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**Polocrosse World
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**Western Downs' 10
Artists**

and much more...



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Western Downs' 10 Artists – Third Artist introduction

Artist description and artist photo source: Western Downs Regional Council + Interview

This month, the Community Newsletter features Western Downs 10 Artists participant Christopher Rigg.

Growing up on the coast and born into a sailor's dynasty, Christopher was always drawn to the ocean and to the NAVY but also to art. Christopher can remember his first artwork at 12 years old. An Australian flag coloured in as a wave with a surfer riding the wave and written below "Made in China". A strong message for a young age.

Christopher's greatest inspiration is nature, especially the ocean. Anything he sees, he sketches then and there in a pocket notebook, which he always carries with him. Later Christopher uses his "doodles" to draw with pen and pencils or creates timber carvings.

First Nation Art, sculptures and carvings is much admired by Christopher. He can remember his dad returning from a Navy trip from New Zealand in the 60's and bringing home a few pieces of wood carvings. Christopher has always been surrounded by the mediums he continues to use to this day.

Christopher took to the art world straight out of high school, leaving in year 10 to attend the Newcastle Arts School before joining the Navy.



Following his service he made his way back to art, using his time at sea to find inspiration and explore a unique perspective. Often naming his pieces early on in the creative process, he likes to use words to convey the deeper meanings behind each of his pieces.

In 2011, Christopher Rigg moved, after 21 years of Navy, to Chinchilla for a job. With the help of his Boiler & Turbine Operator tickets he acquired a job at Kogan Power Station.

Christopher enjoys living in our district and he is grateful for being part of the Western Downs' 10 Artists 2023 project. Christopher is impressed with the support local artists receive from the community and Western Downs Regional Council.

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



COMMUNITY UPDATE



Communities Fund recipients 2022 – Wandoan Kindy

COMMUNITIES FUND RECIPIENTS ANNOUNCED

- The Shell QGC Communities Fund opened for applications on 1st May and closed 10th July 2023.
- 14 eligible applications were received from organisations in the Western Downs and the township of Taroom.
- An independent assessment panel scored each application.
- Five organisations have been notified that their projects were successful for the 2023 round of funding.

2023 Communities Fund Recipients

Miles and District Historical Society	Great Artesian Basin Interpretive Centre refurbishment
Westmar Sports Association	Arena and backyards rebuild to create a safer arena
Dalby Motorcycle Sporting Club	Improving safety at Dalby Motocross Track with new race gates
Wandoan Community Commerce and Industry	Wandoan Surf Club upgrades for improved community use
St Joseph's School Chinchilla - Parents and Friends Association	AV system upgrade for the school hall

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[Shell's QGC Community Contributions | Shell Australia](#)



Presentation Luncheon

The Miles Devils Senior Rugby League Club wrapped up their 2023 season with a presentation luncheon at the Miles Bowls Club on the 16th of September.

Season 2023 was a much better and improved year for the Devils. With a blend of imports, older players coming back for another season and the younger lads gaining more experience and confidence, the Devils finished the year with both A and Reserve Grade finishing third.

During the season the Devils won the annual Terry Charles Memorial Trophy and defeated the Chinchilla Bulldogs to claim the Dagma Gleeson Trophy.

Another highlight of the year was when the Miles Club hosted the HostPlus Cup game between the Burleigh Bears and the Redcliffe Dolphins. It was a bonus to also have the Men's and Women's Outback teams from Qld and NSW battle it out in an Outback style State of Origin. This was a great day and a huge boost to the Miles economy.

The Miles Devils had a total of 9 players from the Club play Representative Rugby League this year through the 47th Battalion Carnival, Outback Carnival, and the QLD v's NSW game.



MDRL Reserve Grade Award Winners 2023
L - R Brenton O'Brien, Cameron O'Brien, Anthony Madigan, Hayden Bidgood, Suliman Tukana



MDRL A Grade Award Winners 2023
L - R Lyall Nixon, Martyn Steel, Dallas Connolly, Ratu Tuisie, Eoin Bowie

Award winners for the 2023 season:

	Reserve Grade	A Grade
Best Back	Noah Clancy	Noa Tuisue
Best Forward	Anthony Madigan	Ratu Tuisue
Best Utility	Brenton O'Brien	Lyall Nixon
Most Improved Player	Suliman Tukana	Martyn Steel
Players Player	Hayden Bidgood	Eoin Bowie
Best and Fairest	Cameron O'Brien	Eoin Bowie

Club Awards

Club Player of the Year	Dallas Connolly
Club Rookie of the Year	Tevita Baro
Club Volunteer of the Year	Martin McKellar



MDRL Club Player of the Year 2023 - Dallas Connolly



MDRL A Grade Best and Fairest & Players Player 2023 - Eoin Bowie



MDRL Rookie of the Year 2023 - Tevita Baro



A dream come true...

Article by Eileen Parker Photos supplied by Lindsey Doolan

In Mid-August 2023 in Chinchilla, Polocrosse Australia President Mick Templeton announced the Polocrosse World Cup Team who will represent Australia. Miles local Lindsey Doolan is one of the eight selected players.

Growing up on the family farm at Coffs Harbour, NSW, Lindsey followed the passion of her parents – playing polocrosse and starting at the age of 6 years.

Polocrosse always had a high priority for Lindsey. She was able to continue to play at boarding school. Thanks to a scholarship, Lindsey attended New England Girls School (NEGS). NEGS has a world-class equestrian facility which is considered one of the best in Australia and has a long history of its students representing Australia in the Olympics. (<https://negs.nsw.edu.au/equestrian/>)

In 2017, Lindsey moved to Miles to be with her partner Aaron Mullins. She has worked at the local Condabri Beef feedlot since 2019. Since her move to the district, Lindsey represents Chinchilla Polocrosse Club and even with her busy worklife, she still has the eyes on the prize. She trains her horses daily after work and three days a week she will work out or go for a morning run to keep herself fit.



To qualify for the World Cup Australian team Lindsey had to firstly compete in the New Zealand Test Series in March 2023, followed by Warwick Test Series in May 2023. In Warwick the Australian team played against the "Rest of the World" team.

Now Australia will be represented by 4 ladies and 4 gentlemen (five players are from Queensland) amongst them our local girl Lindsey, at the 2024 Polocrosse World Cup in South Africa.

It won't be the first time that Lindsey has played polocrosse in South Africa. She has already been there three times; the last time only a few months ago, where she played "High Goal" in Durban. This is where the World Cup will be held.

Lindsey explained that one difference between Australia and South Africa in playing polocrosse are the horses. In comparison to Australia, South Africa's polocrosse horses are more Thoroughbred. Another difference is that, the international polocrosse rules allow you to throw an overarm goal. This is a no-go in the Australian ruling. This doesn't worry Lindsey; her calm response is "You just have to play a different game."

The Polocrosse World Cup will be held over 2 weekends in July 2024 in Durban, South Africa. Eight countries will be represented: Australia, New Zealand, South Africa, Zimbabwe, Zambia, UK, Ireland and USA.

Lindsey has always dreamed of being part of the Polocrosse World Cup team and to represent Australia. Now she has achieved that, her next goal is to win the Polocrosse World Cup. So far, Australia has not won the Polocrosse World Cup outside of Australia.



Photo: Polocrosse Australia Facebook page



We wish Lindsey and the rest of the Polocrosse World Cup team all the best and we are looking forward to hearing the results.

Background Info: Polocrosse was developed in Australia in 1938 by Mr and Mrs Edward Hirst of Sydney. It was inspired by an indoor exercise they'd seen in England which used old polo sticks with squash racquet heads and a shallow string net to replace the mallet on the end of the stick. Polocrosse is a combination of polo, lacrosse and netball. The game quickly spread, and today there are over 250 clubs throughout Australia. The game is now played in New Zealand, South Africa, Zimbabwe, USA, Canada, England, Ireland, France, The Netherlands, Uruguay, Vanuatu, Denmark, Finland, Mexico and Argentina.



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- The property is well watered. 5 stock dams and 3 overland flow dams (10, 11 and 40 megalitres) located throughout the property all with extremely good catchments. 2 irrigation pumps in place. Benefits from Overland Flow Works Notification Acknowledgement.
- Fencing consists mainly of 5 barb wire in excellent condition. Subdivided into eight paddocks.
- Two bed homestead with heating and cooling surrounded by verandas and set amongst established gardens.
- Additional accommodation with 3x Dongas plus ablution blocks and a large cold room.
- Ample undercover storage – 16x8m 3 bay machinery shed, 24x12m 4 bay shed and 7.6mx7.6m shed.
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Energy Bill Relief

Source: Queensland Treasury Last updated: 13 June 2023

The 2023–24 Budget delivers \$1.483 billion for additional electricity bill support to households and small businesses facing cost-of-living pressures. This is the most significant electricity bill support package announced by any state or territory, more than doubling the size of the Federally agreed support package for Queensland under the National Energy Bill Relief Fund.

- \$550 Cost of Living Rebate on electricity bills to all Queensland households
- \$700 Cost of Living Rebate on electricity bills for vulnerable households, in addition to the existing \$372 under the Queensland Electricity Rebate Scheme, bringing total rebates for this group to \$1,072
- \$650 rebate on electricity bills for around 205,000 eligible small businesses, cutting the cost of doing business in Queensland

As part of this package, all Queensland households will automatically receive a \$550 Cost of Living Rebate on their electricity bill in 2023–24, while around 600,000 vulnerable households will benefit from a higher \$700 Cost of Living Rebate. In addition, vulnerable households will continue to receive a \$372 rebate under the Queensland Electricity Rebate Scheme, bringing total support for this group to \$1,072 in 2023–24.

The Government's substantial cost-of-living relief package will more than offset typical household electricity bill increases in 2023–24. In some cases, households will have zero bills or be in credit in 2023–24. Including the \$550 Cost of Living Rebate in 2023–24, the government will have provided all Queensland households with a total of \$1,125 in electricity rebates since 2018. Eligible small businesses in Queensland will also receive an automatic rebate of \$650 on their electricity bill in 2023–24. This includes around 205,000 Queensland small businesses that consume less than 100,000 kilowatt hours per annum.

The Queensland Government's cost-of-living relief package significantly increases and broadens support under the National Energy Bill Relief Plan, jointly funded by the Queensland and Australian Governments.

As part of this package, the Queensland Government has also allocated \$60 million for a Household Energy Initiatives program, and \$10 million for Vulnerable Households Energy Advice Initiatives to deliver energy efficiency measures to keep costs down for households, enabling more choice and greater energy equity. This constitutes Queensland's co-contribution to the Australian Government's Household Energy Upgrades Fund.

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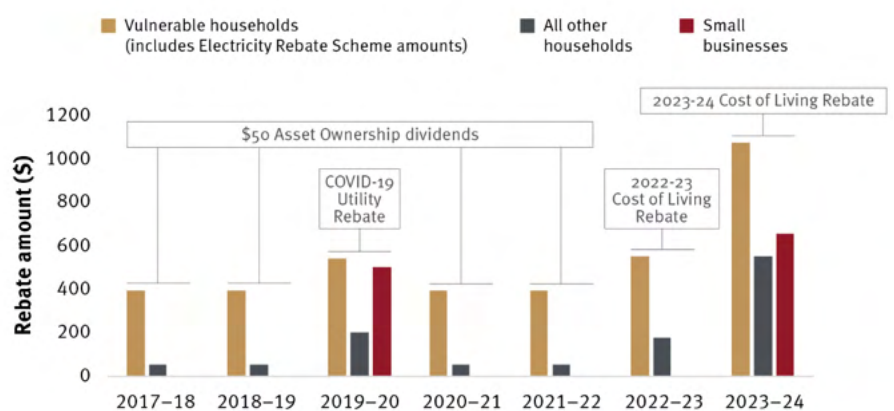


Chart 1: Historical Electricity Rebates.
Source: Queensland Treasury.



Melbourne Cup Fever

Join us to celebrate 100 years of the Condamine-Arubial QCWA with a Gala Melbourne Cup Lunch, on Tuesday 7th of November 2023, from 10.00am. The Feature Event will be the running of the Inaugural Condamine-Arubial Cup, which promises to be an entertaining event while reflecting on Condamine's heritage!

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100 Years and Beyond

Article and photos provided by QCWA Maranoa Division

Q.C.W.A. Maranoa Division celebrated the Queensland Country Women's Association Centenary year at historic Jimbour House on Saturday 2nd September on a perfect spring day. Guests from a wide area of southern Queensland joined the members of Maranoa Division, travelling from Brisbane, the Southern and Northern Downs, the Balonne, Gympie and Burnett areas. Some of our guests were travellers from as far as Bendigo, who heard about the day and were able to join us.



Maranoa Division President, Susan Gale, welcomed guests, acknowledging the home of the Russell Family which has had a long association with the Q.C.W.A. and that Mesdames Millicent and Hillary Russell had hosted many garden parties in and around the beautiful historic house.

Guests were greeted with traditional scones and jam and cream for morning tea, and then served a luncheon box catered for by Thyme to Plate of Dalby. Market stalls dotted around the lawn provided opportunities for shopping, for everything from jams, relishes and jewellery to cupcakes, paintings and

pearls.

The tour of the house was very popular, and following lunch, everyone was treated to a fashion parade hosted by Tracey Machin of Bella & Spice in Dalby. Tracey had once modelled for her aunt who owned Kays Frock Salon in Dalby when she hosted fashion parades for the garden parties in Hillary Russell's time.

The Centenary cake was cut by State President Shiela Campbell, Division President Susan Gale and Heather Seimeier, President of the Warra Branch who is thought to be the longest serving member in the Division.

A background of toe tapping music was provided throughout the day by Keiran Lillis and his lovely daughter Kadi, of Dalby.

We received a surprise visit from Bryson Head MP for Callide who took the time out from his busy schedule to pop in for a chat with everyone.

QCWA Maranoa Division is pleased to acknowledge our supporters on the day, Western Downs Regional Council, AGL and Mr David Russell for their contributions to the success of the day.

A thank you to Panda Pearls and Barrys Woodturning who donated prizes for several lucky guests on the day.

The future of the QCWA is very promising with state membership being over 4,200. New members and friends are always welcome. Just go to www.qcwa.com.au to find your nearest branch.





Blooming Wattle

Article and photos by Sue Akeroyd

Spring is here and to herald its arrival the wattles bloom. The Garden has many varieties of wattles (known as Acacias), some of them quite rare.

These plants all have yellow flowers, usually a ball or oblong of bright yellow made up of many fine tendrils. These plants are legumes, grow quickly and often have quite short life spans but add nitrogen to the soil which benefits other plants. They are known as pioneer species.



Picture left:
Acacia glaucoptera with buds

Picture right:
Acacia jucunda in full bloom

Chinchilla QCWA Members Enjoying the Day

Maranoa QCWA Members celebrate 100 years at Jimbour House Garden Party.

The Garden Party was held on September 2nd 2023 at Jimbour House to celebrate 100 years in QCWA. There was a variety of entertainment for the day including a father and daughter duo with their guitars playing many toe tapping favourites, fashion parade and market stalls. Country Kitchens promoted their "Sit less, move more" message. The majestic fig trees and gardens provided a great setting. The entertainment and refreshments were enjoyed by all in attendance. Congratulations to the organisers of Maranoa Division QCWA.

Pictures show ladies from Chinchilla QCWA Patsy Carroll and Toni Emin (left picture). Cheryl Johnson and Val Bender in the right photo.





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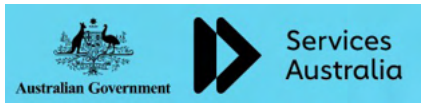
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Medical evidence from your treating doctors or other health professionals is needed with current evidence for each condition that affects your ability to work.

Give all your medical evidence with your claim so Centrelink can assess it faster. It should support what you've put in the medical details section of your claim form.

If you don't give us evidence, we may either:

- reject your claim
- stop your payment.

If you're having problems getting evidence, phone or visit your closest Community Centre. We can talk with you about your options.

What Centrelink needs to know

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- past, current and planned treatment
- how your condition impacts you day to day
- the names and contact details of your treating doctors.

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- the impact of your conditions with treatment and use of aids, equipment or assistive technology.

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- will improve, stay the same, or get worse
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What types of medical evidence you need to give

The evidence we need depends on your disability or medical condition. For some conditions or situations we need particular information.

For more information please arrange an appointment at your closest Community Centre - Centrelink Agent (more info below) or visit: <https://www.servicesaustralia.gov.au/medical-evidence-for-disability-support-pension?context=22276>

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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.



Extraordinary Disaster Assistance

Info from Queensland Farmer's Federation

Queensland's flood-affected primary producers, small businesses and not-for-profit organisations will now have more time to apply for extraordinary disaster assistance, in response to the monsoonal floods that inundated the north-west in early 2023. Applications will stay open until Friday, 29 December 2023.

The Queensland Rural and Industry Development Authority (QRIDA) is a specialist provider of government financial assistance programs, including loans, grants and rebates.

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COUNTRY OUTFITTER IS THE MODERN TREND

Change is in the air, and it's not just the seasons. Tara's beloved clothing store, The Modern Trend, has recently undergone a transformation, emerging as the "Country Outfitter."

A pillar of the Tara community since 1957, this store has been the local go-to destination for stylish, functional and affordable clothing, workwear and accessories. For the past 17 years, it has been operated by Kerry Kelly.

"I have wanted to make changes to the store for some time, and I decided this was the year!" said Kerry

The new look and feel of Country Outfitter comes as the result of a refurbishment, which has opened and refreshed the interior. The store also has a new layout, and an expanded inventory, including Sass, Betty Basics, Pilbara, Canterbury and Bisley.

The new branding and signage picks up on the relaxed country feel of the store.



Country Outfitter is a reflection of modern Tara; it captures the history and friendly country vibe of Tara while stocking modern well-known brands, affordable clothing, workwear, gifts and homeware.

"The response has been really positive. The locals are just loving the experience and our extended product range," Kerry says.



Pop in at 36 Day Street, Tara or visit their Facebook page @moderntrendtara

Business Navigator has been helping Kerry bring her ideas for the store to life.

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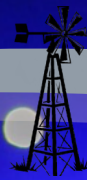
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Miles

At the time of writing this report the Miles Community had taken a breather after the excitement of the 2023 Back to the Bush Festival. The event was very well organised and, by all reports, was an enjoyable affair. Police wish to thank all attendees and visitors from far and wide for their excellent behaviour throughout the event. The BTTB Festival is something Miles can be proud of, and will leave a lasting impression upon visitors that Miles is a great place to live.

Since the last edition of the Newsletter a number of cars had been stolen and taken on joyrides through town, as well as the old Police Paddock at the end of Pine Street in Miles. Every single car that was stolen was unlocked and had the keys in the ignition or tucked away in the car somewhere to hide it when the miscreants stole the cars. Whilst it is true that we should be able to leave our property unsecured without fear of it being stolen, basic security measures must be followed, else you end up with your property stolen. This includes the easy pickings that were on offer for our resident criminals who have sticky fingers.

Police have also been advised of local residents that have been threatening vigilante action against persons suspected of committing property crimes in and around the Miles area. Whilst the frustration of having your property stolen and/or damaged is extremely high, please reconsider your actions. Too often members of communities have acted as vigilantes only to find themselves in hot water for things such as unlawful entry, deprivation of liberty, assault, etc. Please do not find yourself at the wrong end of the law by doing stupid things albeit for "good" reasons. There are reasons why police do what they do relating to all crimes, including property crimes; the law applies to them, too, and overly zealous police officers have found themselves in court and/or have been disciplined from within the QPS for actions that were, or might have been unlawful, given the context of events that had occurred.

Domestic violence and associated domestic violence continues to be a huge factor in the way police spend their working hours. Whilst it is frustrating for members of the community to hear that police spend an ever-increasing amount of time on DV investigations to the detriment of other activities that officers could undertake, community members are reminded that we are all part of a great societal shift; we are all part of changing the culture surrounding relationships in Queensland and in Australia. This change in culture promises to leave a legacy of respect withing relationships that will ultimately benefit our children's children in the long run.



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Domestic Violence HELP

Text from: <https://www.aihw.gov.au/> <https://www.servicesaustralia.gov.au/> <https://www.abs.gov.au/>

Family, domestic and sexual violence is a major health and welfare issue in Australia, occurring across all socioeconomic and demographic groups, but predominantly affecting women and children.

In 2021/2022, an estimated 8 million Australians (41%) have experienced violence (physical and/or sexual) since the age of 15, including: 31% of women and 42% of men who have experienced physical violence. This release presents a summary prevalence statistics from the Australian Bureau of Statistics' (ABS) 2021-22 Personal Safety Survey (PSS).

These types of violence can have a serious impact on individuals, families and communities, and can inflict physical injury, psychological trauma and emotional suffering. These effects can be long-lasting and can affect future generations.

Family and domestic violence can include, but isn't limited to:

- controlling behaviour
- physical violence
- sexual assault
- emotional abuse

- stalking
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Figure 1a,b,c: Prevalence of physical violence, sexual violence and emotional abuse, 2016



Source: ABS
2017b



Red Bench in front of the Miles Hospital
The aim is to raise awareness of domestic violence and provide an opportunity for this important issue to remain visible. <https://www.redrosefoundation.com.au/red-bench-project>



Anniversary Day & BTTB'23

Text and photos supplied by: Carol Tribe

Congratulations to everyone involved in the organisation of the Miles Back to the Bush Festival. What a fantastic week with visitors rolling in to town early to enjoy the festivities around town. The Village enjoyed hosting our regular Dinner Under the Stars with 2 old fashioned radio plays from the Miles Regional Arts Council on Thursday 7 September to commence the festivities. A fabulous evening outdoors was enjoyed by all with a delicious two course meal accompanied by two great comedy radio plays. Thanks to our local performers for entertaining us.

Friday night served up another delicious camp oven dinner by Michael Patch and crew with musical entertainment by the Hill Billy Goats and dancing in the Village street.

We had a great crowd through the Village to celebrate our 52nd Anniversary Day on Saturday with visitors enjoying our famous Devonshire Tea served out of the Red Rose Café, together with the many vintage games and competitions. The Kookaburra Call competition was a popular event with our smallest ever competitor taking part as was the Condamine Bell toss. Bill Hart once again demonstrated his skill and took out the Quart Pot Boil trophy.

Demonstrations included blacksmithing, small motors and engines, whip cracking and lapidary machinery.



A major milestone has been reached with Jack's Ford Truck finally being mobile after many, many months of hard work by our dedicated team of volunteers, David Hahn, Barry Colson, Peter Dunn and Earl Wallis. The interior has been restored and the vehicle's mechanics have been rebuilt. What a special moment to see Jack's Truck and our special Durant both taking part in the street parade this year.

We wish to sincerely thank all committee members, volunteers, staff and everyone who gave their time before, during and after the festival to help create such a fantastic event for our visitors who came from far and wide. We

have had so many wonderful comments which is a true credit to all involved.

LAPIDARY AIR-CONDITIONING Our latest upgrade within the Village has now been completed – happy to announce that the Lapidary building is now fully air-conditioned. This exhibit houses one of our specialist collections and the improved climate control will allow visitors to enjoy browsing this fascinating collection of petrified wood and gemstones in a more comfortable environment. We have had many visitors express that they would have loved to spend longer in the Lapidary however in summer months it was way too hot. We will be excited to share this great news with our visitors this summer – a welcome enhancement.

We wish to express our gratitude to Western Downs Regional Council Community Project Program for assisting with funding towards this important upgrade of our facility. Thanks also to Jamie Kerwick Electrical and Mullins Plumbing for installing the plumbing and air-conditioning system.

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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 SPORTING EXCELLENCE...

SOUTH WEST TRACK & FIELD

August 30th and 31st saw a small but very talented contingent of athletes from Miles SHS compete at the South West athletics trials in St George. The Olympic motto of Citius - Altius - Fortius was on full display as athletes from the South West region came together in the cauldron of competition, pushing themselves and their competitors

Faster, Higher, Stronger. To see students accept defeat and victory with grace and humility truly exemplified the innate goodness in sport.

Fairness, equality, discipline, inclusion, perseverance and respect are but some of the values sport has the power to instil in young people. Congratulations to all competitors on their efforts and attitude throughout the carnival. The carnival results have been posted as a news item to the South West School Sport website, with the link provided below.

<https://southwestschoolsport.eq.edu.au/>

SPORTING NEWS

Our eyes on the ground report that Summa had an amazing carnival recently at the Qld State Schools Softball Championships in Redcliffe. The South West Team had a draw with Metropolitan North and beat the Darling Downs, Metropolitan East and Peninsula teams. Well done! Story and photo contributed with thanks.

EXPERIENCE A SUPPORTIVE COMMUNITY...

WE NEED YOUR HELP

Miles State High School is looking for food items that can be used to donate to families in need. Foods such as non-perishable items are needed such as - rice, pasta, long-life milk, canned food, tuna, baked beans, spaghetti, noodles, cereal, snacks, cooking oil or toiletries. We appreciate your donations, and all donations can be dropped off to the main office during school hours. For further information please contact Sheree Jarman (School Chaplain) on (07) 4628 5111 or email sjarm17@eq.edu.au.

DATE CLAIMER

45th Annual Awards Ceremony - Thursday 9th November 2023 - Leichhardt Centre (Miles) - Commencing at 6:30pm. All welcome. Students required to attend will be advised in T4.

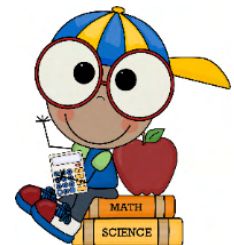
EXPERIENCE YOUR FUTURE...

WOMEN IN STEM

A group of our Year 9 and 10 students travelled to Chinchilla SHS to take part in a Women in Stem Conference. This conference focussed on career pathways available to girls with a focus on STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics).

HOMEWORK CENTRE NEWS

Don't forget that we now offer free Homework Centre Support on Monday and Wednesday afternoon for busy families. Please contact the school office to arrange for a form to be sent home and a booking made. Students are provided with a light afternoon tea at 3:00pm with the Homework Centre being open and fully supervised until 5:00pm.



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Jackson

Text & Photos supplied by Margarette Sinnamon

The August QCWA community BBQ was as always, a very friendly and social event. Councillor Geoff McMullen (Marano Regional Council) joined other Jackson locals and enjoyed the fine weather and yummy lunch.



Pictured is Geoff McMullen with local Terry Hyland and some of the community enjoying the afternoon.

September will see the BBQ's return to commencing at 5pm. The days are warmer and longer. Spring is here and everybody is looking to the skies for the much-needed rain.

Reminder that the BBQ's are held on the last Sunday of every month, and everyone is welcome to attend.

QCWA Country Kitchens were presented with five wonderful Kids Aprons, sewn by Margarette Sinnamon from the Jackson branch. These were presented at the Maranoa Division Centenary Garden Party held recently at Jimbour House.



Lindsey Thynne from Country Kitchens, Margarette Sinnamon and Lois Canning (President Jackson Branch)

Dulacca State School Maths Team Wins Maths Competition

Dulacca State School Maths team out performed all at Chinchilla High recently competing in The Australian Mathematics Competition. First by a country mile. Congratulations from left to right, Emily, William and Kip (pictured).



Australian Mathematics Competition is Australia's longest running, largest and most well-known maths competition for school students. The AMC contains unique problems designed each year by leading educators and academics to challenge and extend students' problem-solving skills.

Daves 60th Birthday Family and friends joined local, Dave to celebrate his milestone birthday recently at their home in Jackson. Pictured is Dave with Renee cutting the cake.



Centenary Celebrations The QCWA members are planning functions to celebrate the centenary of the Jackson Branch throughout 2024. Watch this space and our Facebook page for upcoming events and what is happening in and around Jackson.

Date Claimer – The Jackson Community Christmas Party will be held on the Saturday 9th December.

Date Claimer for 2024: Jackson CWA Centenary Celebrations 31st August

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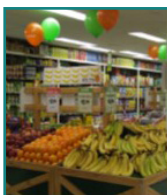
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Winter Tennis Fixture Finals

Article and Photos by Polly Leahy

September 3rd saw the last games played for the Noonga winter tennis fixtures. All four teams arrived ready and pumped to battle it out on court, with Henry Sinnamon's & Brendan Leahy's team going at it for first place while Ted Perrett's & Barry Sinnamon's team came up the track fighting for last place to see who got the chocolate?? Winners for the 2023 season saw Henry's team beat Brendan's team by 5 games, while Barry's team claimed the rights to the horse's ass for last place. While it was finals day it was also Father's day and many families enjoyed the laid back atmosphere of getting to spend quality time with their children and loved ones. Karlene Haslop dressed her little one's up in supporters' outfits for their dad Dan, while his team competed for first place.



Noonga bids Sad farewell to former Noonga community members: It with a very heavy heart Noonga announces the farewell of two past members of our beloved and close knit community.

Farewell Paula Bourne – "Chub".

Paula Kadel -Nee Bourne (lovingly known as "Chub") is the youngest daughter of Greg and Val Bourne, and much loved sister to Annette & Brenda. The Bourne family were the original owners of the property "Noonga" in the Noonga district where the girls grew up. Paula left behind many broken hearts by her sudden passing, including her one true love her husband Brett Kadel or as everyone who knows him "Chook". RIP – our beautiful Paula "Chub".

Farewell Jim Walker - Less then a week later the sad news arrived that dear friend Jim Walker who formerly owned "Thorpedale" in the Noonga district and who had not long sold and moved to Biloela with his wife, had said his final goodbyes. Jim was loved and adored by wife Deirdree and a loving dad to 7 beautiful children and granddad to their families. RIP- good mate Jim.

Seniors week celebrations Noonga - Noonga will host the bi-annual Seniors week celebration on Tuesday October 10th, commencing at 9.30am and concluding at 12.30pm. Morning tea is provided, with local trivia, cent auction and several market stalls. Byo – cold bag/ small esky to buy & take home some sneaky treats from Payton's pantry on sale on the day. This is a FREE event sponsored by the Noonga Community Association, but RSVP IS ESSENTIAL- contact Polly Leahy 0427 276483.

NOONGA'S future DATE CLAIMERS:

Seniors Week celebration: Tuesday October 10th, 2023.

Noonga Community Christmas Tree: Saturday December 16th, 2023

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

Noonga's Black Tie Affair: Saturday March 16th, 2024.



Winning team 2023- Henry Sinnamon's team. Front left: Nicky Richards, Karlene Haslop, Karol Watson, Richard & Lindsay Moffatt, Henry Sinnamon, Cory Leahy & Maree Ryan.



Last team- Barry Sinnamon's team front left: Catherine Perrett, Big Bazza himself, Emma Watson, Brian Sinnamon, Scotty York, Polly Leahy, Claire York.



Monthly Update



Article and photos supplied by Club President Peter Delaforce

Hello and welcome to our monthly update. The fishing has been quite good around the Western Downs with some great catches of Yellow Belly and Catfish being caught. Our August club members event was held at Drillham Creek with 31 people attending. Chloe Richards from Warra caught the biggest catfish at 50cm. Well done Chloe. A total of 14 catfish and 32 Spangled Perch were caught over the weekend at Drillham Creek and all fish released once weighed in. The club put on a BBQ for its members and all enjoyed a night around the camp fire.

A few of our club members attended the Cecil Plains Hook Up with some great catches of Yellow Belly also being recorded. Peter Delaforce took out the largest catch and release category with a 50cm Yellow Belly and bagging 13 Yellow Belly for the event.

The fishing club was invited by Biosecurity QLD to attend the PAWS (Pest Animal & Weed Symposium) tour of the Western Downs and gave an update on their work with environmental projects, the carp busters series and the Weir to Weir project. Approximately 60 people attended Gil Weir for the information session.

The leader board for this year will be hotly contested with more and more people learning the secrets to freshwater fishing. There are only a few points separating the top 4 spots in each category so every bit of knowledge will help.

Senior Mens	First Peter Delaforce	Second Jim Bell	Third Michael Burnell
Senior Ladies	First Deb Staines	Second Sharni Corkill	Third Ann Smith
Junior Boys	First Axel Smith	Second Quinn Bell	Third Tait Bell
Junior Girls	First Chloe Richards	Second Mackayla Forrest	

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Back to the Bush Festival 2023

Article by Monique Krause Photos by Aliven Photography

Miles Back to the Bush Festival is held only every two years and the local volunteer committee is to be congratulated for staging a truly unique celebration of life in the bush across four days from 7th – 10th September 2023. Miles accommodation was booked out and many locals were joined by day tripping visitors to enjoy the bush style celebrations, which coincided with the 52nd Anniversary of the Miles Historical Village Museum.

Festival President Rachel Kerwick said "Early ticket sales were a little bit softer than we would have liked, so we were all a little bit on tender hooks leading in to the event, but when the festival began the people just started rolling in and they've had such a wonderful time. The shops have been busy, all of the market stalls and food stalls have been well supported. The entertainers have been blown away by the support and the eagerness to participate from the crowds of people, so it's just a winner!"

Festival Secretary Tonita Taylor, Festival President Rachel Kerwick and Coordinator Robyn Coleman pictured at the Miles Airport during the Vintage Warbirds Display which raised funds for the Royal Flying Doctor Service (which coincidentally landed at the airport during the fundraiser).

Official Opening was on Thursday night with Mayor Paul McVeigh and Sound Trail Walk.



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Visitors were treated to an unusual experience on Kerwick's property by Dogwood Creek, where Dominic Kerwick is reported to have spent many hours preparing a scenic bushwalking trail for visitors to follow and along the trail visitors were met by local Miles swagmen Ted Andrews and Ted & Ann Gibbons for a billy tea and damper by the creek. The camp was set up complete with long johns hanging on a makeshift clothesline, a bush shower hanging from a tree, swags laid out and many small touches that made the authentic experience very memorable.



The Tough Bugger Competition saw a record number of teams competing, with 9 teams of four people, including teams travelling from Brisbane and Pittsworth just to compete. The Condamine Hotel team came out of top with the win, so are officially the Toughest Buggers in the Bush 2023! Well done to local teams PAsTech, QGC, The Piglets, Murilla Fitness Fanatics, Aloha Athletes, Condi Crew and Real Piece of Work who put up stiff competition. The teams showed incredible resilience through the mud pit, flipping tractor tyres, rolling the large hay bale and hammering fence posts to name a few of the challenges they each completed. Well done to organiser Jamie Kerwick with the support of sponsors Move Better Feel Better Physiotherapy, Condamine Hotel and J Kerwick Electrical.





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Back to the Bush Festival 2023

The little tackers had a turn to show their grit thanks to Murilla Long Day Care & Kindergarten, who organised the non-competitive Little Tough Buggers Challenge on Saturday inside the Main Event.



Thursday evening the Miles Regional Arts Council raised a lot of laughs during their performance of radio plays "Take My Wife Please" and "Serendipity Downs" at the Dinner Under the Stars inside the Miles Historical Village Museum.



On Friday, Kids were doing a Working Dog Clinic with visiting members of the Queensland Yard & Utility Trial Association.



The Hillbilly Goats entertained a crowd of 220 people who dined on Friday evening at the Hoe Down Camp Oven Dinner inside the Miles Historical Village Museum.



The local community did themselves proud with an impressive turnout in the Street Parade.





The tour group who visited Dulacca during the festival were treated to a tour of Devon Court family farm, including their bull sale yard and giant wind turbines, with a lunch at the Dulacca Hotel.



27 On-road off-road adventure bikes rolled out of Miles on the Thursday and Friday of the festival, heading out to explore the surrounding grazing country and forestry tracks. Many participants visited Miles especially for the ride and to experience the festival.



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Back to the Bush Festival 2023

7 Locals opened their own private collections and gardens for viewing on the Collections Tour, including Kylie Bourne's studio & garden, Bev Keogh's 'Christmas in September' display, Jan Mullins' quirky garden and huge collection of collections, Emily Macklin's surprising collection of Avon bottles, Peter Saxelby's Jimbour House Memorabilia, Ray Granbower's military paraphernalia and Felix Boyd's large collection of bonsai.



The dog high jump was truly a highlight, with a large crowd gathered inside the main even to watch as Brisbane kelpies Cody and Annie scaled the 2m+ high wall to take out first and second place ahead of the local farm dogs.



From Feedlot to Fork Gala Ball, Beard Competition, Billy Karts, Tractor Pull and much more to the Finale of the Main Event on Saturday night with Country music star Casey Barnes, Back to the Bush Festival 2023 was a massive success and we hope to welcome you all and more again in 2025.



The festival steam train arrived Saturday morning with an estimated 500 people in the vicinity to welcome the Downs Explorer's very first arrival in Miles and first journey out of the Western Line. More than 150 passengers alighted on the Miles station, around 100 of them having travelled all the way from Warwick or Toowoomba and the remainder just on a day trip from Chinchilla.





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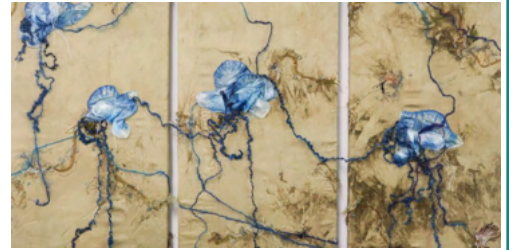
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October

It is hard to believe that we are already 1 month into spring and our gardens are in full swing with the warm weather and longer days returning. What a magnificent time of year to be out and about in the garden. Unfortunately, it isn't just the humans who like to take advantage of this time, and as a result, spring brings along its own list of challenges for us.

All signs seem to be pointing to a dry season ahead, so this is worth considering and some points are noted in the 'Jobs to do' for October.

I'm looking forward to our upcoming calendar of garden visits and being able to share these with you. The next Community News will contain an article on Callie and Dan Fitzpatrick's garden which we will have visited on the 21 September.

Jobs for October

- Fertilise – If you didn't manage to fertilise in September, now is the time. Be careful with this though and only fertilise if you can water it in well.
- Mulch – Cover up your ground. This helps to retain moisture and also aides in preventing weeds which are loving this time of year.
- Pests and diseases – Be vigilant as these are ramping up with spring. Check your plants regularly and treat as needed. Try to keep your plants strong and healthy to help resist disease.
- Prune or deadhead shrubs and spring flowering annuals and perennials. This will help to save nutrients and energy being put into areas where it is no longer required. Deadheading also helps to prolong flowering.

This is your last chance for a range of vegetables to be planted before summer hits. Consider using more heat tolerant varieties.

UPCOMING GARDEN DAYS – MARK THEM ON YOUR CALENDAR!

Thursday 12 October - Hayley & Toni Campbell, 1 Forrest Street, Drillham.

Thursday 26 October - Bus trip (day trip) to visit two beautiful gardens near Taroom and Wandoan. Cost is \$40 for MGG members and \$60 for non-members. This includes morning tea, lunch, garden entry and a seat on the coach. 7:30am bus departure from Anzac Park, Miles (bus will arrive at 7:15am), and will return at 4:30pm. Contact Lois Canning on 0447 276 270 or via email, murillagardengroup@gmail.com to reserve your seat.

Thursday 9 November – Vanessa & Roger Geldard, "Roxborough", 39569 Leichhardt Highway, Miles.

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GAG + TAG = BUSY with exhibitions

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Glenmorgan Art Group is currently busy, with two overlapping exhibitions in the Maranoa Shire. Our Opal-hearted Country, inspired by the last verse of Dorothea Mackellar's iconic poem My Country, opened at the Surat on Balonne gallery on the 2nd of September 2023. With 15 artists represented by 49 works it is an exhibition full of colourful landscapes, birds and flowers.

Closing soon on the 15th of October, the Surat exhibition overlaps with another exhibition, GAG+TAG=WOW on show at the Roma on Bungil gallery from October 1st 2023. This exhibition pairs artists from both Glenmorgan Art Group and the Toowoomba Art Group, showing a beautiful array of work. A definite WOW factor.

Glenmorgan Art Group has been a creative force in the Western Downs for over 50 years, tracing its history back to the beginnings of the Flying Arts School. Exhibiting artists include names you may know as well as new artists. Why not take a road trip to see both while they are still on show!

Check Glenmorgan Art Group's Facebook page for more details

L: GAG exhibiting artists Carol McCormack, Elaine Lyons and Jane Bridle enjoying the exhibition Our Opal-hearted Country
R: GAG members Ann Henning and Pat Hinz at the opening of Our Opal-hearted Country.



GAG + TAG = WOW!!
Glenmorgan Art Group Toowoomba Art Group

An exhibition of works by Glenmorgan Art Group + Toowoomba Art Group

Pat Hinz 'Flowers'

Jane Bridle 'Daisies, Shells & Snow'

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Mary Penfold
Paige Devenish
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Shiree Wenham

Jane Bridle
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Exhibition opening | Sunday, 1 October 1pm
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L: Claudia Honnery and Sarah Davis with GAG member Pat Hinz.

R: Paige Devenish and Bob Nason, GAG artists enjoying the Surat exhibition.

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Congratulations to **Laurie Harbort** and **Daphne Moore** who received Associate Life Membership on 30th August 2023 for their long and dedicated service with St Vincent de Paul Society, Holy Cross Conference Miles.



A massive congratulations to **Don Stiller** who was awarded the Medal of the Order of Australia in the General Division (OAM) for his service to the community.

Don is one of the Queenslanders who were named in the King's Birthday Honours List. The first Birthday Honours released since His Majesty King Charles III ascended the throne.

The Investiture Ceremony was held at Queensland Government House on Wednesday 13th September 2023, where Don was presented with the insignia of his award. After the Ceremony the recipients were given Afternoon tea on the Lawns of Government House. Pictured are Don wearing his medal with his wife Robin in the Garden and Don and Robin with their children, Ross, Jacquelyn Allery, Deborah Frecklington and Timothy before the Investiture Ceremony in front of Government House.

Congratulations to Emily Finlay. Emily celebrated her 30th birthday with friends and relatives at Miles Raceclub on Sat, 16th September 2023. It was a lovely party.



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Origin Community Update

October



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Donation to TAFE Queensland's Chinchilla campus helps power energy careers

Electrotechnology training opportunities at TAFE Queensland Chinchilla have been enhanced through the donation of over \$20,000 worth of electrotechnology equipment. The donation was procured by the Chinchilla Chamber of Commerce and Industry thanks to Origin Energy's community grant program. This donation includes calibration kits, pressure test kits, and multimeters from one of the world's leading manufacturers of industrial measuring and diagnostic equipment, Fluke.

Bringing global food and entertainment together at One Long Table event

We congratulate the Chinchilla Community Commerce and Industry (CCCI) for hosting another successful One Long Table event - a family-friendly celebration of multiculturalism, through food, dance, and music. As one of the sponsors of The Long Table, Origin supported the event with volunteers assisting with setting up, selling food, and ticket sales. Many of our employees living and working in the area also attended the event and enjoyed the food and entertainment from a variety of cultures.

Origin tours sell out as part of the Miles Back to Bush Festival

As a sponsor of the Miles Back to Bush Festival, Origin - the upstream operator of Australia Pacific LNG - hosted tours of its Condabri coal seam gas facilities, located across the Western Downs. Origin employees gave tour participants a behind-the-scenes look at a local gas plant and nearby gas fields for a unique perspective on the local energy industry. The two tours that were offered sold out, demonstrating people's interest in the industry. The annual Back to the Bush Festival celebrates and shares what the community loves about living in the bush, and Origin was pleased to once again support it.

Women in STEM inspire the next generation of women to STEAM ahead.

In celebration of National Science Week, Origin, as upstream operator of Australia Pacific LNG, partnered with Education Queensland, Chinchilla High School and Zonta eClub of Queensland to hold its annual Women in STEM event. The event, now in its fourth year, promotes science, technology, engineering, and math careers, as well as non-traditional roles for women. This year, the Arts were added to demonstrate their significance in the STEM fields in terms of creativity and innovation - the "A" that takes STEM to STEAM - with Origin Indigenous Supplier Performance Advisor and respected local artist Marion Mitchell among the guest speakers. More than 150 students attended the event including those from Miles High School and Tara State College.

Miles Golf Club supported with electric cart donation

We were glad to support Miles Golf Club with a refurbished electric golf cart (pictured right) through our Sponsorships and Donations community investment program. Origin Pipeline Technician Wade Wilson - who is also a keen golfer and supporter of the Miles Golf Club - said that since its arrival, the cart had been put to good use at many of the club's events and competitions. Mr Wilson said he hoped the cart would be especially helpful to the elderly and those with mobility challenges in playing golf to enable them to enjoy the benefits of socialising and exercise that come with it.

As always, please contact our team if you have any questions...



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Applications must be submitted by Thursday 16th November 2023

For more information about this opportunity, including application planning tool, templates, and fact sheets, please contact the Community Grants Writer using the details below.

The Community Grants Writer is a free service offered to not-for-profit and Traditional Owner groups in the Western Downs and township of Taroom. The service has helped over 200 local organisations secure more than \$6.8m in funding.

The service is funded by Shell QGC and delivered through the Murilla Community Centre. Appointments are available in Miles, Wandoan, Chinchilla, Tara, Dalby, or via phone and email.

For more information,
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Chinchilla (Chinchilla Community Centre) – 20th October
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Darling Downs and West Moreton PHN, Darling Downs Health and West Moreton Health have collaborated closely to refresh and refocus our joint Regional Mental Health, Suicide Prevention and Alcohol and Other Drug Plan - Healthy Minds, Healthy Lives.

We are delighted to invite you to join us on our roadshow to hear about the important strategies and actions within the plans, as well as meet and network with your peers across the sector.

Healthy Minds, Healthy Lives continues the development and implementation of our previous plans, to ensure that all people living with a mental health condition and alcohol and other drug use in our region can access effective and appropriate treatment. It provides a shared vision and approach, setting our collective goals and aspirations for making a difference for people living with mental health conditions and alcohol and other drug use and their families.

We welcome all stakeholders across the sector, including people with lived and living experience. You are more than welcome to attend more than one event, please RSVP for each event using the link below.

Location	Venue	Date	Time
Goondiwindi	Sundial Event Centre 13 Moffatt Street, Goondiwindi	Tuesday, 3 October 2023	5:30pm to 7:30pm
Stanthorpe	Stanthorpe Little Theatre 20 Conner Street, Stanthorpe	Wednesday, 4 October 2023	2:00pm to 4:00pm
Warwick	Warwick Art Gallery 49 Albion Street, Warwick	Wednesday, 4 October 2023	6:00pm to 7:30pm
Chinchilla	Chinchilla Great Western Motor Inn 52-62 Warrego Highway, Chinchilla	Tuesday, 10 October 2023	5:30pm to 7:30pm
Dalby	Urban Paddock 138 Cunningham Street, Dalby	Wednesday, 11 October 2023	5:30pm to 7:30pm
Toowoomba	Picnic Point 164 Tourist Road, Toowoomba	Tuesday, 17 October 2023	5:30pm to 7:30pm
Ipswich	North Ipswich Reserve North Room, 43 The Terrace, North Ipswich	Wednesday, 18 October 2023	2:00pm to 5:00pm
Gatton	Lockyer Valley Cultural Centre 34 Lake Apex Drive, Gatton	Tuesday, 24 October 2023	4:00pm to 6:00pm
Esk	Holy Red Deer Estate (Billiard Hall) 65 Ipswich Street, Esk	Wednesday, 25 October 2023	2:00pm to 5:00pm
Kingaroy	Kingaroy Art Gallery 126 Haly St, Kingaroy	Friday, 27 October 2023	2:00pm to 5:00pm
Springfield	Brookwater Golf Club 1 Tournament Drive, Brookwater	Monday, 30 October 2023	5:30pm to 7:00pm
Kalbar	Summer Land Camels 8 Charles Chauvel Drive, Harrisville	Tuesday, 31 October 2023	2:00pm to 4:00pm

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Chinchilla Museum News

Article and photos supplied by Chinchilla Museum

The Chinchilla Museum have recently hosted two very successful events.

Namely the Chinchilla Fossil Finding Day on 19th August and Father's Day Breakfast/train day.

This Fossil Finding Day (which was very well attended by a diverse group) was co-ordinated by Qld Museums and supported by QGC.

Samples were collected by Qld Museum staff at 'Chinchilla Sands' and brought to the Chinchilla Museum to be sifted through by budding palaeontologists.

Qld Museum staff were on hand to identify any finds and were also able to help identify specimens from private collections.

As this event was so successful, there are plans for another similar event in 2024.

It was very good to see so many Dad's and their children visit for train rides, breakfast, steam engines running and display of older motor bikes at the Museum for Father's Day.



The annual Kindy Father's Day event was held at the Museum again this year.

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Under 5's Day

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Many families and services came together at Chinchilla State School to celebrate Under 5's. The children enjoyed painting, building, moving, reading, craft and more. It was so hard to choose what to do first! Parents were able to seek information about child health, development and education while the kids were very busy and happy. Thank you so much to all who supported our Under 5's – see you next year!

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<p>Catholic Church - Dulacca</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2nd Sunday 9:00am <p>Ph: 4627 1139</p>	<p>Catholic Church - Miles</p> <p>Cnr Dawson & Edith Streets</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1st Sunday 9:00am Mass 2nd Sunday (Sat. vigil) 6:00pm Mass 3rd Sunday 9:00am 	<p>Catholic Church - Miles</p> <p>Liturgy with Communion</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 4th Sunday 9:00am Mass 5th Sunday 9:00am Ecumenical Service Ph:
<p>Crossroads Christian Outreach</p> <p>64 Murilla Street, Miles</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sunday Service every 2nd Sunday 3pm <p>Ph: 0412 731970 or 0427 628469</p>	<p>Holy Trinity Anglican Church Taroom</p> <p>21 Miles St, Taroom</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Every Sunday 8:00am <p>Ph: 0447 082 897</p>	<p>Lutheran Church - Miles</p> <p>Murilla Street</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1st and 3rd Sunday 11am (HC) <p>Ecumenical Service</p> <p>Contact Jean Austin or Pastor Stuart</p> <p>Ph: 0437 195 795</p>
<p>Presbyterian Church - Miles</p> <p>Cnr Murilla & Dawson Streets</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sundays 9:00am <p>Ph: 0427 163 050</p>	<p>Presbyterian Church - Wandoan</p> <p>Moore Street</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sundays 9:30am <p>Contact Rev Laurie Peake</p> <p>Ph: 0438 274 157</p>	<p>St Luke's Anglican Church</p> <p>Cnr Dawson & Constance Sts, Miles</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Every Sunday 8:00am 5th Sunday 8:00am Ecum.Serv <p>Ph: 0419 779 686</p>
<p>The Gums Church</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 3rd Sunday 9:30am <p>Ph: 4669 4336</p>	<p>Wandoan AOG</p> <p>23 Royd Street</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 10:00am Every Sunday 5th Sunday 10:30am <p>Wandoan Churches together</p> <p>Ph 0429 200 589</p>	<p>Church of United Spiritualism Australia-Miles</p> <p>Services will be held on the 4th Tuesday of every month 1:30pm at Senior Citizen Building. Join via Zoom Meeting possible. For further information ring</p> <p>Reverend Leanne 0458928510 email larchinal@gmail.com</p>

Changes in church services?
You can update the church services very easy.
Please inform the Newsletter team. Thank you.

Simply email: mccmcd@bigpond.com or
call 0746272027



Church Services

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

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Profits fund St Vincent de Paul Society services and programs.

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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

October		November		December	
Tuesday	10	Tuesday	14	Tuesday	12
Thursday	26	Thursday	23	Thursday	28

Community Markets

St Luke's Markets

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

Chinchilla Markets

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

TC Grazing

Where Fertility and Function come First

**Brangus and Angus Bulls
Available**

**Yearling and 2 year old
Bred and fed on grass - BBSE tested**

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Installations and Repairs**

19 Pound Road, Miles QLD 4415
ABN: 94 433 021 376 Electrical Contractor No: 80383



Mandarin Pork Stir-Fry



Makes 4 servings | 10min prep | 15min cook

Ingredients

- 2 cups uncooked instant rice
- 1 tablespoon cornstarch
- 1/2 teaspoon garlic powder
- 1/2 teaspoon ground ginger
- 1/2 cup orange juice
- 1/4 cup water
- 2 tablespoons soy sauce
- 1 pork tenderloin (1 pound), cut into 2-inch strips
- 2 tablespoons canola oil
- 1 package frozen sugar snap peas
- 1 can mandarin oranges, drained

Method

1. Cook rice according to package directions. Meanwhile, in a small bowl, combine the cornstarch, garlic powder and ginger. Stir in orange juice until smooth. Stir in water and soy sauce; set aside.
2. In a large wok or skillet, stir-fry pork in oil until juices run clear; remove to a platter and keep warm. In the same skillet, stir-fry peas until tender. Return pork to skillet. Stir orange juice mixture; add to skillet. Cook and stir for 2 minutes or until thickened. Gently stir in oranges. Serve with rice.

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Banana Bread

Makes 10-12 slices | 10min prep | 45m cook

Ingredients

- 1 cup (150g) plain flour
- 1/2 cup (75g) self-raising flour
- 1 cup brown sugar
- 1 tsp Coles Cinnamon Ground
- 125g butter, melted, cooled
- 2 eggs, whisked
- 3 ripe bananas, mashed

Method

1. Preheat oven to 180°C. Grease and line the base and side of an 11 x 21cm x 6cm deep (base) loaf pan.
2. Combine flours, sugar and cinnamon in a large bowl. Whisk butter and eggs together. Stir in banana. Spoon into prepared pan. Smooth the surface.
3. Bake for 45-50 mins or until a skewer inserted into the centre comes out clean. Set aside in the pan for 10 mins before turning out onto a wire rack. Serve warm spread with butter.

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Sudoku

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Source: www.puzzles.ca

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BOWL-A-RAMA

By Timothy E. Parker

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Source: https://freedailycrosswords.com/

ACROSS

- 1) Goes from snow to slush
- 6) Make a contract official
- 10) Mass garments
- 14) Priest's leave
- 15) Doing nothing
- 16) Numbered circle
- 17) Used the black credit card
- 20) Start to give in
- 21) Olympics participant
- 22) "Nevermore" speaker
- 25) Jeter of baseball fame
- 26) Basic impulse
- 30) "Not to mention ..."
- 32) Levy anew
- 35) Type of columnist
- 41) Certain homey dwelling
- 43) Like the Milky Way
- 44) Catholic prayer
- 45) ___ spumante (sparkling wine)
- 47) Irksome insect
- 48) Flowery writing
- 53) Cardiff-born
- 56) Pakistani neighbor
- 58) County, in Louisiana
- 63) Is evenhanded
- 66) Soon-to-be adult
- 67) Sound of an active blender
- 68) British cleric
- 69) Poker pay-in
- 70) Beginner or apprentice
- 71) Cousin of a gazelle

DOWN

- 1) Untidy situation
- 2) World's Fair, for one
- 3) New thing to turn over?
- 4) Lemony, e.g.
- 5) Have the helm
- 6) Violate a commandment
- 7) Awaited words at a wedding
- 8) Learns little by little
- 9) At the front of the line
- 10) British pop sensation
- 11) Ocean vessel
- 12) Keep the turkey moist
- 13) Glossy
- 18) Modern evidence type, briefly
- 19) High degree
- 23) Bouquet holder
- 24) Take to another level?
- 26) ___ Major ("Big Bear" constellation)
- 27) Agents, briefly
- 28) Decorated with gold
- 29) Kuwaiti VIP
- 31) Leer over
- 33) Sch. support group
- 34) ___ podrida (spicy stew)
- 36) A little resistance?
- 37) Cleansing bar
- 38) Certain
- 39) Wife of Osiris
- 40) Boggy matter
- 42) Opposite of good
- 46) Like nets around Stephen Curry?
- 48) Serving in an Italian restaurant
- 49) Much more than occasionally
- 50) White-plumed wading bird
- 51) "Rise and ___!"
- 52) Talk, talk, talk
- 54) Place for mud baths
- 55) Bisect
- 57) Little salamander
- 59) Amtrak transportation
- 60) Andean civilization
- 61) Check out groceries, perhaps
- 62) Bovine bunch
- 64) Tire filler
- 65) Sib of sis



October 2023

1st	Miles Show Meeting, Walsh Pavilion 12pm. All welcome.
1st - 2nd	Big Skies Festival, Jimbour House, more info www. https://bigskies.westerndownsqueensland.com.au/
2nd	Public Holiday: Monarch's Official Birthday
4th	CWA Miles Branch Meeting, Miles RSL contact: 0438 690 359 Social Bowls at Miles Bowls Club, 5:30pm weekly event
5th	Miles Chamber of Commerce, MCC Meeting Room 5:30pm
8th	St. Lukes Markets - Miles, Phone 0419 779 686
10th	Miles District Hospital Aux. Inc. Bingo, 9:15am Senior Citizens Rooms. All welcome. Noonga Senior Week Celebration, 9:30am -12:30pm at Noonga Hall, Free event, RSVP essential Contact 0427 276483 Storytime for Toddlers at Gallery, Dogwood Crossing, Miles - Hybrid Greening Miles State Primary School P & C Meeting 5:30pm School Admin Building, Update on Facebook page Miles Golf Club Monthly Meeting 7pm at the Golf Club
12th	Murilla Garden Group - Garden Day - Hayley & Tony Campbell, Drillham
14th	Cameby Hall Dance, "Come Hula with Us!" Doors open 7pm, Couples \$25, Singles \$15, Students \$5, Family \$30 Supper provided with entry price, Raffles, Lucky Prizes, Best Dressed - Cash only
17th	Storytime for Toddlers at Library, Dogwood Crossing, Miles - Owl Babies
18th	Women's Wellness Day, more info on page 20
21st -22nd	Miles District Fishing & Recreation Club, Chinchilla Weir, Round 1, Western Downs Carp Busters Series
24th	Connect with Council - Jandowae Showgrounds from 5:30pm
25th	Senior Citizen Meeting 9:30am at Senior's Room, opposite Foodworks
26th	RSL Meeting 11am, 26 Marian St, Miles Low Impact Exercise 10-11am at Mary MacKillop Hall, Miles \$5/pp Murilla Garden Group Day trip to visit two beautiful gardens near Taroom and Wandoan. More information 0447 276 270 or email, murillagardengroup@gmail.com Crystal Park Walk Ups at Kogan, Booking with Joan 0431379253, more info on page 11
27th	Miles District Hospital Aux. Inc. Bingo, 9:15am Senior Citizens Rooms. All welcome. Miles District Hospital Aux. Inc. Meeting 2pm, Hospital Conference Room. All welcome.
28th	Multi-Vendor Garage & Carboot Sale & Auction at Miles Showgrounds 8am -2pm, Booking essential. Contact Richard 0407 897 465 or milesshow@hotmail.com