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Highfields Eagles women's team took out the Toowoomba Rugby League grand final on Saturday, September 14 with a hard-fought 20-14 win over the Gatton Hawks.

The Eagles had finished the season second on the ladder, just one point behind the Gatton Hawks and three ahead of the third-placed Valleys Roosters but had an impressive for and against points of 431 to 96.

The premiership success for the young enthusiastic Highfields group came after losing to the Hawks in the

semi-finals the previous week and having to battle out the preliminary final against the Valley Roosters, a game they never looked like losing and won convincingly 28 to 6, to again take on the Hawks in the grand final.

The win for the Highfields team comes in just their third year in the open women's competition which, for the past three seasons, had been dominated by their rivals, the Gatton Hawks.

Eagles coach, Wayne Cabbage, said he was confident

throughout the season that the girls could take out the premiership.

"We kept our training simple each week and, despite suffering a few major injuries, the girls worked hard and stuck to their game plan and dominated in both offence and defence," he said.

"The club is very proud of their achievement."

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Opportunity for philanthropy

Concerned local citizens have been meeting over the past few weeks, anxious about the fate of one of Highfields' few remaining wildlife corridors.

The vegetation is behind the area cleared of mature trees last year, provoking outrage among locals and resulting in a well-attended public protest meeting.

The land adjoins Reis Road, Highfields, and belongs to the Berghofer family company.

The surviving trees at the site are now under threat, and with them the wildlife, including koalas that are already threatened with extinction.

This is a matter of great concern, but it also presents an

opportunity for Mr Berghofer, well known as a philanthropist, having financed hospitals, sports facilities and research institutions, for which the community is grateful.

Here is a golden opportunity for philanthropy of a different kind.

By setting aside this precious area of mature vegetation as a nature reserve, Mr Berghofer would not only help save threatened wildlife but would also contribute to protecting the natural assets that make Highfields so special.

What a worthwhile legacy that would be. - **Barbara McKenzie, Highfields**

Mysogyny alive and well

Who committed the worst faux pas - Councillor Kerry Shine, who apparently values the concerns of the Toowoomba Region citizens so little that he goes to sleep in council meetings, or Councillor Rebecca Vonhoff, who thought the people of the region might have a right to know about such disrespectful behaviour?

Mysogyny seems to be alive and well in our council when Cr Vonhoff is made to apologise publicly but where is Cr Shine's apology?

Some of the worst misogynists have always been females.

The Herald's self-appointed "citizen journalist" Jennifer

(who apparently suffers from the "woman with no last name syndrome" so common among women who think females should remain in the background of society) is prepared to pen a long rant about Cr Vonhoff's perceived misbehaviour but does not choose even to mention the name of the offending male councillor.

Where is the discussion about whether Councillor Shine is actually up to the job of being a councillor?

Why does he need to go to sleep in meetings?

Let's have a little more even-handedness, please, "Jennifer". - **Patricia Gardner**

Wildlife under serious threat

Habitats of koalas, birds and all manner of wildlife in Highfields and surrounding areas are under serious threat from ongoing development, and with the delay of the TRC draft planning scheme until mid-2026, the wildlife remains unprotected.

For too long, residents have watched as habitat destruction continues unchecked.

Highfields is regarded as a residential area that promotes living with trees and alongside the natural environment, but that is starting to change - not by residents' choice - but shaped by the will of developers whose bottom line is all consuming.

It is recognised, housing is es-

sential, but not by turning much-loved natural environments into urban wastelands of tiny blocks and high traffic zones.

The two goals can co-exist but we need the willingness of the council, developers and residents to co-operate on more modest and sympathetic planning for the natural environment that we live in.

We are all involved and should have a say about where we live and how it grows, whether it is by Council planning or developer planning.

Please consider joining meetings at Farmers Arms Tavern at Cabarlah as they occur. - **Richard Stevens, Highfields**

Caravan group visit boost for region

The Sunland Caravan Owners Group, the Sunlanders, have been gathering annually since a very modest beginning with six vans in 2016 in West Kunderang to last year's event in Maryborough with an incredible 120 vans.

This year, Crows Nest has been chosen as the destination for the group's visit which will be hosted by the Crows Nest Show Society.

Events like this are always welcome in any region as they provide an incredible influx of tourism benefits and prosperity to the destination and, in the case of Maryborough last year, based on the calculation of receipts collected at the end of the event, a minimum estimate was that over \$100,000 had been spent during the visit.

Added to that investment in the local sector, daily fundraising activities were carried out by members during 'Yappy Hour' benefiting local charities.

Another figure worth noting is the projected income the visit will bring to the local Crows Nest Show Society through camping fees estimated to be in the vicinity of \$20,000.

This anticipated injection of funds is already being utilised with water points and electricity hubs being installed at the show grounds for future events.

Monetary gains for the community they visit is something that the Sunland Caravan Owners Group are very proud of and compliment the Crows Nest Show Society committee for the incredible support they have received for their upcoming visit.

The Sunlanders' organising team has put together a program of many and varied activities for each day and, thanks to the Hampton and Toowoomba Visitor Information Centres, there will be sample bags of brochures and information with links to support tourism and businesses in the Toowoomba region.

Encouraged activities include visiting the Farmers Market, Cobb & Co Museum, the various Carnival of Flowers parks and gardens, galleries and museums, along with other caravan-type info sessions, in-house gatherings and charity fundraising.

The benefits of hosting such an event cannot be stressed enough as rewards will be reaped both during the visit in October, and thereafter as, once the Sunlanders see for themselves what the region has to offer, the prospect of future return visitation through positive experiences is guaranteed. - **Kerry Schemioneck, Hampton Visitor Information Centre volunteer**

Hypocrisy in Greens policy platform

With a sense of frustration, I listened to a recent talkback radio interview regarding the housing policies of The Greens and their plan to help tackle the nation-wide housing crisis.

The Federal branch of the party, who often tout themselves (and are widely regarded) as the party for renters, have released a suite of policies they believe will help those who rent.

The policies include mandating minimum kitchen sizes, a two-year freeze on rental increases as well as guaranteed lease renewals.

The problem is that these are not Federal government issues - they are State government issues. It would be akin to Peter Dutton or Anthony Albanese campaigning to change the parking structure in Toowoomba's CBD - it's disingenuous.

It is obvious why The Greens want to highlight issues the rental market faces as renters' votes are traditionally very important to the electoral success of the party, however you have to be open about what you can and cannot do if elected.

Further adding to the frustration of The Greens being thought of as the party for renters is that when they talk about policy that falls within their jurisdiction, they tear down policies designed to help renters and those struggling to find housing.

Take for example a housing policy of the Queensland Government, which proposes a Prior-

ity Development Area for the inner-city suburb of Woollongabba would allow the construction of residential towers of up to 75 stories high, on the condition that 20 per cent or more would be dedicated to affordable housing.

The projects falling under this policy are projected to deliver an additional 14,000 homes, of which no less than 2800 would be subsidised, affordable housing.

Surprise surprise, the local Greens MP Amy McMahon is against the policy because she believes the level of affordable housing should be higher than 20 per cent and that developers would make too much money.

When report after report has come out and identified lack of supply being a key driver of housing affordability and high rents, the party of renters strongly comes out to quash any substantive action to address the issue.

In order to win votes, and to seemingly maintain ideological purity, The Greens allow perfect to get in the way of the good, they misrepresent what can be achieved and stand in the way of actually addressing the problem.

Politics should be about compromising and getting things done for the good of everyone.

The Greens continue to demonstrate their inability to do either. - **Frustrated voter**

Storm in a teacup

The letter last week from Jennifer (Citizen Journalist) seeking to discomfort Rebecca Vonhoff is way off the mark.

Round these parts of the High Country, Cr Vonhoff is a valued and respected Deputy Mayor who is blessed with a sense of humour.

In these stodgy, self-righteous times how refreshing to have someone who can see the hilarious side of an august councillor falling fast asleep in the middle of a meeting.

We have all been at meetings as dull as ditchwa-

ter, and, combined with a poor night's sleep, dozing off is only too human.

Maybe this storm in a teacup will elbow Albo into appointing a full-time photographer to Parliament.

The snorers would feature on the front page of The Sydney Morning Herald, The Melbourne Age and The Australian.

Toowoomba has pioneered a rousing wake-up call.

- **Garth Hockly, Ravensbourne**

Why not maintenance mode?

Two articles published in the Herald 17/9/24 took my interest - both relating to Toowoomba Regional Council.

The first was the reader's letter "Councillor's faux pas still a sullied matter."

Having re-read the letter a few times, I am still puzzled by the author's reference to a local education institute and whatever the institute had/has to do with the subject matter of a photograph taken by a councillor of another councillor nodding off which was then apparently circulated.

If I were the principal of the institute, I would feel duty bound to fire off a 'please explain' letter.

The second article "Council capital works projects now online" had me hopping up and down as you see the TRC still do not seem to realise that Australia's economy is cooling and inflation is still not under control!

Simple facts are that ratepayers, many of whom are pensioners, are not cash cows and all are suffering financially.

So anyone who can add 2 and 2 and make 4 should be asking why is the council not in 'maintenance mode' to either hold rates or better still reduce rates... but no, the headlines are "Capital works projects now online" - whoopee.

Now bring the two articles together which seems appropriate as they both relate to the council of which the Mayor, up to now apparently, has not made any comment on his actions related to the councillor's behaviour post the nodding off incident.

Nor has he seen the need to reduce capital works expenditure and run the TRC in maintenance mode to relieve the financial burden on cash-strapped ratepayers. - **Al Taylor, Crows Nest**

Cars and Coffee donate to local groups

At the Crows Nest Cars and Coffee Club meeting last Thursday night, donations of \$500 each were presented two organisations. Receiving the donations from Cars and Coffee Club president John Draper, back right, were Haden State School P and C Association president David Church and, at front, Chrissy and Ken Myers from Crows Nest Rural Fire Brigade.



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Council approves stage 3 of Reis Road development

In an emotion-charged almost two-hour special meeting of Toowoomba Regional Council last Tuesday, councillors voted six votes to four to approve an application for a Development Permit to Reconfigure two lots into 46 lots in stage four of a development bounded by Reis, Kuhls and Barracks Roads at Highfields.

The site, zoned Low Density Residential (General Precinct), is 28.69 hectares in area and described as vacant and characterised by open grassland with scattered native trees.

Proposed residential lots vary in size from 731 to 1149 square metres with the average lot size of 870 square metres.

State mapping shows the site is classified as containing Category X (not-remnant) vegetation, areas of which are not generally regulated by vegetation management laws.

The whole of the development will result in the clearing of 199 trees plus an additional 25 within the buffer.

Among the trees proposed for removal, 69 are located within the stage to which this assessment relates.

Scot McPhie, representing a group of community members concerned about further loss of wildlife habitat in Highfields and the lack of legislation to protect old growth trees, was invited to address the meeting.

He spoke about the effect the loss of another 199 mature trees from the site would have on the breeding and foraging habitat of koalas and other native wildlife, including cavity nesting birds like cockatoos, other parrot species and owls.

Mr McPhie urged the council to not sign off on the approval unless the developers could prove that they have referred it

to, and had it approved by, the Federal Environment Minister under the EPBC Act, to which the proponents said they have had advice that their proposal does not contravene the Federal legislation.

Representatives of the applicants also addressed the meeting and fielded questions from councillors.

Their company proposes to undertake compensatory environmental planting of replacement trees at a 3:1 ratio at an off-site location known as Roxanna Reserve, another of their company owned blocks located approximately 1.5km to the east of the subject site.

The speakers also advised that, in past approaches to the council, there had been a submission which included the provision of parkland within the development area.

The response from the council



Scot McPhie address the Toowoomba Regional Council meeting chaired by Cr Kerry Shine to a proposal for parkland to be incorporated was that they did not want to see more parkland established.

There was also no council support offered for a suggestion put forward for a change to the zoning to allow for larger blocks.

Voting in favour of the approval of the application were the Mayor, Cr Geoff McDonald and Councillors Kerry Shine, James O'Shea, Edwina Farquhar, Gary Gardner and Melissa Taylor.

Those against were Deputy Mayor, Cr Rebecca Vonhoff, and Councillors Trevor Manteufel, Bill Cahill and Tim McMahon.

Cr Carol Taylor was absent from the meeting.

In speaking for the motion, several councillors said they

would vote in favour of the approval because they could see no current legal mechanism to stop it but, personally, they did not agree with it.

Some who voted against the motion were emotional and struggled to hold back tears during the discussion and voting.

The full special meeting with all the speeches and questions can be viewed at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YQ-Ciqu69Us>

Environmentalists acknowledge TRC move to future protect habitat

The Darling Downs Environment Council is calling the endorsement of the motion by Deputy Mayor Rebecca Vonhoff at last Tuesday's Toowoomba Regional Council meeting for the development of a Temporary Local Planning Instrument to strengthen the protection of the region's significant vegetation a hard-earned win for their group.

The council approved the development of a TLPI subject to State Government approval, that seeks to protect vegetation mapped as areas of ecological significance.

The TLPI is in response to another pushback in the expected completion date of the new draft planning scheme.

Cr Vonhoff said developing a TLPI would offer the community greater clarity over tree clearing in development applications while complementary work was undertaken to strengthen environmental protection in the new planning scheme.

"An advantage of a TLPI is that it can be put in place far more quickly than a planning scheme amendment," Cr Vonhoff said.

DDEC co-ordinator Ahri Talon said the lack of protection until now has resulted in the loss of crucial wildlife habitat in Highfields and other areas, with property developers continuing to clear land without integrating significant mature habitat trees into residential developments.

"In October 2022, the council

voted down a TLPI aimed at protecting mature trees, with some councillors citing the proximity of the impending planning scheme update as justification for the decision," Mr Talon said.

"Promises were made by councillors that protections would be included in the new planning scheme.

"And now the scheme has again been extensively delayed, with a draft not due until mid-2026, DDEC is pleased to see the council act decisively and take this step to protect wildlife and halt further destruction of their habitat.

"Koalas and other wildlife

need protection now, not in up to three years when this new planning scheme might eventually be in place.

"The lack of any protections for mature trees leaves all wildlife vulnerable to habitat loss, which will have an irreversible impact in our region.

"Protections are in place in most LGA's in South East Queensland and it is good to see our council taking this action.

"Koalas, classified as endangered, are protected under the Federal Environmental Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act, yet research confirms that habitat loss is the primary

driver of their continued decline and the absence of regulations exacerbates this issue."

Cr Vonhoff acknowledged that people want the same thing.

"They want homes to live in, in developments done right, ecological areas not left as scorched earth, clarity instead of red tape holding up applications for years with federal referrals or courts and growth in places where people are crying out for it," she said.

There will be opportunity for public feedback on the proposed TLPI before any amendments are submitted to the State Government for approval.

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Council seeks feedback on parks and reserves

Parks and Recreation Services portfolio spokesperson Cr Tim McMahon says Toowoomba Regional Council is inviting community feedback on a draft master plan for the city's Black Gully Linear Corridor Park and Captain Cook Recreation Reserve and a proposal to designate an additional dog off-leash area in Black Gully Linear Corridor Park.

"We're excited to present the draft master plan which has been shaped by the voices of our community," Cr McMahon said. "Developed with community feedback received during November and December 2023 and May 2024, it aims to improve these spaces to ensure they can be enjoyed by the whole community for years to come. "Future improvement works,

which can only be completed when capital funding is made available, range from improved playgrounds to new shared pathways and picnic areas, and proposes features for park-goers of all ages and interests. "Creating a new master plan is a joint effort between Council and the community and we invite everyone to get involved as we finish shaping it together.

"The feedback will be used to finalise the master plan which will be shared with the community later this year." Cr McMahon said the council is also inviting feedback on a proposal to change the existing Clearview Street Park dog off-leash area in Black Gully Linear Corridor Park under Toowoomba Regional Council Local Law No. 2 (Animal Management) 2011, section 11. "It is proposed to designate an additional area adjacent to the existing Clearview Street Park dog off-leash area in Black Gully Linear Corridor Park to give dog owners an alternative area to train, socialise and exercise their pets off-leash," Cr McMahon said. "Community feedback will be considered later this year and

if endorsed, the area will be appropriately signed to indicate the designated dog off-leash area and rules for its use." The draft master plan and dog off-leash proposal can be viewed on Council's Your Say website. Community comments on these proposals can be made either online, by phone to 13 18 72, by email to yoursay@tr.qld.gov.au or by letter until 5pm on Friday, October 4 and should state support or objections to the proposal and include the full proper name and address of the submitter, the grounds of the submission, and the facts and circumstances relied on in support of the grounds. • For further information on the Black Gully Linear Corridor Park and Captain Cook Recreation Reserve upgrade, visit



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When beautiful young ladies danced with gallant young men

Greenwood Hall annual ball - August 19, 1961

Toowoomba City Mayor, Mr Jack McCafferty and Mrs McCafferty judged the Queen of the Ball at the Greenwood Hall annual ball on August 19, 1961.

Young ladies who took to the floor for the judging were Jeanett Bickerstaff, Oakey, Mirelle Baker, Mt Tyson, who made her own dress, Lillian Crighton, Greenwood, Marjorie Cronin, Linthorpe, Eslyn Darr, Bowenville, Lynley Deeth, Oakey, Carole Fenton, Oakey, Beryl Gessler, Oakey, Aileen Jackson, Toowoomba, Beth Jenkins, Oakey, Ann Krog, Toowoomba, Beverley Littleton, Bowenville, Betty Mason, Mt Irving, Ann Meisenhelter, Toowoomba, Dawn Norgaard, Nara, Roslyn Pukallus, Crows Nest, Dawn Taylor, Acland, Merle Timm, Haden, Valerie Widderick, Acland, Joan Wright, Oakey, Gay Widderick, Acland and Mary Wilkins, Oakey.

In that same year, Greenwood Hall committee boldly advertised their presence on the social

scene by entering the Toowoomba Carnival of Flowers parade.

Oakey's Ford dealer, Cam Cameron, was persuaded to provide a Falcon utility as a coach to transport the Greenwood Queen and Princesses.

The Falcon did not cope with the procession however, and the constant idling resulted in the engine over-heating.

Mirelle Heinemann, nee Baker said, "I made my debut in 1956 at a Mt Tyson ball organised by the local CWA Younger Set."

Mirelle, who won numerous prizes at different balls around the district, said she remains friends with some of the girls she met on the ball circuit and still has the sash she won at Greenwood in 1961.

Mirelle is the daughter of Selvin Snow and Olive Baker, nee Harth, who had a farm at Mt Tyson.

She is the granddaughter of Chis Harth who made part of his farm available for the Greenwood

Recreation Ground on which the Greenwood Hall was built.

Mirelle remembers dancing until dawn at a New Year Ball at the Oakey Memorial Hall.

She said, "People had so much fun with the Congo Line that night."

"The leader took the people out of the hall, down the main street and back into the hall."

Her beau at the time was Tom Heinemann who later became her husband.

He had to drive her home to Mt Tyson at sunrise, before going home to Gowrie Mountain to milk his dairy cows.

Mirelle continued, "We went to balls every weekend. It was our amusement. It's what we did."

"Prizes were given at Rainbow Balls, for best dressed couple, for best dancers, for best floral dress, for Belle of the Ball, for Queen of the Ball, for best Ballerina dress and more."

Memories include music by Ronnie and the

Ramblers, The Twilighters and The Goldstars, supper on cold winter nights, the Pride of Erin, Gypsy Tap and Progressive Barn Dance, and boy meets girl – how times have changed.

Greenwood Hall Committee chairman, Stan Bacon, announced at the ball that the hall was debt free after only two years.



Greenwood Hall memorabilia
- Stan Bacon photos



Toowoomba City Mayor, Mr Jack McCafferty, Princess of the Ball Miss Merle Timm of Haden, Queen of the Ball Miss Roslyn Pukallus of Crows Nest, Princess of the Ball, and Miss Mirelle Baker of Mt Tyson

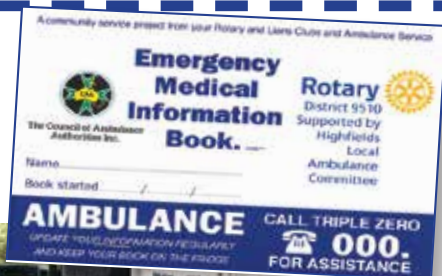


At the Toowoomba Railway Yards in preparation for the Carnival of Flowers parade Miss Mirelle Baker, Mt Tyson, Miss Roslyn Pukallus, Crows Nest and Miss Merle Timm from Haden



Contestants during the judging of Queen of the Ball at the Greenwood Hall on August 19, 1961

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Crows Nest Museum carnival float



Crows Nest Historical Society members Aaron Ormston and Danny Schmidt with the Crows Nest Museum float which won second prize in the Carnival of Flowers parade



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Highfields students send artwork to Japan sister city

Highfields State School students have completed an artwork symbolising hope, which will be sent to Toowoomba's Japanese Sister City of Takatsuki for its annual arts fair in November.

Toowoomba Regional Council Economic Development portfolio spokesperson Cr Edwina Farquhar said the students' 2.5 metre by 3.5 metre canvas was titled, Our Connection to Country.

Cr Farquhar said members of the school's NAIDOC Club, comprising Indigenous students and their friends, were inspired by nature and their connection to the land.

"The canvas incorporates Indigenous symbols, representing meeting places, water, animals, human tracks and waterholes," Cr Farquhar said.

The work also draws on sunrises, oceans, sitting around campfires and the hopeful feeling of being in nature.

The Highfields State School mascot and local area totem, the eagle, also inspires students to fly high in all that they do.

Cr Farquhar said Highfields State School had entered the 2019 Takatsuki Art Festival, which was followed by the formation of a Sister School relationship with Takatsuki's Gunge Elementary School during an October 2023 online ceremony.

"In June this year, Highfields State School deepened its commitment to the agreement when Principal Mr Chris Gilbert, Deputy Principal Mrs Kayte Gillinder, three teachers and 25 students from Years 5 and 6 travelled to Japan for a study tour," Cr Farquhar said.

"The Highfields party attended a Mayoral reception at Takatsuki City Hall and later visited Gunge Elementary School to join various activities

followed by a visit to the Imashirozuka Museum."

The Toowoomba Anglican School and the Toowoomba Art Society Junior class entered an artwork in the 2018 Takatsuki Art Festival. Oakey State School's 2021 entry won the 'Full of Dreams' judges' commendation award before Gowrie State School entered the 2022 competition, with North State School flying the Region's flag in 2023.

A formal Sister City agreement between Toowoomba and Takatsuki officially was established on November 13, 1991.

The Declaration of Friendship agrees to deepen the relationship through mutually beneficial exchanges in the educational, cultural, sporting and commercial arenas.

Toowoomba and Takatsuki have enjoyed a highly active relationship with many exchanges occurring over the years, including student study tour exchanges.

Takatsuki, with a population of 355,000 people, is located halfway between Osaka and Kyoto in the southern section of the Honshu Island of Japan.



Highfields State School Japan Study Tour students enjoying the culture of Japan on the recent visit



Highfields State School teachers Sean Turner, left, and Melita Semler with students from the NAIDOC Club and their artwork, Our Connection to Country

Water upgrade ahead of area's growth

A new trunk water main is laying the groundwork for future development and job creation in the Highfields area.

Toowoomba Region Mayor Geoff McDonald said \$9.5 million in upgrades to the Highfields water supply network will accommodate anticipated growth as well as improve water pressure and supply to existing residents.

"This project started in 2018 as a multi-year, multi-stage program to increase capacity and improve water treatment services.

"The fantastic lifestyle in our region will see our population continue to climb and Council has made a strategic decision to enhance and upgrade our water distribution network to cater for growth," Mayor McDonald said.

"This latest phase of the project will ensure water supply and pressure to meet both current and future demands for future commercial and residential areas," he said.

"Council has invested \$40 million in recent upgrades to Mt Kynoch Water Treatment Plant implement modern water treatment processes and we will continue to roll out infrastructure to our regional communities.



Toowoomba Regional Council Councillors cut the ribbon at the opening of the new trunk water main project for Highfields. Cr Trevor Manteufel, Cr Melissa Taylor, Deputy Mayor Cr Rebecca Vonhoff, Mayor Cr Geoff McDonald, Cr Tim McMahon and Cr Edwina Farquhar.

"A secure and reliable water supply will always be the highest priority for Council and these upgrades will benefit the Highfields community for many years to come."

Toowoomba Region Deputy Mayor and Strategic Water Planning and Capital Delivery portfolio spokesperson Cr Rebecca Vonhoff said the new main runs approximately 5.5km through Highfields to the Borghardt Road Pump Station.

"The new dedicated trunk main will allow Council to fill the reservoir while the pump

station is running significantly increasing the volume of water that can be delivered into the Highfields area from Mt Kynoch Water Treatment Plant," Cr Vonhoff said.

"Highfields nearly ran out of water during an unexpected high demand event last year and the upgrade will allow the network to supply high demands during summer, without the risk of losing supply," she said.

"To be successful we all need to work together to ensure our water security.

"These new upgrades are a very important part of the puzzle."

Cr Vonhoff said the pump station upgrade is expected to be finished by the end of 2024 and includes a new shed and pump set with a back-up generator to ensure the pumps are not affected by power outages.

"The new pump set is expected to meet projected demand until 2056.

"This is Council planning for the future and making strategic decisions for the next generation of residents," Cr Vonhoff said.

You're Invited!

Cooyar Progress Association invites residents and friends from the district to attend the unveiling of the Cooyar Swinging Bridge Historical Information sign.



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Christian Comment

Don't sweat the small stuff

How many times does the statement 'don't sweat the small stuff' apply to us?

We are all capable of focusing our attention on things that are not worthy of our time.

It seems to be a part of human nature to be taken up with little things that rattle us. 'Rattle' is an old word not used much these days, but it's meaning is 'a festering sore' - something bothersome that demands our attention, and takes away from the more beautiful and larger issues of life.

Simple examples are when we have an exam or test result of some kind and we allow our focus to be more on the things we got wrong than on the things we got right.

In a work environment, pointing out the failings or shortcomings in our view of others instead of being grateful for all the good and positive contributions they make is not wise, as our view is not necessarily always correct.

We may enjoy general good health but allow a small temporary issue to cause us to lose sight of the larger blessing.

The list of such occasions where we 'sweat the small stuff' are endless and can apply to a myriad of different situations.

An effort to do the very best we can in any given area of life is to be desired by all of us.

However, we are all human, and daily do not even meet the expectations we have of ourselves.

What does the bible have to say about these kinds of issues?

Romans 3:23 first springs to mind, "For all have

sinned and fallen short of the glory of God." Put another way, none of us is perfect.

In terms of sweating over things that either we, or others, may not get as right as we would like, it is best to pay attention instead to the best in all of us.

This verse in Philippians 4:8 sums up perfectly where our attentions should lie.

"Fix your thoughts on what is true, honourable, right, pure, lovely, and admirable. Think about things that are excellent and worthy of praise."

An interesting observation about 'sweating the small stuff' is that it serves no purpose.

What if we plant four beds of flowers, and only three of them prosper?

It's not going to do our joy of life any good to brood about the one that didn't do well.

On a larger scale, being consumed with small things is never going to make any difference in the universe.

On the other hand, a life lived in love, forgiveness, joy and kindness will have eternal consequences.

Heavenly Father, Please come and live in me and help me to produce the fruit of the Spirit in accordance with Galatians 5:22 "The fruit of the Spirit is, love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control." In Jesus name. Amen

Written by Lynda Georgeson for John 15 Christian Fellowship, Crows Nest. Contact David Hiscock 0448 982 919.



The Environment

with Dougal Johnston



Free guided tours of Rogers Reserve

While the local council can change planting time for annuals, watering etc to try and have all the Toowoomba gardens flowering during the Carnival of Flowers, some of the native plants in the bushland parks have their flowering more spread, with some of one species being a couple of weeks later than other plants of the same species.

In particular, Dogwood has spread out its flowering, with some not yet in flower.

Jacksonia scoparia can be very spectacular covered with masses of yellow pea like flowers.

Free guided tours of Rogers Reserve and optional bush regeneration activities suitable for families are available on two Fridays, September 27 and October 4.

Tours commence at 9am and 11am, meeting at the park entrance near the Highfields Library between Obrien Road and the Highfields Aquatic and Fitness Centre.

For Carnival activities check <https://tcof.com.au/event/rogers-reserve-walking-tours/2024-09-27/> - **Dougal Johnston, Hampton**



Jacksonia scoparia
Commonly known as Dogwood

Donations needed for volunteer work

The rescue team at High Country Koala Action Group is in urgent need of towels.

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Ingredients:

- 1 tablespoon olive oil
- 1 small red onion, finely diced
- 2 teaspoons fresh ginger, grated
- 2 teaspoons cumin
- 1 teaspoon cinnamon
- 1 teaspoon ground coriander
- 1 teaspoon garlic powder
- 2 carrots, grated
- 1 medium sweet potato, peeled and grated
- 1/3 cup currants
- 2 cups cooked brown rice
- 2 tablespoons almonds, roughly chopped
- 1/2 cup parsley, finely chopped
- 100g reduced fat fetta cheese, crumbled
- 8 sheets filo pastry
- Milk, to brush - 1 tablespoon sesame seeds



1 serve
per portion

Serves: 8
Prep time: 10 minutes
Cook time: 35 minutes



Recipe courtesy of
Barb McMillan
Dirranbandi Branch

Method:

PREHEAT oven to 180°C. Line tray with baking paper.

HEAT olive oil in fry pan.

ADD onion, ginger and spices. Cook for 2-3 minutes.

ADD carrot, sweet potato and currants. Cook for a further 5 mins until carrot and sweet potato have softened. Stir in rice and almonds.

TRANSFER rice mixture to a bowl. Cool for 5 mins.

ADD parsley and fetta to rice mixture.

LAY filo pastry on work surface. Cover with a clean damp tea towel.

FOLD 1 sheet of filo pastry in half horizontally.

PLACE 1/2 cup of rice mixture in one corner of the filo pastry and fold diagonally to form triangle shape.

BRUSH with milk and sprinkle with sesame seeds.

BAKE for 15 minutes or until golden brown and crisp.

What's Great About It:

These tasty triangles can be served as a snack when entertaining or with a side salad as a meal. To turn this recipe into finger food, try making into mini-sized triangles, perfect for serving as part of your next event!



Empowering women through education and health is a priority for the Queensland Country Women's Association (QCWA). The QCWA Country Kitchens program, funded by the Queensland Government through Health and Wellbeing Queensland, supports Queenslanders to adopt healthier lifestyles.

To find out more about the program visit <https://qcwacountrykitchens.com.au/>

Local gardens among carnival winners

This year's Toowoomba Carnival city grand champion garden went to Tiffany Wicks, 6 Fairholme Street, Mount Lofty and reserve city grand champion to Cheryl Ganzer, 21 Talinga Street, Mt Lofty. The regional grand champion was Narelle Hurse whose garden at 4 Cashmore Street, Wyreema is open only at weekends. Regional reserve grand champion was Crystal Stark, 702 Anduramba Road, Crows Nest. Prizes in Highfields included city small garden first to Christine Purchase, (open weekends only) 16/21 Andersson Court and productive area third to Sheryl Anne Lothian's Rose Bud Gardens at 2 Oak Street. In Blue Mountain Heights and North Toowoomba, winners were front garden second Belinda and Reg Lehmann, 22 Murphy's Creek Road, Blue Mountain Heights, footpath garden first Mervyn Buckley, 14 Sprott Street, Wilsonton, productive area second Steven Mahoney, 36 Charles Street, Newtown, and back garden third Carol Mullen, (open weekends only) 26 Chopin Street, Rockville. Other regional prizes were regional large first John and Lenore Ferris, 3 Perseverance Dam Road, Crows Nest, regional large second Robert and Susan Franklin, 4 Kay-Ann Court, Hampton, regional rural residential second Shirley Grace Cronk, 123 McLean Road, Pechey, floral garden third John and Lenore Ferris, 3 Perseverance Dam Road, Crows Nest and first time entry third Judith Maker-Field, (open weekends only) 123 Bridge Street, Oakey.



Rhonda Stark and Crystal Stark in the peaceful backyard of their garden at Blue Haze at Anduramba which was awarded regional reserve grand champion. The garden offers magnificent views and is a popular wedding venue. By mid-Sunday afternoon, over 500 visitors had been recorded.

• RIGHT: Crows Nest visitors to Crystal Stark's Blue Haze garden at Anduramba Glenda and John Lane



Chris Purchase, left, in her biodiverse garden at 16/21 Anderson Court, Highfields which won the city small garden category with Brisbane visitors David and Justine Cormack. Chris' garden has been seven years in the making and provides food and habitat for local wildlife



John and Lenore Ferris with potted colour in their garden at 3 Perseverance Dam Road, Crows Nest



Toowoomba visitors to Crystal Stark's garden Lynette and Robert Kanowski

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Toowoomba Region's Economic Development portfolio spokesperson Cr Edwina Farquhar said the council was committed to achieving the shared community vision for creating an expanded Central Business District at Highfields to meet growing population demands, provide local employment and create commercial buildings and spaces for businesses and entrepreneurs.

"Council has been undertaking substantial infrastructure works involving service relocations, the installation of new water and sewer infrastructure, and an upgrade to the Kratzke

"The works are needed to accommodate new roundabouts, road connections, shared paths and cycleways planned for Central Highfields, as identified in the master plan.

"The council recently undertook a positive market sounding with developers who have a proven record on this scale of

“The developers’ feedback was to simplify the process for future development of the planned CBD and ensure the parkland is planned and delivered early.

“This discussion was undertaken in line with a previous Council resolution and indicated there is very strong interest from investors and developers to advance a blueprint that ensures future development across community, commercial and residential sectors, and aligns with stated community expectations.

"We are working to ensure Highfields' evolution is well planned and delivers a range of suitable social, cultural and community infrastructure."

“Community infrastructure may include a mixture of recreation and event spaces and in line with community feedback, a tree survey and environmental report is being undertaken to ensure the environmental values of the bushland area and existing vegetation are understood to enable the most sensitive location of any community infrastructure.

“The Master Plan will be updated to align with market sounding feedback and the latest environmental information.

“Public consultation will be arranged when the plan has been drafted before its formal endorsement by the council later this year.

“Any proposed development



Cr FARQUHAR
Significant growth

will be subject to Council's normal land use planning regulations under the Toowoomba Region Planning Scheme."

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8. Power unit
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11. Mythical bird
12. Roman emperor
14. Home
17. Graven images
19. Soon
20. Sunbathe
21. Leftover
22. Let fall
25. Verve
26. Jobs

27. Small branch

DOWN

1. Clawed foot
2. Frequently
3. Walk the beat
4. Holy Islamic city
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Sudoku Difficulty Level - Medium

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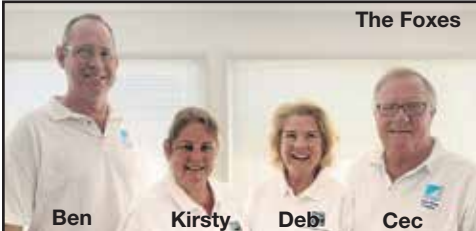
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Glufosinate herbicide unique mode of action



By **PAUL McINTOSH**
Industry Development Agronomist - Northern region
For Pulse Australia and the Australian Herbicide
Resistance Initiative
(Partner - Broadleaf Cropping Alliance)

There is no doubt that our farming systems have developed greatly over the past 40-odd years.

I know because I have been along on that long ride.

Without doubt, if we were farming the same way from the 1960s and 70s, our productivity and arable cropping lands would be heavily reduced.

In those early 1980s, newer farming techniques came along with terms like minimum or zero tillage summarised as conservation farming.

Also as we all know, there is a huge increase in herbicide use patterns both in-fallow and in-crop.

The biggest mode of action we have applied over these decades is Glyphosate which of course is now one of our biggest products to develop herbicide resistance in many of our weeds or plants out of place.

Way back in the late 1980s, a new knockdown herbicide called Basta with the active ingredient Glufosinate was brought into Australia by the Hoechst company.

With its big dollar per hectare cost and lack of wide spectrum control levels, I, and many others, left it on the sideline thinking it will never take off here in our Aussie conservation farming practices.

Well, how wrong was I - as we fast forward to 2024, and this different mode of action to Glyphosate herbicide is now on the

front line with several different names like Biffo from Nufarm.

So much for the history lesson and now for a modern-day reality check on the Glufosinate doorstep with potential herbicide resistance in the future.

This Group 10 (was N) mode of action, herbicide is now much more widely used due to several farming system factors.

What I would like to point out is the potential for herbicide resistance, specifically target site resistance mechanism which could occur.

Like other target site mutations as Peter Newman from Weedsmart in Western Australia explained to me, our very smart AHRI colleagues in Perth have discovered how resistance will develop for Glufosinate.

They have done this by a common lab technique in rice, which they have even given it a name such as Ser59Gly mutation.

So what does this all mean for us in Queensland and Northern New South Wales?

It means that we now have knowledge that the more popular Glufosinate product can develop herbicide resistance in our farming systems. It is not bullet proof.

What we all have to do differently from the last 40 years of our popular Glyphosate use patterns is to follow the Weedsmart Big 6 edits.

Most importantly is that after applying this Glufosinate product, ensure there are no survivors that could set seed as a key message.

I could add a quote my father Alec said to me many years ago when I got up to do a formal weed presentation in his and many others presence.

Don't stuff it up" were his words to me - fairly nerve calming that wasn't at the time.

My thoughts and words to all the users of Glufosinate in our 2024 farming systems are the same - let's not stuff it up with this herbicide Glufosinate unique mode of action.

- Plenty of herbicide resistant Annual Ryegrass on fence lines around the Northern region



International Rural Womens Day

Three leaders of the vet industry will share their personal journeys, perspectives and insights in the changing world of animal health in the bush at a special Rural Press Club of Queensland lunch on Tuesday, October 15.

Coinciding with the International Day for Rural Women, the panel session, which will be led by Rural Press Club of Queensland committee member and Queensland Country Life editor Lucy Kinbacher will analyse the current state of the industry and what needs to happen to ensure a viable and attractive industry for future generations.

One of those leaders is Crows Nest based Amanda Roughan, the co-owner and director of South East Country Vets alongside her husband, Dr Bill Roughan, and business partner, Dr Megan Packham.

Amanda and Bill established their practice in 2006 in Toogoolawah, starting with just one employee. Since then, they have grown the business to include three clinics located in Toogoolawah, Blackbutt, and Crows Nest.

Now employing a team of 27 staff members, South East Country Vets is dedicated to fostering a supportive environment that enables graduate vet-

erinarians to thrive and develop a lifelong commitment to the profession.

The other two speakers are Dr Tess Salmond and Dr Gemma Chuck.

Dr Tess Salmond worked in a variety of rural mixed practices around Queensland for a decade before returning home and buying into the Clermont Veterinary Surgery.

The practice was sold to Apiam in 2021 and Tess stayed on as the clinic lead where she is passionate about rural mixed practice and all the positives it has to offer.

She particularly enjoys mentoring new graduates and veterinary students in becoming engaged and inspired members of the veterinary profession.

Dr Gemma Chuck works for Apiam Animal Health in the Dairy Operations team where she writes technical service programs, including the ProDairy Partnership, for farmers and vets.

Gemma is an adjunct senior lecturer at James Cook University and dairy veterinarian at Tableland Veterinary Service, Malanda.

She is currently on the executive committee of the Australian Cattle Veterinarians and a board member of the Australian Veterinary Association.



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Crows Nest based vet

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CABARLAH: The Cabarlah Golf Club hosted a Purple Day on September 13 in support of Pancreatic Cancer research.

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Along with a large number of Cabarlah players, others travelled some distance to participate.

The mixed four ball best ball stableford was won by Joseph Hartzman and Lotte Pedersen 53 points.

Runners-up were Pam Campbell and Ian Harrison 51 points.

Third with 50 points were Peter Callaghan and Linda Ryan. - **Pam Campbell**



Third placed Peter Callaghan and Linda Ryan



Winners Joseph Hartzman and Lotte Pedersen, and runners-up Pam Campbell and Ian Harrison

BOWLS

TOOWOOMBA CITY: September 25 - 12.30pm: Wednesday social. Open triples over 20 ends.

The phone will be monitored from 10am. Names in by 11.45am. Green fee \$15 includes afternoon tea.

September 26 - 5pm: Night bowls. Members and visitors are welcome to come along and play under our new lights again. Open triples for two hours to finish at 8pm.

Be there by 5pm for 'Happy Hour' and sausage sizzle before play starts at 6pm. Cost \$15 includes sausage sizzle. The board is open for names or be there by 5pm.

This week's event is sponsored by Merv Jones, Michael Burke and Andy Watkins.

September 27 - 12.30pm: Friday social. Format is open triples over 20 ends. Names in by 11.45am. Green fee \$15 includes afternoon tea.

September 29 - 10am: Patron's Day. Come along and celebrate with Patron Peter Harrington.

Open triples over 18 ends followed by lunch at 12.30pm. Nomination fee \$45 per team includes lunch.

Prizes out of the hat and there will be lots of raffles on the day. The board is open for names.

October 1 - 1pm - 3pm: Coaching/practice/roll-ups. Club coaches will be on hand to help improve your game. **October 2 - 12.30pm:** Wednesday social.

Open triples 20 ends. Play will be on both greens. The phone will be monitored from 10am. Names in by 11.45am.

Green fee \$15 includes afternoon tea.

October 3 - 8am: Club working bee to ensure the club and environs are pristine for the Metals R Us City Fours Carnival on October 5 and 6.

Many hands make light work so everyone is invited to come along and give an hour or two.

Club-selected championship matches drawn for play:

September 25 - 12.30pm: Open pairs M. Bianchi and M. Jones vs R. Zimmerle and J. Fisher.

September 28 - 12.30pm: Open pairs W. McMillan and D. Zeller v. D. Utley and J. Gooderham.

October 2 - 12.30pm: Open triples J. Gooderham, D. Zeller and A. Chainey v. D. Davis, A. Watkins and J. Malt.

Weekly results: Wednesday social: Bill Hogan, Matt Giles and Paul McGirr.

Thank you to our sponsor Adam Hardgrove from Seachange.

Friday social: Don Davis, Trevor Austin and Graham Milson.

Sunday's DDBA Past Presidents Day was a wonderful day full of fun, laughter and great music.

Round 1 winners Harry Shepstone, Don Davis and Merv Jones. Round 2 winners Graham Horne, Len Bartz and Lester Harvey.

Overall winners Bill Hogan, Terry Kratzmann and Peter Knee, runners-up Russell Zimmerle, Andy Watkins and Brian Watkins.

The Bradman prize went to Ray Madson, Denice Madson and Graham Lotz. - **Mick Bianchi**

FISHING

CABARLAH FISHING CLUB: Chop Muir reports a great weekend for the Coolmunda Trip on September 14 and 15.

Eight members who turned up to fish and the dam weren't disappointed with five Cod, 41 Yellowbelly, 13 Silvers and three Catty's on the scoresheet.

Ron and Chop bagged out on Yellowbelly bringing a total of 54 into the boat over the weekend.

They also scored big on Cod with Ron catching four Cod, two being legal at 72 and 70cm, and Chop catching two at 62 and 60cm.

Chris also landed a nice 70cm Cod. Jake took the \$25 for the biggest Catty weighing 1.41kg.

Chop won the members draw.

Thanks goes to Trevor and Ronny for helping with the barbecue.

The October trip is to Cressbrook Dam on October 12 and 13.

There will be a barbecue on Saturday night. Please advise Andrew Peach by October 8 if attending. - **Noel Purcell**



Ron Gwydir with 72cm Cod at Coolmunda



BOWLS

CROWS NEST: September 18 - Social bowls afternoon was won by Brent Schloss, Jack Thorpe and Dave Thomson and second were Daryl Fraser, Andrew Tabor and John Oates.

Result of the last match for the 2023-24 intraclub competition, final of the mixed pairs Lachlan Barnes and Michelle Edser d. David Auchterlonie and Eseta Harris. Congrats to Barnesie and Michelle. This is the second time they have won the title.

September 28 - 2024-25 intraclub championship matches: Open singles Greg Campbell vs Kerry Lovell; and Andrew Tabor vs Jason Burnett. C singles Don Ward vs Mike Perrin; Jack Thorpe vs Pat Campbell; Maree Millin vs Dave Thomson and David Auchterlonie vs Don Kahler.

All competitors are required to be financial prior to playing their first intraclub competition game of the 2024-25 season. Intraclub competition players need to use the "away book" when unavailable for Saturday's play. Please talk to games director Kerry for further advice.

September 15 - Social mixed bowls winners Alex Ferguson, Andrea Vonhoff and Lyn Mengel and second Brent Schloss, Maree Millin and Keith Melit. **September 29** - Mixed social bowls. **October 2** - Burstows Funerals Day. **October 6** - Mixed social bowls.

Members' annual subscriptions are now due and payable by September 30 to maintain financial status.

October 13 - Management committee meeting at 9.30am in the club dining room.

New members and visitors are welcome. Contact marketing director Gary Baker bakescrowsnest@live.com.au or 4698 2197 or log onto www.crows-nestqldbowlclub.com.au to learn more about us.

For a friendly game on a Wednesday or Sunday afternoon, ring the club 4698 1450 between 11.30am and midday to get your name in on time. Games start at 12.30pm.

For a game on Thrifty Thursdays, contact Bev 0407 749 293 before 9.30am to book a spot.

Visit the Crows Nest QLD Community Facebook page for occasional lawn bowls news items. - **Gary Baker**

OAKEY MEN'S: September 18 - Wednesday triples winners Macca's team, runners-up Geoff Green's team. Best round Ken Kuhn's team.

September 21 - Holland Park v. Oakey annual Toilet Seat Challenge results Oakey 144 d. Holland Park 94.

October 6 - 2024-25 starts. A singles P. Rudken v. I. Hedge; G. Nash v. P. Viney; R. Henry v. A. Langton; N. Vogler v. G. Lucht; M. Park v. G. Usher. Games director Peter will arrange markers for these games.

October 13 - Noon. Club-selected three-bowl pairs sponsored by Janine and Peter Wolski of Wolski Glass and Aluminium. Mixed or otherwise. Names on board please.

TOOWOOMBA LADIES: Games director is calling ladies teams for 2024-25 championship fours. Nominations close Friday, September 27, to start play the following Friday, October 4.

October 13 - Brian Wippell Memorial Triples Carnival. Grab your bowling partners and add your team to the list in the clubhouse at 40 Lindsay Street. There are only a limited number of team spots left, so don't leave it till the last minute.

Register to play on sign-up sheets outside the office or phone the club 4632 3174 on the day. Tuesdays: Self-selected pairs: Register by noon. Play starts 12.30pm

Wednesdays: Club-selected mixed triples. Times as above.

Fridays: Club-selected mixed triples or pairs. Register from 8-8.30am by phone or in person for 9am start. - **Diane van Zeeland**.

NORTH TOOWOOMBA: Thursday triples are usually a men's event but become open on the first and third Thursday of the month.

Open pairs are played on Tuesdays starting at 12.30pm and Wednesday is ladies day.

On Fridays we play the popular 18 ends 2x2x2x2 open pairs. Green fees just \$10.

This event has cash prizes and a jackpot standing at \$180. A sausage sizzle is held after bowls - great value and a great way to spend a Friday afternoon.

October 19 - Open pairs Memorial Day for Dicky Kneec (Derrick Hirmings).

The format is 2x4x2 pairs with two games of 18 ends and \$1000 prize money. 9.30am assembly for a 10am start. Cost \$50 a team includes a barbecue lunch. Single names accepted.

November 8-9 - The \$6200 Varria-sponsored Kev Grundon Memorial Open Fours Carnival. \$280 per team and nominations are now being accepted. Ring 4639 2338 to nominate your team.

A Melbourne Cup party will be held at Norths Club on November 5. Cost per head is \$35 which includes a smorgasbord lunch with sweets plus, on arrival, your choice of a free drink of soft drink, beer or wine.

There will also be raffles and a fashion parade. Starting time is 10.30am. To book a table phone 4639 2338.

Melbourne Cup Day also coincides with the 75th anniversary to the day when the first bowls were played at North Toowoomba.

A delicious lunch is available at the club every Sunday from 11am to 2pm.

Nominations for club competition are now open and will close on October 6. No late entries will be accepted as the draw will be done on October 7.

All members who have an email address should have received a competition form to print. For those who have not received an email, competition forms are available in the club foyer.

For any queries re competition or if members have any club news that may be of interest to fellow bowlers, please call 0419 023 941.

Enjoy your bowls everyone. - **Jim Williams**

OAKEY LADIES: Oakey Ladies Bowls club play every Tuesday morning starting at 8.30am for a 9am.

September 17 - Y. Vogler and E. Priaux d. E. Jones and D. Buckley.

Oakey ladies runners-up at Pittsworth, D. Ciesiolka, R. Lawrie, S. Hudson and B. Poole.

Visitors and beginners are all welcome. Club bowls are available. - **Yvonne Vogler**

INDOOR BOWLS

St MARY'S: Everyone is welcome to join us for social bowls every Thursday afternoon from noon to 3pm in the Indoor Bowls Hall.

All equipment is supplied.

September 20 - St Mary's only had the one team in Friday night's TIBA competition and picked up a lucky team prize. - **Yvonne**

TOOWOOMBA: September 20 - Friday night winners S. Lynam 30 and Kearneys Spring 3 second 25½. Lucky teams St Paul's 1 and St Mary's.

This Friday is Westbrook's night.

Nominations close that night for the QIBA Summer Titles in Caloundra on October 18-20.

Nominations close October 3 for the TIBA pairs to be played on October 4.

Get your nominations in ASAP.

Come to the TIBA Hall on Tuesday and Wednesday evenings and Thursday afternoons to try/learn/practice bowls and enjoy the social aspect of indoor bowls. - **Stephen**

GOLF

OAKEY: September 18 - Ladies played an 18-hole stableford.

Winner Collette Rynne 36, runner-up Christine Little 35 on count back. Front 9 Yvonne Jackson. Back 9 Kathy Fenton.

Pin on No. 3 Sheryl Barlow and second shot No. 12 Janice Little.

September 25 - Ladies VSS. **September 21** - Members 18-hole stableford.

Winner Michael Rietveld 41, runner-up Alan De Ross 38.

Pins on 3 and 8 Alan De Ross, and 5/14, donated by The Barn, Brett McDonald.

September 28-29 - Members will play an 18-hole stroke. - **Marlene Deans**

GOOMBUNGEE: September 19 - Men's single stableford, club trophy. Ladies single st - bleford, club trophy.

Winner men Wayne Nemeth 35. Winner ladies Trish Jensen 39.

Rundown ladies Joe-ann Wilkie, men Dave Scutt, Kev Anderson, Garry Shea. Approaches men 6/15 Wayne Nemeth, 7/16 Chris Roberts.

Approaches ladies 3/12 Robyne Clayton, 6/15 Chris Tannock, 7/16 Trish Jensen.

September 22 - Single stroke, monthly medal, club trophy. Winner men Adam Burgess 67 nett, ladies Robyn Drowley 72 nett.

Rundown ladies Angela Radloff, Val Drowley, men Ian Callaghan, Greg Buckley, Damien Peters, Bill Robertson, Michael Taylor, Dan Darlington, Harry Cover.

Pins men 3/12 Michael Taylor, 4/13 Matty Burgess, 8/17 John Harth, approaches 1/10 Matty Burgess, 2/11 Bill Robertson, 5/14 Zac Callaghan. Pinshots ladies 8/17 Robyn Drowley, approaches 1/10 Robyne Clayton.

Member's draw - 69 Tyler Brown not present. Next week \$50.

Note: memberships overdue, if you have not paid your membership, please do so as a matter of urgency.

September 26 - Men's single stroke, monthly medal, club trophy. Ladies single stableford, club trophy.

September 29 - Men's foursomes championships. Ladies single stableford - club trophy. - **Murray McLeod**

RIFLE SHOOTING

SOUTHERN DOWNS: September 22 - 600 yards. F std John C. 120.9, Hayden A. 112.4, Femy C. 108.4.

F open Kevin B. 125.11, Kevin J. 123.9, Richard Mc. 122.12, Lyn McK. 122.6, Bruce McA. 122.6, Murray R. 120.8, Greg W. 119.6, Dave T. 118.6, Geoff V. 117.4, Margaret T. 116.6.

Sporter/Hunter Glen S. 103.10, Daryl R. 99.6.

A cool start led to a fine morning with the usual tricky wind to catch out the unwary.

In standard class John C. shot well again, Hayden A. runner-up.

The open class was again a tight race with Kevin B. prevailing, a cluster of shooters not far behind.

The usually popular sporter/hunter class had only two contestants this week, Glen S. ahead of Daryl R. in second place.

September 29 - Next Sunday we will be having a fly shoot at the 300-yard mound.

So come along all you sporter/hunter shooters and try to pin that fly at 300 yards.

After the shoot there will be a sausage sizzle at the clubhouse.

For more information please call Margaret 4666 1018. - **Bob T.**

CROWS NEST: September 18 - Sporters winner R. Gardner 31, runner-up P. Parker 30, third P. Cleave 29. Putting M. Bateman 20. Pins 7/16 A. May, 8/17 M. Bateman.

September 21 - Crows Nest Children's Centre three-person ambrose winners B. Phillips, Polly West and Michelle Edser 57½, runners-up J. Edser, C. Thorpe and D. Littleton 58½. Bradman K. Bell, B. Bell and I. Lewis. Long drives men D. Littleton, non-golfer I. Lewis, ladies K. Bell. Pinshots 1/10 T. Weis, 2/11 C. Thorpe, 3/12 B. Phillips, 4/13 B. Bell, 5/14 A. Cox, 6/15 S. Bateman, 7/16 I. Beutel, 8/17 S. Bateman, 9/18 D. Campbell.

September 22 - Golf About Asia overall winner B. Freeman 40. Men's winner M. Bateman 39, runner-up P. Cleave 38. Ladies winner B. Cox 37, runner-up A. Robinson 36. Rundown J. Tapping 37, B. Phillips 37, J. DiSante 37, C. Clunie 36. Pins 1/10 B. Phillips, 2/11 B. Phillips, 3/12 B. Cox, 4/13 A. May, 5/14 P. Cleave, 6/15 B. Wingett, 7/16 B. Freeman, 8/17 A. Robinson, 9/18 B. Phillips.

September 29 - Archie and Jodie Beutel single stableford shotgun start 11am. Names in the app please. - **Betty Cox**



Winners Polly West, Brian Phillips and Michelle Edser



Runners-up Clay Thorpe, Jim Edser and Denis Littleton

PARKRUN/WALK

HIGHFIELDS: September 21 - A picture perfect morning - 87 participants, 22 first timers and nine PBs. Welcome to visitors from Victoria, Paradise Point and Toowoomba.

Thank you to our wonderful volunteers Steve, Belinda, Amy, Trine, Di, Kym, Greg, Chris, Heather, Graham, Tracey, Val, Geoff, Jen and Neen.

Highfields parkrun/walk is having a stall/stand at the Highfields Aquatic and Fitness Centre Annual Open Day this coming Saturday, September 28, from 9am to 1pm.

We would love for you to come and say hello. Also this coming Saturday is 'pacer parkrun/park-walk'.

If you have a time in mind that you would like to achieve, please let us know before the day and we will have a pacer ready to run/jog/walk with you to achieve your goal time.

For more information about our parkrun/walk email highfields@parkrun.com or message via our Facebook page.

Thank you for making our parkrun/walk part of your weekend. - **Janeen Gibson**

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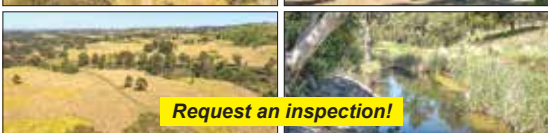
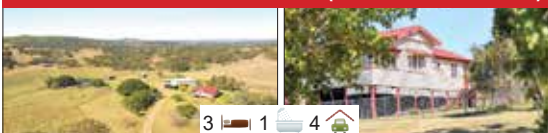
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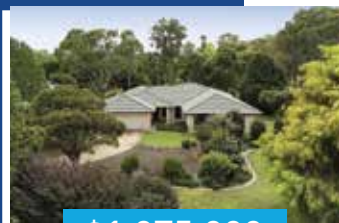


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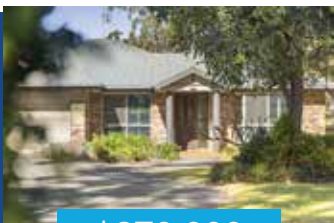
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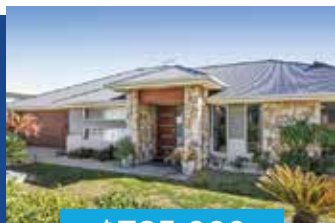
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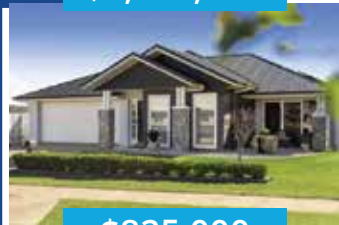
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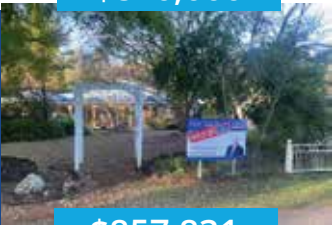
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