 8:30 am  |         |
| 9:00 am  |  | Chinchilla Concert Band at<br>ANZAC Park          |                             |               |   |  |  | 9:00 am  |         |
| 9:30 am  |  |   |                             |               |   |  |  | 9:30 am  |         |
| 10:00 am |  | Steam Train Arrival . Come<br>Walk Through Train. |                             |               |   |  |  | 10:00 am |         |
| 10:30 am |  |   |                             |               |   |  |  | 10:30 am |         |
| 11:00 am |  |   |                             | Street Parade |   |  |  | 11:00 am |         |
| 11:30 am |  |   |                             |               |   |  |  | 11:30 am |         |
| 12:00 pm | FESTIVAL MAIN EVENT<br>(See MAIN EVENT Program on previous<br>page for a HUGE program of fun from<br>11am) |   |                             |               | Live Music -<br>Amanda<br>Heartsong from<br>8am                       |  | 11:30am Info<br>Session  | 12:00 pm |         |
| 12:30 pm |  |   |                             |               |   |  |  | 12:30 pm |         |
| 1:00 pm  |  |   |                             |               |   |  |  | 1:00 pm  |         |
| 1:30 pm  |  |   |                             |               |   |  |  | 1:30 pm  |         |
| 2:00 pm  |  |   |                             |               | 2:00 pm   |  |  |          |         |
| 2:30 pm  |  |   |                             |               | 2:30 pm   |  |  |          |         |
| 3:00 pm  |  |   |                             |               |   |  |  | 3:00 pm  |         |

NOTE: Program is subject to change

## Festival Tickets

Get Festival Tickets + VIEW the program  
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**Laura Heath turned 30 on 21st June 2023.**

Laura celebrated her 30th birthday at the Leichhardt Centre with family and friends on Sat, 24th June 2023.

**Callum Ashley Austin** taken too soon doing what he loved on Mon, 26th June 2023.

On Wed, 12th July 2023 relatives and friends of Callum attended his Life Celebration Service at the Leichhardt Centre in Miles.

Belinda, Jeremy, Lareena, Nathan & Ashley wish to sincerely thank all members of the Miles and district for the overwhelming support on the loss of Callum.



Local ladies of the QCWA Miles Branch on the **"Knitting in Public Day"** on 10th June 2023 at the St. Luke's Market.

**St. Luke's Markets are every second Saturday of the month at corner of Dawson Street and Constance Street in Miles from 8am to 12pm.**



## POSITION VACANT LEAD EDUCATOR

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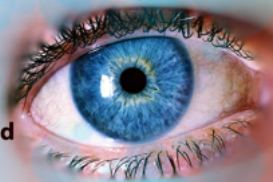
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## Miles Child Health

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- Getting to know your baby
- Breastfeeding
- Growth and developmental milestones
- Healthy eating habits – introduction of solids
- Sleep patterns – settling techniques
- Immunisation
- Hearing assessments

Appointments are available on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday for both Clinic scheduled appointments and Home visiting as required.

Contact Helen on 4628 5629 or the Miles Hospital on 4628 5600.

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*Health & Wellbeing Session*
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**Wed, 9th AUG 2023**

at Miles RSL Rooms, 26

Marian St, Miles

**9:30am Morning Tea**
**10am Session starts**
*All welcome*

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## Your child's emotional wellbeing

As a parent or caregiver, you play an important role in supporting your child's emotional wellbeing. Their understanding of the world and what to expect from others is first developed through their relationship with you. By building a healthy relationship with your child, you can directly and positively impact their emotional wellbeing. Emotional challenges and feelings of sadness, worry and fear are a normal part of growing up. An emotionally healthy child can bounce back from these big feelings, manage the ups and downs of everyday life, feel good about themselves, get along with others, and experience joy.

Sometimes, children and their parents or carers need extra help. Things like withdrawal, tearfulness, sleep problems, irritability, excessive worry, and difficulties with friends, family or at school, might indicate that a child is struggling with their emotional wellbeing. Getting help early can help sort things out quickly. Talking to a school counsellor, teacher or trusted health professional can help you decide the best course of action. You can also call Parentline for free counselling and support on 1300 30 1300.

**Source:** Raising Children. Good mental health for children: 3-8 years; Children's health Queensland Hospital and Health Service – Kids (aged 5 to 11 years); Queensland Health



**Acton Health Pharmacy, 63 Murilla St, Miles QLD, 4415 & 58 Middle St, Chinchilla QLD, 4413**



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22 August - Tara Hospital, phone 4678 7900

24 August - Chinchilla Hospital, phone 4662 888

29 August - Millmerran Multipurpose, phone 4695 3111

30 August - Goondiwindi Hospital, phone 4578 2400

31 August - Dalby Hospital, phone 4669 0517

**For more information, visit**  
[darlingdowns.health.qld.gov.au/services/womens-health-clinics](http://darlingdowns.health.qld.gov.au/services/womens-health-clinics)



# Spring Day

Article and photo by Sue Akeroyd

Although it is cold now, Spring is not far away and at Myall Park that means flowers are plenty and an Open Day is in order. This year we are inviting everyone to come to the Garden on Sunday, 20th August to learn a little more about the critters that live there.

We start the day with Fun Runs. The first is an 8.5 km run, then a 3.5 km which can be walked or run as you please. The last is a 750 metre dash for keen children, 7 Years and Under. All runners are entitled to a free breakfast. After medal presentations we have talks, stalls (hard to find plants suited to the area), free Morning Tea, raffle, lunch, an introduction to the new Labyrinth and a chance to propagate some plants to take home.

"On Your Marks" for an 8.5 km run



Look for "Janine Pechey Fun Run" on [www.trybooking.com](http://www.trybooking.com) or contact us [myallparkbotanic@gmail.com](mailto:myallparkbotanic@gmail.com)

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# Darling Downs Regional Training Awards

On Saturday, 15th July 2023 The Darling Downs Regional Training Awards were held at the Clifford Park Racecourse in Toowoomba. The awards recognise excellence amongst students, apprentices, trainers and teachers and employers in Darling Downs region. Congratulations to the winners:

**Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Student of the year:** Alden Le Rossignol, Miles

**Vocational Student of the Year:** Rachael Laurie

**School-based Apprentice/Trainee:** Lucy Hutchinson    **Equity Student of the Year:** Sebastian Fisher

**VER Teacher/Trainer of the Year:** Craig Jones    **Community Training Initiative:** Chinchilla Community Centre

**Large Employer of the Year:** Western Downs Regional Council

**Medium Employer of the Year:** JRS Skills Academy

**Small Employer of the Year:** ParisiAnn Patisserie

**Apprentice of the Year:** Gabrielle Clift

**Trainee of the Year:** Chloe Chudleigh



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# Chinchilla NAIDOC Community Fun Day - FOR OUR ELDERS

Article from Chinchilla Community Centre, Photos by: Gerkies

Sunday, 2nd July 2023 marked the beginning of NAIDOC Week. Hundreds of people enjoyed the great weather and all the activity at Chinchilla Botanic Parklands. The day began with Uncle Reg Warner conducting a smoking ceremony. Kelly, Matty and Arlie then introduced the theme for this year's NAIDOC Week, followed by the flag raising and awards. Everyone enjoyed the dancing by Mura Biri Gururu, and the Kulgoodah dancers from Woorabinda.

The day held something for everyone, with workshops, market stalls, and music to relax to by Ripcord. Activities for the children focused on traditional art techniques and language, while other workshops included yoga, healing, and Indigenous Language with Des Crump.

The skatepark was packed with people keen for the Songlines Skateboarding crew and their workshop, and their demonstration had the crowd in awe.

As the day drew to an end and the sun set, some gathered around the fire at the yarning circle, and others settled in for popcorn, pizza and The Sapphires.

This day would not have been possible without many volunteers and sponsors. Many thanks to Gerkies for the great photos – see the day in pictures!



## NAIDOC COMMUNITY AWARDS

During NAIDOC celebrations, we acknowledged the contributions to our community made by some of our local people.

**Young Sportsperson** – Nevaeh Horswood, Jamarl Lamb, Isaiah Madigan, Evelyn Orchard, Frank Bligh, Brady Ford and Koen Zerbst

**Sportsperson** – Anthony Madigan, Olivia Mutch

**Youth** – Courtney McConville, Lynara Mitchell

**Rising Star** – Liana Madigan, Alyssa Mirabito

**Community Spirit** – Norm Battese, Zeta Binge, Robyn Derkson, Hamish Evans, Robyn Jennings, Mace's Hot Bread Kitchen, Roslyn Robinson, William Warner

**Advocacy** – Chris Gilbert, Peter Jackson, Nick King, Ashley Mitchell, Peter Saxelby

**Country & Culture** – Averil Dillon









# NAIDOC Paint and Sip

Chinchilla NAIDOC had the opportunity of having talented Artist Nyssa Weribone join us for a Paint & Yarn workshop for NAIDOC Week.

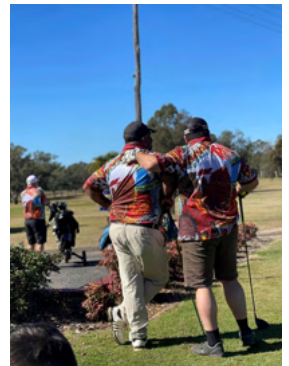
It was a successful night with a lot of great artwork created.



## NAIDOC Golf Day

It was a lovely day on the greens on Saturday 8th July 2023, for another year of the Chinchilla NAIDOC Golf Day. Players new and old travelled from far and wide to attend and enjoy a day out on the green.

Congratulations to the winning team of the 2023 Chinchilla NAIDOC Golf Day "Tony Turnbull Memorial Shield" Nathan, Mickey and Trish.



## NAIDOC Elders Luncheon



Origin hosted their annual "For Our Elders". Chinchilla State High School Students Annabelle Nelson, Jorja Cookson, and Prezlee Nothdurft were invited to read their essays "For our Elders" for this year's NAIDOC theme.



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# NAIDOC Student's Essays

*For the Elders by Annabelle Nelson*

Elders. It's a funny word. Every person you ask will give you a different definition. Their definition. Our older generation, older wiser people, our leaders, the list goes on. But what does 'elder' mean to you? To me, its people with more experience, more life lessons to tell and more direction to give. Our elders aren't just our grandparents or our great grandparents, they are also our mothers, fathers, sisters, brothers, cousins, aunts, uncles or even that bus driver you never talk to. To me Elders are the people from the past that help create our future, in turn allowing us to do the same for future generations. But, what does the word 'elder' mean to you. Is it an older person in your life, or a family member that has taught you so many valuable life lessons. Well to me it goes something like this:

For the elders,

Our mentors, leaders and safeguards,

Rampant with the urge to see us succeed.

The constant reminder of what we should grow up to be

Helping, teaching and guiding us to be the best versions of ourselves

Educating us in the art of life and our own wellbeing.

Entrusting you with guiding us to the right path

Learning from you,

Deciding our future with your wisdom

Especially, when we don't know what to do

Reaping the rewards from helping the next generation, so that we can someday do the same

So, can we aspire to be as great as you?

## Warra State School

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Term three at Warra. This term sees Mrs Angel return from leave. With many exciting events to happen. Our sports carnival with Brigalow and Kogan SS is always a highlight. Spring is coming and with that our vegetable gardens will be harvested. Student will participate in Tennis and camping trips.



### What's happening ?

Students this term are investigating reflection and refraction of light, periscopes and light mazes in year 6. Year 1's are investigating how sound is made in Science. Maths is all about 2D,3D shape, angles, numbers and factors. Narrative texts is all the go in English, while HASS is looking at AUSTRALIA and our environments. Looking after our local bird life is part of our daily school life. Students made some feeders and nesting material holders for the school yard wildlife from recycled materials. Watch this space for our Technology, Arts (Dance) performances.



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# NAIDOC Student's Essays

*Colours of the Spirit by Gorja Cookson*

A low buzz filled the air as we moved closer to the sound. The bass notes resonated deep in my bones, and a throaty voice accompanied it along with the crashing of sticks. I crouched lower behind the bush, Nellie hiding next to me. She stifled her torchlight under her shirt, a beacon for our location. The blaze in front of us burned bright enough to light up the world. Its flames rose, smoke dancing around it and billowing out to create shapes and animals against the night sky. We had followed the smoke for ages, tracing it from the fence line on Nellie's farm which backed onto the expanse of dry bushland and native gums, to the sight standing before us. Six people covered in paint had intricate, dotted designs along their arms and shoulders. They started to dance as another low bass hum joined the first, and genteel conversations started in a language foreign to me. But the dancing wasn't. It was a lot of foot stamping and using your arms and clapping rhythms into the earth. It was a celebration – a show of respect to the elders of the clan.

"Nellie!" I whispered as quietly as I moved to where she now stood. "Why is Alinta here? I didn't know her family was First Nations."

"She takes part in these ceremonies all the time. These dances are sacred to their culture. Her family taught her as soon as she could walk. Look!" Nellie's eyes were shining as we took in the array of red, black, white and yellow. As I watched where she pointed, Alinta was kneeling next to an elder man, smearing what looked like paint across his torso and arms. Nellie tilted her head in confusion, as he dipped his fingers in the white once more and drew it to his cheeks before repeating the action on Alinta. The stripes contrasted against their dark skin and the red cloth of the tie around his arms. I marveled at the sight of him; the image was something I had never seen before. That's when Alinta spotted us.

Alinta was subtle with her movements as she made her way around the clearing. Nellie and I moved so she could sit in front of us. If anyone looked, all they would see was Alinta sitting next to the bush.

"Who are they? The ones next to the feather lady?" Nellie asked.

"They are the elders. They teach the ceremonies to my parents, and uncles and aunties. Then they teach the children. It's a tradition that's been alive before I was born, before they were born. They say we can't let it die. Our spirit. Or we too will die along with it."

We all looked with curiosity at the others who had joined the dance, and the elders Alinta has pointed out. It looked so traditional, the streaks of white across their skin illuminated in the glow of the firelight. This ceremony, this tribute, it couldn't be a secret... the sounds of their song were growing louder and louder by the second. Another wood instrument had joined in, and kids who looked about our age came slinking out of the bushes behind us. They didn't seem to mind that we were outsiders. Two brushed past me, laughing as they sat at the edge of the makeshift circle. We drowned in the cacophony of voices and birds nearby.

"What if they see us watching?" We moved to the edge of the clearing; our faces highlighted in the heart of the fire. If anyone noticed us intruding, they didn't call out and my confidence grew enough that I pulled Nellie out from behind the bush. One of the elders spotted us then, through the smoke blowing wildly in the wind. I held her gaze as she raised her painted hand in a wave. Bowing my head, I took a step forward dragging Nellie with me. As we stilled, she nodded, pointing towards the children now joining the dance. Nellie answered with the most resounding thing I'd heard in my whole life.

"I think they need to be seen."



# CHINCHILLA FOSSIL FINDERS

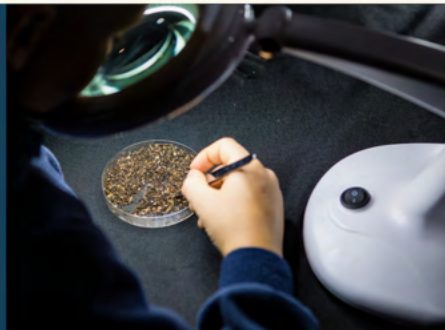
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# APEX Chinchilla

It's winter and that means one thing for Apexians, its changeover season. An Apex year runs over the financial year so between the months of June to August Apex clubs all over Australia hold a changeover dinner or celebration to mark the start of the new year and the changing of the executive board. The Apex Club of Chinchilla has a unique and not very common tradition of having never repeated a President since we were charted back in 1959. That's 64 different people leading our club to what it has become today.

The Clubs newest President for the 2023/2024 year is Rita Paerau. Rita has been the Club's Secretary for the last two years and will be taking hold of the gavel to lead the club.

Here is a little bit of information to get to know our newest President better.

**Name:** Rita Paerau    **Position:** President 2023/2024    **When did you join the Apex Club of Chinchilla?** I joined the Apex Club of Chinchilla on 27th January 2021 (Age of 52). Never too old to join a Club.

**What did you know about Apex before you joined?** My sister and daughter were members of the Apex Club of Chinchilla. I knew that Apex was a service club that did work in the community. I had always been involved in sport and after I was not able to play (Due to injury), I was looking to join a club that I could meet new people and work together to help my community. So, I attended an Apex Meeting to find out more about them and haven't looked back.

**What has been your favourite service event?** Apex Friday Night Raffles at The Club Hotel Chinchilla.

This allows me to get out and meet people while raising money for the Apex Club of Chinchilla, to then put this money back into our community. I get to talk and have a laugh with people that I know and don't know, while selling raffle tickets. The joy you see on people's faces when they have won a prize. PRICELESS.

**What do you love most about the Chinchilla community?** I have been part of the Chinchilla community since my family moved here in 1977. I grew up in this community, went to school, started my first job, married and raised my four children in Chinchilla. Chinchilla is a friendly country town that you can walk down the street and know people. It's not too far from the big smoke or the beach. Chinchilla has everything you need – Sports, Schools, Community Groups, Restaurants, Fast Food, Clothing, Gift Shops, Essential Services, Events and Entertainment. What more do you want!

**What do you hope to achieve as President?** I would like to encourage more people to get involved and be part of and give back to their community. I would like to get more people to join Apex and carry on a club that has been part of this community for over 60 years.

**What has been your greatest achievement in life so far?** Obviously, my children. For them to grow up, get jobs and remain in Chinchilla, close to me. I couldn't be happier. I even drag them along sometimes to help me with Apex and hopefully I have taught them that things don't happen in our community unless people VOLUNTEER.



New President Rita Paerau with her husband Sonny



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# Fire Recovery

## Article and photo from Gail Courte, Rural Aid Community Representative

We are all well aware of the fires which began around 12th February 2023 and lasted many weeks in the areas of Miles - Myall Park, Kowguran, Hookswood, Gurulmundi, and more; Fairylands, Tara/Montrose, and Weir River. Recovery efforts continue and multiple organisations have assisted those affected, including Community Centres, Neighbourhood Centres, St. Vincent de Paul, Western Downs Regional Council, Lifeline, Community Recovery and Blaze Aid to name just a few. We refer to one another and explore options to suit individual situations.

Rural Aid has supplied pre-paid visas and hay to primary producers, as well as water tanks and water.

Rural Aid and Blaze Aid have had an amazing partnership working on helping folks affected by these recent fires. Approx 35km of fencing was repaired or replaced while their camp was in Miles. Charmaine Wheatley, a Blaze Aid volunteer, organised a raffle to raise funds to cover some costs of this venture (approx. \$8000.00 was spent in the Miles/Chinchilla areas to supply the camp). I was honoured to attend the drawing of the raffle at Sunshine Castle, Bli Bli, on 1st July 2023.

Prizes were – 1. A 1989 Gold Kruger Rand coin - 1 ounce

of solid gold.

2. Two nights family accommodation at Ingenia Noosa Resort, Sunshine Coast, Queensland
3. One x 40" Smart Blaupunkt TV.
4. Two nights family accommodation Ingenia Holiday Resort, Byron Bay

It was indeed my pleasure to have sold one of the winning raffle tickets – won by a farmer from the Chinchilla area. I delivered the voucher for the holiday personally, once it arrived.

Prizes were also provided for the Miles State High School Children who sold the most tickets –

1. A Zero X HD Polaris Drone.
2. A Megaboom 3 Bluetooth Speaker.



Debbie Butler, National Business Manager, Blaze Aid, myself (Gail Courte, Community Representative, Rural Aid, based near Miles), and Charmaine Wheatley, Blaze Aid Volunteer) at the Sunshine Castle event.

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# Western Downs' 10 Artists

**Article and photo source: Western Downs Regional Council**

Since May 2023, the final chapter of the Western Downs' 10 Artists Project is running.

Videography and photography "capture the inspiration and passion behind some of the region's best artists, offering a virtual platform for the arts community to expand their audience."

The artists featured include Kylie Bourne, Hilary Coulter, Sarah Davis, Seth Gerke, Meg Noack, Chris Osborne, Christopher Rigg, Jayne Rohrlach, Alicia Streten, and Kay Vidler. You might have seen the short videos on WDRC Facebook page. Each video runs for 1-2 minutes and gives an insight into the creative lives of each artist, captured by local videographer Clancy Sinnamon, CC Donut Productions.

"There are many types of art and not all types may resonate with all members of the community. By sharing 10 different artists across a wide range of mediums and thought processes, individuals in the community may find something that resonates with them outside conventional art movements", said Chinchilla resident and featured artist Christopher Rigg.

Since 28th July 2023, the 10 Artists: Finale is also featured in its own exhibition at Dogwood Crossing, Miles as well as in a virtual 3D exhibition to be hosted on the Western

Downs Arts website.

And now here too. The Community Newsletter will feature each artist in each upcoming edition.

Alicia Streten is the first local artist.

From a young age Alicia has had a love for painting, creating and selling her

works in her mother's nursery in Chinchilla. Following her strong desire to grow as an artist, she started taking inspiration from seventeenth-century baroque artist Artemisia Gentileschi.

In addition to her painting skills, she is also an illustrator who works with many online personalities. She describes this as a great avenue for young artists wanting to find work in the art scene.



Find out more about Western Downs' 10 Artists on council's website: <https://www.wdrc.qld.gov.au> or <https://www.westerndownsarts.com.au/>



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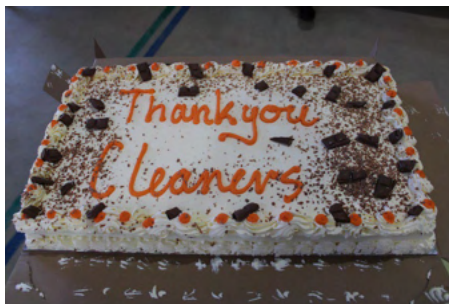
## NEWS FROM MILES STATE HIGH SCHOOL

Creating strong connections with our community allows students to experience and succeed, carving out pathways for themselves.

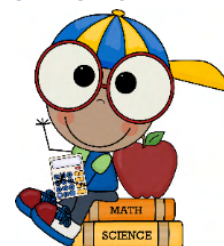
### EXPERIENCE A SUPPORTIVE COMMUNITY...

#### CLEANER'S NETWORK MEETING

During June we welcomed over 40 school cleaners from our district and special guest presenters to Miles SHS for the Cleaners Network Meeting. The cleaning staff were presented with a special gift to thank them for all the hard work they do each and every day. Thank you to our own Halina Stringer for organising this event annually.



### HOMEWORK CENTRE NEWS



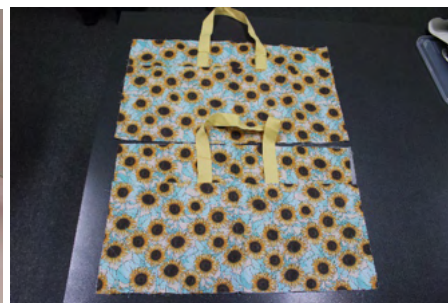
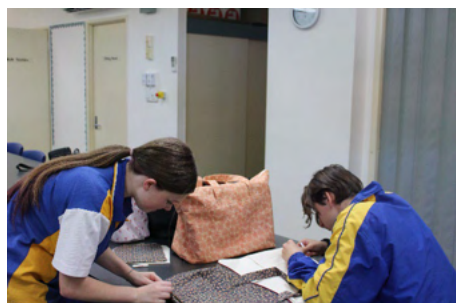
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### EXPERIENCE ACADEMIC SUCCESS...

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And the winner is...**CAMEBY!!** The annual Interhouse Athletics Carnival was held in the final week of Term 2 over 1 & ½ days of fierce competition. A number of new records were set and a large number of students qualified to go onto the Miles & District trials. **BINBIAN** is to be congratulated for being great sports, gracious in defeat and I'm sure their turn is coming soon 🏆.

#### AGE CHAMPIONS

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## Church Services

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| <p><b>Chinchilla Baptist Church</b></p> <p>27 Heeney St, Chinchilla</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Every Sunday 10.00am</li> </ul> <p>Ph: 4669 1124</p>                                       | <p><b>Chinchilla Church of Christ</b></p> <p>16 Villiers St, Chinchilla</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Every Sunday 10.00am</li> </ul> <p>Ph: 4668 9522</p>  | <p><b>Country Hope Church</b></p> <p>3 Burbank St, Chinchilla</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Every Sunday 10.00am</li> </ul> <p>Ph: 4668 9471</p>                                   |
| <p><b>Chinchilla SDA Church</b></p> <p>102-104 Glasson Street</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Sabbath School 9:30-10:30am</li> <li>Church Service 11am-12pm</li> </ul> <p>Ph: 0415 202 946</p> | <p><b>Chinchilla Uniting Church</b></p> <p>31 Middle St, Chinchilla</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Every Sunday 9.30am</li> </ul> <p>Ph: 4662 7318</p>   | <p><b>Life Church Chinchilla</b></p> <p>117 Cemetery Rd, Chinchilla</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Every Sunday 10.00am</li> </ul> <p>Ph: 4669 1083</p>                             |
|   | <p><b>Our Lady Help of Christians - Chinchilla Catholic Church</b></p> <p>8 Villiers St, Chinchilla</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1st, 2nd &amp; 4th Sunday 9am and</li> </ul>  | <p><b>Our Lady Help of Christians</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>3rd Saturday 6:00pm Vigil Mass</li> <li>5th Sunday 9:00am, Liturgy of the Word</li> </ul> <p>Ph: 4662 7031</p> |
| <p><b>Presbyterian Church of Queensland- Chinchilla</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Every Sunday 10.00am &amp; 6.30pm</li> </ul> <p>Ph: 4668 9721</p>                                      | <p><b>St. Cecilia's Anglican Church</b></p> <p>Middle Street, Chinchilla</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1st &amp; 3rd Wednesday 9.30am</li> <li>1st &amp; 3rd Saturday 6.30pm</li> <li>Every Sunday 9.30am</li> </ul> <p>Ph 0438 689 662</p> | <p><b>Trinity Lutheran Church</b></p> <p>25 Sheriff St, Chinchilla</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Every Sunday 8.30am</li> </ul> <p>Ph: 0413 960 056</p>                            |
|   |  | <p><b>Tara Community Church</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Sunday Service 9:00am</li> </ul> <p>Ph: 4669 4336</p>  |



## Community Grant Writer- Kate Bradley

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### AUGUST 2023 Dates:

Chinchilla (Chinchilla Community Centre) – 11th August

Dalby (Myall Youth & Community Network Centre) – 16th August

Miles (Murilla Community Centre) – 9th August

Tara (Tara Neighbourhood Centre) – 8th August

For more information, contact Kate at  
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# Miles Community Bus

The Murilla Community Bus is transport facilitated by the Murilla Community Centre. Transport is available from Miles to Dalby or Toowoomba including stops, when requested, in Dalby.

This bus assists members of the community who are unable to drive, do not have a vehicle, or do not have family or friends to assist with transport to non urgent medical appointments in Dalby or Toowoomba.

These appointments can include X-rays or other tests, specialists appointments and/or hospital appointments. One bus is equipped with a wheelchair lifter.

Transport is available the 2nd Tuesday and 4th Thursday of each month (departure times will depend on the time of the first appointment). See bus timetable below for an outline of all dates for 2022.

Ask your referring doctor for a Patient Travel Subsidy form (PTS) to receive a rebate on the cost of travel. Please visit or contact the Murilla Community Centre on 07 4627 2027 for bookings or information.

| Community Centre Toowoomba Bus Timetable 2023 |    |          |    |          |    |          |    |
|---|----|----------|----|----------|----|----------|----|
| May   |    | June     |    | July     |    | August   |    |
| Tuesday                                       | 9  | Tuesday  | 13 | Tuesday  | 11 | Tuesday  | 8  |
| Thursday                                      | 25 | Thursday | 22 | Thursday | 27 | Thursday | 24 |
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| September                                     |    | October  |    | November |    | December |    |
| Tuesday                                       | 12 | Tuesday  | 10 | Tuesday  | 14 | Tuesday  | 12 |
| Thursday                                      | 28 | Thursday | 26 | Thursday | 23 | Thursday | 28 |

## Chinchilla Markets

Chinchilla Showgrounds  
Gaske Lane  
Third Sunday of the month  
Starts 7am  
Contact 0439 074 088

## St Luke's Markets

St Luke's Church  
Dawson Street, Miles  
Second Saturday of the month  
8:30am - 12 noon  
Contact 0419 779 686

*Community Markets*



## Easy Lamb Flatbread



Makes 4 servings | 10min prep | 20min cook

### Ingredients

- 1 large red onion
- 1 1/2 tbsp extra virgin olive oil
- 1 long fresh red chilli, thinly sliced
- 1 tbsp ground cumin, plus extra, to sprinkle
- 500g lamb mince
- 1 tbsp tomato paste
- 1 lemon, rind finely grated
- 400g garlic Afghan bread
- 90g (1/3 cup) Greek-style yoghurt
- 100g soft feta, coarsely crumbled
- 1/2 cup combined fresh herbs (mint and coriander leaves)

### Method

1. Preheat oven to 230C/210C fan forced. Thinly slice half the onion into rings and reserve. Finely chop remaining onion.
2. Heat 1 tablespoon of oil in a large non-stick frying pan over medium-high heat. Add chilli and chopped onion. Cook, stirring, for 2 minutes or until softened. Stir in the cumin for 30 seconds or until aromatic. Increase heat to high. Add the mince. Cook, breaking up lumps with a wooden spoon, for 4 minutes or until browned. Stir in the tomato paste for 1 minute. Stir in lemon rind and season.
3. Place bread on a large baking tray. Top with lamb mixture. Dollop with yoghurt and top with feta. Sprinkle with extra cumin. Bake for 15 minutes or until golden and crisp.
4. Meanwhile, juice half the lemon. Cut remaining lemon into wedges. Combine the reserved onion, lemon juice and remaining oil in a bowl. Season. Set aside to macerate. Add herbs. Toss to combine.
5. Top the pizza with the onion mixture. Serve with lemon wedges on the side.

Find both recipes and others on their website:  
[www.taste.com.au](http://www.taste.com.au)



## No-bake Blueberries & Honey Cheesecake Tart

Makes 10 servings | 2h 55min prep |

### Ingredients

- 250g Arnott's Granita biscuits
- 90g butter, melted
- 2 tbsp boiling water
- 2 tsp gelatine powder
- 250g cream cheese, softened
- 1/3 cup (115g) honey
- 1 tsp lemon juice
- 1 tsp vanilla extract
- 1/4 cup (125ml) thickened cream
- 250g blueberries
- 1/4 cup (90g) honey, extra
- 1/4 cup (35g) shelled pistachios, chopped

### Method

1. Process biscuits in a food processor to form crumbs. Add butter and process until combined. Press biscuit mixture over base and side of a 2cm-deep, 23cm round loose-bottomed tart pan. Chill for 30 mins.
2. Meanwhile, place 2 tablespoons of boiling water in a small bowl. Sprinkle over gelatine and whisk with a fork until completely dissolved. Cool for 5 mins.
3. Use an electric mixer to beat cream cheese, honey, lemon juice and vanilla in a bowl for 5 mins or until light and fluffy. Add cream and beat for 2 mins or until mixture thickens slightly. With motor running, gradually add gelatine mixture. Stir in half the blueberries. Pour mixture into biscuit base. Chill for 2 hours or until set.
4. Remove cheesecake from pan. Top with remaining blueberries. Drizzle with extra honey and sprinkle with pistachios.





## Sudoku

*solutions on page 53*

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|   |   | 9 | 3 |   |   |   | 1 |   |

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Source: [www.puzzles.ca](http://www.puzzles.ca)

## 10 Differences

Source: <https://www.supercoloring.com/puzzle-games/find-10-differences-visual-game-for-children-and-adults>



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## August 2023

|             |  |
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| <b>2nd</b>  | CWA Miles Branch Meeting, Miles RSL contact:0438 690 359<br><br>Social Bowls at Miles Bowls Club, 5:30pm weekly event  |
| <b>3rd</b>  | Miles Chamber of Commerce, MCC Meeting Room 5:30pm   |
| <b>4th</b>  | Speaking for Fun, 10-11:30am at Senior Citizen Hall, Miles \$5/pp  |
| <b>5th</b>  | Murilla Kindy - Community Fete, 9:30am - 1pm at Murilla Kindy, 86 Marian St, Miles<br>Youth Fest '23 - Free event, Botanic Parklands 10am - 2pm<br>Miles from Anywhere Auto Show&Shine, Miles Football Oval 10am - 3pm<br>Pig Races at Hotel Australia Miles, 5pm Fundraiser, Races start 6pm, Smoke House, Music & Face-paint |
| <b>6th</b>  | Miles Show Meeting, Walsh Pavilion 12pm. All welcome.<br><br>Youth Fest '23 - Free event, Miles Skate Park 10am - 2pm  |
| <b>8th</b>  | Miles District Hospital Aux. Inc. Bingo, 9:15am Senior Citizens Rooms. All welcome.<br>Miles State Primary School P & C Meeting 5:30pm School Admin Building, Update on Facebook page<br>Miles Golf Club Monthly Meeting 7pm at the Golf Club  |
| <b>9th</b>  | QCWA Health & Wellbeing Session, 9:30am Morning Tea, 10am Start, enquiries 0439 695 148  |
| <b>12th</b> | St. Lukes Markets - Miles, Phone 0419 779 686  |
| <b>13th</b> | Youth Fest '23 - Free event, Tara Lions Park 10am - 2pm  |
| <b>15th</b> | Connect with Council - APEX Park, Wandoan from 5:30pm  |
| <b>18th</b> | Speaking for Fun, 10-11:30am at Senior Citizen Hall, Miles \$5/pp<br>Vietnam Veterans Day - Miles RSL, ANZAC Park 11:15am<br>Flickerfest at Chinchilla WD Cinema start 7:30pm - Best of Australian Shorts  |
| <b>19th</b> | Chinchilla Fossil Finders, 9am - 2pm, Chinchilla Historical Museum more info on page 45  |
| <b>20th</b> | Myall Park Open Day, more info on page 38  |
| <b>21st</b> | Sporting Shooters Assoc. of Australia Chinchilla Branch, AGM at Clubhouse 7pm  |
| <b>23rd</b> | Senior Citizen Meeting 9:30am at Senior's Room, opposite Foodworks   |
| <b>24th</b> | RSL Meeting 11am, 26 Marian St, Miles<br><br>Low Impact Exercise 10-11am at Mary MacKillop Hall, Miles \$5/pp  |
| <b>25th</b> | Miles District Hospital Aux. Inc. Bingo, 9:15am Senior Citizens Rooms. All welcome.<br><br>Miles District Hospital Aux. Inc. Meeting 2pm, Hospital Conference Room. All welcome.   |
| <b>27th</b> | TOPOLOGY presents QLD Stories Miles at Leichhardt Cente, Miles 4pm, Book tickets <a href="https://topologymusic.com/">https://topologymusic.com/</a> Adult \$15, Children under 12 free  |