ETHERIDGE SHIRE DITION 8 - AUGUST





Bekky Joy's Debut Art Exhibition Opening Night - Saturday 10th August 2024

INFORM NEWSLETTER

MESSAGE FROM THE MAYOR

Hello and welcome to the Mayor's report



This month I am pleased to report that the 2024/25 budget for Etheridge Shire Council has been presented and adopted by council at the July Special Budget Meeting.

The budget documents were prepared and presented in accordance with the Local Government Act and Regulations, plus those budget priorities set by Councillors, Executive Management Team, and Corporate Plan Objectives

This balanced budget indicates that Council takes its responsibility seriously to ensure that Council remains financially viable, and that sound financial management underpins the way that we do business.

I would like to acknowledge all the administrative workforce who have contributed to the budget process and also to whole of workforce who have contributed by undertaking and delivering projects in a timely manner.

For further information, please see Budget Meeting Minutes on Council's webpage.

Events across the Shire are certainly setting a hot pace as we continue to showcase the region with the Forsayth Turnout and Etheridge Shire Show weekend done and dusted where the Bull Sale and Dog Trials add that extra layer of interest to a packed programme of entertainment. Once again, this event has delivered in spades, and nothing but high praise has been the feedback.

Well done to the Mount Surprise Campdraft Committee for staging a very successful event at the Sports and Rec Grounds recently. Apart from a few frosty mornings, it was great to see the improvements that have been put in place contributing to the weekend ensuring that this event continues to grow and prosper into the future. Mount Surprise as always delivers, and it was great to be there to catch up with people and witness a great event.

The Georgetown Campdraft went off with a bang where entries were at their maximum and competition fierce. It is certainly pleasing to see local competitors getting into the winner's circle and taking out some major placings across the weekend. Cunningham Cattle Company from Abingdon Downs stepped up to supply the cattle for the draft and provided stock to help showcase the skills of all competitors.

I had the pleasure of opening the Becky Joy Art Exhibition conducted at the Terrestrial Centre recently which was well attended and greatly appreciated.

Some fine works of art certainly showcased the talented Becky Joy and highlighted the flow on from having an RADF component embedded in Council that supports and encourages artists of all persuasions to exhibit and promote their wares.

Council is busy constructing the section of new water main at the Independent Living Precinct that had to be rerouted to allow for the development and is going as per planned schedule.

Road rehabilitation on the Kennedy Highway has been completed and from all reports this has been another quality outcome for those who have worked on and completed the job. Well done to all those concerned.

CEO Ken and I recently met with Ag Force and the newly elected President of the National Farmers Federation to discuss the status of play across the northwest in terms of agricultural development. They were on a fact-finding mission, and we were supported by property owners from within the shire as well as attendees form other regional centres. All in all a successful gathering where a wide range of topics were discussed and some very stark insights were given to highlight the impediments in our State legislative arrangements that are stifling Ag development across the regions. It was certainly great to have unfettered access to the National President as these opportunities do not come around too often.

This week I will attend the delegation of FNQROC Mayors to Brisbane where meetings with Ministers and Opposition Spokespersons will take place over three days of discussions. Topics of Interest that I will be pursuing on behalf of Etheridge will be future Transport and Main Roads funding, the Gilbert River Bridge, The Etheridge Ag Precinct as well as supporting the wider topics of the FNQROC Region.

Connected to my trip away I will also be presenting at the LGAQ Heritage Forum being held in Rockhampton on behalf of Etheridge Shire. This is a rare opportunity awarded to Etheridge to showcase the heritage values across the region and to promote the Eco Tourism attractions in the shire as well as the heritage and history of our four communities and how they got their start based on the mining activities.

A great shout out to the organising committee for the Deb Ball, the night was a great success with debutantes presented beautifully. What was also very pleasing is the way these types of events are being kept alive through the dedication of those who recognise the importance of keeping tradition alive and giving the opportunity to those young people to experience these events.

Until next month, Happy Trails.

Regards, Mayor Barry Hughes

First Point of Contact in an Emergency

Contact Personnel:

Council's nominated first point of contact is CEO - Ken Timms Phone: 0439 414 771

If the LDMG (Local Disaster Management Group) is activated by the chairperson (The Mayor) the Controlling Officer will be CEO - Ken Timms Phone: 0439 414 771

Suggestion Box

A suggestion box is available for the staff and public in the foyer of the Etheridge Shire Council Main Office and within the Engineering Services.

All suggestions are welcome being anonymous or otherwise.

Let's work together to make the Shire better!

2024 General Meetings

Etheridge Shire Council wishes to advise that in accordance with Section 254B of the Local Government Regulation 2012, the General Meetings to be held by Etheridge Shire Council for the 2024 Calendar year are to be held on the following dates in Georgetown:

<u>Month</u>	Date	Venue	Time
September	Wednesday, 18 th September 2024	Georgetown	9:00am
October	Wednesday, 16 th October 2024	Georgetown	9:00am
November	Wednesday, 20 th November 2024	Georgetown	9:00am
December	Wednesday, 11 th December 2024	Georgetown	9:00am

Please note dates, times and locations are subject to change. If you wish to discuss this matter further, please do not hesitate to contact Council on 4079 9090

Ken Timms PSM Chief Executive Officer



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Councillor lan Tincknell 0459 136 283



Councillor Seven Ryan 0448 089 144 Cr.Ryan@etheridge.qld.gov.au



Councillor Ian Carroll 0459 623 582 Cr.Carroll@etheridge.gld.gov.au

ETHERIDGE SHIRE COUNCIL

Monthly Community Connect Sessions

Come and have a chat with your local Councillors!

Mt Surprise Hall, Mt Surprise 9AM THURS, 12 SEPTEMBER 2024

Georgetown Sports Centre, Georgetown 9AM WED, 9 OCTOBER 2024

Einasleigh Hall, Einasleigh 9AM WED, 13 NOVEMBER 2024

Forsayth QCWA Hall, Forsayth 9AM WED, 4 DECEMBER 2024

For more information please contact Council on (07) 4079 9090

RATES NOTICE

Rates have been issued on the 30th of August 2024, with the discount closing on the 30th of September.

If you have not received your rates notice, please contact council on 4079 9090



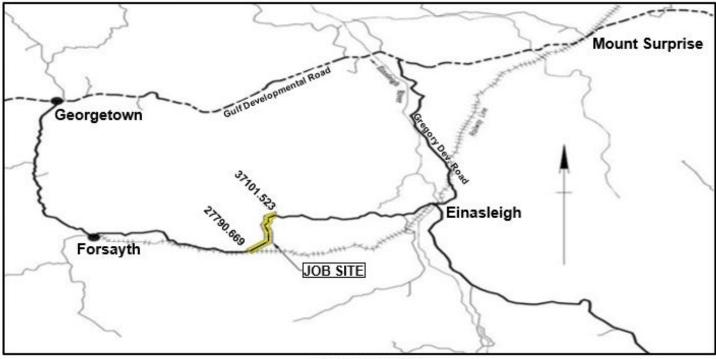
Etheridge Shire Council wishes to advise of the Forsayth to Einasleigh Road Construction Project

Road works will be undertaken from Chainage 27.79 to 37.10 and there will be side tracks in use.

Works to be undertaken will involve drainage works and bitumen sealing of this section of road.

Please obey all road work signage.

Please be patient during the construction of this project as there will be a lot of machinery and construction vehicles working in this area.



LOCALITY PLAN

Ken Timms PSM CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Etheridge Shire Council PO Box 12 GEORGETOWN



Etheridge Shire Council wishes to advise the public of the construction of box culvert activities at the Queenslander Creek crossing.

Road works will be undertaken on the Cobbold Gorge Road near the Queenslander Creek and there will be side tracks in use.

Please obey all road work signage.

Works Starts: Thursday 22nd August 2024 Completion: Thursday 12th December 2024

Council apologies for any inconvenience this may cause

Should you have any queries in respect to this matter, please do not hesitate to contact Council on (07) 4079 9090

Ken Timms PSM Chief Executive Officer



2024 NQ Sportstar Awards

Etheridge Shire Council wishes to advise that nominations for the 2024 NQ Sportstar Awards will open on:

14th August 2024

All nominations will need to be submitted **online** (via link below) by 6th September 2024 <u>https://nqsports.com.au/nq-sportstar-awards/</u>

Please contact Andrea Kernan via phone (07) 4079 9090 or via email <u>Andrea.Kernan@etheridge.qld.gov.au</u> should you need more information.

Ken Timms PSM Chief Executive Officer Etheridge Shire Council





Copperfield River (Kidston) Dam

The Department of Resources wishes to advise the public that the Copperfield River (Kidston) Dam is now



If you wish to discuss this matter further, please do not hesitate to contact Council on 4079 9090

Ken Timms PSM CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER



KERB SIDE COLLECTION SCHEDULES

Etheridge Shire Council's kerbside large item collection is an annual service across all four towns (Georgetown, Forsayth, Einasleigh and Mount Surprise) to help residents dispose of large household items

The kerbside large item collection schedules are:

17th September 2024 – Georgetown 18th September 2024 – Forsayth 19th September 2024 – Einasleigh 20th September 2024 – Mount Surprise

The acceptable items are:

- Bath and laundry tubs
- Bicycles and sporting equipment
- Carpet and rugs
- Electronic waste (e.g. televisions and computers)
- Furniture and white goods (e.g. fridges and stoves)
- Mattresses
- Small household appliances (e.g. fans and toasters)
- Wood products less than 1.5 metres

The non-acceptable items are:

- batteries of any kind (including car batteries, rechargeable and lithium batteries)
- bean bags (including the polystyrene bean filling)
- bricks and concrete
- car parts and tyres
- commercial builders waste (e.g. equipment and tools)
- dirt and stones
- garden waste (e.g. hoses, rakes, potted plants) and green waste (e.g. branches, lawn clippings, palm fronds)
- gas bottles and helium tanks
- general household waste (e.g. food scraps) that normally goes into your waste or recycling bin
- glass and mirrors
- hazardous and flammable wastes (e.g. chemicals, oil, asbestos)
- lino and fibro sheeting (potentially contains asbestos)
- liquids (e.g. paint)

Ken Timms PSM Etheridge Shire Council



Etheridge Shire Council

WE ARE HIRING

Currently seeking applications for

- PLUMBER
- PLANT OPERATORS/TRUCK DRIVERS
- LEADING HAND ROAD CONSTRUCTION

+ OTHER ROLES

For Job descriptions, please visit www.etheridge.qld.gov.au

Email us your application: info@etheridge.qld.gov.au Subject: Position Applied - Surname









Independent Living Precinct

The first lot of units have arrived! Here is a sneak peak.

Expression of Interest

Etheridge Shire Council is hosting a Seniors day in Georgetown on the 22nd October 2024. We are looking for numbers from towns within the Shire so as we can organise transportation on the day if needed.

If you are interested in attending please contact Andrea on: Phone(07) 4079 9090 Email: info@etheridge.qld.gov.au by 12th September 2024

> Pamper & Paint Day ?

FUNDS RAISED \$819.95

The Terrestrial Centre is proud to support Etheridge Cares.

Through the sale of pens and secondhand books the Centre was able to raise \$819.95 for the organisation.

Thank you to those that made donations and purchases.







Georgetown Artist, Bekky Joy presents her work in a





Bekky Joy's Debut Art Exhibition will be on display as part of the Unearth Etheridge tourist attraction. Visitors can expect to see a vibrant and engaging

collection of works that reflect the artist's experience of beauty and contentment in the wonder of small town living. Bekky draws inspiration from the colours of the changing landscape, local wild life and the events that bring the outback together.



This project was made possible by the Australian Government's Regional Arts Fund, provided through Regional Arts Australia, administered in Queensland by Flying Arts Alliance.







Australian Government Regional Arts Fund



Proudly supported by Etheridge Shire Council



Two-Day



Charcoal Portrait Workshops with artist Katie Jones

Oak Park September 2-3

Forsayth September 14-15

"Prior to doing a workshop with Katie I had never worked with either oils or charcoal. I had only ever dabbled at any type of art and felt I didn't really have any skills... if you are open to following instruction you may amaze yourself as I did."



Open to all skill levels!

Contact Katie Jones to reserve your spot! jesseandkatiejones@gmail.com

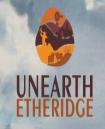
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www.facebook.com/artistKatieJones



The Regional Arts Development Fund is a partnership between the Queensland Government and Etheridge Shire Council to support local arts and culture in regional Queensland.





Free Oil Painting Workshop

With artist Katie Jones Mount Surprise September 21-22

Open to all skill levels!





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Activity notice Georgetown AEM survey

Geoscience Australia, in collaboration with the Geological Survey of Queensland, will be carrying out an Airborne Electromagnetic (AEM) survey with 20km line spacing over a large area of north-east Queensland from June to November 2024. The survey is part of a larger geophysical survey program that aims to gather new information about the potential ground water, mineral and energy resources concealed beneath the surface. This information will lead to more informed resource management and to better targeted investment.

Why is this survey important?

This survey is being carried out to obtain data that will enhance understanding of geology and natural resources of the region. This information will support future informed decision making for resource management.

Survey Method

Light aircraft are fitted with instruments to map variations in the natural electrical conductivity of the ground to a depth of several hundred metres.

During the survey, a signal will be transmitted from the aircraft into the ground. The signal is similar to that produced by a power line, passing quickly as the aircraft moves. Towed antennae can detect the returned signals. The nature of these signals are analysed to map variations in the electrical conductivity of the ground caused by the presence of groundwater and some minerals.

How AEM surveys work: https://youtu.be/p3gK786PRfo

Further information about AEM surveys can be found at: https://www.ga.gov.au/scientifictopics/disciplines/geophysics/airborneelectromagnetics

What you may see or hear

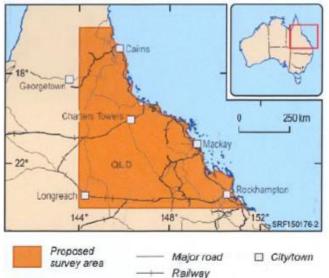
A small aeroplane (Cessna) towing equipment below, will fly at approximately 120 metres above the ground, along east - west flights paths 20 kilometres apart. If you have any concerns with this activity, please contact Geoscience Australia.



Figure 1: An AEM system in action.

Timing and location

The airborne survey is expected to be carried out between June and November, working in stages across the area outlined in the figure below.



Important to know

Pre-competitive data acquired by GA will be publicly available after quality control and assurance checks have been performed. Public release of this information may contain explicit spatial location information, such as specific deployment locations and/or areas which may be interpreted as containing groundwater and resource potential.

This survey is one of a series of airborne surveys being planned by Geoscience Australia and the Geological Survey of Queensland in 2024. The surveys are being centrally coordinated and you can obtain further information about any of these surveys using the contact details below.

For further information

Geoscience Australia Email: geophysical.surveys@ga.gov.au Phone: 1800 800 173 Mobile: 0427 192 745





PUBLIC NOTICE - WILD DOG BAITING CAMPAIGN

Council advises that a baiting campaign utilising 1080 Poison will be occurring throughout the Region from 30 September 2024 to 31 October 2024.

It is anticipated that baiting will occur on properties in or about the following areas. Baiting preparation stations will be established at the location and dates below.

Individual notices to adjoining properties must be delivered by participating properties providing a minimum 72 hours notice.

DATE	LOCATION
Monday, 30 September 2024	Mirtna
Tuesday, 01 October 2024	Moonoomoo Turn Off
Wednesday, 02 October 2024	Scartwater - Bundabaroo Turn Off
Thursday, 03 October 2024	Slogan Downs Airstrip
Friday, 04 October 2024	Red Hill - Campaspe
Tuesday, 08 October 2024	Nevena Water Facility
Wednesday, 09 October 2024	Ballabay Water Facility
Thursday, 10 October 2024	Barrington
Monday, 14 October 2024	Hillgrove
Tuesday, 15 October 2024	Paynes Lagoon Airstrip
Wednesday, 16 October 2024	Hidden Valley
Thursday, 17 October 2024	Cardigan
Friday, 18 October 2024	Silver Valley Turn Off
Monday, 21 October 2024	Rangeview Turn-off
Tuesday, 22 October 2024	Christmas Creek
Wednesday, 23 October 2024	Myola
Monday, 28 October 2024	Nulla Nulla
Tuesday, 29 October 2024	Dosey Springs Airstrip
Wednesday 30 October 2024	Valley of Lagoons
Thursday, 31 October 2024	Camel Creek

For further information, please contact Council's Land Protection Team on 4761 5300.

Martin Drydale Chief Executive Officer PO Box 189 CHARTERS TOWERS QLD 4820

For more information:

PH. (07) 4761 5300 | E. mail@charterstowers.qld.gov.au | www.charterstowers.qld.gov.au

CHARTERS TOWERS REGIONAL COUNCIL

Queensland Housing Finance Loan

REGIONAL TRIAL



We're extending the income eligibility of the Queensland Housing Finance Loan

- Variable or fixed interest rate
- Minimum deposit of 2% of the purchase price
- No monthly account keeping fees
- No lenders mortgage insurance

The 2-year trial is for people living in 45 rural and remote councils, earning less than \$201,000 per annum



Scan the QR code to check your eligibility or contact **1300 654 322** for more information.



NAB Foundation Community Grants

Application are open for the NAB Foundation Community Grants Program.

Apply now



Our Community Grants Program

Australian communities are being hit harder by natural disasters more often. It takes many hands to get communities back up and running after a disaster and to build resilience for the next one.

That's why the NAB Foundation Community Grants program provides funding of up to \$25,000 for local projects that help communities withstand and recover from natural disasters.

We award \$1.2 million in Community Grants each year across two grant rounds, including \$200,000 available in Impact Grants for projects with big potential. These Impact Grants provide a further \$25,000 to recipients to maximise the impact they have on their communities.

NAB Foundation Community Grants support community led projects that relate to the following categories:

Training and Planning

Educational workshops, practical and strategic planning that helps communities prepare for a natural disaster.

Community Recovery

Programs to enhance community connection, resilience and wellbeing post natural disaster.

Environment and Wildlife

Restoration of damaged vegetation and habitat, and rehabilitation of injured wildlife.

Equipment and Infrastructure

Tools, equipment and infrastructure improvements that help communities withstand natural disasters or recover in their aftermath.



Applications will close on 30 September 2024, with funding awarded in November.

Please contact nabfoundation@nab.com.au if you have any further questions



UNSW

Flood and bushfire preparedness

Researchers at UNSW are conducting a project about flood and bushfire preparedness in Australia. All Australian residents over 18 years old are invited to take part in either one or both surveys on flood and bushfire preparedness. Your input is invaluable in developing knowledge that can inform policies on emergency response strategies and community resilience.

Scan to Participate in **Flood** Research

Scan to Participate in **Bushfire** Research







GEORGETOWN STATE EMERGENCY SERVICE

WE NEED YOU

Come and join our amazing team! Please contact Julie on: 0428 997 748



EMERGENCY CONTACT REMINDER

Please <u>do not</u> call the SES/ QRFS (Queensland Rural Fire Services) volunteers directly.

To expedite the process please call 000.

If in the event of an emergency this is the <u>fastest</u> way to get our volunteers on site and into action.





Georgetown Primary Health Centre

INFORMATION ON HOW TO ACCESS THE HEALTH CENTRE FOR EMERGENCIES AFTERHOURS AND NON-URGENT BOOKINGS IN BUSINESS HOURS.

OPENING HOURS:

Mon - Fri 9am -12pm & 2pm - 4pm

Sat/Sun/Public Holidays 10pm - 12pm

EMERGENCIES ONLY WILL BE SEEN AFTER HOURS – CALL 000 OR PRESS THE RED EMERGENCY BUTTON AT THE HEALTH CENTRE MAIN FRONT DOOR

When calling 000 select the option for ambulance. The call centre will take your details then contact us. It is important when you hang up from the ambulance that you stay off your phone so that the nurse can call you back directly.

The health centre phone number is 4062 1266. This number is available in business hours only. The number may be diverted in these hours if the nurse is on fatigue or an ambulance job. *Please do not contact nurses on social media or private phone numbers*.

For non-urgent health care needs please call the health centre to make a booking before you arrive, and on arrival please press the doorbell at the waiting area door and take a seat inside the waiting area and the staff will attend to you.



Hello everyone and we hope you are all travelling well.

Well the heat is definitely starting to ramp up during the day so please remember to keep up your hydration. Some signs that you may be dehydrated include:

Headaches, fatigue, dry cracked lips, darker coloured urine, muscle cramps to just name a few.

Also make sure that you cover up when in the sun!





Georgetown Primary Health Centre

RFDS Doctors Clinics for the month

The RFDS clinics are now terribly busy and often booking out a fortnight ahead. The nurses are triaging Dr's appointment as required to make sure people are being seen in appropriate timeframes, so the nurse may ask what you are seeing the Dr for to know if you need an extended appointment or may be able to do a telephone appointment.

The doctors have 20-minute appointments, so if you are needing more than 1-2 concerns address, medicals or removal of skin lesions, please let us know so that we can book a longer appointment.

We all understand things come up so if you are unable to attend your appointment, please let us know so that we can offer your appointment to someone else.

Upcoming RFDS dates:

Please call us on 4062 1266 to make a booking. Bookings are essential!

05/09/2024 THURSDAY 12/09/2024 THURSDAY 20/09/2024 FRIDAY 26/09/2024 THURSDAY 03/10/2024 THURSDAY

We have had a few no shows the last few clinics. We understand that life can get in the road and plans can change, but a quick phone call to let us know would be greatly appreciated. This way we can get someone else in on the day, as we do often have a waitlist for appointments.







<u>Upcoming visiting health teams:</u>

<u>NWRH (Mental Health support)</u>

Face to face - to be advised. Telehealth is offered. Referrals can be self-referral, Dr or Nurse referral. Please call us 4062 1266 for more information or NWRH 4781 9300

ALLIED HEALTH

October - MONDAY 21st to WEDNESDAY 23rd

<u>DENTAL</u>

Phone 1300 300 850 to make a booking 29/07 - 02/07 (Adult)09/09 - 13/09 (Adult) 18/.1.1 - 22/.1.1 (Adult)

WOMENS HEALTH NURSE

Phone Georgetown Clinic for appointments 4062 1266 .12/.1.1/2024 TUESDAY

FLU VACCINE

There is still a lot of Influenza and COVID in our surrounding communities, so please remain diligent with coughing etiquette and hand hygiene.

It is still worthwhile having a Flu vaccine and we have plenty of Flu vaccines, so please contact the Georgetown Clinic on 4062 1266 to book in for yours today



Georgetown Primary Health Centre

MENS HEALTH CLINIC

We have had a great turnout from our Men's Health Day and we have another coming up in November, so please book in!

Speaking about men's health is a sign of strength not weakness, we are lucky to have Dr Geoff Clark from RFDS, who is a Nurse Practitioner, coming to the Georgetown Sport's Centre to provide a to provide a men's health clinic at the Sport's Centre on:

15/08/2024 THURSDAY

Please phone the clinic on 4062 1266 to discuss more or make an appointment.



Thank you and Kind Regards, Jasmond Murray - Director of Nursing

Tablelands Allied Health Outreach Service

Mount Surprise, Einasleigh, Forsayth, Georgetown & Croydon



TELEHEALTH SERVICES

If you miss out on an appointment or the service you require isn't visiting on this run we also offer Telehealth and Telephone Consultations in conjunction with some of the Primary Health Centres. Please contact Allied Health Admin on 40910467 to discuss an appointment.

2024	DATES
(By appoin	tment only)
March	18 – 20 th
July	15 – 17 th
October	21 - 23 rd

To access these services please contact your local Primary Health Centre / RFDS who will assess your concerns and if appropriate send the referral through to us. Once triaged, appointments will then be offered (via phone call) by our Atherton Outreach Team.

All referrals must be received at least two weeks prior to our visit.

What services do we offer?

Dietetics

Social Work

Physiotherapy

Speech Pathology

Occupational Therapy



Queensland Government

We aim to provide face-to-face outreach services three times per year in 2024. In between these visits, Telehealth and Telephone service can be utilised. Our outreach team consists of a Physiotherapist, an Occupational Therapist, a Speech Pathologist, a Dietitian, and a Social Worker.

The first visiting services will be Physiotherapy & Social Work



Seniors Legal & Support Service

How can we help?

ADA Law's Seniors Legal & Support Service provides free advocacy and legal services for older people at risk of or concerned about elder abuse including financial matters.

Our outreach service can help older people with:

- conflicts with family and friends
- family agreements
- family or friends using money
- how they are taken care of at home.

What can we do?

Our Seniors Legal & Support Service team can provide:

- information, legal advice and support regarding concerns about money, family property, and care arrangements
- information on future planning documents and your legal rights
- referrals to other legal, consumer and support services
- representation before tribunals.

We also provide information sessions for community groups and organisations on rights in decision making and elder abuse awareness and prevention.

Who are we?

Our Seniors Legal & Support Service is part of ADA Australia, an advocacy organisation and registered Queensland Community Legal service (ADA Law).

How do we work?

Our Seniors Legal & Support Service team consists of a solicitor and a social worker, who will be your first point of contact. We will work hand in hand with a client until the matter is resolved. Support can be provided via phone and video link but we will also make in-person visits where possible.

What are we unable to assist with?

ADA Law's Seniors Legal & Support Service does not provide legal support for criminal matters or general civil matters such as neighbourhood disputes or injury claims. However, we will refer people to the right legal support.

Where can we help?



FREECALL: 1800 232 529 (1800 ADA LAW) e: info@adalaw.com.au III If you require an interpreter please phone: 131 450

www.adalaw.com.au





Remote Area Families Service (RAFS) Factsheet

About RAFS and what it provides

The Remote Area Families Service is an Early Childhood program designed to support children and families in rural and remote Queensland and the Barkly Tablelands of the Northern Territory, who live beyond the reach on mainstream services. Our service aims to support parents' needs in relation to the early childhood development and education of their children in rural, remote and isolated areas. The focus of the service is directed at all families with children aged birth to 5 years regardless of their cultural or religious background.

RAFS operates throughout QLD from five bases:

- Charleville
- Emerald (based in Mackay)
- Mt Isa
- North Queensland (based in Mareeba)

<u>Please Note:</u> We do not provide a babysitting service during any of our events. RAFS staff are unable to take sole responsibility of children during the play sessions.

Ways to access the service

The early childhood program targets children aged from birth to five years; however, if older siblings wish to participate they are most welcome. The experiences that are planned for the birth to five year old children are play based and use the Early Years Learning Framework as a point of reference. The team will aim to be a consistent presence in the families and children's lives through a variety of ways. Families can contact the RAFS team and request face-to-face contact any time during the year.

Playgroups

RAFS playgroups are an excellent opportunity for families to come together and experience a wide variety of early learning activities. Playgroup allows children to play in a relaxed, informal setting, where they can interact with other children, make choices, explore, share ideas and learn to work cooperatively and independently.

Home Visits

Home visits, as the name suggests, are when a RAFS team visits a family, in their home, at a mutually suitable time. A home visit differs significantly from a playgroup. Spending one on one time with children is an opportunity for the FAFS team to tailor the program exclusively to each child. Sharing time with the whole family, being able to let children take the lead in showing the RAFS team their home, is wonderful for self-esteem and confidence building. Home visits will normally take the form of either a morning or afternoon/overnight visit.



Events

At times RAFS may be able to attend Community group or organization events outside the UnitingCare Network. Examples include the Royal Flying Doctor Service and School of Distance Education. We do require a written invitation to attend these events, please contact your local RAFS team for more information.

Resources, support and guidance

RAFS teams offer guidance and support in the area of early childhood development and parenting by training and/or experienced field staff. This can be done through:

- Referral to other professionals
- Art and craft resources
- Kit boxes and resources
- Newsletters
- Phone and email support
- Information and support packs

Contact us

Charleville

145 Alfred Street Charleville, Q. 4470 P: (07) 4654 3890 M: 0439 922 815 charleville.rafs@uccommunity.org.au

Emerald

287 Shakespeare Street Mackay, Q. 4730 M: 0439 932 958 emerald.rafs@uccommunity.org.au

Longreach

130A Eagle Street Longreach, Q. 4730 P: (07) 4658 1104 M: 0439 963 603 longreach.rafs@uccommunity.org.au

Mount Isa

Shop 1/8 Sunset Drive Mount Isa, Q. 4825 P: (07) 4775 9188 M: 0439 912 957 mtisa.rafs@uccommunity.org.au

North Queensland

5 Macrae Street Mareeba, Q. 4880 P: (07) 4092 4318 M: 0447 115 083 nq.rafs@uccommunity.org.au

Our vision Northern Queenslanders live happier, healthier, longer lives.



Expressions of Interest: Nominations and Remuneration Committee Independent Chair

Northern Queensland Primary Health Network (NQPHN) is seeking Expressions of Interest (EOI) from suitably qualified applicants to fill the position of the Independent Nominations and Remuneration Committee Chair from 28 November 2024. The position is becoming vacant due to the current Chair advising of his retirement at the November 2024 AGM.

In accordance with Clause 14.3 of the NQPHN Constitution, the Nominations and Remuneration Committee (NRC) provides independent advice and recommendations to the Board and, where required, the NQPHN Members, in relation to the appointment of Directors (through application of a Board Skills Matrix), external committee membership, and Board performance and remuneration.

Expression of Interest: NQPHN Board Director vacancy

Northern Queensland Primary Health Network (NQPHN) is seeking Expressions of Interest (EOI) from suitably qualified applicants to fill three upcoming vacancies on the NQPHN Board. Three Directors are retiring by rotation, and two of those Directors are eligible to reapply.

Applications close at close of business 9 September 2024.

For more information and to submit an EOI for this position, visit NQPHN's website, https://www.nqphn.com.au/news

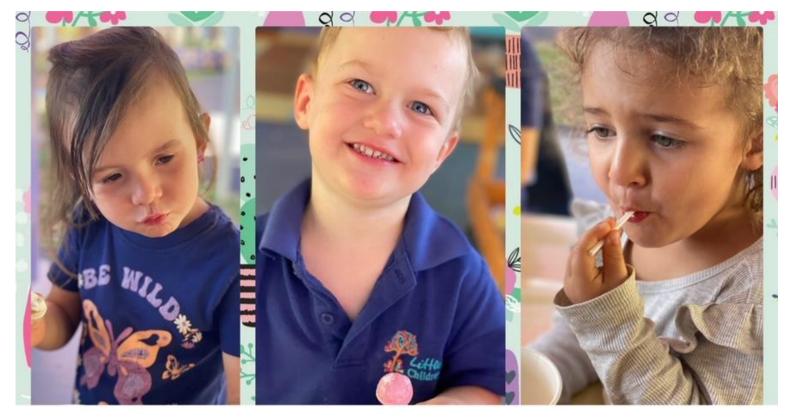












Sherbet making fun



























Busy little Gems





Science lesson



Shake & Stir drama workshop



FEGIID

Forsayth State School

Forsayth State School students have been busy with fun science experiments, visits from the surf life savers (Beach to Bush) and a perfomance with drama workshops from the theatre company: shake and stir.

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Everyone had a fantastic time at the 'Snowy and the Seven Cool Dudes' show, held throughout our Shire.

Once again, Jally Entertainment put on an incredible performance for our students and community.

Forsayth All Sports Club Inc. THE 2024 ETHERIDGE SHOW FORSAYTH TURNOUT WRAP UP

2024 saw the 34th Etheridge Show Forsayth Turnout provide thrilling spills and splashes over the weekend of Friday 2 & 3 August 2024. Events kicked off with the Charleston Dam Fishing Comp, 2nd Annual Bull Sale & U17 Mechanical bull ride.

Thank you to our valued supporters and sponsors Etheridge Shire Council, Kennedy Rural, Gener8, Mazlin Electrics, Ropewalk Connections, LV Brahmans, Colemans, TopStock, Olssons, Kevin & Karen Brown (advertising for the weekend) and many many more.

The Yabby races treated all to a bit of excitement and the entertainment by Audioscam pub-rocked everyone until midnight. Thank you to our stage sponsors – Cobbold Gorge Tours for your continued support and the Goldfields Hotel & Finnigans Rest.

2024 saw our bar staff volunteers made up from the Far North Queensland Chapter of the Masons & the A1 crew from the Forsayth Tourist Park. Thank you, Freemason's & Forsayth Tourist Park! We look forward to having them become our regular bar staff for future Forsayth Turnout events.

Thank you to the amazing Stewards and Exhibition Shed volunteers that made it all happen! You are awesome.

Winners are grinners! Congratulations to all the winners and prize getters. Special thanks to Corey Kelly for all you do to make sure we have an awesome Dog Trial event. To the support crew behind the scenes thank you Terry Family from Robinhood, Old Robinhood & Howlong. Thank you Cobber. Thank you to our competitors and four-legged friends. See you again in 2025.

Special thank you to our caterers – True Blue Burgers & Brew – the food was amazing! See you again in 2025.

Below are a few of the winners over the weekend. More to come in following editions of the Inform.

Congratulations to the inaugural Grand Champion of the Shed – Cindy Attwood. Remember to get your entries in to be part of the greatest show in the Etheridge Shire!

Want to have a stall or keen to help in 2025 – please email forsaythallsportsclub@gmail.com

Charleston Dam Fishing Comp

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7yrs & Under	Best Bream	Best Catfish	Best Yabby	Overall Winner
	Sabrina Pugh	Beau Pedracini	Sabrina Pugh	Lane Pedracini
14yrs & Under	Best Bream	Best Catfish	Best Yabby	Overall Winner
	Bobby Bethel	N/E	Bobby Bethel	Nikki Bethel
15yrs & Over	Best Bream	Best Catfish	Best Yabby	Overall Winner
	Camilla French	N/E	Travis Pugh	Travis Pugh

Thank you to our generous sponsors: Mazlin Electrics, Anaconda Townsvile, Rangeview Rest (Ropewalk Connections)

Yabby Races

Yabby Races	Yabby Name	Buyer	Price	Place	Time
Heat 1	Sea Eagles	Dan Sheahan	\$320	H1 - 1st	01.16.87
	Broncos	Rock Ape	\$370	H1 - 2nd	02.01.83
	Cowboys	K & G Sheahan	\$370	H1 - 3rd	03.01.50
Heat 2	Titans	Tyler Curley	\$220	H2 - 1st	01.10.91
	Eels	Tied Up	\$220	H2 - 2nd	01.35.67
	Tigers	The Dixies	\$340	H2 - 3rd	01.53.97
Heat 3	Sharks	Cody Rogers	\$240	H3 - 1st	00.55.78
	Dolphins	Stockmans Creek	\$300	H3-2nd	01.14.73
	Bulldogs	Thommo	\$220	H3 - 3rd	01.16.75
Winners	1st	Sharks	Cody Rogers	00.55.78	
	2nd	Titans	Tyler Curley	01.10.91	
	3rd	Dolphins	Stockman's Creek	01.14.73	

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Squeakers • Under 1	years	1 st Hazel	
Branders • 1 to 3 years			
	• Girls:	1 st Addy Bester 2 nd Charlotte 3 rd Maisie Pedracini	
	• Boys:	1 st Wyatt Gallagher 2 nd Waylon 3 rd N/E	
Poddies • 3 to 5 y			
	• Girls:	1 st Nora Terry 2 nd Alaina Bethel 3 rd Imogen	
	• Boys:	1 st Kayden 2 nd Lane Pedracini 3 rd Lawson Bester	
Weaners • 5 to 12			
	• Girls:	1 st Scydi-Mae Young 2 nd Lexie Prior 3 rd Lainey Mortimer	
	• Boys:	1 st Corbin 2 nd Hudson Dark 3 rd Harry Prior	
Best Dressed Junio	r	and the series	
	• Girls:	1 st Rhianna McFarlane 2 nd Sascha 3 rd Em	
	• Boys:	1 st Mason 2 nd Lochie 3 rd Willis	
Best Dressed Lady		1 st Valerie Gray	
Best Dressed Gentleman		1 st Andrew Barns	

Pavilion Shed Results - 2024

Poultry & Birds:

Large Rooster: 1st & 2nd Jack Jones Large Eggs: 1st Lucy Elgey, 2nd Delayna Lis & 3rd Kaelea Lis Small Eggs: 1st Alleyah, Sienna, Evelyn & Indiana Pezzotti

Children's Poultry & Bird

Caged Birds: 1st Sabrina Pugh Backyarders: 1st Patrick Fox, 2nd Lane Pedracini, 3rd Beau Pedracini Bantam Eggs: 1st Spencer Ryan, 2nd Masie Pedracini & 3rd Pezzotti Girls Large Eggs: 1st Liam Fox, 2nd Pezzotti Girls & 3rd Lane Pedracini

Section # 5 Photography

Unframed - Portrait: 1st Laurell Royes Unframed - Action: 1st Renee Bester, 2nd Elisa Fox Unframed - Landscapes/Scenery: 1st Elisa Fox, 2nd Elisa Fox & 3rd Gemma Bethel

Unframed – People: 1st Elisa Fox, 2nd Renee Bester & 3rd Josie Prior Unframed – Black & White: 1st Elisa Fox, 2nd Josie Prior & 3rd Laurell Royes Unframed – Animals: 1st Josie Prior, 2nd Elisa Fox & 3rd Hayley Fox Unframed – Animals & People: 1st Renee Bester, 2nd Elisa Fox & 3rd Gemma Bethel

Unframed - Clean Humour: 1st Elisa Fox, 2nd Elisa Fox Unframed - Open: 1st Elisa Fox, 2nd Elisa Fox & 3rd Elisa Fox Framed - Historical: 1st Dot Terry Framed - Landscapes/Scenery: 1st Delayna Lis, 2nd Dot Terry & 3rd Sahra Lis Framed - Animals: 1st Renee Bester, 2nd Delayna Lis Framed - Animals & People: 1st Renee Bester, 2nd Delayna Lis Framed - Clean Humour: 1st Delayna Lis Framed - Open: 1st Josie Prior, 2nd Dot Terry Canvas - Portrait: 1st Sahra Lis Canvas - Landscapes/Scenery: 1st Delayna Lis, 2nd Sahra Lis Canvas - Animals: 1st Delayna Lis, 2nd Sahra Lis Canvas - Open: 1st Sahra Lis Canvas - Open: 1st Sahra Lis

Unframed - Open: 1st Harry Prior, 2nd Harry Prior & 3rd Lexie Prior Framed - Open: 1st Harry Prior, 2nd Lexie Prior

Section # 6 Needlework



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* Hand Embroidery: 1st Cindy Attwood Any Ladies Clothing: 1st Cindy Attwood

Stuffed Toys: 1st Cindy Attwood

Childrens Needlework

Open: 1st Rylee Murphy 2nd Kaelea Lis & 3rd Bronte Moody

Section #7

Handcrafts

Pottery: 1st Kaelea Lis, 2nd Sahra Lis & 3rd Delayna Lis Decorated Egg: 1st Sahra Lis Scrapbooking: Delayna Lis

Card Making: 1st Carol Hannemann, 2nd Carol Hannemann & 3rd Carol Hannemann

Open: 1st Aslyn Ryan, 2nd Ashlyn Ryan & 3rd Gemma Bethel Papier-Mache: 1st Cindy Attwood

Junior Crafts

Paper Craft: 1st Pezzotti Girls, 2nd Ruth Terry & 3rd Rueben Slyney Plaster of Paris: 1st Pezzotti Girls

Recycled Crafts: 1st Lexie Prior, 2nd Chloe Sutherland & 3rd Rylee Murphy

Collage/Scrapbooking: 1st Lucy Terry, 2nd Nora Terry & 3rd Aurora Kernan

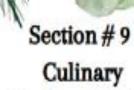
Open: 1st Harry Prior, 2nd Sabrina Pugh & 3rd Rylee Murphy

Littlies Craft (5 Yrs & Under)

Recycled Craft: 1st Zia Kwon, 2nd Wyatt Gallagher & 3rd Alaina Bethel Open: 1st Dolly Steele, 2nd Ted Portas & 3rd Scydie-Mae Young

Section # 8 Jams & Preserves

Lime Marmalade: 1st Jennifer Pugh, 2nd Renee Matthews Cumquat Marmalade: 1st Narelle Murphy, 2nd Lucy Elgey & **3rd Kevin Furber** Sweet Orange Marmalade: 1st Lorraine Pedracini Grapefruit Marmalade: 1st Alana Young, 2nd Lorraine Pedracini & 3rd Lucy Elgey Rosella Jam: 1st Lucy Elgey, 2nd Lucy Elgey Pickles: 1st Lorraine Pedracini Relish Cold: 1st Mary Dixon, 2nd Renee Matthews & 3rd Jennifer Pugh Hot Chutney: 1st Lorraine Pedracini Cold Chutney: 1st Lorraine Pedracini, 2nd Jennifer Pugh & 3rd Lucy Elgey Lemon Butter: 1st Cindy Attwood, 2nd Renee Matthews & 3rd Jennifer Pugh Passionfruit Butter: 1st Alana Young, 2nd Jennifer Pugh & **3rd Lurleen Young** Any Pickled Vegetable: 1st Darren Pedracini, 2nd Kristie Story & 3rd Jodi Kernan Homemade Sauce - Hot: 1st Narelle Murphy, 2nd Jennifer Pugh Homemade Sauce - Cold: 1st Jennifer Pugh, 2nd Jennifer Pugh Open: 1st Andrew Kernan, 2nd Renee Mathews, 3rd Renee Matthews



Chocolate Cake: 1st Jennifer Pugh, 2nd Jodi Kernan & 3rd Cindy Attwood Boiled Fruit Cake: 1st Lurleen Young, 2nd Cindy Attwood Best Decorated Cake (novelty iced): 1st Cindy Attwood Selection of Slices: 1st Cindy Attwood Selection of Fancy Biscuits: 1st Sue Ryan Selection of Plain Biscuits: 1st Lurleen Young, 2nd Sue Ryan Plate of Scones (6): 1st Cindy Attwood, 2nd Andrew Kernan Damper: 1st Andrew Kernan, 2nd Cindy Attwood, Kristie Story Sponge Cake: 1st Cindy Attwood Loaf of Bread: 1st Jennifer Pugh, 2nd Kristie Story & 3rd Cindy Attwood Homemade Lollies: 1st Renee Matthews, 2nd Renee Matthews & 3rd Cindy Attwood Brownies: 1st Cindy Attwood, 2nd Sascha Young Plate of Muffins (6): 1st Cindy Attwood, 2nd Sue Ryan Patty Cakes: 1st Cindy Attwood, 2nd Sue Ryan Pikelets: 1st Cindy Attwood, 2nd Jodi Kernan Banana Cake: 1st Cindy Attwood Plum Pudding: 1st Lurleen Young Surprise Us: 1st Cindy Attwood, 2nd Cindy Attwood **Childrens** Culinary Decorated Biscuits (6): 1st Lexie Prior, 2nd Harry Prior Mixed Homemade Lollies: 1st Lexie & Harry Prior Chocolate Crackle: 1st Beau Pedracini, 2nd Harry Prior& 3rd Lexie Prior Cake: 1st Lexie & Harry Prior, 2nd Harry Prior & 3rd Lexie Prior Littlies Culinary

Decorated Arrowroot Biscuits (6): 1st Alaina Bethel, 2nd Masie Pedracini & 3rd

Lane Pedracini

Maria

Section # 10 Horticulture – Plants

Floral Art – Fresh Arrangement: 1st Sue Ryan Floral Art - Dried Arrangement: 1st Sue Ryan, 2nd Ashlyn Ryan Floral Art - Single Bloom: 1st Sue Ryan, 2nd Sue Ryan Floral Art - Single Rose: 1st Sue Ryan Floral Art - Bunch of Flowers: 1st Sahra Lis,, 2nd Sue Ryan & 3rd Sue Ryan Pot Plants - Fern: 1st Narelle Murphy, 2nd Stockman's Creek & 3rd Sue Ryan Pot Plants - Coleus: 1st Cindy Attwood Pot Plants - Herb: 1st Lucy Elgey, 2nd Narelle Murphy & 3rd Lucy Elgey Pot Plants - Flowering: 1st James Bernard, 2nd James Bernard & **3rd Sue Ryan** Pot Plants - Specimen Cacti: 1st Jodi Kernan, 2nd Josie Prior & **3rd Narelle Murphy** Pot Plants - Open: 1st Cindy Attwood, 2nd Andrew Kernan & 3rd Cindy Attwood **Childrens** Plants

> Pot of Flowers or Posy: 1st Kaelea Lis, 2nd Lexie Prior Arrangement – Fresh or Dried: 1st Aurora Kernan, 2nd Harry Prior

Section # 11 Horticulture – Home Grown

Single Vegetable: 1st Cindy Attwood, 2nd Stockmans Creek & 3rd Jodi Kernan Selection of Vegetables: 1st Jodi Kernan Single Fruit: 1st Cindy Attwood, 2nd Lucy Elgey & 3rd Jodi Kernan Single Citrus Fruit: 1st Alana Young, 2nd Cindy Attwood & 3rd Sue Ryan Selection of Fruit: 1st Jodi Kernan Heaviest Pumpkin: 1st James Bernard, 2nd Cindy Attwood & 3rd Lucy Elgey Dried Fruit & Vegetables: 1st Cindy Attwood **Childrens Homegrown Horticulture** Single Citrus Fruit: 1st Kaelea Lis Single Vegetable: 1st Harry Prior, 2nd Lane Pedracini, 3rd Beau Pedracini Single Fruit: 1st Kaelea Lis

Section #12

Art O

Landscape: 1st Brett Taylor, 2nd Renee Bester & 3rd Brett Taylor

Still Life: 1st Ashlyn Ryan

Drawing: 1st Cleta Curley, 2nd Ashlyn Ryan & 3rd Cleta Curley Abstract: 1st Bekky Joy

Open: 1st Ashlyn Ryan, 2nd Hayley Fox & 3rd Andrew Barns

Children's Art 12-9 Yrs

Painting: 1st Harry Prior, 2nd Harry Prior & 3rd Chloe Sutherland

Drawing: 1st Sienna Pezzotti, 2nd Harry Prior & 3rd Alliyah

Pezzotti

Indigenous Art: 1st Denzel Forskitt, 2nd Brydie Mclymont & 3rd Harry Prior

Juniors Art 8-6 Yrs

Painting: 1st Lexie Prior, 2nd Colt Hopkins & 3rd Lexie Prior Drawing:1st Lexie Prior, 2nd Evelyn Pezzotti & 3rd Lexie Prior Indigenous Art: 1st Lexie Prior

Littlies Art

Drawing or Painting Under 4 Yrs: 1st Grace Matene, 2nd Suede Young & 3rd Waylon Brosnan Drawing or Painting 4-6 Yrs: 1st Alaina Bethel, 2nd Percy Terry & 3rd Ezekiel Haase

Section # 13 Home Brew & Cured Meats

Cordial: 1st Jennifer Pugh Hot Salami: 1st Darren Pedracini

Section #14 Animal Craft

Bullock Horns/Skulls: 1st Cindy Attwood Any Leather Item: 1st Mitchell Fox Section #15 Woodcraft

Bushcraft: 1st Sue Ryan, 2nd Sahrah Lis Furniture - Machined: 1st Ashlyn Ryan Furniture - Rustic: 1st Cindy Attwood, 2nd Cindy Attwood & 3rd Reece Pugh Furniture - Recycled: 1st Ashlyn Ryan Brand Art: 1st Lexie Prior Novelty Article: 1st Hayley Fox, 2nd Travis Pugh Wood Burning: 1st Cindy Attwood, 2nd Travis Pugh & **3rd Reece Pugh** Section #16 **Garden Art** Open Junior 12 Yr & Under: 1st Aurora Kernan, 2nd Harry Prior

Section #17 Assorted Crafts Not Listed

Dream Catchers: 1st Cindy Attwood Handmade Jewellery: 1st Cindy Attwood, 2nd Cindy Attwood & 3rd Cindy Attwood Locally made or recycled item: 1st Sue Ryan, 2nd Mitchell Fox & 3rd Ashlyn Ryan Metal Craft: 1st Hayley Fox, 2nd Hayley Fox & 3rd Cindy Attwood
Open: 1st Ashlyn Ryan, 2nd Ashlyn Ryan & 3rd

Cindy Attwood

Section # 18 Lego & Engineering

Big Kids Lego Design 9-12 Yrs: 1st Ruby Alexanderson, 2nd Patrick Fox & 3rd Ruby Alexanderson

Kids Lego Design 7-9 Yrs: 1st Hudson Dark, 2nd Victor Gallagher & 3rd Alliyah & Sienna Pezzotti Littlies Lego Design: 1st Morgan LeBrocq, 2nd Evelyn & Indiana Pezzotti & 3rd Lawson Bester Create Your Own Lego 4-12 Yrs: 1st Jack Jones,

2nd Liam Fox & 3rd Lexie Prior

Open Engineering: 1st Pezzotti Girls Congratulations to all Winners & Placegetters!

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The the dust has settled on what was a great but busy weekend.

Photos by: Karlene Shephard Photography















Help to protect Australia's citrus industry host a sticky trap in your garden

Do you have a citrus tree or orange jasmine (Murraya paniculata) in your garden? Your tree could host an insect trap, helping to keep Australian citrus safe, and adding crucial data to our national surveillance program.

CitrusWatch is a five-year program that aims to protect the Australian citrus industry. As part of CitrusWatch, we are conducting surveillance for exotic citrus pests. One of these is the Asian citrus psyllid (ACP). This insect is having a serious impact on overseas orchards, so we are keeping a constant look out for it.

Exotic pests such as ACP can travel to Australia via busy trade or passenger routes. If they evade border biosecurity inspections, the next stop is often home gardens. Early detection of pests through programs like CitrusWatch, improves the chances of a swift and successful response if an exotic pest is detected.



Credit: Citrus Australia

Want to get involved?

We're looking for volunteers to place a sticky insect trap in a tree, and contribute to an early warning system for our commercial citrus industry.

All you need to do is place the provided trap in an ACP host plant (citrus, curry leaf or Murray paniculata work well) and leave it in place for two weeks. After that, it's a simple case of removing the trap and putting it in the post for checking by entomologists in Darwin. We'll provide everything you need including sticky traps, instructions and pre-paid envelopes for trap return.

For more information and to register

Contact Ben Burchett, Department of Industry, Tourism and Trade, plantbiosecurity@nt.gov.au

CitrusWatch has been funded by Hort Innovation, using the citrus research and development levy and contributions from the Australian Government. Hort Innovation is the grower owned, not-for-profit research and development corporation for Australian horticulture. Funding is also supplied by Plant Health Australia using the citrus plant health levy.



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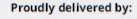
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Location: Georgetown Hall Date: Thursday, 12 September Time: 12:30pm-1:30pm Location: Mount Surprise Hall Date: Friday, 13 September Time: 12:30pm-1:30pm

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DigiGrow Information Session & Content Creation Tools workshop

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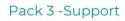


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Helping Rural Women Start Businesses

19 August 2024

A pioneering initiative that supports rural women to start their own businesses is open to new applicants.

Since launching in 2017, Gulf Savannah NRM's Bush Business Program has helped more than 20 female entrepreneurs from the Northern Gulf region turn their business ideas into reality.

Expressions of interest (EOIs) are now open for the next round of the program, which includes training to develop core business skills and mentorship from established business owners.

'This is a great opportunity to turn hobbies into thriving small businesses and generate another source of income for your household,' said **Gulf Savannah NRM's Kasmin Brotherton**.

'Having delivered the Bush Business initiative before, we know that one of the most important aspects is creating a network of like-minded participants to support each other through the process.'

Bekky Haase participated in the program in 2020 and last year opened the Grey Galah BnB in Georgetown.

'The Bush Business Program provided clarity to my decision-making on what to pursue as a business — this was helped by having a group of local women who served as a safe sounding board,' said Bekky.

Kaila Kingsley, owner of Outback Orchids near Chillagoe — the only licensed supplier of the protected Wild Australian Black Orchid — said the skills she gained from the program were fundamental to her success.

'It was so encouraging to have a group to bounce my thoughts off and get their feedback on how unique my idea was. Back then it was a distant dream and now we have a commercial nursery on a remote cattle station,' said Kaila.

Register your EOI at gulfsavannahnrm.org/bush-business by Sunday 8 September 2024.

This project received funding from Queensland Government's Office for Women, through the Investing in Queensland Women grant program.



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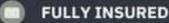


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NOTICE

Telstra are planning to perform Aerial Surveillance of existing installations of Optic Fibre cables between Charters Towers, Mount Isa and Cape York between 3rd September and 13th September 2024. The team will be looking for any damage or erosion that might present a danger to the continued operation of essential communication links for communities.

Flights across Etheridge Shire will be on Saturday 7th September -Burketown to Normanton to Croydon to Georgetown; and Sunday 8th September - Georgetown to Mareeba to Mount Carbine ...

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Hello, Rob Silk here from Silk's Rest Camping Ground.

I am trying to locate the sign that has gone missing from the grid which is located 3km out of Einasleigh towards Forsayth. A reduce speed sign had been put in its place and Council confirmed that they did not have anything to do with it.

The Council has since removed the reduce speed sign and with their support we are now trying to locate the Silk's Rest sign.

It was put up 3 years ago, encouraging tourist to come and enjoy this beautiful part of the Etheridge Shire. We would really appreciate to have it back, so if anyone has any information, please contact 07 4062 5266

🙂 Silk's Rest 🙂

Camping Ground

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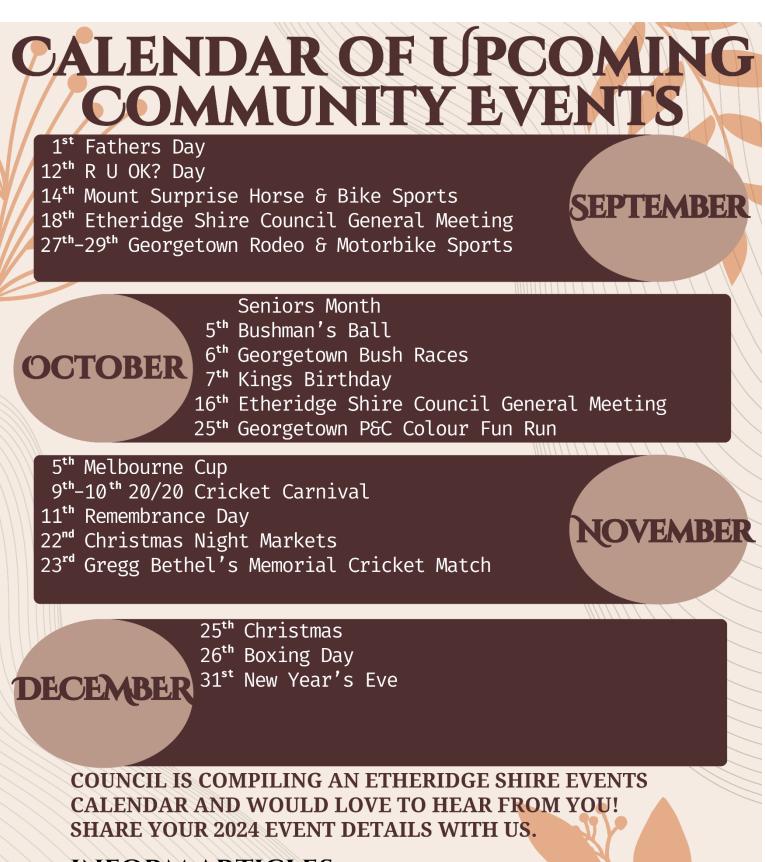
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