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# Welcome

Dear Readers,  
I write this Editor's note with a very heavy heart. It seems that the number of suicides has significantly risen lately, I for one am aware of several people in my circle who over the last week have taken their lives.

I am not going to go into statistics that are easy to read and forget. I am going to tell you about one of the statistics. His name was Jeremy Sollars.

Jeremy Sollars was a former editor of the Warwick Daily News, the Southern Free Times and more recently the Daily Journal Southern Downs. He was an outstanding journalist winning the Overall Journalistic Excellence Award for an Individual Journalist, wonderful editor and most importantly an incredibly beautiful human being.

Jeremy also worked as an employment consultant for a time and he showed compassion and support above and beyond what he needed to. He could get even the hardest cases to open up to him and talk as he genuinely cared about people.

Jeremy had a pure heart, radiated kindness and brought joy to all who knew and loved him. I not only worked with Jezza, but I was fortunate enough to call him my friend. My hometown is completely devastated by this loss and he has left a massive hole in the lives of those who loved him.

Jeremy (Jezza as we called him) is just one statistic. We have to talk, open up and say, I'm not ok. I need help. I would give the world to have been given that opportunity to talk to Jezza, so would hundreds of others. If you are reading this and contemplating taking your life, I beg of you to talk. Talk to me, anyone, as the grief that is left behind is unbearable.

Please ask your people, how are you, no, really, how are you. I only wished that I had.

Rest in peace my friend, see you over the rainbow  
XXX



Cherrie

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The girls at pina colada have been run off their feet lately with lots of new and existing customers coming in to get the jump on the summer range.

The store is now bursting with great styles, colours and prints in everything you need to stay cool, comfortable and well-dressed during our summer which is fast approaching.

Pina colada recently rebranded the store after bernie took over late last year. "We thought it was time to bring in a new look that reflects the new clothing and shoe range now on offer."

much positive feedback that they love the new look and the new range of clothing we are offering...

So we are just continuing to go in that direction and stock a wide range of ladies clothing and shoes that our customers are asking for. We love natural fibres including cotton, linens and rayons because they are the nicest to wear and keep us cool. We love all of our customers and have so much fun in store meeting them and helping them find something they love. At the moment, we are busy preparing for summer, and everyone is gearing up for a very busy summer and will make sure we have plenty of amazing clothing to offer our customers. We have a great team now....with Leigh and Lesley and

merchandise, our range is handpicked for the store by Bernie.

Also, we are proud to stock our own clothing label "Sea of Love" designed here in Queensland. It's the perfect range for Queensland and includes lots of tops and pants and cool comfy dresses in an ever-changing assortment of fabulous prints. It has been designed with the Queensland woman in mind to suit our lifestyle and look good at the same time as staying cool and comfortable.

Leigh says "We are very proud of our range that Bernie designs and has made especially for her stores. A lot of the franchised boutiques don't seem to understand what we like to wear in Queensland, so it's great to have someone local design the range of clothing."

There are a lot of exciting things in store for Pina Colada including the arrival of Bare Traps shoes in late September to compliment the already large offering in the shoe section of the shop.

The girls at Pina Colada are also busy getting into the community and have been asked to do several fashion parades with the latest on Tuesday 7th September for Bribie Cove.

Marion of Bribie Cove said of the fashion parade held by Pina Colada "It was a great day and all our ladies absolutely enjoyed themselves and loved the Fashion that was presented by Pina Colada, some of them hadn't yet discovered Pina Colada and are saying that they will go and visit the shop soon."

"I am proud of how far we have come in the last months, our range is quite big and we cater for a large range of sizes from 10-22. And I am very grateful for the enormous amount of local support we have had and continue to have so I thank all of our customers sincerely for that"

So if you are in the mood for a spot of retail therapy pop down and see the friendly faces of Bernie, Leigh and Lesley at Pina Colada you will be made to feel welcome and they will love to have you visit.



There is now brand new "Pina Colada" signage on the street front tempting passers-by to stop and do a spot of shopping. You can't miss the store now with a big pink sign just near the traffic lights on Benabrow Avenue next to Kinnaree Thai and a few doors up from Big Bun Bakery.

"Since I took over in November last year I have been blown away by the local support of all the lovely local ladies giving us so

myself, we all love what we do...and helping customers find a great outfit or two, puts a smile on our faces." said Bernie.

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### 1. COLD THERAPY

If your pain is due to an injury or swollen gums, placing something cold on the affected area works well. You can place an ice pack, or even a bag of frozen peas, on the outside of your cheek close to the painful tooth for a few minutes at a time.

Cold therapy causes your blood vessels to constrict which slows down the flow of blood to the affected area, helping reduce inflammation in the painful area.

### 2. SALTWATER RINSE

Another means of relief is to rinse your mouth out with warm salty water. Dissolve around half a teaspoon of salt in 250 ml of warm water. Swish it around and spit it out – don't swallow it. This can be repeated as many times as you need.

This method helps to dislodge any food particles which could be stuck in-between your teeth or inside cavities and possibly reduce any swelling or inflammation.

### 3. GARLIC

Crush or grate the garlic and mix it with a little salt. Then apply it to the affected tooth.

Garlic has been used for medicinal purposes for centuries. It contains an antibacterial property called allicin which may make your breath smell like garlic but will give you some handy toothache relief.

### 4. CLOVES

Cloves are another remedy that has been around for a long time. Simply hold a clove onto your tooth and after a few minutes, you should feel the pain reducing. Clove oil could also be used, but as it's very strong you don't need a lot of it. Just place one or two drops onto a cotton wool ball and place in on the affected area.

Cloves contain eugenol, a substance that acts as a natural anaesthetic and has anti-inflammatory properties.

### 5. PEPPERMINT

Place a teaspoon of dried peppermint leaves into a pot of boiling water and leave it for around 20 minutes. Once it has cooled down swirl the liquid around inside your mouth and spit it out.

Alternately, hold a warm squeezed out peppermint tea bag against the area until you feel the pain lessen.

Peppermint contains menthol which is anti-bacterial and gives it the minty smell and flavour.

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# CHOOSING the path of TRANSFORMATION



“At this very moment, you can choose to put yourself in either a growth mindset or a fixed mindset. One leads to a life of pain and stagnation. The other to endless growth and fulfilment.”

When life calls for “Transformation”, sometimes it’s something we embrace, though frequently it’s something that can prove challenging. “Transformation,” the dictionary has defined as “a complete change, usually into something with an improved appearance or usefulness.”

So why, is it that something that can be beneficial to us, be difficult to welcome???? It takes courage! Personal transformation is not for the meek.

Diets, addresses, friends, work, bank accounts, faith, family and even life partners change. We become more interested in learning and expansion than maintaining the status quo. Life moves us, hard work and devotion pay off! I stand as a beacon to assure you that your journey is and will continue to be worth it! You are making a difference! For when we do our own personal work, we look deeply at the things that hold us back, we name them and move past our pain.

Taking these steps not only changes us but everyone around us. It changes our partner children, family and friends because we are different, they feel it. “Our action causes a reaction”. We see and feel others mirroring

our positive behaviours and respond to us differently, inspiring growth and change in others too.

Change and growth is the most important thing there is for you and those you love, even for strangers and the entire globe. You have gifts to share and it’s difficult to share your authentic self until you feel solidly in your shoes of who you are...why? It is in our nature to feel doubt; unworthiness and fear...everyone feels this though it is part of our life’s path to address these feelings, to become the better version of ourselves.

So, the next time you find yourself listening to the news and feeling negative about the state of affairs in the world...turn it off and remember change starts from within. Start with knowing that the best thing you can do to change the world is to change yourself. This is the time where the world needs you to be the love and light you are!

If you are unsure of where to begin, start with something easy. Sit in silence for 5 minutes, notice your breath and without judgement allow your thoughts to come and go. “Take note of your thoughts, the feel of your body, sounds and smells. Smile and be grateful for your life”.

I can support you in transforming your life and can be contacted on 0405 361 882 or creativeandhealingtherapies@outlook.com.

**Blessings in Abundance,**  
*Maria Christina x*



## START

### Wendy Allen A woman of courage and determination

By Cecilia Wilson

Meet Wendy – A passionate forthright Bribie Islander, a woman of steel -not only in a mental sense but as it happens, in a physical sense as well. Wendy was involved in a horrific motorbike crash back



Left to Right: Ali King – Member for Pumicestone, Bill Allen, Wendy Allen, CC Wilson- President BACE, Helen Roe – President Bribie Mahalo Outriggers BIMOC

in 1997 when she lost most of one of her legs. She has had to contend with various metal leg prostheses ever since. Before the accident, Wendy was an avid lover of water sports, she

was a competitive water skier and led an active lifestyle. Determined to live life to the fullest, Wendy and her husband Bill left no stone unturned. She became a patient of Professor Munjed Al Muderis, a leading surgeon in Sydney who specialises in prosthetic implants into the bone. He was so impressed by Wendy’s spirit and determination that he has committed to take care of Wendy for the long term.

Living life on Bribie Island surrounded by some of the most beautiful waters in the world, Wendy felt restless and vaguely dissatisfied. Whilst she swam and did aqua aerobics at a public pool, she missed the thrill of the rolling waves and her heart and spirit lay with the ocean.

When husband Bill joined Bribie Mahalo Outrigger Canoe Club and became a passionate paddler, Wendy would join him and the other paddlers for a social coffee when they came back ashore exhilarated. She wished she could be in that canoe too.

A chance discovery changed Wendy’s life once more. A not-for-profit organisation known as the ‘START Foundation’ which is dedicated to supporting amputees to

fulfil their dreams through sport was found in Victoria. This foundation was started by 2 women, one of whom had lost an arm and a shoulder in a pushbike accident. This woman Kerryn Harvey went on to become a world champion para-triathlete.

With strong encouragement from the Bribie Mahalo Outrigger Club and the full support of our State Government local member for Pumicestone Ms Ali King, Wendy applied to the START Foundation for a sizeable grant for a waterproof leg prosthesis.

It was a highly competitive process for limited Foundation funds and Wendy was interviewed, as were some of her supporters. She couldn’t help wonder if younger people would get precedence over her. Wendy was awarded the grant and is now a happy paddler within the Bribie Mahalo Outrigger Canoe Club who say they are very proud of their first para-paddler within the club.

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# Bribie Island NAIDOC 'Heal Country' 2021

The Youth Advocacy Centre and Pumicestone Indigenous Education & Employment Council Inc. (PIEEC) held their NAIDOC 'Heal Country' 2021 event last Thursday 2 September at the Bribie Island Skatepark.

A flag-raising ceremony was held with several jarjums taking part. Charlotte Ellis, a proud Wakka Wakka and Torres Strait Islander, was the MC for the event. The Welcome to Country was by Brayden Krause, a young Joondoburri man who attends the local High School. Aunty Flo Watson and Aunty Fran Ah Mat Visini led the event with NAIDOC speeches and songs.

Aunty Minnie Mace was our wonderful Guest Speaker for the event.

The event included a Smoking Ceremony and also a performance by the wonderful Gibbah Gunyah Aboriginal Dancers and Craig Weribone-Wright.

Several local community organisations attended and helped make this a successful event including Bribie Island Lions, Global Care Bribie Island, Moreton Bay Regional Council, MYVan (Save the Children), KYC, Intercept Family & Youth Services, Kevin Austin (scooter demonstration) and Rotary Bribie Island.

The Youth Advocacy Centre and PIEEC are most grateful for the time and energy that Bribie Island community organisations put into this event.



Aunty Marj Grant, Aunty Flo Watson, Aunty Fran Visini, Aunty Minnie Mace & Aunty Diane Law



Aunty Minnie Mace



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children's genetic diseases. All funds raised will support Children's Medical Research Institute to continue their work in developing treatments and finding a cure for childhood cancer.

And when you donate, you can also leave a message on my page about how badly you also want to give cancer a swift kick in the backside.

Because right now, cancer is the largest single killer of children from disease in Australia - over 600 children are diagnosed with cancer every year and sadly, 3 die every week.

When we're done, cancer will have nightmares... about us.

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# The Pictures on my Wall

By Elaine Lutton



The entrance to my home is slightly unusual, visitors are received via what used to be the garage but now that I no longer own a car, has been converted into my Berage, with a smart vinyl floor and two large trundle beds. It provides seating and sleeping accommodation for four or more in what otherwise would have been wasted space! Pull back a door and you can then enter my living room. The first thing you see is an original painting done by the local artist Dave Boucher. The painting itself, originally done in black and white, is of a small figure scurrying along what appears to be a platform of sorts, perhaps a station platform. Why the hurry? Is the child, for the figure appears to be a child, going to miss the last train home, or is there a more ominous reason for his haste? One cannot be sure but certainly, a feeling of fear emanates from the picture. The unease is only increased by the distorted, elongated shadow behind the figure. The light, perhaps a gaslight, has just touched the shoulders of the child, no more, just enough to cause the following shadow. The platform provides added interest; I am told it was originally painted white but because it was hung for quite a while on the walls of the artist, the light got to it and the platform has become a dull greenish colour which adds to the sense of menace. The painting is not the most "comfortable" picture on my walls but despite the artist once saying he disliked his work being described as "interesting", with apologies, I find it to be so and find myself looking at it often.

Perhaps you will be pleased to discover that not all my pictures are as difficult as "Shadows". I have a variety, all of which mean something personal to me, most, but not all,

my favourite black and white.

On the right wall of my sitting room are two black and white prints. The first is by one, Henry Voss dated 1978 entitled Sileby, Leicestershire. Sileby was the village where my mother grew up, not your pretty thatched cottage village, but an industrial brick and stone village. Two boot and shoe factories, one belonging to my grandfather, and a Brewery! The latter added a delicious aroma to the air which was much appreciated by everyone. There was a brook running through the village but this resembled an open drain rather than something more rustic. Its greatest claim to fame was the village school where your scribe learned to read and write. (Love of Literacy.) I will not hear others quibble that the medieval church of St Mary's or even The Duke of York pub, notorious for Friday night fights, both of which can be seen in my picture of the High Street, are of more importance. Next to it is a print of a Queenslander home in Fuller Street, Lutwyche, done by someone called E.G. Twist. This was chosen by my husband because it was close to his home in Crowther Street, Windsor. He had walked past and admired the dwelling with its shady verandahs and corrugated iron roof many times when a boy. On an opposite wall are some small black and white prints, again with black frames, done by W.D. Bryce, with which many of you will be familiar. One is of what is always referred to in our family as The Rickety Bridge and the other is the old Bongaree Wreck. I remember riding my bike over the timber bridge, bumpety-bump when I first arrived at Bribie. The story goes that it collapsed under the weight of two buses meeting but you will have to consult Barry Clark, who is a regular

in

contributor to this magazine on the History of Bribie, as to the veracity of this tale. I clearly remember the tree growing beside the bridge and over the creek from the branches of which the children of the '70s would swing before dropping into the water.

The second print holds even more memories. The Old Wreck at Bongaree (The Cormorant) was meant to be a breakwater to prevent sand from being washed away. Unfortunately, it drifted out of control when they were attempting to put it in place and it was decided to leave it where it obviously wanted to be, in front of the Amateur Fishing Association Cottage. There it provided an opportunity for all kinds of nefarious activities for the local youth, cigarettes of various varieties were smoked, fires lit, my son's first very experimental kiss with a girl called Lucy, he twelve years, she ten, which was unfortunately witnessed by my son's older friend who was staying with us. When David began the inevitable teasing that evening, Simon grabbed the first thing to hand, his sister's hairbrush and threw it at his tormentor with unerring accuracy, breaking his friend's front tooth clean in half. After consultation with David's mother and a visit to his dentist, the broken tooth was mended and is still in place and pearly white after forty-odd years; even if the tooth was broken the friendship between the boys never has been. In later years they were each other's best man at their respective weddings.

And now there is a newcomer in my collection of artworks, one that has already won a place in my heart. Amongst the gifts I received for my birthday is a large print on canvas of a handsome Kookaburra, waiting to be hung but looking proud and pleased, as well he might, to be joining such an auspicious group of well-loved pictures.



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### 2. MORE EXPERIENCE

There's a lot to say about life experience and how this leads to self-confidence and wisdom that only comes with age. It's a time in your life when you are stronger and know who you are more than ever, which makes starting a relationship a more positive experience. Not to mention by 60 we would have a good idea of exactly what we want and what we are looking for in a person.

### 3. EASIER TO BE HONEST WITH EACH OTHER

One thing age and experience give you is confidence and honesty. You're at a stage in life where you care less about what others think and have a level of comfort within yourself that sees you being more open and honest with your new partner.

### 4. LESS WORRIED ABOUT WHAT OTHERS THINK

Usually, by this time in your life, you worry less about what others think. You are more comfortable in your own skin and less apprehensive about the opinion of others. While you may still worry about what to wear on your

first date and how you should do your hair, it's not as life-altering in your mind as it may have been in your 20's.

### 5. RELATIONSHIPS OFTEN START AS A FRIENDSHIP

One of the best aspects of dating as an older person is that you often start as friends first. There is a level of intimacy in being friends first before getting to know each other romantically. It usually means that you have similar interests, go to the same community social clubs or play the same sports and even have the same group of friends to spend time with.

### What Are You Waiting For?

Entering the dating scene in your sixties can be daunting with apps and services and wondering where to meet the right type of person. However, the many positives outweigh the uncertainties meaning it can also be quite rewarding. With less worry and more confidence in yourself, it's the perfect time to meet a companion and feel great about it. And who doesn't love the excitement of when you meet someone that you're interested in!

So, what are you waiting for? Dating in your 60's is less like it was when you were younger and allows you to explore love or companionship in a whole different light. You never know, you may just enjoy yourself.

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## BRIBIE VIEW CLUB URGES COMMUNITY TO SPONSOR A CHILD IN NEED



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This sponsorship provides these children with educational and personal support. This year has been particularly challenging for students experiencing disadvantage, with thousands of students being forced into remote learning due to COVID-19.

Many of these children do not have access to a reliable internet connection, an appropriate device, or a comfortable quiet space to do their schoolwork, which puts them at risk of falling behind. VIEW is

passionate about supporting the work of The Smith Family because it is through education that the poverty cycle can be broken and allow disadvantaged children to create a better future.

Last year VIEW Clubs around Australia raised a total of \$1.1million and currently support 1,480 children. By joining VIEW you can help the important work of The Smith Family while becoming involved in the community and joining in Club activities. Bribie VIEW Club meets for a monthly luncheon, with a guest speaker, and has other functions, such

as morning teas, movie mornings, barbeque lunches, at which we can get together and enjoy a social outing while knowing that all money we raise is used directly to support children in need.

To find out more about joining VIEW, visit [view.org.au](http://view.org.au). You can navigate to Bribie VIEW, or you could talk to our President Kay Benson on 3408 1058.

To find out more about personally sponsoring a child, visit [thesmithfamily.com.au](http://thesmithfamily.com.au).



## Bribie Island Community Nursery ... Bribie's own Santa Claus!! By Cherrie Wilson

### Christmas has come early this year for Melsa Train Park with dynamic Dave playing Santa!

Dave dropped in for a visit to Melsa Train Park and while he was there he asked if they required any assistance. Jim Greene, who is a member of Melsa suggested that it would be wise to have a defibrillator on hand. As Jim is also a volunteer for the Nightwatch Chaplains and comes across medical emergencies on a regular basis, knows how important it is to have this machine so his suggestion was

taken back to the Bribie Community Nursery and the wonderful team all agreed that this would be a very sensible piece of medical equipment for the club to have.

Defibrillators are devices that restore a normal heartbeat by sending an electric pulse or shock to the heart. They are used to prevent or correct an arrhythmia, a heartbeat that is uneven or that is too slow or too fast. Defibrillators can also restore the heart's beating if the heart suddenly stops.

Different types of defibrillators work in different ways. Automated external defibrillators (AEDs), which are in many public spaces, were developed to save the lives of people experiencing sudden cardiac arrest. Even untrained bystanders can use

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I hope it is never needed but I am so very pleased that the team at Melsa have it just in case. Bribie Island Community Nursery is certainly looking after our community and we all need to keep supporting them as they support us. Take a bow guys, you are without a doubt the embodiment of humanitarianism.

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We've managed COVID so well here in Queensland that many of us have never met anyone who has had it. But it's a different story in the UK, and even in NSW now, where there's almost 15,000 people currently sick.

Today as I'm writing this, it's Friday and 12 people died of COVID-19 in NSW overnight. Two of these people were in their 20s and seven of these were unvaccinated. I can only imagine how hard it must be for their loved ones. It's heartbreaking.

Just as worrying, is what will happen to people when NSW hospitals and intensive care units become overloaded.

If you have a heart attack or a serious car accident, but ICUs are filled with COVID-19 patients and medical staff are falling ill themselves, what will happen?

This risk is very real. I don't want that for our community. So today, I'm asking everyone to do everything possible to get vaccinated.

With more supplies coming in everyday, now is the time to get vaccinated.

We've seen the QLD health hubs opening more appointments, hosting walk-in days and now even GPs and pharmacies taking part. With Pfizer expanded to over 60's, and Moderna supplies arriving by the end of

September, there is plenty to choose from.

We know that vaccination hugely reduces the chance of being hospitalised, ending up in ICU or dying.

So for everyone who can, getting vaccinated is our best way to avoid future lockdowns.

If you haven't already, head to <https://www.vaccinebookings.health.qld.gov.au/registerforvaccination/> to register.

If you need help registering or are booking for someone else, read the following link carefully first. <https://www.qld.gov.au/health/conditions/healthalerts/coronavirus-covid-19/protect-yourself-others/covid-19-vaccine/book/help#dependents>

And when you get an invitation to book for your vaccine, book it as soon as possible. Or keep an eye on the QLD Health website and my Facebook page for updates on

the next walk-in days.

With an abundance of choice, opportunity and accessibility please don't delay, get vaccinated today.

And for anyone who is delaying their vaccination, please think hard about whether we can really get through this without all pulling together and getting vaccinated.

The Australian Technical Advisory Group on Immunisation (ATAGI) advises on vaccines. COVID-19 vaccines are just some of them.

I trust ATAGI's advice that COVID-19 vaccines are safe, high quality and effective. That's why I got vaccinated as soon as I could, and why my parents got their AstraZeneca as soon as they could.

At the end of day the choice is yours, but please don't put yourself at risk by waiting.

I don't want to see the Delta strain of COVID roaming through our

communities and creating a pandemic of the unvaccinated.

We have a golden window of opportunity to get vaccinated while there's no major outbreak in our community.

Let's make the most of it if we possibly can.

Regards Ali

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# FROM HOSPITALITY TO UNSUNG HERO...

## The Story Of Jim Greene



HERE IS A WONDERFUL STORY ABOUT A VERY SPECIAL MAN BY THE NAME OF JIM GREENE WHO WE ARE VERY LUCKY TO HAVE HIM IN OUR COMMUNITY. I ASKED HIM TO PUT THIS STORY IN HIS OWN WORDS AND HERE IT IS.

I was born in Dublin Ireland and started my working life as an apprentice Chef with AER LINGUS the Irish national airline. Three years later, I transferred to The Great Southern Hotel Group and finished up at the Piccadilly Hotel in London and its sister establishment, The Cafe Royal in Regent Street. After a couple of years working with some brilliant Chefs, the travel bug bit and I was away on my journey!

I travelled through France and Western Asia (mainly Lebanon and Damascus) before eventually arriving in Australia on Boxing Day, 1974 (yes the day after Cyclone Tracy hit Darwin.) Being from the Northern Hemisphere I had no idea what a Cyclone was and when I saw the images on the news that day of a devastated Darwin, I made a mental note not to hang around too long in Australia! (Plus my snake phobia didn't help.)

But happy to say I'm still here 47 years later! Why you may ask? Because I fell in love with Australia and the unique people who inhabit this great Country (also a lovely Scottish lass who became my wife) I have met most races and experienced most cultures on this planet, but none of them compares to the amazing true blue Aussie. It's their honesty, compassion, humour and willingness to accept new arrivals, just to mention a few of the attributes, that is part of the Aussie make-up and what makes them easy to like.

I started my journey in Australia and over the next few years, I spent my time between my own business ventures and working in various restaurants around Brisbane. Then in 1980, I accepted a position with a company that started out as "Nationwide Food Service," a small catering company with two thousand employees that evolved into Spotless, a company of thirty thousand employees and whom I would remain with for the next 36 years. I have performed various different roles from

Chef/Manager, Executive Chef, State Executive Chef, Operations Manager, and State Manager Queensland for Leisure, Sports and Entertainment.

My life in events really started in 1982 with my appointment to the position of Executive Chef for the Commonwealth Games in Brisbane. the highlight of which was been introduced to the Queen and cooking her lunch of Chicken and Asparagus Vol au Vent which was considered very modern in those days!

After the Games finished, I was asked to remain in the events side of the business which at that time consisted of Golf Tournaments, Stadiums and the EKKA. In 1985 I was seconded to our Adelaide office to set up for the first Adelaide Grand Prix. Here I learned a lot of hard lessons! During my first major event, I learnt to lock the fridges at the end of the race or the public will help you out with ' STOCK TAKE "and boy, they were very good at it!

But as I said, it was a valuable lesson for future events like the Gold Coast Indy which I managed for fifteen years. It was a hard slog to begin with, as there were no templates or history for this event. The first year we catered for 35,000 corporate meals over the three main days, served up on the two-story platforms in sometimes sweltering and stormy October days. We set up 22 satellite kitchens, 31 public bars and 35 public food outlets to service the 315,000 patrons over 4 days. These were all set up in a Green Field site with limited power and water and very demanding corporate clients. These included Bill Gates and Saudi Princes all wanting their own bespoke menu which we managed to deliver to their satisfaction.

The Gates Facility cost \$250,000 to build because he wanted it to straddle the track facing the hairpin bend and he only used it on the Friday. It was a reward for his key staff who flew in on chartered planes from around the world for one day. It really was a great international event of the very highest standard.

The next big challenge that came my way was the redevelopment of Lang Park in 1999. The company I worked for appointed me as their representative to consult with the architects for everything relating to hospitality such as the 10 Kitchens, 120 Corporate Suites, 6 Super Suites and the restaurants which consisted of one 800 seater, two 350 seaters and two 100 seaters. 2 huge cool rooms with a 1000 keg capacity, plus a beer delivery system capable of pouring 122,000 beers an hour (believe me, we needed to be able to do that on State Of Origin nights.) Suncorp Stadium was the leading venue in Australia for this beer system and in fact, it became a case study

for Stadiums around the world in beer delivery systems. When we mobilised Suncorp Stadium in 2003 for the Broncos v Newcastle game, everyone from the premier down had their fingers and toes crossed after the disaster opening that Colonial Stadium experienced in Melbourne. From toilets flooding, power failures, ticket systems crashing resulting in the majority of patrons not getting into the Stadium before half time which of course lead to an 85% patron refund, we got lucky did not have one hitch! I guess we learned a lot from their mistakes in Melbourne.

My role from 2003 on was managing Suncorp Stadium, The Cowboys Stadium in Townsville and the V8 Supercars on the Gold Coast, Ipswich and Townsville. That remained the case until I retired in 2015. After the Indy Cars left for good after a dispute about event dates, the most demanding part of my job then became Concerts at the Stadiums (and also the most rewarding).

2006 was our first concert at Suncorp Stadium which featured Robbie Williams. This was held over two nights with over 100,000 fans so a bit like two State of Origins back to back, only with much more intense pressure. Due to the fact with concerts, you have to also look after a couple of hundred support staff (who believe they are the stars and made demands like one) as well as the artist who all had a rider as part of their contract.

Robbie's rider for instance was 22 pages long for him and his main support acts. Riders are very specific in content and detail and are part of the artist's overall contract so must be fulfilled to the letter. Items such as the type of furniture, toilet tissue, soap, a particular brand of running machine which must be new and never used before (for two days) cable and satellite feed for global viewing, the style and quality of the table linen, a brand of cigarettes (they were always not available in Australia, so they have to get flown in normally from Hong Kong) always out of -season fruit, which had to be flown as well, special throat lozenges and Egyptian special towels. This caused a lot of grief for us, but fortunately, not all artists had such demands.

For instance, the band Police had a 1-page rider, Bon Jovi none at all as he ate with the crew, Taylor Swift had 26 pages and everything had to be RED, RED, RED. U2 had 21 pages with no alcohol in their dressing rooms, Eminem had 1 page with just water and lollies, Ed Sheeran had just towels for him and 5 pages for his support. So yes, they were all different, but all of them were a pleasure to meet and look after. I can say they were all very respectful and humble (except for one which I won't mention their name in case they read the Bribie islander!)

## HEALTH, WEALTH & COMMUNITY

I enjoyed my working life and had in my opinion the best job ever and I still managed to help raise five children (4 girls 1 boy). I have to admit, my wife did most of the heavy lifting in that respect, but I always tried to make time for the kids. I practised my Taekwondo with my two eldest daughters for six years, I played Soccer whenever I could and I loved my garden. So now I have retired, how do you go from always on a plane, always living in a hotel room working 80 hours a week to nothing? I did have a retirement plan that was absolutely a big mistake as after 6 months of unbelievable boredom and a big failure at Golf, I began to look around at what I could do to become useful again.

I found Meals on Wheels at Petrie needed help so when I started, I did every Monday and Wednesday, 6 am till 2 pm, some days cooking in the kitchen and assist with the meal assembly, other days I was cooking and then out doing the delivery. I found this very rewarding but it was not enough to keep me as busy as I needed to be.

I then remembered a Not for Profit organisation from when I was at Suncorp Stadium that I would assist from time to time with fundraising. They are called "The NightWatch Chaplains" who are based at 225 Wickham Street, Fortitude Valley. So I joined up there and here is a bit about what are we do.

The NightWatch Chaplains patrol the Valley, CBD, Inner West (Kelvin Grove, Caxton Street) from 10:30 pm - 4 am Friday, Saturday, Sunday and public holidays. We help people who find themselves in difficult circumstances due to aggressive assault, alcohol and drugs. The NightWatch Chaplains assist with First Aid, care and support, problem-solving or just a safe place to recover. We have foot patrols and three mobile units covering the 3 entertainment precincts.

There is also a "Rest and Recovery Centre" in the Valley which has 11 Beds and two Nurses and transport to Hospital if the situation requires this. The NightWatch Chaplains are all Advanced First Aid and CPR qualified, doing what we can to always make sure you are safe. It's a free service supported by the Queensland Government and manned by volunteers such as myself. I consider it to be an honour to be in a position to assist you when "When your good times go bad."

If you frequent the Valley, CBD or Inner West entertainment precincts, please put this Hotline number 0475 558 000 in your phone. If you are heading to the Sunshine Coast, the number is 0412 758 000. You may not need it, but you might be able to help someone else who needs our HELP!

Be safe,  
Jim Greene



# TALKING Business

By: Michelle Hanton OAM

## Social Media and Your Business

You can love it or hate it, but the bottom line is that we need to engage in some way or another with social media on a business level. For smaller businesses and solopreneurs, it's all too easy to become

overwhelmed. Yet it's here to stay, and you're probably missing out by not using it effectively.

### THERE ARE A FEW TRAPS TO LOOK OUT FOR:

1) Having a social media account and neglecting it! It gives the wrong impression when someone

decides to drop by. A neglected account can create the idea that you are no longer in business. 2) Wasting heaps of time daily, flicking through social media looking for inspiration. Then ending up going down a rabbit hole of exploring other 'interesting stuff.'

3) Thinking you need to be on every platform. Far better to choose one platform where your ideal clients are hanging out and being active there. Do one and do it well. It is also essential to understand that each of the

platforms works in a slightly different way.

Now that you know the traps to avoid, it's time to think about a strategy to leverage your social media presence.

### WHEN YOU HAVE A STRATEGY, YOU BECOME CLEAR ON

What to post. Your content needs to be varied and not just full of sales pitches. The 80/20 rule is a great one to follow. 80% should be informative, educative, make people laugh,

and build a social relationship. 20% sales focussed.

Sure, you want to increase your business, but consider how to do this via your social media profile. Consider all the posts you see and think about which ones appeal to you, and more importantly, what will appeal to your target market.

When to post. It comes down to understanding your audience. That means knowing when they are online. Once you have been active regularly, check the insights attached to your account. They are very revealing. Tweak and adjust based on what information is presented. Test, measure and monitor using the insights.

If you know you are planning to have a sale, launch a campaign on a specific date, you want to start warming up your audience well in advance. For example, I have a book coming out on 25 October. Since May, I started priming that particular social media audience even though pre-sales were not opening until 1 September. The upshot is that pre-sales are high.

By developing a strategy, you save yourself the precious time you need to build your business and serve clients.

Creating the content works best in batches. I am a big fan of batching as it helps keep you focussed and gets the job out of the way for the month!

### HERE'S A QUICK GUIDE ON HOW TO BATCH:

Step 1 – Decide how often you will post. The choice is yours but at least three times a week is my recommendation.

Step 2 – Grab a calendar and mark off any important dates you want to promote, celebrate or commemorate. If you have a global client base, check those calendars too.

Step 3 – Think about the type of content. There are no hard and fast rules. Choose what you think will be of most value to your audience. Here are a few ideas: Motivational Monday, Tips for Tuesday, Testimonials, Funnies, Q&A, Inspiring, Shared Content, Special Offers, New Products, How to guide.

Step 4 – Work out what you

are going to need to meet your posting schedule. Grab your calendar and count out how many of each you will need for the month.

Step 5 – Create the content. That means sourcing the images to go with your post and writing the words. It should be easier to create because now you know exactly what type of content, how much of each type and when you need to be posting.

Step 6 – Schedule the month. Following this process, it should take you no longer than 3 hours to create your content. The more you use this method, the faster you will become. And, you can also recycle content over the course of a few months.

Tools I recommend and available FREE are an Excel spreadsheet to keep track of your content buckets, Trello if working with a Virtual Assistant or remote Social Media Manager, Canva to create your image tiles.

### IT'S NOT A SET, AND FORGET!

As a business owner, you may choose to have someone set up your posts, but it is essential to take the time to check your account regularly. If there is a comment, you need to respond, or at the very least be aware of the response left by your Social Media Manager. It is through the answers that you're genuinely connected, aware of what is happening and can be authentic when someone walks through the door or calls you based on something said on social media.

Process = progress. Nail down the process, and you'll find yourself making much more progress, plus saving heaps of time!

If you are looking for recommendations or help with your social media, please get in touch. I have some amazing Wonder Women in my networks whom I can refer.

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# CAROLYN'S TAX Update



The ATO and the tax laws are everchanging and keeping up is often overwhelming.

Self-Managed Super Funds have always been restricted to 4 members. However, legislation that came into effect on 1 July 2021 now allows up to 6 members. This is good news for families that have more than 2 children or for siblings with more than 4. Previously, a separate super fund had to be set up and duplicate costs involved such as ATO levy, auditor fees and accounting/tax fees. No doubt, many super funds will be looking to roll and combine the funds.

Time is running out to register your business for the JobMaker Hiring Credit. Any business employing new staff since 7 October 2020 and before October 2021 could be eligible for \$10400 for each additional employee aged 16 to 29 or \$5200 for those employee 30 to 35 years. Register before 6 October 2021, nominate the additional employee and claim the payments. Of course there are rules and guidelines, so check first to see if your business is eligible to participate.

The new rules for companies claiming loss carry back seems to be creating some undue mistakes and errors. Ensure that all the information your agent needs is provided to correctly calculate the tax offset. Then you will be receiving the appropriate refund for your company return for 2021.

A final mention that always seems to be in the tax news is the rental property. In 2019/2020 over 1.8 million Australians owned a rental property and claimed \$38 billion in deductions. No wonder the ATO is always concerned regarding the correct deductions being made. Make sure you have the correct deductions, the full rental income received and if the property has been sold, the capital gain calculated and profit included in the associated tax returns.

Our offices are more than capable to help in any of the above areas or in any facet of tax and accounting.

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**PROPOSAL TO UPGRADE OPTUS MOBILE PHONE BASE STATIONS AT BELLARA AND ROTHWELL INCLUDING 5G**

**B0417 Bellara: 350 Sunderland Drive, Bellara QLD 4507 (RFNSA 4507001)**

The proposed facility consists of the addition of new equipment and associated works, including 5G, as follows:

- Installation of two (2) 4G/5G panel antennas, 2.688m long, on the existing headframe
- Installation of ancillary equipment including fourteen (14) remote radio units, antenna mounts and cabling
- Reconfiguration of existing equipment on the facility and within the equipment shelter, including removal of two (2) panel antennas, removal of redundant equipment and replacement of Remote Radio Units

**B0437 Rothwell: Road Reserve, 59 Mckillop Street, Rothwell QLD 4022 (RFNSA 4022002)**

The proposed facility consists of the addition of new equipment and associated works, including 5G, as follows:

- Installation of three (3) 4G panel antennas, 2.688m long, on the existing headframe
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- Installation of three (3) 5G panel antennas, 0.74m long, on the existing headframe
- Installation of ancillary equipment including twelve (12) remote radio units, antenna mounts and cabling
- Reconfiguration of existing equipment on the facility and within the equipment shelter, including removal of six (6) panel antennas, removal of redundant equipment and replacement of Remote Radio Units

1. Optus regards the proposed installations as Low-impact Facilities under the *Telecommunications (Low-impact Facilities) Determination 2018* ("The Determination"), based on the description above

2. In accordance with Section 7 of *C564:2020 Mobile Phone Base Station Deployment Code*, we invite you to provide feedback about the proposal. Should you require further information or wish to comment, please contact Chan Chen at Axicom, 02 9495 9000, [community@axicom.com.au](mailto:community@axicom.com.au) or Level 1, 110 Pacific Highway, St Leonards NSW 2065 by **Tuesday 12 October 2021**. Further information may also be obtained from [www.rfnsa.com.au/4507001](http://www.rfnsa.com.au/4507001) and [www.rfnsa.com.au/4022002](http://www.rfnsa.com.au/4022002).

## 4 ESSENTIAL QUESTIONS TO Jump-Start Your Retirement Planning Journey

Imagine having complete control of your entire schedule - you wake up, do what you want, and go to sleep feeling happy and completely free. Best of all, you still receive an income each week or month so you can pay for daily expenses without stress and do the things you love without the guilt! This might sound like an unattainable dream, but it is the life of the 3.9 million<sup>1</sup> Australians who have retired from their job and are enjoying in their golden years. Many people feel anxious when thinking about leaving their job, however, you don't need to feel like this - if you have a thorough plan for when your first day of retirement comes around, you can even look forward to it! Here are four questions you should ask as you start planning for retirement:

### Do I Have a Handle on My Debt?

The first thing you should do is account for everything you currently owe. You don't have to eliminate all of your debts right away, but you should have a plan for them. Do you have a mortgage or credit card debt? While it's not always a bad thing to have debt, entering into your retirement years with a significant amount of debt can be extremely stressful. Speaking with a financial planner will help you get started so you can pay down your debts in time for your ideal retirement.

### What Are My Retirement Needs?

Before you clock out permanently, you need to have a clear view of what your needs are post-retirement. Do you know how much your daily expenses are? You can prepare for this now by keeping track of your current expenses. If you know how much you

spend now, you can estimate how much it would cost for you in retirement. What's important to note is that while you may have enough money saved to cover your living expenses, it may not be enough for the lifestyle you desire. If you want to spend your golden years travelling, taking up new hobbies, and socialising, you need to think about the costs of these activities. After you get a holistic view of your financial situation, you can then take steps towards planning retirement and securing financial freedom.

### Do I Have a Superannuation Strategy?

Many Australians do not know how much superannuation they currently have or what their options are with their super fund. However, your superannuation strategies are critical to your retirement plan's success. Engaging with a financial planner for superannuation advice could mean the difference between a stressful, financially challenging retirement and one where you get to relax. One of the simplest things you can do to boost your super balance is contribute to your super voluntarily. Depending on your financial circumstances, you may also get to benefit from tax advantages from voluntarily super contributions.

### What Other Factors Affect My Retirement?

Besides your superannuation, other factors can affect your finances in the future. Your government pension, personal savings, and investments will also determine how your finances look when the time comes to stop working for good. The Australian government has different age pension rates for retirees with different life circumstances. For example, the maximum basic rate for a single person is \$868.30 per fortnight. Coupled with energy and pension supplements, single retirees can earn as much as \$952.70 every fortnight.

Couples and those living apart due to illness will also have different rates. Investments can also bring you closer to achieving your financial goals in retirement. All types of investments offer different benefits and downsides.

For example, investment properties are a relatively stable source of income. Since they are tangible assets, they also offer stability for risk-averse investors. However, it might prove challenging to produce cash for emergencies if you have an investment portfolio focused on properties.

### Are you Ready to Start Your Retirement Plan?

Anxiety about money is normal, but you don't need to let your apprehensions about the future deter you from planning. When you have a financial roadmap, you can slowly work towards the kind of future you want for yourself. Don't waste your time with money worries—take action now!

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## Economics and Governance Committee Chair: Mr Linus Power MP Parliament House Brisbane

### Committee invites Queenslanders to have their say on proposals to approve additional government spending

The Economics and Governance Committee of the Queensland Parliament is calling for members of the public to have their say on proposals to approve additional funding for unplanned expenditure incurred by the Queensland Government and by Parliament over the financial year 2020-21.

The proposals are set out in two supplementary appropriation bills – the Appropriation (Parliament) Bill (No. 2) 2021 and the Appropriation Bill (No. 2) 2021 – which were introduced by the Treasurer and Minister for Investment, the Hon Cameron Dick MP, on 1 September 2021.

The two bills would respectively authorise an additional \$1.795 million in expenditure for the Legislative Assembly and Parliamentary Service (including to cover the costs of running the 2020 state election during a pandemic) and a further \$447.456 million for unforeseen spending incurred across 2020-21 by 6 of the 21 Queensland Government departments.

The Economics and Governance Committee, which has been tasked with examining and reporting on the Bill, is inviting interested organisations, businesses and members of the public to make a written submission sharing any views, issues or suggestions in relation to the approval of the supplementary appropriations, by 5pm, Wednesday 6 October 2021.

The committee will receive a public briefing on the bills from officials from Queensland Treasury ahead of the close of submissions, to be held from 10.30am to 11.15am approximately on Tuesday 5 October 2021 at the Parliament House in Brisbane, and live streamed on Parliament TV.

Any further committee activities will be announced by the committee in due course.

More information about the committee's inquiry into the bills, including information on the supplementary appropriations and how to make a submission to the committee, is available on the inquiry webpage.

### Inquiry timeline:

**Close of submissions:** 5pm, Wed 6 Oct 2021  
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For further information: please contact the Economics and Governance Committee secretariat on (07) 3553 6637 or by email to [egc@parliament.qld.gov.au](mailto:egc@parliament.qld.gov.au) or visit the committee's inquiry webpage.

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## MOTOWN TRIBUTE BAND

**Brisbane's premier Motown tribute band, The 8 Tracks, are bringing their Motown & the Movies show to the Bribie Island RSL Club in November.**

The 8 Tracks are an 8-piece ensemble that perform an extensive catalogue of Motown favourites, as well as funk, soul, jazz, disco and pop. Since their formation in 2016, The 8-Tracks have been steadily making a name for themselves throughout Brisbane, playing clubs, private events and festivals alike. For their first appearance at the Brisbane Jazz Club, at which now they are a regular, eager audience members lined up down the street, hoping to gain the last standing room-only tickets in what was the club's highest-selling mid week show in its history.

Their latest offering, Motown & the Movies, is an exploration of the timeline of Motown and how it influenced the silver screen. Full of hits by artists such as Aretha Franklin, Smokey Robinson, The Jackson Five, The Supremes, Ray Charles, The Temptations, and more, Singer Taryn Stewart says the show has something for everyone.

"The great thing about Motown is just how accessible it is almost every song released on the label became a classic," she says. "The songs are all so familiar, everyone knows the words, and they love to sing along and dance. Which is a huge part of why we do what we do! We love nothing more than seeing the dance floor full of happy, smiling, singing faces."

This will be the first time the band has performed in Bribie, and they are looking forward to playing to a new audience.

*"The show has got some obvious song choices in it, but there's a few surprises too that we think the audience won't be expecting," says Taryn. "We hope Bribie get their dancing shoes on and come along for a fantastic night out!"*

**The 8 Tracks present: Motown & the Movies will be on at the Bribie Island RSL Club on Saturday 6 November 2021. For tickets visit: [the8tracks.com.au/gigs](http://the8tracks.com.au/gigs). Bribie Island Magazine readers can use the code ISLANDER for a discount at checkout.**



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Launched in June this year, the group is focused on developing performing arts and other cultural experiences for the people of the Pumicestone Passage. October will be a packed month with a Special Movie Screening, a Public Meeting on the 10th of the month and their first Full Production. The Rocky Horror Picture Show will screen October 8th while Wonderfully Wicked Women

will open on Halloween Eve (29th October), with matinee and evening performances the following day (30th of October). Starring an array of local talent, make sure you get to the Bribie Respite Community Hall (Woorim) for this frighteningly fun performance.

Kicking off the month of activities for the group is a special screening of the Halloween classic, The Rocky Horror Picture Show, at the Bribie Island Cinema, 7.15pm Friday 8th October. Attendees are encouraged to dress up for the event. "Our Moulin Rouge night was fantastic and it's obvious I'm not the only one who likes to dress up," commented 6 Mangrove Productions President, Afra Feeney. So, if you're a Rocky Horror Show fan, get out your fishnets and join 6 Mangrove Productions for this special screening. Tickets are just \$20 and can be purchased online via our Facebook Page or Website: [www.6mangroveproductions.com.au](http://www.6mangroveproductions.com.au)

Find your heels and fishnet stockings, cover yourself in glitter and dust off your most outrageous outfits.

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## Wonderfully Wicked Women

is a trio of one-act plays featuring murder, mayhem and the deviousness of the feminine mind. 6 Mangrove Productions is excited to not only have the marvellous Angela Witcher (of InsideOutside Theatre) performing for us but to also be launching an original piece by local playwright and performing artist Janet Ash: It Shouldn't Be This Hard. Both these women have brought extra spark to the flame of passion for performing arts held by the good folk at 6 Mangrove Productions. Remaining cast features Afra Feeney, Hannah Bodilly, Hazel Mepham and Richard Ogden. Afra Feeney says everyone is particularly excited for this production after Covid Lockdown forced the cancellation of their last event: a Bus Tour to see Grease at the Conservatorium of Music in Southbank. "It was really disappointing," said Afra, "as it's such a classic but it just means we had lots of energy to put into creating our own classic!"



### Wicked Women

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## Bribie Youth Project...

is also currently working with Moreton Bay Regional Council's Bribie Youth Project and has a number of programs in the holiday event (see Facebook and Council websites for more information on the events happening around the island). "I love working with young people," says Afra, a qualified Drama Teacher. "They have such open minds and creative thinking. I'm excited to begin working more directly with young people in the near future."

The question now is what's next for this exciting new group? "Well, we'd like to get some public input on that," states Afra. "We've done a few small things this year while we got ourselves established. We'd like to know what people enjoyed and what they would like more of." To find out, 6 Mangrove Productions is hosting their second Public Meeting on Sunday 10th October, 3pm at the RSL. They are looking forward to exploring ideas for productions in 2022 and 2023, topics for public forums and floating the idea of a scriptwriting symposium. "And now we are official, we are looking forward to opening up membership," says Afra.

To find out more about the organisation, get tickets for The Rocky Horror Picture Show or Wonderfully Wicked Women and find [www.6mangroveproductions.com.au](http://www.6mangroveproductions.com.au). Or email them at [info@6mangroveproductions.com.au](mailto:info@6mangroveproductions.com.au)

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- 1 long red chilli, seeds removed, finely chopped
- 1 tbsp. honey
- 1 tbsp. avocado oil (see note) or extra virgin olive oil
- 1 butter lettuce, leaves separated

**• STEP 1**

Peel, devein and roughly chop half the prawns. Place in a bowl with mango and avocado.

**• STEP 2**

Grate the zest of half a lime, then juice both limes. Place the lime zest and juice in a small bowl with the coriander, chilli, honey and oil. Whisk to combine and season well. Pour over prawn mixture and toss to combine.

**• STEP 3**

Divide lettuce among plates, fill with the salad and serve with the remaining prawns and lime.

*“What are you, doing this weekend?”*



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# market times

## Bribie Island BICA Markets

The Bribie Island BICA Markets are held at Brennan Park, Bongaree, the 3rd Sunday of each month from 6am -12pm

## Bribie Rotary Markets

The Rotary Markets are held at Brennan Park, Bongaree on the second Sunday of each month from 6.30am – 12 noon

## Queensland Cancer Council Markets

The Cancer Council Markets are held at Brennan Park, Bongaree on the first Sunday of each month from 7am to 12 noon.

## The Sylvan Beach Munch Markets

(Farmers Market)

The Munch Markets are held in the park opposite the Bribie Island Hotel on the 1st Saturday of each month from 9am to 2pm

## The Bribie Lions Club Markets

The Bribie Lions Club Markets are held at Tintookie Park, Woorim on every second Saturday of each month from 8 am to 12 noon

## The Bribie Island Comm Plant Nursery

The Bribie Island Community Plant Nursery is open from 8 am to 12 pm on weekdays and from 8 am to 12 pm on the first Saturday of every month.

## Bribie & District Woodcrafters Assoc.

OPEN DAY: Woodworking demonstrations, displays, sales  
Sat 27th March & Last Sat Month thereafter. 8 - 12noon  
Contact Ian Trail 0401 134 384

## Bribie Island U3A

CHANGE OF DATE PLEASE NOTE: U3A will start on Thursday 5th August 2021 9am to 11am

## Melsa Park Train Rides

Sept 19, Oct 17, Nov 21, Dec 19 Xmas Special ....10am to 2pm



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## SILVERTONES SAY FAREWELL

It is with great sorrow that after 14 years of entertainment at Bribie Island, Caboolture and Morafield, that the Silvertones have to say goodbye. We have disbanded and we would like to thank all of the many people that have supported us over the years. I personally would like to thank all of the Venues where we have performed over the years. It has been a pleasure to entertain the Senior citizens of our area. Goodbye and keep well.



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Coming  
to a  
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Near You

**SUNDAYS IN SPRING ARE GETTING A CREATIVE BOOST WITH LIVE MUSIC AND HANDS-ON ART HAPPENING IN PARKS ACROSS MORETON BAY REGION. FROM ACOUSTIC LIVE MUSIC TO HANDS-ON CREATIVE ART ACTIVITIES AND INSTALLATIONS, PARK JAM IS BRINGING JOY AND COLOUR TO LOCAL COMMUNITIES OVER FIVE SUNDAYS IN OCTOBER. OPEN TO ALL AGES AND FREE OF CHARGE, EVERYONE IS ENCOURAGED TO COME ALONG AND ENJOY THE ENTERTAINMENT.**

Park Jam offers the perfect way to spend a Sunday afternoon with friends and family. This fantastic new initiative showcases the talents of our local musicians and artists as well as our stunning natural areas. Just bring a hat or sunshade, and your own picnic blanket or chair to settle in for an afternoon of entertainment. Three music acts will perform at each Park Jam, ranging from soulful originals to jaunty folk and atmospheric jazz. Emerging talent also get their chance to shine alongside popular bands and performers, creating an opportunity for our local arts industry to regrow after the challenges of COVID. At each Park Jam two local artists, Mel Brady and Marian Reginato, are also offering a hands-on creative art activity, inviting community members to share what

makes their heart sing. Together, artists and local communities will create a poetic garland which will be displayed between trees in the park. The garland installation will then grow as Park Jam travels through the Moreton Bay Region, building a colourful, visual, textile compilation of our communities. Moreton Bay is a region of blue and green places, of big skies, foreshores and fresh waterways as well as leafy tree canopies. What better way to enliven these community green spaces than enriching them with live music and art installations. Park Jams Location and Date:

- Brennan Park, Bongaree on Sunday 3 October 2021

All events will run from 1.00pm - 4.30pm. No bookings required. To see the music line up at each location, visit <https://www.moretonbay.qld.gov.au/Services/Arts-Culture-Heritage/Park-Jam>



## KING OF AUSTRALIAN BUSHRANGERS

### EPISODE 2

## CAPTURE AND ESCAPE BY AL FINEGAN

As dawn was breaking on a quiet, isolated Tavern on a cold June morning in 1850, just 20Km from Portland, Victoria, three young men lay half awake, still snuggling in their beds and looking forward to their last day's ride to Portland with their booty. Without warning, the door burst open, and four men rushed into the room waving pistols at the slumbering men. Francis Christie, John Newton and William Stewart were handcuffed before they were thoroughly awake.

Shackled and copping the odd whack from a baton, it was a new experience for Francis, as he was roughly shoved outside and into a prison carriage. Each time he yelled a complaint at a trooper, he was struck again. He decided it was best to go along with the guards' brutality, all the while looking for a weakness he could exploit. The prisoners and the horses were taken into Portland, and the three accused were immediately brought before the police magistrate and remanded in custody overnight. On the following day, they were brought before the court and committed to be held in custody pending a trial. From Portland, they were sent to Geelong, thence to Pentridge in Melbourne, and three months later, back to Geelong for the trial that was set for a Monday in October 1850.

Francis, a natural born leader, found himself in the Geelong Remand Centre with ten other prisoners including his two comrades, all awaiting trial. He studied the guards' routines and determined a plan. He felt strongly about leading his two friends into gaol and resolved to get them out, and himself, if possible, as a second priority.

On a quiet Sunday morning a few weeks before the trial date, Francis knew that most of the warders went to church, leaving only two men on guard. He gave strict orders to the other prisoners. As was the routine, a warder opened the cell door to hand in a fresh toilet bucket. Immediately Francis caught him by the throat and dragged him in, while William Stewart, and John Newton rushed out to overpower the other warder, then dragged him back into the cell, and locked it behind them. The other prisoners, following the plan, rushed out, armed themselves with sticks, then bolted in all directions. Two of the town police saw the escape and rushed to secure the gaol just as Francis, William and John were exiting. The escapees fought with all their strength while the police made free use of their batons. Francis, fighting madly, yelled at his comrades to run. William Stewart took off in full flight while Francis and John fought a losing battle with the two policemen, finally ending up in handcuffs and bandages. Eight escapees, amongst whom was William Stewart, made good their escape, and only one of them was afterwards secured. William was never heard from again.

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As soon as Henry Munro heard of his stepson's arrest, he tried everything in his power to have him released, or at least treated with leniency. Through his excellent standing as a wealthy grazier, he attempted to exert some influence on Morton, a fellow Scot, due to their acquaintance as respected graziers. Unfortunately, this influence fell on deaf ears, as Morton would have none of it and stated that he expected the full force of the law to be administered on Christie and his mates.

Morton replied that he had not the power to interfere and said that the request was a highly improper one to make. Munro sought out others in authority to help free his troublesome stepson, but to no avail.

Francis and John were tried and convicted. They were both sentenced to five years on the roads of the colony and sent to Pentridge. They had not been there for more than a few months when, on the afternoon of the 26th March 1851, they were part of a work party engaged in gathering rubble for road metal purposes in a paddock adjoining the Pentridge Stockade. Francis, nonchalantly moved nearer to one of the troopers, then rushed at him, seized his carbine, and knocked him violently to the ground. He then pointed the carbine at the other guard and fired a shot at his feet. The guard fled in a panic at the menacing sight of an armed snarling Francis. All the prisoners from the work party took off, shouting in glee, and disappeared into Coburg.

First discovered in 1850 and with more discoveries being made almost daily all around the colony, by early 1851, the whole of Victoria had gone certifiably insane. Citizens everywhere dropped their jobs and headed to the diggings. In a few years the population jumped from 70,000 to 400,000 as shipload after shipload arrived in Port Phillip, when entire ships passengers and crews headed for the goldfields. Ships by the dozen lay abandoned in the bay. Policemen and soldiers in large numbers discarded their uniforms and headed off to try their luck, as stories of quick riches spread like wildfire throughout the population. Endless streams of people rushed off to towns in the goldfields region such as Maldon, Beechworth, Clunes, Heathcote, Maryborough, Daylesford, Stawell, Beaufort, Creswick, St Arnaud, Dunolly, Inglewood, Wedderburn and Buninyong and in particular, Ballarat and Bendigo, to name just a few. Francis simply melted into these masses and headed north, telling anyone who asked that his name was Frank Clarke.

A few months after fleeing Pentridge, he was sighted "digging close" to the Government camp at a new prospective goldfield on Bandicoot Creek, Bendigo, by some settlers who thought they recognised him. He denied being Francis Christie, but fearing detection, he rode north, so by the end of 1851, he crossed the Murray River into NSW with Charles Herring, a convict on the loose. Herring would often appear in company with Christie and, in due course, joined the NSW police under the alias of Zahn. The pair blended in with the many aspiring miners enroute to the new goldfields near Ophir, just north of Orange in NSW, recently discovered by Hargraves, Lister, and Toms.

Frank Clarke tried his hand at gold mining at Ophir. It did not suit his personality. He needed adventure. He moved back to the Boro property and took up work with his father once more under his real name. He kept his ear to the ground through his network of old mates from Victoria and was pleased to hear that his friend John Newton had made it home. In late 1852 he heard that a gang was being organised for a huge escort robbery in Victoria. Although reluctant to go back into Victoria he decided he would give it a try. By now he had changed his image, sporting a large moustache and long hair, as well as a new name to conceal his identity. He had started a habit of telling people incorrect advice of his intended destination. This paid off many times for him in the coming years. He headed off across the Murray and located the Francis family, the architects of the coming robbery, with John Francis being the leader. Frank Clarke was accepted into the gang, along with a dozen other members.

On 20th July 1853, a cart left the MacGyver diggings containing 2223 ounces of gold then valued over £8000, and about £700 in cash in two strong boxes. They were heading towards Kyneton to catch the official Bendigo escort to Melbourne. A strong private escort under the charge of a police superintendent oversaw its protection. They were armed with carbines and pistols. The cart driver was the only one unarmed. One man rode ahead of the cart and others followed alongside or behind. When the escort approached Mia Mia, a fallen tree was lying across the road. On seeing it Doyens, who was riding ahead, shouted "halt" for the rest of the cavalcade. Suddenly, several armed raiders appeared from behind

the bushes and poured a volley of fire into the escort wagon and the escorts' horses. The two men on the wagon jumped clear and ran off while the others leapt from their saddles to take cover in the bush. Under intense fire, and outnumbered, one escort bolted, quickly followed by the rest. The sergeant, screaming in disgust at his cowardly team, galloped his horse towards the robbers at the cart but was met by another volley from a second group of robbers. Although he was not hit, his horse was. He returned fire, as did the superintendent but they were unable to ward off the robbers who proceeded to unload the cart of its treasure, then take off into the adjoining dense scrub.

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The news of the robbery spread like wildfire, and as many as 400 diggers and others turned out in search of the bushrangers, scouring in every direction. Some riders were arrested on suspicion, including a man who came to help the injured troopers. A huge reward for arrest and conviction of the offenders was offered. The punts across the Goulburn and Murray rivers were immediately placed under constant surveillance but the police were in the dark without any clue as to the whereabouts of the robbers. The bushrangers had disappeared into the bush and any evidence they had left behind them was leading nowhere

The robbers had planned their escape well, and on arrival at the planned RV (rendezvous), meticulously divided their spoils then took off, each on his own planned route. Frank, for the first time, adopted his disguise as a priest. Meekly walking a mule loaded with his meagre belongings he passed blessings onto grateful travellers as he went. With his booty and weapons hidden amongst his religious paraphernalia, he smiled at the guards at the Murray River crossing point as he approached the punt to cross over. They graciously accepted his blessings and waved

him through.

Even though he played only a minor role in the robbery, Francis learned a lot, particularly the need for meticulous planning including, reconnaissance, discipline, escape routes and rehearsals to ensure a successful heist. This knowledge was used to set the standard of all his future robberies. On 10th August 1853, Melbourne police arrested John Francis on board the ship Madagascar, then took his brother into custody on the following day. Francis turned Queen's Evidence, naming all members of his gang, including Frank Clarke. Wanted posters were sent to all police stations, including a request to NSW to be on the lookout for gang members who had come from the NSW colony. As a result, the police were able to capture three Victorian bushrangers and secured convictions for armed robbery and attempted murder. The three were hanged at Old Melbourne Gaol on 3rd October 1853. John Francis and his wife were given a free passage out of the colony and sailed off to the Cape of Good Hope and were never heard from again.

As soon as Frank crossed into NSW, he resumed his real name, sold his mule and bought a fine horse, then headed for his old dig at Ophir.



**NEXT EPISODE**  
**COCKATOO ISLAND**

**Bribie Ladies Golf Results**

2/9/21 – Monthly Medal, Single Stroke & Putting – Sponsor: Churches of Christ in Queensland. Div 1 Winner: Vicki Jones 75. R/U: Leonie Buxton 76. 2nd R/U: Susie Smith 77 c/b. Best Putting – Leonie Buxton & Gill Lee. Best Gross – Di Binghamy. NTP: Hole 4 – Nina Bohan. Hole 7 – Di Binghamy. Hole 14 – Myra Thomsen. Div 2 Winner: Bibby Davies 75. R/U: Ruby McKinnon 78 c/b. 2nd R/U: Maureen Bailey 78. Best Putting – Janet Brooks. Best Gross – Bibby Davies. NTP: Hole 4 – Mary Carruthers. Hole 7 – Anna de Bondt. Hole 14 – Ruby McKinnon. Single Stableford – Div 3 Winner: Vicki Butcher 35 c/b. R/U: Val Miller 35. 2nd R/U: Fran Boxsell 34. 3rd R/U: Paddy Hyde 32 c/b. NTP: Hole 4 Hazel McDonnell. Hole 14 Paula McKenzie.

7/9/21 – Club Championships Round 1 – Single Stroke & Putting. Sponsor: Woorim Surfside Pharmacy. Div 1 Winner: Di Binghamy 74 c/b. R/U: Susie Smith 74. 2nd R/U: Myra Thomsen 76 c/b. Best Gross – Di Binghamy 81. NTP: Hole 4 & 14 – Carole Watson. Div 2 Winner: Wendy Robinson 70. R/U: Debra Dunn 73 c/b. Mary Barbelar 73. Best Gross – Debra Dunn 97. NTP: Hole 7 – Mary Carruthers. Hole 16. Marg Parkinson. Div 3 Winner: Angela Jordan 68. R/U: Nadia Aylott 71. 2nd R/U: Sonia Ferrante 78 c/b. Best Gross – Angela Jordan 103. NTP: Hole 4 – Angela Jordan. Best

Putting – Debra Dunn. 9/9/21 – Club Championships Round 2 – Single Stroke & Putting. Sponsor: Woorim Surfside Pharmacy. Div 1 Winner: Laura Meijer 73. R/U: Linda Urquhart 74. 2nd R/U: Susie Smith 75 c/b. Best Gross – Jo Malone 79. Div 2 Winner: Stina Barnulf 73. R/U: Judith Umlauf 75 c/b. 2nd R/U: Jennifer De Ruyter 75 c/b. Best Gross: Ailsa Lauchlan 98. Div 3 Winner: Sonia Ferrante 77 c/b. R/U: Jennifer Stafford 77. 2nd R/U: Suzanne Wagg 79. Best Gross: Sonia Ferrante 112. NTP: Hole 4 – Nina Bohan. Hole 7 – Stina Barnulf. Hole 14 – Susie Smith. Hole 16 – Sandra Power. Hole 4 Div 3 best 2nd shot – Sonia Ferrante. Best Putting – Ailsa Lauchlan 26 putts.

14/9/21 – Club Championships Round 3 – Single Stroke & Putting. Sponsor: Woorim Surfside Pharmacy. Div 1 Winner: Vicki Jones 71. R/U: Suzanne Vally 72 c/b. 2nd R/U: Desley Neilson 72. Best Gross – Jo Malone 80. Div 2 Winner: Lenore Wilson 71. R/U: Charmaine Price 75. 2nd R/U: Lulu Drew 76 c/b. Best Gross – Lenore Wilson 97. Div 3 Winner: Jennifer Stafford 73 c/b. R/U: Nadia Aylott 73. 2nd R/U: Vicki Butcher 75 c/b. Best Gross – Jude Dorhauer 106. Best Putting – Helena Winterflood 26 putts. NTP: Hole 4 – Jo Malone. Hole 7 Nina Bohan. Hole 14 – Jo Malone. Hole 16 Lulu Drew. Hole 4 Div 3 best 2nd shot – Jennifer Stafford.

16/9/21 – Club Championships Round 4 – Single Stroke & Putting. Sponsor: Woorim Surfside Pharmacy. Div 1 Winner: Jo Malone 73 c/b. R/U: Di Binghamy 73 c/b. 2nd R/U: Linda Urquhart 73. Best Gross – Jo Malone 77. Div 2 Winner: Vivienne Learoyd 71. R/U: Ingrid Coburn 75. 2nd R/U: Marjorie Sils 76 c/b. Best Gross: Vivienne Learoyd 97. Div 3 Winner: Sonia Ferrante 76. R/U: Sylvia Kuhbauch 78. 2nd R/U: Paula McKenzie 79. Best Gross: Sonia Ferrante 111. Best Putting – Myra Dickson 25 putts. NTP: Hole 4 Di Binghamy. Hole 7 – Linda Urquhart. Hole 14 – Leonie Buxton. Hole 18 Gwen Clutterbuck. Hole 4 Div 3 best 2nd shot – Paula McKenzie. Out of hat winner: I McLaren, L Williams, M Garfield. Out of hat winner: B Smith, C Christiansen



Congratulations to the Winners of the Bribie Island Ladies Club Championships 2021. Left to Right – Ailsa Lauchlan Div 2 Winner. Jo Malone Div 1 Winner. Sponsor & Presenter - Sing Kiu Woorim Surfside Pharmacy & Sonia Ferrante Div 3 Winner.

Bunny: J Neill, R Leith, J Dunne Scroungers Results Wednesday 15 September 2021  
1st: R Eaton  
2nd: M Roberts  
Self Select pairs results Wednesday 15 September 2021  
Winners: R Eaton, D Heath  
Runners Up: K Muller, F Grimsley  
Out of hat winner: W Ritchie, S Lobo  
Out of hat winner: D Munday, K Hagan  
Out of hat winner: B Kent, M Chalmers  
Bunny: A Sharp, E Sharp  
Club Select Triples Thursday 16 September 2021  
1st out of hat: R Follett, R Davenport, G Low  
2nd out of hat: P Ditchburn, D Rosky, D Groves  
3rd out of hat: J Murray, S Roberts  
Bunny: J Neill, B Hamer, R Wickhorst

**Bribie Bowls Club****Self Select Paris Friday 3 SEPTEMBER 2021**

Winners: K Taylor, P Hughes  
Runners up: A Legosz, B Sivier  
Out of hat winner: W Broad, M Vitalari  
Out of hat winner: M Mills, T Bennett  
Out of hat winner: D McMahon, C Wilke  
Bunny: I Cooper, T Dean  
**Random Select Fours Sat 4 Sept**  
1st: H Anderson, L Wood, G Reily, P McCarthy  
2nd: K Fuller, G Olson, C Halley, R Davenport  
Out of hat winner: M Young, W Gilbert, R Steven, B Doe  
Out of hat winner: J Ferguson, G McEniery, P Ryan  
**Self Select Triples Tue 7 Sept**  
Winners: Z Elmore, E Bateman, R Garfield  
Runners up: R Hunter, R Gilmore, P McCarthy

Out of hat winner: I McLaren, M Garfield, L Williams  
Out of hat winner: R Eaton, F Crockett, L Hackwood  
Bunny: B Hoffman, P Andrews, J Stanley  
**Scroungers Results Wed 8 Sept**  
1st: R Eaton 2nd: J Muller  
Self Select Pairs Results Wednesday 8 September 2021  
Winners: S Mitchell, K Ford  
Runners up: L Wright, A Legosz  
Out of hat winner: J Ferguson, V Heron  
Out of hat winner: C Wilkie, P Adams  
Out of hat winner: B Kent, M Chalmers  
Bunny: A Baker, G Harper

**Club Select Triples Results Thu 9 Sept**

1st out of hat: J Neill, M Andrews, M Roberts  
2nd out of hat: M Cherry, P Neumann, W Kellet  
3rd out of hat: B Mann, L Locking, G Twigg  
Bunny: N Gray, N Smith, C Hamilton  
**Self Select pairs results Fri 10 Sept**

Winners: M Beutel, B Hosie  
Runners up: Turnbull, J Howarth  
Out of hat winner: T Dean, I Cooper  
Out of hat winner: B Sivyer, A Legosz  
Out of hat winner: C Hayes, B Kent  
Bunny: S Lobo, W Ritchie

**Random Select fours Sat 11 Sept**

1st: B Castle, I Smith, G Reilly, P Ryan  
2nd: B Ferguson, J Ferguson, L Savage, C Lingley  
3rd: C Halley, M Andrew, W Gilbert, P McCarthy  
4th: J Oliver, P Mannion, P Neumann, J Herbert  
Out of hat: R Fowler, L Wood, Wilmot, M Young

**Self Select Triples Results Tue 14 Sept**

Winners: M Young, M Andrews, R Ghest  
Runners up: D DeGromo, J Smith, H Anderson  
Out of hat winner: I McLaren, L Williams, M Garfield  
Out of hat winner: B Smith, C Christiansen

Bunny: J Neill, R Leith, J Dunne

**Scroungers Results Wed 15 Sept**

1st: R Eaton 2nd: M Roberts

**Self Select pairs results Wed 15 Sept**

Winners: R Eaton, D Heath

Runners Up: K Muller, F Grimsley

Out of hat winner: W Ritchie, S Lobo

Out of hat winner: D Munday, K Hagan

Out of hat winner: B Kent, M Chalmers

Bunny: A Sharp, E Sharp

Club Select Triples Thursday 16

September 2021

1st out of hat: R Follett, R Davenport,

G Low

2nd out of hat: P Ditchburn, D Rosky,

D Groves

3rd out of hat: J Murray, S Roberts

Bunny: J Neill, B Hamer, R Wickhorst

Eric Stavely, 2nd Ken Wales,

3rd John Muller

Wed Sept 15th Mixed 4's

Winners Mick Falvey, Roy

Merritt, Denis Poulson, Lynn

Bell Runners Up Glenn Merrin,

Brett Sellars, Ian Virgen, Billy

Bradshaw

Thurs pairs Winners Ken

Kajewski, Barry Russell Runners

Up Ian Hargreaves Brien Skerten

**BONGAREE MENS BOWLS**

Sat Sept 4th Scroungers 1st

Roger Brooks 2nd Mick Falvey

3rd Andrew Evans

Wed Sept 8th mixed 4's

Winners Ian Paterson, Col

Valentine, Gary McCarthy,

Ray Mills. Runners Up Nigel

Blundell, Mike Giles, Gaynor

Johnson, Sandi Hodges

Sat Sept 11th Scroungers 1st

Draw Winners: Brenda Hutchinson, Doreen O'Halloran, Carolyn Merritt, Jenny Mitchell

Friday September 10th, 2-4-2

/ triples Winners: Sue Francis,

Mick Falvey. R/Up: Lynn Bell,

Peter Flynn, Ron Wilson

Tuesday September 14th. Pairs

Winners: Neil Wagstaff, Errol

Fender. R/Up: Jaarpung Blundell.

Tim Carlton

**RESULTS FOR BONGAREE LADIES BOWLS**

Friday September 3rd, 2-4-2

Winners: Sandra Scott, Bob

Vonax. R/Up: Errol Fender,

Wendy Rollason

Tuesday September 7th

Winners: Errol Fender, Neil

Wagstaff. R/Up: Mary Doorley,

Ron Wilson, Bob Lowe. Bonus

**SOLANDER LAKE BOWLS CLUB**

**Bowls Results – Week Ending 11/9/21**

Tuesday 7th - Club Select Triples – Winners: B Payne, R Carter, A Ager. Runners up: K Fox, B Cook, M Whiteside.

Wednesday 8th – Self Select Pairs – Winners: T Rolfe, M Torrington. 2nd Place: B Stuart, G Caplick. 3rd Place: J Cummins, P Hourigan. Jackpot – \$500 - Won: C Avenell, P Bradley.

Thursday 9th – Self Select Triples – Winners: D Brown, R Griffin, J Farmer. Runners up: B Stafford, V Fredericks, P Payne.

Friday 10th – Self Select Pairs – Winners:

R Reilly, B Hill. Runners up: V Mitchell, W Mitchell. 1st Round Winners: T O'Neill, N Perren. 2nd Round Winners: P Neilson, G McCarthy.

Saturday 11th – Club Select Triples – Winners: P Carter, T Parker, T Smith. Runners Up: S Jeffrey, M Jones, A Thompson.

**Bowls Results – Week Ending 18/9/21**

Tuesday 14th - Club Select Triples – Winners: J Harris, P Neilson, M Adams. Runners up: B Payne, T McCormick, J Stimson.

Wednesday 15th – Self Select Pairs – Winners:

V Jones, B Hill. 2nd Place: D John, G Hubbard.

3rd Place: P Ollier, P Hodgson. Jackpot – \$225 - Not Won.

Thursday 16th – Self Select Triples – Winners: H Bales, G Sorrenson, S Todd. Runners up: K Wright, R Griffin, J Farmer.

Friday 17th – Self Select Pairs – Winners: V Mitchell, W Mitchell. Runners up: P Dixon, R Stumbles. 1st Round Winners: B Jackson, M Flanagan. 2nd Round Winners: H Steer, A Lavender.

Saturday 18th – Club Select Triples – Winners: R James, T Rolfe. Runners Up: F Hubbard, R O'Brien, N Feazey.

**RESULTS FOR BONGAREE LADIES BOWLS**

SPRING IS HERE!!!!.....Kathy Vincent At last, we can put the winter woollies away and enjoy some sunshine. You won't need to do any spring cleaning because you got all the jobs done in lockdown. The garden is sorted, the decorating that needed doing is all complete. That paperwork you were going to sort is all filed away. You have sorted all those clothes that shrank during Covid lockdown and just don't fit anymore. How did that happen by the way? I am sure when I put my summer clothes away they all fitted perfectly. Somehow, they have all shrank in the wardrobe! Could this be a side effect of Covid do you think? So how are you going to get that beach body back into shape and exercise in the fresh air? Well, how about trying your hand at croquet? You get some exercise, you meet socially with other players, and you have to use your brain to work out the next move. (A bit like snooker but on a larger scale!!)

Now would be a good time to try something new. If you are walking past the croquet club why not stop and have a look? We play four types of croquet so you could choose what you would like to play. There is Association Croquet, Ricochet, Golf Croquet and Gate ball. We have almost finished the championships now (More about those another time when I can tell you who the winners are) Plate competitions are over for our newer players. The shield has only one more game to play for our more advanced players and Pennants for our more experienced players are almost finished too. If you wander past the croquet courts on Saturday the 11th and 18th of September you will see the Golf Doubles Championships being played. Give us a call if you would like to come along!  
**Dick Byres President**  
0488 282 959,  
**Jan Rees Vice President**  
0437 008 042

**BRIDGE RESULTS****MORETON BRIBIE****BRIDGE CLUB:**

Sat 4 Sep 1. R King & N Everson 2 J Breene & S Pascoe 3 P Tipping & M Hardy  
Wed 8 Sep N/S 1 L Carr & K Cohen 2 P Edis & C McAlister 3 A Jones & J Kennedy E/W 1 R King & M O'Reilly 2 D Dowling & C Browne 3 R Medhurst & H Browne

Sat 11 Sep (Week 1 Teams) 1 R Webb team 2 L Heap team 3 G Barnulf team

Wed 15 Sep (Nancy Murnane Memorial Day) N/S 1 A Jones & J Kennedy 2 H Tyler & J Medhurst 3 M Hardy & M Courtney E/W 1 L Carr & K Cohen 2 D Dowling & C Browne 3 P Edis & C McAlister

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# Horoscope

Break out the hoverboards! Mercury's turning retrograde and taking us Back To The Future. Since I'm not a mad professor and don't own a DeLorean, what do I mean? Mercury's reversal challenges us to revisit our assumptions and calculations. This doesn't mean getting stuck in the past, like Marty McFly. It's an opportunity to correct errors that are hampering our progress so that we can move forwards. Sometimes we can be grateful for past mistakes. Without them we'd continue on roads we don't need to be on.

## SAGITTARIUS (Nov 23 - Dec 21)

Members of your sign have a reputation for being honest, to the extent bluntness. Frank Sinatra (a fellow Sag) was as frank as his name suggests! But that doesn't mean you can't keep secrets or that you don't know when to be tactful. Nor though, does it mean that you can expect other people (no matter their zodiac sign) to be as open with you as you want to be with them. As Mercury turns retrograde, be on the look-out for someone telling you what they think you want to hear. Trust your judgment. You know what you need to do. Don't miss out... completely free audio and video forecasts. Go to [ozfree.cainer.com](http://ozfree.cainer.com)



## AQUARIUS (Jan 21 - Feb 19)

Some of the gifts life brings can be treasured forever. Others last for an instant. And just as our experiences need to be appreciated in the moment, so should our talents. You won't always have access to the same amount of intelligence, discernment or daring. In fact, the only way to be certain that the future holds more prosperity, is to show as much respect as you can to what's unfolding in the here and now. Don't take your advantages for granted this week. It's by using them as well as possible that you'll be able to live your dream. An amazing service... completely free audio and video forecasts. Go to [ozfree.cainer.com](http://ozfree.cainer.com)



## ARIES (Mar 21 - Apr 20)

It's official. You're stuck, sunk and stranded. Since I'm unable to see any hopeful signs on your horizon I'd like to offer my resignation as your astrologer. Stop! Wait! Of course it's nowhere near that disastrous! The truth is that it's not even a bit disastrous. I just thought I'd begin the week by painting a picture of miserableness. Then, when you compare it to the brightness of the picture that lies ahead, you'll be even more delighted! As Mercury turns retrograde you can change a great deal about what you currently dislike. Unmissable gift... completely free audio and video forecasts. Go to [ozfree.cainer.com](http://ozfree.cainer.com)



## TAURUS (Apr 21 - May 21)

If you're struggling to decide whether to say yes or no to a proposition, try contemplating how you'd feel if things were just a bit different. Could the plan be improved? Or, would a minor adjustment make you more willing to accept what's on offer? Why not invest your energy in working out how much things would need to change in order to get you to say yes? This process would tell you whether it's worth trying to negotiate. It won't do any harm to ask; and if you boldly pose challenging questions, you'll be in a much better position. There's more... completely free audio and video forecasts. Go to [ozfree.cainer.com](http://ozfree.cainer.com)



## CANCER (Jun 23 - Jul 23)

It's never a good idea to think that you're in full control of your destiny. It's equally, of course, an error to assume that you have no choice about your future. The truth, is that there's a balance between the two. We can change some aspects of our lives, and have to accept others; but we don't know which is which until we try. Hope and plan for success this week, but be prepared to accept a temporary defeat with good grace. The less worried you feel, the lesser the chances of you experiencing anything you need to worry about. Especially for you... completely free audio and video forecasts. Go to [ozfree.cainer.com](http://ozfree.cainer.com)



## LIBRA (Sept 24 - Oct 23)

A debate is currently raging about the ultimate lunch menu. Some people are happy only when they're offered baked potatoes. Others are completely sold on soup. And apparently, there's proof that the controller of the cosmos only ever eats sandwiches at lunchtime. If ever there was a person in a position to resolve this argument, it's the one reading this! You, though, might prefer to apply your powerful insight to solving more relevant issues. As Mercury turns retrograde, in your sign, put your discerning powers to good use. Ready now... completely free audio and video forecasts. Go to [ozfree.cainer.com](http://ozfree.cainer.com)



## LEO (Jul 24 - Aug 23)

Although we all have to do things we don't want to do, we don't always have to do quite as much of this as we think. We get so adept at developing techniques that protect us from having to participate in less than desirable activities that we don't notice what we're actually doing. We fill our lives with so many commitments that we feel justified telling people we're unable to make it to occasions we'd rather avoid. It doesn't matter how you dodge a difficult situation this week. Don't be pressured into doing anything you don't want to do. Right here, right now... completely free audio and video forecasts. Go to [ozfree.cainer.com](http://ozfree.cainer.com)



## SCORPIO (Oct 24 - Nov 22)

You win some, you lose some. That's the way it goes. But just because we know this doesn't mean that we necessarily like it. We don't mind the 'win some' bit, but we don't like the latter half of the phrase. Fortunately, you don't need to say it very often. Yet there are times when you expect a loss; and rather than wait to see whether it occurs, you decide to save yourself potential pain by deciding that a project's failing. This means you sometimes give up on plans that are worth pursuing. Don't be prematurely pessimistic this week. A brilliant offer... completely free audio and video forecasts. Go to [ozfree.cainer.com](http://ozfree.cainer.com)



## CAPRICORN (Dec 22 - Jan 20)

Although you're making gentle progress, the process is costing you a lot. I don't necessarily mean financially. Rather, that it's taking up your time and energy. This week's cosmic climate offers an opportunity to reassess your plans. There won't be much to celebrate if success takes more from you than it gives back. Yet, when you've already invested so much, how can you resist going just a little further? If you decide to continue, proceed with a degree of caution. There's no need to commit yourself until you've thought things through. Oscar's gift... completely free audio and video forecasts. Go to [ozfree.cainer.com](http://ozfree.cainer.com)



## PISCES (Feb 20 - Mar 20)

Despite the fact that social media is filled with people's success stories, losers are much more interesting than winners. Although achievement stories capture our imagination for a moment, it's the tales of trial and tragedy that stay in our minds. Not only do we want to know what happens next, we're quietly comforted by the fact that other folk are dealing with less than ideal circumstances. This week, you can do something to help someone who's going through a difficult time. You're in a much more powerful position than you think. Discover the inner you... completely free audio and video forecasts. Go to [ozfree.cainer.com](http://ozfree.cainer.com)



## GEMINI (May 22 - Jun 22)

The trouble with fairytales is that they have happy-ever-after endings. In real life, things don't always seem to work out that way. Yet, if we're patient, and wait long enough, things eventually come right no matter how wrong they seem to be. So, when will the drama you're currently dealing with take a turn for the better? Sooner than you think! As your ruler, Mercury, changes direction, you'll see signs that clearly indicate that you're already through the worst of it. The positive change you desire is on its way. You'll see. Try this out... completely free audio and video forecasts. Go to [ozfree.cainer.com](http://ozfree.cainer.com)



## VIRGO (Aug 24 - Sept 23)

There are unspoken rules about how we communicate. No matter how excited (or nervous) we might be feeling about an opportunity (or a cause for concern), just launching into a discussion can be counter-productive. It's best to begin with the exchange of a few pleasantries, and then agree on the order in which the issues are going to be discussed. As your ruling planet, Mercury, turns retrograde, if you show someone the patience you wish they'd extend to you, you'll end up having a very helpful dialogue this week. Our gift to you... completely free audio and video forecasts. Go to [ozfree.cainer.com](http://ozfree.cainer.com)



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# The Skies Above Bribie

By: John Stevenson

Triangulum Galaxy

Spring is such a welcome part of the year for me. I feel the cold of our Bribie winters and always look forward to the warmer spring/summer weather, even though my 9-year-old, much-loved cocker spaniel, Carlton, struggles with the daytime heat. He often accompanies me observing the night sky in spring and summer, looking inquisitively at me and what I'm doing, before eventually falling asleep on the grass.



Definitely no shortage of planets in the October sky. Venus, bright and conspicuous in the western sky just after sunset, Jupiter and Saturn high overhead. Uranus and Neptune are also there for the adventurous. Last month's

spectacular photo of Saturn by Mr. Dylan O'Donnell of Byron Bay Observatory, attracted a lot of attention from our readers, so this month features his recent photo of Jupiter, with its Great Red Spot.

The Great Red Spot, is a gigantic storm, approximately twice the size of earth, and has been raging for centuries. Scientists predict however it will only last another 20 years before it disappears forever.

Jupiter in a small telescope or binoculars will show 4 of its brightest moons. A modest telescope is needed to see cloud bands and moon shadows cast onto the planet. It's a magnificent object to study each night.

The first week of October will be the only time to see comet 342P/SOHO as it moves closer to the sun in its 5.5-year orbit. It might be visible between Venus and the horizon in the evenings using binoculars. Comets are highly unpredictable with brightness, so possibly a small telescope may be needed. It's been a long time since a reasonably bright

comet has been visible from Bribie, so this might be worth a look, but the opportunity will be short.

Throughout October, the Milky Way is getting lower in the west. The Southern Cross and Pointers are getting to their lowest point in our sky. In the east, however, as the earth faces away from the centre of our galaxy and opens up this wonderful window, looking out to the rest of our universe.

As I mentioned last month, Andromeda Galaxy is visible from mid-October, about 9.30 pm, but quite low to the north eastern horizon. Andromeda Galaxy is said to contain one trillion stars, twice as many as our own galaxy. In binoculars, it's quite an amazing sight. Another galaxy, along with the large and small Magellanic clouds, within our local group, and visible with binoculars in October, is the Triangulum Galaxy.

This galaxy is 3 Million light-years away, and as can be seen in my photo, is a beautiful object, even using a small telescope.



Silver Coin Galaxy by Katherine Miller.

Jupiter by Dylan O'Donnell

Katherine Miller's photo of the Silver Coin Galaxy is far more distant and in the next group of galaxies, 12 Million light-years away, part of the Sculptor group.

The soon to be replaced Hubble Space Telescope could see galaxies of a distance of 13 Billion Light years. Its replacement, to be launched in December,

The James Webb Telescope, is 100 times more powerful and will give mankind views of the past never before seen, and may explain the origins of our universe. Our skies are a fascinating part of our environment. The more you explore, the more you will want to learn.

**Stay safe beautiful Bribie.**  
**Always ready to answer questions by email**  
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**John Stevenson**  
**Owner/Operator of Banksia Observatory**

**Suzi is now fully qualified to teach yoga to children and teenagers with classes starting October 5th. She has a current Blue Card and more than 35 years experience working with these age groups. Classes for 6-11 years and 12-18 years. Yoga is a fun healthy way for young people to relax, move their body and de-stress!!**



# YOGA PRACTICE HELPS CHILDREN AND TEENS IN SEVERAL WAYS

- 1. Improve fitness and physical health.** Students participating in yoga develop a strong connection to body awareness and movement. The poses help improve coordination, balance, strength, and flexibility.
- 2. Reduce stress and anxiety.** High school can be a stressful period with both academic and personal challenges. Yoga, through breath and awareness, provides space to step back and regulate your response to stress in a calm and thoughtful manner.
- 3. Improve optimism.** Studies have shown that yoga can help build a sense of optimism. During a time when children and teens are looking toward their future, yoga can build a sense of hopefulness for the future.
- 4. Improve focus and school performance.** Attention deficit hyperactivity disorder (ADHD) is one of the most common developmental disorders in children and adolescents and affects 1 in 10 children. Studies have found that children with attention deficit hyperactivity disorder who practiced yoga once or twice weekly can improve their behavior as well as school performance.
- 5. Improve self-esteem and body image.** High school can be a formative time in which teens often struggle with body image issues, peer pressure, and bullying. Yoga creates an accepting and safe environment, rooted in the principle of non-judgment. The practice helps you feel more connected to and accepting of your body.
- 6. Encourage creativity.** Yoga encourages creativity and playfulness, developing not just physical flexibility but the flexibility of the mind as well.
- 7. Develop discipline and self-regulation.** Yoga that is taught with mindfulness has significant advantages over traditional physical activity. Yoga has been found to reduce impulsivity, increase patience, and improve the ability to regulate attention. Yoga and mindfulness provide teens with skills to navigate challenges and build a core foundation that benefits both the mind and body well beyond teenage years.

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## Healthier Banana Pancake Bites

**INGREDIENTS**  
2 bananas, cut into 5mm-thick rounds  
1/2 cup wholemeal plain flour  
1/2 tsp baking powder  
1/3 cup light milk  
1 free range egg, lightly beaten  
5ml olive oil cooking spray  
1/2 cup light Greek-style yoghurt  
2 tsp honey

**METHOD**  
**STEP 1**  
Sift flour and baking powder into a large bowl. Make a well in

centre. Add milk and egg, then stir gently until just combined. Stand for 15 minutes to rest.

**STEP 2**  
Lightly spray a large non-stick frying pan with oil and place over medium heat. Working in batches, coat banana in batter, then place in pan. Cook for 2 minutes or until bubbles appear on surface. Flip and cook for a further 1 minute. Transfer to a plate and cover to keep warm. Repeat with remaining banana and batter.

**STEP 3**  
Serve pancakes with yoghurt drizzled with honey.

# JOKES

**Q: WHY IS A BASEBALL STADIUM ALWAYS COLD?**  
A: Because it's full of fans!

**Q: WHY WAS THE SAND WET?**  
A: Because the sea weed.

**Q: WHY WAS THE PICTURE SENT TO JAIL?**  
A: It was framed.

**Q: WHY WAS THE SKELETON AFRAID OF THE STORM?**  
A: He didn't have any guts.

**Q: WHAT DO YOU CALL AN AUSTRALIAN BOOMERANG THAT WON'T COME BACK?**  
A: A stick.

# Find A Word

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FIG      PAPAYA      KAKI  
LONGAN      RASPBERRY      JACKFRUIT  
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# Pied Currawong

STREPERA GRACULINA BY MARJ WEBBER

Pied Currawongs are large black and white birds with bright yellow eyes and large, black, straight bills. They look much like crows in shape and size but are more closely related to magpies a considerably lowering their populations. They are 47-49 cm in length, weigh 255-410 g and have a wingspan of 56-77 cm. Both males and females are similar in appearance with the female being slightly smaller. Calls are noisy and melodious with early mornings and late afternoons being their most vocal times. They have been named for their call "currawong currawong" which is believed to have come from aboriginal origins. When taking a bath, they wade into shallow water, splash around, ducking their heads and flapping their wings. In the wild, they can live to 20 years.

**Habitat** is in Eastern and Southern Australia from the northern tip to southern Victoria and as far as the South Australian border and on Lord Howe Island. They are found in areas of dry and wet bus lands, coastal to mountain rainforests, farmlands, parks, gardens and picnic areas where they come down from high trees hopping and strutting and scavenging from picnickers. Generally, the tree dwelling currawongs are seen singly, in pairs or in small family

groups but sometimes they form large groups and fly to other areas. Our towns and farming communities have been kind to currawongs as they have readily adapted to our conditions and their populations have increased. Where numbers have become too large there have been some controlling attempts made, because part of their diets is native baby birds.

**Pied Currawongs** are omnivorous birds foraging mostly in trees and feeding on insects, baby birds, reptiles, berries, and scavenging for rubbish and carrion. Like butcherbirds, they will sometimes store their catch in a crack in a tree or hang it on a small branch to be consumed later. They prey on large numbers of baby birds and may feed as many as forty young nestlings to one brood of their own.

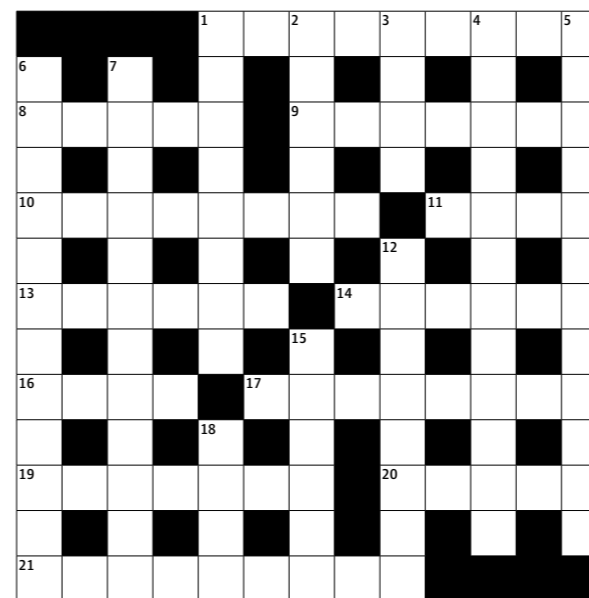
Nests are built in large trees on narrow forks high up in the canopies up to 25 m high. They are messy structures of sticks lined with grasses, leaves and bark. Clutches are 2-4 beige motley eggs. Females build the nests and incubate the eggs for 21 days. Males feed the females while building the nests, incubating the eggs and for a week after hatching. Chicks are born naked but soon grow a soft grey down to cover their bodies. Nestlings remain in the nests for about 30 days and are fed by both parents for several months. Males are very protective of their nests and will vigorously defend them from predators by dive-bombing, bill gnashing and chasing them away.

**Pied Currawongs** were first described by ornithologist George Shaw in 1790. The scientific name comes from the Latin *Strepera* meaning "noisy" and graculina for resembling a jackdaw.

In many farming areas, currawongs were shot in the 1900s because of their habit of eating fruit and spreading weed seeds. They have been welcomed in other areas where they eat the larva of the Codling Moth which destroys crops, and Stick Insects which eat berries, vines and leaves. Threats are from predators such as Lace Monitors and Raptors stealing eggs and babies from their nests. Parasitic, Channel billed Cuckoos use the nests of currawongs to lay their eggs thus giving baby currawongs no chance of survival. Sometimes after the Cuckoos have been, the Currawong parents will abandon their nests, eggs and babies. Channel billed cuckoos have been known to decapitate the babies.

**Conservation status is of least concern with the population increasing. In one survey population increases were reported to have doubled from 1960 1990, from 3 million to 6 million birds.**

## Crosswords - QUICK & CRYPTIC



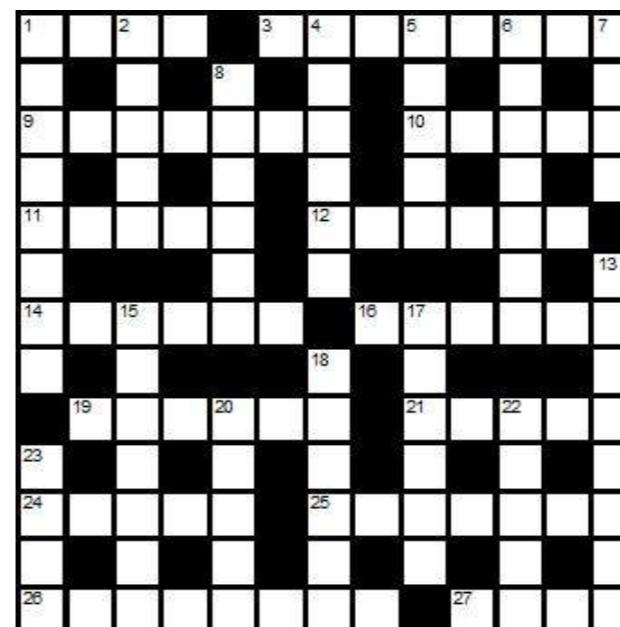
### Across

- 1 Kind of equation (9)
- 8 Commotion (3-2)
- 9 Pasta cushions with a savoury filling (7)
- 10 Slightly salty, with mixture of sea and fresh water (8)
- 11 In the same place (abbr) (4)
- 13 Termination (6)
- 14 Exhibitionist— rose up (anag) (6)
- 16 Thrill (4)
- 17 Poorly executed (8)
- 19 One removed from danger (7)
- 20 Leather strip (5)
- 21 Lead(er) (9)

### Down

- 1 Duck talk? (8)
- 2 Kind of clue (6)
- 3 Talk in a noisy and excited way (4)
- 4 Analyse and solve problems (12)
- 5 Brilliant young talent (5,7)
- 6 Something wonderful (3,4,5)
- 7 Be a toady (3,3,6)
- 12 Vied (8)
- 15 Shirt part (6)
- 18 Throaty seductive sound (4)

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### ACROSS

- 1 She loses her head for his lordship (4)
- 3 Cheek has value yet somehow holding (8)
- 9 African dictator with nothing and a twitch - bound to be foolish (7)
- 10 How, we ask, can we get cock-eyed? (5)
- 11 Take place after directions to institute legal action (5)
- 12 French said her union could fluctuate (6)
- 14 Sits in justification - don't take "no" for an answer (6)
- 16 It's home to some - Shakespeare wrote about it (6)
- 19 Designed for a tootie? (6)
- 21 Frame heaps of shady characters (5)
- 24 Let up when sailor lunched (5)
- 25 Send air-craft for one in school? (7)
- 26 Team missing leader after incident at sundown (8)
- 27 All right but clearly a bore (4)

### DOWN

- 1 Widespread with the Medici, upset, having a record start (8)
- 2 Handles mount in wet weather by the sound of it (5)
- 4 Translate for the Church of England - done with care (6)
- 5 Even actors have order (5)
- 6 Quill's companion to wrinkle out with apprentice (7)
- 7 Floater seen way out to the left (4)
- 8 Cads lose their heads in the water (6)
- 13 Exquisite anytime the reality materialises (8)
- 15 Toerags get accommodation (7)
- 17 BGuarantee - as certain as it will be (6)
- 18 Some are observers - Educated and accomplished (6)
- 20 The extremely fit shoplifting? (5)
- 22 A love for something similar (5)
- 23 Thanks to me, easy to handle (4)

## SOLUTION

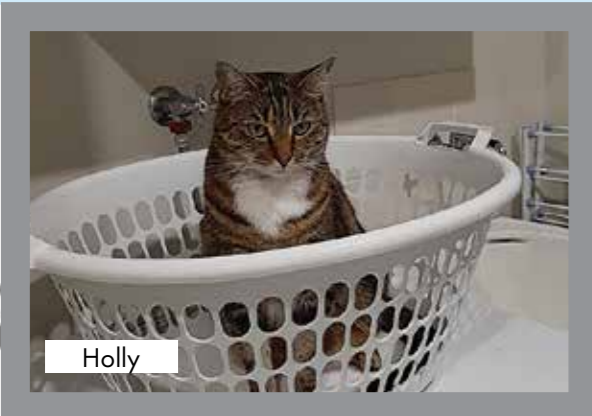


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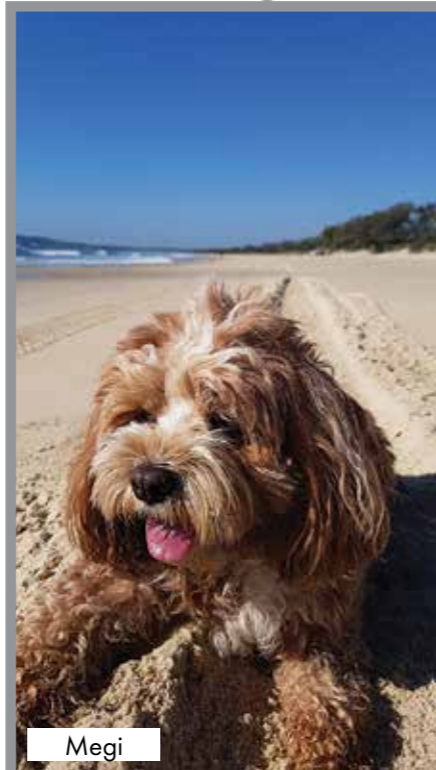


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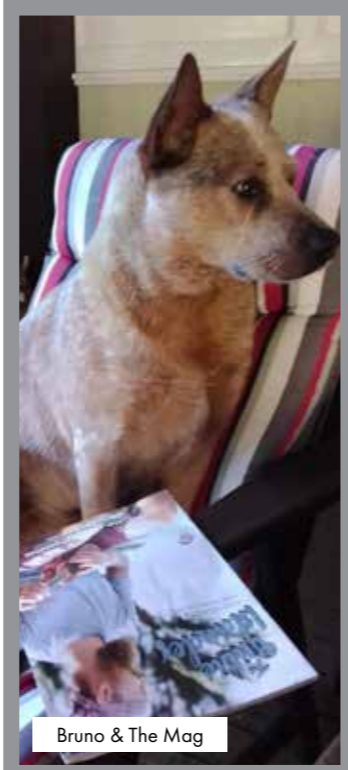
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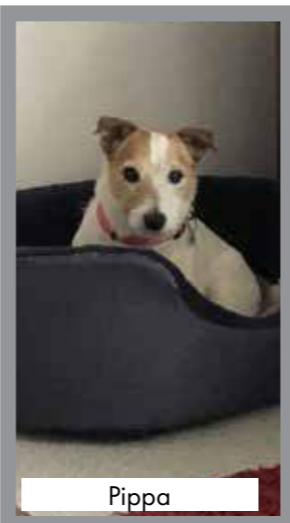
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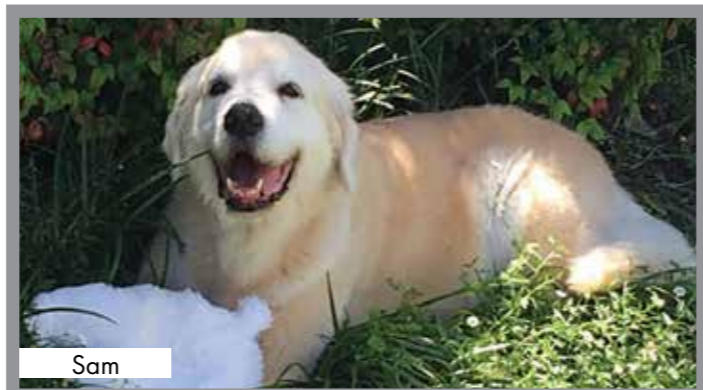
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# JUST ONE OF THE ACTIVITIES AT THE WOODIES

Every week day at the **Bribie and District Woodcrafters**, or 'The Woodies' there is something happening. Different days, different activities. On Tuesday afternoons a group of members meet to practice the art of Pyrography.

**So what is Pyrography?** Basically it is the practice of burning a design onto wood using a heated tool. As a practice it dates back many years and some people may have seen pieces from the 1930s where wood objects such as vases were burned and usually coloured. In that period this was known as pokerwork. Many examples of Pokerwork from that period can be found in antique shops, Museums and private collections.



The practice of burning designs on to wood continues through to today and differs from pokerwork by concentrating on making designs with different shadings. Contemporary pyrography designs sometimes include colouring, but colouring is a practice avoided by some purists.

Visitors coming to the Woodies Exhibition and Competition will see many wonderful examples of our members' pyrography work. This exhibition will be held in the Matthew Flinders Gallery, Bribie Island Community Arts Centre, in the last week of October this year.

Pyrography is a gentle craft suited to people who are less inclined to use sometimes noisy machinery that cuts, dresses and shapes wood. If you think Pyrography would be something you may be interested in taking up, come down to our clubhouse on a Tuesday afternoon and see it happening.

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# FLOORING TIPS, TRICKS, AND IDEAS TO TRANSFORM YOUR HOME

In any home, flooring is a significant consideration. It very well may be the contention and infuse character into a room. If you want to redesign your home or are occupied with planning your new home, these flooring thoughts will help you.

### Make Continuation

You can let your rooms appear to be bigger by creating a continuation between your indoor space and outdoor space. You can ensure progression between your indoors and your garden by utilizing wooden sheets inside and decking outside.

### Ceramic tiles that look like wood

If you don't want to use wooden flooring, use ceramic tiles instead. They add a fly of character to the interior and are available in various colours, as well. With artistic tiles, you can coordinate the all-encompassing look of decking and floorboards. With stones laid in a comparative pattern, it very well may be imitated outside the home. To make an association between the two spaces, all you require is a similar design. Regardless of whether the materials are different, it doesn't make a difference.

### To Bring the Outdoors in Use Vinyl (or even grass!)

To bring the outdoors, place the indoor plants strategically. To make a perfect flow between indoor and outdoor using Vinyl flooring, which has natural elements.

### For a Retro Look Use Patterned Ceramic Tiles

To grasp the mainstream retro trend and modern industrial tiles can likewise be used. With industrial style furniture, retro patterns function admirably. There are tiles for each home style in an energizing exhibit of shapes, trends, and tones.

### Install Monochrome Tiles for an exemplary style

If you need aesthetics from the Victorian period or an extremely traditional look, pick monochrome tiles. For kitchens, black and white tiles are a mainstream decision. They will look extraordinary in modern interiors too.

### To get a Shaker Style Use Reclaimed Flooring.

Wooden floors have always been a prevalent option as they will carry a conventional look to the interior. They have warmth and are appealing, as well. Reclaimed wooden flooring is a brilliant choice nowadays.

### For a Splash of Colour Go For Parquet Flooring

Go for a coloured parquet flooring on the off chance that you need to bring more tone into your flooring. You can use touches here and there or maybe colour the entire room.



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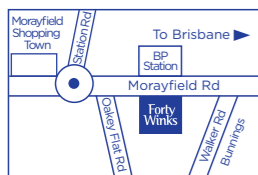
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According to Lyn, Principal of First National Real Estate Bribie Island, spring usually has the largest number of buyers actively seeking a new home.

"Regardless of whether it is a buyer's or a seller's market, spring is when buyers turn their minds to buying a house," Lyn said.

"So it makes sense for sellers to put their minds, or shoulders, into gear and spruce up their homes."

The first step to presenting properties in the best possible light is to stick to the basics and do general repairs around the home. Make sure things are in proper working order. There are no loose roof tiles, or creaky floorboards, or that guttering is not coming away from the house. Fix any chips and cracks in walls, ceilings and skirting boards.

"Perhaps consider giving the whole house a face lift with a fresh new paint job inside and outside the home," Lyn said.

"The tip here is to make sure you stick to neutral colours, both internally and

externally and this will ensure your home has a light, clean and bright look."

'Clean and Tidy' is the name of the game, even if a house is a little traditional and outdated, it will still make an impact if presented properly.

"A real spring clean is always a good idea and that means cleaning carpets, windows, curtains and blinds and polishing floors, silverware and glassware around the house," Lyn said.

"Make sure clutter is gone to maximize use of the space available. Get rid of everything you don't need. Be minimalistic in your approach. If it's not essential for day-to-day living, toss it out or put it into storage."

An area that is often neglected, or forgotten, is the garden. It is critical to get the balance right between a well-presented garden and not being seen as extravagant.

"If you have a lush, green garden, but no water or waste management devices you may turn people off," Lyn said.

"Paved areas and courtyards, drought-tolerant plants, native flora and potted spring flowers and shrubs are now more sought after by buyers."

Another garden tip is to rake the yard and keep it clean of any debris. Trim back bushes so that windows and paths are not impeded and let in lots of sunlight into your home.

"Windows that allow sunlight to stream inside makes the home much more inviting and visually appealing," Lyn said.

There are a few home-staging tips that can also produce some great results. Introduce colour and fragrance indoors with some strategically placed vases, complete with fresh-smelling flowers.

Another decorator favourite is to accent bathrooms, sofas and beds with inexpensive items such as colourful towels, throws and pillows. And for real impact, consider setting out some tasty snacks such as individually wrapped treats in colourful cellophane or pretty ribbons.

A well-presented home will attract greater numbers of potential buyers and increase competition, translating to possibly as much as a five to 10 per cent increase in the selling price.

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# Island gardens

by Peter Schinkel

Welcome back to "Island Gardens" and a happy Spring to all. Four weeks ago we looked at the health benefits of indoor plants with some beautiful examples at Angelique and John's house in Woorim. Having just touched the surface then - today we're looking at more indoor plants to help bring the outdoors in.

How many times have you brought home an amazing plant and within days or weeks, it's just not quite as wonderful any more? Here's a selection of plants that with just a little attention, should stay just as

you like them, or even become more amazing as the months go by. Philodendrons are so hardy and will continue to put out new leaves all year-round. Pictured top-left is a Rojo Congo which grows to around 60cm. There are smaller green Congos too - they're more tightly built and grow to around 40cm. Sometimes, putting a smaller plant at the bottom compliments them well. Check out the many peperomia varieties around. Aglaonemas are great too and, like philodendrons, they'll handle dimmer areas of your home.



Top-right is my new favourite indoor plant - a Calathea Crocata. Most Calas don't flower, but mine not only surprised me by flowering in its shady spot outside from April, it's still flowering now after the whole winter indoors. And a little research tells me that it loves flowering indoors year after year, so hooray! - it's not luck. It's yet another easy-to-grow 'beauty'.

Bottom left is little bromeliad. Approximately one squillion varieties can be found almost anywhere and there's a myriad of colours and sizes to choose from. Most of them like shade, and some will even surprise you with one or two flower stalks, generally in winter and spring. An added bonus is that they need minimal soil and they multiply, allowing propagation to extend the presence of plants in your home, or to give as gifts.

Bottom right - some beautiful orchids. Also requiring minimal soil, their attractive foliage keeps them looking good when they're not flowering, and when they do flower - wow! Again - so many varieties are available to choose from.

When choosing other flowering plants for indoors, check whether they will still flower without direct sunlight and consider placing those ones right by a window. Or be prepared to move them to a shady to part-shady spot outdoors if necessary.

And here's a list of others for you to research - all work well inside. Just remember that most plants have an annual cycle. It's okay to prune back what is looking a little worn, dead-head spent flowers, and look up the conditions to suit the individual plant (soil, fertilising, light and water).

- african violets, various aloes, anthuriums, mini azaleas, big variety of begonias, chrysanthemums, gerbera daisies, english ivy, many ferns, happy plants and other succulents, various indoor palms, peace lillies, many different peperomias, spider plants, snake plants, zanzibar gems, and more.

Thanks for reading, have a wonderful day. See you in issue 151 on 22nd October. And as always, happy gardening :-)

## Bin Service Information

### AS PART OF THE BIN COLLECTION SERVICE, RESIDENTS ARE REQUIRED TO:

- Place bins out for collection before 6:00 AM on collection day.
- Return bins to their property as soon as practical after collection. Fines may apply if you do not have an acceptable reason for not returning your bins to your property.
- Ensure bins are kept clean, tidy and free of any graffiti.
- Report damaged, stolen, broken and unserviceable bins for replacement.

Waste collections occur anytime between 6:00 AM and 6:00 PM on the day of service. Service is not considered 'missed' until after 6:00 PM. You can place your bins out the night before collection days (i.e. Tuesday night for Wednesday collections). Collections occur as scheduled on public holidays. Waste collection vehicles may be delayed by road closures or traffic congestion, mechanical fault, etc. Do not rely on a set collection time for your address.

### Reasons why your bin may have been missed include:

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- May be too heavy
- Contamination with unaccepted items.

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### If your bin isn't emptied as scheduled:

- Put the bin in the usual bin collection area (e.g. kerbside), contractors cannot service the bin if it is located on private property.
- Report your missed bin to Council within two working days from the day of service. Bins reported outside this timeframe may incur a late collection fee.
- Leave the bin out until it is serviced.
- You can continue to use the bin while it is waiting for service.

### Damaged or stolen bins

Council will repair or replace damaged or stolen wheelie bins at no cost to the resident. The property owner, managing agent or resident may request that broken wheelie bin parts are repaired or a stolen bin be replaced.

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- Lodge a request to have your bin repaired or replaced.
- Leave the bin out until it is repaired or replaced.
- Continue to use the bin while it is waiting for repair or replacement, however, please ensure all waste in the bin is bagged and disposal is kept to a minimum.

### Infirm collection

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## Volunteers Needed

### New Council-run Bush Care Group

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### ES EXPO MEETING

Thursday 2nd September 2021  
Graham Gibb VMR Bribie's  
Emergency Services liaison Officer  
chaired a stakeholders meeting  
with representatives from the  
Local Police, Water Police, SES,  
Surf Life Saving, Maritime Safety,  
Parks and Wild Life, Ali King  
Office, Red Cross, Rural Fire, QLD  
Fire and Emergency Services,  
RACQ, Qld Ambulance Service,  
S.E.S, Moreton Bay Regional  
Council and others attending  
going over the plans for this  
year's Emergency Services Expo to  
be held on Sunday 17th of October  
between 9.00am to 2.15pm.



Graham Gibb going over the site plan for this year's Emergency Services Expo due to be held on Sunday 17th of October between 0900 and 1415.



Vicki Anderson from Moreton Bay Regional Council discussing some fine points of the Expo Site plan layout

A trial temporary vaccination centre was set up in the VMR Crew Room today while the Emergency Services Expo planning meeting was being held at the VMR Base. It was being coordinated by Senior Sgt Gavin Marsh Queensland Police and representatives from Queensland Health. 30 vaccinations were administered to local schoolteachers and emergency services workers. The aim of the trial was to promote to all residents of the Moreton Shire Regional Council area that it's time to roll up you sleeves and get vaccinated. Subject to approval there will be another temporary vaccination centre operating on the day of the Emergency Services Expo on Sunday the 17th of October. More details and how to book your vaccination will be distributed once the final details and approvals are given by Queensland Health.



2021 Emergency Services EXPO Young Ambassador Willow Shepherd (centre) with her Banksia Beach 6D classmates showing off this years promotional banner for our upcoming 2021 EXPO.



Jessica Grehan from Banksia Beach at the front line waiting get vaccination. Everyone ready with their sleeves rolled up.



Mrs Vicki Clements from Banksia Beach State School, getting her vaccination from nurse Kathy from the Caboolture Health Clinic.

### PROMOTION



Gary Howell receives his Crew Epauettes from Crew Steve Williams and Coxswain Jim Brown. Congratulations Gary.



Commodore Liz was invited to QF3 Redcliffe for the opening of their refurbished premises. Luke Howarth MP member for Petrie on right and Ron Grundy Flotilla Commander CG Redcliffe in the middle.



The Sunday 5th September 2021 night call out crew were alerted to a drifting yacht with a fouled anchor in the passage.

### WHEELS BY THE WATER

VMR Bribie was tasked to organise the Entry and parking of all the "show" cars, issue entry forms and collect entry money from show cars as they enter and park the show cars on the grass as directed by the organiser. We also supplied members to collect the gold coin entry from the public when they arrived. All proceeds and entry fees are

kindly donated to Volunteer Marine Rescue Bribie Island Inc.



The VMR Team, Graham Gibb, Liz Radajewski, Aamir Cao, John Burdinat, Ian Grimes, Nia and Jon Brice, Paul Lucas and Ray Fox.



Some fine examples of the Show Cars.

### BUSY MAINTENANCE DAY

Bribie 2 had a face lift with new flooring, and we must say she looks amazing. Thanks to everyone involved as it was a massive day for the maintenance crew and volunteers early start and a late finish.



Bribie 1 was also out of the water for the engines to be serviced along with some general maintenance. If you think she looks big in water, she is a monster on the trailer (below).



### SEPTEMBER 2021 VESSEL ASSISTS:

**THU 02/09 1418pm** – 7.2m Half Cabin non-member with engine problems, required a tow from just North of Bribie Bridge to Spinnaker Sound Marina.  
**SAT 04/09 1017am** – Investigate unregistered EPIRB activation vicinity of the Bridge – stood down via QPS from Search & Rescue Canberra.  
**SUN 05/09 1019am** – 5.2m Runabout non-member with engine problems required a tow from Banksia Beach to Toorbul.  
**SUN 05/09 1124am** – 10.4m Half Cabin member with engine and steering problems. Required a tow from Red Beach to Spinnaker Sound Marina.  
**SUN 05/09 1148am** – 4.3m Tinny non-member with motor issues, required a tow from Ningi Creek to Bellara Boat Ramp.  
**SUN 05/09 2058pm** – 8m Sloop member, MOP had reported this vessel dragging anchor, member agreed for VMR to resecure South of Bongaree Jetty.

**WED 08/09 1205pm** – Overturned Catamaran reported by MOP off Beachmere – investigated, vessel righted was OK.  
**WED 08/09 1335pm** – 10m Cruiser member with flat batteries required a tow from Spinnaker Ramp to Berth.  
**WED 08/09 1648** – 4.8m Half Cabin non-member with motor problems, required a tow from Poverty Creek to Bellara Boat Ramp.  
**THU 09/09 2152pm** – Activation by Water Police to investigate flare seen by MOP between Woorim and Bulwer on Moreton Island. Nothing sighted – stood down 0045am.  
**SAT 11/09 1315pm** – 4.5m Side Console member with motor issues required a tow from Yellow Marker Southern end of Passage to Banksia Beach Canals.  
**SUN 12/09 1407pm** – 11m Ketch non-member was reported by MOP floating close to Toorbul Boat Ramp – investigated and - VMR assistance not required.  
**SUN 12/09 1531pm** – 8m Yacht non-member reported by MOP to be stuck in mangroves near Turners Camp. Investigated and advised Water Police who were to follow up.

### YEAR to DATE RADIO ROOM STATISTICS

To Thursday 16th September 2021:  
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## Fishing REPORT

By: Doc - Bribie Bait, Tackle and Bikes

We have seen a turnaround with amazing weather over the last month. Boat ramps have been chock a block over the weekends.

Reports out wide and Caloundra Wide have been very good, catches of Snapper, Pearlies, Cobia, Amberjack, Sweetlips, Goat fish and Wrasse have been reported to the shop.

good reports coming from Sandstone beaches and cliffs as well. Winter Whiting are still at the Cockle banks.



Sand whiting/Goldline/Summer (Sillago ciliata)

Long tail Tuna are still on the beaches and running through the passage, Tailor are about. Anglers coming into the shop saying 'fishing for bream, big hit then nothing, wind in all bait and hook gone' that's chopper for you. Nice Flathead and Flounder/Sole (no pictures) caught on the flats and Ningi Creek.

While I like hearing of Anglers exploits good and bad, I really would like photos and catchers name emailed to admin@bribiebaittackleandbikes.com.au readers like to see real photos. Speaking of exploits, Claude



A 35kg Amberjack, caught at Caloundra Wide on Slimy mackerel by Ashley.

The Passage and beaches are fishing well, plenty of reports of people catching the limit of 30 Summer Whiting on Bloodworm,

Trabelsi has been at it again. I was not going to mention in my report anything about Bream. Seems they have been pretty shy of late, reports have been few and far between - look and see, one afternoon session on the 6th Sept.



For those who know Claude, he'd catch fish in the bath. That is 1.8lbs for the old folks. (Like me)



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Also, there has been some great news to come out of the Moreton Bay shellfish reef working group and it seems likely that we will be able to do more shellfish reef restoration works in Moreton Bay soon. To help work out the best way to do this we are planning a large-scale site suitability study across areas of SEQ. Reef sites are earmarked for the Pumestone Passage and on the Redcliff Peninsula. If you are interested please join us. Contact Robbie Porter | SEQ Project Officer M: 0418723731 | E: robbieporter@ozfish.org.au to RSVP Please keep safe at sea log on and off with VMR, Tight lines ... DOC

## TIDE TIMES

BRIBIE ISLAND & MORETON BAY

FRI 24 Sep	SAT 25 Sep	SUN 26 Sep	MON 27 Sep	TUE 28 Sep	WED 29 Sep	THU 30 Sep
5:45 am	12:06 pm	12:36 am	1:13 am	2:00 am	3:04 am	4:45 am
0.3m	1.55m	1.43m	1.3m	1.18m	1.08m	1.04m
12:03 pm	6:13 am	6:44 am	7:20 am	8:06 am	9:10 am	10:27 am
1.69m	0.35m	0.41m	0.48m	0.57m	0.65m	0.68m
6:00 pm	12:37 pm	1:15 pm	2:00 pm	2:55 pm	4:07 pm	5:29 pm
0.41m	1.67m	1.64m	1.59m	1.52m	1.48m	1.5m
	6:43 pm	7:30 pm	8:30 pm	9:46 pm	11:16 pm	
		0.59m	0.68m	0.73m	0.73m	

FRI 1 Oct	SAT 2 Oct	SUN 3 Oct	MON 4 Oct	TUE 5 Oct	WED 6 Oct	THU 7 Oct
12:38 am	1:26 am	2:00 am	2:31 am	3:03 am	3:36 am	4:09 am
0.66m	0.57m	0.46m	0.35m	0.24m	0.17m	0.14m
6:16 am	7:10 am	7:50 am	8:28 am	9:05 am	9:44 am	10:24 am
1.1m	1.21m	1.35m	1.5m	1.63m	1.75m	1.83m
11:38 am	12:37 pm	1:27 pm	2:11 pm	2:53 pm	3:37 pm	4:22 pm
0.64m	0.53m	0.4m	0.27m	0.18m	0.14m	0.16m
6:33 pm	7:21 pm	8:01 pm	8:40 pm	9:17 pm	9:56 pm	10:35 pm
1.58m	1.7m	1.83m	1.94m		1.97m	1.87m

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Much Loved husband of Patricia Gee  
Brother of Malcolm, Father of Merryl, Nikki, Sarah, Paul, Anthony, and many Grandchildren.  
Forever in our Hearts.  
Will be sadly missed by all.

Friends and Family are invited to Alfie's Bribie Islands RSL Vietnam Veterans Memorial Poppy Service.  
To be held at: Bribie Island Vietnam Veterans Memorial Park  
• On the 4th of October 2021  
• Time: 11am  
• Followed by a Wake at Bribie Island Bowls Club at 12.30pm  
Patricia Gee



### The September Neighbourhood Watch meeting is cancelled.

Please come and visit us at the Emergency Services Expo on...  
**SUNDAY OCTOBER 17th**  
Sylvan Beach, Bellara  
Next Bellara NHW meeting - November 15th  
Thank you Stacey Olson - Area Coordinator

a lean weight are also eligible. Established in 2006, NCVS is dedicated to serving the needs of Queensland veterinarians and their clients, offering specialist surgical and referral-only veterinary services in medicine, dentistry, ophthalmology and physiotherapy. The centre provides comprehensive and first-class care in the disciplines of orthopedic surgery (including minimally invasive techniques),

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Check the requirements and register your cat or dog to become a blood donor at [ncvs.net.au/donate-blood](http://ncvs.net.au/donate-blood). For more information, contact NCVS at [ncvs.net.au](http://ncvs.net.au) or by calling (07) 5453 7555..



## CRIME REPORT



# BRIBIE ISLAND WRAP June/July 2021

[www.mypolice.qld.gov.au/moreton](http://www.mypolice.qld.gov.au/moreton)

### NEW CAMPAIGN AIMS TO REDUCE NON-URGENT CALLS TO TRIPLE ZERO (000)

Assistant Commissioner Ben Marcus and Acting Superintendent Scott MacQueen launched a new campaign aimed at reducing non-urgent calls to Triple Zero (000). From September 2020 to August 2021, only 13.67 per cent of calls made to Triple Zero (000) were classified as urgent or very urgent with the majority able to be dealt with through the Queensland Police Service's (QPS) non-urgent reporting service, Policelink. Assistant Commissioner Marcus said the campaign aimed to raise awareness of the QPS' other reporting avenues, encouraging the public to pause and think before dialling Triple Zero (000). "Our Police Communication Centres across the state take more than 726,000 calls each year, and it was alarming to us that more than 400,000 of those could be dealt with through other, more effective reporting avenues," Assistant Commissioner Marcus said. "Our Policelink service has been established for more than 10 years now, providing both phone and online reporting that is very effective, often offering a more streamlined service for those who are calling with a non-urgent enquiry such as lost or stolen property. "Our Communication Centres are already very efficient, but we hope that this campaign will further increase their capacity to respond to life threatening emergencies." Pause. Think. Search Policelink

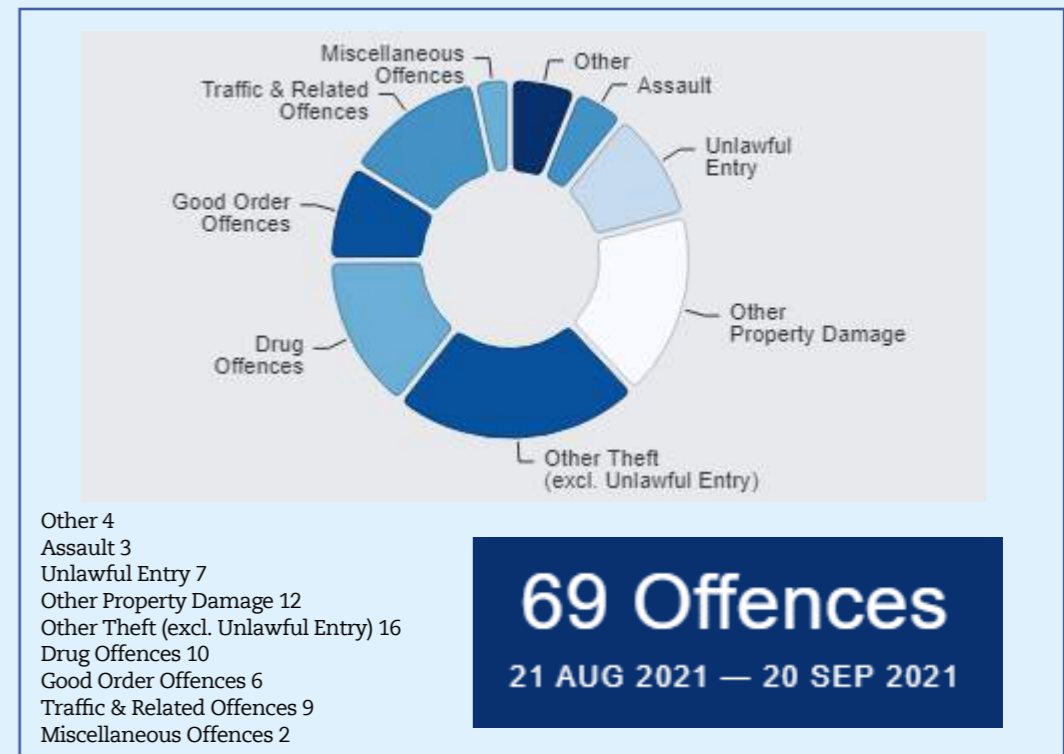
impacted by crime in your day-to-day life and it's important to know that there are other ways this can be reported," Acting Superintendent MacQueen said. "This campaign shows us that in an authentic and memorable way. "What we're asking is simple. "Next time you're thinking of making a report, if there's no imminent danger, just pause, think and search Policelink." Online reporting is available at <https://www.police.qld.gov.au/reporting> <https://youtu.be/76sTqhu-nTk> Make the right choice for non-urgent crimes. If there is no imminent danger, the crime is not in progress or it's not life threatening, Pause. Think. Search Policelink.

I was recently approached by a couple, whom I know, when down on the Gold Coast and she told me that she went

to pieces when she phoned to report a crime to the Police. She said that now, with hindsight, the questions that she was asked were all logical and they were asked to produce information that the police required to start an investigation into the crime. I have since spoken to friends and neighbours and they were also unsure of what they would be asked..... so....

If you see a crime being committed dial 000 for urgent Police response or 1800 333 000 for Crime Stoppers. If you phone Crime Stoppers you do not need to give your name or phone number. Keep calm..... Give your name, address and phone number. Report where and what is happening.....Stay on the phone if possible. If it is safe to do so, keep watching and report what is happening..... Take note of the following

aspects of person/people and write them down if possible or as soon after as you are able. Male / Female..... Age group. (Approx.) Body size..... Clothing. (Colour, Jeans, Jacket, Shoes.) Facial hair. (Beard).... Hair; cut and colour... (With or without a cap!!) Scars, tattoos, glasses, racial appearance. (Skin colour.) None of the above are intended to be discriminatory. If you observe a vehicle being used during a crime make a note of the: Vehicle registration..... Colour. Make and model..... Any damage to vehicle. Signage or marks..... Direction of travel. You may also notice if they are carrying any bags, packages, accessories or even any weapons. **Help protect our community, come and join us.** [crimestoppersqld.com.au/volunteer](http://crimestoppersqld.com.au/volunteer) **1300 309 355 to join.**



**69 Offences**  
21 AUG 2021 — 20 SEP 2021



# LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

**Dear Editor,**

In response to your welcome letter in issue 148, I cannot believe the letter finding the front cover of 12th of March issue distasteful. Saving back copies of the Bribie Islander as I go back to them to read, after looking at the cover mentioned, there was nothing distasteful on the cover in question. Keep up the good work, as The Bribie Islander would have to be much a superior publication compared to the other inferior publications on Bribie Island.

Peter j

**Dear Editor,**

I just read your article in our latest magazine with interest and then quickly crossed to A G Rae's letter of complaint to judge for myself. I just sat bemused for a minute shaking my head. I also still have the August 13 edition and looked at it again and, once again, just as it did when I took off the plastic cover initially and saw the picture, I thought it is so beautiful it melted my heart. I, as most people do, look at it from a loving mother and grandmother's view and think how absolutely gorgeous she is with her dog. The dress is one that my own grandchildren would wear and would pick out in a shop for themselves to dress in and looks just fresh and alive for spring and the oncoming summer. I really cannot see

promiscuity at all.

I remember to the fresh young girl with legs up the Combi and thought the same, casting my mind a long way back to when I was that age, dressing that way and feeling the 'joie de vie' (joy of life) of the time; perhaps the weekend sun on my body, blue sky, school holidays, the smell of my surroundings, or just the strand of grass I was chewing on. I realise that everyone is entitled to have their own opinion and A G Rae is certainly entitled to his/hers but some people are just not happy unless they're spreading negativity on to others. Unfortunately A.G Rae, sadly, I think you must be in this category. Very sad.

I thought Elaine was mounted squarely on her high-horse this week also on what she would like to be called. I totally agree that since we were given names at birth this should be adhered to. I also agree with her sentiment regarding resenting being called Pet, Love, Darling, Lovely, Sweet, Dear etc., especially by OTT young Customer Relations People who seem to think that calling me "My Lovely" in a sickly sweet manner fifty times in a conversation is somehow endearing to us older folk. AAAARRGH! However, we are all getting older and I for one, (and I'm sure there are many more around me) do not remember names too well anymore. I have met so many people in the two years

I've been on Bribie – all lovely, happy, friendly people, but unless we all wear name tags or have our names tattooed on our foreheads – forgive me if I call you Love every once in a while. Once again, it's an opinion on both sides and we are all entitled to have it. This was mine.

Name supplied.

**Dear Editor,**

Re letter from AG Rae Issue 148. Everyone is entitled to their opinion but it is sad that you can see only negativity and distaste in what others see as innocence and sweetness. In this day and age of political correctness gone mad and a society where we would rather complain than give positiveness, be critical rather than see the blue sky, smell the flowers now spring is here, the world is gloomy enough and times are sad and tough, but we have to at least see the good where we can. Life is hard enough at times without looking for and spreading more bad thoughts and opinions and attitudes such as this, and to me are people who do not see the light only the gloom.

Rhonda Cooper Bongaree

**Dear Editor,**

Last Wednesday when my Meals and Wheels dinner delivery came, John and Rachelle didn't get their usual warm welcome from my little

dog Tia Maria. Unfortunately, she has been in the habit of jumping off the high section of my ramp and in doing this hurt her back and was in pain and discomfort. After John and his helper Rachelle finished "their run" they came back and drove me to all the vets close and handy, but they were all in surgery and so John drove with Rachelle helping with the navigating to North Lakes.

Now, this isn't part of Wheels and Meals service and so I must give a shout out for them from an elderly lady without a car. I think this story should be told, especially in this current climate.

Sincerely, S. Moore

**Dear Editor,**

Michael Matthews's recent letter to your magazine represents the Olympics in a debt laden light that is disrespectful to the inspiration and legendary aspects of one of the world's greatest international peace and hope events. Bribie Island could benefit incredibly from involvement in the 2032 Brisbane Olympic Games that is proportionate to our size and environment. We are the perfect location for the MARATHON events as we could provide a traffic free, fully shaded, flat, athlete friendly, purpose built course with sea breezes on the south end of our island that would lean

heavily on beach and bush whilst showing off to the world a magnificent lifestyle through incredible Television aerial images of the athletes "RUNNING WITH THE ROOS". Ideally the surface would be non-heat absorbing, wheelchair and environmentally friendly on bush tracks and fire trails that already exist. My dream is that we could provide a marathon for the ages more representative of

Phidippides original marathon run than running through hot city streets to show off man made edifices and monuments.

It may be good to shape a replica of the ancient Olympic stadium at Olympia for the marathon start and finish near our existing sports complexes upgraded for change rooms etc. for future use by our kids.

This is just a couple of grass banks for casual seating with a 200m x 70m flat graded pad in the bush marked out as a track for little athletics with a few athlete statues and a possible future tourist venue for the ages.

The permanent course can be used for annual events leading up to and after the Olympic Games and for the world's marathon athletes to prepare on the course.

As a Building Economist I have costed the whole construction at around \$3.2 million which is a massive saving as it costs at least \$2 million for each of the 4 times city streets are closed down for such marathons not to mention the traffic inconvenience factors.

The benefits and legacy left would be an athletics track for our kids, a 10kms permanent lap course for walkers, runners, cycling and motorised scooters for our elderly in an area which would be saved from future residential development and possibly developed as a zoological botanical gardens maybe suitable to bring back koalas.

My dreams are ideas, Michael's are nightmares.

Rod Dominish... Australian Sports Medal M, B Build (QS) Organiser Australian Marathon Championship 1964

Australian Orienteering Representative 1972-95  
Organiser Olympic 24 hour Relay 1996-8  
3 times World Masters Double Decathlon Champion  
3 years Bribie Island Resident

**Dear Editor**

While I applaud The Bribie Islander for the excellence of the articles you present, I would like to offer a few corrections to the report by Barry Clark in regard to the origins of Pumicestone Passage and the naming of Bribie Island. Several errors of historical fact stand out from his article.

1. "Bribie has only been an island for a few hundred years". Incorrect, Pumicestone Passage was created about 6 - 7000 years ago as the sea level rose from the last Ice Age. The island was formed during the transfer of sand from south to north with the changed current direction.

2. "Flinders did not know it was an island nor did John Bingle or William Edwardson in 1822 when they sailed up the Strait". Incorrect. In 1822 John Bingle sailed up "Pumice Stone River" as far as he could and then continued by boat until he arrived at Caloundra, discovering that Flinders' so-called river, was actually a passage. He reported this to Governor Brisbane on his return.

3. "Three castaway Sydney convicts marooned, on Bribie in 1822, knew it was an island when they walked north across the bar in the hope of reaching the settlement of Sydney". Correction: There were two ticket-of-leave men and one convict who were marooned on 16th April 1823 (not 1822) on Moreton Island (not Bribie) and later moved to Bribie Island to live with the Joondaburri tribe. They paddled across to Golden Beach in a native canoe, not walked across the bar.

4. "John Oxley rescued them and was shown the Brisbane River which became the site for a new penal colony in 1824". Corrections: Oxley rescued only two of the three castaways, the third was rescued about a year

later. The first penal settlement was established at Redcliff in 1824 and was subsequently moved to the Brisbane River in 1825 (not 1824).

5. The naming of Bribie Island. According to Thomas Welsby (1858-1941), local MP, company director, politician, historian, and sportsman, Brieby was a convict, who ran away to take up with an Aboriginal woman when his term of sentence was about to expire, to live permanently with her on the island. When a convict went missing, it was common to hear it said around Brisbane Town that he was, 'Down with Brieby.' This became 'Down at Bribie,' and so the island got its name.

6. Andrew Petrie found escaped convict James Davis .. This is irrelevant regarding Pumicestone Passage as Petrie returned Davis from Wide Bay to Brisbane in 1842. The Clark article was riddled with historical errors. Clark presents himself as a historian, but a professional historian takes pride in accuracy in even minor details. His article is just lazy journalism.

E. Hardy  
Bribie Island

**CONGRATULATIONS TO THE MORTON BAY COUNCIL.**

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the council for the increased signage at the junction of First Avenue and Goodwin Drive. We are all aware that this is a wildlife habitat area and that there has been an increase of kangaroo and wildlife deaths in this area over the last few months and this is with the existing standard size warning signage already in place along these roads. It is with much appreciation from me and many of my neighbours that we are now seeing much larger and also colourful electronic flashing signs. As well as the very important large green signs painted onto the road itself, to warn us of the impending dangers ahead and to drive with increased consideration to our wildlife friends. These

signs are obviously working as I (and my neighbours) have not seen any dead animals on the roadside recently and that pleases us as much as it obviously pleases the animals. We are all quick to complain to the council when we want something done but how often do we congratulate them when they do something beneficial for us and our wildlife friends? Keep up the good work....  
Roger Adams.

**Dear Editor**

In response to the letter to the Editor by A G Rae of 10 September 2021 regarding the inappropriateness and sexualisation of the two 'The Bribie Islander' cover photographs of 12 March and 10 September, my only comment is, unfortunately everyone is entitled to their opinion.

Regards B Hayes

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Just think A.G.Rae you could leave here one day,  
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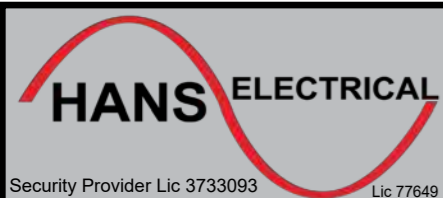
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