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# Station set to make waves

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# Drought hub based here

Longreach has been added as a node to a drought research innovation project by the University of Southern Queensland.

The Southern Queensland, Northern New South Wales Drought Resilience Adoption and Innovation Hub is looking to build better drought preparedness from agricultural and scientific perspectives. Longreach Node Manager Ally Murray said the goals of the hub is to collect as much research on drought resilience as possible and bringing it to agribusinesses.

"We want to improve businesses, improve livelihoods, improve mental health, and also playing a bit of a coordination role, and finding gaps with things that are happening at the moment," she said.

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### The editor's desk

There were two themes I noticed when writing the stories about our region's Citizen's of the Year. The first is humility, none of the chosen Citizens of the Year were particularly braggadocios about their achievements.

They were quiet, tried to work underthe-radar, and palmed off their success to the help of others. People of this type are often difficult to photograph as they try to shy away from the limelight.

The second theme I noticed was that there seemed to be a string of mentors they both had their mentors and were in some way mentoring others.

Firstly, this doesn't always have to be a parent, many of the people in these stories, I'm sure have mentored others who are not kin.

If you can't think of a mentor of your own, join a volunteering club, and get one.

Secondly, if you have a mentor, maybe it's time to become one yourself.

There's nothing more rewarding than teaching.

- Michael R Williams



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Central Queensland residents receiving much-needed hardware to commence online studying.

# Boarders given help with online studies

Boarders from across the Central West and Central Highlands were rounded up in a 900km road trip with the purpose of collecting much-needed laptops and textbooks ahead of the commencement of online learning.

Boarding staff from the Cathedral College, based in Rockhampton, were greeted with "warm smiles and cheery hellos as they delivered learning resources to families as far west as Longreach.

Assistant Principal Ron Armstrong said it was an incredible team effort to ensure Boarders were ready to learn relying on a great sense of mission and community.

"Our mission calls us to provide a quality Catholic education to all our students," he said.

"This galvanised College IT and Library Staff to organise bundles of laptops and text-books for each delivery point and Boarding staff who coordinated with parents the different pick-up points.

"When we arrived, the gratitude was palpable and the excitement overwhelming."

Mr Armstrong thanked boarding parents, friends and extended families who rallied and collected devices for others helping new and existing families by transporting a number of



devices and textbooks.

"That's what community is all about. We are so blessed to have Boarders as part of our college who really pull together in challenging circumstances," he said.

The Cathedral College with a student population of 1330, 187 of which are Boarders commenced Learning at Home for all students in Week One ahead of students returning to school.





### Birdsville radio station back on the air

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"So, we've had the idea to reinvigorate those – we have a lot of big events in both Bedourie and Birdsville and put a bit of country music on there and also have a bit of information about the area."

Mr Schwer said council have begun the process and the radio station will be available for the peak tourist season in autumn.

"We're just upgrading a little bit of techsince the old days of 88fm, technology has changed a little bit," he said.

"Once we've done that, we're going to have the station up and playing."

Mr Schwer said there will be a few different messages playing on the station.

"The messages will change depending on the time of the year and events going on," he said.

"Some of that safety messaging is also useful – making sure you've got plenty of water, spare tyres, all of the usual road safety messages when people are driving remote roads.

"But also during events, we need to get out things like traffic information – sometimes we need to change the traffic conditions for the amount of cars that come through and amount of pedestrians."

Mr Schwer also said the station will play messages about the events on like telling visitors where tickets will be sold.

He said all non-for-profit organisations can pay a small fee to have an advertisement produced and will have free airtime.

"For local businesses, there will be a small fee to produce the ad and a small monthly fee to run the ad."

"That will be quite minimal because it is Council provided."

## Records 'smashed'

### By Michael R Williams

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"The year before last, with Covid restrictions - schools tend to go down to the snow and that type of thing - they came this way because there was no where else to go, and we benefited from that.

"It's the hottest place to be, just because of the uncertainty with Covid, and I don't know how long we're going to have to live with that for - for the next 12 months at least.'

Ms Elliott said she believed people are choosing the west as it is the safe choice.

But there is also plenty for tourists and locals to get excited for.

"One good thing that happened, Alliance Airlines, they started up day trips from Brisbane to Winton last year," she said.

"They were really successful - bringing in approximately 80 people, there's three trips planned for this year.

"We have our festivals; the film festival that will happen in the June/ July holidays, Outback Writers Festival just before that film festival, and also the Boulder Opal Festival.'

Ms Elliott said the Matilda Centre will hope to see the trend in outback tourism continue.

### **New cases**

Longreach-based accommodation has been secured by the Central West Hospital and Health Service for individuals and families who test positive for Covid and need to isolate but don't have access to suitable accommodation themselves.

The location is commercial but remains in the confidence of Central West Health; it is a motel/ hotel style, free, and meals are included. Access to the accommodation will be decided and arranged as required by our health service staff on a case-by-case basis.

In relation to Covid, the number of cases in the region has remained steady at just over 50 this week.

- 3 x Alpha
- 2 x Barcaldine
- 1 x Blackall
- 17 x Longreach
- 4 x Tambo
- 2 x Windorah
- 23 x Winton

Central West Hospital and Health Service Executive Officer Anthony West said all of the cases were being managed at home or in their private accommodation through a partnership between Central West Health and Metro North Hospital and Health Service.

"No further details will be provided due to confidentiality," he said.

Since the first case on 23 December, last year, there has been a total of 194 cases recorded by the Central West Hospital and Health Service.

"As Central West parents count down the days to the start of the upcoming school year on 7 February, we know many families will be travelling large distances both within our region and outside to transport their kids to school," Mr West said. "This is a good time to remember the importance of masking up everywhere where you can't maintain a good physical distance - think at least three big steps.

Mr West reminded locals that when driving, masks must be worn by driver and passengers if anyone is not a member of the same family.

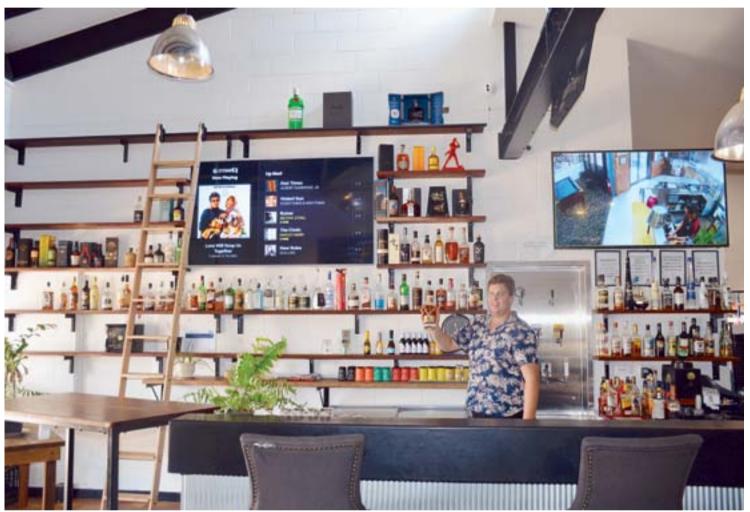
"Masks also are mandatory on all public transport - busses, trains, and ferries, including at terminal and on platforms," he said.

"Masks also must be worn in taxis and rideshare vehicles, in schools, childcare facilities, in public areas like shopping centres, shops and restaurants and cafes – unless sitting to eat and drink.

You must also wear masks on aircraft and airport terminals. In short, remember to always have a mask with you."

Mr West said vaccination remains our best protection against Covid-19.

"While being vaccinated will not prevent you from getting Covid-19, vaccination has been proven to reduce the severity of the illness and help keep you out of the hospital and, especially, out of intensive care," he said.



Commercial Hotel Owner Matt Hunt by his new spirit rack.

### Spirits up: New rack to host exotic flavours

### By Michael R Williams

A new rack in the Longreach Commercial Hotel already hosts the most expensive shot in the west, according to Business Owner Matthew Hunt.

"The spirit wall idea came from when we were in lockdown," he said.

'We had the idea of doing something like they do on the coast where you have specialised spirits.

"So it's evolved a bit and we got some high end stuff."

Mr Hunt said on the top shelf, they have rum that was brewed in 1890 and goes for \$500 a nip. The wall contains spirits from various places around the world, this pertained to a challenge Mr Hunt once gave to his mate to try a shot from different places in the world, "an around the world challenge," he said.

'We ordered the shelves last year and they didn't get hung until late August.

"We look to source new stuff every couple of weeks.

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## Banks 'vital': Ombudsman

Banking services are essential to small businesses in rural and regional areas and more should be done to support those impacted by branch closures, the Australian Small Business and Family Enterprise Ombudsman Bruce Billson says.

In a submission to the Regional Banking Taskforce, the ombudsman said bank branch closures are disruptive to small and family businesses and that can have a ripple effect on the wider community.

"Small businesses rely on banking services to operate in the modern economy and it is essential those in rural and regional areas have access to the full range of banking facilities," Mr Billson says.

"Branch closures increase small business administrative costs, the level of risk for business owners, and have a community-wide economic impact caused by business patronage moving away, along with reduced community amenity, particularly if it is the last remaining bank in town

"For some small businesses, the loss of a local bank branch, may even cause them to look for services outside the regulated financial system. That is a bad outcome and there is more that can be done to support small businesses

when a bank branch closes.

"My office would welcome the opportunity to work with the Australian Banking Association (ABA) to amend the code of practice to ensure customers affected by a branch closure can move to any other bank with no cost penalties.

"We have also asked the taskforce to consider expanding programs such as the Regional Tech Hub to help rural and regional small businesses to secure safe banking services.

"Particularly in areas where there is no local bank branch, NBN connectivity is critical. My office has long argued that access to banking and vital communications services are essential and a greater focus is needed to set and adhere to deliverable service standards. Where these standards are not met, impacting a small or family business, some consequences and remediation steps should apply.

"Australian small and family businesses have faced many difficult challenges over the past two years – the pandemic has exacerbated the impact of bushfires, floods and drought. These businesses need support as they work to get back on their feet, including access to essential banking services."

### Deep flooding on the Diamantina River

In the past week, the deep flooding was had along the Diamantina River, giving Winton some of the best rain it's had in many years.

Local graziers and townsfolk alike have rejoiced at the site of the rain.

Similar flooding has been had across many towns and properties across the Central West.

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Wonderful rain last night. No hoses to turn on tonight! 87mm at my place!

-Linda Tait

Wow that's great see ..my sisters and I use to swim in this dam when we were kids back in the mid 70's



Photos of rain in the Winton Shire.

















# More can keep on working

More workers in Queensland have been considered essential, with the State Government adding disability care, aged care and telecommunications to the list.

This means that workers in those industries have been permitted to work if they are a close contact.

The State Government has created additional testing requirements to ensure close contacts who are working are regularly monitored for Covid-19.

Minister for Health and Ambulance Services Yvette D'Ath said Queensland was the first jurisdiction in the country to establish critically essential worker provisions, to help keep Queensland running.

"These changes mean more clarity for employees and employers on what a critically essential worker is, and what they are able to do," she said.

"A critically essential worker is only able to attend the workplace as a close contact to perform a critically essential role when both employer and employee agree.

"The critically essential worker must have no symptoms of Covid-19, be fully vaccinated and provide a negative Rapid Antigen Test on their first day of work, prior to commencing work, and every second day thereafter while working, including the usual day six test for close contacts."

Employers have been required by the State Government to provide rapid antigen tests to close contact employees.

Minister D'Ath said all categories of critically essential workers had been carefully considered, and were vital to keeping Queensland running.

"These measures keep Queenslanders safe, while also ensuring we can continue to keep our supermarkets stocked, power connected to our homes, and our hospitals available to provide free emergency health care to those that need it," Minister D'Ath said.

"We have worked with stakeholders, including unions, to find the right balance of keeping Queensland running and keeping Queenslanders safe."

# Our man of many hats

### By Michael R Williams

Business owner, electrician, firefighter, sports co-ordinator, community group president, Scout leader, captain, coach, mentor - if there is a community role, Ben Palmer has done it.

Growing up in Longreach, Mr Palmer looked up to his father John Palmer and would go on to become every bit the bedrock of the community that his father is.

He would go on to become the School Captain in Primary School and House Captain in High School.

He now runs a local Auto Electrician trade and Skips Bin business.

When asked how he spins so many plates, he said, "at times, I don't even know myself".

"I'm the President of the Longreach Junior Rugby League, Central West Junior President, Committee Member of the Longreach Senior Rugby League, Central West Senior Rugby League, Outback Southern Rugby League, I coach Junior Rugby League, I've been involved with the Longreach Scout Group the past 30 years, Longreach Athletics club 34 years, Longreach Fire Brigade for 18 years, I also help run the Girl's Rugby League Program," Mr Palmer

"As a child growing up, my parents were involved in a lot, so it sort of became second nature in a sense.

'You just sort of, not exactly do what they do, that's just how it sort of turned out – you just want to see it continue on.

"If the organisations die, there's nothing for the kids to do, they get bored and eventually

Mr Palmer said his work was about keeping local kids occupied and giving them a sense of direction in life.

"Like everything, I'm not on my own," he said.

"I do have really good support from my family - my wife, my children, they're the ones that allow me to do all this stuff.'

As the Junior Delegate for Rugby League in the Central West, Mr Palmer has travelled over 18,500kms with conservative estimates.

Doing so, helping local senior youth from Longreach and Winton make it to Rugby League Carnivals across the State, to towns such as Townsville, Gladstone, Charleville, Cloncurry, Roma, and Tannum Sands.

"I've had great committee members and volunteers over the years who have the same drive as me but don't necessarily want to take a role on the committee," Mr Palmer said.

'They let me take a step backward with all the logistics of running these multiple organ-

As a part of the Scouts, Mr Palmer has attended two World Iamborees representing Australia- one in Holland and one in Chile and two Australian Jamborees while a youth mem-

His children are both members of the Scouts, and Mr Palmer serves on the committee, attending their working bees, camps and fundraisers.

In 2013, helped build their shed.



Alan Gilliland, Liz Turner, and Ben Palmer at a committee meeting for the Junior Tigers.

"I never became a leader, but I was always there to help out," Mr Palmer said.

"My dad's the group leader, so I always help out with the camps or whatever.

"I help out with the clean-up after - we used to do the show barbecues - so I help out with that sort of stuff."

Mr Palmer is also a Life Member of the Longreach Athletics club - awarded for his contributions since he was in his youth.

It's the same deal as Scouts - I started as a tiny tot, age three - My father was the President and still is now," he said.

"Then I had children, and they started going to the Athletics Club.

"So I help out with carnivals and every second Sunday, we have the club meets, and I take the kids away for that.

"It's about being a club person."

The carnivals can attract up to 300 people; Mr Palmer sets up, officiates, and cleans up.

Mr Palmer said it was about not wanting to see these institutions die.

"You go the extra mile to ensure it doesn't

happen," he said about his efforts for the Junior Rugby League club.

"Especially as the kids get older – there is still local stuff - but they do have to travel.

"It's something that not everyone is willing to do – but someone's got to do it – I think by stepping up, it ensures the kids have a path-

Mr Palmer said if he - and his committee didn't do it, there would be less things for teenagers to do in town.

"You're just doing it so they have something to do – a little direction in life," he said.

"Without the junior league, there is no senior league.

"If there's no juniors coming through - in the years to come - there's no Senior League, we're trying to bridge that gap.'

Mr Palmer said he believes they have been achieving their goal of building League in the west over the past four or five years.

"I sort of have a passion for League, I've played it all my life, I've coached it," he said.

"I've been away with rep as a player, but

now my kids are involved, which brought me back into the fold.

"I sort of follow on from that."

Mr Palmer both organises the transport and drives the bus himself to ensure young players have a chance to have quality football games.

He was a top-three finalist for the QRL Coach of the Year.

"You just sort of do it because you do it," Mr Palmer said.

"When I see that the kids are enjoying it, then I enjoy it."

Mr Palmer said much of what he does was inspired by his father. "He was – and still is – you sort of grow-

up around that environment, you don't think twice about it," he said.

"Because he did it, we keep doing it.

"What he did went well above and beyond me – if I can go that far, I'll be doing pretty well, I think.

John Palmer was a fireman for 46 years.

"I'm not even halfway yet," Ben Palmer said.

### Tigers recognised as sporting achievers

### By Michael R Williams

The winners of the Central West Rugby League Competition, the Longreach/ Ilfracombe Tigers were recognised as the Longreach Team Sporting Achievement at the Australia Day Award Ceremony this year.

Coach of the Longreach/ Ilfracombe Tigers Gavin Groves said while the team's onfield success was a part of what garnered their award, it was important to note the community involvement with the club.

"We had a lot of promotion, lucky draw prizes - we wanted the community involved as much as possible," he said.

"We're building form the ground up and there are some ideas we want to put in

"But over this year, it was about trying to make appearances like the Anzac Day



The Longreach/ Ilfracombe Tigers at training.

marches and getting out whenever we can." Mr Groves said the Tigers would like to continue to be involved in the community.

"If there is someone who thinks the Ti-

than willing to help out," he said.

Mr Groves said last year's win came from the merging of the two sides and a number of newcomers who came to town that year.

"I just think our committee, which included Nadia Hoad, were strong - which made things easier for the footballers," he

"I think the drive from our committee and the vision to bring it all together helped us on the field as players."

This year the Tigers look to improve the community feel around home games.

"Every home game, you'll see us, there'll be raffles, lucky door prizes, a lady's day at the end of the year.

"We'll also be opening up a special area for sponsors."



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# Matt's raising future firies

### By Michael R Williams

It is not just his bravery, humility, and his willingness to work hard for his community that made Blackall Firefighter Matt Richardson worthy of his win as Blackall's Citizen of the Year, but his ability to pass on those attributes to the next generation.

For 33 years, Mr Richardson has been a part of the Queensland Fire and Emergency Service, and in that time, he has fought major fires, rescued tourists, and helped build a community around hard yakka and preparedness.

He now steps down as Captain, which he has been for nine years, to Lieutenant as he is finding his life to be "a little bit busy".

"I've thoroughly enjoyed my time; I've been heavily involved in the training side of fire-fighting, and I have the accreditation to teach road crash rescue – which is something that is very important for an auxiliary firefighter to have," Mr Richardson said.

"I really enjoyed the training side, you get to meet new people with the same mindset – they come to help their communities, which is why I joined.

"When I joined, my captain at the time said it would pay my rates – because we do get a little bit of pay for what we do – and it grew from there"

Within five years of joining, Mr Richardson would go on to become one of the team's leaders and trainers.

"You know all your drills, hazmat's, breathing apparatuses – anything you're required to do as a firefighter, I was trained up to be an instructor," Mr Richardson said.

"The best part is being able to muck around with the kids and teaching them stuff."

Mr Richardson said the firefighting part of his job is not always the best side.

"We see some pretty bad stuff sometimes," he said.

"But then we see some good stuff as well – some good outcomes from bad accidents.

"But there's a mateship with other firies – you meet them, you've got a mate for life, even when they move out of the fire service you keep in contact with them."

While Mr Richardson has based his career in Blackall, he has travelled all over the state teaching firefighters how to improve their craft.

This includes White Island, Mackay,



Matthew Richardson showing off his hose to the local children.

Bunderberg, and Winton.

"The biggest difference is, [with Blackall and larger towns such as Mackay], we don't have the massive resources they do to respond to a job," Mr Richardson said.

"They will have a two or three truck response, where our station is supposed to be around a 12-13 auxilaries, but at the moment we sit at around that nine.

"So you'll only a see one truck because our station only runs two trucks – you might turn up to a pretty bad road crash and you've got a crew of four firefighters.

"And we deal with the job."

While firefighters do come from other towns, such as Barcaldine and Emerald for

large jobs, Mr Richardson said that was the main difference between local firefighters and "permanents".

"They may get a few more jobs than us, but you'd be surprised at how much work we do get," he said.

"We do a lot of ambo assists now – we've trained accordingly, we're a little bit more advanced training in CPR and defibrillators.

"We deal with everything now."

Mr Richardson, as a man who goes above and beyond, is seen as a role model in the Blackall community.

"They see how you do your job, and you get the message across a bit more," he said.

"But I'm pretty much a bit of a sponge – I



The Blackall Fire Department learning to save people from vehicle accidents.

look at other people and how they react to things, so I use that.

"A lot of permanents go to Yeppoon and they say, "Oh gee, we enjoyed it when we did our training in Blackall."

Now, Mr Richardson is looking to scale back his work for the fire department, and as new firies come up through the ranks, he hopes they will take his position as Lieutenant – this may be his daughter, Megan Richardson who is now an aspiring firefighter.

"I'm pretty proud of her, she's a nurse as well, so she's an asset to the community," he said.

Mr Richardson thanked those who nominated him.

### Blackall-Tambo Australia Day winners

### By Blackall-Tambo Regional Council

### 2021 Citizen of the Year

### Matthew Richardson (Blackall)-

Matthew has been a member of the QFES for the Blackall Station for over 30 years. In that time Matthew was appointed Captain and made the position his own. He has excelled in his role, prioritising both community safety and involvement. After many years of service, he has now stepped down from the role but still includes himself as a Lieutenant at the Blackall Station. Matthew has created many community leaders through his work with QFES and is a role model to others.

### Scott Russell (Tambo)-

Scott is a local Tambo man who has contributed his time and effort to physically disabled people by collecting pull-rings from assorted cans of drinks for the Lions Club in Charleville, which enables them as a fundraiser to send the aluminium rings to a recycled point to receive money on return of recycling. To date, Scott has collected enough to enable four wheel-chairs to be purchased and given to disabled people. This has been a quiet achievement for Scott as he faces his own major health problems, but this has not stopped him from thinking of others and making a difference in someone else's life.

### 2021 Young Citizen of the Year

### Abagail Allen (Blackall)-

Abagail is a born and bred Blackall girl who is very well known for her bright nature throughout her school and community. At a young age, she was diagnosed with Juvenile Arthritis which has made her dependent on swimming as this is the only sport that ensures Abagail keeps her arthritis at ease and herself occupied. Abagail is also determined to help others who at a young also face illnesses every day by partaking in the Starlight Swim Challenge to

fundraise money for sick kids, she is currently onto her second fundraising challenge for the Starlight Foundation. For all her treatment and time away for appointments, Abagail is always seen in our community with a smiling face and a big heart.

### 2021 Cultural Award

### Bushman's Artisans Gallery (Blackall)-

The Bushman's Artisan Gallery is a wonderful example of a community-driven, activated art and artisans gallery repurposing the previously disused historic Bushman's Hotel in the main street of Blackall into a vibrant and welcoming Art and Artisans Gallery. The Bushman's Gallery is totally self-sufficient and is operated and run by a group of volunteers who open the gallery daily to greet visitors (local and tourists alike) into a warm and welcoming artistic environment. Many functions/workshops have been hosted at the gallery, these events have been a great success for both locals and visitors to become immersed in the Bushman's

### Ann Sanderson & Fay Nugent (Tambo)-

Both Ann and Fay are members of multiple organisations, mostly Tambo Arts Council, QCWA, and ICPA. Ann and Fay are always helping in one way or another. Together they also contribute to the heritage of Tambo and are seen everywhere in our community.

### 2021 Sports Award

### Rachael Sargood (Tambo)-

Rachael offers many health and fitness activities to the Tambo community such as water aerobics, yoga, and fitness classes. She not only competes in polocrosse but also devotes her little time to being the Polocrosse President also. Rachael has always been a mentor to junior and lady competitors in polocrosse. Also, in Rachael's spare time she is always continually improving qualifications, so she can meet the needs of our community.

### 2021 Junior Sports Award Rory Nichols (Blackall)-

Rory had given herself a big sporting year for 2021 by taking on three sports interests, netball, show horse, and barrel racing. Rory was successful in being selected for North West Netball trials and then went on to gain a spot on the North West Netball team which the team then headed to the Qld State Netball Championships in Brisbane. During her netball interest, she has been awarded three Player of the Match awards. With Rory's interest in show horses, she was awarded the Golden Ticket to compete at the Grand National Show Horse Championship held in Sydney in March 2021. Rory also had herself participate in Show Horse riding at the National Championships, this was a great experience and opportunity for her. In her second year of barrel racing Rory was awarded the QLD State Championship Junior 3D Buckle and 2020/21 Season Outback Barrel Horse Circuit Junior 3D Championship Buckle. Rory has and continues to stay passionate and committed to her sports.

### Jett Sargood (Tambo)-

Jett plays for the local Tambo Polocrosse Club and in 2021 he was first selected to represent Old's Junior boys' team in the tri-state competition at Warwick in April. He was selected as Man of the Match for one of his games over the competition and his team was victorious. Jett has been awarded a variety of awards at Carnivals while representing Tambo throughout 2021 such as Best Junior Player, Overall Best Horse, and Best Junior of the Tambo Club 2021. He has also recently been selected in the 2022 Junior Mixed A Division team to represent Qld at the upcoming Australian National Titles in Ballarat. Jett is passionate about polocrosse and always encourages the smaller children that play or want to play po-

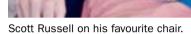
### Barcaldine Australia Day awards

- Citizen of the year: Kerry Robinson, Muttaburra
- Certificate of recognition: Kevin Wiltshire, Alpha
- Community event of the year: Westech Field Days, Barcaldine
   Certificate of recognition: Outback Oa-
- sis Swimming Carnival, Barcaldine

  Certificate of recognition: 'Burra Back
- Certificate of recognition: Burra Back Up, Muttaburra
   Certificate of recognition: Barrels 4 A
- Cause Jenny Schmidt Memorial, Aramac
- Volunteer award: Kim Ford, Jericho
- Certificate of recognition: Ross and Lyn Smith, Muttaburra
- Certificate of recognition: Tayla Kinsey, Aramac
- Sports award: Laura Balderson, Barcaldine
- Certificate of achievement for young sports award: Harrison Miller, Barcaldine

"Congratulations to all those who were nominated and honoured through the Australia Day Awards system. Our Council area and lives are better for your involvement, on behalf of the whole council well done on your hard-earned recognition." Barcaldine Regional Council Mayor Sean Dillon.





Patricia, Scott and Peter Russell by their 16th ring pull collection.

# A real ringing endorsement

### By Michael R Williams

When drinking a can of soft drink, many of us don't think twice about the little nub "ring pull" that we use to open the can.

However, one Tambo local, with the help of his family and his community, have collected enough ring pulls to recycle. They then have used the kickback from recycling to buy six wheelchairs for those who need them – and a seventh on the way.

Scott Russell, the man behind the venture, is truly a hero.

To put it into perspective, each bucket collected ways about four or five kilograms and 16 are needed to save for a wheelchair.

This means they must have easily collected hundreds of thousands of ring pulls to recycle.

No, only has he been able to overcome adversity, he's been able to help others along the

Scott has Cerebral Palsy, and in January 2019, he came down with an almost fatal twisted bowel.

His father, Peter Russell had spent 30 years building dingo fences in the Central West, and when the incident occurred, he retired to look after Scott.

"My sister is in Lion's in Charleville, and she was doing it [collecting ring pulls], and we used to send a few down all the time," Peter said.

"Then she moved up here, so we started to do it on a more regular basis.

"We don't get any benefit out of it, other people get a wheelchair down the line – but we're just doing something to do, it keeps Scott occupied."

Keeping occupied has been vitally important to Scott who has been through "a hell of a lot".

"We've been through a rough three years with him, and we haven't had any time off ourselves," Peter said.

"We can't go too many places when you've got a stoma bag on, and when you're staying with somebody you want to do the right thing.

"This [the ring pulls] is something to do here while he comes good."

After his accident, Scott was flown to two different hospitals to be looked at by specialists, first to Rockhampton, then to Brisbane

when his issue became more complicated.

"We had him on life support there, and he come good," Peter said.

"We just got the stoma bag removed, and it's been a terrible three years for him.

"But we got all that a way now – all we got is a little patch on him."

It has taken Scott three years to recover to the point he is, since his accident – and the ring pulls has been a way for Scott to keep his mind off things.

It has also been a way for Scott to interact with the community.

"Scott has great friends here in Tambo - he's on a plan from the NDIS at the multipurpose, and they got him as a gardener up there three days a week," Peter said.

"He loves it; he loves the gardening.

"Because he can't go at the moment [due to recent surgeries, Scott cannot bend or lift], he's missing out on a lot."

Scott's mother, Patricia said Scott is slowly recovering and returning to the community.

Scott has been a welcome patron of the local pub where the owners have provided him a

computer and help him learn about different things one day a week.

"It's great, the whole town looks after him," Peter said.

"He's well loved, and he loves it here."

Patricia said locals will make sure he's safe if Scott is up town.

Scott said the ring pulls were a very good thing to do.

"It takes me two hours, and a lot of work," he said.

"But I appreciate it."

Peter said he believed Scott deserved his award for Tambo Australian of the Year.

"It means a lot to him," he said.

The entirety of the Tambo community is behind this story, however, with many locals taking the ring pulls down to Charleville as they are passing through.

"It all ads up," Peter said.

"We get little bags from people around the town here as well.

"When they see Scotty, they give it to him and he takes them home – all the little bags ad up to one big bag."

### Photos from Australia Day: Your view of our big day

We asked you to send in your photos from Australia Day... and here they are!



Zulu, a German Shepard Coolie X turned five on Australia Day. He is owned by Faren Flick from Alpha.



Katherine Oliver, Hamish TIndall, and Hamish Hart from the crew at Qantas Founders Museum.

## Costly turn in the weather

The sustained heat period which welcomed in 2022 has fortunately given way to some rain in parts, which has been well received. Hopefully, this will continue for the remainder of summer to give pasture regeneration a fair chance of occurring or for those who have had a break, to capitalise on their early good fortune.

The rain has had an impact on roads with a number of creeks and rain on unsealed roads causing closures.

Please remember to check with the local council office before heading off; it may save you an unnecessary delay or worse.

Council has been undergoing a period of introspection when it comes to its rural road maintenance.

We have received and adopted a report from our acting CEO which has identified a number of strategies for improvement.

The key to all future positive steps requires two key ingredients; community goodwill and information sharing combined with intent and application from our staff.

Unfortunately, the latter has not always been the case, and Council formally acknowledged this at its October meeting.

Change, especially at a local government



level, is ridiculously slow, but we have utilised that excuse for too long, hence the attention we have placed on resolving this matter.

Our recent, extensive community consultation was broadened to include dedicated rural opportunities for ratepayers and residents to attend.

The overwhelming message from these surrounded the need to ensure the suitability of road transportation access and road safety. Perhaps not an earth-shattering revelation for a large rural regional council, and not the first time the message has been delivered.

But this time our council as an elected member body has demonstrated that its patience and tolerance for under-delivering on community expectations has run out. The role of elected members to a local government in Queensland has changed substantially over the years.

Our ability to direct or personally oversee operational activities is now completely removed.

Fielding a complaint or "customer enquiry" as the terminology now goes, can no longer be linked to the councillor or mayor providing a solution

That rests solely with staff.

Inevitably, however, accountability and responsibility from stakeholders rest with those who they relate closest to, those that they elected.

So the conundrum exists.

How to best match outcomes with expecta-

It's too easy and disrespectful to blame financial constraints or controlling legislation or a host of easily identifiable excuses.

Council has a budget, an operational plan, and the ability to set policy with matched and measurable outcomes.

Sadly this formal, structured, and expensive methodology is what will be required to remedy the apathetic manner that elements

of our community (and their assets) have been exposed

I, and our council, won't hide from owning the responsibility, but neither will we allow ourselves to be held hostage by recalcitrancy, apathy, or incompetence.

We have implemented an updated and amended rural road and town street register along with associated service standards.

We are aware (via an improved community consultation process) of the key issues and matters of concern.

We have identified additional asset improvements and budget allocations.

We will expect, no insist, on implementation of genuine reform and improved road safety standards.

These reforms could be part of a difficult and painful process.

I acknowledge that, but above all, I wish to convey that the concerns of our rural ratepayers around our asset management and road safety haven't been ignored.

We will work collaboratively to ensure that our workforce and contractors deliver an acceptable and comprehensively managed approach to road safety.

### Safety first: 'Back to school' a busy time

By Lachlan Millar MP

What a pleasure it is to welcome all our students and their families back for the start of the 2022 school year in Gregory.

It might be starting a little late, but it will be so much better for our students with a proper Covid management plan in place.

With 58 schools and 35 childcare centres and kindies, Monday will be a big day for many families right across Gregory.

Make sure you are aware of the new arrangements by visiting the website at qld. gov.au .

Then put "back to school 2022" in the search window.

Mums and Dads will still be able to walk little ones in and out of their classrooms, but parents of children from Grade Two and upwards are being asked to try and minimise their entry onto school grounds as a Covid19 control action. Vaccination, masks, and hygiene are still important.

I extend a warm welcome to all our teachers – both those returning and those who will be teaching in Gregory for the first time.

Our schools are much more than just a learning space. They truly are the hubs of our communities, so I hope all our new teachers enjoy their time with us.

The professional development and support given to our young teachers through the Centre for Learning and Wellbeing in Emerald mean these young professionals can enjoy new experiences and make new friends



secure in the knowledge that they are not being professionally disadvantaged by their time in Central Queensland.

In fact, we hope they will look back on this part of their lives as one that gave them purpose and direction in their teaching careers.

To all our students commencing Grades 11 and 12, work hard but don't let anxiety get in your way.

Your parents and teachers are ready to support you and these are years you will look back on as a time of "firsts" – driving licenses, formals, and friendships.

Many of you will be also be preparing for post-school activities. You can see a good listing of scholarships for future studies on my website at lachlanmillarmp.com/scholarships.

Happy New Year to everyone.

# The Federal Government want to hear your voice on regional papers. News views

A recent study of almost 4,200 Australian country newspaper readers said that newspaper readers in rural and regional Australia are five times more likely to go directly to their local newspaper website than Google or Facebook for local information.

Federal Member for Maranoa David Littleproud said he knows the pain of a changed media landscape in the bush and has urged fellow regional Queenslanders to put forward their views to the federal parliamentary inquiry into Australia's regional newspapers.

"We know that local news is vital to an interconnected community," Mr Littleproud said.

"We know that people are passionate about printed local newspapers in rural and regional Australia, with over 70% preferring to read a printed local paper rather than online."

"At a time when many regional and remote newspaper services are shutting down or moving online, the government must understand the needs of regional communities, and how heavily they rely on their local newspapers to stay connected," he said.

As part of the inquiry, the Representatives Standing Committee on Communications and the Arts, chaired by Dr Anne Webster MP, will examine the impact of decisions by large publishers to suspend publication of print editions; entry into these or other markets by new operators, particularly small businesses; impact of the News Media Bargaining Code for regional and remote newspapers; and the economic recovery in regional and remote markets from the impacts of CO-VID, and whether this has led to advertising revenue improving.

Mr Littleproud said the online survey, seeking views on how Australians living in regional, rural or remote areas access news, is open until 11 February 2022 and takes less than 10 minutes to complete.

https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/ WPVW256

### Wringing by hand an unwelcome reminder

I've been doing some washing by hand, waiting for the parts to arrive so my resident repairman can fix my automatic washing machine.

It has made me most appreciative of said machine.

I'll reveal some Canuck pride here when I say, "the original agitator was invented by a Canadian".

It was placed in a washing tub and cranked by hand to produce the agitation. A hand-wringer was added at some point,

and this evolved into the wringer-washer.

Now I reckon, the women (and laundry generally fell to women in the 19th century) were appreciative of the reduced labour involved in doing their wash, compared to using a washboard and tub, which itself was an im-

provement on using a rock beside a creek.

Household electricity, which arrived en masse in Toronto in the 1930s, saw the appearance of the electrical version of the wringerwasher that graced pretty much every home when I was a small child.



I can tell you from personal observation that this improvement was greatly appreciated by all the women I knew, many of whom remembered the old hand-cranked agitators from their youth.

And would regale you with stories of said youth and the time it took to do the washing.

Automatic washing machines were around, but not many in my neighbourhood could afford one until around the 1970s.

I know my mother appreciated the reduced labour of her automatic, compared to the old wringer-washer.

She also appreciated her gas-powered

clothes dryer that came with the washing machine, though here in the outback I've always relied on solar power, otherwise known as the Hills Hoist.

(I figured I'd better have balance and mention a fine Aussie invention.)

In fact, I've actually been able to find the positive in the disappointingly dry spell we've been experiencing - in the midst of plenty of rain elsewhere - because it's meant my wringing wet clothes have a decent chance to dry, which wouldn't happen on the coast at the moment.

This brings me to another aspect of my automatic machine I appreciate, the spin cycle that leaves the clothes far drier than I'm capable of, wringing by hand.

I suppose it's good for developing the arm muscles.

There's nothing like some old-fashioned el-

bow grease to make you appreciate a modern machine doing the task for you.

I only hope I get to truly appreciate my old

I only hope I get to truly appreciate my old machine in the not too distant future.

### New teachers in town

The Leader caught up with the new teachers in the region to ask some questions.

### 1. What is your name? Where are you from? What do you teach? What drew you to teaching?

My name is Claire Lack.

I am originally from Brisbane and have previously taught at a Primary School in Gladstone before moving out to Longreach in 2020 to teach at the Primary school out here.

In 2022 I will be teaching at the Longreach State High School as my first High School gig as a District Relief Teacher and my first step into High School life.

I have always been interested in becoming a teacher from a young age and my year 5 and year 6 teacher as well as my high school Maths and PE teachers helped in developing my love for learning and sealed the deal for me to become a teacher.

### 2. Why did you choose to teach in Longreach? What are your thoughts on the outback so far?

When I first became a teacher, I knew that I didn't want to stay in a big town and moved seven hours away from my family to Gladstone to taste the waters of teaching.

After completing my time in Gladstone, I was sure that I wanted to head rural 13 hours from my family and friends, to make a difference for the students in the outback.

### 3. How have you enjoyed your time so far? What extracurricular activities do you see yourself partaking in?

I have loved living in the Longreach community over the past two years, I have made some great friendships and have loved exploring the Queensland outback during downtime.

I really enjoy sports and robotics and hope to use my skills to provide extracurricular for students at LSHS.

### 1. What is your name? Where are you from?



Jenny Barkley, John Christensen, Eliza Panitz, Will Joyce, and Claire Lack are the new additions to the staff at the Longreach State High School.

### What do you teach? What drew you to teaching?

My name is Eliza Panitz. I've moved from north Brisbane. I'm English and Humanities trained. I became a teacher so I could contribute to my community in a meaningful way.

### 2. How would you describe your approach to teaching?

I generally follow Marzano's Art and Science of Teaching pedagogical framework to guide my approach to teaching.

### 3. Why did you choose to teach in Longreach? What are your thoughts on the outback so far?

I picked Longreach because I wanted to teach in a historic town with farming roots. I'm enjoying outback life so far; although, it is a bit hot at this time of year.

### 4. How have you enjoyed your time so far? What extracurricular activities do you see yourself partaking in?

I've enjoyed meeting new people and exploring the region. Everyone is so welcoming and happy to have a chat with you in passing.

### 1. What is your name? Where are you from? What do you teach? What drew you to teaching?

My name is Will and I moved out here from Brisbane late last year. I'm the Digital Technologies and Learning Support Teacher at the high school. One of the main reasons I chose to join the teaching profession was the ability to work anywhere in Queensland.

### 2. How would you describe your approach to teaching?

My approach to teaching consists primarily

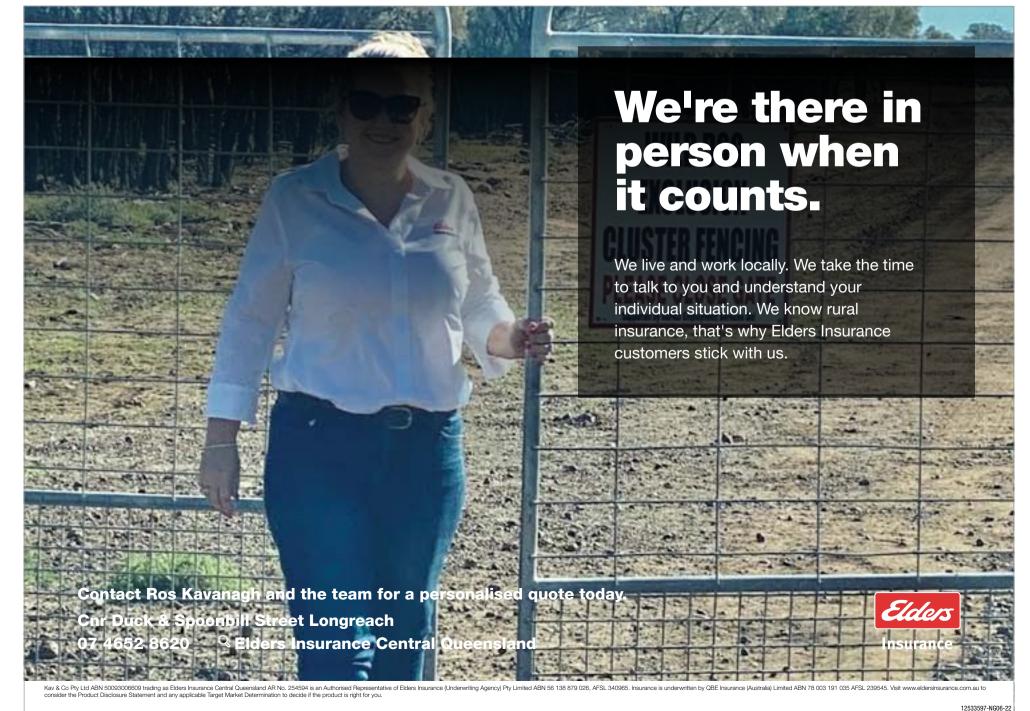
of being a content expert and also creating a classroom environment that encourages students to feel welcomed and eager to particinate.

### 3. Why did you choose to teach in Longreach? What are your thoughts on the outback so

My wife and I chose Longreach because of its great facilities and our tie to members of the community. The sense of community out here has been great so far.

### 4. How have you enjoyed your time so far? What extracurricular activities do you see yourself partaking in?

We're loving the outback life so far and look forward to staying for many years to come. I'm excited to get involved in cricket, touch footy and tennis.



## Tale of the outback

By Michael R Williams

Multiple-time Winton Outback Writers Festival award-winning author Jill Staunton has just released her new novel, "All That He Is"

"I'm an outback writer; I really enjoy writing about the outback; I grew up on a cattle station, so what I write about is what I know,' she said.

"I grew up living in the bush."

Ms Staunton has been deeply tied with the Winton Outback Writers Festival and has written multiple short stories for the corresponding anthology published each year.

Through the Outback Festival, Ms Staunton would meet Dan Kelly from Boolarong Press who would go on to publish her first novel as well as her current.

"All That He Is" is a story set in the Northern parts of Queensland and has many themes surrounding masculinity in the outback.

"I touch on issues that are relevant to the people of North Queensland," Ms Staunton

"Rural crime is a big issue in the bush now; we all know that – not only does livestock get stolen, but plants, fuel, all sorts of things go

"People on properties have had to learn to lock up like they do in the cities."

"All That He Is" is a novel about a man who returns from service in Afghanistan and looks for a meaningful life on the land.

"He's suffering PTSD, and as a good number of people who are discharged from the army, they are suddenly, completely displace," she

"The army is the only career they know, and suddenly they are no longer part of that organisation and they lose their sense of identity.

"And as you know, there is a high suicide rate among former ADF personnel – it's a wor-



Jill Staunton with her new novel.

Ms Staunton said this character in her book is looking for a new purpose.

"He ends up involved in an adventure in the outback and finds what he needs eventually,"

"It's a great book about themes and charac-

If you'd like to purchase a copy of "All That He Is", you can find it online at boolarong-



The Longreach Girl Guides are looking for more members and helpers to join the

### **Girl Guides** make return

By Michael R Williams

Every year Katherine Oliver looks to do something new with the Girl Guides.

This year the Girl Guides will be more involved with the planning the program themselves this year.

We'll be doing an around the flag's where the girls can imagine flying around the world," Ms Oliver said.

There are many unique things members of the Girl Guides get to do, including the importance of being a part of a

Girl Guides return on the 8 February with a 5.30 start.

If you'd like to join the girl guides, you can contact Katherine Oliver at longreachDM@guidesqld.org.

The Girl Guides are looking for leaders and helpers this year.

### Seniors given Australia Day feed, compliments of council

Longreach seniors were treated to a free lunch at the RSL for Australia Day and, as you would expect, they enjoyed it greatly.

One attendee, Elsie Keene said she has been enjoying Australia Day despite not being able to go many places due to the rain.

"We love to see the rain, however," she said.

"The council has been marvelous for putting the Seniors Lunch.

'Thank you to the council for doing it for





Keen for a feed, Maxien Bradley and Carolyn Willersdorf.



Irene Harvey and Yvonne Johnson are keen for their meals.



Craig Boosey enjoying the Senior's Lunch.



Elsie Keene loves Australia Day.



Helen Cooper is jumping into the fun as well.



The ladies behind the counter, Billie-Jo Deighton and Chantelle Smith.



The Blackall Amateur Swimming Club.



# Outback splash and bash

By Michael R Williams

Swimmers from across many parts of Central Queensland gathered in Barcaldine for the Outback Oasis Swimming Carnival.

Barcaldine Amateur Swimming Club President Brooke Miller said this was an event where swimmers from Charleville, Springsure, Rockhampton, Yeppoon, and even one from Brisbane.

"We have lots of different events starting from the six-and-unders doing 15 metres to doing 50 metres and 100," she said.

"It's a pretty big carnival for the Central West; we got over 100 competitors this year.

"That is down from last year due to the Covid restrictions – a lot of people from what I hear, either had Covid or were concerned about travel."

Ms Miller said the swimming club made sure to notify attendees about social distancing and other protocols.

Both Longreach and Barcaldine swimmers performed well at the swimming carnival.

"We had Ava Arnaboldi, once again, she got her 12 years age champion and one four or five events," Ms Miller said.

"She entered into the 12-and-over competition, which was the older girls 14, 15, 16-year-old, and she came fourth in that.

"She did really well."

Ms Miller also pointed out Gracie Miller who entered into the under 12s skins and Edward Sibley-Walsh who broke two club records.

"I'm happy after winning the race," Mr Sibley-Walsh said.

"I really enjoy swimming and going fast."

In Barcaldine, there were 30 competitors which was a little lower than in previous years.

"Another thing that may have affected turn out was the fact that school hasn't gone back," Ms Miller said.

"Usually after everyone at school goes back, everyone is around and raring to go."

Caribae, a Rockhampton Swimming Club, won the overall trophy on the day.





The Longreach Stingrays.



Ava Arnaboldi with coach Geoff Rafter. Ms Arnaboldi will be leaving for Townsville this year, "she was the fastest ever 11-year-old for the Barcaldine Swimming Club".



Edward Sibley-Walsh after breaking club records for Barcaldine.

# Out and About































- Stevie Naylor, Lily Smith, Bella and Kobi Wright, and Hugh Smith grabbing a feed at the RSL.
- The Barlcaldine Yellowbellies.
- 4: Emma Sibley, Patricia Walsh, and Charlotte Sibley-Walsh at the Barcaldine Swimming Carnival.
- Priya Bax, Indiana Gretton, and Minnie Zischke having a girls night out.
- Liam Sansom, Justin Gow, and Riley Williams having a friend's gathering.
- Jodie Perrous, Dallas Gentles, and Tobi Gentles enjoying the swimming.
- Alan Smith, Emilee Pennisi, and Jo Bartley thumbs up!
- Max and Michael Bruggerman having a day out in Barcaldine.

- 10: Birdcage regulars, Michael and Tanya Lloyd.
- Rachael James, Mitchell Hopper, and Sarah Schottelius having a Saturday evening dinner.
- Pat Mearson, Sarah Hall, and Ryan McDonald in the smocko area.
- Isaiah Richardson and Asahi Kommdi, a boys 13: night out.
- Nathan Burey and Richard Simpson having beers at the Birdcage.
- 15: Micko Denny and Dane Pioli clinking beers.
- Darren Batts and Emmie Creevey enjoying their night out.
- Lisa and Gordon Magoffin having a mother/ son
- **18:** Jodie and Glen Bowley having a drink at the RSL.
- 19: Snowy Dennis striking a pose.















Do you have an event coming up? We want to know!

Send the details to editorial@leadertoday.com.au and we'll publish it in our weekly Events Calendar.

### **Cover Story**

# Hungry for romance

Australian-made rom-com series Wolf Like Me is a love story with a surprising twist that reflects how scary a new relationship can be, writes Lauren Mitchell

Inding love isn't easy these days. It can get pretty complicated when we all bring our own set of baggage to a new relationship.

That's where Wolf Like Me, a fresh and subversive romantic comedy series from *Little Monsters* writer-director Abe Forsythe,

The show, a genre-defying and heartfelt drama produced by Jodi Matterson (Nine Perfect Strangers), Bruna Papandrea (Big Little Lies) and Steve Hutensky (*The Dry*) is based on Forsythe's own life experiences as a 40-something single parent.

Josh Gad stars as Gary, a widowed dad living in Adelaide who's been very unsuccessful in his attempts to find love again, mostly because his focus is always on connecting with his 11-year-old daughter Emma (Ariel Donoghue).

When Mary (Isla Fisher). a dynamic and mysterious stranger. crashes into their car, she forms a sudden and strong bond with anxiety-stricken Emma that leaves Gary speechless.

Several coincidences and chance meetings later, it becomes clear that something between Mary and Gary is meant to be, but Mary has a complicated history of her own and is wary of bringing someone into her life.

A romantic lead role isn't where viewers would usually find Gad, a Broadway star who's known for his work on comedy series Avenue 5 and The Comedians and - perhaps most famously - as the voice of snowman Olaf in Frozen, which is exactly why Forsythe cast him as Gary.

"I worked with Josh on my last movie, so I got to know him really well, and I knew what a fantastic actor he is, but also what a great father he is, too," Forsythe told journalist Berge Garabedian.

"Just knowing that I hadn't seen him play something like that before dramatically, he's such a great actor.

"I'm a big believer that in order to be good at comedy, you have to be dramatically sound as an actor. These aren't the roles that you would be expecting to see them in, and a big [part] of this story is about subverting expectations and to not judge a book by its cover."

For Fisher, it's likewise a welcome departure from the ditzy love interest roles like Wedding Crashers and Confessions of a Shopaholic that she's typically cast in.

"The idea of playing, you know, in a sort-of genre-bending piece, is obviously something I've never been offered before," Fisher told Stan's Renee Bargh.

"I loved how beautiful these characters were, how flawed they were."

Playing opposite Gad sweetened the deal for the Australian actress,



who jumped at the chance to work alongside her friend.

"I knew that we'd have a great time, and obviously when you play in a love story, you need to know the chemistry's there and I felt secure that I could pull that bit off," she said.

That chemistry between Mary and Gary is evident from their first encounter, and continues off-screen.

"I came on board after Isla, and quite a big part of the reason why I wanted to do it was because I had been obsessed with Isla for years," Gad confessed to Bargh.

"I had wanted to work with her forever - we were actually looking at another project together. And, then this one sort of happened and I read

the script and just fell in love with it, fell in love with the idea of working with her, with Abe [Forsythe] again, after Little Monsters, and it was just, it was easy."

The third and final piece of the casting puzzle was Donoghue, who portrays Gary's daughter Emma with vulnerability, but also a wisdom beyond her years. Forsythe went through an extensive process to find the right actor for the role.

"She's got a face that, you put the camera on her, and it's saying so much without doing practically anything," the filmmaker said.

"It's kind of scary, actually, how much the camera picks up and how little she does, particularly because she's only 12 years old."

### IT'S ABOUT PUTTING YOUR FEARS ASIDE AND JUMPING INTO THE UNKNOWN WHEN IT SEEMS UNBELIEVABLY FRAUGHT WITH DANGER, AND CHAOS, AND ALL OF THOSE THINGS

Forsythe directed the trio to play Wolf Like Me straight, as an earnest love story, but there is a piquant twist hidden in plain sight that brings plenty of comedy to the situation. It's a secret best kept under lock and key for viewers, but helps make sense of celebrated comedy-horror filmmaker Forsythe's sudden and surprising move into romance.

"The more seriously and dramatically they play the material, the funnier it becomes once you realise what they're actually dealing with," Forsythe said.

However, it takes some time for the twist to be revealed, allowing Mary and Gary to explore their newfound bond and the incredible set of circumstances they find themselves in.

"For me, to be honest it was about withholding it for as long as possible," Forsythe said.

"At the end of the day, it's meant to be something scary, but I think that there's something quite beautiful about it, as well."

Power of love: Mary (Isla Fisher)

and Gary (Josh

together by

daughter Ariel

Donoghue.

While it turns out that Mary and Garv's relationship has some pretty uncommon and extreme hurdles in their way, the series still shows a remarkably relatable courtship process.

"I think it's a drama about the obstacles, or the baggage, we overcome to enjoy a romantic relationship and feel vulnerable and safe, having intimacy with another person," Fisher said.

"It's about putting your fears aside and jumping into the unknown when it seems unbelievably fraught with danger, and chaos, and all of those things," Gad added.

"These two, from their first chance encounter, it's like fate is putting out a hand and reaching in and forcing them together to allow both of them to come out of their shells.'

■ Wolf Like Me, streaming, Stan

### **Movie Guide**





WILD TARGET ABC TV Plus, Friday, 8.30pm, M (2010)

Victor Maynard (Bill Nighy) is a top assassin-for-hire carrying on the family tradition. His latest job is to eliminate Rose (Emily Blunt), a feisty kleptomaniac who works a fake portrait scam. As Victor is making his attempt on Rose, Tony (Rupert Grint) stumbles upon the pair, and after some initial missteps, the three become a family of sorts, with screen legend Eileen Atkins (Robin Hood) chiming in as the overbearing matriarch. An agreeable comedy in the English tradition. \*\*\*



BILL & TED'S EXCELLENT ADVENTURE 9Go!, Sunday, 7pm, PG (1989)

Director Stephen Herek's trip through time still packs plenty of laughs at the expense of dumb buddies Bill (Alex Winter) and Ted (Keanu Reeves). The harmless duo need to prepare a history assignment if they are to graduate and their hopes seem worse than slim. However, a time machine may just save their bacon. You'd think the constant exclamations of "Party on, dudes!" and "Excellent!" would wear thin, but to the credit of an endearing Reeves and Winter, it doesn't.



THE BOURNE IDENTITY Nine, Friday, 8.40pm, M (2002)

After decades of spy thrillers involving girls, gadgets and little else, the genre received a shot in the arm from director Doug Liman. The riveting yarn kicks off with the discovery of amnesiac Jason Bourne (Matt Damon) by a crew of Italian fishermen. Given no clues to his identity except for the bullet holes in his back and the Swiss bank account number implanted in his hip, Mr Bourne embarks on a mission to discover who he is. This action-thriller is a rarity – it has brains. \*\*\*



**DEN OF THIEVES**9Go!, Monday, 8.30pm, MA15+ (2018)

An elite unit of the LA County Sheriff's Department and California's most successful bank robbery crew go head-to-head in a thrilling and gritty crime saga from first-time director Christian Gudegast. Gerard Butler is 'Big Nick' O'Brien, the leader of the 'good' guys, while Pablo Schreiber is Outlaws leader Ray, who has a plan for a seemingly impossible heist on the city's Federal Reserve. The tension between the pair threatens to explode at any moment and makes for a gripping battle... \*\*\*



HOME AGAIN 10 Shake, Saturday, 7.45pm, M (2017)

Reese Witherspoon stars as single mum in Los Angeles whose life takes an unexpected turn when she allows three young guys (Nat Wolff, Jon Rudnitsky and Pico Alexander) to move in with her. Her unlikely new family and new romance come to a crashing halt when her ex-husband (Michael Sheen) shows up. Written and directed by Hallie Meyers-Shyer, the daughter of rom-com queen Nancy Meyers (Something's Gotta Give), this film holds no surprises but plenty of heart.



X-MEN: FIRST CLASS 7Flix, Tuesday, 8.30pm, M (2011)

This prequel to the *X-Men* films takes us back to 1944 when a young Erik Lehnsherr (Michael Fassbender) – better known as Magneto – sees his mother killed by Nazi scientist Sebastian Shaw (Kevin Bacon). Fast forward to 1962, and Erik, in his search for revenge, crosses paths with Charles Xavier (James McAvoy). British director Matthew Vaughn (*Kick-Ass*) ties all the strands together, keeping the spirit of the franchise alive while substantially improving its legitimacy.

### The Guide



### **BETTER HOMES AND GARDENS** Seven, Friday, 7pm

Host Johanna Griggs (pictured) and the trusty crew return with season 28 of this Aussie favourite this week. Adam makes an entrance, literally, with a front-door makeover to remember; while Joh and Charlie check out



Rosedale Farm, near Orange in NSW. Karen takes inspiration from the Winter Olympics with *hong shao rou*, a Shanghai specialty; while Ed makes two Chinese dishes that the whole family will enjoy. Staying on theme, Graham is transported to China with a visit to Sydney's Chang Lai Yuan Chinese garden.

### AINSLEY'S GOOD MOOD FOOD SBS Food, Saturday, 7.35pm

Larger-than-life British chef Ainsley Harriott (pictured) is onto a winner with this new series – and that's not just because he breaks into song whenever he feels like it. Harriott has a zest for life that can't be ignored.



Based on his book of the same name, this foodie adventure sees him cooking on the beach (his favourite spot) as well as the kitchen (another place he obviously loves). The show is all about food that makes him feel good and the feeling is infectious. It's hard to object with Harriott's fervour.

### JOANNA LUMLEY AND THE HUMAN SWAN ABC TV, Tuesday, 9.30pm

The Absolutely Fabulous star charts Australian-born conservationist Sacha Dench's (pictured, right, with Lumley) quest to raise awareness about climate change in this wholesome doco.



Dench got her nickname after following a flock of swans on their three-month migration journey. Here, she uses the same method of transportation – a battery powered hang-glider called a paramotor – to journey along the British coast, while Lumley follows on land, and they meet folk making a difference.

### Friday, February 4

### ABCTV (2)

**6.00** News Breakfast. **9.00** ABC News Mornings. **10.00** A Dog Act: The Disappearance Of Paddy Moriarty. (PG, R) **11.10** George Clarke's Amazing Spaces. (R) **12.00** ABC News At Noon. **1.00** Kurt Fearnley's One Plus One. (R) **1.30** Midsomer Murders. (Mals, R) **3.00** ABC News Atternoons. **4.00** Think Tank. (PG, R) **4.55** Stan Grant's One Plus One. (R) **5.25** Hard Quiz. (PG, R)

6.00 The Drum. Analysis of the day's news.7.00 ABC News. Takes a look at today's top stories.7.30 Monty Don's American

Gardens. Part 2 of 3.

8.30 Midsomer Murders. (Mv, R)
After the body of an unknown man
is found in a theatre, DCI Barnaby

and DS Winter investigate.

10.05 Mum. (R) Summer draws to a close.

10.35 ABC Late News. Detailed

coverage of the day's events.

10.50 Shaun Micallef's MAD AS
HELL. (M, R) Hosted by Shaun Micallef.

11.20 QI. (Mls, R) Hosted by Sandi Toksvig.

11.50 Killing Eve. (MA15+v, R)

12.35 Rage. (MA15+adhlnsv)

ABC TV PLUS (22) 6am Children's Programs. 5.10pm The Wonder Gang. 5.20 Kangaroo Beach. 5.35 Luo Bao Bei. 5.50 Peppa Pig. 5.55 Hey Duggee. 6.05 Octonauts. 6.20 Bluey. 6.25 Peter Rabbit. 6.40 Andy's Aquatic Adventures. 7.00 Dino Dana. 7.15 Odd Squad. 7.30 Spicks And Specks. 8.00 Hard Quiz. 8.30 MOVIE: Wild Target. (2010, M) 10.05 Doctor Who. 11.00 Brassic. 11.50 Ql. 12.20am Community. 12.40 Parks And Recreation. 1.05 Grand Designs: House Of The Year. 1.50 ABC News Update. 1.55 Close. 5.05 Little Princess. 5.15 Hoot Hoot Go! 5.20 Pingu In The City. 5.30 Wallvkazam! 5.55 Late Programs.

NITV (34) 6am Morning Programs. 9.10
Bushwhacked! 9.35 The Magic Canoe. 10.00
Unknown Amazon. 10.50 Road Open. 11.00 Going
Places. Noon Stand Up And Be Counted: A NAIDOC
Concert Special. 1.55 Headdress. 2.00 Shortland
Street. 2.30 Chefs' Line. 3.00 Bushwhacked! 3.25
The Magic Canoe. 3.50 Wolf Joe. 4.00 Aussie Bush
Tales. 4.10 Grace Beside Me. 4.35 Mustangs FC.
5.00 Our Stories. 5.30 NITV News: Nula. 6.00
Bamay. 6.30 News. 6.35 Unknown Amazon. 7.30
Little J And Big Cuz. 7.45 MOVIE: Blinky Bill: The
Movie. (2015) 9.30 Bedtime Stories. 9.40 Yolngu
Radio's Festival Sessions. 10.40 Late Programs.

### **SBS** (3)

6.00 WorldWatch. 9.30 Greek News. 10.30 German News. 11.00 Spanish News. 11.30 Turkish News. 12.00 Arabic News F24. 12.30 ABC America: World News Tonight. 1.00 PBS NewsHour. (R) 2.00 The Cook Up With Adam Liaw Bitesize. 2.05 America In Colour. (Mav, R) 3.00 NITV News: Nula. 3.30 Going Places With Ernie Dingo. (R) 4.00 Michael Mosley: Queen Victoria's Slum. (PG, R) 5.05 Jeopardy! (PG) 5.30 Letters And Numbers. (R)

have haunted him for yonks might hold the key to bringing his family home.

6.00 Mastermind Australia. (PG, R) 6.30 SBS World News. 7.35 Good With Wood. (PG)

Hosted by Mel Giedroyc.

8.30 Walking Britain's Roman
Roads: Ermin Way. (R) Dan Jones
travels the Frmin Way.

travels the Ermin Way.

9.20 Rise Of Empires:
Incas. (Ma, R) Part 1 of 3.

10.25 SBS World News Late.
10.55 8 Out Of 10 Cats Does

Countdown. (Mals, R) 11.50 Agatha Christie's Criminal Games. (Mav, R) 1.35 The Killing. (Mals, R) 4.55 Destination Flavour: Singapore Bitesize. (R) 5.00 France 24 Feature. 5.15 NHK World English News. 5.30 Deutsche Welle English News.

SBS VICELAND (31) 6am WorldWatch.

11.35 Hindi News. Noon American Boyband.

1.30 Flophouse. 2.10 Hunters. 3.00 Jungletown.

3.50 America: News. 4.15 PBS News. 5.15 Joy Of
Painting. 5.45 Shortland Street. 6.15 Alone. 7.05
Jeopardy! 7.35 8 Out Of 10 Cats Does Countdown.

8.30 Hoarders. 9.20 Sex Unlimited. (Premiere)

10.15 Mums Make Porn. 11.10 Narcos. 12.10am VICE
News Tonight. 1.05 The Trixie & Katya Show. 1.30
Epicly Later'd. 2.20 Twiz And Tuck. 2.45 NHK World
English News. 3.00 Thai News. 3.30 Bangla News.

4.00 Punjabi News. 4.30 Sri Lankan Sinhalese
News. 5.00 Korean News. 5.30 Indonesian News.

The Little Witch. Continued. (2018, PG) 6.10 The Illusionist. (2010, PG) 7.35 Walking On Sunshine. (2014, PG) 9.30 Moomins On The Riviera. (2014, PG) 10.55 Burning. (2018, M, Korean) 1.35pm Belle. (2013, PG) 3.30 The Imaginarium Of Doctor Parnassus. (2009, PG) 5.45 Sun Children. (2020, PG, Farsi) 7.35 Labor Day. (2013, M) 9.35 Shadow. (2018, Mandarin) 11.45 Game Of Death. (1978, M, Cantonese) 1.40am The Bravest. (2019, Mandarin) 3.50 Kursk. (2018, M)

### SEVEN (7)

6.00 Sunrise.
9.00 The Morning Show. (PG)
The latest news and views.
10.30 Olympic Winter Games
Beijing 2022. Day 0: Day session.
1.00 Olympic Winter Games
Beijing 2022. Day 0: Afternoon session.
4.00 Seven News At 4.
5.00 The Chase Australia.
Hosted by Larry Emdur.

6.00 Seven Local News.
6.30 Seven News.
7.00 Better Homes And
Gardens. (Return)
8.30 The Front Bar: Winter
Olympics Edition. (M) Takes
a lighter look at the Olympics.
9.30 Olympic Winter Games
Beijing 2022: Countdown
To Opening Ceremony. A look
ahead at the Opening Ceremony.
10.00 Olympic Winter Games
Beijing 2022: Opening Ceremony.
12.30 Idris Elba Meets Paul McCartney. (PGa,
R) 1.30 The Zoo. (R) 2.00 Home Shopping.
(R) 4.00 Million Dollar Minute. (R) 5.00 My
Greek Odyssey. (PG, R)

7TWO (72) 6am Home Shopping. 6.30
Travel Oz. 8.00 Harry's Practice. 8.30 Million
Dollar Minute. 9.30 The Great Australian Doorstep
10.00 Charlie Luxton's Homes By The Sea. 1pm
Million Dollar Minute. 2.00 Last Chance Learners.
2.30 Sons And Daughters. 4.30 RSPCA Animal
Rescue. 5.30 Escape To The Country. 6.30 Bargain
Hunt. 7.30 Railroad Australia. 8.30 Selling Houses
Australia. 11.45 The Great Outdoors: Greatest
Escapes. 12.45am The Fine Art Auction. 4.00
Better Homes And Gardens Summer. 5.30 Home
Shopping.

7MATE (73) 6am ITM Fishing Show. 7.00
Fishing And Adventure. 7.30 Creek To Coast. 8.00
American Pickers. 9.00 Storage Wars: TX. 9.30
Pawn Stars. 10.00 Sailing. 2021 Transat Jacques
Vabre. Highlights. 11.15 Shipping Wars. Noon Billy
The Exterminator. 12.30 Lost In Transmission.
1.30 Detroit Steel. 2.30 Highway Thru Hell. 3.30
Bull Riding. PBR Australia. Monster Energy Tour.
Greatest Moments. 4.00 Olympic Winter Games
Beijing 2022. Day 0: Afternoon session. 5.30 Lost In
Transmission. 6.30 American Pickers. 7.30 MOVIE:
Suicide Squad. (2016, M) 10.00 MOVIE: Keanu.
(2016, MA15+) 12.10am Late Programs.

### **NINE** (8, 9)

6.00 Today.
9.00 Today Extra. (PG)
11.30 Morning News.
12.00 MOVIE: The Pink
Panther. (2006, PGlsv, R)
2.00 Pointless. (PG)
3.00 Tipping Point. (PG)
4.00 Afternoon News.
4.30 Millionaire Hot Seat. (R)
5.30 WIN News.

6.00 Nine News.
7.00 A Current Affair.
7.30 David Attenborough's Green Planet: Tropical Worlds. Part 1 of 5.
8.40 MOVIE: The Bourne Identity.
(2002, Mlv, R) A man sets out to discover his identity after being hauled from the ocean with amnesia. Matt Damon, Franka Potente, Chris Cooper.
10.55 MOVIE: Tracers. (2015, Mlv, R) A bicycle messenger joins a gang. Taylor Lautner.
12.40 Tipping Point. (PG, R)
1.30 TV Shop: Home Shopping. (R)

**4.00** Take Two. (R)

9GEM (81, 92) 6am TV Shop: Home Shopping. 7.00 Creflo Dollar Ministries. 7.30 TV Shop: Home Shopping. 10.30 Pointless. 11.30 My Favorite Martian. Noon Seaway. 1.00 The Young And The Restless. 2.00 Death in Paradise. 3.10 Antiques Roadshow. 3.40 MOVIE: Barnacle Bill. (1957) 5.30 Murder, She Wrote. 6.30 Antiques Roadshow. 7.30 Saved & Remade. 8.30 MOVIE: The Negotiator. (1998, M) 11.15 Memory Lane. 12.35am Antiques Roadshow. 1.00 TV Shop: Home Shopping.

**4.30** Global Shop. (R) **5.00** TV Shop: Home Shopping. (R) **5.30** A Current Affair. (R)

9GO! (82, 93) 6am Children's Programs.
Noon Ironman. Kellogg's Nutri-Grain IronMan and IronWoman Series. 2.00 The A-Team. 3.00 The Nanny. 3.30 3rd Rock From The Sun. 4.00 That '70s Show. 4.30 Raymond. 5.30 MOVIE: The Smurfs. (2011) 7.30 MOVIE: Penguins Of Madagascar. (2014) 9.15 MOVIE: Bad Neighbours 2. (2016, MA15+) 11.05 Stunt Science. Midnight The Carrie Diaries. 1.00 Summer House. 2.00 Love Island USA. 2.50 Mike Tyson Mysteries. 3.00 Bakugan: Battle Planet. 3.30 Ninjago: Masters Of Spinjitzu. 4.00 TV Shop: Home Shopping. 5.00 Care Bears: Unlock The Magic. 5.30 Tom And Jerry.

### **TEN (5, 1)**

6.00 The Talk. (PGa) 7.00 Judge Judy. (PG, R) 7.30 The Bold And The Beautiful. (PG, R) 8.00 Studio 10. (PG) 12.00 Dr Phil. (PGa) 1.00 Jamie's Ultimate Veg. (R) 2.00 My Market Kitchen. (R) 2.30 Entertainment Tonight. 3.00 Judge Judy. (PG, R) 3.30 Left Off The Map. 4.00 Farm To Fork. (PG) 4.30 The Bold And The Beautiful. (PG) 5.00 10 News First.

6.30 The Project. A look at the day's news and events.
7.30 The Graham Norton Show. Guests include Penélope Cruz.
9.30 The Montreal Comedy Festival. (MA15+s, R) Stand-up comedy from

Danny Bhoy, Dylan Moran, Orny Adams,

Wanda Sykes and Michael Che.

10.30 Drunk History
Australia. (MAI5+I, R)

11.00 The Project. (R)

12.00 The Late Show With
Stephen Colbert. (PG)
1.00 Home Shopping. (R)
2.30 Infomercials. (PG, R)
3.00 Home Shopping. (R) 5.30

Infomercials. (PG, R)

10 PEACH (52, 11) 6am The Late Show With Stephen Colbert. 7.00 NBL Slam. 7.30 Seinfeld. 9.00 Becker. 10.00 The Middle. 11.00 Frasier. Noon Friends. 1.00 The Big Bang Theory. 1.30 Seinfeld. 3.00 The King Of Queens. 4.00 Becker. 5.00 Frasier. 6.00 Friends. 8.00 The Big Bang Theory. 9.30 Mom. 10.30 Nancy Drew. 11.30 Friends. Midnight Home Shopping. 12.30 Indomercials. 1.00 Home Shopping. 1.30 The Late Show With Stephen Colbert. 2.30 The Late Late Show With James Corden. 3.30 Becker. 4.30 Home Shopping. 5.30 Infomercials.

10 BOLD (53, 12) 6am Home Shopping.
7.00 Infomercials. 8.00 Pat Callinan's 4x4
Adventures. 9.00 Jake And The Fatman.
10.00 Diagnosis Murder. 11.00 JAG. Noon All
4 Adventure. 3.00 Cheers. 3.30 Jake And The
Fatman. 4.30 Diagnosis Murder. 5.30 JAG. 7.30
NCIS. 8.30 Law & Order: SVU. 10.30 CSI: Crime
Scene Investigation. 12.30am Home Shopping.
1.00 Infomercials. 1.30 Home Shopping. 2.00 JAG.
4.00 Walker. Texas Ranger. 5.00 Diagnosis Murder.

### **Saturday, February 5**

6.00 Rage. (PG) 7.00 Weekend Breakfast. **9.00** Rage. (PG) **12.00** ABC News At Noon. **12.30** Midsomer Murders. (Mv, R) **2.00** Outback Ringer. (PG, R) 2.30 Australia Remastered. (Final, R) 3.30 Landline Summer. (R) 4.00 Basketball. WNBL. Round 10. University of Canberra Capitals v Southside Flyers. From the National Convention Centre

6.10 George Clarke's Amazing Spaces. (R) George Clarke meets an airline enthusiast. 7.00 ABC News. Takes a look at today's top stories. 7.30 Death In Paradise. (PG) A lottery winner is found dead.

8.30 All Creatures Great And Small. (PG) Siegfried interviews for the job of attending vet at a local racecourse. James faces the toughest challenge of his career when he diagnoses Hugh Hulton's pedigree horse with a torsion of the bowel.

9.15 Call The Midwife. (PG, R) Sister Hilda gives a patient her final wish as the Turners prepare to say goodbye to May. 10.15 Father Brown. (PG, R)

Mrs McCarthy strikes it lucky at bingo. 11.05 Finding Alice. (Final, Mls, R) Alice is determined to develop Harry's land. **11.55 Rage.** (MA15+adhlnsv)

**ABC TV PLUS (22)** 6am Children's Programs. **7.05pm** The Deep. **7.30** Spicks And Specks. **8.00** Ql. **8.30** Live At The Apollo. **9.20** Whose Line Is It Anyway? 10.00 Gavin & Stacey 10.30 Insert Name Here. 11.05 Schitt's Creek. 11.25 The Trip To Greece. (Final) Midnight Archer. 12.25 Dead Pixels. 12.45 The Young Offenders. 1.20 Conquest Of The Skies. 2.10 ABC News Update. 2.15 Close. **5.05** Little Princess. **5.15** Late Programs.

NITV (34) 6am Morning Programs. 10.15 MOVIE: Blinky Bill: The Movie. (2015) Noon Unknown Amazon. 12.55 Bamay. 1.40 Rugby Union. Ella 7s. 2.00 Ice Hockey. National Hockey Super League, 4.00 Soccer, Scottish Women's Premier League. **5.50** Away From Country. **6.50** News. **7.00** Chuck And The First People's Kitchen. **7.30** Herbs. **9.10** MOVIE: Queen Of The Damned. (2002, MA15+) 10.55 Late Programs.

### **SBS**(3)

6.00 WorldWatch. 11.30 Turkish News. 12.00 Arabic News F24. 12.30 ABC America: World News Tonight. 1.00 PBS NewsHour. (R) 2.00 The Cook Up With Adam Liaw Bitesize. 2.10 Going Places With Ernie Dingo. (PGaw, R) 2.40 Secrets Of The Royal Wardrobe. (R) 4.00 Secret Life Of The Mega Resort. (R) 5.00 Going Places With Ernie Dingo. (R) 5.35 Tony Robinson's Forgotten War Stories. (Final, PG)

6.30 SBS World News. 7.35 Great Escapes With Morgan Freeman: Escaping Hitler. (M) A look at the Great Escape

8.30 Legendary Castles: Neuschwanstein. (Premiere) Part 1 of 2. Takes a look at the construction of two mountain-top castles, including Neuschwanstein

9.30 World's Most Beautiful Railway. (R) A look at Scotland's railway network. 10.25 8 Out Of 10 Cats Does Countdown. (Mals, R) 11.15 Dublin Murders. (MA15+alv, R)

12.20 MOVIE: American Gangster. (2007, MA15+dv, R) **3.10 MOVIE:** Transit. (2018, Mal, R, German) Franz Rogowski, Paula Beer, Godehard Giese. 5.00 France 24 Feature. 5.15 NHK World English News. 5.30 Deutsche Welle English News.

SBS VICELAND (31) 6am WorldWatch. 11.30 SBS Courtside. Noon Basketball. NBA. Utah Jazz v Brooklyn Nets. **2.30** Hunt For The Trump Tapes. **3.00** The Pizza Show. **3.30** WorldWatch. **5.00** It's Suppertime! **5.30** RocKwiz. **6.50** The Story Of The Songs. 7.40 Brooklyn Nine-Nine. 8.35 Why Women Kill. **10.20** The X-Files. **Midnight MOVIE:** Her Smell. (2018, MA15+) **2.30** France 24. **3.00** Late

**SBS WORLD MOVIES (32) 6am** Morning Programs. **10.05** The Little Witch. (2018, PG) **11.55** The Bravest. (2019, Mandarin) **2.05pm** Walking On Sunshine. (2014, PG) **3.55** The Illusionist. (2010, PG) **5.25** Moomins On The Riviera (2014, PG) 6.50 Finding Altamira. (2016, PG) 8.30 Drunken Master. (1978, M, Cantonese) **10.35** The Young Master. (1980, M, Cantonese) **12.35am** Late

### SEVEN (7)

6.00 Better Homes And Gardens. (R) 7.00 Weekend Sunrise. The latest news, sport and weather. 10.00 Olympic Winter Games Beijing 2022. Day 1: Day session. **1.00** Olympic Winter Games

Beijing 2022. Day 1: Afternoon session. **5.00** Olympic Winter Games Beijing 2022. Day 1: Evening session.

6.00 Seven News. **7.00** Olympic Winter Games Beijing 2022. Day 1: Night session. Featuring a variety of events from the XXIV Olympic Winter Games.

9.00 Olympic Winter Games
Beijing 2022. Day 1: Late session. Featuring a variety of events from

the XXIV Olympic Winter Games.

11.00 Olympic Winter Games Beijing 2022. Day 1: Overnight session. Featuring a variety of events from the XXIV Olympic Winter Games.

1.30 The Zoo. (R) For the first time in Australia, the birth of a gorilla is captured on camera. 2.00 Home Shopping. (R)

**4.00** Get Clever. (R) Educational kids' program. 5.00 My Greek Odyssey. (PG, R) Hosted by Peter Maneas.

**7TWO (72) 6am** Home Shopping. **8.30** Travel Oz. **10.00** Weekender. **10.30** Creek To Coast. 11.00 Horse Racing. 4.30pm The Amazing Homemakers. 5.30 Ed And Karen's Recipes For Success. **6.30** The Yorkshire Vet. **8.30** Escape To The Country. 11.30 The Great Outdoors: Greatest Escapes. **12.30am** The Fine Art Auction. **3.30** The Great Australian Doorstep. 4.00 Weekender. 4.30 Creek To Coast. 5.00 Late Programs.

**7MATE** (73) **7MATE (73) 6am** Morning Programs. **12.30pm** Timbersports. **1.00** Blokesworld. **1.30** Australia ReDiscovered. 2.00 Detroit Steel. **3.00** Rides Down Under: Workshop Wars. **4.00** Football, AFL Women's, Round 5, Brisbane Lions v Collingwood. **6.00** Olympic Winter Games Beijing 2022. Day 1: Night session. **7.00 MOVIE:** Where Eagles Dare. (1968, PG) **10.15 MOVIE:** U-571. (2000, M) **12.35am** Late Programs.

**NINE (8.9)** 

6.00 Easy Eats. (R) 7.00 Weekend Today. **10.00** Today Extra: Saturday. (PG) **12.00** Ironman. Kellogg's Nutri-Grain IronMan and IronWoman Series. Round 5. 2.00 MOVIE: Undercover Blues. (1993, PGlsv, R) Dennis Quaid, Kathleen Turner, Stanley Tucci. 3.50 David Attenborough's Green Planet. (R) **5.00** News: First At Five. 5.30 Country House Hunters Australia. (R)

6.00 Nine News Saturday. 7.00 A Current Affair.
7.30 MOVIE: The Magnificent Seven.

(2016, Mv, R) Seven mercenaries are hired by a small town to protect the townsfolk from exploitation by an evil industrialist. Denzel Washington, Chris Pratt.

10.10 MOVIE: Safe House. (2012, Mlv, R) After being tasked with looking after a fugitive in a safe house, a CIA agent must defend himself and his charge. Denzel Washington, Ryan Reynolds.

12.15 Manifest. (Madv, R) Ben is drawn to help a passenger. 1.05 Australia's Top Ten Of Everything. (Ma, R) 2.00 TV Shop: Home Shopping. (R) **4.30** Global Shop. (R) 5.00 TV Shop: Home Shopping. (R) 5.30 Wesley Impact With

Stu Cameron. (Ma, R)

9GEM (81, 92) 6am Morning Programs **8.30** TV Shop. **10.00** My Favorite Martian. **10.30** Edgar Wallace Mysteries. 11.50 MOVIE: Assassin For Hire. (1951, PG) **1.15pm MOVIE:** Passport To Pimlico. (1949) **3.00 MOVIE:** Muscle Beach Party. (1964) **5.00 MOVIE:** Indiscreet. (1958, PG) **7.00 MOVIE:** Miss Congeniality. (2000, PG) **9.10** MOVIE: Miss Congeniality 2: Armed And Fabulous (2005, M) **11.30** Late Programs.

**9GO! (82, 93) 6am** Children's Programs. **1.30pm** Surfing Australia TV. **2.00** Race Across The World. 3.15 MOVIE: Down To Earth. (2001, PG) **5.00 MOVIE:** Galaxy Quest. (1999, PG) **7.00 MOVIE:** Despicable Me. (2010, PG) **8.50** MOVIE: Divergent. (2014, M) 11.30 Weird Science. (Premiere) **Midnight** The Carrie Diaries. **1.00** Summer House. **2.00** Below Deck Mediterranean. 2.50 Late Programs.

**TEN (5, 1)** 

6am Morning Programs. 8.00 My Market Kitchen. (R) **8.30** Pooches At Play. (R) **9.00** Freshly Picked. (R) 9.30 St10. (PG) 12.00 All 4 Adventure. (PGI, R) 1.00 Left Off The Map. (R) 1.30 Everyday Gourmet. (R) 2.00 My Market Kitchen. (R) **2.30** Destination Dessert. (R) 3.00 What's Up Down Under. 3.30 Farm To Fork. (PG, R) **4.00** Taste Of Australia. (R) **4.30** Roads Less Travelled. (R) 5.00 News.

**6.00 Soccer.** FFA Cup. Final. **9.00 Ambulance.** (Mal, R) Resource manager Saj is forced to make a split-second decision over where to send his limited resources. Advanced paramedic Luke puts his specialist training to use when he is dispatched to a motorcycle accident.

11.00 FBI: Most Wanted. (Mv, R) All hell breaks loose when Barnes and Jess are caught in a shooting while Christmas shopping with their families at a mall where the exits have been rigged with explosives so no one can escape.

12.00 Home Shopping. (R) 1.30 Infomercials. (PG, R) 2.30 Home Shopping. (R) **5.00 Hour Of Power.** Religious program.

10 PEACH (52, 11) 6am The Late Show With Stephen Colbert. 7.00 The King Of Queens. **8.00** Frasier. **9.00** Becker. **10.00** The Middle. **11.00** Brides Of Beverly Hills. Noon To Be Advised. 3.30 Friends. **6.00** The Big Bang Theory. **10.15** Friends. **12.10am** Home Shopping. **1.10** Infomercials. **1.40** Mom. **2.05** The Big Bang Theory. **2.35** Undercover Girlfriends. 3.30 Nancy Drew. 4.30 Home

**10 BOLD (53, 12) 6am** Home Shopping. **6.30** Infomercials. **8.00** Home Shopping. **9.00** The Doctors. 10.00 Cheers. 10.30 Australia By Design: Architecture. **11.00** Jake And The Fatman. **Noon** JAG. **2.00** All 4 Adventure. **3.00** Diagnosis Murder. **4.00** Bondi Rescue. **5.00** iFish Summer Series. **5.30** Scorpion. **7.30** NCIS. **8.30** Law & Order: SVU. **10.20** The FBI Declassified. **11.20** SEAL Team. 12.15am Blue Bloods. 2.10 Late Programs.

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### **Sunday, February 6**

6am Morning Programs. 9.00 Insiders. 10.00 Offsiders. 10.30 World This Week. (R) 11.00 Compass. (PG, R) 11.30 Praise. 12.00 News. **12.30** Landline Summer. (R) **1.00** Finding Alice. (Final, Mls, R) **1.45** Mum. (R) **2.15** Doc Martin. (PG, R) 3.05 Aussie Inventions That Changed The World. (PG, R) 4.00 Monty Don's American Gardens. (R) 5.00 Dream Gardens. (R) 5.30 Nigella At My Table. (R)

6.00 Australia Remastered: Forces Of Nature: Drought. Part 2 of 4. 7.00 ABC News Sunday. 7.40 Muster Dogs. (PG) Part 3 of 4. 8.40 Vera. (Mad) DCI Vera Stanhope and the team investigate the murder of an addiction support worker.

10.10 Doc Martin. (Final, Ma, R) Martin prepares for his hearing. 11.00 Harrow. (Malv, R) Harrow deals with a bizarre autopsy 11.50 Midsomer Murders. (Mv, R) 1.20 Rosemary Valadon: A Sensual World. (Mn, R) **1.50 Rage.** (MA15+adhlnsv) 4.00 Keeping Australia Safe. (Malv, R)

**5.00** Insiders. (R)

ABC TV PLUS (22) 6am Children's Programs. **7.05pm** The Deep. **7.30** Compass. **8.00** You Can't Ask That. **8.30** The School That Tried To End Racism. **9.20** Catalyst: The Secret Lives Of Our Urban Birds. **10.20 MOVIE:** Uncle Vanya. (2020, M) 12.50am George Clarke's Amazing Spaces. 1.40 MOVIE: Wild Target. (2010, M) 3.10 Close. 5.05 Little Princess. 5.15 Hoot Hoot Go! 5.20 Pingu In The City. 5.30 Wallykazam! 5.55 Late Programs.

NITV (34) 6.25am Morning Programs. 11.15 Football. CAFL. 12.45pm Motor Racing. W Series. Highlights. **1.15** Soccer. Serie A Femminile. **3.00** Rugby Union, NT Monsoon Rugby Union, 4.30 Softball. SA Premier League. **6.00** Going Native. **6.30** News. **6.40** Safari Babies. **7.40** Outback Lockdown, 8.30 Australia Burns: Silence Of The Land. 9.55 MOVIE: Once Were Warriors. (1994, MA15+) **11.50** Late Programs.

**6.00** WorldWatch. **7.30** Italian News. **8.10** Filipino News. 8.40 French News. 9.30 Greek News. **10.30** German News. **11.00** Spanish News. **11.30** Turkish News. **12.00** Arabic News F24. 12.30 ABC America: World News Tonight. **1.00** Beach Volleyball. Australian Tour. **3.00** Speedweek. (R) 4.00 March Of The Penguins. (PG, R) **5.30** The Battle Of Normandy.

6.30 SBS World News. 7.30 Elizabeth I And II: The Golden Queens. (PG) Part 1 of 2. 8.30 Ancient Metropolis: Chichén Itzá. (PG) Part 1 of 3. Takes a look at the enigmatic Maya civilisation by focusing on their cities, beginning with Chichén Itzá. **11.30 I Am JFK Jr.** (Ml, R)

1.10 Life And Birth. (PGa, R) 3.30 Billy Connolly's Big Send Off. (Mal, R)

4.25 VICE Guide To Film. (MA15+lv, R) 4.55 Destination Flavour: **Singapore Bitesize.** (R)

**5.00** France 24 Feature. **5.15** NHK World English News. 5.30 Deutsche Welle **English News** 

SBS VICELAND (31) 6am WorldWatch 9.30 Serbian News. 10.00 Portuguese News. 10.50 Urdu News. 11.35 Hindi News. Noon MOVIE: Hunt For The Wilderpeople. (2016, PG) 12.55am Hamilton's Pharmacopeia. 1.45 Reset. 2.15 The Carmichael Show. 2.40 France 24 News In English From Paris. **3.00** Thai News. **3.30** Bangla News. 4.00 Punjabi News. 4.30 Sri Lankan Sinhalese News. 5.00 Korean News. 5.30 Indonesian News.

SBS WORLD MOVIES (32) 6am Morning Programs. **8.10** Hawaa Hawaai. (2014, PG, Hindi) 10.20 Shadow. (2018, Mandarin) 12.30pm The Imaginarium Of Doctor Parnassus. (2009. PG) 2.45 Sun Children. (2020, PG, Farsi) 4.30 The Three Musketeers. (1973, PG) 6.30 The Lunchbox. (2013. PG. Hindi) **8.30** Wheels On Meals. (1984. M, Cantonese) **10.35** Chinese Zodiac. (2012, M) 12.40am Late Programs.

### **SEVEN (7)**

6.00 Better Homes And Gardens. (R) 7.00 Weekend Sunrise. The latest news, sport and weather **10.00** Olympic Winter Games

Beijing 2022. Day 2: Day session. **1.00** Olympic Winter Games Beijing 2022. Day 2: Afternoon session. **5.00** Olympic Winter Games Beijing 2022. Day 2: Evening session.

6.00 Seven News. **7.00** Olympic Winter Games Beijing 2022. Day 2: Night session. Featuring a variety of events from

the XXIV Olympic Winter Games. **9.00 Olympic Winter Games** Beijing 2022. Day 2: Late session. Featuring a variety of events from the XXIV Olympic Winter Games.

11.00 Olympic Winter Games Beijing 2022. Day 2: Overnight session. 1.30 Medical Emergency. (PG, R) A man who had a heart attack has an angiogram. **2.00** Home Shopping. (R) 3.30 Million Dollar Minute. (R) Hosted by Simon Reeve.

**5.30 Sunrise.** News, sport and weather.

5.00 Seven Early News.

**7TWO (72) 6am** Morning Programs. 7.30 Leading The Way. 8.00 David Jeremiah. 8.30 Shopping. **9.00** Cricket. The Women's Ashes. One-Day International. Australia v England. Game 2. 4pm Border Security: Int. 4.30 MOVIE: Superman III. (1983, PG) 7.15 Border Security: Australia's Front Line 8.30 Railroad Australia. 9.30 Mighty Trains. 10.30 Great Scenic Railway Journeys. (Premiere) 11.10 Late Programs.

**7MATE (73) 6am** Morning Programs. **1pm** Hook, Line And Sinker. **2.00** On The Fly. **2.30** Million Dollar Catch. **3.00** Fishing Addiction. **4.00** Football, AFI, Women's, Melbourne v Gold Coast 6.00 Olympic Winter Games Beijing 2022. Day 2: Evening session. **7.00** Pawn Stars. **7.30** MOVIE: Terminator 2. (1991, M) **10.20** MOVIE: Maze Runner: The Death Cure. (2018, M) 1.15am Late

### **NINE (8, 9)**

6.00 Easy Eats. (R) 7.00 Weekend Today. **10.00** Drive TV. **10.30** The Xtreme CollXtion. (PG, R) **11.00** Women's Footy. (PG) **12.00** Ironman. Kellogg's Nutri-Grain IronMan and IronWoman Series. Round 6. 2.00 The Weakest Link. (PG, R) 3.00 World's Greatest Natural Icons. **4.00** Bondi Vet. (PGm) 5.00 News: First At Five. **5.30 My Way.** (PG)

**6.00** Nine News Sunday. **7.00** Married At First Sight. (PGas) The final two couples walk down the aisle. 8.40 60 Minutes. Current affairs program, investigating, analysing and uncovering the issues affecting all Australians.

9.40 Australian Crime Stories: The Dark Side. (M, R) A look at the murder of Jamie Gao. 10.40 Nine News Late. 11.10 The First 48: MIA. (PGa) 12.00 Miniseries: The Bad Seed. (Mlv, R) **12.50 Drive TV.** (R) **1.20 Explore**. (PG, R) 1.30 TV Shop: Home Shopping. (R) 4.00 Believer's Voice Of Victory. (PGa) 4.30 Take Two. (R) 5.00 News Early Edition. **5.30** Today.

**9GEM (81, 92) 6am** TV Shop, **6.30** Amazing Facts Presents. **7.00** Leading The Way. **7.30** In Touch. 8.00 Beyond Today. 8.30 The Incredible Journey. **9.00** TV Shop. **10.00** My Favorite Martian. 10.30 Edgar Wallace Mysteries. 11.50 Avengers. **12.50pm MOVIE:** Brighton Rock. (1948, PG) **2.40 MOVIE:** The Indian Fighter. (1955, PG) **4.30 MOVIE:** The Horse Soldiers. (1959) **7.00** To Be Advised. 9.45 Law & Order. 10.45 Late Programs.

9GO! (82, 93) 6am Children's Programs. 1.30pm MOVIE: Pokémon The Movie: Hoopa And The Clash Of Ages. (2015) **3.00 MOVIE**: Loch Ness. (1996) **4.55 MOVIE**: Three Amigos! (1986, PG) **7.00** MOVIE: Bill & Ted's Excellent Adventure. (1989, PG) 8.50 MOVIE: Star Trek. (2009. M) 11.20 Stunt Science, 12.20am The Carrie Diaries, 1.15 Summer House. **2.10** Below Deck Mediterranean. **3.00** Power Rangers Dino Fury. **3.30** Late Programs.

6am Morning Programs. 8.00 GCBC. (R) 8.30 Freshly Picked. (R) 9.00 Everyday Gourmet. (R) **9.30** St10. (PG) **12.00** Australian Survivor. (R) **1.30** My Market Kitchen. (R) **2.00** Left Off The Map. (R) 2.30 Australia By Design: Architecture. (PG) 3.00 Destination Dessert. (R) **3.30** Roads Less Travelled. (R) **4.00** Farm To Fork. (PG, R) **4.30** Taste Of Australia. (R)

6.30 The Sunday Project. Panellists dissect, digest and reconstitute the daily news, events and hottest topics.

**7.30 Australian Survivor.** A group of Australian castaways find themselves stranded in Far North Queensland.

**9.15 FBI.** (Mav, R) After a medical tech company board member is murdered, the team tries to find out who had the most to gain from his death. OA is pressured to help a family member who wants to join the police.

11.00 The Sunday Project. (R) A look at the day's news. 12.00 Home Shopping. (R) 1.30 Infomercials. (PG, R) 3.00 Home Shopping. (R) 4.30 CBS Mornings.

10 PEACH (52, 11) 6am Brides Of Beverly Hills. 7.00 The Big Bang Theory. 8.30 Neighbours. 10.30 To Be Advised. Noon Basketball. NBL. Round 10. Sydney Kings v Cairns Taipans. **2.00** Basketball. NBL. Round 10. Melbourne United v Tasmania JackJumpers. **4.00** Carol's Second Act. **5.00** Friends. **6.00** The Big Bang Theory. **8.30** Friends. **Midnight** Shopping. **12.30** Infomercials. **1.00** Shopping. 1.30 Late Programs.

10 BOLD (53, 12) 6am Morning Programs. **10.00** iFish Summer. **10.30** Reel Action. **11.00** Escape Fishing. **11.30** Australia By Design: Interiors. Noon Australia By Design: Architecture. 12.30 Scorpion. 2.30 Soccer. A-League Women. Round 10. Melbourne City v Western Sydney Wanderers. **5.00** Snap Happy. **5.30** What's Up Down Under. **6.00** I Fish. **6.15** Bondi Rescue. **7.15** JAG. **8.15** Soccer. AFC Women's Asian Cup. Final. **11.30** Late Programs.

### **Monday, February 7**

### ABCTV(2)

**6.00** News Breakfast. **9.00** ABC News Mornings. 10.00 Climate Change: The Facts. (R) **11.00** Australia Remastered: Forces Of Nature. (R) 12.00 ABC News At Noon. 1.00 The Cook And The Chef. (R) 1.25 Vera. (Mad, R) 3.00 ABC News Afternoons. 4.00 Think Tank. (PG, R)

5.00 Stan Grant's One Plus One. (R) 5.25 Hard Quiz. (PG, R) **6.00** The Drum. 7.00 ABC News. 7.30 7.30. Presented by Leigh Sales.

8.00 Back Roads: Port Campbell, Victoria. Presented by Heather Ewart. **8.30 Four Corners.** (Return) Investigative journalism program that leads national debate and confronting issues that matter. 9.15 Media Watch. (Return, PG)

Hosted by Paul Barry. **9.35 Countdown To War.** Part 1 of 3. 10.20 Ms Represented With Annabel Crabb: Getting There. (PG, R) 10.50 ABC Late News 11.05 The Business. (R)

11.25 Being Frank: The Frank Gardner Story. (Ma, R) 12.15 Killing Eve. (Mav, R) 1.00 Midsomer Murders. (Mv, R) 2.30 Call The Midwife. (PG, R) **3.30** Rage. (MA15+adhlnsv, R) **4.25** The Drum. (R) **5.25** 7.30. (R)

ABC TV PLUS (22) 6am Children's Programs. **7.15pm** Odd Squad. **7.30** David Attenborough's Conquest Of The Skies. **8.25** George Clarke's Amazing Spaces. 9.10 Grand Designs: House Of The Year. 10.00 Doctor Who 10.50 Adam Hills: The Last Leg. 11.35 QI. 12.05am Escape From The City. 1.05 Community. 1.25 Parks And Recreation. 1.45 ABC News Update. 1.50 Close 5.05 Little Princess. 5.15 Late Programs.

**NITV (34) 6am** Morning Programs. **1.30pm** Going Native. **2.00** Shortland Street. **2.30** Chefs' Line. 3.00 Bushwhacked! 3.25 The Magic Canoe. **3.50** Wolf Joe. **4.00** Aussie Bush Tales. **4.10** Grace Beside Me. **4.35** Mustangs FC. **5.00** Our Stories. **5.30** APTN National News. **6.00** Bamay. **6.40** News. 6.50 Wild New Zealand. 7.40 Through The Wormhole With Morgan Freeman. **8.30** Karla Grant Presents. **9.30** Colony. **11.30** Late Programs.

### **SBS**(3)

**6.00** WorldWatch. **11.00** Spanish News. **11.30** Turkish News. **12.00** Arabic News F24. **12.30** ABC America: World News Tonight. **1.00** Al Jazeera News. 2.00 The Cook Up With Adam Liaw Bitesize. 2.05 America In Colour. (Mav, R) 3.00 The Italians. (R) 3.15 Walking Britain's Lost Railways. (R) **4.10** Russia To Iran: Across The Wild Frontier. (PG, R) 5.05 Jeopardy! (PG) **5.30** Letters And Numbers. (R)

**6.00** Mastermind Australia. (R) **6.30** SBS World News. 7.30 Heritage Rescue: **Brighton Pavillion.** (PG)

Presented by Nick Knowles.

8.30 Secret Scotland: Orkney. (R) Part 5 of 5. Susan Calman finishes her Scottish odyssey on the Orkney Islands.

9.20 Historic House Rescue: Kent Dairy. (R) Part 3 of 3. Anna Keay and the team work to complete the restoration of Llwyn Celyn. 10.15 SBS World News Late. **10.45 Paris Police 1900.** (MA15+ds)

11.50 Wisting. (MA15+s, R) **12.45 Unit One**. (Malsv, R) 4.05 VICE Guide To Film. (MA15+av, R) 4.55 Destination Flavour: Singapore Bitesize. (PGaw, R) 5.00 France 24 Feature. 5.15 NHK World English News. 5.30 Deutsche Welle

**SBS VICELAND (31) 6am** WorldWatch. **11.30** SBS Courtside. **Noon** Basketball. NBA. Los Angeles Clippers v Milwaukee Bucks. **2.30** Hunt For The Trump Tapes. **3.00** Front Up. **3.30** Dead Set On Life. **3.55** WorldWatch. **5.15** Joy Of Painting. **5.45** Shortland Street. **6.15** Alone. **7.05** Jeopardy! **7.35** 8 Out Of 10 Cats Does Countdown. **8.30** Taskmaster. **9.25** Derry Girls. (Premiere) **10.25** VICE. **11.25** Sex Tape Germany. **12.35am** Late Programs.

SBS WORLD MOVIES (32) 6am Florence Foster Jenkins. Continued. (2016, PG) **6.45** The Three Musketeers. (1973, PG) **8.45** The Lunchbox. (2013, PG, Hindi) **10.40** The Young Master. (1980, M, Cantonese) **12.45pm** Chhapaak. (2020, M, Hindi) **3.00** Hawaa Hawaai. (2014, PG, Hindi) **5.15** Romeo And Juliet. (2013, PG) **7.30** Oranges And Sunshine. (2010, M) 9.30 Gagarine. (2020, M, French) 11.20 Late Programs.

SEVEN (7)

**6.00** Sunrise. **9.00** The Morning Show. (PG) 11.00 Olympic Winter Games Beijing 2022. Day 3: Day session. Featuring a variety of events from the XXIV Olympic Winter Games. **1.00** Olympic Winter Games

Beijing 2022. Day 3: Afternoon session. **4.00** Olympic Winter Games Beijing 2022. Day 3: Evening session. 5.00 The Chase Australia.

6.00 Seven Local News. 6.30 Seven News. 7.00 Home And Away. (PGas) 7.30 Olympic Winter Games Beijing 2022. Day 3: Night session. Featuring a variety of events from

the XXIV Olympic Winter Games. **9.00 Olympic Winter Games** Beijing 2022. Day 3: Late session. Featuring a variety of events from

the XXIV Olympic Winter Games.

11.00 Olympic Winter Games
Beijing 2022. Day 3: Overnight session. 1.30 The Zoo. (R) Vets try to help an elephant.

2.00 Home Shopping. (R) 4.00 Million Dollar Minute. (R) Hosted by Simon Reeve. 5.00 Seven Early News.

**5.30 Sunrise.** News, sport and weather.

**7TWO (72) 6am** Shopping. **6.30** Travel Oz. **8.00** Harry's Practice. **8.30** Million Dollar

Minute. 9.30 Mighty Trains. 10.30 Better Homes. Noon Billy Connolly: Made In Scotland. 1.00 Million Dollar Minute. 2.00 To Be Advised. 2.30 Sons And Daughters. 4.30 Charlie Luxton's Homes By The Sea. **5.30** Escape To The Country. **6.30** Bargain Hunt. **7.30** Doc Martin. **8.30** A Touch Of Frost. 10.50 Late Programs.

**7MATE (73) 6am** Morning Programs. **11.00** NFL 100 Greatest. **Noon** SAS: UK. **1.00** Detroit Steel. 2.00 Highway Thru Hell. 3.00 Last Stop Garage. **4.00** Pawn Stars. **4.30** Olympic Winter Games Beijing 2022. Day 3: Evening session. **6.30** Olympic Winter Games Beijing 2022. Day 3: Night session. **7.30** American Pickers. **8.30 MOVIE:** Rambo: First Blood. (1982, MA15+) **10.30 MOVIE:** Tango & Cash. (1989, M) 12.40am Late Programs.

**NINE (8, 9)** 

6.00 Today. 9.00 Today Extra. (PG) 11.30 Morning News. 12.00 Married At First Sight. (PGas, R) 1.45 Explore. (PG, R) 2.00 Pointless. (PG) 3.00 Tipping Point. (PG) 4.00 Afternoon News. 4.30 Millionaire Hot Seat. 5.30 WIN News.

6.00 Nine News. 7.00 A Current Affair. 7.30 Married At First Sight. (Mls) All the couples meet for the first time. 9.10 La Brea. (Premiere, Mv) A massive sinkhole opens in Los Angeles transporting part of a family to a mysterious primeval world.

10.10 Nine News Late. A look at the latest news and events 10.40 Botched. (Malmn, R) A wannabe trophy wife seeks a bigger backside. 11.40 Manifest. (Madv, R) 12.30 Tipping Point. (PG, R) **1.30** TV Shop: Home Shopping. (R) 2.30 Global Shop. (R) **3.00** TV Shop: Home Shopping. (R) **4.00** Believer's Voice Of Victory. (PGa) 4.30 A Current Affair. (R)

**9GEM (81, 92) 6am** TV Shop. **7.00** Creflo. **7.30** TV Shop. **9.30** Newstyle Direct. **10.00** Danoz. **10.30** Pointless. **11.30** My Favorite Martian. **Noon** Australia's Top Ten Of Everything. **1.00** The Young And The Restless. **2.00** Serengeti. **3.10** Garden Gurus Moments. 3.15 Antiques Roadshow. 3.45 MOVIE: Sailors Three. (1940) 5.30 Murder, She Wrote. **6.30** Antiques Roadshow. **7.30** Agatha Raisin. **8.30** Poirot. **10.45** Late Programs.

5.00 News Early Edition. 5.30 Today.

**9GO! (82, 93) 6am** Children's Programs. **Noon** The Incredible Hulk. **1.00** SeaQuest DSV. 2.00 The A-Team. 3.00 Children's Programs. 3.30 Raymond. **5.30** The Nanny. **6.00** 3rd Rock From The Sun. **6.30** That '70s Show. **7.00** Young Sheldon. **7.30** RBT. **8.00** Gold Coast Cops. **8.30** MOVIE: Den Of Thieves. (2018, MA15+) 11.15 Young Sheldon. 11.40 Weird Science. 12.10am The Carrie Diaries. 1.10 Love Island USA. 2.00 Late Programs.

**TEN (5, 1)** 

**6.00** The Talk. (PGa) **7.00** Judge Judy. (PG, R) 7.30 The Bold And The Beautiful. (PG, R) **8.00** Studio 10. (PG) **12.00** Dr Phil. (Mal) **1.00** Australian Survivor. (R) **2.30** Entertainment Tonight. **3.00** Judge Judy. (PG, R) **3.30** Left Off The Map. **4.00** Farm To Fork. (PG) 4.30 The Bold And The Beautiful. (PG)

**6.30 The Project.** The hosts and guest panellists take a look at the day's news, events and hot topics.

5.0010 News First.

7.30 Australian Survivor. A group of Australian castaways find themselves stranded in

Far North Queensland.

9.00 FBI: Most Wanted. (Mv) The team hunts for a young man who used napalm-style bombs to attack his targets. With Tali away from home at boarding school, Jess and Sarah find themselves trying to adjust to life with an empty nest.

11.00 The Project. (R) A look at the day's news and events. 12.00 The Late Show With Stephen Colbert. (PG) Late night talk show. 1.00 Home Shopping. (R) 2.30 Infomercials. (PG, R) 3.00 Home Shopping. (R)

4.30 CBS Mornings.

10 PEACH (52, 11) 6am Basketball. NBL. Round 10. Sydney Kings v Cairns Taipans. Replay. **8.00** Friends. **10.00** The Middle. **11.30** Seinfeld. Noon Carol's Second Act. 1.00 Nancy Drew. 2.00 The Big Bang Theory. **3.00** The King Of Queens. 4.00 Becker. 5.00 Frasier. 6.00 Friends. 6.30 Neighbours. **7.00** Friends. **8.00** The Big Bang Theory. **9.30** Seinfeld. **11.00** Mom. **Midnight** Shopping. 12.30 Infomercials. 1.30 Late Programs.

**10 BOLD (53, 12) 6am** Infomercials. **7.30** Home Shopping. **8.00** Soccer. FFA Cup. Final. Replay. **10.30** Cheers. **11.00** JAG. **Noon** NCIS. **1.00** Law & Order: SVU. **2.00** Walker, Texas Ranger. **3.00** Cheers. **3.30** Jake And The Fatman. **4.30** Diagnosis Murder. **5.30** JAG. **7.30** NCIS. **10.20** A-League Highlights Show. **11.20** Blue Bloods. **12.15am** Shopping. **12.45** Infomercials. **1.15** Shopping. **2.15** Late Programs.

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### **Tuesday, February 8**

6.00 News Breakfast. 9.00 ABC News Mornings. **10.00** Being Frank: The Frank Gardner Story. (PG, R) 11.00 Muster Dogs. (PG, R) **12.00** ABC News At Noon. **1.00** All Creatures Great And Small. (PG, R) 2.00 Parliament Question Time. 3.15 ABC News Afternoons. 4.00 Think Tank. (R) 4.55 Stan Grant's One Plus One. (R) 5.25 Hard Quiz. (PG, R)

**6.00** The Drum. **7.00** ABC News. **7.30** 7.30.

8.00 Outback Ringer. (PG) Follows families catching bulls and buffalo.

8.30 Catalyst: The Big Brew Challenge. Chef Paul West celebrates the science of beer. 9.30 Joanna Lumley And

The Human Swan. Joanna Lumley follows Sacha Dench. 10.15 You Can't Ask That. (MI, R) 10.50 ABC Late News.

11.05 The Business. (R) 11.20 Four Corners. (R) **12.05** Media Watch. (PG, R) **12.25** Miriam & Alan: Lost In Scotland. (MI, R) 1.10 Killing Eve. (Mdlsv. R) 1.55 Parliament Ouestion Time. **2.55** Rage. (MA15+adhlnsv) **4.25** The Drum. (R) **5.25** 7.30. (R)

ABC TV PLUS (22) 6am Children's Programs. **7.15pm** Odd Squad. **7.30** Spicks And Specks. 8.00 Would I Lie To You? 8.30 Adam Hills: The Last Leg. **9.15** Gavin & Stacey. **9.45** Brassic. **10.30** Schitt's Creek. **10.55** Doctor Who. **11.45** Whose Line Is It Anyway? 12.30am Plebs. 12.55 Community, 1.15 Parks And Recreation, 1.35 ABC News Update. 1.40 Close. 5.05 Little Princess. 5.15 Late Programs

**NITV (34) 6am** Morning Programs. 2pm Shortland Street. 2.30 Chefs' Line. 3.00 Bushwhacked! 3.25 The Magic Canoe. 3.50 Wolf Joe. 4.00 Aussie Bush Tales. 4.10 Grace Beside Me. **4.35** Mustangs FC. **5.00** Our Stories. **5.30** Indian Country Today. **6.00** Bamay. **6.30** News. **6.40** Wild New Zealand. 7.30 Cold Justice. 8.00 Rise Up. 8.50 The Beach. 9.20 NITV News Update. 9.30 The Night Manager. **11.10** Late Programs.

**6.00** WorldWatch. **11.00** Spanish News. **11.30** Turkish News. **12.00** Arabic News F24. **12.30** ABC America: World News Tonight. **1.00** PBS NewsHour. (R) 2.00 The Cook Up With Adam Liaw Bitesize. (R) **2.05** America In Colour. (Mav, R) **3.00** The Italians. (R) **3.15** Walking Britain's Lost Railways. (R) 4.10 Russia To Iran: Across The Wild Frontier. (PGa, R) **5.05** Jeopardy! (PG) **5.30** Letters And Numbers. (R)

**6.00** Mastermind Australia. (PG, R) **6.30** SBS World News. **7.30** Great Control Railway

Journeys: Stockholm To The Arctic Circle. (PGs, R) Hosted by Michael Portillo. 8.40 Dolly: The Sheep That Changed The World. (M) The story of the scientists who created Dolly, the first cloned

mammal to be created from an adult cell. 9.40 Tonya Harding: The Price **Of Gold.** (PG, R) A look at the life and career of Tonya Harding.

11.10 SBS World News Late. 11.40 Shadow Lines. (MA15+a)

12.30 The Night Manager. (Mas, R) **2.10** Box 21. (MA15+av, R) **3.55** Bamay. (R) **5.00** France 24 Feature. **5.15** NHK World English News. **5.30** Deutsche Welle English News.

SBS VICELAND (31) 6am WorldWatch. Noon Basketball. NBA. Utah Jazz v Brooklyn Nets. 2.00 Funny How? 2.30 Woman With Gloria Steinem. 3.30 Bamay. 3.50 WorldWatch. 5.15 lov Of Painting. 5.45 Shortland Street. 6.15 Alone. 7.05 Jeopardy! 7.35 8 Out Of 10 Cats Does Countdown. 8.30 Punk. 9.30 Secret World Of Las Vegas. (Premiere) 10.30 Cults And Extreme Belief. 11.20 The Bad Kids. 12.25am Late Programs.

SBS WORLD MOVIES (32) 6am Hawaa Hawaai. Continued. (2014, PG, Hindi) 7.20 Romeo And Juliet. (2013, PG) 9.30 Beauty And The Beast. (2014. PG. French) 11.35 Wheels On Meals. (1984, M, Cantonese) 1.45pm The Three Musketeers. (1973, PG) 3.45 The Lunchbox. (2013, PG. Hindi) **5.45** Florence Foster Jenkins. (2016, PG) **7.50** The Salvation. (2014, M) **9.30** Sibyl. (2019, MA15+, French) 11.25 Late Programs.

### **SEVEN (7)**

**6.00** Sunrise. **9.00** The Morning Show. (PG) **11.00** Olympic Winter Games Beijing 2022. Day 4: Day session. Featuring a variety of events from the XXIV Olympic Winter Games.

**1.00** Olympic Winter Games Beijing 2022. Day 4: Afternoon session. **4.00** Olympic Winter Games **Beijing 2022.** Day 4: Evening session.

5.00 The Chase Australia. 6.00 Seven Local News. 6.30 Seven News. **7.00 Home And Away.** (PGas) **7.30** Olympic Winter Games Beijing 2022. Day 4: Night session. Featuring a variety of events from

the XXIV Olympic Winter Games.

9.00 Olympic Winter Games
Beijing 2022. Day 4: Late session. Featuring a variety of events from the XXIV Olympic Winter Games.

11.00 Olympic Winter Games

Beijing 2022. Day 4: Overnight session. **1.30 Medical Emergency.** (PG, R) A tourist has surgery to repair his ankle. **2.00** Home Shopping. (R) 4.00 Million Dollar Minute. (R)

5.00 Seven Early News.

11.45 Late Programs.

5.30 Sunrise. **7TWO** (72) 6am Home Shopping. 6.30 Travel Oz. **8.00** Harry's Practice. **8.30** Million Dollar Minute. 9.30 To Be Advised. Noon Miniseries: The Pembrokeshire Murders 1.00 Million Dollar Minute 2.00 To Be Advised. 2.30 Sons And Daughters. 4.30 Charlie Luxton's Homes By The Sea. 5.30 Escape To The Country. **6.30** Bargain Hunt. **7.30** Pie In The Sky. **8.30** Foyle's War. **10.45** Without A Trace.

**7MATE** (73) 6am Morning Programs 9.00 Cricket. The Women's Ashes. One-Day International. Australia v England. Game 3. **4pm** Al McGlashan's Fish'n With Mates. **4.30** Olympic Winter Games Beijing 2022. Day 4: Evening session **6.30** Olympic Winter Games Beijing 2022. Day 4: Night session. **7.30** Pawn Stars. **8.30 MOVIE:** Rambo: First Blood 2. (1985, M) **10.35 MOVIE:** Lock Up. (1989, M) **12.55am** Late Programs.

### **NINE (8, 9)**

**6.00** Today. **9.00** Today Extra. (PG) **11.30** Morning News. 12.00 Married At First Sight. (Mls, R) 1.40 Talking Honey: Princess Diana. (PG, R)

2.00 Pointless. (PG) 3.00 Tipping Point. (PG) 4.00 Afternoon News. **4.30** Millionaire Hot Seat. **5.30 WIN News** 

6.00 Nine News. 7.00 A Current Affair. 7.30 Married At First Sight. (Mals)

Couples face an honesty challenge
9.00 The Hundred With Andy **Lee.** (Return) Andy Lee is joined by a panel of comedians and 100 Aussies to explore the fun behind the facts.

10.00 Nine News Late. A look at the latest news and events. **10.30** True Story With Hamish & Andy: Rachel. (PGs, R) Australians

recount hilarious true stories. 11.30 The Village. (Mas) 12.30 Tipping Point. (PG, R) **1.30 TV Shop: Home Shopping.** (R) 4.00 Believer's Voice Of Victory. (PGa) 4.30 A Current Affair. (R)

**5.00** News Early Edition. **5.30** Today.

10.40 Late Programs.

9GEM (81, 92) 6am Morning Programs. **10.00** Danoz. **10.30** Pointless. **11.30** My Favorite Martian. Noon Australia's Top Ten Of Everything. 1.00 The Young And The Restless. 2.00 Garden Gurus Moments. **2.10** Agatha Raisin. **3.10** Antiques Roadshow. **3.40 MOVIE:** The Big Job. (1965) **5.30** Murder, She Wrote. **6.30** Antiques Roadshow. **7.30** New Tricks. **8.40** The Closer. **9.40** Rizzoli & Isles.

9GO! (82, 93) 6am Children's Programs. Noon The Incredible Hulk. 1.00 SeaQuest DSV. **2.00** The A-Team. **3.00** The Nanny. **3.30** 3rd Rock From The Sun. 4.00 That '70s Show. 4.30 Raymond. 5.30 The Nanny. 6.00 3rd Rock From The Sun. **6.30** That '70s Show. **7.00** Young Sheldon. **7.30** RBT. **8.00** Gold Coast Cops. **8.30** MOVIE: Hunter Killer. (2018, MA15+) 10.55 Resident Alien. **11.50** Late Programs.

### **TEN** (5, 1)

**6.00** The Talk. (PGa) **7.00** Judge Judy. (PG, R) 7.30 The Bold And The Beautiful. (PG, R) 8.00 Studio 10. (PG) 12.00 Dr Phil. (Mal) 1.00 Australian Survivor. (R) **2.30** Entertainment Tonight. **3.00** Judge Judy. (PG, R) 3.30 Left Off The Map. 4.00 Farm To Fork. (PG)

4.30 The Bold And The Beautiful. 5.00 10 News First

6.30 The Project. A look at the day's news and events. **7.30 Australian Survivor.** A group of

Australian castaways find themselves stranded in

Far North Queensland.

**9.00 NCIS.** (Mv) The team is called in when a US Navy chief warrant officer is suspected of trying to sell stolen classified software, used to pilot combat drones, despite his wife's protestations of his innocence.

11.00 The Project. (R) A look at the day's news and events.

12.00 The Late Show With Stephen

Colbert. (PG) Late night talk show. 1.00 Home Shopping. (R) 3.00 Infomercials. (PG, R) 3.30 Home Shopping. (R) 4.30 CBS Mornings.

10 PEACH (52, 11) 6am The Late Show With Stephen Colbert. **7.00** The King Of Queens. **8.00** Seinfeld. **9.00** Becker. **10.00** The Middle. 11.00 Frasier. Noon This Is Us. 1.00 The Big Bang Theory. 1.30 Friends. 2.00 Seinfeld. 3.00 The King Of Queens. **4.00** Becker. **5.00** Frasier. **6.00** Friends. 6.30 Neighbours. 7.00 Friends. 8.00 The Big Bang Theory. 9.30 Mom. Midnight Shopping. 12.30 Infomercials. 1.30 Late Programs.

**10 BOLD (53, 12) 6am** Home Shopping. 7.00 Infomercials. 8.00 A-League Highlights Show. **9.00** Jake And The Fatman. **10.00** Diagnosis Murder. 11.00 JAG. Noon NCIS. 1.00 Law & Order: SVU. **2.00** Walker, Texas Ranger. **3.00** Cheers. **3.30** Jake And The Fatman. **4.30** Diagnosis Murder. **5.30** JAG. **7.30** NCIS. **8.30** Blue Bloods. **10.25** Bull. **11.20** Hawaii Five-O. **12.15am** Shopping. **1.15** Infomercials. **1.45** Shopping. **2.15** Late Programs.

### **Wednesday, February 9**

### **ABC TV (2)**

6.00 News Breakfast. 9.00 ABC News Mornings. **10.00** Four Corners. (R) **11.00** Countdown To War. (R) 12.00 ABC News At Noon. 12.30 National Press Club Address. 1.40 Media Watch. (PG, R) 2.00 Parliament Question Time. 3.15 ABC News Afternoons. 4.00 Think Tank. (PG, R) 5.00 Stan Grant's One Plus One. (I, R) **5.30 Hard Quiz.** (PG, R)

6.00 The Drum. **7.00** ABC News. **7.30 7.30.** Presented by Leigh Sales. **8.00** Hard Quiz. (PG) Presented

by Tom Gleeson. **8.30 Shaun Micallef's MAD AS HELL.** (M) Host Shaun Micallef presents a round-up of important news stories of the week.

9.00 Would I Lie To You? The Unseen Bits. (PG, R) Host Rob Brydon showcases previously unseen material from the show. 9.30 QI. (Mls) Hosted by Sandi Toksvig. 10.05 Adam Hills: The Last Leg. (R) 10.45 ABC Late News.

11.00 The Business. (R) 11.15 Killing Eve. (MA15+v, R) 12.00 Parliament Question Time. 1.00 Father Brown. (PG, R) 1.50 Adam Hills: The Last Leg. (R) 2.30 Rage. (MA15+adhlnsv)

4.25 The Drum. (R) 5.25 7.30. (R)

ABC TV PLUS (22) 6am Children's Programs. **7.15pm** Odd Squad. **7.30** Anh's Brush With Fame. **8.00** Making Child Prodigies. (Final) 8.30 To Be Advised. 9.20 Tate Britain's Great British Walks. (Final) 10.10 One Shot: An Image And An Attitude. 10.40 Doctor Who. 11.30 The School That Tried To End Racism. 12.15am Community 12.40 Parks And Recreation, 1.00 Close, 5.05 Little Princess. 5.15 Late Programs.

**NITV (34) 6am** Morning Programs. **1.40pm** Songlines On Screen. **2.00** Shortland Street. **2.30** Chefs' Line. **3.00** Jarjums. **4.00** Aussie Bush Tales. **4.10** Grace Beside Me. **4.35** Mustangs FC. **5.00** Our Stories. **5.30** Te Ao With Moana. **6.00** Wiradjuri & Nari Nari. 6.30 News. 6.40 Wild New Zealand. 7.30 Country Music. **8.30** Going Native. **9.00** Hunting Aotearoa. **9.30** Australia Burns: Silence Of The Land. 10.55 Late Programs.

### **SBS** (3)

**6.00** WorldWatch. **11.00** Spanish News. **11.30** Turkish News. **12.00** Arabic News F24. **12.30** ABC America: World News Tonight. 1.00 PBS NewsHour. (R) 2.00 The Cook Up With Adam Liaw Bitesize. (R) **2.05** America In Colour. (PGaw, R) **3.00** The Italians. (R) **3.15** Walking Britain's Lost Railways. (R) **4.10** Russia To Iran: Across The Wild Frontier. (PGIns, R) **5.05** Jeopardy! (PG) 5.30 Letters And Numbers. (R)

6.00 Mastermind Australia. (R) 6.30 SBS World News. 7.35 Tony Robinson: The Thames At Night. (PG) Part 1 of 4.

8.30 Relics Of Egypt: Exploring The Largest Museum. Charts the planning and construction of the Grand Egyptian Museum, the biggest museum in the world. 9.30 Hidden Assets. (MA15+) Emer and Christian's attention is drawn to an Irish

businessman with a very chequered past. 10.30 SBS World News Late. **11.00 In Therapy**. (Ma) 11.55 Witch Hunt. (Mal, R) 1.35 Cacciatore: The

Hunter. (MA15+asv, R) 3.50 Miniseries: The Hunting. (Mans, R) 4.50 Destination Flavour: Singapore Bitesize. (PG, R) 5.00 France 24 Feature. 5.15 NHK World English News. 5.30 Deutsche Welle

SBS VICELAND (31) 6am WorldWatch. Noon Basketball. NBA. Los Angeles Clippers v Milwaukee Bucks. **2.00** The Last Shot. **2.50** Lee Lin Chin's Fashionista. 3.00 Rise. 3.50 WorldWatch. **5.15** Joy Of Painting. **5.45** Shortland Street. **6.15** Alone. **7.05** Jeopardy! **7.35** 8 Out Of 10 Cats Does Countdown. **8.30** Letterkenny. **9.30 MOVIE:** Edge Of Darkness. (2010, MA15+) **11.40 MOVIE:** Jane Got A Gun. (2015, MA15+) **1.30am** Late Programs.

SBS WORLD MOVIES (32) 6am The Thief Of Bagdad. Continued. (1940, PG) 7.20 Remi Nobody's Boy. (2018, PG, French) 9.20 Frantz. (2016, PG, French) 11.25 Gagarine. (2020, M. French) **1.15pm** Romeo And Juliet. (2013, PG) 3.25 Agatha Christie's Crooked House. (2017, PG) **5.35** Beauty And The Beast. (2014, PG, French) **7.40** The Wedding Guest. (2018, M) **9.30** Working Girls. (2020, MA15+, French) 11.10 Late Programs.

### SEVEN (7)

**6.00** Sunrise. **9.00** The Morning Show. (PG) 11.00 Olympic Winter Games Beijing 2022. Day 5: Day session. Featuring a variety of events from the XXIV Olympic Winter Games. **1.00** Olympic Winter Games Beijing 2022. Day 5: Afternoon session. **4.00** Olympic Winter Games Beijing 2022. Day 5: Evening session.

6.00 Seven Local News. 6.30 Seven News. 7.00 Home And Away. (PGa) **7.30** Olympic Winter Games Beijing 2022. Day 5: Night session. Featuring a variety of events from the XXIV Olympic Winter Games.

5.00 The Chase Australia.

9.00 Olympic Winter Games Beijing 2022. Day 5: Late session. Featuring a variety of events from the XXIV Olympic Winter Games.

11.00 Olympic Winter Games

Beijing 2022. Day 5: Overnight session. Featuring a variety of events from the XXIV Olympic Winter Games. **1.30 The Zoo.** (R) Hosted by Melissa Doyle. 2.00 Home Shopping. (R)

4.00 Million Dollar Minute. (R) Hosted by Simon Reeve. 5.00 Seven Early News. 5.30 Sunrise. News, sport and weather.

**7TWO (72) 6am** Home Shopping. **6.30** Travel Oz. **8.00** Harry's Practice. **8.30** Million Dollar Minute. **9.30** To Be Advised. **Noon** Miniseries: The Pembrokeshire Murders. 1.00 Million Dollar Minute. 2.00 To Be Advised. 2.30 Sons And Daughters. 4.30 Charlie Luxton's Homes By The Sea 5.30 Escape To The Country. 6.30 Bargain Hunt. 7.30 The Coroner. **8.30** Miss Scarlet And The Duke. **9.30** Frankie Drake Mysteries. **11.30** Late Programs.

**7MATE (73) 6am** Morning Programs. **10.00** A Football Life. **11.00** America's Game. **Noon** SAS: UK. **1.00** Detroit Steel. **2.00** Highway Thru Hell. **3.00** Last Stop Garage. **4.00** Al McGlashan's Fish'n With Mates. **4.30** Olympic Winter Games Beijing 2022. Day 5: Evening session. 6.30 Olympic Winter Games Beijing 2022. Day 5: Night session. **7.30** Pawn Stars. **8.30** MOVIE: Rambo 3. (1988, M) 10.40 Late Programs.

**NINE (8, 9)** 

6.00 Today. 9.00 Today Extra. (PG) 11.30 Morning News. 12.00 Married At First Sight. (Mals, R) 1.30 My Way. (Return, PG) 2.00 Pointless. (PG) 3.00 Tipping Point. (PG) 4.00 Afternoon News. 4.30 Millionaire Hot Seat. 5.30 WIN News.

6.00 Nine News. 7.00 A Current Affair. 7.30 Married At First Sight. (Mals) Confessions Week continues 9.00 Under Investigation: Operation London Bridge. (Return) An investigation into the fate of the Crown in a post-Elizabeth II world.

10.10 Nine News Late. A look at the latest news and events 10.40 Framed By The Killer: A Lover's Frame. (Mav) Part 2 of 3. **11.35 Grand Hotel.** (Mls, R) 12.30 Tipping Point. (PG, R) **1.30** TV Shop: Home Shopping. (R) 2.30 Global Shop. (R) 3.00 TV Shop: Home Shopping. (R) 4.00 Believer's Voice Of Victory. (PGa) 4.30 A Current Affair. (R) 5.00 News Early Edition. 5.30 Today.

**9GEM (81, 92) 6am** TV Shop. **7.00** Creflo. **7.30** TV Shop. **10.30** Pointless. **11.30** My Favorite Martian. Noon Days Of Our Lives. 12.55 The Young And The Restless. 1.50 The Bill. 3.00 Garden Gurus Moments, 3.05 Antiques Roadshow, 3.35 MOVIE: The Divided Heart. (1954, PG) 5.30 Murder, She Wrote. 6.30 Antiques Roadshow. 7.30 As Time Goes By. 8.50 Midsomer Murders, 10.50 Late

**9GO! (82, 93) 6am** Children's Programs. **Noon** The Incredible Hulk. **1.00** SeaQuest DSV. 2.00 The A-Team. 3.00 The Nanny. 3.30 3rd Rock From The Sun. **4.00** That '70s Show. **4.30** Raymond. **5.30** The Nanny. **6.00** 3rd Rock From The Sun. **6.30** That '70s Show. **7.00** Young Sheldon. **7.30** RBT. **8.00** Gold Coast Cops. **8.30** MOVIE: Man On Fire. (2004, MA15+) **11.25** Young Sheldon. **11.50** Late Programs.

**TEN (5, 1)** 

**6.00** The Talk. (PGa) **7.00** Judge Judy. (PG, R) 7.30 The Bold And The Beautiful. (R) 8.00 Studio 10. (PG) **12.00** Dr Phil. (PGals) **1.00** Australian Survivor. (R) 2.30 Entertainment Tonight. **3.00** Judge Judy. (PG, R) 3.30 Left Off The Map. **4.00** Farm To Fork. (PG) 4.30 The Bold And The Beautiful. 5.0010 News First.

6.30 The Project. The hosts and guest panellists take a look at the day's news, events and hot topics. **7.30** Ambulance Australia. (Return, Mal) Follows dispatchers and paramedics

working for the ambulance service. **8.30 Bull.** (Mav, R) Dr Jason Bull and the TAC team mount the defence of an old university friend, Eric Crawford, who is charged with negligent homicide after his youngest child kills his eldest with his handgun.

10.30 The Project. (R) The hosts and guest panellists take a look at the day's news, events and hot topics.

11.30 The Late Show With Stephen Colbert. (PG) Late night talk show. 12.30 Home Shopping. (R) 2.30 Infomercials. (PG, R) 3.00 Home Shopping. (R) 4.30 CBS Mornings. Morning news and talk show.

10 PEACH (52, 11) 6am The Late Show With Stephen Colbert. **7.00** Frasier. **8.00** The King Of Queens. **9.00** Becker. **10.00** The Middle. 11.00 Frasier. Noon This Is Us. 1.00 The Big Bang Theory. 1.30 Friends. 2.30 NBL Slam. 3.00 The King Of Queens. 4.00 Becker. 5.00 Frasier. 6.00 Friends. **6.30** Neighbours. **7.00** Friends. **8.00** The Big Bang Theory. **10.10** Mom. **11.35** King Of Queens. **Midnight** Shopping. **12.30** Late Programs.

**10 BOLD (53, 12) 6am** Infomercials. **8.00** Roads Less Travelled. **8.30** iFish Summer Series. 9.00 Jake And The Fatman. 10.00 Diagnosis Murder. **11.00** JAG. **Noon** NCIS. **1.00** Law & Order: SVU. **2.00** Walker, Texas Ranger. **3.00** Cheers. **3.30** Jake And The Fatman. **4.30** Diagnosis Murder. **5.30** JAG. **7.30** NCIS. **8.30** NCIS: Los Angeles. **10.20** FBI: Most Wanted. **11.15** SEAL Team. **12.10am** Shopping. 1.40 Infomercials. 2.10 Late Programs.

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### **Thursday, February 10**

**6.00** News. **9.00** News. **10.00** Back Roads. (R) **10.30** Nigella At My Table. (R) **11.00** Joanna Lumley And The Human Swan. (R) 12.00 ABC News At Noon. 1.00 Hard Quiz. (PG, R) 1.30 Shaun Micallef's MAD AS HELL. (M, R) 2.00 Parliament Question Time. 3.15 ABC News Afternoons. 4.00 Think Tank. (R) **5.00** Stan Grant's One Plus One. (a, R) **5.25** Hard Quiz. (PG, R)

**6.00** The Drum. **7.00** ABC News. **7.30** 7.30.

8.00 Foreign Correspondent. International current affairs program.

**8.30 Q+A.** (Return) Interactive public affairs program.

9.35 The Princes And The Press: The New Generation. Part 1 of 2. 10.30 How Extra. (PG, R)

11.00 ABC Late News. 11.15 The Business. (R) 11.30 Catalyst: The Big Brew Challenge. (R) 12.30 Aussie Inventions That Changed The World. (PG, R) 1.25 Killing Eve. (Mav, R) 2.05 Parliament Question Time. 3.05 Rage. (MA15+adhlnsv) **4.25** The Drum. (R) **5.25** 7.30. (R)

ABC TV PLUS (22) 6am Children's Programs. **7.15pm** Odd Squad. **7.30** Spicks And Specks. **8.30** Ql. **9.00** Hard Quiz. **9.30** Shaun Micallef's MAD AS HELL. 10.00 Doctor Who. 10.50 Insert Name Here. (Final) 11.25 Live At The Apollo. **12.10am** Would I Lie To You? **12.40** Community. 1.00 Parks And Recreation, 1.25 Plebs, 1.45 Close 5.05 Little Princess. 5.15 Hoot Hoot Go! 5.20 Pingu

In The City. **5.30** Wallykazam! **5.55** Late Programs.

**NITV (34) 6am** Morning Programs. **1.30pm** Going Native. **2.00** Shortland Street. **2.30** Chefs' Line. **3.00** Jarjums. **4.35** Mustangs FC. **5.00** Our Stories. **5.30** The 77 Percent. **6.00** Kambuwal, Guuwa & Gayiri Country. 6.30 News. 6.40 Undiscovered Vistas. **7.30** Going Places With Ernie Dingo. 8.30 Miniseries: New Gold Mountain. 9.30 MOVIE: Arizona Dream. (1992) Midnight Late

**6.00** WorldWatch. **11.00** Spanish News. **11.30** Turkish News. **12.00** Arabic News F24. **12.30** ABC America: World News Tonight. **1.00** PBS NewsHour. (R) 2.00 The Cook Up With Adam Liaw Bitesize. (R) **2.05** America In Colour. (Mav, R) 3.00 The Italians. (R) 3.15 Walking Britain's Lost Railways. (R) 4.10 Russia To Iran: Across The Wild Frontier. (PGa, R) **5.05** Jeopardy! (PG) 5.30 Letters And Numbers. (R)

6.00 Mastermind Australia. (R) 6.30 SBS World News. 7.35 Scenic Coastal Walks With Kate Humble: Yorkshire Robin **Hood's Bay.** (PG) Kate Humble follows in the footsteps of dinosaurs.

8.30 Miniseries: The Long Call. (M) Part 2 of 4. 9.30 Incredible Journeys With Simon Reeve. (PGal, R) Part 4 of 4. 10.40 SBS World News Late.

**11.10** La Fortuna. (MI) **12.10** Gomorrah. (MA15+dv) **1.05** Partisan. (MA15+lv) 2.00 Baghdad Central. (MA15+av, R) **4.45** Destination Flavour Down Under Bitesize. (R) 4.55 Destination Flavour: Singapore Bitesize. (R) 5.00 France 24 Feature. 5.15 NHK World English News. 5.30

Deutsche Welle English News.

**SBS VICELAND (31) 6am** WorldWatch. Noon MOVIE: Source Code. (2011, M) 1.45 Most Expensivest. 2.15 Lee Lin Chin's Fashionista. 2.25 Mr Tachyon On The Edge Of Science. **2.55** Gaycation. **3.45** WorldWatch. **5.15** Joy Of Painting. **5.45** Shortland Street. 6.15 Alone. 7.05 Jeopardy! 7.35 8 Out Of 10 Cats Does Countdown. 8.30 The Curse Of Oak Island. 10.10 Chasing Famous. 11.00 Vikings. 11.55 Late Programs.

SBS WORLD MOVIES (32) 6am Morning Programs. **7.05** Kirikou And The Men And Women. (2012, PG, French) **8.45** Agatha Christie's Crooked House. (2017, PG) **10.55** By The Grace Of God. (2018, M, French) 1.25pm Remi Nobody's Boy. (2018, PG, French) **3.25** The Thief Of Bagdad. (1940, PG) **5.25** Frantz. (2016, PG, French) **7.30** Sweet Country. (2017, M) 9.35 Les Misérables. (2019, MA15+, French) 11.30 Late Programs.

### **SEVEN (7)**

6.00 Sunrise. 9.00 The Morning Show. (PG) 11.00 Olympic Winter Games Beijing 2022. Day 6: Day session. Featuring a variety of events from the XXIV Olympic Winter Games.

**1.00** Olympic Winter Games Beijing 2022. Day 6: Afternoon session. **4.00** Olympic Winter Games Beijing 2022. Day 6: Evening session. 5.00 The Chase Australia.

6.00 Seven Local News. 6.30 Seven News. 7.00 Home And Away. (PGa) **7.30** Olympic Winter Games Beijing 2022. Day 6: Night session. Featuring a variety of events from

the XXIV Olympic Winter Games.

9.00 Olympic Winter Games
Beijing 2022. Day 6: Late session. Featuring a variety of events from the XXIV Olympic Winter Games. 11.00 Olympic Winter Games

Beijing 2022. Day 6: Overnight session. 1.30 Medical Emergency. (PG, R) A 94-year-old has a knee injury. 2.00 Home Shopping. (R) 4.00 Million Dollar Minute. (R) 5.00 Seven Early News.

5.30 Sunrise.

**7TWO** (72) 6am Morning Programs **8.30** Million Dollar Minute. **9.30** To Be Advised. Noon Miniseries: The Pembrokeshire Murders. 1.00 Million Dollar Minute. 2.00 Last Chance Learners. 2.30 Sons And Daughters. 4.30 Charlie Luxton's Homes By The Sea. **5.30** Escape To The Country. **6.30** Bargain Hunt. **7.30** Father Brown. **8.30** Inspector George Gently. **10.30** Murdoch Mysteries. 11.30 Late Programs.

**7MATE (73)** 6am Morning Programs 10.00 A Football Life. 11.00 America's Game. Noon SAS: UK. **1.00** Shipping Wars. **2.00** Highway Thru Hell. 3.00 Last Stop Garage. 4.00 Al McGlashan's Fish'n With Mates. **4.30** Olympic Winter Games Beijing 2022. Day 6: Evening session. **6.30** Olympic Winter Games Beijing 2022. Day 6: Night session. 7.30 Pawn Stars. 8.30 MOVIE: Kelly's Heroes. (1970, M) **11.30** Late Programs.

### **NINE (8, 9)**

**6.00** Today. **9.00** Today Extra. (PG) 11.30 Morning News. 12.00 Married At First Sight. (Mals, R) 1.30 Destination WA. (PG, R) **2.00 Pointless.** (PG) 3.00 Tipping Point. (PG) 4.00 Afternoon News. 4.30 Millionaire Hot Seat. **5.30 WIN News** 

7.00 A Current Affair. 7.30 RBT. (PGadl) A look at police random breath-test patrols. 8.30 Australia Behind Bars.

6.00 Nine News.

(Madlv) Follows inmates as they are searched in the ongoing battle to keep drugs out of our prisons. **9.40 To Be Advised.** 

10.40 Nine News Late. 11.10 Prison. (MA15+al) **12.10 New Amsterdam.** (Mamv, R) **1.00 The Xtreme CollXtion.** (PG, R) 1.30 TV Shop: Home Shopping. (R) 2.30 Global Shop. (R) **3.00** TV Shop: Home Shopping. (R) **4.00** Believer's Voice Of Victory. (PGa) 4.30 A Current Affair. (R) **5.00** News Early Edition. **5.30** Today.

**9GEM (81, 92) 6am** TV Shop. **7.00** Creflo. **7.30** TV Shop. **10.30** Pointless. **11.30** My Favorite Martian. Noon Days Of Our Lives. 12.55 The Young And The Restless, 1.50 The Bill, 3.00 Antiques Roadshow. **3.30** Garden Gurus Moments. **3.35** MOVIE: The Gentle Gunman. (1952) 5.30 Murder, She Wrote. **6.30** Antiques Roadshow. **7.30** Death In Paradise. **8.40** Fawlty Towers. **10.40** House. **11.35** 

9GO! (82, 93) 6am Children's Programs. Noon The Incredible Hulk. 1.00 SeaQuest DSV. 2.00 The A-Team. 3.00 The Nanny. 3.30 3rd Rock From The Sun. (Premiere) 4.00 That '70s Show. **4.30** Raymond. **5.30** The Nanny. **6.00** 3rd Rock From The Sun. 6.30 That '70s Show. 7.00 Young Sheldon. **7.30 MOVIE:** Tower Heist. (2011, M) **9.35** MOVIE: The Heartbreak Kid. (2007, MA15+) 11.50

### **TEN (5, 1)**

**6.00** The Talk. (PGa) **7.00** Judge Judy. (PG, R) **7.30** The Bold And The Beautiful. (R) 8.00 Studio 10. (PG) 12.00 Dr Phil. (PGal) **1.00** To Be Advised. **2.00** Entertainment Tonight. **2.30** Everyday Gourmet With Justine Schofield. (R) **3.00** Judge Judy. (PG, R) **3.30** Left Off The Map. 4.00 Farm To Fork. (PG) 4.30 The Bold And The Beautiful. 5.00 10

**6.30 Bondi Rescue.** (R) Lifeguards try to enforce social distancing. **7.30 Territory Cops.** (Madlv, R) Cops hunt for a couple of brazen car thieves. **8.30 Law & Order: SVU.** (MA15+v)

A boy disappears after meeting up with an online gamer, leaving the authorities concerned that he has fallen into the hands of a predator. Benson

suspects her son is being bullied.

10.30 Blue Bloods. **11.30** The Project. (R) 12.30 The Late Show With Stephen Colbert. (PG) **1.30** Home Shopping. (R) 3.00 Infomercials. (PG) **3.30 Home Shopping**. (R) 4.30 CBS Mornings.

**10 PEACH (52, 11) 6am** The Late Show With Stephen Colbert. **7.00** Frasier. **8.00** The King Of Queens. **9.00** Becker. **10.00** The Middle. **11.00** Frasier. Noon This Is Us. 1.00 The Big Bang Theory. **1.30** Friends. **2.00** Carol's Second Act. **3.00** The King Of Queens. **4.00** Becker. **5.00** Frasier. **6.00** Friends. **6.30** Neighbours. **7.00** Friends. **8.00** The Big Bang Theory. 9.30 Seinfeld. 11.00 Late

**10 BOLD (53, 12) 6am** Home Shopping. **6.30** Infomercials. **8.00** What's Up Down Und 8.30 NBL Slam. 9.00 Jake And The Fatman. 10.00 Diagnosis Murder. 11.00 JAG. Noon NCIS. 1.00 Law & Order: SVU. 2.00 Walker, Texas Ranger. 3.00 Cheers. **3.30** Jake And The Fatman. **4.30** Diagnosis Murder. **5.30** JAG. **7.30** NCIS. **8.30** Bull. **10.30** SEAL Team. **11.30** NCIS. **12.30am** Infomercials. **1.00** Shopping. **2.00** Late Programs.

### **On Demand**



### THE FAME GAME

PAM & TOMMY Streaming, Star on Disney+



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In the early days of the internet, years before leaked intimate footage of starlets Paris Hilton and Kim Kardashian propelled their names and careers into the stratosphere, the world's first celebrity sex tape – *Stolen Honeymoon*, featuring Mötley Crüe drummer Tommy Lee and his *Baywatch* star wife, Pamela Anderson

- fuelled a new level of public interest in celebrity's lives.

Pam & Tommy, a new Disney+ series, tells the story of the couple's whirlwind '90s marriage, the unauthorised release of their intimate moments and ensuing legal drama.

It stars an unrecognisable Lily James (Mamma Mia! Here We Go Again) and Sebastian Stan (Captain America: The Winter Soldier). With the help of special-effects prosthetics, makeup, fake tattoos and piercings, it's hard to distinguish the actors from their real-life counterparts.

The tape – which was stolen by scorned handyman Rand Gauthier (Seth Rogen) and distributed quietly in bootleg-VHS form for two years before landing on the internet – made a cultural hero out of Lee, while Anderson became the punchline of jokes around the world, shamed and constantly objectified.

The double standard in their treatment is a poignant takeaway from this series, which succeeds in its attempts to redeem Anderson's humanity and earn sympathy for the actress in telling her side of the story, but curiously does so without the real Anderson's approval.



THE AFTERPARTY
Streaming, Apple TV+



Rewriting the rules of murder-mystery, this comedy charts the police investigation after a pop star (Dave Franco) is killed at his highschool reunion afterparty. Tiffany Haddish (pictured) interrogates the guests (played by Ben Schwartz, Ilana Glazer, Jamie Demetriou and Ike Barinholtz), who each have their own unique recollection of what happened.



### PRUE'S GREAT GARDEN PLOT Streaming, BritBox

britbox

Restaurateur, writer and *Great British Bake Off* judge Prue Leith (pictured) is stepping out of the famed tent for this new series. Along with husband John Playfair, Leith has moved into a converted barnhouse surrounded by rubble and garbage, with a plan to transform its overgrown garden into a beautiful plot bursting with life and colour, in just one year.



### RAISED BY WOLVES Streaming, Foxtel On Demand

BINGE

FOXTEL

In a new setting, with a host of new threats, season two of this slick sci-fi drama from Ridley Scott (*House of Gucci*) finds androids Mother (Amanda Collin, pictured, with Felix Jamieson as Paul) and Father (Abubakar Salim) in a whole new world of trouble as her 'natural child' threatens the future of the human race.



THE WOMAN IN THE HOUSE ACROSS THE STREET FROM THE GIIRL IN THE WINDOW Streaming, Netflix

NETFLIX

This delightfully dark thriller parodies the likes of *The Girl on the Train* but still has plenty of twists of its own. Kristen Bell (pictured) stars as Anna, a woman just going through the motions of life, glass of wine in hand, until she witnesses a murder... or at least she thinks she does.



An emotional journey that cuts to the heart of tragedy, trauma and the healing process, *The Fallout* stars Jenna Ortega (*Scream*) and Maddie Ziegler (pictured, left, with Ortega) as two high school students from who are brought together after surviving a school shooting. It's an incredible, moving debut from writer-director Megan Park.



# Ins and outs of airport

The following was taken from the 1937 edition of the Longreach Leader.

### IMPORTANCE OF LONGREACH AS AN AIRPORT

### PASSENGER SUPPORT CONTINUES

Splendid support from passengers featured the air mall services this week, the quota from the Longreach airport being well up to the splendid average of this centre for a long time past.

Heavy freight and mall loadings also were continued; on Saturday last the freight totalled 2501bs., which has only been once exceeded since the inauguration of the service.

A feature of the outward bound airmail on Saturday afternoon was the heavy load of freight, weighing 2501bs.

It is rarely that the freight loading gets anywhere near that of the malls carried, and only on one occasion since the service has been running, has the freight weight exceeded the mails, and that was a few weeks ago.

However, the steady increase in recent months clearly indicates the better appreciation of merchants and others of the value of air carriage for small freights and urgent items.

There were also' 4001bs. of malls on the Saturday's air mail.

Captain R. B. Tapp was in charge of the R.M.A. Canberra, and with him was First Officer A. R. Gray.

There were two overseas passengers in the cabin, one for London (Mr. H. Nicholls) and one for Singapore (Mr. Horstman). \

Mr. Rogerson (Pikedale, Stanthorpe) travelled from Brisbane to Longreach and Messrs. Morgan and L. Tregear to Darwin and Mt. Isa respectively.

All passengers embarked at Brisbane.

Mr. Nicholls has been the Vacuum Oil Co.'s aviation expert for several years and has now accepted a position in England.

He is well known in Longreach having made several visits here in recent years.

### A DISTINGUISHED TRAVELLER

A distinguished traveller aboard the incoming air mail on Sunday night was Lady D. Haig, widow of the late Field Marshal, Earl Haig, who was Commander-in-Chief of the Allied forces at the termination of the war.

Lady Haig is engaged upon writing the memories of her late husband, and intends to travel to Sydney from Brisbane, thence to New Zealand.

After a short while in the Dominion, she will return to Melbourne, then fly across to Perth, where a boat ls caught for Durban (South Africa).

The Cape to Cairo aviation service will carry her then through Africa and she will return home; However) if her plans mature as worked out, she will proceed to Canada and the United States. Even after her return from there, her itinerary is incomplete, as she proposes to tour every country in Europe.

Captain H. B. Hussey was in charge of the R.M.A. Brisbane, with First Officer E. C. Sims and they carried . 5001bs. of mails and 701bs. of freights.

There were 9 passengers aboard, one of whom got off at Blackall, where also two got on, thus there were 10 off at Brisbane on Monday

In addition to Lady Haig, there were two other overseas passengers, Messrs. E. B. Book from London and D. "Walke from Singapore, both for Brisbane.

Mr. and Mrs. P. Hogarth and Miss O. Hogarth (Clio, Winton) travelled from that airport to Brisbane, en route to Sydney on holidays. Mrs. J. Daly embarked at Mt. Isa and travelled to Brisbane, en route to Southport.

Messrs. A. Cotham (Winton to Brisbane) and J. Holbrook (Mt. Isa to Blackall) were other passengers.

Mrs. J. Quodling and infant embarked at Blackall on Monday morning for Brisbane.

Owing to the heavily loaded incoming airliner on Thursday morning, last week, Mrs. Qoudling could not obtain a seat.

Mrs. Daly is well known in Longreach and Ilfracombe as Miss Irene Moynihan, whose father was postmaster at Ilfracombe.

She now resides in Mt. Isa with her dentist husband, and is at present bound for Southport on holidays.



# Reining on the open plains

2021 was a big year for racing in the west and 2022 is shaping up to be an even bigger one, with three new jockeys in the Central West and a triple increase in member numbers.

Jockey Club President Andrew Watts said 2021 was a positive year, with almost record crowds at race meets.

"Our cup was really good, almost 1200 people attended, a great number of sponsors, great local engagement, which pushed the jockey club forward," he said.

"We drove the new Central West premiership, which was a new initiative by our club to get all the clubs together for a cash incentive at the end of the year.

"Jockeys are generally one problem but were' up from last year – so you're drawing from other regions, and you need something to bring them here."

Mr Watts said racing has become deeply embedded in the culture of the Central West.

"It's taken over from your B and S balls and some of those other iconic events that used to be a part of the social fabric – now it's a race meeting," he said.

"You're once a year meetings like your Alpha, your Ilfracombe, your Isisford – it is a once a year event where people come to town to meet.

"So, the social fabric is very very important; a lot of people who come to a race meeting don't even see a horse run around because it's a social event."

Mr Watts said it was important that the race club identify the importance of the social side of race meetings, including improvements to fashions on the field and side entertainment.

Other things the Jockey Club will be looking to do this year, include an exclusion fence.

"Some people might think that's strange having an exclusion fence on a racetrack, but the jockeys and the trainers out there on the



Photo taken from the Longreach Cup, 2021.

field are working their horses just on day-light," Mr Watts said.

"What's awake during the day? The kangaroos – so we need that exclusionary fence for safety reasons, so we go that through the Community Benefits Fund.

"We also received a large amount of funding to put a new outside rail on, a new set of barriers which were about \$140,000, and we also received funding for new steward's towers."

Mr Watts said the Jockey Club was just beginning their master plan.

"We've engaged a company from Townsville who will help us get funding, and will ultimately lead to a two-story venue at the club where we can have weddings and parties," he said

"Ex-President Rob Luck has been active in the early part of that, and of course, he's been instrumental in it now.

"It's exciting because we have a strong committee of 15-20 people who all bring something different to the table – Max Tanks is working behind the scenes with different race ideas, we've got tradespeople on there."

Mr Watts said it was the strength of that committee that will put them in step for 2022.

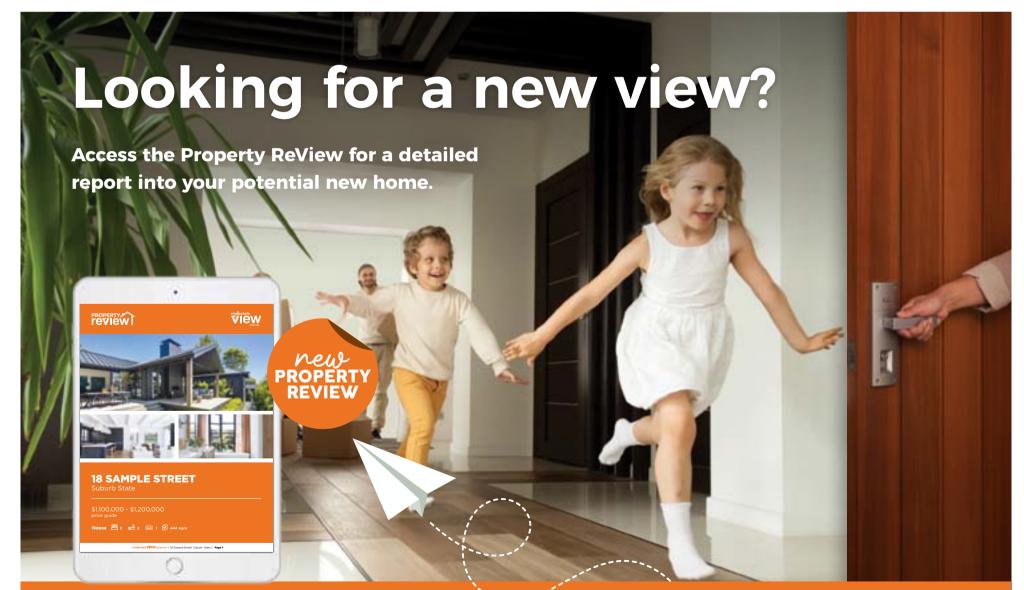
"Our first meeting is the fun one, that's the beach-themed races," he said.

"I find casual race days better because I have to dress up for nine out of 10 meetings that I go to

"It's always a good way to start the year – there will be sponsored themes all the way through, and of course, culminating with our cup day in September."

2021 Memberships are on offer for the Longreach Jockey Club, and this year, locals can look forward to a tipping competition and a shake-up with the bar for new and exciting drinks.

"It's that time of the year when people start to get excited; we look forward to welcoming back all our trainers, trappers and jockeys."



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# What's on

## **Band comes to Blackall**

Steve Tyson is a singer-songwriter based in the Byron Bay hinterland. His music has taken him around the world for over fifty years. His stories are his life - tales of war, love, murder, and redemption, dripping with satire and black humour. His lyrics and melodies have resonated with music reviewers. His eclectic songs have been presented in three critically acclaimed albums, and have earned outstanding reviews, such as these...

...a master song craftsman with a nuanced lyrical touch and strong melodies. These are songs that are built to last' (Noel Mengel, Courier Mail & Loudmouth Magazine)

'Steve Tyson is an important Australian songwriter with a talent for narrative intrigue. There is a gravity to his songs born of worldly experience.' (Fred Smith, author of Dust of Urazgan)

"...telling tales of home and family, of travel and politics, wrapped in a dark sense of humour that sets him apart from the myriad others plying a similar trade.' (Sam Fell, Rhythms)

"In Tyson's follow-up to his auspicious debut album, family history again proves a rich source of inspiration, with his smoky singing and skilful guitar..." (Tony Hillier, Weekend

'Tyson lets his ruined voice and lucid guitars do the talking.' (Phil Stafford, Courier

Together with his band The Train Rex, Tyson has just released his new album 'Banjo's Last Ride', and once again the critics have responded ...

'This album is a tour de force. Another masterpiece from a master songwriter.'

(Ian Dearden, Trad & Now Magazine)

And once again from prominent music writer Noel Mengel ...

'In the past few years there has been much to enjoy in the later work of Australian songwriters such as Russell Morris and Joe Camilleri. With Banjo's Last Ride, Tyson delivers an album of powerful, passionate songcraft that is just as worthy of your time.'

Steve and his band have been touring the new record for the past month, and are passionate about bringing their live show to Queensland country centres that have been starved of live music for two years. This current short country run includes a show at the Blackall Cultural Centre on Sunday March 13th, at 7.30pm.

What can you expect to hear? Steve is a nat-

ural storyteller, and delights in giving his audiences some background to the stories in his songs. This is roots music, a blend of country, blues, and contemporary folk.

You will see and hear a band of highly experienced musicians, who bring passion and fire to the delivery of Steve's songs. Bass player John Barr has travelled the world with Steve for over thirty years. Drummer Andy Kirkcaldie plays with some of Sydney's heaviest rock bands but plays with finesse and style for Steve's tunes. Keyboard player Jodi Murtha also lends her beautiful voice to the mix, and Ian Shawsmith plays melodic electric guitar lines.

Tickets are \$20 at the door.

Steve will also be running a songwriting workshop at 1pm at the Cultural Centre for budding songsmiths.

### Ghostbusters returns to haunt your waking moments



There is a fine line between pandering for the purpose of delivering a love letter and nostalgia for the sake of it; Ghostbusters: Afterlife straddles this line so finely that it's unclear to differentiate director Jason Reitman's passion from his final project.

While I'm not the biggest fan of the franchise, it's refreshing to see Ghostbusters return to its roots by creating a sequel that directly follows the first two instalments as appose to the failed 2016 reboot.

I've always been a big fan of Jason Reitman as a director; his attention to detail and clear vision of what kind of film he wants has always shown in movies such as Juno and Thank You For Smoking, and despite Afterlife not being on the same level in terms of quality, I can't say that I didn't have a fun time



with Reitman's latest.

In a surprising twist, a lot of the focus was given to the younger actors, particularly Mckenna Grace who delivered a fantastic performance as a Ghostbuster in training.

Her character never felt overbearing, always feeling genuine and rarely fake; script assistance from Dan Aykroyd aided these surprisingly great performances.

However, the same cannot be said for

certain characters such as Logan Kim who was just too much to bear in the movie, and although his character was supposed to be highly energetic, he was sprightly to the

Paul Rudd did a decent job, bringing his usual comedic tone to the film, and for the small roles they played; Bill Murray, Dan Aykroyd, and Ernie Hudson were acceptable, being carried by nostalgia alone.

Nostalgia plagued the movie like a field full of ghosts, with non-stop references halting any kind of character development that could've elevated the film, but for the development we were treated to, it was well handled and never disingenuous or forced, being helped by the passionate performances delivered by Grace and Rudd.

If you're a fan of the original Ghostbusters films, there's no doubt you will love Afterlife, but if you're not the biggest fan of the specter-hunting franchise like myself, then I wouldn't go out of your way to catch this feature anytime soon; still worth a watch however if you're looking for a fast, fun time.

**RATING: 6/10** 

### Community Billboard

When attending events remember to wear a mask and be mindful of social distancing.

### FRIDAY, 4 FEBRUARY

### **First Five Forever**

An interactive educational experience for children learning to read.

- Location: Longreach Library ■ Time: 10 am

### Multi-Purpose Raffle and RSL Raffle Draw

Head on down to the Longreach RSL for your chance to win big.

- Location: Longreach RSL
- Time: 6.30 pm

### **SATURDAY, 29 JANUARY**

### **Wool Spinning**

Come get artsy.

- Location: Longreach Arts and Crafts Centre
- Time: Afternoons

### Park Run, Longreach

A free, weekly, timed 5k event every Saturday morning. Everyone is welcome to walk, jog,

- Location: Meet at Beersheba Place
- Time: 7 am

### Morning Golf, Longreach

For more information email longreachgolf@ gmail.com

### **Goose Club and RSL members Draw**

- For more information call (07) 4658 1092 ■ Location: Longreach RSL
- Time: 1 pm

### **SUNDAY, 30 JANUARY**

### **Community Garden**

Come lend a hand in creating a beautiful gar-

- Location: Longreach Youth Centre
- Time: 6.30 am

### **Longreach Town Band Mixed Ensemble** Rehearsals

- Location: Longreach State School.
- Time: 4pm

### **Social Bowls**

For more information please visit Facebook, Longreach Bowls Club

- Location: Longreach Bowls Club
- Time: 1 pm

### **MONDAY, 31 JANUARY**

### **Longreach Town Band Brass Ensemble** Rehearsals

- Location: Longreach State School
- Time: 6pm

### **TUESDAY, 1 FEBRUARY**

**Thomson River Lions Club Meeting** 

For more information please contact Bobbie Willersdorf on 042758315

- Location: Birdcage Hotel
- Time: 6 pm

### Sheak It Up Fitness - Zumba, Longreach

\$10 per session, first session free

- Location: Edgely Hall
- Time: 5.30 pm

### **Longreach Squash**

Come along and have a bash.

- Location: Longreach Squash Courts
- Time: 5.30 pm

### **Brolga Girl Guides Meeting**

Looking for fun, friendship and adventure? If you are a girl 5 - 17 years old then Girl Guides is for you! The Longreach Brolga Girl Guides meet at 5:30pm every Tuesday at the Guides hut, 15 Stilt Street, Longreach.

Longreach Girl Guides is committed to empowering girls and young women to grow into confident, self-respecting, responsible community members.

- Location: Girl Guides Hut 15 Stilt Street
- Time: 5.30 pm

### **WEDNESDAY, 2 FEBRUARY**

### Rotary Club Meeting, Longreach

Rotary is dedicated to causes that build international relationships, improve lives, and create a better world to support our peace efforts and end polio forever.

- Location: Birdcage Hotel
- Time: 7 pm

### **Isisford Committee AGM**

The Isisford Fishing Committee would like to invite you to its Annual General Meeting. There's a lot to talk about for the upcoming 20 vear anniversary of the Isisford Fishing Comp!

- Location: Isisford Board Room
- Time: 5.30 pm

### **THURSDAY, 3 FEBRUARY**

### Social Craft at the Library

For more inforamation please contact Longreach Library (07) 4659 0735.

- Location: Longreach Library
- Time: 9:30 am

### Hole-in-One

For more information send an email to longreachgolf@gmail.com or visit Longreach Golf

- Location: Longreach Golf Course
- Time: 4 pm

### **Thomson River Lions Bingo**

Come along for a bit of fun, a night out and help support our community.

- Locaition: Birdcage Hotel
- Time: 6.30 pm

### **COMICS**

### **Bottled Fruit**



"One small step for mass, one giant leap for .."

### **Insert Brain Here**



### **Bushy Tales**



### Swamp



### **Insanity Streak**



### **Doodley Squat**



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Against the Grain



### **Ballard Street**



I HOPE IT'S NOTHING SERIOUS!

Upon completing a small cement project, Stan's body makes immediate demands for rest and recovery.

### Grin Bin



### **SUDOKU**

### No. 066

To solve a Sudoku puzzle, every number from 1 to 9 must appear in: each of the nine vertical columns, each of the nine horizontal rows and each of the nine 3 x 3 boxes. Remember, no number can occur more than once in any row, column or box.

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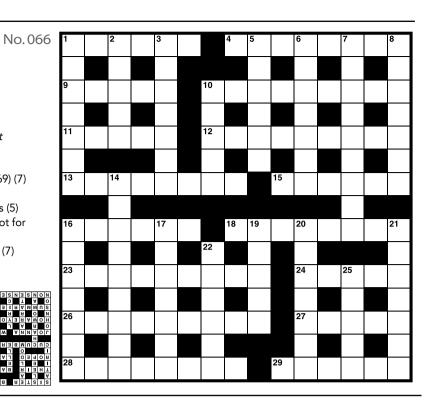
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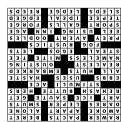
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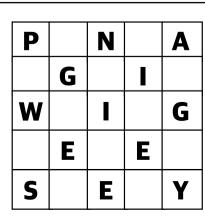
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### **QUICK QUIZ**



- Shannen Doherty stars in which TV show rebooted in 2019?
- In what years were the Salem witch trials?
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# Keeping dogs at bay

The Banks family own a 22,000 head Merino flock west of Blackall, and due to including exclusion fences, they claim their lamb survival rats have jumped from 30 to 100 per cent.

Fencing has not been all that they do, they also participate in wild dog monitoring and control programs.

Co-principal Ben Banks said wild dogs had not been completely eradicated from the property, but the enterprise was still well in front of where it was six years ago.

The reduction in stress on the ewes has meant conception, lambing and marking rates, and wool cuts have all increased while attacks have fallen.

"Our lamb mortalities have diminished hugely –in 2012 we were getting lambing percentages down around 20-30 per cent on scanning," Ben said.

"In 2016 after the fence went up, we marked and weaned 100 per cent – prior to the fence, we wouldn't have dreamt of achieving that.

"Prior to fencing we were trapping, baiting, and shooting. Four of us were spending 25 per cent of our time on wild dog control."

The entire property was fenced by the end of 2015 at a cost of \$8,000-\$8500/km using their own labour, covering 48,500ha.

"Now we are budgeting for a five-foot-high (1.5m) fence closer to \$10,000/km," Ben said.

"It is a five-foot netting fence if starting from scratch but if retrofitting an existing fence we put four-foot netting with two barbs on top to take it to a five-foot-high fence.

"All our external fencing has a 30cm apron – after six years the wild dogs are starting to outsmart it and we are getting a lot more intrusions than when it first went up.

"At the start, it really curbed the numbers but in recent times the dogs have started to work these fences out and they are now going over and digging under them."

Ben said there had been no need to treat the flock for lice for the past two years.

"That is purely because we have the fence



Lamb mortality and lice treatment is down in the Banks family flock post exclusion fencing on their Blackall station.

up and we have complete control over our stock – that has saved us \$35,000-\$40,000 a year

"We are in a cluster with one neighbour and no other feral fences coming off our fence anywhere but now two big places on the outside of us are fencing.

"This will be huge for us as it is another barrier outside – that is happening everywhere throughout western Queensland."

As a commercial sheep pregnancy scanner, Ben has noted increasing sheep numbers within existing wool enterprises in western Queensland partly due to exclusion fencing.

"If you take Dorpers and goats into it, there is certainly a lot more small stock back in the region," he said.

Ben has also observed more native animals and birds on the family property since the cell was completed.

National Wild Dog Management Coordi-

nator Greg Mifsud said as the number of exclusion fences increases, there is a risk of a reduced emphasis on ongoing baiting and control programs outside of the fences.

"This is a real and ongoing issue with large numbers of wild dogs using unfenced areas and stock routes – some of those areas are quite problematic for management," Mr Mifsud said.

"For those landholders on the periphery of exclusion fencing, if those wild dog control programs aren't being delivered, then they are the ones at the greatest risk.

"Wild dog control is a shared responsibility – just because landholders may be inside other exclusion fences, it doesn't mean they shouldn't be contributing to the control program as part of a shire."

To watch a video produced by Leading Sheep and Australian Wool Innovation of Ben Bank's tips on exclusion fencing click here.

# The best of drought research

By Michael R Williams

Longreach has been added as a node to a drought research innovation project by the University of Southern Queensland.

The Southern Queensland, Northern New South Wales Drought Resilience Adoption and Innovation Hub is looking to build better drought preparedness from agricultural and scientific perspectives.

Longreach Node Manager Ally Murray said the goals of the hub is to collect as much research on drought resilience as possible and bringing it to agribusinesses.

"We want to improve businesses, improve livelihoods, improve mental health, and also playing a bit of a coordination role, and finding gaps with things that are happening at the moment," she said

"Longreach is one of the nodes, our hub is in Toowoomba, we've got active nodes in Stanthorpe, Lismore, Armidale, Maryborough and Longreach."

"Longreach covers the seven councils around the Central West, so Barcaldine, Barcoo, Blackall-Tambo, Diamantina, Boulia, and Winton."

Ms Murray said the hub was about bringing together post-doctorate researchers who work in agribusiness, climate science, and climate and agricultural systems.

"They're looking at the research that's already out – and we're looking at ways of bringing that research out to farmers to help the adaptation needed with that new research to be taken up and implemented," she said.

"At the moment, we're still in the planning stages of what we're going to be delivering, but we'd love for locals to get in contact with us and share their views and thoughts.

"That's we're the knowledge is, with local people – so share your thoughts on what you would like to see going ahead or any gaps that you know about.

"We'd like to fill those gaps and make things happen."

Ms Murray said while the season is looking better for graziers in the Central West, now was the time to be proactive about drought.

"It's trying to get the drought resilience research that's available now – get it on the ground now, and have the improvements happening now," she said.

"So when drought does hit again, people are better prepared and have those processes in place to lessen he severity."

Ms Murray said she hopes to see her research – and the implied actions – taken up over her time at the node.

"This includes: better land management, personal wellbeing, climate adaptation, business improvement, carbon futures farming – they're the areas that we're looking into," she said.

Ally Murray will be the manager of the new node of the Drought Resillience Hub.

### Customers come first in traceability plan

Federal Maranoa MP David Littleproud has announced that the Federal Government will invest \$68.4 million into agricultural traceability.

The initiative aims to make happen: a National traceability Summit and the establishment of a national agriculture traceability alliance, a virtual hub to keep industry up to date with consumer trends, develop national data standards and take advantage of new technologies, and grants to promote uptake and development of new technology and systems to reduce regulatory and traceability costs.

Minister for Agriculture and Northern Australia David Littleproud said investing in strong traceability frameworks and systems could add up to \$1 billion a year to the bottom line of Australian farmers.

"Australia already has strong traceability systems in place, especially around food safety, origin, and biosecurity," Minister Littleproud said.

"But we can make these systems stronger by bringing them together with a national ap"That's why we're working with the states and territories and industry to create the National Agricultural Traceability Alliance and National Agricultural Traceability Hub."

Minister Littleproud said it would bring industry groups, research bodies, state and territory bodies and governments and together. "We're organising a National Traceability Summit so we can all share our ideas and map out how we can work to make the most of this multi-million dollar investment," he said.

"The hub will be a way for government and industry groups to work together to create successful traceability projects that will deliver financial benefits to our farmers.

"Traceability systems will continue to show consumers that our products are safe, clean, and meet sustainability standards."

Minister Littleproud said customers have shown they are willing to pay more for a product that can meet provenance and sustainability standards so our farmers will get a better price for their product.

"On the other side of the coin, by using the latest technology and data we are helping our

farmers reduce their costs of production," he said.

According to Mr Littleproud, the government is willing to commit to establishing a coalition of stakeholders across government and industry, the National Agricultural Traceability Alliance, to foster national leadership on traceability initiatives; holding a National Traceability Summit so we can all share our ideas, get on the same page and establish platforms for sharing experiences; creating a National Agricultural Traceability Hub to deliver a traceability capability, agree to common data standards and harnessing the power technologies such as blockchain in order to demonstrate the provenance of Australia's agricultural exports while reducing compliance burdens; and providing grants to encourage innovation in traceability against the roadmap, to generate value and promote them across cross all our primary industries.

"We know we produce some of the best produce in the world. By enhancing traceability and transparency at every step in the supply chain, we can make sure the rest of the world knows this as well," Minister Littleproud said.

### New tools for tackling drought

Two new digital tools are looking to deliver farmers the best available climate data to help prepare for future drought and climate change.

Minister for Agriculture and Northern Australia David Littleproud said the Drought Resilience Self-Assessment Tool (DR.SAT) and the updated Climate Services for Agriculture (CSA) platform are two key investments under the \$5 billion Future Drought Fund.

"These tools are about using technology to make climate information more accessible and useful for farmers, industry, and rural and regional communities," he said.

"My department has worked with farmers here in Maranoa to ensure the prototypes provided information which was accessible and useful. "We will continue to work with farmers and agribusiness to develop tools that are practical and will make a real difference to rural and regional Australia."

The CSA platform provides farmers with historical climate data, seasonal forecasts, and future climate projections at a 5km2 resolution across the country.

"Climate information for cattle, wheat, sheep, almonds, apples, barley, canola, and lupins is now available," MP Littleproud said.

"An apple farmer in Stanthorpe can see if the risk of sun damage to their crop is expected to change in future - this means that farmers can easily assess how the climate variables that matter to their business could change in future.

The DR.SAT is a free tool to help farmers

prepare for future drought.

"Farmers can explore the

"Farmers can explore the current and past condition of their property through satellite imagery and complete simple surveys to assess how they are tracking in terms of financial performance and personal wellbeing," MP Littleproud said.

"The tool also helps farmers understand how their land might be impacted by climate into the future, and then see a tailored set of practical options and resources to manage these impacts."

See the tools at www.drsat.com.au (DRSAT) and climateservicesforag.indraweb.io (CSA).

To get involved or find out more, visit: www. agriculture.gov.au/ag-farm-food/drought/future-drought-fund.

# Gardening Neil Fisher









Callistemon pachyphyllus green.

# The plant for hot times

Probably one of the most adaptable shrubs available to Western Queensland gardeners is the Bottlebrush and with the unusual weather condition over the last couple of years of several droughts to short periods of out-of-season rainfall and this week's extreme heat.

The Bottlebrush has proved to be an exceptional performer, feedback from many western gardeners is that they are still alive when the rest of the garden is nothing more than a dried arrangement.

For the purist, the Bottlebrush, or as it was formally known Callistemon, is now known as

But this still confuses many gardeners.

In fact, the last time I had a Bottlebrush Garden Column, I received a number of comments pleading not to make the Column con-

So this week's column Bottlebrushes will be referred to as Callistemon.

My interest in Callistemons has been with cultivars or hybrids as, growing up with a father who pioneered the induction of new species of natives onto the plant market, I too, gained a keen eye for looking for something different in all species.

I often receive letters asking if Callistemons, or Bottlebrushes, came in colours other than red.

The answer is yes!

Callistemons do come in different colours.

Some examples are:

Callistemon Eureka makes an impressive display during spring when masses of purplish-pink brushes appear.

Callistemon Eureka is an upright tall screening shrub 4 - 5m high with striking maroon new growth and dark green leaves.

It will attract numerous birds to the garden and requires a sunny moist position.

Some of the best flowering specimens of Callistemon Eureka can be found in the Longreach Botanic Gardens.

brush is a dense shrub 3m x 2m with narrow foliage and dark red new growth and a slightly weeping habit. It bears small yellow brushes in large clus-

Callistemon formosus or Kingaroy Bottle-

ters during spring and prefers a well-watered position in the sun or light shade.

Callistemon Injune is a semi-weeping shrub with silvery-grey foliage and profusions of pink flowers that fade to white.

This bottlebrush will grow to around 3m high and will tolerate quite dry conditions.

Callistemon pachyphyllus Green is a lowspreading shrub 1m x 1.5m with narrow light green leaves.

Lime green brushes appear during spring and autumn.

It requires a sunny position and should be pruned after flowering.

It will also attract honeyeaters.

Callistemon Pink Alma is a dense rounded shrub growing to 2m x 2m, with clear pink flowers during the cooler months of the year. Callistemon Pink Alma is very hardy and prefers a sunny.





Callistemon Eureka in the Longreach Botanic Gardens.



Callistemon formosus.



Callistemon viminalis Wilderness White.



Callistemon salignus Alpha.

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### **FORECAST**

### Warnings

See www.bom.gov.au/australia/warnings

### Longreach:

Partly cloudy. Slight chance of a shower. The chance of a thunderstorm in the afternoon and evening. Winds south to southeasterly 25 to 40

Saturday. Partly cloudy.

### Isisford:

Partly cloudy.

Saturday, Partly cloudy.

### **Barcaldine:**

Partly cloudy.

Saturday. Partly cloudy.

### **Central West District:**

Partly cloudy. Slight (30%) chance of a shower east of Longreach, most likely in the afternoon and evening. The chance of a storm, possibly severe, with possible heavy falls in the northeast. Winds southerly 15 to 25 km/h turning southeasterly 25 to 40 km/h during the day.

### Northern Goldfields & Upper Flinders District:

Cloudy. Very high (90%) chance of showers in the east, medium (60%) chance elsewhere. The chance of a storm, possibly severe with possible heavy falls. Winds southeast to southwesterly 15 to 25 km/h.

### **Central Highlands & Coalfields District:**

Cloudy. High (70%) chance of showers in the north, medium (40%) chance elsewhere. The chance of a storm. Heavy falls possible in the north. Winds southeasterly 20 to 30 km/h.

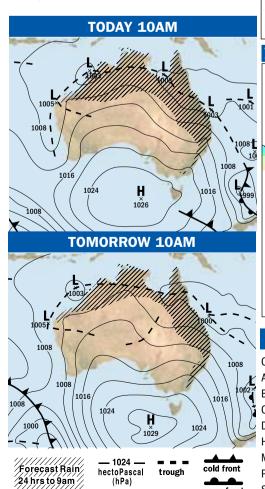
### Maranoa & Warrego District:

Partly cloudy. Slight (30%) chance of a shower in the northeast, most likely in the morning and afternoon. The chance of a storm in the northwest in the afternoon and evening. Winds southeasterly 25 to 35 km/h.

### Queensland:

The surface trough will push off the coast in southern districts, but remain over western and northern districts. A firm ridge behind the trough lowering humidity with cool gusty southeasterly winds. A slight to medium chance of showers about the southeast. A high to very high chance of showers, tending to rain RAINFALL at times and storms across eastern and northern districts north of Bundaberg. The risk of severe storm activity with heavy falls across eastern districts north of Rockhampton. Mostly sunny in the southwest. Temperatures near or below average across much of the state.

Saturday. The surface trough will move further north to be located around the North Tropical Coast. To the south of the trough, a strong ridge and southeasterly wind surge will dominate. likely reaching the North Tropical Coast over the weekend. A slight to medium chance of showers about eastern districts, with the chance of a storm north of Mackay, a medium to high chance of showers and storms about far northern parts of the state with possible heavy falls around the North Tropical Coast. Temperatures near or below average across most of the state.



### LONGREACH FORECAST









**SUNDAY** Mostly sunny. 33



**MONDAY** Partly cloudy. 31

















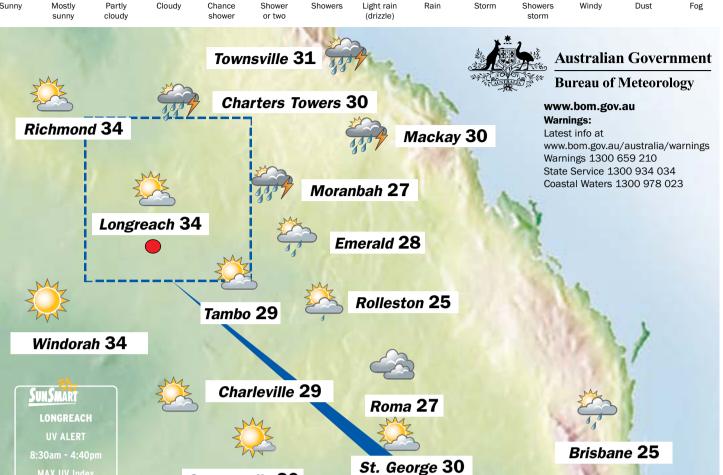


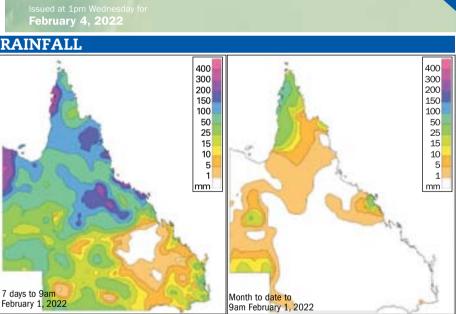




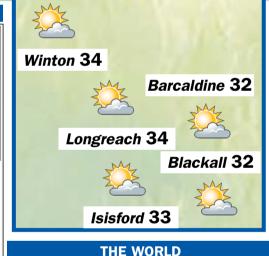


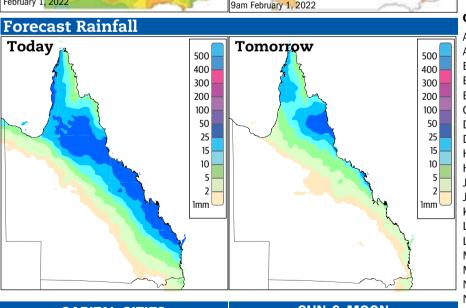






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Darwin	Showers. Possible storm.	31	Sunday	6:05am 7	7:09pm	10:39am	10:40pm
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	Christchurch	showers	28	22
	Denpasar	rain	33	25
	Dublin	cloudy	12	2
	Hong Kong	rain	16	13
	Honolulu	sunny	27	19
	Jakarta	rain	28	24
	Johannesburg	fine	29	16
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	Auckland	fine	27	20
	Port Vila	rain	27	24
	Seoul	fine	0	-7
	Singapore	storms	34	24
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**Longreach Tennis Club AGM** 

Saturday 19 February 2022 at 2.00pm

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Facebook: Longreach Tennis Club

**Longreach Meals on Wheels** 

**General Meeting** 

A meeting has been called to discuss the dissolution of

a. The financial membership of the Association is less

b. A resolution to that effect is carried by the vote of a

3/4 Majority of the financial member Services present

and entitled to vote at a general meeting convened to

This meeting will also consider under the Incorporations

Date: Tuesday 8 February 2022 | Time: 5pm

Venue: The Birdcage Meeting Room

In line with our constitution, section 45:

The association shall be dissolved if:

Longreach Meals on Wheels Inc.

45. Dissolution

than seven; or

consider the question.

Act, the distribution of assets.

Lorraine Cavill 0428 583 611



**Winton Shire Council** Tender WSCT-2122-06

Winton Hospital Estate Power and Data

Winton Shire Council is seeking a suitably experienced contractor to design and construct electrical distribution, connections, street lighting and telecommunications at a new subdivision comprised of 16 blocks in Werna Street, Winton.

The tender package and all responses are via Vendor Panel (ref. VP287797).

### **Announcements**



### BALDERSON, **Veronica Ann** (Better known as Ann)

of 37 Ash Street Barcaldine passed away on Tuesday 18 January 2022.

Relatives and Friends are advised that Ann was laid to rest in the Barcaldine Lawn Cemetery on Tuesday 25 January 2022.

> Barcaldine Regional Council Funeral Directors for Barcaldine



### In Memoriam

### **MOORE** Colin Edward

21.01.1947- 26.01.2020 hold you tightly within our hearts and there you shall remain. Life goes on without you but will never be the same.

Love Antoinette, Jody and family, Richard, Rochelle and family, and Emily.

### MOORE Jarrod Dean

07.09.1972-12.01.1996 All the love you shared still in everyone of us and though we ache from the loss of you. you will always be here. You are shining bright through the skies.

Love mum, Jodie and family. Richard Rachelle and

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Most Positions offer a nine day fortnight, and superannuation of up to 12% of salary is available upon commencement.

If you would like to join the Longreach Regional Council team, please contact Human Resources on (07) 4658 4111, email hr@longreach.qld.gov.au or visit the Council website at longreach.qld.gov.au/careers to download a copy of the Positions Descriptions & Information Kit.

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The role will include a range of tasks, including:-

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- Making Appointments
- Organising the Electronic Office Calendar
- Data Entry
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- Assistance to Accountants
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document: Email: longreachshow@outlook.com.au Phone: 0467 566 728 PO Box 99 Longreach Qld 4730 Tenders close: Friday 18th February 2022

family, Anne and Emily.



The Longreach and Barcaldine Swimming Clubs teamed up for a world-class swimming lesson.

# Swim training world class in Longreach

### By Michael R Williams

Swimmers from Longreach and Barcaldine were treated to world-class swim coaching from former Olympic Swimmer and Queensland Swimming Coach and Club Development Officer Barry Prime.

Mr Prime works with swimming coaches across the region he said it was important to bring modern swimming training methodologies to the regions.

"It's good to keep people up to date with modern swimming techniques that are happening in the world of swimming," he said.

"With regards to facilities – facilities in Queensland are very good in the regional ar-

"What it [a good swim club] requires is someone with a passion to drive swimming in the region – someone like Geoff Rafter from Barcaldine."

Mr Prime said he was impressed with Mr Rafter's passion and has been pleased to see



Longreach come onboard as well.

Sunday's lesson was on all strokes.

"The swimmer's were given a thirty minute presentation before each pool session, which went for an hour," Mr Prime said.

"With the presentations, the athletes were shown key images of the best swimmers in the

world through various aspects of swimming techniques."

Mr Prime said he was impressed with the two lead coaches of Mr Rafter and Ms Ross.

Mr Prime thanked Laurinda Long, the Longreach Swimming Club Secretary, for her work in organising the event.

# Good time to let the bowls begin

### **Bowls by Bones**

Some 32 players turned up on Sunday with three competition games starting off our 2022 comps.

In a Championship Men's Singles game, we saw Dave Ramage take on Bob Grant in what was a very good game.

Dave managed to pull away in the end, and the final score of 31-16 didn't really do justice to the closeness of the game.

In a Championship Pairs game, we saw John Hawkes and Peter Anderson have a win over Patrick Casey and the ever improving Andrew Watts.

Hawkes and Pete won the game by 31-12, but when you take into account they scored 19 shots on just four ends during the game. you can see it was a good battle except for those four ends.

In another Pairs game, it was the veterans Rodney Butt and Bernie Gaylor taking on newbies Kim (Cisco) Llewelyn and Pat Downing. What a game this turned out to be with the lead changing seven times during the game.

With four ends to play Cisco and Pat were five shots down but caught Rodney and Bernie with only the last end to be played.

It's every bowler's dream to be standing on the mat with your last bowl in your hand, needing to draw the ultimate shot for the win... and that's exactly what happened for Rodney Butt.

Cisco and Pat were holding a game with Rodney's last bowl to come, and he drew the ultimate.

Rodney and Bernie progress to the next round and look out to however they're up against.

In social triples we had Shawn, Bub and Baileigh beat Darcy, Terry, and Selena by 27-19 with no wrong biases by Shawn this week.

In a social fours game, we had Ray, Justin, Robbie, and Amanda lose to Paula, Steve, Dorrie, and Bob by 22-7.

The last game saw the train staff come down for a roll, and they thoroughly enjoyed themselves in a game of the Youngies vs the Oldies (their words not mine) which saw the Oldies win the game 15-11, and then even won a meat tray to top it all off.

All in all, a very enjoyable day on the green.

# Lloydy's Serve Michael Lloyd



### Sporting backbone: A big thankyou to the volunteers

Not much would happen with sport in the West without volunteers.

I reflect on this after the Australia Day awards in Longreach recognised three great servants to the town.

Citizen of the Year, Ben Palmer, is a tireless worker for Junior and Senior Rugby League, Athletics and Scouts.

He will often be the first one there setting up the fields and the last one to go when all the rubbish has been picked up.

The kilometres Ben has done in the past year for league are incomprehensible to someone on the Coast.

Born and bred Longreach, Ben has carried

on the great Palmer tradition of volunteering which is great to see.

Dan Prosser, Senior Sportsperson of the Year, is fairly new to town, but he has bought a house, so we might just keep him for a while hopefully \*smile\*.

Dan is a middle-to-short distance runner who competes in ultra-marathons and is a regular at Park Run in town.

Surprisingly, it's not there I have worked with Dan, but at junior Tennis coaching and then AFL Auskick.

While not having any kids himself, Dan has been volunteering to coach, something I think is pretty awesome.

And last - but definitely not least - we had Malcolm Sellick awarded the Sports Administrator of the Year.

Malcolm is the executive of the local Pistol Club, but it's at Cricket that he truly shines.

Malcolm is our volunteer curator, coach, and this year project manager for the new nets at the showgrounds.

We are very lucky in Longreach to play cricket on a turf wicket, but this wouldn't happen without the long hours Malcolm spends watering, rolling, and marketing the pitch.

I have worked with each of the gentlemen, and on more than one occasion, I have asked them to do a little bit more, which they have never hesitated in doing.

So I would like to say thanks from the Lloyd family, myself, and all those who have taken part in watched or benefited from your hard work.

I know they are not alone.

There are hundreds of committee members, coaches, barbeque-ers, raffle sellers, jam makers, and referees out there every week making sure this place we call home is just a lot more liveable.

So - I would like to ask you all to put your hand up for a volunteer job, big or small, to help out your community; and, at the least, next time you benefit from a volunteer, say thanks and maybe buy them a raspberry lemonade.

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Jaimee Lee Strang is a top-order batter.

# Local cricket star off to UK

### By Michael R Williams

Jaimee-Lee Strang, a former Longreach and Winton local will be chasing her dream in the United Kingdom.

Ms Strang was born in Longreach, grew up in Winton, and still visits her family in both towns on a regular basis.

After moving to Toowoomba, she took up cricket, following in her father Graham Strang's footsteps.

Now she works for Development Cricketer for Cricket Australia, is a first-grade cricketer for the Ipswich Logan Hornets, and has been

accepted into a cricket team in Manchester.

She is described as a top-order batter and excellent wicketkeeper.

"It's very exciting," Ms Strang said.

"It all came back to dad, really.

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"He brought me into cricket, and he told me all these stories about him going to England, and I was like, "wow, I really want to do that", and he said, "well, with the connections I have, I could get you into it".

Ms Strang said going to England has been her dream ever since she started playing cricket.

"Being able to travel just to play a game I

love is very exciting for me," she said.

"This England trip is very important for my development as a player.

"I would never have thought I'd have gotten this far."

The Manchester team jumped straight at the opportunity of having Ms Strang on their

Every June/ July holidays, Ms Strang comes out to Winton to spend time with her grandparents.

"Our family is pretty well known out there," she said.

"It's just a good environment – it's great to get out of the city and back into the place that I love, which is a bit of dirt and a bit of dry coun-

"It's just a really good time reconnecting with my family."

Ms Strang said the outback is a place where the people are very different than in the south.

"It kind of made me a lot tougher - it helped me be able to get myself out there a bit more,'

"Honestly, being in Winton and Longreach, it opened my eyes a lot.



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