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Security beef-up

By Jamie McKenzie

Gladstone Airport is scaling up its passenger security procedures at the same time other regional airports are removing their facilities to save costs.

A full body scanner will be installed and soft launched at Gladstone Airport this week but will be in full operation from December 28.

"Body scanners provide an additional layer of security detection with the equipment capable of detecting non-metallic prohibited items worn or carried on one's body," said Gladstone Airport Corporation CEO Mark Cachia.

'The scanners use non-ionising millimetre wave technology which emit low power levels and meets the health regulations in relation to licencing compliance. It will not affect internal medical devices including pacemakers and metal implants or women pregnant."

Body scanners are already in use at all Australian international terminals and are installed at domestic terminal screening as part of the government's Strengthening Aviation Security Initiative, aligning national security screening standards with those of airports around the world.

"Persons with a medical or physical condition that may prevent them from being screened by a body scanner will need to advise the screening officer. It diminishes privacy concerns as the image displayed on the body scanner is a generic human profile with a general indicator of a detected item. A screening officer will apply the use of other screening techniques, including a targeted frisk search to clear an alarm," Mr Cachia said.

So, what do you need to know about going through the body scanner?

- You will be asked to remove outer layers of clothing (like jackets and jumpers) and take all items out of your pockets
- Security Officers will then direct you through the screening process
- Be sure to inform screening officers if you



A body scanner at Gladstone Airport.



The security screening process.

have any medical devices, aids or implants before being screened

■ Alternative screening will be provided for those passengers who are medically or physically unable to undergo a body scan



MACE treasurer Joel Butler as Santa looking very pensive on Saturday night.

Bikies out on the streets

Nearly 100 people toured the Christmas lit Christmas trees. streets of Gladstone on Saturday, December 20, checking up on who had been naughty and who had been nice.

commonly known, organised buses, motorbikes and cars on a two hour crusade to find Gladstone houses that were lit up like

The club does this event every year, covering as many suburbs as possible.

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Big year for export port

Gladstone Ports Corporation has signed-off on another successful year, reflecting on strong exports, development and community milestones, despite the challenges of Covid-19.

The pandemic has affected people and businesses on a worldwide scale, with GPC and the local community forced to adapt to new norms.

Thanks to a dedicated workforce, GPC remains strong and continues to power Queensland's economy, exporting more than 30 per cent of the state's coal exports and 100 per cent of the state's LNG exports, representing almost 80 per cent of the port's total trade.

In November 2019, GPC's trade throughput at the Port of Gladstone totalled 10,211,656 tonnes from 153 ships, which included of 5,895,720 tonnes of coal.

Trade throughput in November 2020 was up, totalling 10,647,996 tonnes via 153 ships, which included 6,239,913 tonnes of coal.

India, Japan and the Republic of Korea were the top three destinations for coal from the Port of Gladstone in November of both years, with export to China historically dropping at

Acting CEO Craig Walker said the GPC team showed care and resilience in the face of adversity with the month of November a standout for exports in 2020.

"November was our most successful trade month this year; these results are great news for this region and Queenslanders in terms of jobs, the economy and international trade," Mr Walker said.

"Working with such a professional team of men and women everyday has made 2020 and its challenges, easier to forge ahead with." GPC exported more than 10 million tonnes in November alone through their three ports in Rockhampton, Gladstone and Bundaberg with coal and LNG the most in demand commodi-

"Our ports have maintained their service levels throughout the year, managing the aspects of essential services of trade with the health and well-being of our employees," Mr

"Our team at GPC showed their resilience, adaptability and focus throughout the year, ensuring we achieved stable strong results for



Gladstone Ports Corporation looks back on a successful 2020.

the people of Queensland - delivering a strong dividend for a second year in a row.

"We opened East Shores 1B to the community, employed new team members and we're able to ensure that all our staff - permanent, temporary and causal - had stable employment when many tragically lost their jobs during the pandemic."

GPC also supported struggling community groups through their Active August Community Beneficiary and through their Community Investment Program.

Mr Walker said in the new year, GPC would remain focused on intergenerational thinking, planning and a strategy securing GPC's position as the premier multi-commodity port in

"There are exciting projects such as the facilitation of hydrogen, replacement of a 40-year-old shiploader at the Reg Tanna Coal Terminal and other major works on the cards and at GPC we know 2021 will be big," he said.

"It's all thanks to the local communities in Gladstone, Rockhampton and Bundaberg for supporting our operations this year."

The year also saw the completion of East Shores 1B, the widening of the Clinton shipping channel and the extension the foreshore parklands and walkways.'

Gladstone Ports Corporation continues to invest in important infrastructure projects to power operations for the next 50 years.

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The editor's desk

Respected linguist and psychologist Steven Pinker argues in his book Enlightenment Now that the general trajectory of the human condition has followed a remarkably upward path since the advent of enlightenment ideas in the 18th

He maps out in detail the tremendous improvements in literacy, prosperity, security and health that our species has accumulated over the years. The evidence Pinker presents is persuasive and offers a welcome counter position to the misanthropy and sense of catastrophe that can easily engulf the mind when observing the world at any one particular moment in time.

The year 2020, however, will almost certainly have pushed the trajectory of human beings into a flatter, or even downward, direction.

Bluntly put, it's been a miserable year. The worst year for Australia since the beginning of World War II, which offered up the brief but genuine possibility of our extinction as a free and democratic society.

Will the line of human progress remain flat throughout 2021, or begin again its general upward curve?

Much will depend on the distribution of an effective vaccine. The research power embedded within the United States and Britain looks set to deliver some kind of salvation in 2021, either through university research ecosystems or America's great pharmaceutical companies such as Pfizer and Moderna. Across our region, we can only hunker down and hope for the best.

On the eve of Christmas, we're reminded of another kind of salvation, one that is altogether separate and above the confrontations of the day. This salvation spans time and offers the possibility of eternal hope and renewal.

We here at CQ Today wish our readers and everyone across the region a safe and Merry Christ-





What's on at Gladstone Men's Shed

By Jamie McKenzie

There's no time for sitting still if you're a man of retirement age in Gladstone.

Gladstone Men's Shed is not just about woodwork and metalwork. It's about body work too. Not just any old body, but the body you've been given.

The local club is undergoing some awareness about strokes with My Health for Life presenter Kathy Patasczek from the Stroke Foundation in Brisbane. A stroke occurs when the blood supply to part of your brain is interrupted or reduced, preventing brain tissue from getting oxygen and nutrients. Brain cells begin to die in minutes.

Kathy will be teaching the members at noon on Thursday 4 February, at the Shed in Barney Point.

Safety is also a big issue when involved in manual work at the Shed. Anton Guinea will be giving members a reminder about safety awareness. Safety and health of its members is first priority.

At the same time, CQ First Aid will be on hand to give members and partners a refresher on CPR and defibrillator use. Dates of these courses are yet to be confirmed but more information can be obtained by contacting the president Ron Steen at mensshed4680@hotmail.com.

Gladstone Men's Shed president Ron Steen.





Legally Blonde stars Hannah and Millie.

Picture: PETER DAVIS PHOTOGRAPHY

Hit musical sells quick

By Jamie McKenzie

Work is well underway on Legally Blonde The Musical, which is already turning out to be a hit production from the Gladstone Entertainment Convention Centre.

Tickets went on sale two weeks ago and have been selling 100 per week since then.

With limited seats because of Covid-19 restrictions, audiences are advised to get in quickly or miss out.

The story is based on the novel Legally Blonde by Amanda Brown and the 2001 film of the same name. It tells the story of Elle Woods, a sorority girl who enrols at Harvard Law School to win back her ex-boyfriend Warner.

She discovers how her knowledge of the law can help others and successfully defends exercise queen Brooke Wyndham in a murder trial. Throughout the show, no one has faith in Elle Woods, but she surprises them when she defies expectations while staying true to herself.

Gladstone Region Councillor Darryl Branthwaite said Legally Blonde The Musical continues a proud tradition of community and combined schools musicals held at GECC.

"We've seen some outstanding community and school-based musicals produced in recent years including Shrek (2018), Anything Goes (2019) and The Wizard of Oz (2020), with all three productions receiving rave reviews from their audiences," Councillor Branthwaite said.

For those who have seen Legally Blonde on the big screen, your favourite dogs Bruiser and Rufus will also appear on stage.

The show is being produced and directed by Jeannine Butler, who was named as the first inductee into the GECC's Hall of Fame.

Show dates are February 25-28 February and 4-7 March.

Tickets to Legally Blonde The Musical start from \$20 each with a full list of pricing available online at the GECC website or by phoning the Box Office on 4972 2822.

New Year's ready to rock

By Matthew Pearce

Tickets are selling out fast for most of the Capricorn Food and Wine Festival's Rocky New Years events, but there are still plenty of tickets left for the big night.

Rocky New Years kicks off on December 29 and will include Country Races at Callaghan Park, Thirsty Merc at The Goat, New Year's Eve Party at the Rockhampton Riverside Precinct and an Island Recovery Party at Great Keppel Island.

Event manager Callan Buchholz said while there were only a handful of tickets left for the races, The Goat and GKI, the larger capacity meant there were still plenty of tickets left for New Year's Eve.

"The New Year's Eve party is outdoors and with Covid restrictions improving we have plenty of capacity," he said.

"Our guest artists are all from Queensland so there won't be any problems with the closure of the Queensland border to Sydney."

The New Year's Eve Party can accommodate as many as 1500 people without special approval.

"It'd be great to get 1500, but If we got to 1200 we'd be happy," Mr Buchholz said.

"We had 600 walk-ups for our Big Beer Festival earlier this year and we're expecting a rush on ticket sales after Christmas, especially with our Boxing Day Sale offering discounted tickets to the New Year's Eve With attractions looking light this year, Mr Buchholz said the Capricorn Food and Wine Festival organisers had decided to step into the void, bringing back a multiple day, multiple venue New Year's event event similar to the iconic days of the B & S Ball.

This is the fourth event this year under the Capricorn Food and Wine Festival banner, including the Big Beer Festival, the Capricorn Food and Wine Festival itself and Oktoberfest.

Rocky New Years events include:

- Country Races @Callaghan Park, December 29: The last race day for 2020, with an exciting seven-race program, TAB and country rock tunes of Zac Cross Band.
- The Goat Cafe and Bar presents Thirsty Merc, 7pm, December 30: One of Australia's greatest live bands is coming back to Rockhampton Thirsty Merc will rock the Goat in a New Year's Eve warm up like no other. The lads will be joined by Rocky faves, Maddi & The Hoopers.
- NYE Party @Riverside Precinct, December 30: Dance the night away with local legends The Short Fall and DJ Blake Hamlyn. kicking off from 6pm, you can party the night/morning away until 2am.
- Island Recovery @ Great Keppel Island, January 1: Enjoy live music and island games throughout the day to keep you entertained, plus a special late transfer for all those hungover souls.

Tickets are available at capricornfoodandwine.com.au/



The Big Beer Festival was a huge success earlier this year.







Rookwood jobs flowing

By Matthew Pearce

A least 140 jobs will flow to CQ residents as Rookwood Weir enters the next stage of the construction process.

Sunwater and its construction partners received state government approval last week to move on to Stage 2 of the \$352.2 million project, to be built on the Fitzroy River west of Rockhampton.

Gladstone-based McCosker Contracting and Acciona Australia have committed to sourcing the construction jobs locally - with apprentices and trainees comprising 15 per cent of the workforce.

Treasurer and Minister for Investment Cameron Dick said water from the weir would underpin economic and agricultural growth in the region, boosting employment and supporting communities.

"Rookwood Weir is transformational water infrastructure. Our government has been committed to the weir from the project's infancy because we understand its importance to Central Queensland when it comes to job creation and the region's agricultural industry at large."

Member for Gladstone and Minister for Water Glenn Butcher said two bidders had secured 30,000 megalitres of water for agricultural use following the completion of the first stage of the water sales process.

"This will allow the successful tenderers, Rural Funds Management and Argyle Capital Partners, to pursue expansion plans along the Fitzroy River - and that means local jobs and flow-on impacts in the supply chain for local businesses," he said.

"This is another key milestone for a critical infrastructure project that will enhance water security and provide economic opportunities across the region.

"Rookwood Weir is delivering jobs now, more jobs as construction progresses and then further opportunity for economic growth and investment in the region, especially agricultural growth."

Rural Funds Management plans to establish 5000 hectares of macadamia orchards, with the largest plantings along the Fitzroy



Treasurer and Minister for Investment Cameron Dick with Premier Annastacia Palaszczuk.

River west of Rockhampton, while Argyle Capital Partners will expand its existing irrigated agriculture operations in the Fitzroy Basin.

Sunwater chief executive officer Glenn Stockton said additional water was available for local irrigators as part the second stage of the tender process.

A minimum of 7500 megalitres will be released in the second stage, with irrigators able to apply for lots of up to 500 megalitres.

"There has been considerable interest in this tranche, which is aimed at smaller operations that need water to expand or diversify their operations," Mr Stockton said.

The second tender is expected to be held in

But Member for Capricornia Michelle Landry said questions still needed to be answered on the final price of water.

"Rookwood Weir was always envisaged to be a transformational water project for Central Queensland," she said.

"The issue of affordability with water from Rookwood Weir is raised with me almost as often of the reduced capacity of the weir. It needs to be addressed as a priority.

"If the Queensland Government refuses to build Rookwood Weir to the full 76,000 megalitres of high-priority water as originally promised, at the very least, they need to ensure water remains affordable for the farmers who wish to purchase water." Member for Flynn Ken O'Dowd said the Queensland government needed to do the right thing by Central Queensland farmers.

"While I think most Central Queenslanders would welcome the progress of Rookwood Weir so far, the price and availability of water from the weir still causes great uncertainty amongst farmers, graziers and primary producers," he said.

"The federal government has assisted the progression of Rookwood Weir at every opportunity, and we respectfully ask the Queensland government to help ensure water prices are reasonable for Central Queensland

Awareness about need for snakes in our ecosystems

By Jamie McKenzie

It's snake season, which makes it a good time to learn more about some of our least favourite creatures.

A free snake awareness workshop will run in the new year, from 10am-11am on Saturday, 16 January 2021.

Snakes take on a unique role within the food web. Although snakes are predators, they are also prey for some species. Snakes will typically hunt smaller animals such as rodents, insects, amphibians, eggs, birds, and the larval stages of various invertebrates.

Not only do they hunt, but they also be-



An eastern brown snake.

come the hunted. Many other larger predators such as birds of prey and foxes will not be shy to eat a snake. Since snakes have such

a dynamic role within the food web, their presence is an absolute necessity to maintain their respective ecosystems.

Gladstone councillor Darryl Branthwaite said snakes are a misunderstood part of our

"While they aren't the most popular animal to grace the Gladstone region, without snakes the number of prey species would increase to unnatural levels and predators who eat snakes would struggle to find food," Councillor Branthwaite said.

"The aim of this workshop is to educate that snakes can be our friend, not our foe.

"A local snake catcher, Kris Foster, will help to create awareness, increase education and try to change the common mindset that 'the only good snake is a dead one'.

"Kris will also discuss all snakes in our region and teach you what to do should a snake should bite you."

Snakes are protected under the Nature Conservation Act 1992 and it is an offence to kill, injure or take snakes from the wild unless done by a licensed snake catcher.

Bookings can be made by contacting the Tondoon Botanic Gardens team via email at tondoon@gladstone.qld.gov.au or by phoning 4971 4444.







Vizes City News is closing but Rocky Fresh Foods will continue to operate.

Era ends for newsagents

By Matthew Pearce

For the first time in many years, there will be no newsagency in East St, with Rockhampton's iconic Vizes City News closing its doors.

The Proposch family announced on Facebook that the newsagency at 85 East St would close on December 31, although the Rocky Fresh Foods side of the business would continue to operate.

"We would like to thank all our loyal customers from the past 20+ years for your support and patronage," the Facebook post read.

"Throughout the years we have formed many friendships with our customers and surrounding businesses and without these valued relationships we would not have not been as successful. We have many happy memories from our time in East Street that we will treasure for a long time to come."

Business owner Bevan Proposch said the newsagency had struggled for some time.

"We were doing OK until we did the big revamp at the store six years ago. Just after that all the roads outside were blocked off for the Riverbank redevelopment," he said.

"Because we spent all that money on revamping the store, we were hoping for better business but that didn't turn out that way. Everyone around here struggled during that period for about 18 months."

Mr Proposch said a variety of factors had contributed to the newsagency's fate, including newspapers going online and a decline in magazine sales.

"Anybody who wants information can just go online these days, they don't need to buy a magazine or newspaper. Greeting cards still sell alright but people don't buy cards as much as they used to.

The store has also had issues with parking for many years.

"Our business relies on someone pulling up out the front, buying a cold drink, putting their lotto or buying a scratch-it ticket, which is impacted by store tenants taking up parks on East St."

The Proposch family have owned Vizes for about 38 years.

"There was a Casket agency here that I bought and combined with the newsagency next door," he said.

"We saw the writing on the wall a long time ago, which is why we've focused on the food side of the business. Rocky Fresh Foods is too good a business to close down.

With the upcoming closure of the Kern Arcade, and with it, Arcade News & Casket, there will be no newsagencies in East St in the near future, truly marking the end of an era.

Webber on shop closures

By Matthew Pearce

Former Rockhampton mayor Jim Webber, who officially opened the Kern Arcade, feels for the tenants of the iconic Rockhampton centre who were recently informed of its

In a statement made by the Cooper Family on Facebook on Thursday, December 10, it was announced Kern Arcade stores Coopers, Propaganda and The Arcade Outlet would shut their doors, citing the impact of Covid-19 and online shopping.

That afternoon, other businesses at the East St centre, including Arcade News and Casket, Blue Leaf Takeaway, Downtown Diva Hair Salon, were told by Kern Arcade co-owner Clarke Cooper that the centre itself would close down in the near future.

Jim Webber said any time a store was forced to close was a sad day, but he hoped there was a positive side to the situation.

He said his family business, Webbers Retravision, had been in a similar boat when Kmart Plaza closed to make way for the Stockland Rockhampton extension.

"We had meeting with centre management and they said Kmart Plaza was going to be demolished. Some tenants buried their head in the sand and ended up having to close their store altogether, whereas we were proactive and started looking around bought the shop in Aquatic Place, which did very well for many years," Jim's son Doug

Jim said he hoped the new owners of the Arcade site would help revitalise the East Street area, similar to what happened with

"What they've done at the old Kmart site is fantastic. Kmart was tired, it needed upgrading and now it's a part of Stockland and is modern and new again," he said.

"It would be good the businesses in the arcade didn't have to close and could move



The Kern Arcade in East Street, Rockhampton, will close after more than 30

elsewhere in East Street."

Doug said he hoped the owners of empty stores in East Street would reach out to the arcade businesses and help them relocate.

"It would be nice to see the East Street Mall area full again," he said.

"I think there's still a need for a newsagency in the city, if I owned one of those empty shops the first thing I'd do would be to try and get the Arcade newsagency as a tenant."

Jim said he'd been proud to see car parking come to the Rockhampton CBD in 1987 and was concerned at the fate of Kern Ar-

"Dad's idea at the time was for the developer to put in car parks for the whole of the East Street Mall," Doug explained.

"The arcade was just one part of the mall, one which was great for the older folk because it was an air-conditioned and that little bit more upmarket."

On Facebook, the Cooper Family said a further announcement would be made regarding the Kern Arcade after the government mandated Covid-19 measures for SME commercial tenants finished at the end of the year.



Doug, Jim and Stella Webber at the Rockhampton council chambers.





Start-up guru in Emerald

By Duncan Evans

Queensland Chief Entrepreneur and renowned start-up guru Leanne Kemp flew into to Emerald on December 13 for a whirlwind two-day visit with promising Agtech entrepreneurs in the region.

Her visit caps a remarkable tenure in the prestigious position.

"It was my last official travel visit into regional Queensland. So I'd like to say it was the exclamation stop on the end of a sentence, which is a two-and-a-half year tenured term," Ms Kemp told CQ Today.

Ms Kemp is the founder and CEO of Everledger, a digital transparency company that uses blockchain technology to facilitate the transaction of high-value assets. She was appointed Chief Entrepreneur in 2018. The Office of the Queensland Chief Entrepreneur is an Advance Queensland initiative funded by the Queensland government. Its chief mission is to help grow and develop Queensland's technology start-up sector by fostering statewide entrepreneurship and attracting investment from state, national and international venture capital.

Usually, the position of Chief Entrepreneur is held for a single-year term. Ms Kemp's skill and success in the position was such that she was asked to extend her tenure, which officially ends on December 31.

Her Emerald visit follows the success of last month's Brisbane 'mission', a Central Highlands Development Corporation initiative which saw eight Central Queensland entrepreneurs fly to Brisbane for a subsidised three-day trip. The selected innovators toured start-up companies, co-working spaces, corporate innovation labs and government agencies, all focused around Agtech and food-tech innovation. During the visit, the innovators met with Ms Kemp to learn how a start-up business can move from zero to one, or transform an idea in the mind into a tangible and commercially prosperous reality.

Ms Kemp was impressed with what she heard from the rural innovators and decided to fly to Central Queensland for more networking and face-to-face interaction.

"I did briefly meet the cohort when they were here in Brisbane and this was a chance to have a deeper level of follow-up engagement," she said.

Ms Kemp arrived on the 3pm flight on Sunday afternoon and immediately toured Matthew Barnes' innovative CQ Compost site.

"When we first arrived, we went out to this incredible rural location that looked at a scaleup facility that is composting. And not only was it situated at-scale, but there was a certain level of innovation that was in the midst of being implemented. And it provides a really good opportunity across Queensland and even local governments and councils to view how agriculture is taking a step in the right direction towards climate enablement. And I think that composting at-scale is something that everyone needs to consider whether it is in your own backyard, right the way through to major local governments.



Central Highlands entrepreneurs gather at Matthew Barnes' CQ Compost featuring Matthew Barnes (10th from left), Cassie Turner (9th from feft), CHDC Agtech Community Officer, Leanne Kemp (8th from left), Queensland Chief Entrepreneur, and Sonya Comiskey (end right), CHDC Agtech Program Manager

Queensland, the facility out in Emerald is probably one of the only ones in Australia that it's operating at-scale at an economic backbone that can replicate in this sort of microfactory type environment. So that was pretty exciting," she said.

Following her visit to CQ Compost, Ms Kemp was joined by the mayor and other community leaders for a BBQ.

Interestingly, Ms Kemp said the Central Highlands region was characterised by a diversity of innovation.

"When we think about Agtech across all of Queensland, there are many locations, and often those locations are pronounced in only one major discipline. But it's clear to me that the likes of Emerald and the Central Highlands are able to bring together this patchwork quilt of experience and also the broad diversity of what they're growing and the expertise is coming together in a way that's really quite spectacular in comparison to other regions in

Monday saw one-on-one mentoring sessions between Ms Kemp and local Agtech start-ups to help facilitate connections and avenues for accelerating their Agtech start-ups.

'We have incredible programs run and supported by Advance Queensland, and part of our positioning in those meetings was to ensure that the entrepreneurs are able to gain leverage by all of these great programs and grant enablement processes that are available to them. And part of the importance of being "And I think, certainly from my trips around in the region talking to each of the founders

face-to-face and even the larger broadcasting is to enable the right hand-in-glove fit for the program at the right time for the right reasons. So we certainly saw every meeting had follow up steps and programs that were available to them to slot directly into," she said.

"And the other sort of element of the conversation is how do we also now with these companies that are starting to break through the early-stage development of the business or the idea, how do we also connect them into wider markets? Wider markets in Queensland, so that they can connect across this vast state, but also into international markets," she said.

Ms Kemp also met with local Indigenous leaders from Woorabinda to discuss the work that has been done through the Deadly Innovation Strategy.

'We looked at the Wattleseed project that's well underway out there, as well as storytelling in artefacts and art, and drone footage across Indigenous lands and pastoral lands. That was a very exciting meeting for me, because I could see first-hand how the innovation approach that's being taken by indigenous communities in the Central Highlands can be applied as a knowing beyond the cultural knowing. There's now this Indigenous innovation knowing that is very critical to other Indigenous communities," she said.

The transmission of knowledge from one generation to another is a core component of Indigenous culture and Ms Kemp noted that this generational logic has direct parallels to

the world of technological innovation.

"Just like Indigenous knowledge and Indigenous communities are generational, so too is innovation knowledge and innovation logic with entrepreneurs," she said.

To this end, interaction and connection is the fuel that propels innovation, and in her time as Chief Entrepreneur, working to build a vast web of connections across the state is perhaps her signal achievement.

"Last year alone, pre-Covid, we travelled 71,000 kilometres across Queensland. That's three times around the globe, in just one state. There's 35,000 odd entrepreneurs and innovators and investors and people in the ecosystem that we've enabled connections with and leverage, and Covid didn't stop us this year, because we've pretty much been able to take those statistics forward and digitally connect. If you talk to any entrepreneur in Queensland, they'll reiterate the importance of connec-

Ms Kemp ended her visit with a mine tour at Rubyvale, a renowned centre of sapphire production.

We spent some really great time out there in Rubyvale and went into some underground mines and saw first-hand what it means to be an artisanal small-scale miner," she said.

Altogether, Ms Kemp's positive assessment of technological innovation across the region suggests that the future holds promise for CO innovators and entrepreneurs working to transform their ideas into reality.

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Leanne Kemp at Rubyvale.

Security for our water

By Jamie McKenzie

A \$2 million investment to examine solutions for increased water supply in the Burnett region of the Flynn electorate highlights the short and long-term potential for both the North and South Burnett regions.

Flynn covers an area of 133,063sqkm including the City of Gladstone, the Regional Council of Bundaberg (partial), Central Highlands, Gladstone, North Burnett, South Burnett (partial), Banana Shire and Woorabinda Aboriginal Shire Council.

Federal Member for Flynn Ken O'Dowd said the study and findings are significant news for farmers in the region.

The study examined a range of options and identified solutions to increase water supply that would underpin an expansion of irrigated agriculture, delivering new jobs and economic growth in the North and South Burnett regions," Mr O'Dowd said.

Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Infrastructure, Transport and Regional Development Michael McCormack welcomed the feasibility study outcomes, which were made possible through funding under the Australian government's \$3.5 billion National Water Infrastructure Development Fund.

"We want to increase water security across Australia and investing in feasibility studies helps understand the full potential of regional Australia," Mr McCormack said.

"In November 2018, we announced funding to assess a range of options to increase water supply and security for the Burnett region in Queensland.

"With this work now complete, attention will turn to progressing planning for Coalstoun Lakes to which we have committed a further \$1.5 million."

Mr O'Dowd explained there are different phases of the study.

"Phase 1 of the study found there are several affordable initiatives available to the region in which the private and public sectors could

"Phase 2 undertook a structured assessment to refine the potential options for advancing strategically important projects in the

"Along with the Coalstoun Lakes planning, these studies are an important step in identifying priorities for water infrastructure invest-

The Australian government is investing \$3.5 billion towards a 10-year rolling program of water infrastructure projects that, in partnership with states and territories, will help supply water for productive use and develop the National Water Grid.

This investment will grow Australian agriculture, increase water security, build resilience to drought and support regional pros-

Funding boost for airport

By Matthew Pearce

Rockhampton Regional Council has welcomed a 'Christmas present' of \$10.2 million from the federal government for the Rockhampton Airport upgrade.

Member for Capricornia Michelle Landry said the vital funding under the Regional Airports Screening Infrastructure (RASI) grant program would allow the Rockhampton Airport to deliver necessary infrastructure works.

"I travel around quite a lot to other regional airports and I must say that the upgrades that the Rockhampton council has undertaken are very impressive, I think they're some of the best that I've ever seen," she said.

"This \$10.2 million will go toward further upgrades as well as help pay for the security upgrade work that they've already done here as part of Stage 1."

Ms Landry said the funding would help ease the burden for the council until the airline sector recovered from the Covid down-

A total of \$66 million in grants under the program have been announced for eligible regional airports across the nation.

Rockhampton Regional Council Acting Mayor Neil Fisher said the region couldn't have asked for a better Christmas present.

"Rockhampton Airport is very much held as a passionate item by most Rockhampton residents and to have further support from the federal government for the airport upgrades will further what's already a very

good relationship between us," he said. "This airport upgrade started out many years ago as a vision about what we could do for Central Queensland and the whole of northern Australia and it's great to be able to have that support and see this vision come true.

Cr Fisher said Rockhampton residents deserved the best and safest of airport fa-

"We knew that this project would be a \$41 million project that need to be done in stages because of budgeting but with the addition of this funding we are actually seeing all the stages happening one after another," he said.



Capricornia MP Michelle Landry and Rockhampton Regional Council Acting Mayor Neil Fisher celebrate \$10.2 million in Federal funding for the Rockhampton Airport

"It's one of the best new airport terminals in the whole of the country. Looking around you can see what we've already achieved and this next stage will take us to the next level."

Cr Fisher said the security upgrade involved a lot of infrastructure and structural changes.

"This project was initially going to stretch over several years but now it will be completed in 2021, and what a year that will be with so many projects in our region," he said.

"Rockhampton has never had a full passenger lounge before and we're already starting to see the shape of the concessionary areas, which will allow people to access food airside and landside, something that's always been missing at Rockhampton Airport.

Cr Fisher said the upgrades would allow to council to hit the ground running post coronavirus.

"In the future, if we have a Singapore military charter flight coming in with 275 to 300 passengers, we will also be able to handle Regular Passenger Transport (RPT) services as well as mines charters at the same time," he said.

He said the upgrades would allow the airport to avoid a security bottleneck.

"Investing in our security means will have a very free flowing airport. Some of the other airports I have experienced in the last six months you spend most of your time queuing, which isn't very good in Covid times," he said.

"Rockhampton will have an airport that's safe right from when you enter the airport precinct to when you board that plane.

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Bikies on a bright mission

By Jamie McKenzie

Nearly 100 people toured the Christmas lit streets of Gladstone on Saturday night, taking in the glitz and checking up on who had been naughty and who had been nice.

Motorcyclists Advocating Child Empowerment, or MACE as they are more commonly known, organised buses, motorbikes and cars on a two-hour crusade to find Gladstone houses that were lit up like Christmas trees.

The club does this event every year, covering as many suburbs as possible.

In a convoy procession starting from the marina and ending at Hope Phillips Crescent, near the Tondoon Botanic Gardens, the crew covered most streets in the area.

At the end of the ride, 60 people stayed for street party that was catered for with frozen watermelon, a BBQ and hot chocolates.

Out of the hundreds of homes that were toured, it was a tough decision and it came down to the wire with 12 Tuckerbox Street taking the honours of best dressed house in Gladstone for Christmas 2020.

The tour coordinated by club president Alex (Joker) Wilson went off without a hitch and community feedback about their role of raising awareness to help kids with mental, physical or sexual trauma has been nothing short of a miracle.

The club is open to male and female riders and pillions, and likeminded responsible community members who want to minimise fear and anxieties for unsupported children in the struggle for recognition and survival.



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Joel Butler as Santa looking very pensive.



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Your mayoral candidates

The date for Rockhampton's mayoral election is set for January 23 and 17 contenders have registered for a shot at power.

The stakes are high. With the resignation of former mayor Margaret Strelow following a

misconduct scandal, and the near ascension of the colourful Chris 'Pineapple' Hooper to the throne, Rockhampton politics has gone through a period of unusual discord and the election in January offers residents a chance to reset and chart a clearer direction for the city and the region.

To help readers make the best possible decision, each week we will run a set of profile pieces on the candidates to outline their ex-

perience, ties to the community and vision for the future of Rockhampton.

For this week's edition, CQ Today spoke at length with contenders Miranda Broadbent, John Rewald and Councillor Donna Kirkland.

Miranda Broadbent

Candidate Miranda Broadbent launched her campaign for mayor at the Cenotaph War Memorial in the Rockhampton Botanic Gardens on December 17.

Ms Broadbent's extensive experience in education informs her campaign and speaking with CQ Today, she outlined her vision for youth engagement and development in Rockhampton.

"I'd really like to see a bright future for the youth of our city and I think we have a lot of things to offer that perhaps aren't being highlighted well enough, or aren't being taken up by the youth of our city. So there's this inherent need in our youth that the first thing they should do is to move away from Rockhampton. I know that from teaching. The students often talk about how they can't wait to get away from here."

Ms Broadbent notes that "often people will go away and realise, actually, Rockhampton wasn't so bad, and then come back. So it's a shame that they have to have that time away to come to that epiphany."

To stop the drain of young people moving away from Rockhampton, Ms Broadbent will work to make youth engagement a core priority of local government.



Miranda Broadbent

"So rather than being passive members of society, I'd really love to see the youth playing a much more active role in local government, and the council engaging with youth to find out what it is that they need, what they can do to support them," she said.

According to Ms Broadbent, constructive collaboration with CQUniversity to ensure the availability of a broad range of study programs, engagement with secondary schools and updating work experience programs will all be crucial components of making sure that Rockhampton remains an attractive place for the city's youth.

Additionally, Ms Broadbent is keenly interested in the area of waste management and hopes to use her knowledge of the field to improve Rockhampton's waste management practices.

"My call will be for reducing, re-using and recycling," she said.

Specifically, Ms Broadbent would like to see an extra bin rolled out to all residents. She would like to change the full-sized red top general waste bin into a green waste bin. The yellow top bin for recycling will remain as it is, and then each resident will receive a separate half-size, or smaller-sized wheelie bin for general waste.

"By rights, our general waste should be our smallest amount of waste," she said.

Furthermore, Ms Broadbent would like to see recycling in Rockhampton serve as a catalyst for innovative new commercial opportunities in the region. "I'd love to see more happening with our recycling in town, not just sorting it here and then shipping it off to Brisbane," she said.

"There is opportunity here for social enterprise."

Ms Broadbent's vision for refined waste management across Rockhampton would require upgrades and extensions to existing waste management infrastructure in the city, and this is something Ms Broadbent will push for as mayor.

"There has to be an upgrade and increase in facilities," she said.

Ms Broadbent is running as an independent and is not affiliated or aligned with any of the major parties.

"It's really important at the local government level to not be associated or aligned with any particular party, because we have to be able to work with whoever is in power at whatever level. There's no point in coming in as somebody who is vastly towards one side or the other, if you've got to be working effectively with whoever is in power at other political levels," she said.

This is Ms Broadbent's first race and she is running as an independent in every sense of the term.

"It's me myself and I," she said.

John Rewald

John Rewald has lived in Central Queensland all his life. He grew up in the small mining town of Moura as the son of a coal miner and moved to Rockhampton in 1998

Starting out in life as an electrician, Mr Rewald worked for BHP Australian Coal at the South Blackwater Mine and at the BHP Blackwater mine. Following this, Mr Rewald transitioned to safety training before pursuing his religious vocation as the senior pastor for Oasis New Life Centre, a Pentecostal church associated with the Australian Christian Churches.

He also serves as Chaplain for the CQ Capras, the region's flagship rugby league enterprise.

"I've trained with them, I've travelled with them, worked with the coach, the staff, the CEO. That's a strong community connection for me," Mr Rewald said.

Mr Rewald has a deep affection for Rockhampton and it is his sense of the city's potential that propels his campaign.

"I think we have the opportunity to have a very modern, thriving, growing city. I've travelled a lot abroad, both interstate and internationally. I love coming home to Rockhampton. I think it's one of the best cities in Australia. I think there's lots of potential here that is still yet to be tapped into. We're sitting on a goldmine, the best kept secret. I would like to see people move from major cities to come to Rockhampton. We have to develop the infrastructure and processes, and have a place that's family friendly, where you're able to raise your kids and live here and have a great life."

To this end, more effective marketing of Rockhampton is a policy Mr Rewald would like to pursue as mayor.

"I think we're the best kept secret. There's some tourism coming to town, the Capricorn Coast as a holidaying destination. But we don't only want people to come and visit for holidays. We want them to stay and have jobs. We want to support small business and make it easy for them, cut red tape. So marketing our city is vital, because I come home every time and just go 'wow, this is an incredible city'."

Another problem Mr Rewald hopes to address is Rockhampton's housing shortage and the homelessness crisis engulfing the region. In a policy document released last week, Mr Rewald promised to dedicate



John Rewald.

council resources to provide more low-cost social housing for the city's most needy. Specifically, Mr Rewald laid out a series of practical steps he hopes to pursue as mayor. **These include:**

- Offer rates concessions to community housing organisations
- Increase multi-story high-density lowcost housing in the Rockhampton City area
- Work with state and federal government to secure funding for low-cost housing
- Develop local housing strategies to protect existing low-cost housing
- Support affordable housing in land-use policies
 Encourage diverse housing forms suitable
- for people at different stages of their lives

 Examine ways to use the planning system

to support affordable housing
Attention to the 'least of these' sits at
the heart of the Christian doctrine and Mr
Rewald's focus on social housing seems to
reflect his deep spiritual values.

In terms of political alignment, Mr Rewald has nominated as an independent.

"I'm not aligning myself with any political party. I just want to be a fresh set of eyes, from a non-political background, to have a look at the systems, the structure, the processes, of running our local government," he said.

Mr Rewald believes there is room for improvement in council government.

"I do believe people try to do the best that they can, but there's always room for improvement. I think we have to work together a lot more closely with the federal and state governments, so that is something I'll strive to do. To be a team player, create a better culture within council." he said.

Donna Kirkland

Councillor Donna Kirkland represents Division 7, which encompasses the Park Avenue, Kawana and Parkhurst areas East of the Fitzroy River.

A new addition to the council, Cr Kirkland had always intended to run for mayor at some point in her political career, but assumed that time would be well into the future. The disruptions of this year however, with Margaret Strelow's resignation and the distortions brought on by the pandemic, convinced Councillor Kirkland to accelerate her plans for a mayoral run.

Cr Kirkland believes experience in local government is a necessary pre-requisite for the job of mayor.

"I'm a strong believer that the mayoral position should be taken by somebody who has had a stint in council," Cr Kirkland told CQ Today.

"I don't think it needs to be multiple terms or anything like that. I just think that candidates need a full understanding and appreciation of the job that they're putting their hand up for. And I believe that I've got that."

Cr Kirkland has a wealth of experience, in both business and community engagement, that she brings to her campaign.

Closely involved with the Cathedral of Praise, a multi-denominational church with some 800 members across the community, she has served for many years as a coordinator for the church group's extensive charity and support functions.

"As the coordinator of community outreach, I touch base with all kinds of different community projects, at the hospital, things out at the prison. I've also been the coordinator and facilitator of women's help groups, where we sit down and counsel women who have been through a crisis," she said.

What's more, Cr Kirkland organised six family fun days through the Cathedral of Praise to accumulatively raise over \$100,000 for Cancer Council Queensland.

In addition to her religious commitments, Cr Kirkland has extensive experience in the realm of business.

"What I bring to the table is my business acumen and work ethic," she said.

"My husband and I have owned multiple businesses over the 30 years I've been in small business," she said.

Although Cr Kirkland has made her way in life as a small business owner, she comes



Donna Kirkland.

from a proudly working-class background and believes her close familiarity with both domains of working life has given her a balanced understanding of the variety of human life.

"My dad's an ex bowling green greens keeper, and my mum worked as domestic staff in a hospital. My father-in-law was in the railways and my mother-in-law packed shelves and that sort of thing. I believe this has given me the opportunity to have a very balanced perspective on life, a very balanced perspective of the different socioeconomic positions of people, and what they talk about and what they feel," she said.

As a businesswoman, engaged church leader, and mother of six children in her blended family, Cr Kirkland says she has the experience necessary to thrive as mayor.

"With all that experience, you learn about spinning plates," she said.

"And while some may scoff and say, 'well, that doesn't position you to be mayor'. I say, 'let me tell you, you need to actually be pretty well organized to see all that come off'"

In regards to the specific policies she hopes to pursue as mayor, Cr Kirkland plans to wait until after Christmas to spell out the details.

"We're coming into Christmas and I really want to give people the respect that they are owed. I don't want to, uninvited, throw myself into their Christmas lunches with my policies, or my positions, that sort of thing."

That being said, Cr Kirkland hinted at what her campaign might look like.

"Something I'm passionate about is having very good, strong fiscal management. Making sure that that we are doing things correctly. As mayor, I'm not going to over promise and under deliver," she said.

UpCycle to upskill youth

A newly formed social enterprise called UpCycle CQ is looking to help young people in the Central Queensland region upskill and train for a brighter future.

The start-up aims to extract value from waste streams. Imagine you throw away an old printer or a computer monitor at the dump. Referred to as E-waste, UpCycle CQ takes those discarded electronic items, picks them apart, takes out the still functional components, and then uses those components to manufacture new goods.

Jim Callan, the founder of UpCycle CQ, believes this process can create value opportunities for young people across the region.

"Inside every printer for example, there are sliders, motors, nylon cogs, all sorts of good things that can be used for projects, projects for young people where they can make robots out of them, they can make sculptures, they can make a whole range of things," he said.

This is the basis for the name 'upcycling'. Instead of simply recycling a particular thing, a component can be recovered and reworked through a design process to become a part of something useful, or even to solve a problem.

"There's a commercial opportunity out of that because you're starting to value-add," Mr. Callan said.

"The reason it's called upcycling is that it's an extension of recycling but it is the retention of things rather than sending them into recycling streams," he continued.

"In a nutshell, we are trying to encourage young people to realise that there are economic opportunities, new forms of work, new jobs that can be generated by engaging in what people are throwing out."To date, hundreds people have been introduced to the commercial opportunities that can arise from onselling re-purposed E-waste, similar to what UpCycle CQ has planned. Soon, young people from primary school age through to early adulthood can access the workshops in both



A pile of electronic waste.

Yeppoon and Rockhampton.

Space for the workshops is presently supplied by the PCYC, or whichever organisation happens to be collaborating with UpCycle CQ.

UpCycle CQ is not certified as a Registered Training Organisation (RTO) and Mr Callan would like to partner with Registered Training

Organisations (RTOs) in the near future.

'Going forward, we'd like to be able to provide training around this. We'd like to be a job creator, to be able to employ people and train people," he said.

"We're in the process of transitioning from a start-up, which is where you have your ideas.

towards commercialisation. That's the next stage. Over the next 12 months or so, we'll be working towards getting a commercial return. We hope to be a local employer and a local trainer. We may not have RTO status, but we may engage with other RTOs to work with us," Mr Callan said.



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The card Cam Schroder sent to Meghan Markle featuring his own artwork (centre), and the two cards he received in reply.



Yeppoon solicitor Cam Schroder with the Christmas card he received from Markle and the second card he received this

A royal reply suits Cam

By Matthew Pearce

Yeppoon solicitor and artist Cam Schroder is a big fan of the Duchess of Sussex - so much so, that he sent her a Christmas card. But he never expected a reply.

'Two years ago I sent a card to Meghan Markle with the words, 'Dear Meghan Markle, Duchess of Sussex, hope you have a Merry Christmas'. Then four or five months later an envelope from Buckingham Palace came in the mail," he recalled.

"Inside was a card with a typed note that

you for the kind messages you sent for Christmas. This was most thoughtful of you and greatly appreciated by their Royal Highness-

Cam said he was so pleased to receive a reply from the royals, he told all his friends. Then, on December 17 this year, he received another Christmas card in the mail, this one suspiciously handmade.

On the front was the words 'Merry Christmas' and a picture of the Royal Family.

"Inside it read, 'Dear Cam, Merry Christmas, it would be a pleasure to finally meet read, 'The Duke and Duchess of Sussex thank you when we are next in Australia. All the

best, The Royal Family'.

"I phoned my brother because that's just the sort of thing my brother would do. He said he didn't do it but wished he did," he said.

"I don't know who sent it but it's one of the best pranks I've ever seen, it's very funny."

Cam said he'd been a fan of Meghan Markle since her days as an actress on the TV series

"I sent the card because I'm a fan of Meghan and she was being attacked a lot. To my mind there was a racial bias there and I was really angry about that," he said.

"I loved her in Suits where she played a

paralegal because, the reality is, in our legal offices, it's the paralegals that really run the show. Solicitors are just figureheads.

"I think she's an excellent actress and I think it would be very difficult marrying into the roy-

Cam said he was touched to receive a reply and it had only increased his respect for the

"I think it's part of being a celebrity that you look after your fans," he said.

"I like it when people do something really professionally and clearly she has. Obviously she's very well organised."

Ten years on from devastating floods

By Matthew Pearce

On the 10th anniversary of the devastating floods of 2010 and 2011, Queensland Fire and Emergency Services is urging residents to be prepared for future flood events.

Prolonged and extensive rainfall over large areas of Queensland, coupled with already saturated catchments, led to flooding of historic proportions in Queensland in December 2010 and January 2011.

The Central Queensland town of Theodore was evacuated on December 29 2010 and Rockhampton was isolated by land and

More than 78 per cent of the state was declared a disaster zone and more than 2.5 million people were affected.

Thirty-three people died in the floods and three remain missing.

Longreach area controller for the State

Emergency Service Patrick Downing said QFES learned from every flood event in order to do their job better.

"Every event is different. In 2011, Theodore Banana Shire Council really came to the fold as the mandatory evacuation wasn't made easy," he said.

"In every event life is the most important thing first and foremost and then comes the aftermath of the floods.'

With this summer shaping up to be wetter than recent years due to the La Nina climate event, Mr Downing said QFES would work together with the state to get information out to communities.

"There is evidence that we're going to get significant rain, but where it's going to fall we can't predict that at the moment," he said.

"Things can happen overnight and especially over the Christmas break people need to prepare their houses before they go away."

Swiftwater rescue coordinator Brett Williams said flooding events didn't always come with a lot of warning.

"If it pours down and you get a lot of rain in short space of time, the water can come up really quick and go down just as quick, which does catch a lot of the community offguard," he said.

"In case of Theodore, the community didn't realise the amount of water that was coming through at the time," he said.

Mr Williams said one of the challenges of a swiftwater rescue situation was getting through to people that their power would be disconnected and it was best to come with them to a rehabilitation centre.

In the case of a future rainfall event, he said it was best to listen to regular updates from media to stay on top of the situation.

Film festival cancellation

By Duncan Evans

The Capricorn Film Festival scheduled to run in Yeppoon from January 13-17 has been delayed due to health concerns following the recent outbreak of Covid cases in Sydney.

It is unclear when the film arts extravaganza will return to the region, though late 2021 or possibly even January 2022, have been listed by festival insiders as possible dates for a future iteration of the festival.

"Its just extremely bad timing," said Luke Graham, the director of the festival.

"This was a decision everyone made. It's the best way forward. It's better for us to pull the plug now rather than burn through money. It can only get worse. We can only put ourselves in a terrible situation. We cannot guarantee people's safety, the public's safety, and it's better for us to be safe than sorry," he said.

Though based in Central Queensland and dedicated to showcasing and celebrating the region, the festival had already attracted tourists from across Queensland and interstate.

Through ticket sales, we knew we had about 50-100 people from the southern Queensland, and about 50 people from Sydney and Victoria," Mr Graham said.

"We've spent a lot of money already, which has already been lost," he said, demonstrating the devastating economic consequences of this terrible virus.

However the future develops, Mr Graham hopes some of the cinematic experiences planned for the festival in January can be reproduced for locals across the region.

"We'll have more information in the first quarter of next year. The short films from the festival, we could hold a short film festival in the coming three or four months," he said.

"But we won't be able to screen a lot of the features we had planned," he said.

"You'll be able to screen them on Netflix or Stan, so we'll be running new submissions for features.'



Eddie Cowie (SES), Patrick Downing (SES), Brett Williams (FRS) and Barry Thompson (FRS) look back at the devastating floods of 2010 and 2011.

Men's Shed gets a boost

By Matthew Pearce

Capricorn Coast Men's Shed@carv is place where men can come together and now it's looking better than ever.

The Men's Shed members received about \$20,000 to finance their shed's extension, thanks to the Iwasaki Foundation and infrastructure grants courtesy of Member for Capricornia Michelle Landry.

Based the Capricorn Adventist Retirement Village on Rockhampton Road, Yeppoon, Capricorn Coast Men's Shed@carv has about 25 members, most of whom live at the village. Many worked on the extension to the shed

Member Ken Jones said he'd only moved to the CARV in May and the Men's Shed had already made a big difference in his life.

"It's a fantastic shed when you see other the other Men's Sheds it would have to be one of the best," he said.

"The equipment that we've got here is just fantastic, I haven't left it since I moved in.'

Yeppoon born and bred, Ken ran a boat shop in Yeppoon for 20 years and a service station at Lammermoor for five years.

'I moved back down here from Cairns after growing up in Yeppoon. Dad was a professional fisherman, his name was also Ken Jones. We were Big ken and Little Ken and then Young Ken and Old Ken.'

Ken has worked on a variety of projects in his time at the Men's Shed, including a Jack and Jill chair made out of pallets and a raised veggie garden.

"It's great being able to build, I've always been able to build things," he said.

Desley Rial from the Iwasaki Foundation. who's been involved with the CARV shed since it's foundation, said it was amazing to see how it had grown and how much the members had

"In the past a lot of the Iwasaki Founda-



Treasurer Neil Craig, Iwasaki Foundation's Desley Rial, Member for Capricornia Michelle Landry and president Trevor Gardiner are proud of the work of the Capricorn Coast Men's Shed@carv.

tion's funds went to people with disabilities, but with the NDIS support available now, we've increased our focus on the Men's Sheds. The foundation has done a lot of funding for the Rockhampton, Emu Park, Gracemere and Yeppoon chapters," she said.

"We are absolutely delighted with the structure of the Men's Sheds and the impact that they've had on the men's lives.

Ms Rial said men and women reacted differently to retirement.

"After women raise their family, retire, they have their social clubs and other activities but men work their whole lives and then just stop. Many don't know what to do. This has just filled this gap."

Ms Landry said she thought Men's Sheds were a 'fantastic idea'. "They're something that really helps men,

particularly if they've retried and lost loved ones and they might be having mental health issues or are sick themselves," she said.

"All the Men's Sheds that I've been to are all different, they're just a great way for men to have fellowship together, learn new skills, just mixing with each other. It's fantastic the way the men bond together and help each other





Our migrants share stories that inspire

Almost one-third of Australia's multicultural population was born overseas - from every country around the world.

International Migrants Day, held on Friday, December 18, is an opportunity to acknowledge how immigrants bring culture and innovation to the countries they move to.

Amongst them are Bill and Rosmarie von Allmen and Richie Ziebicki, who now live at the Carinity Shalom aged care community in Rockhampton.

Rosmarie and her husband Wilhelm, better known as 'Bill', moved to Australia from Switzerland in the early 1950s, one year apart.

"Dad was supposed to go to South America to drive a water tanker but it fell through, and because he had said 'hooray' to everybody he decided he was going to go overseas anyway," their daughter Ann Oram explains.

Moving to rural Queensland 70 years ago was a culture shock for Bill and Rosmarie - and not just because they had to learn to use an outdoor 'thunderbox' toilet.

"It was a culture shock because in Switzerland they had running water, they had washing machines, they had cellars," Ann said.

"When they first moved here, they had one light bulb which they had to move around the house to get light in the next room.

"Mum and dad thought it was a great adventure - and they loved Australia."

After brief stays in Maryborough and Bundaberg, Bill moved to Rockhampton where he was later joined by Rosmarie.

A nursery innovator who co-founded popular Fitzroy Nurseries in Pink Lily, Bill developed new varieties of the flowering shrub mussaenda, commonly known as 'Bangkok rose'.

He also pioneered a grafting technique for macadamia and introduced new types of tropical fruit to Queensland.

For Ryszard 'Richie' Ziebicki, moving to Australia in the early 1960s was an opportunity to put the horrors of World War II behind him.

Richie was 12 when Germany invaded his homeland Poland. He would spend most of his teenage years in forced labour camps.

"At the age of 15 and a half I was randomly selected for forced labour in Germany along with two other boys from my village," Richie recalls.

"We were taken to a Russian prisoner of war camp in the north of Germany and started work at a coal business.



Wilhelm 'Bill' von Allmen and Ryszard 'Richie' Ziebicki at Carinity Shalom aged care in Rockhampton.



Bill von Allmen at Carinity Shalom aged care with the shrubs he introduced to Australia.

"My job was to unload 50kg bags and deliver by trailer mainly to army barracks, navy bases and businesses in the city, where I had to stow the bags in the cellars.

"One of my jobs was to take the coal business owner's wife and little girls to the bunker in the event of an air raid. When the Allied planes kept coming and the bombs were falling, we were scared but we wanted them to keep coming.

"Towards the end of the war ... I saw the Polish Army coming. I knew that the war would soon be over."

After arriving in Australia, Richie worked on the Snowy River hydroelectricity scheme, as many immigrants of the time did, before settling in Blackwater.



Ryszard 'Richie' Ziebicki's identification documents from the World War II era.



shows the coat of arms of her hometown Menziken, in Switzerland.



Yeppoon Real Estate principal Esme Coren presents Rockhampton Women's Shelter director Beverley Schimke with donated items

Christmas support

Yeppoon Real Estate is supporting people who have been through domestic and family violence by donating toiletry bags and items to those in need.

Yeppoon Real Estate principal Esme Coren said this was a cause that the agency had supported for many years as part of their Christmas appeal.

"Unfortunately it's one which needs ongoing support," she said.

"This is a way for us to give support to women and families during a time of crisis and great upheaval and every little bit helps."

Yeppoon Real Estate has donated the toiletry items to the Rockhampton Women's Shelter which provides shortterm and emergency accommodation for women and their children who are affected by domestic violence.

The shelter has various types of accommodation in addition to community housing which can be used for women with male children over the age of 13.

They also help women through a range of offerings from case management plans that provide support and community education to empower them regain their independence. Rockhampton Women's Shelter manager Beverley Schimke said she appreciated the support.

"This kind of support means so much to women who are escaping domestic violence, especially at Christmas time. It is such a difficult time to be away from home, family and friends," she said.

"Statistics show it takes seven attempts, on average, for a woman to leave a domestic or family violence situation for good and that's where community assistance can make all the difference.

"It is very uplifting for women to know that there is support in the community and this can help to encourage and empower women who are escaping violent situations. We appreciate the ongoing support from Esme and the Yeppoon Real Estate team."

Better regions funding starts gearing up for round five

By Duncan Evans

As a vast and varied landscape encompassing the mining towns of the Bowen Basin through to the industrial hubs of Rockhampton and Gladstone, the Central Queensland region needs effective infrastructure delivery and maintenance to keep its economy humming.

Last week, the federal government announced that the application window for round five of its Building Better Regions Fund (BBRF) would open on January 21 and close on March 5, with successful applicants announced in mid-2021.

The program is designed to uplift regional economies throughout Australia with federal grants for projects and community initiatives which have been submitted for review and found to possess a compelling case for investment.

In each of the previous four rounds of the program, Central Queensland has seen a number of local infrastructure projects and community initiatives receive financial support.

Round four, for example, saw the federal government kick in \$1.4 million to upgrade the Emerald Community Kindergarten. The project was submitted by the Central Highlands Regional Council with a total cost pegged at \$2,887,721.

In Rockhampton, Multicap Limited applied for funding to support the construction of specialist disability housing. Specifically, the project sought to construct three buildings containing units specifically designed to meet the needs of people living with disabilities and complex needs at a total cost of \$2,927,452. The project received \$950,000 in Federal support through the BBRF program.

Round five will see some \$200 million invested, with \$100 million dedicated to supporting tourism-related infrastructure proj-

ects across regional Australia and another \$100 million for general improvements to the regions.

Federal Member for Capricornia Michelle Landry is encouraging communities across Central Queensland to apply for grant funding.

"Our region has already benefited from previous rounds of the BBRF with investments in crucial projects, driving economic growth in Central Queensland and delivering lasting benefits to our local communities," she said.

The guidelines for applicants have now been released and can be found at www.business.gov.au/bbrf

Another little bundle of joy

Rockhampton Zoo is preparing to welcome another baby chimpanzee.

Parks Councillor Cherie Rutherford, together with Rockhampton Zoo staff, announced last week that 37-year-old member of the chimp troop, Samantha, is expected to give birth next April.

Councillor Rutherford said the team were thrilled to share the news with the community and announce the fourth chimpanzee pregnancy for the zoo in just three years.

"We are over the moon with the news that Samantha is expecting, and we cannot wait to watch her belly grow over the next four months," she said.

"While it is incredible news in terms of our growing troop and for chimpanzee conservation overall, we are particularly happy for Samantha given the heartbreaking loss of her baby around this time last year.'

In November last year, Samantha gave birth to her first baby, which was either stillborn or died immediately after birth.

"The loss of Samantha's baby was devastating - so this pregnancy news is so very special for all of the staff and I am sure the entire community," she said.

"We are obviously a little anxious given what happened, but are choosing to be cautiously optimistic."

Alon, the alpha male, is the father of the baby. He is father to each of the chimp babies who include Capri - born in February 2018 to mother Leaky, and Gandali - born in February this year to mother Holly.

Primate keeper Blair Chapman said zoo staff were keeping a close eye on Samantha and were happy with her pregnancy progres-



Rockhampton Zoo's pregnant chimpanzee Samantha already has a noticeable baby bump.

"Samantha is doing extremely well and we are confident she is going to be a great mother," he said.

"She is a very maternal chimp and has always been that way. She often plays with the babies, Capri and Gandali, and spends a lot of time grooming the other chimps.

"Chimpanzees carry for 237 days, or about eight-and-a-half months. Samantha is just over four months into her pregnancy now with a noticeable baby bump, though her belly started to show early on with this pregnancy.

"She already has quite the appetite and is definitely becoming more demanding with her

"We have also had a number of comments on how healthy she looks overall - her hair is in really good condition and glowing."

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Festival of Summer is on

By Jamie McKenzie

A weeklong festival for 11-17 year olds in the Gladstone region kicks off on Sunday January 10.

Incorporating three signature youth inspired events - the Opening Festival, Days of Summer & Festival of Summer Sounds, there is bound to be something for everyone during the event.

The Summer Festival opening starts at the Gladstone Aquatic Centre which will come alive with live music, inflatables and food options to suit the entire family. The opening festival will be free to attend and open to all ages.

Also, as part of the Festival is Days of Summer, you can get out of the house and make the most of the holidays by spending your days at the beach or getting your adrenaline racing with action packed ac-

If music, art and fashion is more your thing, you're also covered with a variety of unique events and bookings can be made at the GECC.

Then, if you are looking for some of the regions best live music, there is something for all tastes. The weeklong Festival of Summer will conclude with Festival of Summer Sounds (FOSS), on Friday January 15 from 5pm - 10pm.

FOSS is an indoor concert, featuring a line up of unearthed performers, along with national headline acts Jack Botts and The Dreggs. The event is just for festivalgoers aged 13-17 years old.

A food and a non-alcoholic bar will operate. Youth designed concert merchandise will also be on sale. Festivalgoers will be treated to an exclusive event for under 18s, with a young adult festival feel.

For more information, visit https://gladstoneentertainment.com/fos/



Jack Botts is a headline act at the Festival of Summer Sounds.



Remembering the fallen

Gracemere and District RSL Sub Branch members went on a bus excursion to Canal Creek War Memorial, Rossmoya on Sunday, December 20 to pay their respects for those who lost their lives in the tragic crash on December 19, 1943.

Tony Harris commenced the short service by reading out his welcome address:

"This monument commemorates the men and women who died in the Canal Creek air crash which occurred at 9.20am on December 19, 1943, when a C47 aircraft of 22nd Troop Carrier Squadron 374th Transport Group went down.

"All 31 on board perished, comprising 20 United States Armed Services personnel, eight Australian Defence personnel, plus two noncombatants - an Australian war photographer and an adjutant of the Salvation Army.

"After leaving Garbutt Airport Townsville at 0700hrs for a routine flight, there were to be two scheduled stops - one at Rockhampton to let off a US Army Trooper, then on to Maryborough to deliver a Pilot's Pouch, then continue on to its destination of Archerfield in Brisbane.

"The flight appeared to have been uneventful until nearing Rockhampton when fire broke out in the left engine. The Head Stockman of Canal Creek Cattle Station, Henry Gale had heard the roar of the plane engines become louder and rushed from his house to see the plane break through the cloud and misty rain at about 100 feet from the ground. Smoke was billowing from the plane and it was spiralling down.

"He saw an explosion which sent the burning wing and other debris flying before the plane came down about one mile from the house and burst into flames. The fact that the crash was on a lightly treed flat plain suggests that the pilot had been in preparation for an emergency/forced landing.

"However, the plane was already doomed due to its uncontrollable, unflyable condition and the crash is still the second worst air disaster in Australia's history."



From left, Tony and Ruth Harris, Bas Soper, Barry Lollback, Allan Lawrie, Norm Collins, Lyn Thomas, members of Gracemere RSL at the Canal Creek War Memorial, Rossmoya to pay their respects for those who lost their lives in the crash near this site on 19 December 1943.



A photo of 2nd Lt William Crecelius, pilot, and the names of the crew and other passengers who all died in the Canal Creek disaster, most of whom are buried in the Commonwealth War Graves section of North Rockhampton Cemetery.



Commonwealth War Graves section of North Rockhampton Cemetery where the pilot, the crew and other passengers are buried along with many others who have tragically lost their lives.

Snappy pic of Rocky croc While fishing from the viewing platform on the Fitzrov River near the Second World War in length and I was able to get a photo a

While fishing from the viewing platform on the Fitzroy River near the Second World War Memorial Aquatic Centre on Tuesday at 5am, Rockhampton's Cliff Ross was entertained by a decent sized croc cruising near the bank. "It would have been about three metres in length and I was able to get a photo as I followed it upstream towards the barrage," he said.

"No fish but a worthwhile outing anyway."



This croc was snapped by Cliff Ross.



Headstone of Leading Aircraftman RK Oster in the Commonwealth War Graves.

Current Affairs Matt Canavan



Much to be thankful for

We have a lot to be thankful for this year. It has been a tough year for many but Australia has thus far avoided the worst of the coronavirus, at least compared to other countries.

We can be thankful for our wonderful health authorities.

The CQ Health team, led by Steve Williamson, have been organised, professional and efficient. When an aged care nurse became infected in May, Steve's team tested over 200 people within days. We should be thankful to all the nurses, doctors and other health workers that have been on the frontline this year.

The retail workers in grocery stores and chemists never got to work from home. They had to deal with abuse from the few that fought over toilet rolls. We should all remember that but for them our food and essential supplies could not make it to our homes.

Some other businesses, however, had to shut for a couple of months. This put enormous pressure on small businesses in hospitality and tourism. I thought we would get a raft of angry complaints at the time that government was not doing enough. But during this real crisis almost all businesses remained stoic and got down to the task of sorting through the mess and doing what they could to keep staff on.

The government assistance of JobKeeper did help, but it was the initial courage with which businesses and workers faced the onslaught that allowed the economy to eventually bounce back. It is now wonderful to see so



Senator Matt Canavan says Covid has put enormous pressure on the hospitality industry.

many of our bars and cafes full and some businesses doing record trade.

We should not forget that some are still doing it tough though, especially those connected to international travel. Just last week the federal government announced new assistance for travel agents.

Our farmers and food industry kept going through it all. After years of drought many experienced a better year this year. And they came through with record crops. There were concerning outbreaks at some meatworks. But these were met with fortitude and Australia

never seriously faced shortages of essential food items like some other nations.

Our manufacturing industry stepped up to produce enormous amounts of hand sanitiser, masks and ventilators. We now export some of these products that are needed by other countries. Our manufacturing industry has been on the skids for the last decade but this crisis has shown we can still make things when we put our mind to it.

This Christmas we should also say a special thanks to those not directly impacted by coronavirus. We normally reserve Anzac Day

and Remembrance Day to honour the sacrifice made by our armed forces.

Many soldiers are hurting this Christmas after the revelations of the Brereton inquiry into allegations of misconduct in Afghanistan

A great injustice has been done. Many soldiers have had their reputations unfairly tarnished for the alleged sins of a few. The Brereton inquiry found that 25 Australian Defence Force personnel were involved in incidents where there was "credible" evidence that a crime had been committed. More than 26,000 Australians served in Afghanistan. So these incidents involve just 0.09 per cent of serving Australian troops.

A whole unit should not have citations removed just because of the conduct of such a small minority - a decision that has been thankfully reversed. But I am also not sure why a whole unit, 2 Squadron SASR, should be disbanded.

And there is a gross inconsistency here. If it is OK for innocent soldiers to have citations removed for the purposes of collective responsibility, why haven't senior military officials, in charge of the troops who allegedly committed crimes, been similarly punished?

I support our troops and I hope this Christmas you can too. If you see someone in uniform, go up and thank them for their service. We have much to be thankful this Christmas as we enjoy it with our families living in the best country in the world.



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Q&A

What is the best advice you've ever received?

"You would not enjoy Nietzsche, sir. He is fundamentally unsound" - from Jeeves.

What is something you do in your spare time?

I like to read and play chess. My father-in-law is an excellent chess player and he demolishes me on every occasion we play. I learned the rules as a child but regrettably never pursued it in either childhood or adolescence. I started to take it seriously in March of this year, trying to memorise openings and sharpen up my tactical skills. I'm late to the party and I'm not very good, but I hope at least to make things slightly more difficult for my father-in-law next time we play.

What is something most people don't know about you?

I'm a keen runner and I hope to run a marathon one day. In the new year, I plan to devote more time to it. The act itself is tedious and painful, but the feeling of elation and sharpness that comes afterwards makes it worthwhile.

What do you do for work and what do you enjoy about it?

I'm a journalist at CQ Today. I enjoy being part of a small and lean enterprise committed to maintaining a strong presence in the community. More broadly, I love the written word and being able to make a living through writing is a wonderful blessing.

What is your favourite spot in the Central Queensland region?

It doesn't exist anymore, but the old Queensland Railway Institute cricket ground in Emerald. I used to play cricket there every weekend as a boy during the cricket season, and I'd practice at the nets with friends after school.

What would be your last meal if you could choose?

My wife's beef rendang.

What is something you think CQ needs?

I think the region should celebrate and showcase its Queenslander architectural heritage

with CQ Today journalist Duncan Evans



CQ Today journalist Duncan Evans.

more widely and forcefully. It's a unique and beautiful aesthetic and I think it's partly why so many of us love Queensland and love being Queenslanders.

What guests (dead or alive) would you invite to a dinner party?

I'd like to have my family and my wife's family

together first and foremost. In terms of historical figures, I'm not sure if these guests would mix well together, but I would like to have met: Sergei Rachmaninoff, Robert Oppenheimer, James Ellroy, James Baldwin, Flannery O'Connor, Dr Cornel West and Bobby Fischer (before he went crazy).

THREE ...

Groups your child can join

Girl Guides or Scouts

Girl Guides Queensland is one of the largest youth organisations for girls in Queensland. They provide a non-formal educational program designed to create leaders of tomorrow by building on strengths and personal skills development. Scouts Queensland is a group for young people where they get to participate in a variety of activities from cooking, craft, hiking and canoeing. They learn navigation, leadership and outdoor survival skills whilst building friendships and personal development.

Local youth group

Youth groups are an opportunity for the older school students to participate in games and develop friendships in a safe space. Check in with your local church or youth centre to see if there is a youth group run in your town.

Junior sporting clubs

Whether your child fancies football, netball or swimming there is a variety of sporting clubs around Central Queensland for your child or teenager to get involved. Team sports are a great opportunity to make friends and develop both teamwork skills and keeping physically active.



COP DOWD MP Federal Member for Flynn

Christmas is a special time of year to remember those close to our heart. I hope you have a wonderful Christmas and I wish you all the best for the New Year.

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Doves' courtship display

One of the most common members of the pigeon family found throughout the eastern states of Australia and the Northern Territory, is the lovely little Peaceful Dove, also known in many places as the Turtle Dove.

This illustration shows a pair of Peaceful Doves photographed during a display of courtship, which is similar to that of other members of the same Genus of Doves.

The male is the bird at the back of the two and it is he who must put on a display for the female of his choice. This involves moving up behind the female and bowing most gracefully.

After his head and breast go down as is shown here, he calls softly, opens his wings before lifting his tail and spreading it out like

He may have to keep following his lady, repeating his performance at every step.

Should the female leave one branch for another, he will follow and hope to be successful



in winning her heart with his persistence.

These birds will nest at any time of the year provided there is plenty of their food of seeds

Their nest is a fragile structure of thin sticks usually found on a horizontal branch.

One of the most interesting of their nests that I have seen was on a prickly pear leaf on the edge of a large clump. No doubt the sharp spikes sticking up on the leaf could be a deterrent for predators.



Peaceful Doves photographed during a display of courtship.

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OPINION

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Stricter enforcement needed on dogs

Good luck to the Frenchville woman in getting an effective response from the council over the nuisance dogs.

One wonders whether their laws exist for the benefit of the law breaker rather than the

By the time red tape, due process and political correctness are met the complaint - if not the victim - has often died a natural death.

Even if some complaints are 'iffy', there are numerous instances of clear breaches

In the Western Street area, dogs roam freely every day. No sign of council officers though.

In an adjoining park, despite numerous council signs warning that dogs must be on a leash, I have watched dog owners walk straight past the sign and then let the dogs free to run in the park.

Stricter enforcement is needed, together with more consideration for the general pub-

Frank Haack Rockhampton

Canavan should take lessons from Frenton

When it comes to ignorance, it is hard to beat Matt Canavan. On 26/11/20 in CQ Today, talking about beef producers and steak, he suggests that "reduction in land clearing has helped the beef industry reduce its carbon emissions". Rubbish.

He strongly advocates clearing trees to grow more grass. Grass is the first thing to die in a drought, followed by wind taking away fertile top soil, then serious erosion when floods hit. There are five sound reasons for planting trees

- 1. They provide shelter and shade for stock.
- 2. They provide shelter for pastures and crops.
- 3. If the trees can eventually be harvested for timber, they will provide the farmer with a future source of income.
- 4. They provide a habitat for birds, insects and various other animals.
- 5. They generate fertility.

All of this is not just opinion. It all comes from John Fenton's book The Untrained Environmentalist. The book's description reads "50 years ago a young farmer named John Fenton took over his family's run-down sheep property in Victoria. Called Lanark, the property was barren, windswept and environmentally all but dead. Fenton set about restoring the property by bringing the environment back to life. He planted trees. He reinstated wetlands. He created wildlife reserves. Other farmers thought



Letter writer Frank Haack says stricter enforcement is needed when it comes to barking dogs.

he had gone a little mad, but Fenton pressed on. As time went on, he came to realise he had stumbled on something extremely important for the Australian landscape as a whole: an integrated sustainable farming system that was in tune with nature. Thus, he became an environmentalist almost by chance. Year after year, the tree planting continued. By the time Fenton handed over the property to his son a few years ago, he had planted close to 100,000 trees. He had turned a desolate, degraded farm into an oasis teeming with birdlife. In this book he tells the inspiring story of how his miracle was achieved.'

I can guarantee that Matt Canavan will not read this book. If he were to support Fenton, he would think (a) he will lose votes from farmers who imagine they know best and (b) he has clearly demonstrated he has a closed mind. Quoting him - "ridiculous restrictions placed on land clearing today", "artificial net zero emissions by 2030 target". Don't forget his demands for building a new coal fired power station when investors won't have a bar of it.

Every time Canavan opens his mouth he clearly demonstrates that all of his ideas belong in the 19th Century.

Alan Bambrick North Rockhampton

Contradictions on assisted suicide

In a recent trip to Monto we noticed a large roadside billboard announcing a forthcoming suicide prevention workshop. At the same time, we were listening to a news broadcast announcing the state government's plans to introduce assisted suicide legislation.

How bizarre is this. Where are the psychologists and psychiatrists who are dealing with potentially suicidal patients who should be pointing out the problem with promoting 'assisted suicide' which says 'when things get tough it is ok to take your own life'.

We have the best medical systems in the world, including fantastic palliative care yet our leaders somehow see as a priority to assist some individuals to die 'with dignity'.

Oddly enough, while our state government has completely accepted and followed medical advice on dealing with the Covid-19 pandemic, yet when the AMA recommends against assisted suicide, we ignore that advice. Of course another irony is that those sadly dying from Covid-19, died completely without dignity.

Ken Dooley Yeppoon

Texts to Editor

BB, D'HILL: Whoever was involved in making the new bridge over Gavial Creek come to fruition, congratulations it's magnificent. It's a pity u are not involved in the Southside Levee, that would complete the job. No more floods, cleaned up highway, open things normal. Maybe one day someone will see the light.

NEV, KOONGAL. Re: Caw 17/12. That's what Premier Anastacia did before the Old election on Premier's pay canvassing the whole state. No wonder the LNP



Lynchy's joke of the week

The other day I was talking to Denis who is an old golfing mate of mine.

He was telling me this story about he and his young employee Peter.

It was some time ago when the boss would pay their employees using a pay

Denis would pay Peter every Friday afternoon, then every now and then would ask Peter to work the Saturday and every time he was asked Peter would decline the work due to a severe rash he had contracted.

Denis was a bit bemused about all of this and asked Peter why he suffered this inconvenient condition.

Denis said, why is it every Saturday I ask you to work you can't because of a nasty rash?

Peter replied, well Denis it happens every time you pay me on a Friday I break out in a massive rash which takes me the weekend to get over.

Denis asked the question, have you looked into the reasoning behind this

Yes, said Peter, they have come to the conclusion I'm allergic to peanuts.

Good News

From around the Catholic Diocese of Rockhampton

A community of believers witnessing the good news of the Kingdom

Bishop's message

Dear Brothers and Sisters

As Christmas approaches, we will see the beautiful image of the Christmas crib - in our churches, homes, on Christmas cards and maybe in shopping centres.

There we can see Jesus is born to Mary and Joseph and we can reflect on this Christmas message, that God was so interested in us that He sent his son to us over 2000 years ago in a little village called Bethlehem, the place of the bread makers

There Joseph and Mary brought their son into the world. The Son who gives us peace, the Son who loves each one of us, the Son who shows us that God's love is there for all of us.

So, at this message of Christmas that I deliver to you, I wish you all of God's joy and

But also during this time let us remember many people who are suffering, many people who are homeless, many people who are very vulnerable, many people who do not enjoy

This is a time when our thoughts and our prayers reach out to them and we can assist them through the ministries of CentacareCQ, St Vincent de Paul and here in Rockhampton, Volunteers without borders who provide people Christmas lunch.

I wish you and all your families a very special time of peace, goodwill, and blessings.

God bless you all.

Most Rev Michael McCarthy **Bishop of Rockhampton**



Bishop Michael McCarthy.

I Saw - An Ode To The **Pandemic**

Elbow bumps and sanitiser, 1.5 metres, ropes, and yellow xs. Studio sound & lighting as Priest became Presenter. I saw

Bulletins delivered weekly Bulletins online.

Phone calls being made to strangers Church Chat and Livestreaming Meetings held on Zoom.

Facebook and YouTube,

Everyone united for a cause.

I saw

Families walking Traffic at a minimum.

Working from home.

Spiritual Communion

From Bundaberg to Rome.

Closed doors

Entrance and Exit only. I saw

Frontline workers

Compassionate people.

Concern for each other.

A new way of being Church Opportunities and creativity

I liked what I saw.

New possibilities.

Will you see?

Some Christmas hope for forgotten men in prison

The Catholic prison ministry, along with their wider ecumenical team at the Capricornia Correctional Centre, is ensuring no one is forgotten this Christmas.

The team will give the inmates a Christmas Care Pack as a gift this Christmas.

Chris Delany, a 76-year-old prison chaplain, said, "we are the custodians of hope for men that feel hopeless".

These Christmas care packs are part of bringing that bright light of hope to these men, as well as living out the churches mandate to 'associate with the lowly'; and 'remember those who are in prison, as though you were in prison' and even as if you were visiting Christ, Himself.

Paul, a Prison Chaplain for over a decade, had played the role of Santa's little helper a number of times before. He said: "It's amazing to see those big hardened men look like little kids when they are given their packs. They are looking for joy. We remind them that people have contributed and they know that people care about them and that they are not

Chris said these small moments of hope in a prisoner's life is so important because hopelessness leads to "suicide or they may wait till they get out and then they will suicide. If they have a growing sense of hopelessness, they are not going to survive well outside unless they are inspired by hope".

Paul said these moments of hope are moments that create powerful bridges to a man behind the inmate label.

"When you chat, you get behind this label of an inmate to a person - a person with a family, experiences, highs and lows of joys that we all experience," he said.

The work that the prison chaplains do is about pastoral care not about converting people to a religion.

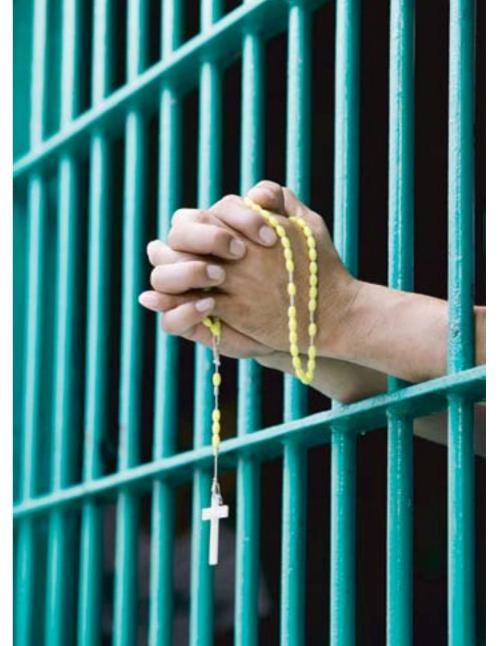
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The importance of their work is in being available to any inmate who would like to speak to someone who is not part of the prison system, and providing an attentive ear to them for anything they want to share.

And for those who seek it, Chris said they provide an alternative.

"In the face of a society which demands a change in their behaviour; we offer the men a template that they can use, the template of Christ's behaviour, the life He has given us.'

What better time of year and what simpler way than a Christmas Care Pack, to be reminded that God has forgotten no one. God's gift of Christ is for all people, even those on



The Catholic prison ministry, along with their wider ecumenical team at the Capricornia Correctional Centre, will give the inmates a Christmas Care Pack as a gift this Christmas.

Good News

From around the Catholic Diocese of Rockhampton

A community of believers witnessing the good news of the Kingdom

Christmas mass times

Rockhampton Parishes Christmas Eve Masses:

- 4pm Mt Morgan
- 5pm Rockonia, Norman Gardens
- 6pm Cathedral
- 6:30pm Park Avenue
- 8:30pm Cathedral

Midnight St Mary's, Berserker Christmas Day Masses:

- 6:30am Cathedral
- 7am St Mary's, Berserker
- 8am St Paul's, Gracemere
- 9am Rockonia, Norman Gardens
- 9am Cathedral
- 6pm Cathedral

Capricorn Coast Parishes

Christmas Eve Masses:

- 5pm Mary Immaculate, Emu Park
- 7pm Sacred Heart, Yeppoon

Christmas Day masses:

■ 7am, 9am Sacred Heart, Yeppoon

All welcome, bookings essential: https://rok.catholic.net.au/mass-times/

Vatican affirms work among lowly

His Eminence Cardinal Peter Turkson, prefect of the Dicastery for Promoting Integral Human Development, has sent his greetings, via video for a recent Diocesan digital livestream event, to Bishop Michael and all the faithful of the Diocese of Rockhampton for their work amongst the lowly of our region.

His Eminence recalled the words of the fathers of the II Vatican Council as he reflected on the mission of the Church over its lifetime towards the poor, "the preoccupation of the Church with the social concern of humanity is something it took up right at the beginning and made it its own.

"This concern for the lowly has guided the Church throughout the years in reaching out to the poor".

Bishop Michael commented that the work amongst the poor in Diocese goes right back to when the Catholic Church was first established here.

"From the very early days of our Diocese,

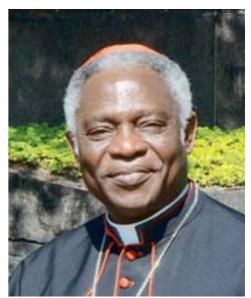
our laypeople gathered the young people for education who couldn't afford one. Priests like Father Bucas looked for ways to care for our indigenous. These initial initiatives then grew into St. Vinnies and CentaCare.

"We are just building upon the work of our predecessors, their vision to ensure everyone in this Diocese is cared for and has access to our churches," Bishop Michael said.

Cardinal Turkson highlighted Pope Francis' words that as the church, "We cannot show love for people unless we also show concern for their social condition".

He concluded his greeting with prayer and encouraging the Diocese that they had the support of the Church in their emphasis of reaching out to the lowly and commended the faithful to remember "that when we reach out our hands to the poor, we are the very hands of God reaching out to the poor".

Watch His Eminence's greeting at the end of the Diocesan Digital Event by following this link: https://bit.ly/rockevent



Cardinal Peter Turkson.

Vinnies takes a look back on the year that was

Vinnies conference members, shop volunteers and spouses got together for a celebration of Christmas at the Lions Park last Friday night.

It was well attended, and all the participants are to be thanked for the efforts they have put in throughout a very abnormal year. However, despite the initial shutdown of the charity centre and the introduction of regulations due to the Covid-19 pandemic (restricted shop numbers, social distancing, welfare cases interviewed via phone etc), both the conference and the shop continued operating, supporting those needing help in our area.

There has been a noticeable decrease in the number of welfare cases the conference has seen each month over the course of 2020.

It is consistent with the experience of other conferences, and other charities after the government introduced JobSeeker, which raised the former Newstart payments from \$550 per fortnight to \$550 per week. However, as this payment has been recently reduced, more people need assistance. The expectation is that the upward trend to continue when JobSeeker and JobKeeper are phased out in the new year.

Christmas hampers will be prepared and distributed this week. These are mainly given to families with young children where the parents have experienced financial difficulty over the past 12 months, and they are very much appreciated by the recipients.

Thanks went out to all parishioners for their support throughout 2020 at the Christmas celebration.

The money and goods which were donated via the 'Poor Box' at churches or to the shop supported Vinnies as they continued to assist the poor and disadvantaged within the community throughout 2020.

Congratulations were passed on to Vicki McCosker as the new president of Saint Vincent de Paul, Sacred Heart Conference, and thanks was given to Rick Williams, the outgoing president, for all he has accomplished during his time of service.

Thanks to the Vinnies team for their hard work in a challenging year.



A home away from home



Goodness knows why in the year of Covid-19 I am running low on annual leave, but with no work trips and the need for a change of scenery, my family took a week in November to decamp to Yeppoon.

From there we could work from our temporary home, or commute as required. And when not working we could treat the place as if we were on holiday. What a success it was!

With a commanding view, Oshen apartments offered an immaculate and spacious three-bedroom unit, with ample area to sit outside on the balcony. There can be a lot of wind noise in a beachside unit, but the windows at Oshen are fitted with multiple latches that completely seal.

Coming home from work in the evening, the views are breathtaking. You can see right up to Manifold Island, down to Yellow Patch and east as far as Outer Rock and Barren.

Closer in, the beaches of the Keppel group expand and contract with the tides and right below Bluff Rocks provide opportunities for exploration, and at high tide is a convenient perch for Pelicans and other birds.

Perhaps the most interesting thing about our stay at Yeppoon was the realisation that the whole beachfront area is more or less, a self-contained resort. From modern beachfront units (Salt, Echelon, Oshen, Villa Mar Colina, and others) you can easily walk to any number of bars and restaurants, entertainment venues, beaches and water parks.

Vue Restaurant provides high quality dining in a relaxed setting. Originally seated at the back on a pokey table next to the drink machine, we soon had that sorted and my rack of lamb was beautiful.

The Rocks Bar and Restaurant offers a more formal setting overlooking Keppel Bay. We went for a lunch, enjoying a wonderful view, attentive and friendly service, and lovely food. Located in the Echelon building, Afishionados offers breezy, cafe style dining and a hostess that is on a mission!

Being a keen angler I was delighted that she actually picks the fish herself and, more than that, knew the real name for the 'Snapper' that was on the menu (Rosy Job Fish in this case). Beautifully cooked, I was sorry to have to rush off without talking more.

Looking to combine a few drinks and a meal we found Pie Alley Blues (PAB), where live mu-



David French has fallen in love with Yeppoon and the Capricorn Coast.

sic meets with a casual menu. Interestingly, PAB has just instituted a system where you order online from your table. It's efficient, sort of, but I think it denies a personal touch. Over the road you'll find the Yeppoon RSL, which offers an outstanding verandah and local craft beers on tap. Money Pig Brewing's Dragon Stout is a hands-down prize winner!

Back at the foreshore, we were pleased (and lucky) to find a table at Poppies Beachside. Located on the top floor of the Yeppoon Surf Club, the entrance is a bit hidden away. It doesn't grab you from the street, but it's very friendly and the food is great.

There are several other interesting options not mentioned here, but on Mondays and Tuesdays you'll be looking at the Strand or having takeaway. The rest of the time be warned, you'd better book. My only criticism was that staff in some places lacked polish. Then again

that's part of the real experience of a place, so maybe I'm being too much of a local.

With all that food and drink under your belt, you'd probably be wise to fit in some exercise. You can do a 5km beach run from Bluff Rocks to Barwell's Creek and back, or along the Yeppoon Parkrun trail which comprises a portion of the old rail line. Yeppoon Lagoon provides splash and swimming opportunities for all ages, while the Keppel Kraken waterplay area rings with the excited squeals of smaller kids. One fellow spent at least six hours hanggliding off the bluff, I was just a bit envious; I have to say.

Getting out for the day, it's a simple matter to drive or catch one of the regular busses to Rosslyn Bay for the ferry to Great Keppel Island. There are several services offered by two ferry companies, and on arrival have a coffee at Tropical Vibes before taking off for snorkel-

ling, bushwalking or both.

You'll be hungry after that, so hit the Hideaway for lunch and a refreshing Mojito. For another day trip, jump in the car and head 40km north to the Byfield store, Knob Creek Pottery and Ferns Hideaway. For those who love the outdoors, Upper Stoney and Waster Park creeks offer BBQs and amazing freshwater swimming opportunities. Those with a four-wheel-drive can continue onto Five Rocks, although it requires some know-how in terms of tracks, especially if the weather is dry.

As local since 1970, they say familiarity breeds contempt. Yeppoon is changing and I can think of few places where top class accommodation merges so effortlessly with social, dining and outdoor opportunities. It's right on our doorstep and gets my vote for a week away or, even as I did, a temporary home away from home.

Choosing the right sparkling wine for New Year's Eve

As New Year's Eve approaches it's time to choose the correct sparkling wine and place it on ice!

Pop, fizz, clink! As we celebrate the end of a year like no other - and welcome in 2021 - there is no better drink to have in-hand than a quintessential glass of bubbly.

Sparkling wines have a great aesthetic appeal with their bubbles. They make simple evenings special and special occasions unforgettable.

You can find New Year's Eve sparkling wines within every budget. And if you are in the mood to splurge then the choice has to be champagne.

Champagne is a wine region in France, world-renowned due to its producing of excellent quality sparkling wine. And from these vineyards, champagne has become synonymous with celebration.

Over the centuries, champagne's wine-makers, in particular Madame Clicquot, perfected the art of secondary fermentation that assists still wine to produce bubbles. There are approximately 250 champagne houses to choose from. Mumm, Krug, Moet & Chandon, Veuve Clicquot, etc

But there is a relatively new kid on the block and the world is taking notice. The



Champagne Palmer & Co style is seductive through its precision and clarity. Their Palmer Brut Reserve is based on a selection of wines from some of the best vineyards in the Champagne region. The nose has a rich array of citrus, apricot, hazelnut and pear aromas and a discreet touch of buttery brioche. Perfect with salmon.

There are fantastic bottles of sparkling wines being produced in several parts of the world of wine.

Globally, 2.5 billion bottles of sparkling wine are produced, from Italy, Germany, Spain, Brazil and the US to New Zealand.

Australia's winemakers have mastered the bubbly business and it's a great time to indulge. The House of Arras have just released the NV Arras Blanc de Blancs. Ed Carr, their chief sparkling winemaker, has crafted select parcels of premium Tasmanian grapes into



There's no better time for a sparkling wine than New Year's Eve.

this amazing wine.

Brown Brothers Sparkling Moscato is low in alcohol but high in lifted musk aromas. The palate resembles biting into freshly crushed grapes. Serve this with a plate of light cheese like brie or camembert, plus thin slices of pear and apple and you are on a winner.

Sparkling red is seen as a novelty and befits serving chilled on New Year's Eve. Look out for Bleasdale Sparkling Shiraz it has an interesting mixture of plum and red cherry flavours that will go perfectly well with your favourite chocolate.

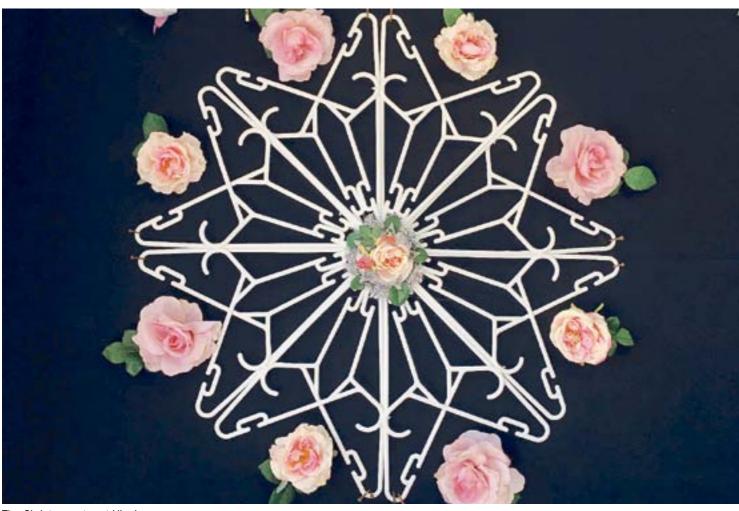
Happy New Year. WineBill

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Walkers' Christmas tree at Yeppen Lagoon.



An angel from the Salvation Army.

The Christmas star at Vinnies.

maginative decorations

It's a special festive Christmas edition of innovative and striking. Styles of CQ. We bring you a few very clever handmade Christmas decorations I've seen around town.

The first is a beautiful star which is part of the Christmas display at the entrance to St Vincent de Paul on Gladstone Road. Yes, it's made out of second-hand coat hangers! So

The second is an angel, which is one of a pair on display at the Salvation Army shop in Denison Street. The bodice is an old metal basket filled with baubles, and then one of the crafty ladies at the shop has made wings out of painted cardboard and a skirt out of old materials. It looks so effective and pretty,

and so unique.

The third is a lovely community effort at the Yeppen lagoon. Someone put up some Christmas decorations on a tree by the walking track with a sign calling it the Walkers' Tree. In the last few weeks, other walkers have been adding their own little trinkets to the tree to add to the Christmas spirit.

I hope you've enjoyed these examples of creative and stylish Christmas decorations. I also hope you have a wonderful festive season and safe New Year.

If you'd like to know more about the colours that are going to be the best for you, or help expressing yourself with your style, contact me at Imagine You.

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Christmas Family Service - Saturday 20 th December 2020, 7:00pm



Christmas Greetings



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Normal trading hours resume Saturday 2nd January 2021



The Team at Aquatic Pool & Spa thank you for your continued support throughout the year and wish everyone a Merry Christmas and a Safe & Healthy New Year.

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Monday 4th January





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2. eblis

3. ndyca ance

4. ftgis

5. emryr









Merry Christmas & Happy New Year! I look forward to working with you in 2021. Brittany Lauga Member for Keppel and **Assistant Education Minister**



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Christmas Greetings





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As we reflect on the year that has been, we wish to say thank you to our valued clients and local community for their continued support in 2020. From the team at Piranha Insurance Brokers, we send warm wishes and a happy holiday season to all.

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Christmas closure period:
Closed Wednesday 23/12/2020

- Reopening Monday
04/01/2021















FROM THE TEAM AT CQ TODAY

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

We look forward to your continued support in 2021.

CQ Today office will be closing 3pm Thursday 24th December 2020, reopen Monday 4th January 2021.

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Storms didn't deter coast residents from attending Carols by the Beach.

Christmas cheer on coast

Early storms did not dampen Christmas spirits as an estimated crowd of over 2000 people and, despite some early rain and threatening storms, the Christmas spirits were not dampened to the control of th brought pillows, blankets and Christmas cheer to Yeppoon's Main Beach to celebrate the festive season at this year's JRT Carols By The Beach. The annual event on December 19, which is organised and run by Cap Coast Community Events Association, a volunteer not for profit group, was the first major concert to held at the Yeppoon beachfront amphitheatre stage for almost a year due to Covid-19 restrictions.

CCCE chairman Bill Ludwig said despite concerns that the event might not proceed due to major storms impacting much of the region including Yeppoon, the rain cleared in time to allow the full concert program to go ahead.

"From the exceptional community talent on stage to the fabulous family crowd this year's Carols was nothing short of sensation-

"As always there was a magnificent variety program of Christmas family entertainment

ening.

"From dancing groups to an impressive showcase of Christmas carols singers, and of course a special appearance from Santa Claus, the performances were exceptional and the spirit of Christmas really shone through.

"It is a genuine credit to all those involved and the community who support the event year after year to make it such a special night."

He said special thanks must go to the generous sponsors JRT, Keppel Bay Sailing Club, Livingstone Shire Council, Echelon Retail Arcade, The Real Group, Channel Nine, Radio Triple MMM and CQ Today as well as OSP Safety and Signs.

"Yeppoon SES, Queensland Health and Yeppoon Police especially must also be commended for their efforts again in assisting to ensure the COVID 19 Safe event ran smoothly and safely," Mr Ludwig said.



















The Guide

TOP PICKS OF THE WEEK



THE ROYAL VARIETY PERFORMANCE 2020

ABC, 7.30pm

As Christmas Day celebrations draw to a close there's not much else to do but flop down on the couch and enjoy a charity spectacular. Comedian Jason Manford (left) presents this year's extravaganza, filmed earlier this year at the Blackpool Opera House, which includes performances by Gary Barlow, Celeste and Mel C and an appearance by Captain Sir Tom Moore, who raised £33 million for the NHS with his charity walk in April.

SATURDAY RED DOG

WIN, 7pm

This feel-good feature is an endearing tale about man's best friend, based on the true story of the dog which united a desolate local community while searching the Aussie outback for his long-lost master. The film is brimming with local talent starring alongside US import Josh Lucas, including Rachael Taylor, Noah Taylor and Luke Ford, as well as Kiwi star Keisha Castle-Hughes. Taylor deserves special mention for playing Nancy, a refugee from the big smoke who struggles to get used to life in the bush. Geoffrey Hall's evocative cinematography shows Australia's red centre in all its magnificence, but it's the titular canine that evokes all the laughter and tears.



TUESDAY GREAT BRITISH RAILWAY JOURNEYS

SBS, 7.55pm

If you are a daily train commuter, chances are you may not spare much of a thought to the history of the tracks you're on when you're trying to squeeze in to nab a seat or wondering why your train is late again. But in Michael Portillo's (above) capable hands, railways are the starting points to exploring other worlds. Tonight's season 11 final is the last leg on his journey around 1930s Britain. Covering Attleborough to Skegness, viewers are whisked away to East Anglia where we are invited to imagine what life was like back then. Along the way, Michael visits the headquarters of a horse welfare organisation established in

MONDAY BIG FAT QUIZ OF THE YEAR

SBS, 7.55pm

While it may be a year we'd all soon rather forget, this entertaining quiz show asks us to dig deep into the memory banks and recall just what went on this past 12 months. And of course, it plans to cover all the important topics. From politics

(to which song did Donald Trump

show off his dance moves?),

royalty (what was Harry and

Meghan's move dubbed?) and celebrity (what did Kanye give Kim for her birthday?), it will have us wishing we'd paid more attention. Quiz master Jimmy Carr is joined by a panel of celebrity guests including David Mitchell, Maya Jama, James Acaster, Stacey Solomon and Richard Ayoade. You are sure to have more than a few laughs.

> Jimmy Carr Hosts the Big Far Quiz Of The Year

Friday, December 25

ABC (2)

6am Morning Programs. **8.00** ABC News. **8.30** Stan Grant's One Plus One. (R) **9.00** ABC News. **9.30** The Pope's Christmas Mass. **11.00** Gardening Australia Christmas Special. (R) **12.00** ABC News. **12.30** Christmas With Poh. (R) **1.00** Would I Lie To You? (R) **1.30** QI. (PG, R) **2.00** That Christmas. (PG, R) **3.00** ABC News. **3.30** Call The Midwife. (PG, R) **4.55** Escape From The City. (R) **5.50** Worzel Gummidge. (Final, PG)

7.00 ABC News On Christmas Day.Takes a look at top stories on Christmas Day

from across Australia and around the world.

7.30 The Royal Variety Performance
2020. (PG) Entertainment spectacular
featuring the stars of the stage and screen
at England's Blackpool Opera House.

9.30 Midsomer Murders. (Mv, R)
New detective Charlie Nelson arrives in
Midsomer and is thrown straight into a
murder investigation after a man is stabbed
with an antique sword during a ghosthunting party at a "haunted" manor house.

11.00 ABC News On Christmas Day.
A look at the top stories of the day.
11.30 Rage. (MA15+adhlnsv)
Continuous music programming.

ABC COMEDY (22) 6am Children's Programs. 5.55pm Go Jetters. 6.20 Bluey. 6.25 Hey Duggee. 6.35 Ben And Holly. 6.45 Andy's Wild Adventures. 7.00 Sir Mouse. 7.15 Odd Squad. 7.20 A Very Specky Christmas. 8.20 Blackadder's Christmas Carol. 9.05 Would I Lie To You? 9.35 Russell Howard: Wonderbox. 11.05 Absolutely Fabulous. (Final) 11.35 The IT Crowd. Midnight The Catherine Tate Show. 12.30 The Young Offenders. 1.05 Upstart Crow. 1.45 The IT Crowd. 2.10 News Update. 2.15 Close. 5.00 Five Minutes More. 5.05 Guess How Much I Love You. 5.15 Lily's Driftwood Bay. 5.30 Ready, Jet, Go! 5.45 Late Programs.

NITV (34) 6am Morning Programs. 8.45
Wapos Bay. 9.05 Kagagi. 9.30 Bushwhacked!
10.00 Postcards From Indigenous Taiwan. 11.00
Through A Lens Darkly. Noon Sunny And The Dark
Horse. 1.30 Defining Moments. 2.00 On The Road.
3.00 Cities Of Gold. 3.25 Bushwhacked! 3.55
Raven's Quest. 4.00 Musomagic. 4.30 Move It
Mob Style. 5.00 Music Voyager. 5.30 Skindigenous.
6.00 Off The Grid With Pio. 6.30 Pete & Pio's Kai
Safari. 7.00 An Outback Christmas. 7.30 Emmet
Otter's Jugband Christmas. 8.30 MOVIE: Almost
Christmas. (2016, M) 10.25 Bedtime Stories. 10.35
Anote's Ark. 11.35 Late Programs.

SBS (3)

6.00 WorldWatch. 9.30 Greek News. 10.30 German News. 11.00 Spanish News. 11.30 Turkish News. 12.00 Arabic News F24. 12.30 ABC America: World News Tonight. 1.00 PBS NewsHour. 2.00 Great British Railway Journeys. (R) 2.30 Sandringham: The Queen At Christmas. (R) 3.30 Rick Stein's Spanish Christmas Special. (R) 4.30 Rick Stein's Cornish Christmas. (R) 5.30 Letters And Numbers. (R)

6.00 Going Places With Ernie Dingo. (PG, R) 6.30 SBS World News. 7.30 A World Of Calm: The Birds

Journey. (Premiere, PG)

8.00 Planet Of Treasures:
India. (Premiere, PG) Presented
by Sir Christopher Clark.

9.00 Tom Cruise: Body And Soul.
(M) Takes a look at actor Tom Cruise.
10.00 8 Out Of 10 Cats Does Countdown. (Mals, R)
10.55 Country Music. (PG, R)
11.55 The Name Of The Rose. (Masv, R) 3.50

10.55 Country Music. (PG, R) **11.55** The Name Of The Rose. (Masv, R) **3.50** Celtic Heart. (R) **5.00** CGTN English News. **5.15** NHK World English News. **5.30** Deutsche Welle English News.

VICELAND (31) 6am WorldWatch. 8.00
Bosnian News. 8.30 Macedonian News. 9.00
Croatian News. 9.30 Serbian News. 10.00 Dutch
News. 10.30 Armenian News. 11.00 NHK Japanese
News. 11.35 Hindi News. Noon The Joy Of Painting.
6.00 Bob Ross: The Happy Painter. 7.10 Jeopardy!
7.35 8 Out Of 10 Cats Does Countdown. 9.25 The
X-Files. 10.15 All Aboard The Sleigh Ride. 12.25am
MOVIE: Saint. (2010, MA15+) 2.05 The Movie Show.
2.35 NHK World English News. 3.00 Thai News.
3.30 Bangla News. 4.00 Punjabi News. 4.30 Sri
Lankan Sinhalese News. 5.00 Korean News. 5.30
Indonesian News.

SBS MOVIES (32) 6am Viceroy's House. Continued. (2017, PG) 7.45 The Fifth Element. (1997, PG) 10.05 The Flintstones. (1994, PG) 11.40 Heidi. (2015, PG, German) 1.40pm Wildwitch. (2018, PG, Danish) 3.35 The Bookshop. (2017, PG) 5.40 The Man Who Invented Christmas. (2017, PG) 7.35 Hunt For The Wilderpeople. (2016, PG) 9.30 The Blues Brothers. (1980, M) 11.55 Crouching Tiger, Hidden Dragon. (2000, M, Mandarin) 2.05am Angel-A. (2005, M, French) 3.40 The Flintstones. (1994, PG) 5.20 Hunt For The Wilderpeople. (2016, PG)

SFVFN (7)

6.00 Carols In The Domain. (PG, R) **8.30** Christmas Catholic Mass. **10.00 MOVIE:** Jack Frost. (1998, PGa, R) Michael Keaton, Kelly Preston Mark Addy

Preston, Mark Addy.

12.00 MOVIE: Love Always,
Santa. (2016, G, R)

5.00 The Chase Australia. (R)

Santa. (2016, G, R)

2.00 Funniest Ever Toddlers. (PGav, R)

3.00 The Chase. (R)

4.00 Better Homes And Gardens. (R)

6.00 Seven News. 7.00 Border Security:

Australia's Front Line. (PG, R) Narrated by Grant Bowler.

7.30 MOVIE: National Lampoon's Vacation. (1983, Mdl, R) A family goes on a road-trip holiday. Chevy Chase, Beverly D'Angelo.

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

1.35 MOVIE: Spies Like Us. (1985, Msv, R) Chevy Chase. 1.35 Harry's Practice. (R) 2.00 Home Shopping. (R) 4.00 My Greek Odyssey. (PG, R) 5.00 NBC Today.

7TWO (72) 6am Home Shopping. 6.30
Travel Oz. 8.00 Harry's Practice. 8.30 Million Dollar Minute. 9.30 NBC Today. Noon This Is Calisthenics. 1.00 My Greek Odyssey. 2.00 Harry's Practice. 2.30 Million Dollar Minute. 3.30 Weekender. 4.00
Better Homes And Gardens Summer. 4.30 The Real Seachange. 5.00 Under The Hammer. 5.30 Escape To The Country. 6.30 Bargain Hunt. 7.30 MOVIE: The Flip Side. (2018, M) 9.30 MOVIE: Hang Time. (2019, M) 11.15 Property Ladder UK. 12.30am The Fine Art Auction. 3.30 Bargain Hunt. 4.30 Escape To The Country. 5.30 Home Shopping.

7MATE (73) 6am Fishing And Adventure.
6.30 Mark Berg's Fishing Addiction. 7.30 Creek
To Coast. 8.00 Goldfathers. 9.00 Highway Thru
Hell. 10.00 America's Game: The Super Bowl
Champions. 11.00 A Football Life. Noon Outback
Truckers. 1.00 Bottom Feeders. 2.00 Storage
Wars Canada. 2.30 Goldfathers. 3.30 The Grade
Cricketer. 4.00 Timbersports. 4.30 Storage Wars.
5.30 American Pickers. 6.30 MOVIE: The BBQ.
(2018, PG) 8.30 MOVIE: Better Watch Out. (2016,
MA15+) 10.30 MOVIE: 28 Weeks Later. (2007,
MA15+) 12.35am Storage Wars. 1.30 Goldfathers.
2.30 Late Programs.

NINE (5)

6.00 National Pharmacies Christmas Pageant. **8.00** Lord Mayor's Christmas Carols. **9.00 MOVIE:** Grumpy Cat's Worst Christmas Ever. (2014, PGIv) Aubrey Plaza, Grumpy Cat, Megan Charpentier. **10.50** CMA Country Christmas. (PG, R)

11.50 Christmas With Delta. (PG, R)
1.00 Carols By Candlelight. (PG, R)
4.00 MOVIE: Arthur Christmas.
(2011, G, R) James McAvoy.

6.00 Nine News.
7.00 A Current Affair.
7.30 The Disney Holiday Singalong.
8.30 MOVIE: Christmas With The
Kranks. (2004, PGa, R) A family decides to
skip Christmas. Tim Allen, Jamie Lee Curtis.

10.30 Christmas In New York: Inside The Plaza. 11.30 Queen's Christmas Message. 11.40 World's Best Christmas Commercials. (PG, R) 12.20 Great Getaways. (PG, R) 1.10 Award Winning Tasmania. (PG, R) 1.30 TV Shop: Home Shopping. (R) 4.00 Global Shop. 4.30 TV Shop: Home Shopping. (R) 5.30 A Current

Shopping. 7.00 Creflo Dollar Ministries. 7.30 TV Shop: Home Shopping. 10.30 The Ellen DeGeneres Show. 11.30 My Favorite Martian. Noon The Secret Life Of The Zoo. 1.00 Days Of Our Lives. 1.55 The Young And The Restless. 3.00 MOVIE: The Holly And The Ivy. (1952) 4.40 Keeping Up Appearances. 5.20 Heartbeat. 6.30 Antiques Roadshow. 7.30 Planet Earth II. 8.40 MOVIE: Star Trek VI: The Undiscovered Country. (1991, PG) 10.55 MOVIE: About A Boy. (2002, M) 1am TV Shop: Home Shopping.

9GO! (53) 6am Children's Programs.

11.00 MOVIE: Fanshaw & Crudnut: Attack Of The Slug Santas. (2016, C) 1pm Children's Programs.

2.00 Malcolm. 3.00 The Six Million Dollar Man.

4.00 Quantum Leap. 5.00 Knight Rider. 6.00 Children's Programs.

6.30 MOVIE: Dr Seuss' How The Grinch Stole Christmas. (2000) 8.30 MOVIE: Beethoven. (1992) 10.15 MOVIE: K-9. (1989, M)

12.20am MOVIE: Red Christmas. (2016, MA15+)

2.00 Mike Tyson Mysteries. 2.10 Dance Moms.

3.00 Beyblade Burst Rise. 3.30 Lego Jurassic

World: Legend Of Isla Nublar. 4.00 Pokémon. 4.30 Pokémon Journeys. 4.50 Late Programs.

WIN (8)

6.00 Left Off The Map. (R) 6.30 Everyday Gournet With Justine Schofield. (R) 7.00 Entertainment Tonight. (R) 7.30 Judge Judy. (PG, R) 8.00 The Bold And The Beautiful. (PG, R) 8.30 Studio 10. (PG) 11.00 Jamie's Easy Meals At Christmas. (R) 12.00 The Living Room. (R) 1.00 WIN Symphony Orchestra Special. (R) 2.00 Halfway Across The Galaxy And Turn Left. (PG, R) 3.30 The Saddle Club. (R) 5.00 10 News First.

6.30 The Project.
7.30 The Big Bang Theory. (PG, R)
Sheldon and Amy visit his mother.
8.00 Have You Been Paying
Attention? (Malns, R)

Hosted by Tom Gleisner.

9.00 Hughesy, We Have A
Problem Christmas Edition.
(Mls, R) Dave Hughes is joined by
guests for a festive discussion about
issues of concern to Australians.

10.00 MOVIE: That's Not My Dog! (2018, Mals, R) Actor Shane Jacobson throws a party. Shane Jacobson.

12.00 The Project. (R) **1.00** The Late Show With Stephen Colbert. (PG) **2.00** Home Shopping. (R)

BOLD (81) 6am Home Shopping. 8.00
Diagnosis Murder. 9.00 Star Trek: Voyager. 10.00
Mission: Impossible. 11.00 Jake And The Fatman.
Noon MacGyver. 1.00 WIN's All Australian News.
2.00 Mission: Impossible. 3.00 Bondi Rescue.
3.30 Diagnosis Murder. 4.30 Star Trek: The Next
Generation. 5.30 Star Trek: Voyager. 6.30 Bondi
Rescue. 7.30 NCIs. 8.30 Law & Order: SVI. 10.30
Evil. 12.30am Home Shopping. 2.00 NCIs. 4.00
NCIs: Los Angeles. 5.00 Jake And The Fatman.

PEACH (82) 6am Charmed. 8.00 Frasier. 9.00 Everybody Loves Raymond. 10.00 Cheers. 10.30 Charmed. 11.30 WIN's All Australian News. 12.30pm Rules Of Engagement. 1.00 Seinfeld. 3.30 Everybody Loves Raymond. 4.00 Saturday Night Takeaway UK. 4.50 Frasier. 6.00 Friends. 8.00 The Big Bang Theory. 9.30 Seinfeld. 10.00 Courtney Act's Christmas Extravaganza. 11.00 Nancy Drew. (Final) Midnight Frasier. 12.30 Home Shopping. 1.30 Charmed. 3.30 Rules Of Engagement. 4.00 Everybody Loves Raymond. 4.30 Home Shopping.

Saturday, December 26

6.00 Rage. (PG) **7.00** Weekend Breakfast. **10.00** Rage. (PG) **11.00** Rage Psych-Rock Special. (PG) 12.00 ABC News At Noon. 12.30 The Royal Variety Performance 2020. (PG, R) **2.30 The Sound.** (Final, R)

3.30 The Royal Edinburgh Military Tattoo 2017. (R) 5.00 To Be Advised. 5.35 Dr. Seuss' The Grinch Musical! (R)

7.00 ABC News. Takes a look at today's top stories and events as they unfold, with comprehensive analysis and reporting.

7.30 Call The Midwife Christmas Special. (Ma) The medics and midwives of Nonnatus House embark on a trip to the remote, idyllic Scottish island.

9.00 Endeavour. (Mav, R) Morse searches for a missing woman by tracing her last known railway journey, only to make a discovery that changes the nature of the case. A truck hijacking exposes a new criminal threat in Oxford.

10.30 Sherlock. (May, R) Part 3 of 3. An intriguing and dangerous puzzle captures Sherlock Holmes' attention. 11.55 Rage Psych-Rock Special.

(MA15+adhlnsv) Continuous music programming. **5.00** Rage. (PG)

ABC COMEDY (22) 6am Children's Programs. 8.05 Kangaroo Beach. 8.20 Children's Programs. **6.10pm** Kangaroo Beach. **6.20** Children's Programs. **7.30** Spicks And Specks. **8.25** MOVIE: Red Dwarf: The Promised Land. (2020, PG) **9.55** Michael McIntyre: Happy And Glorious. **10.50** Mock The Week. **11.20** Penn & Teller: Fool Us. Midnight Arj Barker: Get In My Head. 1.00 Would I Lie To You At Christmas? 1.35 Late Programs.

NITV (34) 6am Morning Programs. 1.55pm Nyoongar Footy Magic. 2.30 Baseball. SA Super League. **4.00** Rugby League. Koori Knockout. U16s Girls. Final. La Perouse Panthers v Narwan Eels. Replay. **5.00** NITV On The Road: Barunga Bush Bands. **6.00** Going Places. **7.00** Red Earth Uncovered. **7.30** Through The Wormhole. **8.20** Lost Daylight. 8.35 Nat King Cole: Afraid Of The Dark. 10.15 Late Programs.

6.00 WorldWatch. 6.30 Al Jazeera English News. 7.00 BBC News. 7.30 Italian News 8.10 Filipino News. 8.40 French News. 9.30 Greek News. 10.30 German News. 11.00 Spanish News. 11.30 Turkish News. 12.00 Arabic News F24. 12.30 ABC America: World News Tonight. 1.00 PBS NewsHour. 2.00 The Kimberley Cruise. (R) 5.05 Travel Man. (PG, R) 5.35 Nazi Megastructures. (PGav, R)

6.30 SBS World News. 7.35 A World Of Calm: The Gift Of Chocolate. (PG) Narrated by Priyanka Chopra.

7.55 Secrets Of Our Cities. (PGa, R) Part 3 of 3. Greig Pickhaver concludes his quest with a trip to the port of Fremantle.

9.00 MOVIE: Gangs Of New York. (2002, MA15+v, R) In 19th-century New York, a young man seeks revenge for the murder of his father at the hands of a gang leader. Leonardo DiCaprio, Daniel Day-Lewis, Cameron Diaz.

12.05 MOVIE: The Fortress. (2017, MA15+av, R, South Korea) Byung-Hun Lee.

2.35 North To South: The Full Journey. (R) 5.00 CGTN English News. 5.15 NHK World English News. **5.30** Deutsche Welle English News.

VICELAND (31) 6am WorldWatch. Noon MOVIE: New York, New York. (1977, PG) 2.55 New Girl. **3.20** Insight. **4.20** WorldWatch. **5.45** Monty Python's Flying Circus. **6.55** Secrets Of The Bermuda Triangle. 7.50 8 Out Of 10 Cats. 8.30 The X-Files. **11.00** The Last Year Of Television 2020 Special. **Midnight MOVIE:** The Handmaid's Tale. (1990, MA15+) **2.00** The Movie Show. **2.30** France 24. 3.00 Late Programs.

SBS MOVIES (32) 6am Hunt For The Wilderpeople. Continued. (2016, PG) 7.15 The Man Who Invented Christmas. (2017, PG) 9.10 Loving. (2016, PG) 11.25 The Bookshop. (2017, PG) **1.30pm** The Fifth Element. (1997, PG) **3.50** Forever Enthralled. (2008, PG, Mandarin) **6.30** The Ideal Palace. (2018, French) **8.30** Lost In Translation. (2003, M) 10.25 Suspiria. (2018, MA15+) 1.10am Novo. (2002, MA15+, French) 3.00 Late Programs

SEVEN (7)

6am Morning Programs. 9.30 Cricket. Second Test. Australia v India. Day 1. Morning session. 11.30 The Lunch Break. 12.10 Cricket. Second Test. Australia v India. Day 1. Afternoon session. 2.10 Test Cricket: Tea Break. 2.30 Cricket. Second Test. Australia v India. Day 1. Late afternoon session. **5.00** Cricket. Big Bash League. Game 14. Sydney Thunder v Melbourne Renegades.

6.00 Seven News.

7.00 Cricket. Big Bash League. Game 14. Sydney Thunder v Melbourne Renegades. From Manuka Oval, Canberra.

8.20 Cricket. Big Bash League. Game 15. Sydney Sixers v Melbourne Stars. From Metricon Stadium, Queensland.

12.00 How To Get Away With Murder. (Mad, R) Annalise deals with an unforeseen issue after damaging details about a key witness are exposed in her case to help Laurel.

1.00 Harry's Practice. (R) Information about pet care. **1.30 The Zoo**. (R) A team

attempts the first rhino IVF. 2.00 Home Shopping. (R) 4.00 RSPCA Animal Rescue. (R) A teenager abandons his dogs.

4.30 How To Make \$10K in 20 Days. (PG, R) Hosted by David Koch.

6am Home Shopping. 8.30 Travel Oz. 10.00 NBC Today. Noon The Bowls Show. **1.00** Reno Rookie. **1.30** Sydney Weekender. 2.00 Creek To Coast. 2.30 Weekender. 3.00 Property Ladder UK. 5.30 Greatest Outdoors. 6.30 The Yorkshire Vet In Spring. **8.30** Escape To The Country. **11.30** Peter Andre's 60 Minute Makeover. 12.30am The Fine Art Auction. 3.30 Sydney Weekender. 4.00 Late Programs.

7MATE (73) 6am Morning Programs. 11.30 Sailing. Sydney to Hobart Yacht Race. Ipm Buccaneers & Bones. 2.00 Blokesworld. 2.30 Storage Wars Canada. 3.00 To Be Advised. 4.00 Desert Collectors. 6.00 Cricket. Big Bash League. Game 14. Sydney Thunder v Melbourne Renegades **7.00** Building Giants. **8.00** Mighty Cruise Ships. **9.00** Air Crash Investigation: Special Report. **10.00** Air Crash Investigation. **11.00** Late Programs. **NINE (5)**

6.00 Easy Eats. **7.00** Weekend Today. **10.00** Today Extra Summer. (PG) 12.00 Award Winning Tasmania. (R) 12.30 The Rebound. 1.00 The Healthy Cooks. 1.30 World's Greatest Journeys. (PG, R) **2.30 MOVIE: The Walk.** (2015, PGal, R) 5.00 News: First At Five. 5.30 RBT. (PGI, R)

6.00 Nine News Saturday. 7.00 MOVIE: Twins. (1988, PGlsv, R) A genetically perfect man discovers he has a twin. Arnold

Schwarzenegger, Danny DeVito.

9.10 MOVIE: Kindergarten Cop. (1990, Mv, R) A detective goes undercover as a kindergarten teacher to locate a notorious drug dealer, but first he must identify which of the children is the son of his target from the teeming hordes at the school. Arnold Schwarzenegger, Penelope Ann Miller, Pamela Reed.

11.20 MOVIE: The Brothers Bloom. (2008, Mlv, R) Two sibling con artists take part in a caper. Adrien Brody, Mark Ruffalo. 1.35 Award Winning Tasmania. (R) 2.00 TV Shop: Home Shopping. (R) 4.30 Global Shop. 5.00 TV Shop: Home Shopping. (R) 5.30 Wesley Impact. (PG)

6am Newstyle Direct. 6.30 TV Shop: Home Shopping. **10.00** My Favorite Martian. **10.30 MOVIE:** I Believe In You. (1952, PG) **12.30pm MOVIE:** Went The Day Well? (1942, PG) 2.25 MOVIE: Danger Within. (1959) 4.30 MOVIE: The Man Who Shot Liberty Valance. (1962, PG) **7.00** MOVIE: Zulu. (1964, PG) **9.50** MOVIE: Death Rides A Horse. (1967, MA15+) 12.05am Gideon's Way. **1.00** TV Shop: Home Shopping.

9GO! (53) 6am Children's Programs. 8.00 MOVIE: Barbie: Princess Adventure. (2020) 9.30 Children's Programs. 2pm Surfing Australia TV. 2.30 Xtreme Collxtion. 3.30 Monster Croc Wrangler. 4.30 MOVIE: Pokémon The Movie: Genesect And The Legend Awakened. (2013) 5.50 MOVIE: Over The Hedge. (2006) 7.30 MOVIE: The Amazing Spider-Man. (2012, M) 10.15 MOVIE: Ghost Rider. (2007, M) 12.30am Late Programs. **WIN (8)**

6am Morning Programs. 8.30 4x4 Adventures. (R) 9.30 Taste Of Australia. (R) 10.00 Left Off The Map. (R) 10.30 My Market Kitchen. (R) 11.00 Everyday Gourmet. (R) 11.15 Food Fight Club. (PG, R) 12.15 The Living Room. (R) 1.15 MOVIE: Miss Congeniality. (2000, PGlsv, R) 3.30 Roads Less Travelled. **4.00** Freshly Picked With Simon Toohey. (R) 4.30 Fishing Aust. 5.00 News.

6.00 The Dog House. (PG, R) Follows a team of devoted matchmakers as they pair homeless dogs with hopeful companions. **7.00 MOVIE: Red Dog.** (2011, PGls, R) Based on a true story. A dog unites a remote rural community while searching

for his dead master, in an epic journey

that is said to have taken him from the

Australian outback all the way to Japan. Josh Lucas, Rachael Taylor, Rohan Nichol. 9.00 MOVIE: Koko: A Red Dog Story. (2019, G) Documents the life of Koko, the canine star of *Red Dog*, taking a look behind the scenes of the film and celebrating dogs' relationships with humans. Jason

Isaacs, Felix Williamson, Kriv Stenders. 10.40 Blood And Treasure. (Mv, R) The trail of Cleopatra's sarcophagus leads Danny and Lexi to the Bermuda Triangle. 12.30 Home Shopping. (R) **5.00 Hour Of Power.** Religious program.

BOLD (81) 6am Home Shopping. 9.00 The Doctors. 10.00 MacGyver. 11.00 Diagnosis Murder. **Noon** Star Trek: Voyager. **1.00** Mission: Impossible. 2.00 iFish Summer Series. 2.30 Pat Callinan's 4x4 Adventures. 3.30 All 4 Adventure. **4.30** Mighty Machines. **5.00** Roads Less Travelled. **5.30** MacGyver. **7.30** NCIS. **8.30** NCIS: New Orleans. 10.20 Hawaii Five-O. 11.20 MacGyver. 12.15am Law & Order: S.V.U. 1.10 Late Programs.

PEACH (82) 6am Charmed. 8.00 Rules Of Engagement. **8.30** Everybody Loves Raymond. **9.00** Frasier. **10.00** Cheers. **10.30** Charmed. 12.30pm Friends. 2.00 Two And A Half Men. 3.00 Seinfeld. **3.30** Everybody Loves Raymond. **4.00** Saturday Night Takeaway UK. **5.00** Friends. **6.00** Columbo. **7.30** Kojak. **8.30** Spyforce. **9.30** The Big Bang Theory. 10.30 The Middle. 11.00 Late **Programs**

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Sunday, December 27

ABC (2)

6.00 Rage. (PG) 7.00 Weekend Breakfast. 11.00 Compass. (PG, R) 11.30 Songs Of Praise. (PG, R) 12.00 ABC News At Noon. 12.30 Landline Summer. 1.00 Call The Midwife Christmas Special. (Ma, R) 2.30 Everyone's A Critic. (PG, R) 3.00 Soccer. W-League. Round 1. Western Sydney Wanderers v Melbourne Victory. From Bankwest Stadium, Sydney. 5.00 War On Waste. (PG, R)

6.00 Antiques Roadshow. Hosted by Fiona Bruce. 7.00 ABC News Sunday. 7.30 Fight For Planet A: Our Climate Challenge. (PG, R) Part 1 of 3 8.40 Miniseries: The Cry. (Mal, R) Part 1 of 4. A couple's four-month-old

visiting Australia from Scotland. 10.35 Killing Eve. (Ma, R) Villanelle dives deep into the world of her target. 11.20 Silent Witness. (Mav, R) A people-smuggler is found dead. 12.15 Endeavour. (Mav, R) 1.45 Rage. (MA15+adhlnsv)

child goes missing while they are

Silent Witness. (May, R 5.00 Poh's Kitchen. (R) 5.30 Kurt Fearnley's One Plus One. (PGal, R) **ABC COMEDY (22)**

6am Children's Programs. **7.05pm** The Deep. **7.30** Spicks And Specks: AusMusic Special. 8.30 Would I Lie To You? (Final) **9.00** Penn & Teller: Fool Us. **9.45** Live At The Apollo. **10.30** Ql. **11.00** Misanthropology: Eddie Perfect. 12.10am Spicks And Specks. 1.05 The Thick Of It. **1.35** Alan Davies: As Yet Untitled. **2.20** News Update. **2.25** Close. **5.00** Five Minutes More. **5.05** Guess How Much I Love You. 5.20 Late Programs.

NITV (34) 6am Morning Programs. 2.30pm Motor Racing. Dakar Rally. H'lights. **3.00** Motor Racing. Dakar Rally. H'lights. **3.30** Bowls. SA Super League. **4.00** Football. Monsoon AFL. Replay. **5.45** African News. **6.00** APTN National News. **6.30** Art + Soul. **7.30** Dark Science. **7.35** Hip Hop Evolution. **8.35 MOVIE:** Teddy Pendergrass – If You Don't Know Me. (2018, M) **10.25** Songs From The Inside. 10.55 Late Programs.

SBS (3)

6.00 WorldWatch. 6.30 Al Jazeera News. **7.30** Italian News. **8.10** Filipino News. **8.40** French News. **9.30** Greek News. **10.30** German News. 11.00 Spanish News. 11.30 Turkish News. **12.00** Arabic News F24. **12.30** France 24 English News Second Edition. 1.00 Speedweek. 3.00 Figure Skating. ISU Grand Prix. Round 3. Rostelecom Cup. **5.05** Travel Man. (R) 5.35 Nazi Megastructures. (PGa, R)

6.30 SBS World News. 7.30 A World Of Calm: A Horses Tale. (PG) Explores the world of horses. 7.55 Dan Snow: The Tutankhamun Mystery. (PG) A look at the

story of Tutankhamun. 9.40 Secret Life Of The Mega Resort. (R) Takes a behind-the-scenes look at one of the world's most luxurious resorts, Baha Mar in the Bahamas.

10.40 Marry Me, Marry

My Family. (PG, R) 11.45 Police Custody: One Punch. (Mav, R) 12.45 The Diet Testers. (R) **.35** Great British Railway Journe Food Safari Fire: Bitesize. (R) **5.00** CGTN English News. 5.15 NHK World English News. 5.30 Deutsche Welle English News.

VICELAND (31) 6am WorldWatch. 10.00 SBS Courtside. 10.30 Basketball. NBA. New York Knicks v Philadelphia 76ers. 1pm WorldWatch. 2.00 New Girl. 3.20 WorldWatch. 3.50 The Loving Story. **5.10** Running Wild With Deion Sanders. **6.00** Years Of Living Dangerously. 7.55 8 Out Of 10 Cats. 8.35 Lost Gold Of World War II. (Final) 9.20 United Shades Of America. 10.10 Stacev Doolev: Nigeria's Female Suicide Bombers. 11.05 Late Programs.

SBS MOVIES (32) 6am Heidi. Continued. (2015, PG, German) 6.40 The Flintstones. (1994, PG) 8.15 The Bookshop. (2017, PG) 10.20 Forever Enthralled, (2008, PG. Mandarin) 1pm The Man Who Invented Christmas (2017, PG) 2.55 The Ideal Palace. (2018, PG, French) **4.55** Hunt For The Wilderpeople. (2016, PG) **6.50** Tom Thumb. (2001, PG, French) **8.30** Lust, Caution. (2007, MA15+, Mandarin) 11.20 Late Programs.

SEVEN (7)

6.00 NBC Today. 7.00 Weekend Sunrise. 9.00 Pre-Game Show. 9.30 Cricket. Second Test. Australia v India. Day 2. Morning session. 11.30 Test Cricket: The Lunch Break. 12.10 Cricket. Second Test. Australia v India. Day 2. Afternoon session. 2.10 Test Cricket: Tea Break. 2.30 Cricket. Second Test. Australia v India. Day 2. Late afternoon session. 5.00 Seven News At 5. **5.30** Weekender.

7.00 Cricket. Big Bash League. Game 16. Brisbane Heat v Hobart Hurricanes. 10.00 MOVIE: Due Date.

(2010, MA15+dls, R) A father-to-be hitches a ride with an aspiring actor in order to return home in time for the birth of his child. Robert Downey Jr, Zach Galifianakis.

12.00 Medical Emergency. (PG, R) A learner driver suffers serious injuries. 1.00 The Real Seachange. (PG, R) Hosted by John Howard

1.30 Harry's Practice. (R) Information about pet care. 2.00 Home Shopping. (R) Animal Rescue. (R) 4.00 NBC Today. 5.00 Seven Early News.

7TWO (72) 6am Morning Programs. **7.00** Tomorrow's World. **7.30** Leading The Way. **7TWO** (72) **8.00** David Jeremiah. **8.30** Shopping. **9.00** Greatest Outdoors. 10.00 Escape To The Country. 11.00 NBC Today. Noon The Yorkshire Vet In Spring. 2.00 Jabba's School Holiday Movies. 2.45 The Surgery Ship: Director's Cut. **4.30** Escape To The Country. **6.30** M*A*S*H. **8.30** MOVIE: Body Heat. (1981, M) 10.55 Late Programs.

7MATE (73) 7MATE (73) 6am Morning Programs. **1pm** Al McGlashan's Fish'n With Mates. **1.30** The Hunt For Monster Bass. **2.30** Storage Wars Canada. 3.00 Motor Racing. Night Thunder. John Day Speedcar Classic. **4.00** Bushfire Wars. **4.30** Graveyard Carz. 5.30 Counting Cars. 6.00 Cricket. Big Bash League. Game 16. Brisbane Heat v Hobart Hurricanes. **7.00** Border Security. **8.30 MOVIE:** Cliffhanger. (1993, M) 10.55 Late Programs.

NINE (5)

6.00 Easy Eats. **7.00** Weekend Today. **10.00** SA Variety Bash 2020. (PG) 11.00 Peaking. (PGI, R) 11.45 Ultimate Rush. (PGI, R) 12.15 Wild Metropolis. (PGa) 1.15 MOVIE: We Of The Never Never. (1982, G, R) 4.00 Tipping Point. (PG) 5.00 News: First At Five.

6.00 Nine News. 7.00 60 Minutes.

8.00 RBT. (PGI) Follows police units that operate random breath-test patrols around Australia

5.30 Territory Cops. (PGdlv, R)

8.30 MOVIE: Deep Impact. (1998, Mal, R) After a comet is spotted on a collision course with Earth, a team of astronauts is sent to destroy it. Morgan Freeman, Robert Duvall, Téa Leoni.

10.55 Killer On The Line: Darren Byrne. (Mav, R) Takes a look at the death of Maria Byrne. 11.45 Young, Dumb And Banged

Up In The Sun. (Masv) **5 Tipping Point**. (PG, R) 1.30 TV Shop: Home Shopping. 4.00 Take Two. 5.00 News Early Edition. 5.30 Today.

9GEM (52) **6am** Morning Programs. **7.00** Leading The Way. **7.30** In Touch. **8.00** Beyond Today. **8.30** The Incredible Journey. **9.00** TV Shop. **10.00** Avengers. **11.00 MOVIE**: Please Turn Over. (1960, PG) **12.50pm MOVIE**: Lucky Jim. (1957) **2.50 MOVIE**: The Rebel. (1961) **5.00 MOVIE**: The World Of Suzie Wong. (1960, PG) 7.30 Death In Paradise. 8.40 Chicago P.D. 9.40 Chicago Fire. 10.40 Late Programs.

9GO! (53) **9GO!** (53) **6am** Children's Programs. **8.00 MOVIE:** My Little Pony: Equestria Girls - Spring Breakdown. (2019) **9.00** Children's Programs. **1.45pm** Dance Moms. **3.45 MOVIE:** Legend Of The Guardians. (2010, PG) **5.45 MOVIE:** Bee Movie. (2007) **7.30 MOVIE:** The Sum Of All Fears. (2002. M) 10.00 MOVIE: United 93. (2006. M) **12.10am** The Top 100 Video Games Of All Time. 1.05 Tamara's World. 3.00 Late Programs.

WIN (8)

6am Morning Programs. **8.30** My Market Kitchen. (R) **9.00** The Living Room. (R) 10.00 Bondi Forever. (PG, R) 12.00 Left Off The Map. (R) **12.30** Roads Less Travelled. (R) 1.00 Freshly Picked With Simon Toohey. (R) 1.30 RV Daily Foodie Trails. (R) 2.00 4x4 Adventures. **3.00** Close Encounters Of The Animal Kind. 3.30 Taste Of Australia. (R) 4.00 All 4 Adventure. (PG) 5.00 News.

6.30 Family Feud. (Final) Hosted by Grant Denyer.

7.30 The Graham Norton Show. (R) Guests include Dwayne Johnson. 8.30 MOVIE: Now You See Me 2.

(2016, Mv, R) A group of street magicians called the Four Horsemen, who are on the run from the police, re-emerge from seclusion to expose the unethical practices of a tech magnate to appease his rival who is blackmailing them. Jesse Eisenberg, Mark Ruffalo, Woody Harrelson. **11.05 Blood And Treasure.** (Final, Mv) Farouk's master plan is put into action.

12.00 NCIS. (Mv, R) ноте Shopping. (R) 3.30 CBS This Morning. 5.00 Headline News Early.

BOLD (81) 6am Home Shopping. **7.30** Key Of David. **8.00** The Doctors. **9.00** Car Crash Global: Caught On Camera. 10.00 Mission: Impossible. Noon MacGyver. 2.00 Family Feud. **3.00** The Offroad Adventure Show. **4.00** Reel Action. 5.00 iFish Summer Series. 5.30 Star Trek: Voyager. **6.30** Bondi Rescue. **7.30** NCIS. **9.30 MOVIE:** True Story. (2015, M) **11.30** NCIS: LA. 2.15am Late Programs.

PEACH (82) 6am Two And A Half Men. **6.30** Everybody Loves Raymond. **7.00 PEACH (82)** Friends. 8.00 The Middle. 8.30 Totally Wild. **9.00** Neighbours. **11.30** Charmed. **1.30pm** The Neighborhood. **2.30** Two And A Half Men. **3.30** Man With A Plan. 4.30 The Middle. 6.00 The Big Bang Theory. **9.00** Friends. **10.00** Man With A Plan. **11.30** 2 Broke Girls. **Midnight** Shopping. **1.30** 2 Broke Girls. **2.00** Late Programs.

Monday, December 28

6.00 The Cook And The Chef. (R) 6.25 Short Cuts To Glory: Matt Okine Vs Food. (R) 7.00 News Breakfast. 10.00 Antiques Roadshow. (R) **11.00** Gardening Australia. (R) **12.00** ABC News At Noon. **1.00** The Great Acceleration. (PG, R) 1.55 Rake. (Madls, R) 3.00 Death In Paradise. (PG, R) 4.00 The Heights. (PG, R) 4.30 Back Roads. (R) 5.00 Escape From The City. (PG, R)

6.00 Julia Zemiro's Home Delivery. (PG, R) 6.30 Anh's Brush With Fame: Tim Minchin. (PG, R) 7.00 ABC News.

7.30 David Attenborough's Tasmania. (R) Narrated by Sir David Attenborough 8.25 Australia Remastered: Kakadu. (PG) A look at Kakadu National Park.

9.20 Griff's Great Australian Rail Trip: Gold Coast To The Outback. (PG, R) Griff Rhys Jones explores Queensland. **10.05** Tomorrow Tonight. (PG, R) 10.40 ABC Late News. 10.55 Harrow. (Mav, R) 11.50 Silent Witness. (MA15+av, R) 12.50

Mystery Road. (Mal, R) 3.35 Rage Vault Special. (MA15+adhlnsv) 4.00 Silent Witness. (MA15+av, R) **5.00** Poh's Kitchen. (R) **5.30** Kurt Fearnley's One Plus One. (R)

ABC COMEDY (22) 6am Children's Programs. **7.15pm** Odd Squad. **7.30** Spicks And Specks. **8.30** Whose Line Is It Anyway? **8.50** Would I Lie To You? **9.20** Detectorists. **9.50 MOVIE:** The Trip. (2010, MA15+) 11.40 Hang Ups. 12.05am Stath Lets Flats. **12.30** Daniel Muggleton: Let's Never Hang Out. **1.20** The IT Crowd. **1.45** Alan Davies: As Yet Untitled. 2.30 News Update. 2.35 Close. 5.00 Five Minutes More. **5.05** Late Programs.

NITV (34) 6am Morning Programs. 2pm Art + Soul. **3.00** Cities Of Gold. **3.25** Bushwhacked! **3.55** Raven's Quest. **4.00** Musomagic. **4.30** The Storyteller. 5.00 Music Voyager. 5.30 Skindigenous. **6.00** Off The Grid With Pio. **6.30** Pete & Pio's Kai Safari. **7.00** Our Stories. **7.40** Through The Wormhole With Morgan Freeman. 8.30 Living Black. **9.00** Ranger To Ranger. **10.00** Angels Gather Here. 11.00 Late Programs.

6.00 WorldWatch. 6.30 This Week. 7.30 WorldWatch. 12.00 Arabic News F24. 12.30 ABC America: World News Tonight. 1.00 Al Jazeera News. 2.00 Destination Flavour China Bitesize. (R) 2.10 Story Of Europe. (PGav, R) 3.05 Restaurant SOS. (PG, R) 4.00 Great British Railway Journeys. (R) 4.35 The Supervet: Noel Fitzpatrick. (PGa, R) 5.30 Letters And Numbers. (R)

6.00 Going Places With Ernie Dingo. (R) Ernie Dingo visits Hervey Bay. 6.30 SBS World News. 7.30 A World Of Calm: Noodle. (PG) Narrated by Oscar Isaac.

7.55 Big Fat Quiz Of The Year. (M) Presented by Jimmy Carr. 9.40 Happy Birthday Hubble. (PG) A celebration of the 30th anniversary of the launch of the Hubble Space Telescope.

10.50 SBS World News Late. 11.15 Agent Hamilton. (Malv, R) 12.10 Outlander. (Malv, R) 2.20 Matthew Evans' For The Love Of Meat. (MI, R)

3.25 The Wine Show. (PGa) 4.25 Full Frontal With Samantha Bee. (Mals, R) 4.55 Food Safari Fire: Bitesize. (R) 5.00 CGTN English News. 5.15 NHK World English News. 5.30 Deutsche Welle English News.

VICELAND (31) 6am WorldWatch. 9.30 SBS Courtside. 10.00 Basketball. NBA. Charlotte Hornets v Brooklyn Nets. **12.30pm** WorldWatch. **1.30** Losing Ground. **2.00** Rex In Rome. **3.50** WorldWatch. **4.15** This Week. **5.10** Camel Beauty Pageant. **5.40** Only Connect. **6.15** Megafactories. **7.10** Jeopardy! **7.35** 8 Out Of 10 Cats Does Countdown. 8.30 Taskmaster. 9.25 Nude 10.15 Late Programs.

SBS MOVIES (32) 6am The Secret World Of Arrietty. Continued. (2010) **6.30** Forever Enthralled. (2008, PG, Mandarin) **9.10** The Ideal Palace. (2018, PG, French) **11.10** Legend. (1985, PG) **12.50pm** Tom Thumb. (2001, PG, French) **2.30** Orlando. (1992, PG) **4.10** Strings. (2004, PG) **5.50** Operation Arctic. (2014, PG, Norwegian) **7.30** Kill The Messenger. (2014, M) **9.35** Precious. (2009, MA15+) **11.45** Late Programs.

SEVEN (7)

6.00 Sunrise. 9.00 Test Cricket: Pre-Game Show. 9.30 Cricket. Second Test. Australia v India. Day 3. Morning session. 11.30 Test Cricket: The Lunch Break. 12.10 Cricket. Second Test. Australia v India. Day 3. Afternoon session. 2.10 Test Cricket: Tea Break. 2.30 Cricket. Second Test. Australia v India. Day 3. Late afternoon session. From the MCG. 5.00 The Chase Australia. (R)

6.00 Seven Local News. 6.30 Seven News. **7.00 Cricket.** Big Bash League. Game 17. Perth Scorchers v Adelaide Strikers. 10.00 Motorway Patrol. (PGI) Follows the work of a police unit dedicated to patrolling the motorways of Auckland, New Zealand.

10.30 Station 19. (Ma) Captain Pruitt's health weakens. 11.30 Criminal Confessions: Marion County, Florida. (Mav, R) A look at the murder of Heather Strong.

12.30 Robbie Coltrane's Critical

Evidence: Little Miss Nobody Alan Charlton. (Ma, R) **1.30** Black-ish. (PG, R) 2.00 Home Shopping. (R) 4.00 NBC Today. 5.00 Seven Early News.

5.30 Sunrise.

6am Home Shopping. 6.30 Travel Oz. 8.00 Harry's Practice. 8.30 Test Cricket: Pre-Game Show. 9.00 Million Dollar Minute. 9.30 NBC Today. **10.30** Better Homes And Gardens. 12.15pm Last Chance Learners. 1.15 My Greek Odyssey. 2.30 Million Dollar Minute. 3.30 M*A*S*H. 5.30 Escape To The Country. 6.30 Bargain Hunt. 7.30 Doc Martin. 8.30 Foyle's War. 10.40 Death

Row: The New Arrivals. 11.45 Late Programs.

7MATE (73) 6am Morning Programs. 11.30 Bushfire Wars. Noon Detroit Steel. 1.00 Swamp People. 2.00 Gold Fever. 3.00 Counting Cars. 3.30 Blokesworld. 4.00 Storage Wars Canada. 4.30 Goldfathers. 5.30 Storage Wars: Texas. 6.00 Cricket. Big Bash League. Game 17. Perth Scorchers v Adelaide Strikers. **7.00** Pawn Stars. **7.30** SAS UK. (Return) **8.30 MOVIE:** Above The Law. (1988, MA15+) **10.40** Late Programs.

NINE (5)

6.00 Today. **9.00** Today Extra Summer. (PG) 11.30 Morning News. 12.00 MOVIE: HouseSitter. (1992, PGls, R) 2.00 Bondi Vet: Coast To Coast. (PGm, R)

3.00 Tipping Point. (PG) 4.00 Afternoon News. 4.30 Millionaire Hot Seat. 5.30 Nine News Local.

6.00 Nine News. 7.00 A Current Affair. 7.30 Gold Coast Cops. (Mdv, R) Officers pull over a vehicle. 8.00 Driving Test. (PGI) A look at

people learning to drive in Darwin. **8.30 MOVIE: Inferno.** (2016, Malv, R) After a university professor awakens with amnesia, he discovers he is being pursued by an assassin. Tom Hanks, Felicity Jones, Irrfan Khan.

10.55 The First 48: The Graveyard Shift. (Mva) 11.50 Generation X: The Power Of Disruption. (MIs) 12.45 A Current Affair. (R)

1.30 TV Shop: Home Shopping. (R) 2.30 Global Shop. 3.00 TV Shop: Home Shopping. (R) 4.00 Take Two. (R) 5.00 News Early Edition. 5.30 Today.

6am TV Shop. 7.00 Creflo. 7.30 TV Shop. 9.30 Danoz Direct. 10.30 The Ellen DeGeneres Show. **11.30** My Favorite Martian. **Noon** Death In Paradise. **1.10** Days Of Our Lives. 2.05 The Young And The Restless. 3.00 Antiques Roadshow. **3.30 MOVIE:** The Long Dark Hall. (1951, PG) **5.20** Heartbeat. **6.30** Antiques Roadshow. **7.30** Grantchester. 8.40 DCI Banks. 10.40 See No Evil. 11.40 Late Programs.

9GO! (53) 6am Children's Programs. 11.00 Dance Moms. Noon MOVIE: Marmaduke. (2010, PG) **1.45** Children's Programs. **2.00** The A-Team. **3.00** The Six Million Dollar Man. **4.00** Quantum Leap. **5.00** Knight Rider. **6.00** Malcolm. **7.00** The Nanny. **7.30** MOVIE: Click. (2006, M) **9.40 MOVIE:** Good Luck Chuck. (2007, MA15+) **11.40** The Nanny. **12.10am** Baywatch. **1.10** After The Raves. 2.10 Dance Moms. 3.00 Late Programs.

WIN (8)

6.00 Headline News. 7.30 Ent. Tonight. (PG, R) 8.00 Bold. (PG, R) 8.30 Studio 10. (PG) 11.00 GCBC. (R) 11.30 My Market Kitchen. (R) 12.00 Dr Phil. (PGa, R) 1.00 Jamie's Quick & Easy Food. (R) 2.00 Ent. Tonight. 2.30 Inside The Children's Hospital. (PGa) 3.00 Judge Judy. (PG) 3.30 Left Off The Map. 4.00 Farm To Fork. (PG) 4.30 The Bold And The Beautiful. (PG, R) 5.00 10 News First.

6.30 The Project. A look at the day's news. **7.30 MOVIE: Home Again.** (2017, MI) A single mum's life takes an unexpected turn when she welcomes three young filmmakers to stay with her family. Reese Witherspoon, Candice Bergen.

9.30 MOVIE: Drunk Parents. (2019, Mals) A couple try to hide their financial difficulties from their daughter and their judgmental social circle. Alec Baldwin, Salma Hayek, Jim Gaffigan.

11.30 Drunk History Australia. (Mals, R) Comedians retell iconic events. 12.00 The Project. (R) A look

at the day's news. 1.00 The Late Show With Stephen Colbert. (PG) 2.00 Home Shopping. (R) 3.30 CBS This Morning. 5.00 Headline News Early.

BOLD (81) 6am Home Shopping. 8.00 The Doctors. **9.00** Star Trek: Voyager. **10.00** Mission: Impossible. **11.00** MacGyver. **1pm** Star Trek. **2.00** Mission: Impossible. **3.00** Bondi Rescue. 3.30 Diagnosis Murder. 4.30 Star Trek: The Next Generation. **5.30** Star Trek: Voyager. **6.30** Bondi Rescue. **7.30** NCIS. **10.20** Law & Order: SVU. **11.15** NCIS: New Orleans. 12.10am Shopping. 2.10 Late Programs.

PEACH (82) 6am Charmed. 7.00 Dr Quinn, Medicine Woman. $\boldsymbol{8.00}$ Friends. $\boldsymbol{10.00}$ The Big Bang Theory. **11.00** Cheers. **Noon** Charmed. **1.00** Dr Quinn, Medicine Woman. **2.00** Rules Of Engagement. **3.00** The King Of Queens. **4.00** Everybody Loves Raymond. **5.00** Frasier. **6.00** Friends. **6.30** Neighbours. **7.00** Friends. **8.00** The Big Bang Theory. **9.30** Seinfeld. **10.00** Two And A Half Men. 11.00 Late Programs.



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Tuesday, December 29

ABC (2)

6.00 The Cook And The Chef. (R) **6.25** Short Cuts To Glory: Matt Okine Vs Food. (R) 7.00 News Breakfast. 10.00 David Attenborough's Tasmania. (R) 11.00 Gardening Australia. (R) 12.00 ABC News At Noon. 1.00 The Great Acceleration. (R) 1.55 Rake. (Mals, R) 3.00 Death In Paradise. (PG, R) 4.00 The Heights. (PG, R) 4.30 Back Roads. (PG, R) 5.00 Escape From The City. (R)

6.00 Julia Zemiro's Home Delivery. (PG, R) **6.30** Anh's Brush With Fame. (PG, R) 7.00 ABC News.

7.30 Freeman. (R) 8.30 MOVIE: The Australian Dream. (2019, MA15+I, R) Explores the life of Adam Goodes. Adam Goodes, Stan Grant.

9.35 Pangolins: Narrated By David Attenborough. (R) Narrated by Sir David Attenborough 10.35 ABC Late News.

10.50 Glitch. (Malsv, R) 11.50 Silent Witness. (MA15+av, R) 12.50 Mystery Road. (Mal, R) 3.35 Rage. **OU** Slient Witnes (MA15+av, R) 5.00 Poh's Kitchen. (R) 5.30 Kurt Fearnley's One Plus One. (R)

ABC COMEDY (22) 6am Children's Programs. **7.15pm** Odd Squad. **7.30** Spicks And Specks. 8.25 Ghosts. (Final) 8.55 MOVIE: The Trip To Spain. (2017, M) 10.40 Frontline. 11.10 Alan Partridge: Welcome To The Places Of My Life. 11.55 Hang Ups. 12.20am Stath Lets Flats. 12.45 Detectorists. **1.15** QI. **1.45** Blackadder's Christmas Carol. 2.30 News Update. 2.35 Close. 5.00 Five Minutes More. 5.05 Late Programs.

NITV (34) 6am Morning Programs. 1.30pm Game Of Bros. 2.30 Bamay. 3.00 Jarjums. 3.55 Raven's Quest. **4.00** Musomagic. **4.30** The Storyteller. **5.00** Music Voyager. **5.30** Skindigenous. **6.00** Off The Grid With Pio. **6.30** Kriol Kitchen. 7.00 Our Stories. 7.20 Treaty. 7.30 Boxing For Palm Island **8.00** The Casketeers **8.30** Superstition **9.20** Hunting Aotearoa. **9.50** Football. Monsoon AFL. **11.40** Late Programs.

SBS (3)

6.00 WorldWatch. 9.30 Greek News. 10.30 German News. **11.00** Spanish News. **11.30** Turkish News. **12.00** Arabic News F24. **12.30** ABC America: World News Tonight. 1.00 PBS NewsHour. **2.00** Story Of Europe. (PGav, R) 3.00 Great British Railway Journeys. (PG, R) 3.30 Who Do You Think You Are? (PG, R) 4.35 Inside Windsor Castle. (PGa, R) 5.30 Letters And Numbers. (R)

6.00 Going Places With Ernie Dingo. (R) 6.30 SBS World News. 7.35 A World Of Calm: Snowfall. (PG) Narrated by Cillian Murphy.

7.55 Great British Railway Journeys: Attleborough To Skegness. (Final, PG) Presented by Michael Portillo.

8.30 MOVIE: Food Fighter. (2018, MI, Australia) A look at the issue of food waste. Ronni Kahn, Jamie Oliver.

10.10 SBS World News Late. 10.40 Why We Hate. (Final, M) 11.30 The A Word. (Final, Mals) 12.40 The Pier. (Malns, R) 1.35 Life Drawing UK. (Mln, R) **45** Great British Raliway Journeys. (R) **5.00** CGTN English News. 5.15 NHK World English News. 5.30 Deutsche Welle English News.

VICELAND (31) 6am WorldWatch. **12.30pm** SBS Courtside. **1.00** Basketball. NBA. Los Angeles Lakers v Portland Trail Blazers. 3.30 Rex In Rome. **4.30** Lee Lin Chin's Fashionista. **4.40** WorldWatch. **5.40** Only Connect. **6.15** Megafactories. 7.10 Jeopardy! 7.35 8 Out Of 10 Cats Does Countdown. **8.30** Escaping Polygamy. **9.20** The 2000s. **10.10** Locked Up Abroad. **11.05** Escorts. 11.30 Late Programs.

SBS MOVIES (32) 6am Orlando. Continued. (1992, PG) **7.35** Tom Thumb. (2001, PG, French) **9.15** Strings. (2004, PG) **10.55** Delbaran. (2001, PG, Farsi) **12.45pm** The Secret World Of Arrietty. (2010) 2.30 Operation Arctic. (2014, PG, Norwegian) **4.10** Mary And Max. (2009, PG) **5.50** Belle And Sebastian 2. (2015. PG. French) 7.40 Philomena. (2013, M) 9.30 The Grand Budapest Hotel. (2014, M) 11.25 Late Programs.

SEVEN (7)

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

6.00 Seven Local News. 6.30 Seven News. 7.00 Cricket. Big Bash League. Game 19. ney Thunder v Melbourne Stars.

10.00 Chicago Fire. (Ma) Things get personal for Casey and Gallo in the aftermath of a suburban house fire.

11.00 Beat The Chasers UK. (Premiere) Contestants take on the chasers for the chance to lay claim to the prize pool. 12.00 Funniest Cutest Kittens

doing hilarious things. 1.00 Black-ish. (PG, R) Junior decides to run for class president. Home Shopping. (K) **4.00 NBC Today.** News and current affairs.

5.00 Seven Early News.

Ever. (PG, R) Clips of kittens

5.30 Sunrise. **7TWO (72) 6am** Morning Programs. **8.00** Harry's Practice. **8.30** Million Dollar Minute. **7TWO** (72) 9.30 NBC Today. Noon Sydney Weekender. 12.30 Last Chance Learners. **1.00** My Greek Odyssey. **2.00** Harry's Practice. **2.30** Million Dollar Minute. **3.30** Australia: The Story Of Us. **4.30** The Real

Seachange. 5.00 Under The Hammer. 5.30 Escape

To The Country 6.30 Bargain Hunt 7.30 Pie In The

Sky. **8.30** Inspector Morse. **10.50** Late Programs.

7MATE (73) 6am Morning Programs. **1pm** Swamp People. **2.00** Gold Fever. **3.00** Bottom **7MATE (73)** Feeders. **4.00** Fish'n With Mates. **4.30** Road Hauks. **5.30** Storage Wars: Texas. **6.00** Cricket. Big Bash League. Game 19. Sydney Thunder v Melbourne Stars. **7.00** Pawn Stars. **7.30** Highway Patrol. **8.00** Motorway Patrol. 8.30 Full Custom Garage. 9.30 Counting Cars. **10.30** Leepu And Pitbull. **11.30** Late

NINE (5)

6.00 Today. 9.00 Today Extra Summer. (PG) 11.30 Morning News. 12.00 MOVIE: Miss Pettigrew Lives For A Day. (2008, PGsv, R) 2.00 Desert Vet. (PGlm, R) 3.00 Tipping Point. (PG) 4.00 Afternoon News. 4.30 Millionaire Hot Seat.

6.00 Nine News 7.00 A Current Affair. **7.30 20 To One.** (Mls, R) Hosted by Erin Molan and Nick Cody. 8.30 Kath & Kim. (PGIs, R) Kath's first husband and Kim's dad, Gary, moves back

5.30 Nine News Local.

in claiming to be broke and homeless. 9.40 Hamish & Andy's Euro Gap Year. (PG, R) Hamish and Andy travel across Europe where they revel in some weird and wonderful pastimes.

11.35 Law & Order: Criminal Intent. (Mav, R) **12.30 Tipping Point**. (PG, R) 1.30 TV Shop: Home Shopping. (R) Take Two. (R) 5.00 News Early Edition. 5.30 Today.

9GEM (52) 6am TV Shop. 7.00 Creflo. **7.30** TV Shop. **9.30** Danoz. **10.30** Ellen DeGeneres. **11.30** My Favorite Martian. **Noon** Australia's Top Ten Of Everything. **1.00** Days Of Our Lives. **1.55** The Young And The Restless. 2.50 Antiques Roadshow. 3.20 MOVIE: Brothers In Law. (1957) 5.20 Heartbeat. **6.30** Antiques Roadshow. **7.30** New Tricks. **8.40** MOVIE: Rain Man. (1988, M) **11.25** Late

9GO! (53) **6am** Children's Programs. **11.00** Dance Moms. **Noon MOVIE:** Madeline. (1998) 1.45 Children's Programs. 2.00 Malcolm. 3.00 The Six Million Dollar Man. 4.00 Quantum Leap. 5.00 Knight Rider. 6.00 Malcolm. 7.00 The Nanny. **7.30 MOVIE:** The Naked Gun: From The Files Of Police Squad! (1988, M) **9.15 MOVIE**: The Naked Gun 2 1/2: The Smell Of Fear. (1991, M) **11.00** The Nanny. 11.30 Late Programs.

WIN (8)

6.00 Headline News. 7.30 Ent. Tonight. (PG, R) 8.00 Bold. (PG, R) 8.30 Studio 10. (PG) **11.00** GCBC. (R) **11.30** My Market Kitchen. (R) 12.00 Dr Phil. (PGa, Ř) 1.00 Jamie's Quick & Easy Food. (R) **2.00** Ent. Tonight. **2.30** Everyday Gourmet. (R) 3.00 Judge Judy. (PG) 3.30 Left Off The Map. 4.00 Farm To Fork. (PG) 4.30 The Bold And The Beautiful. (PG, R) 5.00 10 News First.

6.00 WIN News. **6.30 The Project.** A look at the day's news. 7.30 MOVIE: Ocean's Eleven. (2001, MI, R) A recently paroled thief recruits an elite team to break into the bank vaults of three casinos in one

night. George Clooney, Brad Pitt. 9.55 MOVIE: Ocean's Twelve. (2004, MI, R) The gang plans a series of robberies in Europe. Brad Pitt, George Clooney.

12.25 Drunk History Australia. (MA15+l, R) 12.55 WIN's All Australian News. 2.00 The Late Show With **tepnen Colbert.** (PG) 3.00 Home Shopping. (R) 3.30 CBS This Morning. 5.00 Headline News Early.

BOLD (81) **6am** Home Shopping. **8.00** Diagnosis Murder 9.00 Star Trek: Voyager 10.00 Mission: Impossible. 11.00 MacGyver. 1pm Star Trek. **2.00** Mission: Impossible. **3.00** Bondi Rescue 3.30 Diagnosis Murder 4.30 Star Trek-The Next Generation. 5.30 Star Trek: Voyager. **6.30** Bondi Rescue. **7.30** NCIS. **8.30** CSI: Miami. **10.25** Elementary. (Final) **11.20** NCIS: New Orleans. 12.15am Shopping. 2.15 Late Programs.

PEACH (82) 6am Charmed. **7.00** Dr Quinn. **8.00** Rules Of Engagement. **9.00** King Of Queens. 10.00 Raymond. 11.00 Frasier. Noon Charmed. 1.00 Dr Ouinn. 2.00 Seinfeld. 2.30 Rules Of Engagement. 3.00 King Of Queens. **4.00** Raymond. **5.00** Frasier. **6.00** Friends. **6.30** Neighbours. **7.00** Friends. **8.00** The Big Bang Theory. 9.30 Seinfeld. 10.00 Mom. 11.00 Late

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6.00 The Cook And The Chef. (R) 6.30 Short Cuts To Glory: Matt Okine Vs Food. (R) 7.00 News Breakfast. 10.00 To Be Advised. 11.00 Gardening Australia. (R) 12.00 ABC News At Noon. 1.00 The Great Acceleration. (R) 1.55 Rake. (Final, MI, R) 3.00 Death In Paradise. (PG, R) **4.00** The Heights. (PG, R)

4.30 Back Roads. (R) 5.00 Escape From The City. (R)

6.00 Julia Zemiro's Home **Delivery.** (PG, R) **6.30 Anh's Brush With Fame.** (PG, R) 7.00 ABC News. 7.30 Hard Quiz Celebrity Special. (PG, R) Hosted by Tom Gleeson

8.05 Would I Lie To You? The Unseen Bits. (PG, R) Hosted by Rob Brydon. 8.35 Melbourne Comedy Festival Allstars Supershow. (Mls, R) Performers include Cal Wilson,

Mark Watson, David O'Doherty, Joel Creasey and Dilruk Jayasinha. 10.20 Would I Lie To You? (PG, R) 10.50 ABC Late News. 11.10 Stop Laughing... This Is Serious. (Madls, R)

12.10 Silent Witness. (Mav, R) 1.10 Rage New Year's Special. (MA15+adhlnsv) 4.00 Silent Witness. (Mav, R) 5.00 Poh's Kitchen. (R) 5.30 Kurt Fearnley's One Plus One. (R)

ABC COMEDY (22) Programs. **7.15pm** Odd Squad. **7.30** Spicks And Specks. **8.30** The IT Crowd. **8.55** Rosehaven. **9.25** Would I Lie To You? **9.55** Frontline. **10.20** Demetri Martin: Stand Up Comedian. 11.05 Michael McIntyre: Happy And Glorious. **Midnight** The Thick Of It. **12.30** Hang Ups. (Final) **12.55** Stath Lets Flats.

NITV (34) 6am Morning Programs. 1pm Skindigenous. **1.30** The Casketeers. **2.00** Intune 08. **3.00** Cities Of Gold. **3.25** Bushwhacked! 3.55 Raven's Quest. 4.00 Musomagic. 4.30 The Storyteller. **5.00** Music Voyager. **5.30** Skindigenous. **6.00** Foreign Flavours. **6.30** Kriol Kitchen. **7.00** Our Stories. **7.20** Road Open. **7.30** Death Row Chronicles. 8.30 MOVIE: The Payback. (2017, M) 9.45 Blood Brothers, 10.45 Late Programs

6.00 WorldWatch. 9.30 Greek News. 10.30 German News. **11.00** Spanish News. **11.30** Turkish News. 12.00 Arabic News F24. 12.30 ABC America: World News Tonight. **1.00** PBS NewsHour. 2.00 Story Of Europe. (PG, R) 3.00 Great British Railway Journeys. (PG, R) **3.30** Who Do You Think You Are? (PGa, R) 4.35 Inside Windsor Castle. (PG, R) 5.30 Letters And Numbers. (R)

6.00 Going Places With Ernie Dingo. (R) 6.30 SBS World News. 7.30 A World Of Calm: Water Giver Of Life. (PG) Narrated by Mahershala Ali. 7.55 London's Great Bridges:

Lighting The Thames. Part 3 of 3 8.50 Secrets Of Britain: Secrets Of Her Majesty's Secret Service. (PG, R) Explores the real-life stories and history behind Her Majesty's Secret Service, better known as MI6.

9.55 SBS World News Late. 10.25 Policing The Police 2020. (M) 11.25 Vikings. (MA15+sv, R) 2.10 MOVIE: The Danish Girl. (2015, MA15+an, R) Eddie Redmayne, Alicia Vikander, Amber Heard. 4.20 Great British Railway Journeys.

(R) 4.55 Food Safari Fire: Bitesize. (R) 5.00

News. 5.30 Deutsche Welle English News.

CGTN English News. 5.15 NHK World English

VICELAND (31) 6am WorldWatch Noon Basketball. NBA. New York Knicks v Philadelphia 76ers. Replay. **2.00** Basketball. NBA. Charlotte Hornets v Brooklyn Nets. Replay. **4.00** The Small Town Drifter. **4.15** WorldWatch. **5.40** Only Connect. **6.15** Megafactories. **7.10** Jeopardy! **7.35** 8 Out Of 10 Cats Does Countdown. **8.30** MOVIE: Dancehall Queen. (1997, M) 10.20 MOVIE: Vox Lux

(2018) 12.25am Late Programs.

SBS MOVIES (32) 6am Operation Arctic. (2014, PG, Norwegian) **7.40** Legend. (1985, PG) **9.20** Mary And Max. (2009, PG) **11.00** Orlando. (1992, PG) **12.40pm** Strings. (2004, PG) **2.20** Belle And Sebastian 2. (2015, PG, French) 4.10 Hotel Salvation. (2016, PG, Hindi) 6.05 Delbaran. (2001, PG, Farsi) **7.55** Boy. (2010, M) **9.30** The Great Beauty. (2013, MA15+, Italian) **12.05am** The King's Choice. (2016, M) **2.35** Late Programs.

SEVEN (7)

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

6.00 Seven Local News. 6.30 Seven News. 7.00 Cricket. Big Bash League. Game 20.

Hobart Hurricanes v Brisbane Heat. From The Gabba, Brisbane.

10.00 MOVIE: Black Mass. (2015, MA15+lv, R) An infamous criminal

becomes an FBI informant in order to take down Boston's Italian Mafia. Johnny Depp, Joel Edgerton, Benedict Cumberbatch.

12.30 Code Black. (Ma, R) Mario risks his life. 1.30 Harry's Practice. (R)

Information about pet care. 2.00 To Be Advised. 2.30 Home Shopping. (R)

4.00 NBC Today. News and current affairs. 5.00 Seven Early News. 5.30 Sunrise.

6am Morning Programs. 8.30 Million Dollar Minute. 9.30 NBC Today. Noon Creek To Coast. **12.30** Last Chance Learners. **1.00** My Greek Odyssey. **2.00** Harry's Practice. **2.30** Million Dollar Minute. **3.30** Australia: The Story Of Us. **4.30** The Real Seachange. **5.00** Under The Hammer. **5.30** Escape To The Country. **6.30** Bargain Hunt. 7.30 Frankie Drake Mysteries. 8.30 Lewis 10.30 Jonathan Creek. 11.40 Late Programs.

7MATE (73) 6am Morning Programs. **10.00** America's Game. **11.00** A Football Life. **Noon** Road Hauks. **1.00** Swamp People. **2.00** Gold Fever. **3.00** Bottom Feeders. **4.00** Fish'n With Mates. 4.30 Highway Thru Hell. 5.30 Storage Wars: Texas. **6.00** Cricket. Big Bash League. Game 20. Hobart Hurricanes v Brisbane Heat. **7.00** Pawn Stars. **7.30** The Simpsons. **8.30** Family Guy. **9.30** American Dad! **10.30** Golden Boy. **11.00** Late Programs.

NINE (5)

6.00 Today. **9.00** Today Extra Summer. (PG) 11.30 Morning News. 12.00 MOVIE: The Pink Panther 2. (2009, PGsv, R) 2.00 Desert Vet. (PGI, R)

3.00 Tipping Point. (PG) 4.00 Afternoon News. 4.30 Millionaire Hot Seat.

5.30 Nine News Local.

6.00 Nine News. 7.00 A Current Affair. 7.30 Paramedics. (Ma, R) Paramedics rush to the site of a car crash.

8.30 The InBetween. (Mav) Cassie is drawn to a young mother who needs her help and encounters young Abigail once again. Tom and Damien investigate a complicated murder that has international ramifications.

9.30 Chicago Med. (MA15+am) The team deals with the aftermath of a school bus crash.

11.20 New Amsterdam. (Mam, R) Kapoor grapples with the stigma of ageing 12.10 World's Wildest Flights. (PG, R) 1.00 A Current Affair. (R) 1.30 TV Shop: Home Shopping. (R) 2.30 Global Shop. **3.00 TV Shop: Home Shopping.** (R) **5.00** News Early Edition. **5.30** Today.

6am TV Shop. 7.00 Creflo Dollar Ministries. **7.30** TV Shop: Home Shopping. **10.30** The Ellen DeGeneres Show. **11.30** My Favorite Martian. **Noon** New Tricks. **1.10** Days Of Our Lives. 2.05 The Young And The Restless. 3.00 Antiques Roadshow. **3.30 MOVIE:** Tonight's The Night. (1954) **5.20** Heartbeat. **6.30** Antiques Roadshow. 7.30 As Time Goes By. 8.50 Midsomer Murders. 10.50 Silent Witness. 12.10am Late Programs.

9GO! (53) 6am Children's Programs. 11.00 Dance Moms. Noon MOVIE: Step Up Revolution. (2012, PG) 2.00 Malcolm. 3.00 The Six Million Dollar Man. 4.00 Quantum Leap. 5.00 Knight Rider. 6.00 Malcolm. 7.00 The Nanny. 7.30 Paranormal Caught On Camera. **8.30 MOVIE:** 47 Ronin. (2013, M) **11.00** The Nanny. **11.30** Japandemonium. **Midnight** Baywatch. **1.00** Liquid Science. **2.00** Late Programs. **WIN (8)**

6.00 Headline News. 7.30 WIN News. (R) 8.30 Studio 10. (PG) 11.00 GCBC. (R) 11.30 My Market Kitchen. (R) 12.00 Dr Phil. (PGal, R) **1.00** Jamie & Jimmy's Food Fight Club. (PG, R) 2.00 Entertainment Tonight. 2.30 Everyday Gourmet With Justine Schofield. (R) 3.00 Judge Judy. (PG) 3.30 Left Off The Map. **4.00** Farm To Fork. (PG) **4.30** The Bold And The Beautiful. (PG, R) 5.00 10 News First.

6.00 WIN News.

6.30 The Project. A look at the day's news. **7.30 MOVIE: Ocean's 8.** (2018, MI, R) The estranged sister of notorious thief Danny Ocean sets out to pull off a heist of her own. Sandra Bullock, Cate Blanchett, Anne Hathaway.

9.40 MOVIE: Ocean's Thirteen. (2007, PGlsv, R) Danny Ocean and his team of expert criminals reunite to pull off one last heist. George Clooney, Brad Pitt, Matt Damon.

12.05 Drunk History Australia. (MA15+I, R) Comedians retell iconic events. 12.30 WIN's All Australian News. 1.30 The Project. (R) A look at the day's news.

2.30 The Late Show With Stephen Colbert. (PG) 3.30 CBS This Morning. 5.00 Headline News Early.

6am Home Shopping. 8.00 Diagnosis Murder. 9.00 Star Trek: Voyager. 10.00 Mission: Impossible. **11.00** MacGyver. **1pm** WIN's All Australian News. **2.00** Mission: Impossible. 3.00 Bondi Rescue. 3.30 Diagnosis Murder. 4.30 Star Trek: The Next Generation. **5.30** Star Trek: Voyager. **6.30** Bondi Rescue. **7.30** NCIS. **8.30** NCIS: Los Angeles. 12.10am Shopping. 2.10 NCIS. 3.10 MacGvver. 4.05 Late Programs.

PEACH (82) 6am Charmed. 7.00 Dr Quinn. **8.00** Murphy Brown. **8.30** Rules Of Engagement. 9.00 King Of Queens. 10.00 Raymond. 11.00 Frasier. Noon WIN News. 1.00 Dr Quinn. **2.00** Seinfeld. **2.30** Rules Of Engagement. **3.00** King Of Queens. **4.00** Raymond. **5.00** Frasier. **6.00** Friends. **6.30** Neighbours. **7.00** Friends. **8.00** The Big Bang Theory. **9.30** Seinfeld. **10.00** 2 Broke Girls. **11.00** Late Programs.

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ABC (2)

6.00 Cook And The Chef. (R) 6.25 Short Cuts To Glory. (R) **7.00** News. **10.00** Pangolins: Narrated By David Attenborough. (R) 11.00 Gardening Australia. (R) 12.00 ABC News At Noon. 1.00 The Great Acceleration. (PG, R) 1.55 Gardening Australia: New Year's Family Special. (R) 3.00 Death In Paradise. (PG, R) 4.00 The Heights. (PG, R) 4.30 Back Roads. (R) 5.00 Escape From The City. (R)

6.00 Julia Zemiro's Home **Delivery.** (PG, R) **6.30** Anh's Brush With Fame: Dannii Minogue. (PG, R) 7.00 ABC News.

7.30 The Yearly With Charlie Pickering 2020. (R) Takes a look back at 2020. 8.30 New Year's Eve: Early Night Show. A special family-friendly

show hosted by Rove McManus, Kiki Masella and Chenelle Carr. 9.10 New Year's Eve: We Are One. Hosted by Zan Rowe and Charlie Pickering. 11.45 New Year's Eve: Countdown To Midnight. 12.00 New Year's Eve: Midnight Fireworks. 12.10 Rage New Year's Special.

(MA15+adhlnsv) **5.00** Poh's Kitchen. (R) **5.30**

Kurt Fearnley's One Plus One. (R)

Minutes More. 5.05 Late Programs.

ABC COMEDY (22) 6am Children's Programs. **7.15pm** Odd Squad. **7.30** Spicks And Specks. 8.30 Mock The Week. 9.00 Would I Lie To You? 9.30 The Yearly With Charlie Pickering 2020. 10.30 MOVIE: Red Dwarf: The Promised Land. (2020, PG) Midnight Russell Howard: Wonderbox. 1.30 Ghosts. (Final) 2.00 Alan Davies: As Yet Untitled. 2.45 News Update. 2.50 Close. 5.00 Five

NITV (34) 6am Morning Programs. 12.30pm Music Voyager. 1.00 Skindigenous. 1.30 Blood Brothers. **2.30** Make It Right. **3.00** Cities Of Gold 3.25 Bushwhacked! 3.55 Raven's Quest 4.00 Musomagic. 4.30 The Storyteller. 5.00 Music Voyager. **5.30** Skindigenous. **6.00** Foreign Flavours. 6.30 NITV News Year In Review. 7.30 Black As. 7.40 American Soul. 8.30 MOVIE: Coal Miner's Daughter, (1980, PG) 10.40 Late Programs.

6.00 WorldWatch. 9.30 Greek News. 10.30 German News. **11.00** Spanish News. **11.30** Turkish News. **12.00** Arabic News F24. **12.30** ABC America: World News Tonight. 1.00 PBS NewsHour. 2.00 Story Of Europe. (PG, R) 3.00 Great British Railway Journeys. (R) 3.35 Who Do You Think You Are? (PGa, R) **4.45** Inside Windsor Castle. (PGa, R) 5.40 Letters And Numbers. (R)

6.10 Dinner For One. (R) Short film. 6.30 SBS World News. 7.30 A World Of Calm: Living Among Trees. (PG) Narrated by Keanu Reeves

7.55 Freddie Mercury: The Great Pretender. (Mls, R) Explores the life of Freddie Mercury.

9.30 Dolly Parton: 50 Years At The Opry. (PG, R) A celebration of Dolly Parton's 50 years as a member of Nashville's Grand Ole Opry.

11.00 The Last Waltz. (Ms, R) 1.15 Kylie Minogue's Secret Night. (PGals, R) 2.15 Spice Girls Live At Wembley Stadium.

4.15 Great British Kaliway Jouri (R) 4.55 Food Safari Fire: Bitesize. (R) 5.00 CGTN English News. 5.15 NHK World English News. 5.30 Deutsche Welle English News.

VICELAND (31) 6am WorldWatch 10.00 SBS Courtside. 10.30 Basketball. NBA. Miami Heat v Milwaukee Bucks. 1pm WorldWatch. **2.00** Basketball. NBA. Los Angeles Lakers v Portland Trail Blazers. Replay. **4.00** Flavour Swap. 4.20 WorldWatch. 5.45 Only Connect. 6.20 Megafactories. **7.10** Jeopardy! **7.35** 8 Out Of 10 Cats Does Countdown. **8.30** The Curse Of Oak Island. 9.20 Big Fat Quiz Of The Year. 11.05 Late Programs.

SBS MOVIES (32) 6am Delbaran. (2001, PG, Farsi) **7.50** Belle And Sebastian 2. (2015,

Hotel Salvation. (2016, PG, Hindi) 1.20pm Marv

And Max. (2009, PG) **3.00** Amazonia. (2013, No

dialogue) 4.30 Asterix: The Mansions Of The Gods.

(2014, PG, French) **6.05** My Neighbour Totoro. (1988, PG) **7.45** Maggie. (2015, M) **9.30** 12 Years A

Slave. (2013, MA15+) Midnight Late Programs.

PG, French) 9.40 The Cup. (1999, PG, Tibetan) 11.25

SBS MOVIES (32)

SEVEN (7)

6.00 Sunrise. 9.00 The Morning Show Summer Series. (PG)

11.30 Seven Morning News. 12.00 MOVIE: Million Dollar Arm. (2014, PGI, R)

2.30 Surf Patrol. (R) 3.00 The Chase. (R)

4.00 Seven News At 4. 5.00 The Chase Australia. (R)

6.00 Seven Local News. 6.30 Seven News.

7.00 Cricket. Big Bash League. Game 21. Adelaide Strikers v Perth Scorchers. From Adelaide Oval.

10.00 Queensland's 20 Greatest Events. (PGan, R) Sharyn Ghidella and Max Futcher countdown 20 events that shaped Queensland, as judged by prominent Queenslanders.

11.30 MOVIE: New Year's Eve. (2011, MI, R) Intertwining stories of

couples and singles set on New Year's Eve in New York. Michelle Pfeiffer, Zac Efron, Ashton Kutcher.

Home Snopping. (R) 4.00 NBC Today. News and current affairs. 5.00 Seven Early News.

5.30 Sunrise. News, sport and weather.

6am Morning Programs. **7TWO** (72) 8.30 Million Dollar Minute. 9.30 NBC Today. Noon Reno Rookie. 12.30 Last Chance Learners. 1.00 My Greek Odyssey. **2.00** Harry's Practice. **2.30** Million Dollar Minute. **3.30** Australia: The Story Of Us. **4.30** The Real Seachange. 5.00 Under The Hammer. **5.30** Escape To The Country. **6.30** Bargain Hunt. **7.30** Father Brown. **8.30** Murdoch Mysteries. **9.30** MOVIE: Daffodils. (2019, M) 11.30 Late Programs.

7MATE (73) 7MATE (73) 6am Morning Programs. **1pm** Swamp People. **2.00** Gold Fever. **3.00** Bottom Feeders. 4.00 Fish'n With Mates. 4.30 Highway Thru Hell. **5.30** Storage Wars: Texas. **6.00** Cricket. Big Bash League. Game 21. Adelaide Strikers v Perth Scorchers. **7.00** Harness Racing. A Night At The Race. Vicbred Super Series. **8.30 MOVIE:** Toke. (2020, MA15+) **10.35 MOVIE:** Keanu. (2016, MA15+) 12.40am Late Programs.

NINE (5)

6.00 Today. 9.00 Today Extra Summer. (PG) 11.30 Morning News.

12.00 MOVIE: The Last Mimzy. (2007, PGal, R) 2.00 Desert Vet. (PGlm, R) 3.00 Tipping Point. (PG) 4.00 Afternoon News. 4.30 Millionaire Hot Seat.

5.30 Nine News Local. 6.00 Nine News 7.00 A Current Affair.

7.30 MOVIE: Hairspray. (2007, PGIs, R) A teenager's obsession with a TV dance show pays off after she lands a spot on the program. Nikki Blonsky, Zac Efron.

9.45 Let's Go Crazy: The GRAMMY Salute To Prince. (PGs, R) A tribute concert to Prince, filmed on the fourth anniversary of his death. Hosted by Maya Rudolph.

11.35 MOVIE: Can't Stop The Music. (1980, PGdls, R) A former model helps a pop composer. Valerie Perrine.

2.00 TV Shop: Home Shopping. (R) v Global Snop. 3.00 TV Shop: Home Shopping. (R) 5.00 News Early Edition. **5.30** Today.

9GEM (52) **9GEM (52) 6am** TV Shop. **7.00** Creflo Dollar Ministries. **7.30** TV Shop: Home Shopping. 10.30 The Ellen DeGeneres Show. 11.30 My Favorite Martian. Noon As Time Goes By. 1.10 Days Of Our Lives. 2.05 The Young And The Restless. 3.00 Antiques Roadshow. 3.30 MOVIE: The Love Lottery. (1954) **5.20** Heartbeat. **6.30** Antiques Roadshow. **7.30** Poirot. **9.30** The First 48. **10.30** The Price Of Duty. 11.30 Late Programs.

9GO! (53) **6am** Children's Programs. **11.00** Dance Moms. **Noon MOVIE:** BMX Bandits. **9GO!** (53) (1983, PG) 2.00 Malcolm. 3.00 The Six Million Dollar Man. 4.00 Quantum Leap. 5.00 Knight Rider. **6.00** Malcolm. **7.00** The Nanny. **7.30** MOVIE: Anger Management. (2003, M) 9.35 MOVIE: Get Shorty. (1995, MA15+) 11.45 The Nanny. 12.15am Baywatch. 1.10 Xtreme Collxtion. 2.10 Dance Moms. 3.00 Late Programs.

WIN (8)

6.00 Headline News. 7.30 WIN News. (R) 8.30 Studio 10. (PG) 11.00 Good Chef Bad Chef. (R) 11.30 My Market Kitchen. (R) 12.00 Dr Phil. (PGa, R) 1.00 Jamie & The Nonnas. (R) 2.00 Entertainment Tonight. 2.30 Everyday Gourmet With Justine Schofield. (R) 3.00 Judge Judy. (PG) 3.30 Left Off The Map. 4.00 Farm To Fork. (PG) 4.30 The Bold And The Beautiful. (PG, R) 5.00 10 News First.

6.00 WIN News.

6.30 The Project. A look at the day's news. 7.30 John Foreman's Pops Orchestra **NYE Gala.** A New Year's Eve gala concert. 9.00 Have You Been Paying

Attention To 2020? (Malns, R) Guests include Marty Sheargold, Celia Pacquola, Melanie Bracewell, Sam Pang and Ed Kavalee

10.00 MOVIE: The Great Gatsby. (2013, Mav, R) A writer is drawn into the world of a millionaire. Leonardo DiCaprio, Tobey Maguire.

12.40 WIN's All Australian News. 1.40 The Project. (R) O The Late Show With Stephen Colbert. (PG) 3.30 Home Shopping. (R) 4.30 CBS This Morning.

BOLD (81) 6am Home Shopping. **8.00** Mission: Impossible. **9.00** Diagnosis Murder. 10.00 Star Trek: The Next Generation. 11.00 Star Trek: Voyager. **Noon** Star Trek. **1.00** WIN's All Australian News. 2.00 Mission: Impossible 3.00 Bondi Rescue. 3.30 Diagnosis Murder. 4.30 Star Trek: The Next Generation. **5.30** Star Trek: Voyager. **6.30** Bondi Rescue. **7.30** NCIS. **8.30** Hawaii Five-0. 10.30 SEAL Team. 11.30 Late Programs.

PEACH (82) 6am Charmed. 7.00 Dr Quinn. **8.00** Murphy Brown. **8.30** Rules Of Engagement. 9.00 King Of Queens. 10.00 Raymond. 11.00 Frasier. Noon WIN News. 1.00 Dr Quinn. 2.00 Seinfeld. 2.30 Rules Of Engagement. 3.00 King Of Queens. 4.00 Raymond. 5.00 Frasier **6.00** Friends. **6.30** Neighbours. **7.00** Friends. **8.00** The Big Bang Theory. **9.30** Seinfeld. **10.00** The Middle. 11.00 Late Programs.

SUDOKU

No.008

To solve a Sudoku puzzle, every number from 1 to 9 must appear in: each of the nine vertical columns, each of the nine horizontal rows and each of the nine 3 x 3 boxes. Remember, no number can occur more than once in any row, column or box

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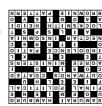
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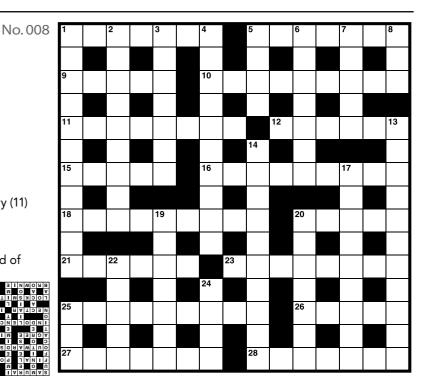
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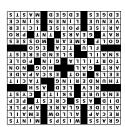
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O S M O L

No colloquial or foreign words. No capitalised nouns,

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Today's Aim:

14 words: Good

21 words: Very good

29 words: Excellent

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QUICK QUIZ



- What is the Yiddish word that means both poultry fat and something overly sentimental?
- In what year did the *Titanic* sink?
- What city is known as the sugar capital of Australia?
- What herb is sometimes known as wild marjoram?
- For Whom the Bell Tolls and The Old Man and the Sea were written by which author?
- What device emits a clicking sound, which is used to help keep music in time?
- 7 In 2010, who had a hit with the song Raise Your Glass?
- Australian athlete Ashleigh Barty (pictured) is most famous for playing what sport?
- In what year was the euro introduced: 1988, 1995 or 1999?
- 10 Is the fifth letter of the Greek alphabet Delta, Epsilon or Gamma?

7. Pink 8. Tennis 9. 1999 10. Epsilon 4. Oregano 5. Ernest Hemingway 6. Metronome ANSWERS: 1. Schmaltz 2. 1912 3. Mackay

Rural Matters

Agriculture has our backs

By AgForce general president **Georgie Somerset**

Australia has often been called the lucky country - and boy if that hasn't been true this year.

Yes, Covid has meant we've had to make some changes, and Victoria endured a period in lockdown longer than any of us would ever

And we are mindful of those spending Christmas overseas in the US, UK, or Europe, with Covid on the rampage and winter about to unleash its full fury.

For agriculture, in many ways, it was like it never existed. We continued to produce like we always do, putting one foot in front of the other to ensure Australians had plenty of clean, high-quality food throughout the year, and on their dinner tables this Christmas.

We are, after all, one of few nations in the world that can not only provide all our own food but trade the excess with countries not as fortunate as us

It's why we find it hard to fathom that there are some in society who would rid Australia of agriculture altogether, preferring instead to have their food made in laboratories, stuffed into packets and tin cans on supermarket shelves instead.

Behind the scenes during Covid, AgForce worked with government at all levels to help have agriculture's rightful place as an essential service declared, and then to make sure the state borders were open and the food production lines continued uninterrupted, when they

were closed to many.

The state election, and the impact of Covid strangely enough, allowed us to make the most of our Stand With Regional Queensland campaign and to ensure those living in our cities realise the special place agriculture holds in the lives of everyone, not only in Queensland but throughout Australia and the rest of the

AgForce's hope now is that as Christmas approaches the spirit of giving overcomes everyone, especially the decision makers in George Street, and that it translates into fruitful relationships and many tangible results.

And as this is my final column for 2020, it is terrific to be able to celebrate a member's

AgForce members Mark and Vicki Murphy recently delivered a shipment of Karbullah saltbush lamb to Parliament House, to be served up by Head Chef Andrew McCrea to Queensland politicians, including the premier, as part of the restaurant's Christmas fare.

Surely this is a timely reminder of the connection regional Queensland and agriculture has to everyone, including our decision makers, and we look forward to a brighter, more collaborative 2021.

Merry Christmas everyone.

With Christmas here, Agforce is looking forward to a brighter and more collaborative 2021



Wild dog sightings highlight threat posed to livestock

Recent sightings of packs of wild dogs along pecially in peri-urban areas of Queensland. the Central Queensland coast has highlighted the threat of attack to livestock remains a very real concern for cattle producers in Queensland.

AgForce Cattle Board president Will Wilson said wild dogs were affecting the cattle industry right across Queensland in varying degrees, through impacts such as mortality or through less obvious means like harass-

"Recently, we had a case in Rockhampton where a pack of seven wild dogs killed two weaner bulls, a cow, and a large calf," Mr Wil-

"When pack size is large like this, they are more than capable of taking down large stock and causing untold harm and destruction, not only to livestock but to domestic pets, es-

"There is also a real need for state forests and national parks to be controlled as they certainly are harbouring them.

"Ongoing, regular best practice management can help reduce the impacts by keeping dog numbers low, but it's important producers keep an eye out for signs of dog activity and monitor the behaviour of stock that may be stressed due to dog activity and harass-

"Control at key times during the year can be more effective in picking up young juvenile dogs or travelling males looking for mating partners as well.

"It's important that any control programs are carried out in a coordinated way, with as many neighbouring properties as possible involved. The broader the scale of the program, the more effective it will be in the long run.'

AgForce's Wild Dog Coordinators project has been helping reduce the threat posed by wild dogs via a successful collaboration between State and Local Government and

The Queensland Feral Pest Initiative program has delivered 2652km of exclusion fencing, protecting 1.59 million hectares of land from the predations of wild dogs.

AgForce Biosecurity Committee chair Ivan Naggs said that when used in conjunction with other control measures like baiting and trapping, exclusion fencing was a very effective solution.

"Each year wild dogs kill or maim millions of dollars' worth of livestock and exclusion fencing is helping reduce that," Mr Naggs said.

"But we also need experienced people to help educate landholders in all aspects of control and the tools available, and to assist local councils develop legacy leaving management plans and coordinated programs to help control wild dogs. That's where our Wild Dog Coordinators project has been vital.

"It's important we continue to raise awareness about wild dogs roaming landscapes and how to control them.

"It's about using every control tool available to reduce their numbers within the environment, reduce their impact on livestock, and allow our farming families to sleep easy at night."

For assistance with wild dog control and information on best practice management techniques, producers should contact their local council, Rural Lands Officer, or AgForce.



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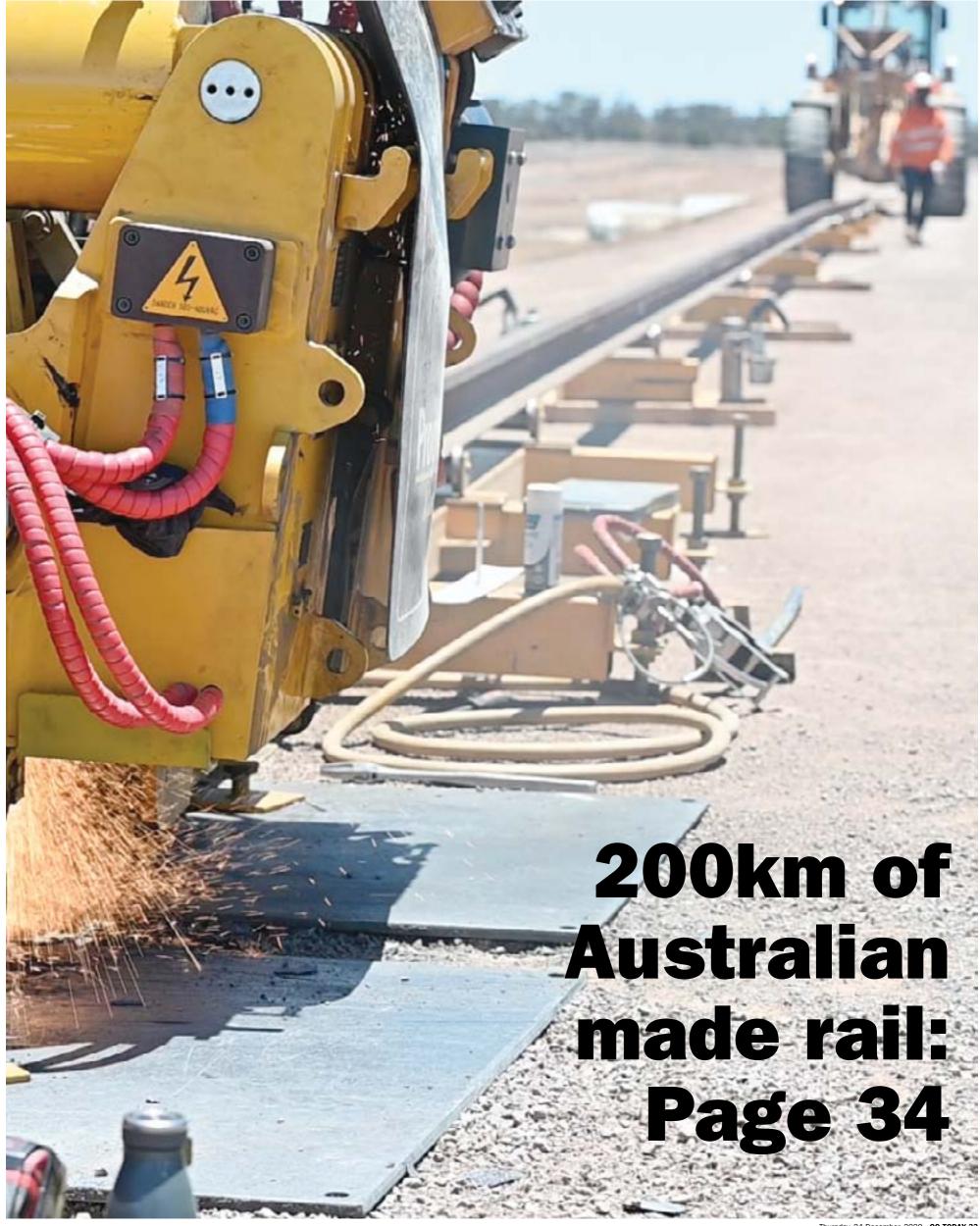


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Australian made railway

Bravus Mining and Resources has begun laying its 200km railway line in Central Queensland and the track will proudly be Australian made.

Bravus CEO Mr David Boshoff said the materials for the track, including the girders, steel, sleepers and ballast were all produced in Australia, and the contractors building the railway were also all local.

"We always said the Carmichael Project would create Australian jobs and benefit local businesses and this is yet another example of how we are delivering on our promise," Mr Boshoff said

"Our rail workers camps were built by Australian company Decmil, based out of Rockhampton, and our rail camp operators are based in Collinsville. Our railway earthworks and civil works are being delivered by Martinus Rail and BMD, using their regional Queensland workforces in Rockhampton and Townsville. The girders are being delivered by Rockhampton-based Stresscrete, our rail sleepers are also home-grown in Rockhampton, and our track steel is Australian-made too," he said.

"We are creating and sustaining jobs and businesses in Queensland and across the country."

The 200km narrow-gauge rail project will connect the Carmichael mine to Abbot Point Terminal via existing rail infrastructure and



Bravus Mining and Resources has begun laying 200km of Australian-made railway line.

will be one of the largest privately funded railways in the country.

"Bravus Mining and Resources is using Australian materials and Australian contractors so that the jobs and economic benefits of our privately funded rail infrastructure go straight back into the Australian economy," Mr Boshoff said.

"Our high quality Australian products used on the track will literally be the backbone of

the railway for decades to come."Mr Boshoff said the Covid-19 recession meant Bravus's investment was needed more than ever.

"Mining has cushioned the Queensland and Western Australian economies from the worst of the devastating economic impact of the Covid-19 lockdowns," Mr Boshoff said.

"At a time when the local and global economy is struggling, we are pleased to be supporting fellow Australian companies and local busi-

nesses, making the most of materials you can find right here in our own Australian backyard.

"We are proud to have made good on our promises to Queensland, and especially regional Queensland. We have created more than 2000 jobs and signed more than \$1.5 billion in contracts.

"As we work with smaller, private, and Queensland-based contractors and suppliers, we have been able to keep working through the Covid-19 pandemic with appropriate measures in place.

"More than 88 per cent of our contracts are being delivered in Queensland and have been spread across all corners of the state to give as many regions as possible the opportunity to benefit from our project, while also enabling us to tap into the highly-skilled construction and resources industry workforce that Queensland possesses."

Mr Boshoff said the track materials had been delivered to the construction site and was being be laid at a rate of between 900m to 1.2km of track a day at each end of the railway simultaneously.

"Every week we are reaching exciting new major milestones on the Carmichael mine and rail projects bringing us a step closer to the reality of completion. We are on track and looking forward to producing first coal in 2021," he said



Year like no other for JRT

As we know 2020 has been a year like no other not just in Central Queensland but around the

JRT group managing director Jason Thomasson has given an update on the company and a look ahead to 2021.

"As one of Central Queensland's largest Civil Construction Companies, locally owned and operated, right now we are experiencing significant growth with new contracts being awarded to start in 2021, which is very positive," he said.

Some major projects that JRT have been involved in during 2020 include:

- Foxleigh Mine Site: JRT was responsible for the Cockatoo Creek Levee and Diversion Extension which included excavation, backfill and build of levee banks and soil rehabilita-
- Laing O'Rourke Shoalwater Bay Site: JRT was responsible for site preparation, septic system installation, road access and paving, bore improvement, haul road earthworks and paving and intersection fill and paving.
- A range of residential sub-divisions: JRT was responsible for the subdivision of several different subdivisions including roadworks, stormwater drainage, electrical and telephone conduiting, water reticulation and retaining walls

Some facts about the works undertaken by JRT include:

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- Currently JRT is working across 17 different work sites including: Bunnings Yeppoon, Riverside Waters Housing Development, Oak Tree Retirement Village



Artists Luke and Bill Gannon (front) with JRT's Brad Neven and Jason Thomasson, have big plans for the silos at Lily Place.

■ JRT owns 140 pieces of plant and equipment including: Dozers, excavators, graders, loaders, rollers, skid steers, combos, an assortment of trucks including tip trucks, moxy trucks and water trucks, and forklifts.

"2020 showed a period of struggle with the coronavirus pandemic affecting the entire world, with restaurants shut down, schools closed, travel restrictions, social distancing and grocery stores were stripped of essentials. I am pleased say that on the whole, JRT and the group of companies came through this ex-



Kinka Beach, housing subdivision.



Riverside Waters housing subdivision.

tremely difficult period quite well," Mr Thom-

"Lily Place Industrial Precinct made a lot of noise during 2020 with the demolition of the old cement works 200ft reinforced concrete chimney stack. In addition, the Lily Place Silos will be changing the Rockhampton skyline in 2021 with local artists Bill and Luke Gannon commissioned to complete the artworks in

"As we look forward to 2021 JRT, I am excited to announce JRT Group of Companies have been awarded some new civil construction projects within Central Queensland that are looking to get underway as soon as next week.



Sea Haven housing subdivision.

"These major subdivision projects will deliver many new jobs to the Rockhampton and Yeppoon area and inject \$9 million to the region. With the recent boom in purchasing and building new homes, it will be fantastic to see further development in this sector.

"In 2021 we are looking forward to introducing some new employee benefits: such as retail discounts at places such as JB Hi-Fi, Better Electrical, BCF, Webjet, Michael Hill, Caltex and more, in addition to the ability to novated leasing a motor vehicle, and we are exploring the possibility of corporate rates for health in-

"We are currently looking for new staff including experienced plant operators, concreters, pipe layers and labourers. If you are interested in any of these roles, please find out more at jrtgroup.com.'

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Nu-Tank tanks installed at one of the camps housing some of the 2000 workers on the Carmichael Project.

Bravus contracts Nu-Tank

Bravus Mining and Resources has partnered with Rockhampton-based family business, Nu-Tank, to deliver more than \$1 million worth of water storage.

Bravus CEO David Boshoff said partnering with Nu-Tank and other regional businesses was a key part of the promise to repay regional Queensland for their support to get the mine approved.

"Nu-Tank is a great example of the kind of regional company we want to do business with," Mr Boshoff said.

"They're Rockhampton based, they build a class-leading product, and dollars that we spend with them flow directly to the local economy, providing jobs and security for regional Queenslanders.

"This is yet another partnership in more than \$1.5 billion worth of contracts that have already been awarded, providing much needed economic stimulus to the regions.

"Water is a precious resource, especially in regional Queensland, and these tanks are critical to helping us safely and responsibly manage water use on the Carmichael Project," he said.

Nu-Tank managing director Stephen Trail said Bravus' support for local businesses was paying dividends for regional economies.

"The money coming back through the town is boosting local jobs, and we've put people on knowing that we've got plenty of consistent working going out to the new Carmichael Project," Mr Trail said.

"Bravus spending money in our town is

providing a much-needed boost in these uncertain times."

"We've supplied a multitude of products out there; transport tanks, rainwater tanks, wastewater, raw sewage, and some large steel tanks for the quarrying side of it," he said.

Bravus has recently announced it has reached peak construction on the Carmichael Mine and Rail Project, with more than \$1.5 billion in contracts awarded and more than 2000 direct jobs created. The Carmichael Project is on track for the production of first coal in 2021.

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Bravus regional development manager Cameron Tragardh and Nu-Tank managing director Stephen Trail inspecting some of the tanks installed on the Carmichael Project.













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Port's plans for growth

An old fuel tank terminal at the Port of Bundaberg has been demolished to make way for a multi-commodity ship loading facility, as part of Gladstone Ports Corporation's 50-year

The decommissioned fuel tank terminal previously owned by a global storage service included seven large fuel tanks, which originally stored petroleum and diesel.

Earlier this year, GPC successfully acquired the decommissioned site, with plans of developing bulk storage and handling facilities to enhance opportunities through the Port of Bundaberg.

Acting CEO Craig Walker said GPC is also working to develop a new multi user conveying

"We will be able to connect the existing facilities to load bulk minerals and agricultural resources," Mr Walker said.

"We're now working with engineers from local Bundaberg business Okara to bring the multi-user and trial bulk storage facility to life,"

"At GPC, our mission is to responsibly manage and develop prosperity in an environmentally, socially and sustainable manner which is why we're proud to have Queensland-based demolition specialists, DEMEX recycling the demolished tanks.

"With the tank facility now demolished we have been able to extend our footprint to seven hectares of land which can be utilised for dry bulk storage or other import and export trade."

The cleared site is expected to be fully remediated and ready for development by early next

Mr Walker said recent developments at the Port of Bundaberg, including port roads and water management systems, were important investments to facilitating growth for the re-

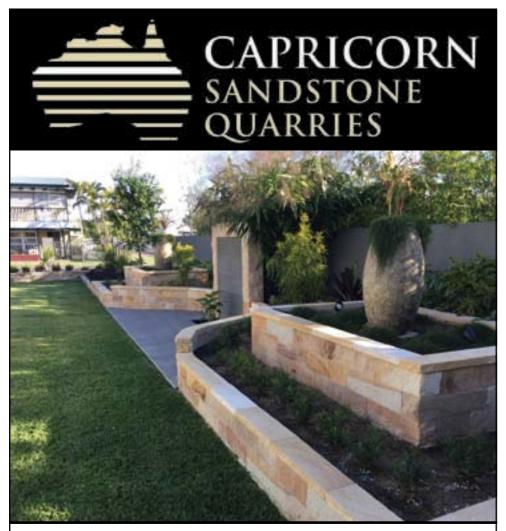
"The opportunities for trade through the Port of Bundaberg have been significantly enhanced," Mr Walker said.

The Wide Bay Burnett region has quality agricultural land and mineral deposits and is in proximity to emerging markets in Asia - GPC will be there to support this growth," he said.





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Gladstone Ports Corporation's Volunteer of the Year Jon Kane with Jenny Holland, the mother of Brent Holland who tragically died from leukaemia.

Volunteers give blood

Community champion Jon Kane has taken home Gladstone Ports Corporation's (GPC) Volunteer of the Year award after driving one of Australia's biggest blood donation groups, in memory of a good mate and GPC apprentice, Brent Holland.

The Bleed4Brent program started in 2017 after 20-year-old GPC electrical apprentice Brent tragically lost his life to leukaemia.

Since then, Jon has made 14 whole blood donations and encouraged 80 new donors to donate blood.

Each year, GPC recognises employees who have gone above and beyond for the community with seven standout nominees in 2020 who have scarified their time in improving the Gladstone community.

Jon Kane took home the top going for his commitment to raising awareness about leukaemia and the importance of donating blood

Acting CEO Craig Walker said the entire GPC family were proud of Jon's achievements for the Bleed4Brent program.

"Jon has been relentless in his campaigning efforts for the Bleed for Brent Group, The Leukaemia Foundation and the Gladstone Blood Bank to help save lives after Brent his life to the disease," Mr Walker said.

Jon's commitment to the Bleed4Brent program has helped save 4908 lives in the past 12 months and put the group in Australia's top 100 for blood donor groups - coming in at 67.

Gladstone's Donor Centre Manager Kerry Myers said the Bleed4Brent program was inspiring with 1180 donations made during one of the hardest years for Lifeblood. "Jon and his wife and everyone in the Bleed4Brent team come in wearing flannelette shirts when they give blood in memory of their friend Brent Holland so our team has even decided to wear the shirts too," she said.

"It's a wonderful cause we're proud to support because blood and plasma is one of the most powerful gifts you can give someone."

Ms Myers said now was a great time to donate as stocks of platelets for cancer patients were under pressure during the holiday season with less people giving blood over Christmas

"It takes four blood donations to make just one dose of platelets and they only last for five days so donors are constantly needed across the holidays to ensure cancer patients have access to the vital product," Ms Myers said.

Mr Walker said GPC was home to proud people with a long history of creating and facilitating prosperity for Queensland and the local community.

"We had seven nominees this year for our Volunteer of the Year award, which is incredibly humbling to know we have so many community champions at GPC who generously sacrifice their time for others," Mr Walker said.

"It is humbling to know our GPC family is made up of so many inspiring individuals who make our community stronger."

Some of the charities GPC employees volunteer at include Hopelink, Gladstone Wildlife Carers, Gladstone Cardio Rehab Centre, the Leukaemia Foundation and Men's Health counselling services, Tannum Sands Surf Life Saving Club, Ride4Lives Australia Inc.



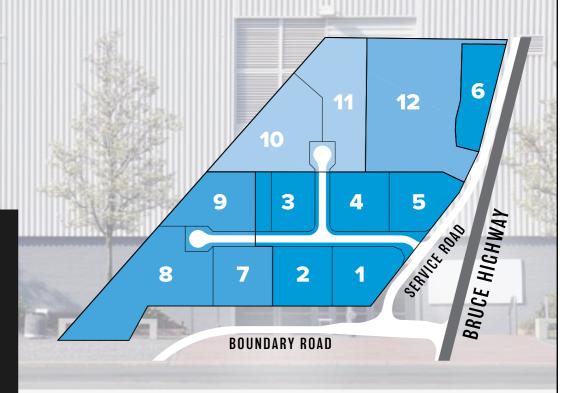
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GMPS received a certificate of international standard for maritime pilot organisations this month, after meeting strict safety guidelines and standards as prescribed by ISPO and verified by Lloyds Register.

GPC's pilot service work around-the clock ensuring safe and efficient pilotage for the Port of Gladstone, Port Alma and Port of Bundaberg.

ISPO is an international group, which promotes a safety culture and includes 22 organisations which provide auditable services to ports and ship owners across the world, ensuring best practice and transparency to stakeholders.

Acting CEO Craig Walker said the accreditation is important for all pilot services and demonstrates GPC's commitment to safety.

"We have a very professional and dedicated team of pilots whom safely guide ships into and out of our ports 24/7 and 365 days a year,"

Mr Walker said.

"The accreditation is a fantastic achievement for GPC's pilot services and a reflection of how hard our team works to maintain safety," he said.

"Pilots have some of the most challenging jobs in the world and they are vital in order to protect our oceans and ports.

"As one of the oldest professions in the world, it is vital they have the necessary and the latest support to conduct their work at the highest safety standard.

"Now our GMPS has joined forces with the ISPO, we will be able to help improve safety in the delivery of pilot services across the globe and it also ensures we're given a voice on future developments."

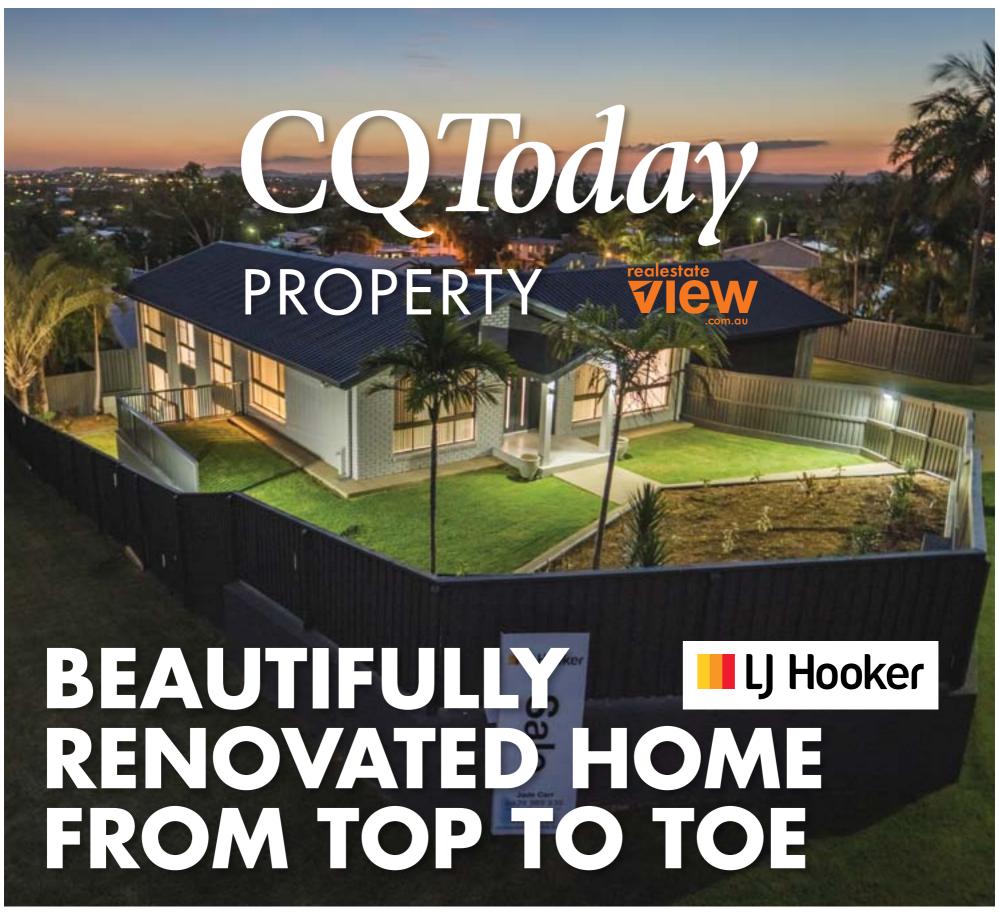
The ISPO group includes pilot organisations across Europe, Australia, the Caribbean and the Middle East.

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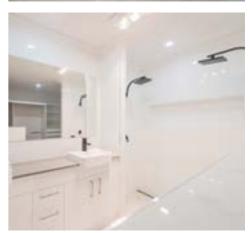
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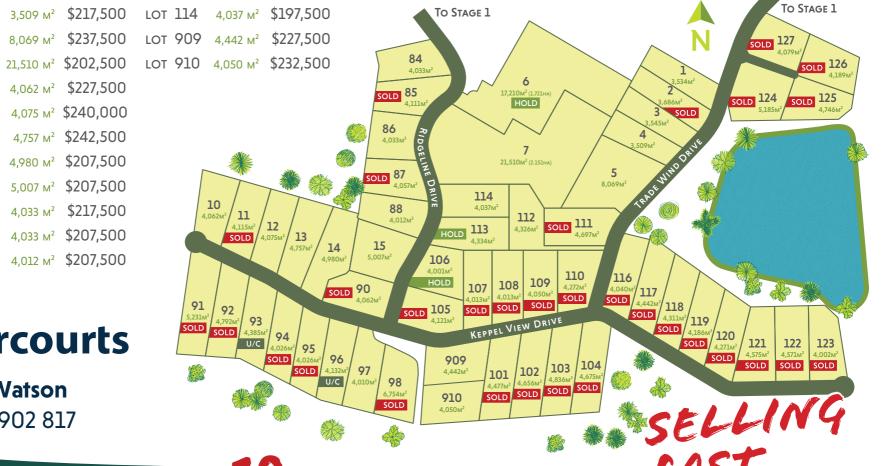


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In fact, the tradition of Christmas trees goes back over 1000 years to when Scandinavian people, who, prior to becoming Christians, worshipped trees. After becoming Christians, they made evergreen trees part of their Christian festivals.

The legend of the first Christmas tree is told about an English missionary, travelling through Europe about 1200 years ago, who found a group of heathens about to make a sacrificial killing to the god Thor, under an oak

The missionary stopped the sacrifice and cut down the oak tree and as the oak fell, a young pine tree appeared. He told the people that the pine was 'the tree of life' and represented Christ, and thus we traditionally have pine trees for Christmas.

The tradition of decorating the Christmas tree came from a different source. On the first day of January, the Romans exchanged decorated tree branches exchanged decorated tree branches for good luck, and this custom was adopted by the English for Christmas.

However, the Germans would have to be credited with being the first to use Christmas tree decorations, using gilded nuts, stars, angels, toys and even sweets wrapped in bright paper. The people of Poland also adopted the practice of decorating Christmas trees, with bright paper ornaments and candles.

AFTER CHRISTMAS

Straight after Christmas, one of the biggest problems faced by many people is how to look after the Christmas tree that has been inside for the last few weeks. While they may still look attractive, some care will be required when relocating them to their outdoor position for the next eleven months.

Always one of the first problems encountered after moving their tree outside is browning of the outer shoots. Quite often this will happen within days of relocating the tree, but don't worry, fresh green shoots should appear within the first five to six weeks.

Sometimes some of the older, brown tips may need to be pruned, and the tree may even need some light reshaping, particularly if decorations or children overcome with too much Christmas spirit have bent or broken some of the branches.

Ideally the best position to place the Christmas tree after being inside is an open, but quite shaded area, such as a greenhouse or under the shade of a tree, e.g. a mango tree, but without any direct sunlight. Over the next five to six weeks, gradually move the tree into a sunnier position.

An important note to remember is that the According to old tradition, a family's



A Christmas tree farm. Scandinavian people made evergreen trees part of their Christian festivals after becoming Christians.

shadier the position in which the tree is kept during the year, the more compact in appearance the tree will be, and will therefore make a more attractive Christmas tree for the following year.

Another question always asked straight after Christmas is "Should the Christmas tree be repotted into a bigger pot?

This is not advisable as the bigger the pot, the bigger the plant, and eventually the tree will become too big to move inside.

As far as fertilising goes, a teaspoon of Osmocote during the next few weeks is highly recommended, and then probably another application of Osmocote during spring would provide the best Christmas specimen for Christmas 2021.

THE MEANING OF CHRISTMAS

DECORATIONS

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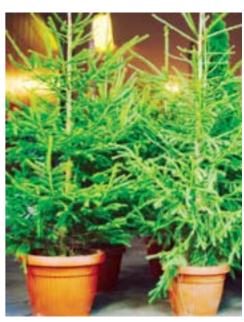
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- Bird symbolises good luck
- House signifies family shelter
- Teapot symbolises hospitality
- Pine Cone symbolises eternity ■ Fruit - symbolises plentiful blessings
- Rose symbol of the Virgin Mary
- Animal symbolises peace with nature
- Santa Claus symbol of giving and caring • Fish - symbolises Christ, as well as fertility
- Flower Basket represents beauty in the
- Heart represents true love

CHRISTMAS WISH

On behalf of my family and myself I would like to wish everyone a happy, holy, safe and wet

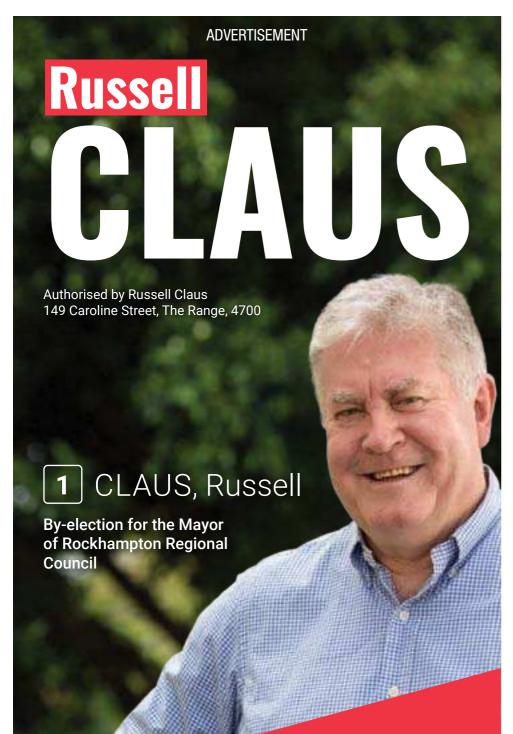


A living Christmas tree. The Germans are credited with being the first to use Christmas tree decorations.



The tradition of Christmas trees goes back over 100 years.





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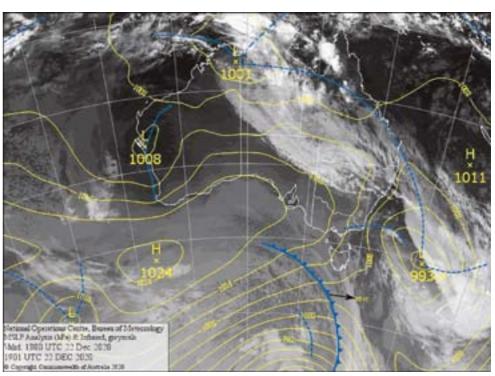
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Rocky sizzles in 'heatwave'

By weather forecaster Mike Griffin

Rockhampton went through a pre-Christmas moderate heatwave that lasted seven days.

Most people were feeling oppressed as the morning dew points stayed around 21-22C, making everyone swelter on the way to work.

Plus the overcast early low cloud had a few drops making the humidity feel very uncomfortable. Then the cloud broke, allowing temperatures to climb into the mid-30s. The top temperature was 36.5C last Friday, and most days got a tad over 35C. Thank goodness for air-con!

There were reports of at least one person a day being admitted to hospital with heat stress earlier in the month. One woman worked through the middle of the day and forgot where she parked her car. This reminds me of the Darwin 'build-up' in November or 'suicide season', just before the wet season.

Only a 40-45-minute drive away is the Capricorn Coast where the maximum did not get over 30C. A good six degrees different to hot Rocks!

The cloud over us at the moment started in the earlier than normal monsoon trough in the Kimberley. The almost 2000km long and 800km wide 'Monsoonal Cloud Band' covered most of northeastern Australia. We have not seen this in the last 10 to 15 years.

Currently, the middle level cloud from the monsoon low over the NT/WA border (see weather map) spreads out above the NT, most of southwestern Queensland and northwestern NSW.

Embedded in the cloud are isolated storms which have caused very heavy falls across the country. Last week Upper Springbrook in the Gold Coast hinterland recorded a massive 955mm inside five days, causing flash flooding with the Albert River "jumping 3.8m inside an hour"!

All the Northern Rivers of NSW (Tweed, Richmond, Bellingen - to name a few) were in

Over seven days, Kununurra in the Kimberley recorded 204mm, Darwin 151mm, most of the Top End received 196mm, Milingimbi in Arnhemland had 248mm, Centre Island in the southwestern Gulf copped 249mm, Tanami Desert 109mm, Alice Springs 49mm, Mt Isa 145mm, New May Downs 115mm, Stanthorpe 92mm (no local water last year), and Kowanyama had 58mm. Then in NSW, Lismore had 232mm, Grafton 184mm, Taree 208mm, Newcastle 116mm, Katoomba 104mm, St Ives (Sydney) 81mm, and Mossvale 115mm. Even the south coast of NSW got a soaking, with 56mm falling at Batemans Bay.

Also, Victoria did not escape the cloud. A small low developed off Gabo Island in Gippsland causing 77mm of rain at Gabo and 45mm at Mallacoota, plus a place called Bet Bet near Bendigo recorded 122mm. Amazing!

Australia has not experienced a pre-Christmas monsoonal cloud band in many years.

A line of storms developed along the edge of the cloudband on Monday and Tuesday, reaching the Capricornia/Central Highlands border Tuesday evening. Biloela got 72mm, while Callide Dam only received 8mm. Other falls of note include Petrona 74mm, Glen Rock 53mm, Blackdown Tablelands 50mm, Dysart 41mm, Upper Van Dyke 26mm, Lockington 25mm, Funnel Creek 20mm, Bingegang/Gladstone Radar 16mm, Bedford Weir 14mm, Duringa 10mm, Mt Morgan/Wowan/Emerald 3mm, Raglan 2mm.

FORECAST

A surface southerly (see map) moved through southern Queensland Tuesday, reaching Gladstone about 12am and was accompanied with a shower. Then it moved through Rocky about 1am, Yeppoon 4am and Heron at 6am.

This is unusual as the southerly normally starts over the ocean first then reaches the land later, making the relatively drier inland air holding back the moist sea air from developing cloud and a shower. So this delayed version of the South Trades, with gusts over 20 knots, should bring showers onto the the coast, mainly north of Yeppoon and extending to the Bruce Highway north of Yamba to Marlborough and St Lawrence/Mackay. Boaties - be wary of these uncomfortable 1.5-2 metre seas, which could ease back late Sunday into Monday.

So, what about Rocky for Christmas Day? Models differ with one lot giving 1-4 mm with a sprinkle on and off all day, while the others seem to give 8-13mm with light steady rain starting late morning and lasting till early Saturday. This will be what most people north of Rocky will receive.

One good thing is the heat will be gone. With the good cloud cover, temperatures will be in the high 20s, with the latter scenario a possible 25-26C. Then the cloud breaks with temperatures reaching close to 29C, or a tad above Saturday.

An early coastal shower Sunday could reach the Berserkers early Sunday. If the cloud breaks enough it will be a maximum of 31-32C. Then, depending on the wind tending more east to north easterly, maximums should reach 33-34C, with 35-36C in the west. The best place to be is along the coast where maximums should reach close to 30C.

A coastal shower or two mid week could reach the river city Wednesday, This may take the edge off the heat.

Of interest, the high in the Tasman weakens allowing a trough to develop along the NT/Qld border. This will reach into NSW,with isolated storms reaching the east coast, possibly during the holiday break or early new year. We are a chance!

Merry Christmas!



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Announcements

✓ Deaths

ANDERSON, **Charles Edward**

of Grosskopf Street Frenchville passed away peacefully on Saturday 12th December 2020.

Aged 85 years.

Beloved Husband of Audrey.

Much loved Father of Sharyn, Rodney, and

Loved Brother and Brother-in-law to Colin and

A funeral service was held for Charles on Tuesday, 22nd December 2020



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COCKER, William John 'Bill'

Of Bethesda Home and formerly of Talbot Estate Rockhampton passed away peacefully on Thursday 17th December 2020

Aged 90 years.

Beloved Husband of Betty.

Much loved Father and Father-in-law to John and Janet, David and Jan, Daryl and Margaret, Geoff and

Loved Grandad Bill to Damien, Justin, Brett, Kieran, Jarrod, Nathan, Daniel, Amy and Hayden.

A Funeral Service was held for Bill yesterday on Wednesday 23rd December 2020 at the Rockhampton Crematorium.



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∨ Deaths

COOME, **Desmond Thomas**

of Horton Street, Koongal, passed away peacefully in Rockhampton on Monday 14th December, 2020.

Aged 83 Years

Loving Husband of 62 Years to Estelle. Much loved Father and Father-in-law to Lisa, Brad and Kris

> Loved Grandad to Kent, Grant, Kimberley, Ashleigh and Sophie. Loved Great Grandad to Xavier. Amelia and Leo. Friend of Kerry.

A private family service was held for Des as per his wishes.



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CRANE Debra Dawn

of Glenlee

Formerly of Dysart and Mount Morgan Passed away peacefully surrounded by her loving family On Sunday 20th December 2020

Aged 63 years.

Loved Wife of Ray. Much loved Mother and Mother-in-law To Ann-Marie and Ross, Tracy and Tony, Steven and Tracev.

Loved Nana to Abby, Brittany, Bailey, Dakota, Ella,

Mason and Libby. Loved Sister and Sister -in-law and Aunt to the Allardice and Crane families.

Relatives and friends are respectfully invited to attend a

Celebration of Debbie's Life to be held in the

East Chapel Rockhampton Crematorium on Tuesday 29th December 2020 commencing at 10am.



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✓ Funeral Services

CLIFFORD, **Stanley Evans**

Passed away peacefully on 15th December 2020.

Aged 60 Years

Loving and Devoted Husband to Wendy Maree.

Cherished Son to Coral and Brian (Both Dec'd).

Brother and Brother-In-Law to Douglas (Dec'd), Wayne and Cath, Wendy Ann (Dec'd), Herb and Hem Greenough, Robyn and Garry Lewis

Uncle to Hayden, Angus, Matthew, Daniel, Simon, Liam, Ellen, Hannah, Gerrard, Harrison, Monica, Jessica, Bobby and their respective families.

All Family and Friends are warmly invited to attend Clifford's Funeral Service to be held at the East Chapel of the Rockhampton Crematorium TODAY at 10am.



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MOONEY Lance Edward

30 September 1954 - 11 April 2020

Now that COVID-19 restrictions have eased, the family will be holding a memorial service on Friday 8th January 2021, 10am at the Nerimbera Memorial Gardens.

> All family and friends are invited to attend as we celebrate his life and say our farewells.

If anyone wishes to speak at the service, please call 0438 277 048 to organise beforehand

SCANLAN, Valerie Hazel 'Val'

of New Auckland Place Gladstone and Formerly of Bolton street Allenstown passed away peacefully on Saturday 19th December 2020.

Aged 88 years.

Beloved Wife of Tom (dec.).

Much loved Mother and Mother-in-law to Sherry (dec.), Greg (Marty) and Gayle.

Very much loved Grandma to Bradley, Jacky, Ashley and Great Grandma to Charlotte and Harriett.

Loved Sister to Mais.

Relatives and Friends are respectfully invited to attend A Celebration of Val's Life to be held in the East Chapel of the Rockhampton Crematorium on Wednesday 30th December 2020 commencing at 10am.







Muriel Kathleen Ross 24.03.1932 - 18.12.2013 Wife, Mother, Grandmother

Sadly missed along life's way, Quietly remembered every day, No longer in our lives to share, But in our hearts you are always there,

& Great Grandmother.

Miss you. Your loving Husband Jim & Families -9**.**@-



Love from the Ross Family.

PALFREY, Lionel

19/11/1945 - 30/11/2020



Pam, Sherrie, Heath and Family would sincerely like to thank everyone for their words of comfort, cards, flowers and support during this difficult time.



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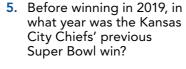


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SPORTS QUIZ

- 1. What is the name of the Rugby Union World Cup trophy?
- 2. Which soccer team does Aussie Sam Kerr play for in the FA Women's Super League in England?
- 3. Which batsman has hit the most sixes in the history of the Big Bash League?
- 4. In the AFL, who was appointed coach of North Melbourne for 2021?



- What is the nickname of the new Tasmanian NBL team entering in 2021/2022?
- In which year did Australian golfer Ian Baker-Finch win the British Open Championship?
- Which team has F2 champion Mick Schumacher signed to drive for in 2021?
- 9. Which high-profile AFL president is stepping down from his position at the end of 2021?

10. The New Zealand Warriors have never won an NRL premiership, but in which season did they win the minor premiership?

> 11. Which Australian sporting league did the Singapore Slingers play in from 2006-2008?

- 12. What team will Australian Formula 1 star Daniel Ricciardo drive for in
- 13. Which team does Chris Lynn play for in the Big Bash League?
- 14. What Major League Baseball team announced in December 2020 that it would drop the nickname 'Indians' for the 2021 season?
- 15. Who is the current coach of the Australian Wallabies?
- 16. Which AFL team drafted Jamarra Ugle-Hagen with the first pick of the 2020 Draft?
- 17. Which regional Queensland city will play host to the 2021 NRL All-Star Game?
- 18. Which Australian boxer fought Bowyn Morgan in December 2020?
- 19. What two regional Victorian cities does A-League club Western United play home matches in?
- 20. In which country is the 2021 edition of the America's Cup being held?



- 21. How many games was the 2020 Major League Baseball season reduced to due to covid-19?
- 22. Which tennis player won the men's singles gold medal at both London 2012 and Rio 2016?
- 23. Which Spanish team has been runner-up in the Champions League three times without yet securing a title?
- 24. Who is the all-time leading wicket-taker in the Big Bash League competition?
- 25. Which team will four-time F1 champion Sebastien Vettel drive for in 2021?

- 26. How many Dally M Medals did Johnathan Thurston win in his NRL career?
- 27. Which Australian holds the Olympic record for the 50km walk, which was achieved at London 2012?
- 28. Which AFL team finished second on the ladder in both the 2019 and 2020 home and away seasons?
- 29. In its 75-year history, how many commissioners has the NBA had in total?
- 30. Which current New Zealand driver has won the IndyCar series six times?

1. Webb Ellis Cup 2. Chelsea 3. Chris Lynn 4. David Noble 5. 1969 6. JackJumpers 7. 1991 8. Haas 9. Eddie McGuire 10. 2002 11. NBL 12. McLaren-Mercedes 13. Brisbane Heat 14. Cleveland 15. Dave Rennie 16. Western Bulldogs 17. Townsville 18. Tim Tszyu 19. Geelong and Ballarat 20. New Zealand 21. 60 22. Andy Murray 23. Atletico Madrid 24. Ben Laughlin 25. Aston Martin 26. Four 27. Jared Tallent 28. Brisbane Lions 29. Five 30. Scott Dixon

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Please note: our office will be closed from 23rd-28th ecember. We will be open on 29th December to take final bookings for this edition and then will close again until 4th January

Network Classifieds would like to wish everyone a Merry Christmas and a safe New Year.



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On the track with Tony

By Rockhampton Jockey Club **CEO Tony Fenion**

G'day this is Tony.

FIRST and foremost, on behalf of the Rockhampton Jockey Club, let me extend to each and every one of you a happy and safe festive season.

Naturally, those sentiments are particularly so for all participants in Central Queensland's racing industry.

The Rockhampton and CQ racing industry should be very proud of itself as to how it has fared during a taxing 2020.

From an RJC perspective, the club has been able to continue trading throughout 2020 despite the Covid-19 restrictions.

We scrambled early in the year, I can tell you, with the Capricornia Yearling Sales set for April having to be revamped to an online

It proved very successful under the trying circumstances.

Then with so many "non-spectator" race meetings the RJC soldiered on at Callaghan

That's nothing new, really, as that has been the case since the Rockhampton Jockey Club was formed in 1868 - making it arguably the longest running sporting facility in Rockhampton.

Now that statement may set the cat among the pigeons.

The club was fortunate to continue trading, thereby ensuring that the hundreds of jobs associated within the local industry ere maintained

Here's to a successful 2021 for all con-

THE club's Kids Xmas Race Day at Callaghan Park was an all-round success.

It was so good to see such an expanded roll-up of family and kids at the track enjoying all the events put on for them.

The Dashi Dash for the Dachshunds has become more and more popular each year. The concept of having it run at dusk and early nightfall was assuredly a winner.

Thanks for all who participated and of course all of the associated sponsors.

WHICH leads me in to the race meeting at Callaghan Park next Tuesday, 29 December.

Titled the Country Races at Callaghan Park, entertainment will feature the Zac

The race day is part of the Capricorn Food and Wine Festival, with events running from 29 December through to 1 January.

Nominations for the seven-race TAB program are pleasing, with 84 entries from as far afield as Toowoomba.

It promises to be a very good day of racing and socialising for the RJC's last race meeting for the calendar year.

CONGRATULATIONS must be extended to the premiership winners of the 2019/20 Rockhampton racing season.

Adrian Coome, a former multiple-winning Rockhampton premiership jockey took out the trainer's premiership.

It was quite a feat by Adrian as he took the coveted prize in his first complete season as a trainer.

Throughout Queensland last season, Coome trained 45 winners and to date this season he has landed 17 winners.

Elly Smith won both the RJC jockey and apprenticeship premiership.

In all, Elly rode 78 winners throughout Queensland during the season - placing her seventh statewide.

She rode 59 provincial race winners during the 2019/20 season, bringing Elly home in fourth placing behind Les Tilley on 74.

Absolut Artie, trained by Ricky Vale, won the title as the RJC Horse of the Year.

The bold front running grey capped his remarkable year, winning the \$100,000 Rockhampton Cup (1600 metres).

Absolut Artie [Artie Schiller (USA)/Naseej] won eight races during the 2019/20 racing

On two occasions during that season, he won three races consecutively.

Ricky Vale took Absolut Artie from a maiden winner in July 2019 to a Rockhampton Cup winner in less than 12 months.

Congratulations to all of the above winners and the connections of Absolut Artie.

The presentation of the 2019/20 season's winners was made during the club's race meeting last Friday.

The winners keep arriving for graduates of Rockhampton's Capricornia Yearling Sales, which by the way will be held at the Rockhampton Showgrounds on Sunday, 11 April,

At the Doomben races last Saturday, the Tony Gollan-trained Pull Anchor was successful for jockey Glen Boss.

Pull Anchor originated from the 2018 CYS and was passed in for \$10,000.

Raced by a syndicate including Blackwater's Tommy Whitehouse, Pull Anchor has won three races and recorded quite a few placings for \$133,600 in stakes.

Incidentally, did you know this?

Glen Boss rode a Rockhampton Cup winner way back in 1989 named Move Closer, which was trained by the Gold Coast's Noel Doyle. Boss was apprenticed to Kaye Tinsley at the Gold Coast at the time and was 20.

Bossy has done pretty well for himself since that day in June, 1989 hasn't, he? Pull Anchor was his 1883rd race winner, which has included 88 Group 1 winners.

Of course, Glen holds a record that is unlikely ever to be beaten.

He won three Melbourne Cups on Makybe Diva from 2003 through to 2005.

Anyhow, I am getting off the track so let's go back to Mackay last Saturday.

Here three Capricornia Yearling Sale graduates enjoyed success.

These included Tom Smith's Better Than Ready 2YO filly Yarralinda - a \$13,250 buy this year, which has now won \$50,850 from two wins and a third.

Yarralinda, in winning the QTIS 2YO Handicap at Mackay, beat two other lots sold from the 2020 Online Yearling Sale in Shesaystnanks and Tahlia Gold.

Princess Rules, a \$39,000 2019 CYS purchase by Gavin 'Lucky' Milner also won at Mackay, taking her record to three wins and four placings for \$95,825.

Princess Rules narrowly beat another from the 2019 CYS in Courtesy Bus.

If you are in the market for a yearling to get into the huge QTIS bonus prize money, the 2021 CYS on 21 April is a must be at venue.

I'll keep you posted with regular updates. Until next week,

Cheers and Merry Christmas,





Les Jones trying out some new lures with a

Brandon Gillet with his mangrove jack

Festive season out in the deep with Dags

By Darryl Branthwaite

Wow - Christmas Eve and Santa is turning up tonight. Have you put your order in for this

Speaking of this year, it's been nothing short of amazing as we have all had to stay at home, and then holiday at home, which has evolved into exploring your own backyard and discovering that this little chunk of Australia, called the Southern Great Barrier Reef, is a world class fishery in every sense of the term.

Offshore, inshore, and impoundments along with our freshwater systems (producing yellow belly, fresh water jew, bass, red claw and more) are certainly producing well.

Our region has also drawn much attention from fishing shows like Reel Action, and All 4x4 Adventures, along with One Road Great Australian Road Trips, and many more. Currently ET is in the region at Callide.

Offshore, the likes of Back 2 Basic Adventures have visited Northwest island recently, whole region, from huge GTs, to cobia, mackonboard Curtis Ferry Services and the clip has now been shown across Australia and probably the world through the BCF network.

This month's Club Marine magazine has a 7-8 page article in it, which yours truly wrote, and it goes out to over 100,000 mail boxes across Australia and the world. I have no doubt that some of you will have it as well.

And let's not play down the local clips you folks are creating, and putting on YouTube, as they too have been admired and looked at all over the world with the only noise you hear being the splash of drool as it hits the ground.

Yeah, it's certainly one mouth-watering place to visit, yet we live here and call it home.

Yesterday would've been the only time this week anyone could slip out for hunting and gathering, with the wind dropping out overnight and then strengthening again in the

There are plenty of pelagics throughout the erel, and the odd tuna.

As you can see, Liam Jones from LJ Complet Angler in Gladstone sent his dad Les out testing some new protype lures and the grin tells it all with a solid GT.

Other mates of Liam's are the Saltie Brothers - Cameron and Brandon Gillet. Now, these fellas a very good fishermen and they are holding up only two of the swag of jack they caught tagged and released this week.

The outlook for the remainder of the week is very ordinary, with the likelihood of a weak Christmas and Boxing Day, plus the wind is going to blow like a... well, you can fill that space

Until next time, I wish you all a wonderful and blessed Christmas, and don't forget what

> Hooroo. Dags.



Standing tall on big stage

ROCKHAMPTON CYCLING CLUB

Rockhampton Cycling Club Velodrome cyclists brought home 25 medals from the Junior and Masters State Championships held in Brisbane at the Anna Meares Velodrome.

Fortunately for the cyclists, the velodrome is an indoor complex so the wild weather that lashed the south east corner didn't disrupt the four days of the

State Championships.

It was pure gold for our Masters 9 rider, Ronnie Hickson, who made a clean sweep of the championships with seven gold medals from seven races

That was followed closely by our Masters 7 rider, Arch Davis, with five podium positions from five races.

Many of our other riders also excelled in their individual races, with a few coming home with multiple medals. In the women's Masters 3, Tineeke Tucker brought home gold in the Individual Pursuit (2000 metres) and silver in the Scratch race. In the under-13 boys, Lachlan Hickson achieved a bronze in the flying 200 and bronze in the 500-metre Time Trial.

In Mens Masters 4 Brett Ruff collected a bronze in the Sprint and bronze in the 750-metre Time Trial.

Other riders to receive individual medals were George Tucker with a bronze in the under-13 boys' Scratch race, Caden Ruff with bronze in the under-17 men's Sprint, Craig Hickson with bronze in the men's Masters 3 Omnium, Ray Smith with bronze in the men's Masters 4 Keiren, and Peter Buchanan with a bronze in the men's Masters 5 Omnium.

Over the exhausting four days of racing from 8am to 8pm, our riders lifted to bring out the best in themselves and their teammates. Bringing home tired legs they are all now looking forward to the next big challenge Rockhampton Cup on Wheels (RCOW).

Our own big event on the Queensland Cycling calendar is to be run over 8 and 9 January. The event will see riders from as far as South Australia compete, and champions from previous years returning to defend their crowns. It's sure to be a great weekend of velodrome cycling. Join us at the Kenrick Tucker Velodrome. Details on the event listing are on our Facebook page.

Race results from the Kenrick Tucker Velodrome on Friday night, 18 December (33 riders)

Race 1 - Scratch

- D Grade 1st Riley, 2nd Brock, 3rd Max.
- C Grade 1st George, 2nd Lachlan Hi, 3rd Rhys.
- B Women/U15 1st Charlie, 2nd Emylia, 3rd Victoria.
- B Grade 1st Lily, 2nd Bailey, 3rd Macca.
- A Grade 1st Lachlan Ha, 2nd Ray, 3rd Caden.

Race 2 - Handicap

- U11/U13 Combined 1st Riley, 2nd Brock,
- Women/U15 1st Charlie, 2nd Ellyssa, 3rd
- U17 Men 1st Jared, 2nd Sebastian, 3rd
- U19 Men 1st Declan, 2nd Elliott, 3rd Macca.



Tineeke Tucker.

- Masters Men A 1st Craig, 2nd Ray, 3rd Tom. Race 3 - Handicap/Derby
- U11/U13 Combined Handicap 1st Lachlan Hi, 2nd Rhys, 3rd George.
- B Grade Division 3 1st Jamie, 2nd Hunter,
- B Grade Division 2 1st Bailey, 2nd Macca, 3rd Emylia.
- B Grade Division 1 1st Lily, 2nd Sebastian, 3rd Lachlan Mc.
- A Grade Division 2 1st Elliott, 2nd Joe, 3rd Declan.
- A Grade Division 1 1st Lachlan Ha, 2nd Lara, 3rd Ray.

- D Grade 1st Jaxon, 2nd Brock, 3rd Max.
- C Grade 1st George, 2nd Rhys, 3rd Lachlan
- B Grade Combined/U15 1st Sebastian, 2nd Lily, 3rd Bailey.
- A Grade 1st Craig, 2nd Lachlan Ha, 3rd Ca-

Thank you, everyone, for a great Friday night of racing. We are sure all riders thoroughly enjoyed themselves... after they recovered. Thanks especially to Adonna Ruff (commissaire), Joe Clifton (commentator), Dani Ruff (score recorder and lap controller) and Tori Waerner (gatekeeper).



Ronnie Hickson.





Brett Ruff.





Victoria Park bowls wraps up for season 2020

and Tony Lowry is the 2020 Victoria Park Bowling Club Triples champion following its 18-16 win over the team of Tim Arnold, Fred Carrington and Darran Stiegler.

To make the final, the Lowry team defeated Barry Turk, Ian Watts and Colin James, while in the other semi the Stiegler team defeated Ken Boaler, Garry Simpson and Steve Camp-

Congratulations to all competition winners in 2020, and thanks to Fred Carrington for his efforts as games director over many



RIGHT: Trevor Ouinn, Garry Walker and Tony



Snake Pit Muay Thai Gym's Torin O'Brien, Thomas 'The Tank Engine' Wilkins, and Double Dose Muay Thai Gold Coast owner Benji Wright.

Closing it out in style

By Liam Emerton

The Snake Pit Muay Thai gym has finished 2020 in a huge way.

Snake Pit's fighter Thomas 'The Tank Engine' Wilkins dominated an Australian pro champion boxer in six rounds to pick up a massive victory on Friday night in the Gold

The Tank Engine fought the six-round bout against current Super Middleweight professional champion Josh Frederikson - who has a record of 9-2-0 with seven of those wins com-

But three things make Wilkins' win that much more impressive.

First, it was his debut in a boxing match; second, he rebroke his hand in the third round; and third, he had just 10 days to prepare for the

And yet despite all the odds against him, Wilkins won the fight comfortably - dropping his opponent for an 8-count in the first round, and staggering him multiple times before being declared the winner by unanimous deci-

But it was the Muay Thai specialist who took over the bout and won against a much more experienced boxer, all while maintaining a positive attitude and having fun in the ring.

That fun side of Wilkins was on display from the very outset of the match when he entered the ring with the Thomas the Tank Engine theme song playing loudly through the club.

After the bout was finished, Wilkins quickly removed his groin protector as it was too tight - meaning he had his hand raised wearing only 'Fruit Loops' briefs.

And there's one man who couldn't be prouder of Wilkins' attitude and ability - Torin

O'Brien was in Wilkins' corner for the match - The Tank Engine's conductor if you like - and he was the reason that Wilkins was able to step up to the challenge in the first place.

"Thomas is a Muay Thai fighter, he's only ever fought Muay Thai and he has 34 Muay Thai fights under his belt," said O'Brien.

there as they were looking for a late notice replacement.

"He normally fights at 69 kilos and this was at 76, so it was definitely a bit bigger for him but he's got such heavy hands and such a good chin that I knew it wouldn't be an issue.

Tom is not like most Muay Thai fighters as he is more hand dominant, so he's more box-

"Out of his 20 wins he's had 16 knockouts and 15 of those have come from his hands.

"Tom is really casual, we're really casual we like to have fun with it and we're not serious at all, just doing what we love.

"And Tom casually beat the piss out of the Australian champion."

O'Brien said that Wilkins has had some great offers and opportunities come his way after that dominant performance, but he will need to wait and recover before jumping into any other matches.

"Because of that performance we've had some pretty big offers to go to the, potentially, highest levels of professional boxing," he said.

"Firstly he actually broke his hand about six weeks ago and it wasn't properly healed and he re-broke it in Round 3.

"First and foremost, we will be getting him healed up before he starts training again.

"So we won't see him back in the ring until March or April.

"From there I will plan to manage his career appropriately and give him a few more pro fights on those shows.

"And then we will just see what happens he's still a Muay Thai fighter so the sky's the limit for him.

"If Muay Thai fights come up we will take them, if big boxing matches come up we will

"We will just be careful in our approach and remember that we're just here to have fun.'

A full video of Wilkins' fight can be found on Snake Pit Muay Thai's Facebook page by using this link https://www.facebook.com/ snakepitmuaythai/videos/701847877045893.

'The King' says g'day to our locals

By Liam Emerton

Recently, Central Queensland welcomed rugby league immortal and Queensland hero Wally Lewis.

The great five-eighth was in Rockhampton to promote and sign his new book 'Wally Lewis: My Life' with Steve Haddan.

The autobiography commemorating the life of Australia's favourite Queenslander, a

sporting icon, is available for purchase with 'The King' more than proud to show off the

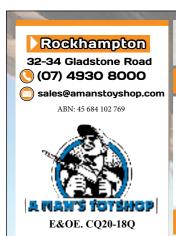
Locals including Joanne Pearce were lucky enough to have the book signed by the rugby league great.

Mrs Pearce said that it will be an anniversary present for her husband, Terry, and took a photo with Lewis.

Lewis' new book comes after the wellreceived 'Out of the Shadows' book by Neil Cadigan and Wally Lewis.

RIGHT: Rugby league Immortal 'The King' Wally Lewis with Mount Morgan local Joanne Pearce at the book signing.





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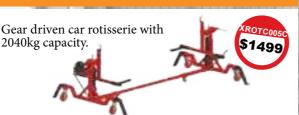
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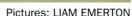
Our RCG cricket snaps

The Rockhampton Twenty20 Premier Division competition held its grand final on Saturday afternoon, with the Frenchville Falcons winning the shield by 50 runs. The club finished the competition undefeated, defeating The Glen in a great contest. CQ Today was down there capturing all the action from the grand final. Here are our best shots from the day...





A picture tells a thousand words... 224533



Pictures: LIAM EMERTON A big six signalled by the umpire.



Pure pace.



Run out!







The celebrations ensue.





The Glen falls just short

By Liam Emerton

The Gladstone-based cricket side, The Glen, has come agonisingly close to an incredible debut grand final victory.

The Glen faced the Frenchville Falcons on Saturday in the big dance after both sides played the morning prior to the grand final

The Glen was able to knock-off Brothers in a strong display of guts and determination, considering the side was missing seven key players.

The Falcons won the toss and elected to bat first, which proved to be a strong choice.

Frenchville started promisingly with the bat as star player Callum McMahon kick-started the Falcons' innings.

McMahon reached a game-high 43 runs for his side before being dismissed with Frenchville's Lachlan and captain Brent Hartley scoring a solid 38 and 23 (not out) respectively.

The Glen's captain Sam Lowry (1/29) and star Harry Rideout (1/27) were the best of the Gladstone-based side's bowlers.

The Frenchville side finished with 3/156 after completing its 20-over spell.

It was then The Glen which was forced to chase down a decent tally - however the Gladstone side started slowly.

The Glen managed 46 runs in the first 10 overs, although their opening batsmen remained steady.

It was then soon after the halfway mark that the wickets of The Glen's batsmen started fall-

Blake Ryan top-scored for The Glen with 20 before Frenchville's Logan Whitfield took over.

Whitfield had a strong performance with the ball and shone for the Falcons, finishing

That meant that The Glen was bowled out and finished the match 50 runs short of the required total.

The Glen's captain, Lowry, said the performance was a great showing despite the end

"Overall we had a pretty good day," he said. "We brought a pretty inexperienced side up

"We're missing seven blokes out of our first 11.

"To do a pretty good job on Brothers - on a pretty hard wicket to bowl on over on RCG



The Glen had a close call.

3 - and then we competed with Frenchy well.

"We bowled pretty well and then at the end we competed right to the end."

Lowry said that a patch in the middle of the innings cost his side a genuine shot at the grand final shield.

"That middle period cost us a little bit," he

"I went about three overs without facing a ball so we weren't rotating the strike enough.

"That left it a little bit hard at the back end.

"If we're not rotating the strike, we're not scoring off those good balls, and that makes the run rate stay still.

"And that's where they capitalised and played really well."

Lowry said he was just stoked that his side was able to beat Brothers and grasp the grand final fixture.

"I was pumped," said Lowry.

"We came into [Saturday] just hoping to do well against Brothers.

"We just wanted to compete and I think we did that today.

"It was really hot.

"Big credit to both teams because it was stinking hot all day and both teams played in the morning so it was a high-standard game considering how the weather was."

The Glen and the other Central Queensland cricket teams will now break for Christmas before heading back into 40-over cricket in early January.

Sport





Locals star at the states

By Rebecca Devine and Liam Emerton

After a full-on program for the past week, the Queensland Swimming Championships have drawn to a close and the Gladstone Gladiators are returning with a swag of personal best times, bragging rights to a number of finals qualifications, and priceless race experience.

Coach Tom Fronek is satisfied with his team's performance and their determination to continue to push themselves to perform.

"It is a long meet, but these swimmers manage themselves well to stay in top form, and the support they receive from their families is awesome," said Fronek.

In the final wrap up, Kai Devine made the finals for the 13 years boys 200-metre and 100-metre backstroke (ninth) and the 400-metre freestyle (eighth), while Kane Martin made the finals for the 15 years boys 200-metre back (ninth), 50-metre back (ninth), and 100-metre back (seventh) as well as placing ninth in the 800-metre free.

Shianne Plunkett also made finals for the 13 years girls 100-metre butterfly (eighth) and 50-metre butterfly (eighth), while Dallas Plunkett, Clara Furness and Stephanie Elliott raced hard against some tough competition and gained some valuable experience.

On the final day of racing, coach Tom Fronek was presented with the 2019/20 Central Queensland JX Club of the Year and Coach of the Year Awards that were announced earlier this year.

These awards are presented to Queensland coaches in each region that achieve the highest number of swimmers in the Australian Junior Excellence Program for the 2019/20 season.

This is the fourth time in the past five years the Gladiators and Fronek have received this award.

Fronek believes the success has come through the training structure he has developed and implemented.

"The work with our young swimmers has allowed them to achieve results that demonstrate that they are constantly improving throughout the season," said Fronek.

"They are working hard on their skills and technique, but I also teach our swimmers about 'swimming life skills' including how to function as part of a team.

"Over the season, you can see that swimmers are responding through improved racing execution and overall performance over the season.

"Our program structure ensures that we are accommodating all types of swimmers from highly competitive to social – we have a place



Coach Tom Fronek with his Gladiators squad racing at the 2020 Queensland Championships. From left to right are: Tom Fronek, Stephanie Elliott, Clara Furness, Kai Devine, and Shianne Plunkett. Front: Kane Martin and Dallas Plunkett. Pictures: REBECCA DEVINE



Kane Martin excelled in the 50-metre, 100-metre, and 200-metre backstroke events.

for every swimmer and want to see people enjoy swimming and the health benefits to be gained through swim fitness."

Acknowledgement also needs to go to Jodie Plunkett, who was recognised for her efforts as a referee throughout the week at the Queensland Swimming Championships.

Swimmers will take a short break now before preparing for the Central Queensland Sprint Championships and Harbour City Swim Meet in January.

In other Gladstone-based swimming results, Boyne Island Bullets Swim Club's Sally



Kai Devine extended himself by making the finals for the 100-metre and 200-metre backstroke, and 400-metre freestyle.

Vagg had strong placings across the board.

Vagg placed second in the 100-metre fly, second in the 200-metre backstroke, first in the 50-metre fly, and first in the 100-metre backstroke.

Gladstone South Swim school competitor Kayden Gibson swum 11 heats, qualified for 10 finals (equal first reserve for the 11th event), finished 21 races with 20 PBs (21st missed by 0.19) and ended with a gold medal in the 100 butterfly, gold medal in the 200 butterfly, silver medal in the 200 IM, a bronze medal in the 50 butterfly, and a bronze medal in the 400 IM.



Kayden Gibson with Gladstone South Swimming Club head coach Adam Eiseman. Picture: COURTESY OF THE GLADSTONE SOUTH SWIMMING CLUB

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