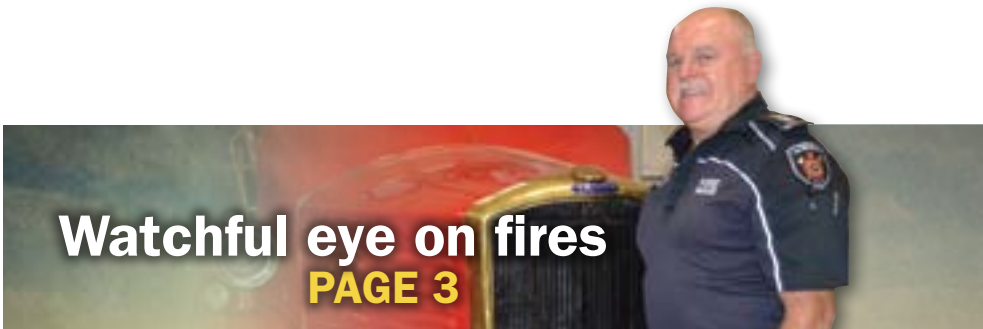


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Rain impact still felt in region

Western Queensland was spared the worst of it from this recent rain event that has lashed the Queensland Central Coast, but despite the welcomed cooler temperatures, a number of roads are still cut around the region with river and creek levels still swollen.

Longreach Airport recorded 109.6mm of rain over a five-day period from Wednesday, January 11 through to Sunday 15, the heaviest day being last Friday with 40.8mm.

With the rain system came cooler daytime temperatures, with Friday, January 13 recording a top of 24.4 degrees.

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Tourism boosted

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The editor's desk

Who is your Australian of the Year?

With Australian of the Year awards, Australia Day is a time to consider who are the people who make up our community.

And while every single person deserves recognition for the hundreds of small kindnesses they perform each day.

There are members of each community that go above and beyond.

These are the people who give so much that despite often being humble can't help but be recognised.

Last year we saw the award go to Ben Palmer who again this year, has really just continued to do the same.

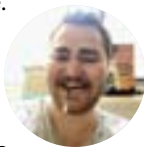
Noting this, I don't think awards achieve much.

Those who serve. Serve.

Recognised or not.

But I think for those of us who strive, it is something to consider.

- Michael R Williams



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A Herculean effort

By Michael R Williams

After being married and having children by the age of 22, Clothe Me and Dusty Blooms owner Rhiannon Matthews, has managed to build herself up as a small-town entrepreneur now occupying the space on 27 swan street.

Her tale is one of diligence, hard work, and innovation.

"I had spent a few years out here as a kid with my parents who own Foodworks—and we had a property, Hanworth Station, and we loved it," she said.

"We were there for three years, and I had done some time here at LSOE.

"Out of all the places we've lived, I've always loved Longreach, it's my home."

After travelling around Queensland and the northern parts of New South Wales, she has decided Longreach is her true home.

And after living outside of Townsville and finding the 40-kilometre trip each way and having to pay more than what she earned in childhood, the decision to move to Longreach was made.

"I love our town, and think it is very important for young kids to get to have the experience of living in a rural small town," Mrs Matthews said.

"There's a saying, it takes a village to raise a child.

"I think that's very true.

"When you're in the bigger cities, there's more opportunity [in terms of options], but less opportunity in the way of people skills I guess.

"When you're in a small community you have to learn to get along and the importance of helping each other."

Finding a need for a florist in town, Ms Matthews would start her small business Dusty Blooms, an operation she still runs to this day.

"When that was happening Covid was very apparent, February 2019," she said.

"My first retail space was in Merino Arcade.

"I had that for around 12 months."

However, late in 2019, the floristry industry took a turn for the worst, supply and demand became tumultuous as imports were halted.

"Things began to get really tricky with pricing, affordability and actually being able to get stock in because a lot of the import and exports were not coming in or going out of the country," Ms Matthews said.

"The flower industry was great to start with, but then because of Covid, our local growers were struggling to keep up with the huge fluctuation of supply and demand.

"It's such an important service to have, especially for funerals and weddings, but also many day-to-day things."

Like many through the pandemic, Mrs Mat-



Dusty Blooms owner Rhiannon Matthews is excited to serve the community.

thews was forced to adapt.

She would work in a small store in the Merino Arcade, but sales would tighten during the most difficult months of 2020-2021.

"Budgets got tighter for everyone and things got more expensive," she said.

"Maintaining product was the hardest thing because it's perishable and was difficult to get."

Then Target Longreach closed, and many people struggled to find appropriate fitting clothes, giving Mrs Matthews an idea.

"We had nowhere to buy underwear, bras, or jocks.

"Whilst I was trying to keep the retail front for Dusty Blooms open, I started up the underwear side of things [Clothe Me] next door.

"I would run it myself to start with, then had a couple of employees who helped out, otherwise it was myself running the two shops at some stages".

"And, Instead of giving up and having no flower shop or services in town at all, I took them back to the home studio.

"I kept the clothing store going, learnt how to fit bras, and just started small.

"Bras and underwear, people were most thankful to see in stock.

"As far as clothing, we have a pretty good range out here and between all the little stores, everyone does a pretty good job at filling the gaps."

Not stopping there, Mrs Matthews began to apply her passion for innovation into finding the appropriate fit for all of her clients.

"I like to tailor things and make them a little more personalised," she said.

"I know, personally, when I used to go into shops anywhere, I would think, nothing in here is going to fit me.

"So you go in instantly with a negative mindset and I wanted to change that for women especially."

Dusty Blooms would be relocated to Mrs Matthews' home studio, and she would start Clothe Me in the arcade.

Working tirelessly between the two, Mrs Matthews would swap from the shop in the arcade to flowers at home after business hours.

Finally, after catching Covid, she was forced to rest, but in that time, after talking to her 'hubby', she was told about her current spot on Swan St.

"As much as I miss our little family at the arcade, I do love the new space I am in, and wanted to create a lovely atmosphere for our amazingly supportive customers to visit to thank them for sticking with me through the tough times," she said.

"But coming in here has been a relief, I'm an outdoors person so even having the sunlight coming in has been a treat.

"Being able to do the majority of my work within business hours has been huge.

"When I walk out of work here at four o'clock, I actually get a bit anxious because I'm not used to having time of an afternoon with my family".

Mrs Matthews has begun to find balance in her life again—managing to hold two businesses and a family.

"The biggest thing I can say about floristry is that it is also a labour of love," she said.

"It's not a business you can walk into and expect to make millions.

"But as for my family and I it allows me to have the flexibility to raise my children and you can never put a price on that.

"The hours that you have to put in, and the emotions you go through sometimes can be a lot.

"But the biggest gain I get from it personally is when I have people come in who may have had a rough day and have a safe space to enjoy.

"It's great knowing you've made a difference in someone's day."

IN BRIEF

Clay Target Club notes

There has been quite a bit of rain around the area this week so I hope that it has found its way to you!

What a nice way to start the New Year!

Please note the details of our upcoming AGM: When: Saturday, 28th January 2023 Time: 3pm Where: Ilfracombe Recreation Centre - TBC

All members, please come along and participate as the executive committee and other members discuss key points.

The AGM will be followed by a General Meeting—I welcome everyone to attend this meeting as well to discuss what 2023 will bring.

We've got raffle tickets to sell to support the Handicap Spectacular, which ends at the Central Zone in Springsure on 25th/26th February—\$20 per ticket and there are 5x \$1000 prizes to win. Please contact Marto Hoolihan at 0429-165-371 to purchase your tickets!

Our Secretary, Adrian Brown, has also been emailing club membership invoices—please be sure to find and pay your's ASAP!

Maria Pallotta; Ilfracombe Clay Target Club

Banding together

The Longreach Town Band is a community group that has been servicing our region and beyond for 130 years. Traditionally a brass band, we currently welcome all instrumental-

ists who are eager to play as part of an ensemble.

The Town Band rehearses most Sunday afternoons and performs throughout the year at community events. We also offer lessons for adult beginners and have instruments to loan.

Please contact Tanya 0411 775 560, Lachlan 0428215203 or email longreachtownband@gmail.com.

We are also returning to our Sunday rehearsals for the what's happening this week section—Sunday 4-5:30pm at the Longreach State School. The Monday rehearsals are still on a break at this stage.

Tanya Lloyd; Longreach Town Band

Cricket Trials

There is an early start for Longreach cricketers with Central West trials being held on 25 January, please contact your school for more information. With this in mind, there will be training for aspiring applicants on Sunday, 22 at the Longreach Showground Nets from 4:30-6:30pm. This is for hardball cricketers only.

The new season for all junior cricketers in Longreach will start on 28 January at the Longreach Showgrounds, please contact the Club on its Facebook page Longreach Cricket or email longreachcricket@gmail.com for more information.

Michael Lloyd; Longreach Cricket

Court news

Longreach Police Officer Thomas Patten, who has been charged with one case of stealing and has since been suspended from duty, failed to attend court on Tuesday 17 January.

The defendant's lawyer excused the officer who was absent at the Gold Coast attending his wife's surgery, and the lawyer appealed for an adjournment which was granted.

The case will now sit in Emerald Court on 14 March.





Longreach Area Inspector Greg Vincett said he is always happy to chat.

Command presence

By Michael R Williams

Having dedicated much of his life to saving lives and managing emergencies, new Acting Inspector of the Longreach Command Area Greg Vincett is excited to serve a new community.

He moved to the Burdekin in 1981 and joined the Ayr Station in 1988 and spent 34 years as a station officer.

Then in January 2022 he moved to Emerald where he works as the inspector there.

But, for the next six months Mr Vincett will be see over the central west region as its inspector, leaving the door open to possibly staying on.

"I've been here since last Wednesday, and I've met quite a few people already," Mr Vincett said.

"But, I have a lot of work to do to go and meet the whole town.

"And not only Longreach but the other towns in our command."

It has not been the smoothest of landings for Mr Vincett who has been on call for the Mackay floods since his arrive to the outback town of Longreach.

"We go on call once a week out of four, and I've been dealing with that in the night times and early mornings," he said.

Still, Mr Vincett has almost 40 years of experience on the job and has experienced its toughest tribulations.

"I've been in Ayr for 34 years and we have had a lot of car accidents in that area; I also worked in Victoria during the Black Saturday Bushfires," he said.

"There's been all different varieties of incidents in Queensland.

"I think Longreach will be similar to the Burdekin area—very country-orientated.

"Out here, there's a lot of bushfires.

"And while they may be a bit different to Burdekin because there is a lot more open land in Longreach and surrounding areas—so more grass fires."

Mr Vincett said he aims to develop working relationships with a variety of locals.

"And it's just about developing that local knowledge and getting on with the property owners who know their land well," he said.

"I am a bit of a country bumpkin as well.

"I think I will have a great time in Longreach.

"I do enjoy country hospitalities."

Police urge drivers to remain flood wary

The Queensland Police Service has issued warnings to the Central West region that there is a potential for flash flooding with incoming intense rainfall.

This includes the Longreach, Barcoo, Winton, Blackall-Tambo and Barcaldine regions, the communities of which have been urged against complacency and are advising people to stay up to date and stay informed.

"Trying to navigate these hazards, either in vehicles or on foot, can be treacherous, as water levels rise and fall quickly, and very often with little or no warning," a police service spokesperson said.

"Emergency services are struggling to comprehend why some motorists ignore the notice signs and warnings that are erected

on flooded roads.

"Police would like to remind the community, it is not only a risk to drivers and their passengers, it also poses risk to our emergency services who assist in these incidents.

"Importantly, re-think your need to be on the roads as flash flooding can and does occur without warning. Flood waters can tear away the road surface and result in the surface of the road is much more dangerous than you know.

"Dirt roads throughout the Shires are hazardous to drive on when wet and can disable a vehicle by bogging.

"A vehicle's power can cut out in the water, disabling electric-powered windows and locks making a flooded vehicle near impos-

sible to escape."

The QPS also noted that it was an offence to drive through flooded waters when there is a sign erected.

These signs may say: 'Road Closed Due To Flooding Maximum Penalty 200 Units', 'Road Closed, No Entry Due To Flooding', 'Road Closed', 'Water Over Road' or just a simple 'No Entry.'

If a motorist enters any flooded road, state or council-managed, under s83(1)(c) Transport Operations (Road Use Management) Act 1995, police may issue an infringement notice for careless driving without due care and attention, which is a \$551 fine.

If it's flooded forget it.

Longreach by-election soon

The by-election, triggered by the resignation of former Councillor Tony Martin, has officially been announced for 11 February and will seek to elect a replacement Councillor.

The Electoral Commission of Queensland (ECQ) confirmed it would be a full postal ballot for the 2,485 residents enrolled in the Longreach Regional Council electoral area.

Commissioner Pat Vidgen said nominations for the new councillor position were now open and he encouraged anyone wanting to represent their community to nominate before 12pm on 23 January 2023.

"There are several important steps which must be undertaken when nominating, so I urge anyone interested to do this as soon as possible," Mr Vidgen said.

A deposit of \$250 must be paid for all potential candidates to be nominated with an open, dedicated campaign bank account; and candidates must complete the free mandatory on-line training through the Department of State

Development, Infrastructure, Local Government and Planning website.

All the information is on the Election Participants page of ECQ's website.

Mr Vidgen said voters would be sent postal vote materials in the mail, so enrolment was crucial.

If you have changed your address or are enrolling for the first time you must do this by 5pm on Thursday 19 January 2023 to vote in this by-election.

"Postal votes will be sent shortly after the close of nominations and the draw for ballot paper order is finalised. We encourage everyone to keep an eye out for them in the mail," Mr Vidgen said.

To enrol to vote, check your enrolment or update your details, go to the Australian Electoral Commission's website.

Keep up to date with the Longreach Regional Council by-election on ECQ's website or by phoning 1300 881 665.

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Doug Winterbottham is looking to say goodbye to Myers Newsagency after nearly 40 years of service.

40 years of Myers

By Michael R Williams

For nearly 40 years locals have looked to Myers Newsagency owner, Doug Winterbottham for their news, lotto, books, and stationery; however, in the near future, locals may be looking at a new face at the counter.

“I’ve owned it for 39 and a half years, I think it’s time I deserve to put my feet up,” Mr Winterbottham said.

The shop is currently on the market, and Mr Winterbottham said he will be running it personally until it is sold.

After it’s sold, he also noted that he does not plan to leave Longreach any time soon.

Mr Winterbottham has a rich history with the town.

“We bought the shop in August, ‘83,” he said.

“I was a contractor before that and before that, I was caught up at the Pastoral College.

“When it became available, I read that newsagents weren’t a bad proposition.”

In that time, Mr Winterbottham recalls many changes to the way Myers Newsagency operates.

“It’s changed dramatically in that time, we didn’t have the lotto at the time,” he said.

“We had the [Golden] Casket tickets, of which we sold one winner.

“A local picked up half-a-million dollars.

“Then instant scratch-its came in.”

“I’ve met a lot of people... some of whom have passed on,” he said.

“Some have come and gone and some have gone to the coast to live.

“They’re fantastic people—all down to earth.

“I’ve had a lot of staff over the years.

“When I first opened the shop, I had two girls and they moved on.

“One had stayed with us for ten years, another lass stayed for us another ten years, and the current staff has stayed here for three years.”

Mr Winterbottham thanked all the customers he has had over the years, noting they had been ‘fantastic people’.

“It’s been good,” he said.

“We’ve enjoyed it.”

Longreach creek rename

After months of deliberation, the controversially named creek in the Longreach Region has officially been renamed to Watyakan Creek.

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Resources Minister Scott Stewart said the former name Black Gin Creek used racist language and was glad the name had been changed.

“The new name Watyakan Creek honours the cultural significance and history of the creek to the Iningai and Bidjara people,” he said.

“Watyakan (said Watch-A-Kan) is an Iningai word for women’s creek and is a respectful way to pay tribute to those who historically camped near it.

“The former creek name is offensive, particularly towards First Nations women, and I’d like to thank the Longreach Regional Council for putting the name change proposal forward.”

A spokesperson for the custodians of Iningai Country said changing the name to Watyakan was the right thing to do.

“The former name of the creek and the real reasons it was called that has its origins in a disturbing part of our local history,” they said.

“This name change is a step forward for the community into a more inclusive future.”

Watyakan Creek runs through Iningai Country and covers southeast of Ilfracombe before joining the Thompson River.

Minister Stewart thanked those who took part in the name change consultation, which resulted in more than 120 submissions.

“Community consultation is essential in any decision-making process and provides a chance for everyone to have their voices heard,” he said.

“The Palaszczuk Government will continue to work with communities to use place names that embrace our First Nations people and their connections to the country.”

Longreach Regional Council Mayor in an interview late last year said he supported the name change.

“We support and agreed with the decision of the State,” said Regional Council Mayor Tony Rayner.

“It more appropriately reflects the history of the creek.”

A new year, new ideas and hopeful new style for arts

By Michael R Williams

With the new year well underway, the Longreach Arts and Culture Association are looking to bring fresh ideas to the community.

This includes Sip ‘n’ Create nights, lesson-based evenings, and more.

“This year’s lookin’ even more fabulous,” President Heather Hale said.

“We’re kicking the year off with a Meditation and Art experience this Saturday.

“And there will be no experience necessary in either creating art or in meditation.

“A new local will be hitting that up—I think that will be great fun.”

“Throughout the year we will be hosting monthly Sip ‘n Create nights,” Ms Hale said.

“So, bring your wine for different themed creative evenings.

“One of the nights will be watercolours, one of the nights will be pottery, one of the nights will be making silk scarves, one of the nights will be printing on paper—there’s a whole heap of things to look forward to this year.”

Keeping the tradition of arts and crafts well and kicking in Longreach is a passion of Ms Hale’s.

“Art and craft are great therapies and they are a great way of meeting people,” she said.

“Sometimes when you’re learning something new you’re dealing with the intensity of that practice, it might not be about meeting new people.”

The weekly activities the association host-



Longreach Arts and Culture Association president Heather Hale knitting outside the Arts and Crafts Centre.

ed last year will also continue as normal.

“Sunday afternoons are pottery and we’ll host pottery on another morning during the week,” Ms Hale said.

“It’s in vogue at the moment.

“And there will be lessons on how to make pottery on separate occasions for beginners.

“Saturday afternoons will be for art and craft for art therapy, where those interested in just bring their own stuff along and

just have fun.

“Those afternoons are likely to have different themes/ media, such as lino printing, from March onwards.”

The committee of the Arts and Crafts Association are hoping to bleed new members at their AGM likely to be held in April.

“We’d love some new people to come on board with ideas about what they want to do and what they want to see in terms of art and culture in Longreach.

“There are grants that we can get to help bring in tutors from away in—but there’s no point getting them in without people helping to promote the events and building the excitement.

“It would be great to get some new blood on the committee, absolutely.”

This Saturday, there will be a Meditation and Art Experience held at the studio on 111 Ibis Street.

“The idea is that we’ll be doing a lead meditation to start with so set your brain in action,” Ms Hale said.

“We’re supplying the canvases which will be round, which helps with the flow of things, as well as supplying the brushes and the paint, and of course, smocko.

“This means no one has to bring anything except some old clothing or an apron—and if they want to sit on the floor for meditation... their meditation cushion.

“I’m not sure what we’ll be creating... it’ll be a bit of a surprise

“It’s \$50 per person at 6.30 to Saturday 21.”

An experience to remember

By Karen Simmons

Two Western Queensland properties have secured funding to expand their agritourism ventures to meet the growing demand in the region.

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"They used to shear over 220,000 sheep here in the 1880s.

"There was an old piano here in the original homestead where Banjo Patterson first sang *waltzing matilda* to music.

"Dad is retired now, so he enjoys having a yarn with visitors around the campfires."

William said the family will dedicate the funding to improve the caravan campground with more trees, gravel, information and historical signs and an overhead shearing display.

"Then outside that, we're looking to improve advertising and the property tour experience, as well as a bit more planning around setting up a place for visitors to enjoy some water in the nearby creek," William added.

The second successful recipient was Stratford Station, a beef cattle grazing property in the Blackall-Tambo shire, and their agritourism venture - Ecocultura Project.

The Queensland Government is supporting the resilience of our farming sector while growing the agritourism sector through another round of Agritourism Business Grants in partnership with the Queensland Farmers' Federation (QFF).

Minister for Agricultural Industry Development and Fisheries and Minister for Rural Communities Mark Furner said providing co-funding allowed operators to establish or expand agritourism enterprises to meet growing demand for unique Queensland experiences.

"Twelve farming businesses have secured between \$8,000 to \$25,000 in matched funding to engage specialist services, and construct or modify on-farm infrastructure," the Minister said.

"These farming businesses want to be more resilient and have the capacity to diversify or expand into successful agritourism businesses." QFF CEO Ms Jo Sheppard said agritourism helped to connect city communities to regional communities, builds a bridge between country and city, and grows an understanding of food production and an understanding of the agricultural sector more broadly.

"Congratulations to the successful grant recipients," Ms Sheppard said.



Ayrshire Downs Caravan and Camping near Winton will be able to expand their agritourism venture thanks to securing funding. Pictures: SUPPLIED



Experience the shearing season.

"I commend these farmers on the work they are doing to develop their own enterprises and to contribute to Queensland's agritourism industry."

Mr Furner said a series of agritourism development workshops had also been conducted under this initiative, making a real difference to farmers on how they approach the



Sunset camps



Life on the land.

tourism part of their agritourism business, and to understand what resources are available to them.

"In 2020 the Palaszczuk Government established a \$2 million agribusiness diversification project as part of the Unite and Recover: Economic Recovery Plan, to build capability and explore potential diversification opportunities

in agricultural businesses," he said.

"QFF identified agritourism as a key diversification mechanism for agribusinesses and with DAF's assistance, partnered with agritourism specialists Regionality Pty Ltd to develop the Queensland Agritourism Roadmap that identified barriers to and opportunities for agritourism growth across the state."

DESERT UPLANDS COMMITTEE MEETING & HOUSE FAREWELL

WELCOME to 2023 with DUC Meeting & Project Prospectus during the day, with RFDS, QDAF & others.
FAREWELL to Margaret, Ashley and Nina House.

Evening drinks, BBQ & Party. For those who would like to share stories & reminisce.

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10.00-11.00am Catch-up & SMOKO

11.00-12.30pm Desert Uplands Committee Meeting

12.30-1.30pm LUNCH

1.30-2.30pm RFDS & Friends enlighten 2023

2.30-3.00pm SMOKO

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Rains leave heavy impact

By Karen Simmons

Western Queensland was spared the worst of it from this recent rain event that has lashed the Queensland Central Coast, but despite the welcomed cooler temperatures, a number of roads are still cut around the region with river and creek levels still swollen.

Longreach Aiport recorded 109.6mm of rain over a five-day period from Wednesday, January 11 through to Sunday 15, the heaviest day being last Friday with 40.8mm.

With the rain system came cooler daytime temperatures, with Friday, January 13 recording a top of 24.4 degrees.

On Wednesday morning the Diamantina River at Diamantina Lakes was steady, sitting at 4.11 metres, 2.01 metres above the Causeway, which is moderate flooding, while further along at Birdville the Diamantina River was also steady at 1.99 metres, 1.39 metres above the Causeway.

The Alice River at Barcaldine Weir was recorded as minor flooding, and steady at 6.17 metres, 1.61 above the Weir.

The Thomson River at Bogewong sat at 2.01 metres on Wednesday, 1.10 below Bridge but was still rising.

Social media channels appear to have played a crucial form of communication for drivers trying to navigate their way across Queensland for what has proven to be a very wet start to 2023.

Regional police and council pages, as well as local community groups posted regular updates and images on the conditions of roads and river crossings in the region.

A number of roads continue to be closed or affected by floodwaters as water along river catchments make their way downstream.

As of Wednesday, January 18, rain-affected road closures in the Western Region included:

- Ilfracombe – Aramac road
 - Crossmoor Road, at Aramac Creek
 - Starlight’s Lookout, Longreach area
 - Morella Road, Longreach area
 - Kensington Road, Longreach area
 - Isisford – Yaraka River Road
 - Isisford – Bimerah Road
 - Isisford – Blackall River Road
 - Yaraka – Bimerah Road
- Four-wheel drive access-only roads in the Longreach area included (proceed with caution):**
- Stonehenge River Road



The rain was absolutely beautiful. Took the heat away and felt great! We love to run around in the rain with the kids. We got a little worried when we lost sight of our driveway but still loved it very much. - Jessica Sullivan.



Patchy rain around Winton with falls of 100mls on some properties. Pictured are scattered showers to the south, a storm to the east and a heavy downpour to the south. There may have been higher falls but that’s what I’ve been told. -Angie Snell

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| ▪ Morella Road | ▪ Dandaraga Road | ▪ Isisford - Barcaldine Road |
| ▪ Notus Road | ▪ Additional Area Road | For the latest information on road conditions and closures, visit: https://qldtraffic.qld.gov.au |
| ▪ Tonkoro Road | ▪ Amor Downs Road | |
| ▪ Kensington Road | ▪ Kelso Road | |

Famous polo player pays visit to Longreach

By Michael R Williams

After being given the suggestion from Prince Harry himself, world-class polo player Nacho Figueras visited Longreach with the purpose of a fun-filled day exploring the region with his wife, Delfina Blaquier, and children.

The prodigy was toured around town by local Dan Walker to visit Camden Park Station, the Stockman’s Hall of Fame, and experience as much of Longreach as they could.

“They arrived on Thursday at 10am and departed on their jet at 4pm in the afternoon,” Mr Walker said.

“First thing they did was go down to the Station Store to rub shoulders with horse trainers and where they purchased horse bridals from Julie Egging.

“Then it was to the Birdcage to meet Gav Ballard who was driving them around to have lunch.

“Then up to the Stockman’s Hall of Fame, then to Camden Park Station where I had the pleasure of showing them around.”

Mr Walker said the visitors had a charming disposition.

“As a family, they were beautiful,” he said. “They had that charm and smoothness that Argentinians are known for.

“As international models, they were quite the sorts.

“We could relate with them, a lot, as they also had a love for the land, stock and water.

“We talked endlessly about synergies within the agricultural industries.”



Nacho Figueras, Delfina Blaquier and daughters.

Picture: NACHO FIGUERAS

The visit from Mr Figueras shows a growing interest from celebrities in Outback Queensland.

“They thought very highly of Longreach as incredible people and an incredible tourist destination,” Mr Walker said.

“They said they would recommend the

town to their friends.

“This was a great opportunity to showcase Longreach as the place to visit for celebrities.

“This is someone who has travelled the world from Aspen to Argentina.

“It’s opening up a market we haven’t seen prior to Covid.”

Widespread preparation for flooding

AgForce CEO Michael Guerin released a statement on Tuesday in relation to recent rainfall across the state, stating:

“While we are seeing isolated instances of flooding in some parts of Queensland, from an industry perspective the rainfall is largely welcomed and sets us up for a strong year in food production.

“However, producers and industry are keeping a close eye on events and are prioritising human and animal safety in preparation for more widespread flooding.

“AgForce is also working closely with the State Government on disaster management plans.

“We encourage producers and communities to stay close to their local disaster coordination centres.

“If they are able to, they should complete the online survey from the Department of Agriculture and Fisheries, to ensure local information on flooded areas is up-to-date.”

SMIP cut ‘blasted’

Member for Maranoa and Leader of the Nationals David Littleproud has lambasted the axing of the Soil Monitoring Incentives Program (SMIP).

The program was aimed to incentivise financially Australian farmers to work on the improvement and management of soil on their land, with Agricultural Minister Watt stating, “healthy soil underpins Australia’s natural landscapes and our high-quality sustainable agriculture industry.”

“Without intervention, reduced soil quality and function impact our economy, environment, food security and way of life”.

However, over the holidays, the Federal Government has ceased the program, with the Department of Agriculture, Fisheries, Forestry citing recent flooding and higher-than-expect-

ed rainfall as the reason.

Leader of The Nationals and Shadow Minister for Agriculture, David Littleproud said he was proud to deliver the SMIP, in May 2022, under the previous government and this initiative was a core part of the Coalition’s commitment to strengthen Australia’s soil health and improve data collection.

“The Soil Monitoring Incentives Program was designed to boost the productivity and profitability of Australian agriculture,” Mr Littleproud said.

“This pilot was about supporting farmers to make informed and evidence-based decisions on their land, as well as providing invaluable soil information to researchers and the National Soil Strategy.

“Labor’s decision to end the SMIP is dis-

graceful and it reflects their contempt for our farmers and the \$85 billion agriculture industry.”

Deputy Leader of The Nationals, Senator Perin Davey, said that cutting this program was yet another example of the Albanese Government demonstrating its blatant disregard for regional Australia.

“It is appalling that the Agriculture Minister would use flooding as an excuse to cut this crucial program,” Senator Davey said.

“Such a claim doesn’t stack up and this soil con job raises serious questions about the lengths that Labor will go, to cover up its own incompetence.”

The Leader reached out to Minister Murray Watt who neglected to make a comment.

Loyal friend follows each familiar step



I have a most faithful hound that shadows my footsteps whenever I go walking.

Other dogs may follow for a while but usually wander off, distracted.

Not this one.

He sticks to my heels, even though he’s probably a mix of every paddock dog, except a blue heeler.

I don’t know if it’s my company, or he simply likes walking as much as I do.

Could be a bit of both.

He has the ability to sail over a fence like a champion show-jumper, all grace in motion.

Sometimes I climb over the back corner of the fence to start my camera walk with my favourite tree.

When I do, he’s over the fence before I can get a leg up.

While I admire his ability, I also envy it as I get older and less graceful going over a fence.

Which might be why I played a dirty trick on him the other day.

I walked over to the fence, stepped up on the stump that gives me a boost, and watched Super Dog do his thing...

And stepped back off the stump, pretending to go back to the footpath.

That didn’t worry him.

He simply sailed back into the yard without missing a beat, probably thinking he’d misread the missus’ intention.

Except I then returned to the stump and climbed over the fence into the paddock.

Well, the look he shot my way was as dirty as my trick, the disgust plain to see.

He stood watching me as I walked away, then relented and sailed over the fence to join me.

But he kept his distance, for a while anyway.

Message received.

Well, the dog got his own back last night.

I could tell the sunset was going to be pretty spectacular especially down at the windmill, so I decided to take an extended walk to improve the photo opportunities.

I started out with four dogs—all keen to accompany me.

The two pups were quickly distracted and barely made it past the dog yard.

The old fella trotted along for quite a ways before deciding his old legs had had enough and turned back for home.

Only Super Dog faithfully followed.

As I walked, I caught a whiff of a stench so fetid I nearly gagged.

Thinking I was downwind of something dead; I picked up the pace.

So did he.

I couldn’t seem to shake the stench, no matter how fast and far I walked.

Then I realised the source.

The stink came from the dog, which must have rolled in something completely foul earlier in the day.

We’re talking rip-the-back-out-of-your-throat rancid.

‘Super Stinky’ followed me all the way to the windmill and back, thankfully sticking to the road while I was taking sunset photos... so I had a spell from the stench.

It felt like the reek stuck to the back of my throat, even after I put him to bed and went inside.

Apparently, revenge is a dish best served stinking.

Vox pop: Who is the nation’s top Aussie?

VOX POP

WE TAKE IT TO THE STREETS



Alex McRae’s Australian of the Year is Ash Barty and Michael McRae’s is Volodymyr Zelenskyy.



Grant Vincett, Krissie Osborne, and Matt Burrows all nominated the Longreach Commanding Area.



Leslie and Ian Merritt both chose Gaby Janho because he is always there for the community.



Jessica Sullivan said it had to be her mum who is a volunteer for the SES.



Wayne Kelso put forward Matthew Bowen who he sees as someone who is friendly and down-to-earth.



Roelie Hartwig submitted volunteer groups such as the Salvation Army for helping those in need.



Oscar Georgee said he doesn’t have an Australian of the Year as he doesn’t believe in awards.



Apryl Hoad said her mum because she is her best friend.

What’s on

Longreach and Central West Community Event Billboard

Friday, 20 January

Croquet

Contact: Jean Williams on 07 4651 2354.
Location: Oak Street, Barcaldine
Time: 8am
Barcaldine Senior Cricket
Location: Barcaldine Showgrounds
Time: 6pm

Saturday, 21 January

Meditation and Art Expereince

New Moon – Meditation and Art Experience Saturday, January 21st – 6:30pm – 9pm to bring in the new year, with the 1st New Moon of 2023, come along to a guided meditation and creative experience to unlock your energy and connect with your universe within.
Location: Longreach Arts and Crafts Centre
Time: 6.30pm

Morning Golf, Longreach

For more information email longreachgolf@gmail.com
Location: Longreach Golf Course
Time: Mornings.

Wool Spinning

Come get artsy.
Location: Longreach Arts and Crafts Centre
Time: Afternoons

Sunday, 22 January

Longreach Community Gardens

Come lend a hand.
Location: Longreach Youth Centre
Time: 8.30am

Barcaldine Golf

Contact: Michael Hayward.

Social Bowls

For more information please visit Facebook, Longreach Bowls Club
Location: Longreach Bowls Club
Time: 1 pm

Barcaldine Golf

Location: Barcaldine Golf Course, Pine Road
Time: 3pm

Monday, 23 January

Barcaldine Men’s Shed

Contact: David Kerrigan on 0427 009 375.
Location: 103 Ash St
Time: 9am

Barcaldine Ukulele Group

No experience required and all welcome.
Location: The Willows Centre
Time: 5pm

Tuesday, 24 January

First 5 Forever

Location: Isisford Branch Office
Time: 9.30am

Families with Children 0-5 Years - Join us at the Blackall Library every Tuesday morning for the First Five Forever Program.

Location: Blackall Library
Time: 10am

Longreach Playgroup

Ages 0-5 yrs. \$2.00/visit.
Location: Lioness Park
Time: 9 am

Longreach 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!
Location: Guides hut, 15 Stilt Street, Longreach.

Time: 5.30 pm.

Longreach Squash

Come along and have a bash.
Location: Longreach Squash Courts
Time: 5.30 pm

Barcaldine Lawn Tennis

Contact: Tony Walsh on 0410 522 041, Brett Walsh on 0407 981 776 or email barcaldinetennis@gmail.com.
Location: Cnr Willow and Fir St
Time: 6pm

Thomson River Lions Club Meeting

For more information please contact Bobbie Willersdorf on 042758315

Location: Birdcage Hotel
Time: 6 pm

Social Tennis Longreach

For more information please contact Anna-Marie Moffat on 0417 112 517 or visit the Longreach Tennis Facebook Page.

Location: Longreach Tennis Club
Time: 6.15pm

Alpha Touch Football

Location: Alpha Showgrounds
Time: 6.30pm

Wednesday, 25 January

Barcaldine Basketball

Contact: Central West Aboriginal Corporation on 07 4651 1226.
Location: St Joseph’s Primary School
Time: 5.20pm – 8pm

Barcaldine Men’s Shed

Contact: David Kerrigan on 0427 009 375.
Location: 103 Ash St
Time: 9am

Barcaldine Cultural Centre Craft Day

Contact: Karen Brown on 07 4651 2324.
Location: 20 Beech Street, Barcaldine
Time: 9.30am
Dance Lessons — Isisford
For more information contact Fiona Ludgate on 0422 772 066 or tf.ludgate@bigpond.com.
Location: Isisford Community Hall
Time: 3.30pm

Longreach Community Gardens

Come lend a hand
Location: Longreach Youth Centre
Time: 4.30pm

Darts at the Wellshot

Warm-up your arms, stretch those muscles and work on your hand-eye coordination. Cost: \$5
Location: Wellshot Hotel
Time: 7 pm.

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

Thursday, 26 January

Tai Chi

Contact: Jean Williams on 07 4651 2354.
Location: The Willows Centre
Time: 9am

Social Craft at the Library

For more information please contact Longreach Library (07) 4659 0735.
Location: Longreach Library
Time: 9:30 am

The Menu serves up scrumptious scares on big screen

By Movies with Hart: Hamish Hart

The Menu ventures into the obscure world of restaurant horror, serving up delectable performances and thrills guaranteed to cleanse even the most stubborn of palettes, even if certain plot elements feel flavourless by the film’s chilling conclusion.

An exclusive group of guests set sail to a secluded island for a multi-course dinner prepared by renowned Chef Slowik (Ralph Fiennes).

However, as the night progresses, dishes are revealed that leave young couple Tyler (Nicholas Hoult) and Margot (Anya Taylor-Joy) speechless—for better or for worse.

Food and films have many things in common, most notably that both can be more enthralling and appetising the simpler their presentation is, and director Mark Mylod understands and executes this concept to near perfection.

The premise may be a bit too surreal for some, but at the end of the day, that’s the great thing about horror movies; their concepts can be as outlandish and convenient as you need them to be, especially when making it improves the quality of the story.

Despite being labelled as a comedic horror, there are very few common horror tropes to be found, far from a bad thing in this case. Many of The Menu’s shocking moments

come from the exceptional performances given by the leading trio of Fiennes, Taylor-Joy, and Hoult.

Each character brings a unique element to the table, playing off one another beautifully to create genuinely chilling scenes carried by unforeseen revelations that don’t feel out of place and overt in retrospect.

Ralph Fiennes is easily the standout actor, setting up not only the extraordinary meals for the guests but the majority of the conflicts and plot points presented in the film.

Full reviews available at www.movieswith-hart.com.

His stoic demeanour and interactions with his patrons, particularly Margot, create

thrilling scenes that are cemented as highlights in a film filled with them.

Mark Mylod’s comedic thriller begins with an intriguing appetizer, introducing cookie-cut personalities who feel more like tropes than actual side characters before moving onto the main course with sudden twists and turns that prepare you for an ending that’s far from a fluffy dessert, and while it may leave a sour taste in some mouths, the ending was a sweet palate cleanser to an overall horrifying experience that left me wanting more.

But through no fault of its own due to the film’s formatted revelation, don’t expect the sweetness of The Menu to be as satisfying on a second session

Does your community group have an event they want to share?

Longreach *Leader*

Send through the details to editorial@leadertoday.com.au or call 0423 543 039

Australia Day Celebrations



What to do on Aus Day

By Michael R Williams

2023's Australia Day celebrations are looking to be the biggest and brightest in Longreach with waterslides and jumping castles at both the Longreach and Ilfracombe events.

Sandra Warren Longreach Regional Council Communication and Events Co-ordinator said with last year's event rained out, there was much to be excited for this year.

"Hopefully with all this soaking rain we've had and the region looking nice and lush, we've passed the weather bucket and it will be nice and sunny for Australia Day and all that's happening," she said.

"We have events happening all over the region for example in Isisford at the Multipurpose Court we have at 8am a free breakfast for the community followed by an awards ceremony hosted by our ambassador Vanessa Fowler, Chair of Allison Baden Clay Foundation."

"In Ilfracombe we will have a free lunch for all the seniors at the Wellshot from 12-2pm, followed by happenings at the Ilfracombe Rec Centre," Ms Warren said.

"This will include cricket from 3pm; come with a team of eight or just join a team.

"There will also be for kids: a waterslide, dancing, and a jumping castle and the IDPA will provide a BBQ from 6pm and the awards ceremony will be on from 7pm.

"The ambassador for Ilfracombe and Longreach will be Peter Davis who is the founder of Bloodbikes Australia."

Though usually held at the Civic Centre,



this year's event will be held at the showgrounds in Longreach.

"So we will have the awards starting at 8am in the morning at the Arts and Crafts Pavillion, followed by a free breakfast for the community," Ms Warren said.

"Then there will be lots of fun activities happening around the oval.

"We're going to have a mega water slide, a jumping playland, a snow cone machine, a sausage sizzle, and more.

"Usually, in the past, the ceremony was held at the Civic Centre.

"But, we thought, this year, we should

have all the activities at the showgrounds.

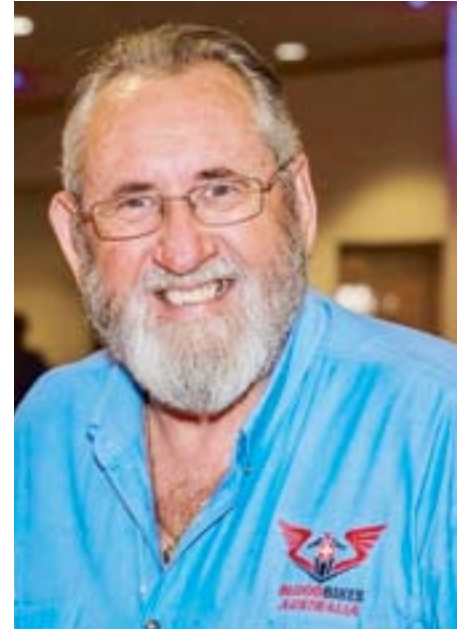
"And with the facilities there we thought it was just as feasible to have the ceremony at the showgrounds.

"So then people don't need to travel from one place to another.

"Then finally, for our senior residents, we will host a free senior's lunch at the RSL from 12pm to 2pm."

Finally, there will be a BBQ dinner at Yaraka on the 28th.

For those interested in the future of Longreach as a town, Council will be hosting a stall where locals can share their



thoughts regarding the town Master Plan.

"We'd like to hear from you about what you would like to see in our town," Ms Warren said.

To sell you on attending one of the year's biggest event, Ms Warren said the following:

"Kick off the year with one of the biggest and most fun events of the year.

"Come celebrate at events all around the region.

"Bring your hat, togs, and sunscreen

"And have fun with your friends and family celebrating our heroes of the community."

IF YOU NEED!
HAT, TOGS,
TOWEL, SUNSCREEN



AUSTRALIA DAY

26 JANUARY, 2023

CELEBRATIONS IN THE REGION



★ LONGREACH ★

LONGREACH SHOWGROUNDS

8AM AWARDS CEREMONY - ARTS & CRAFT PAVILION FOLLOWED BY FREE BREAKFAST
9AM - 1PM FUN ACTIVITIES WITH WATERSLIDE, JUMPING CASTLE, GAMES, DJ, FREE BBQ LUNCH

RSL LONGREACH

12PM-2PM FREE LUNCH FOR SENIOR CARD HOLDERS- BOOKINGS PREFERRED: (07) 4658 1092

★ ILFRACOMBE ★

WELLSHOT HOTEL

12PM-2PM FREE LUNCH FOR SENIOR CARD HOLDERS- BOOKINGS PREFERRED: (07) 4658 2106

ILFRACOMBE REC CENTRE

3PM CRICKET (NOMINATE YOUR TEAM OF 8 OR COME ALONG AND JOIN A TEAM), WATER SLIDE, JUMPING CASTLE, GYM OPENING
6PM FREE BBQ DINNER
7PM AWARDS CEREMONY

★ ISISFORD / YARAKA ★

MULTI PURPOSE COURT ISISFORD

8AM FREE BBQ BREAKFAST
8.45AM AWARDS CEREMONY FOR ISISFORD AND YARAKA FOLLOWED BY FREE POOL ENTRY, GAMES, FUN, ENTERTAINMENT

SATURDAY 28 JANUARY 2022

YARAKA HOTEL

6PM FREE BBQ DINNER FOR THE WHOLE COMMUNITY



Australia Day

Reflect. Respect. Celebrate.



Longreach Regional Council

Ilfracombe Isisford Longreach Yaraka

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Local provisional schools

By Longreach Archival And Historical Research Group

Schoolchildren will return to school at the end of January.

This month, our thoughts turn to some of the histories of schooling in the Longreach district, particularly for children living in remote and isolated areas.

Prior to the 1960s, most children who lived in remote and isolated places were educated by correspondence.

This was a wonderful system where each week of the school year, lessons were mailed in a large brown envelope from the Primary Correspondence School in Brisbane.

The lessons were to be completed each week by the students under the supervision of an adult.

In most cases, this was the mother of the students, and in a few cases, a governess.

With as increase in population in the West in the 1960s, some parents in remote and isolated places began to seek alternatives for their children.

They wanted their children to have the experience of a “real” school.

They believed that a school, no matter how small, gave a greater opportunity for child development, provided trained teachers, and offered greater social connection for everybody involved in the school.

A school would also help retain workers and their families on properties.

The Board of Queensland education was already operating what was known as provisional schools in other remote areas of Queensland to provide education to a scattered population.

These schools could be opened with as few as 12 children and were a way of providing education where the expense of a full state school was unjustified.

The local people were responsible for providing a suitable building and for any transport required.

The Department of Education provided a teacher, equipment, and a travel allowance to each child to help with the costs of transport.

Provisional schools catered for children in Grades 1 to 7 and in some cases, Kindergarten.

From 1966, four provisional schools were established in the Longreach and Winton districts.

Each school was a testament to the foresight, drive and tenacity of the parents and other people involved.

In each case, there was also extraordinary generosity involved with donations of land, buildings and equipment by the district people.

The four schools were Mahrigong Provisional School, Laidlaw Provisional School, Evesham Provisional School, and Katherine Creek Provisional School.

Mahrigong Provisional School operated from 24/01/1966 to 11/12/1981.

It was situated on Mahrigong station, a sheep station 90km northeast of Winton, owned by Mr and Mrs David Henderson.

It actually started as a private school in January 1965 with seven pupils.

20 children were enrolled on the opening day of the “official” school in 1966 and a kindergarten class of 10 children started in Term 2.

Mahrigong built the school in the backyard of the homestead and a bus was purchased for £700 (\$1,400).

There were five Henderson children and other pupils who came from the neighbouring properties with some travelling 48km each way in the little bus.

One boy rode 16km each way on a small motorbike, at the age of eight.

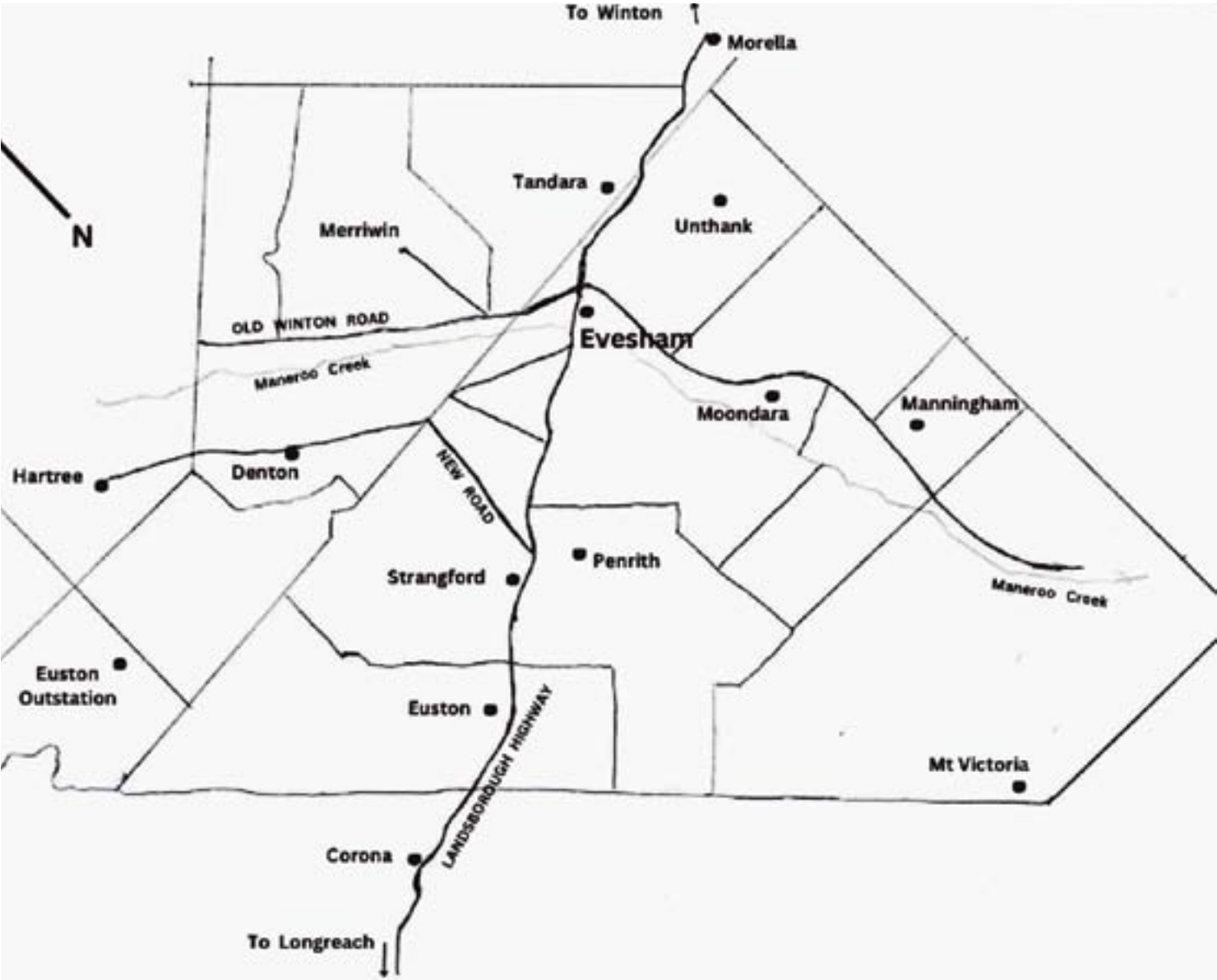
Laidlaw Provisional School opened on 23/01/1967 and closed on 31/12/1971.

An existing building on Laidlaw, a sheep station 79km south of Longreach, was donated by Mr W. N. Peters.

Improvements to the building included a gauzed eating room where the children ate their lunch, a teacher’s living quarters and a toilet block.

The school opened with 25 children enrolled and the first teacher was Mr Neil Barry.

Parents purchased a bus which travelled 50km each way, picking up children from Bo-



Map of Area Around Evesham Provisional School.

gewong, Kendal, Notus Downs and Yuruga.

Pupils from Kappa-Ki, Kaloola and Arrowfield were driven by their parents.

Evesham Provisional School operated from 23/01/1967 to 31/12/2010.

In later years it became known as Evesham State School.

The school was built on Evesham, a sheep station 72km north of Longreach.

It was paid for by the owner of Evesham, Mr Ian Capel, who was reimbursed over the next five years by six other families.

The school was built by a local Longreach builder, Smudger Clements, for £500 (\$1,000), and a small bus was purchased to transport the children from other properties.

The first teacher was Mr Risto Apuli who started with 12 students.

In 1973, the school had 31 students.

Children from Evesham (Capel family), Merriwin (Bloodworth family), Hartree (Gibson family), Penrith (Hickey family), Denton (Heussler family), Corona (Kelly family) and Moondara (Kerr family) attended the school when it first opened.

The Department of Education sent out supplies they thought the school might need, including 15 dunny cans—far more than a small school like Evesham would ever need.

So the kids used them as cricket wickets.

Part of the curriculum included the children swimming in the stock water tank at Narrambler on very hot days.

Katherine Creek Provisional School ran from 30/1/1968 to 14/12/1979.

It was named after the creek that runs through many properties west of Longreach.

The school was built on Glendon, a sheep and cattle station situated 90km southwest of Longreach, owned by Mark and Gwen Rogers.

People in the district provided funds for the building – a large garage that the parents built and lined – it even had a lunch verandah.

The first teacher was Mr Robert Boyle and nine other teachers followed him.

Over the years, children from Bellen Park (Paterson boys), El Kantara (Gordon family), Glendon (Rogers family), Parkdale (Parker family), Spoilbank (Sedgewick family), Toobrack (Rogers boys).

Children from other families included those from the Batzler, Essam, Belcher, Schwerin, Rayment, Baxter, Ross, Boyce, Thomas, Faggotter, Baxter, Ellisen and Cameron families.

Some of the hazards of the school included frogs invading the school toilets, as did snakes.

One girl drove herself to school in a mini Moke.

Whenever Katherine Creek flooded, the school was called off for most families, sometimes for a week at a time.

However, the Rogers kids from Glendon still had to attend because the school was within walking distance from their homestead.

The parents and teachers of each provisional school continually strived to provide opportunities for wider social interaction for the children.

They arranged camps with other small schools, and sports carnivals at Morella and Barcaldine were regular events.

Sometimes when a parent went to Longreach for the day, their child joined a class at the Longreach Primary School or St Joseph’s for that day.

As their name implies, provisional schools were intended as a temporary measure which would eventually be replaced by a regular state schools.

However, each of these provisional schools eventually closed down as the population in their surrounding catchment areas decreased.

The history of provisional schools in the Longreach district is a testament to the determination of parents to provide education for their children, no matter where they lived.

These schools played a vital role in the education of children in remote and isolated parts of the district.

Students who attended these wonderful little schools remember their days there with fondness and appreciation of the good times and even the challenging times.

These schools leave a legacy that will be remembered for generations to come.

The Longreach Archival And Historical Research Group don’t have any photos of any of the provisional schools or any of the people or activities associated with the schools.

In fact, there is little information available



Map of Longreach and Winton Area Showing Former Provisional Schools.

about the schools, given their significance in the district.

If you have any information or photos that you are willing to share, we could love to hear from you. Please contact longreachhistory@gmail.com

The volunteers of the Longreach Archival And Historical Research Group have used all reasonable endeavours to ensure this information is as accurate as possible.

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If you believe any of the information may be inaccurate, please let us know.

On this day 100 years ago

Found drowned

BODY FOUND FLOATING IN THE THOMPSON.

IDENTIFIED AS W. R. PRATCHETT

On Saturday last quite a mild sensation was caused by the rumour that the body of an unknown man had been found floating in the Thompson River at the Bridge.

Upon making inquiries later we learn that the body was seen floating near one of the bridge piles by a carrier named Wheelan whilst he was watering his horses. The police were immediately informed and the body was bought to the morgue, and later, identified as that of William Robert Pratchett (68), a shear-er's cook, who was a well-known identity, having been at this district for a number of years.

A post-mortem was held by Dr. Brown, who certified that cause of death was asphyxia and drowning.

So far as it can be ascertained the deceased has no relatives in Queensland.

An inquiry will be held.

Pratchett was last seen alive on the previous evening (Friday) sitting on the river bank by quite a number of passers-by.

His hat, coat and vest was found near the spot where he had been last seen and the body when found was close to this spot.

CORRESPONDENCE.

("PEACE AND WAR").

(To the Editor, "Longreach Leader").

Sir.—In answer to your request for an expression, of opinion on subjects touched on (under, the heading of Newsy, Notes) I would advance some comments on your paragraph "Peace and War".

Your statement that no sound thinker ever had faith that the recent distasteful European war would be the last, is one that I am in entire accord with.

The cry of war to end war was designed to capture the minds of the unthinking mass

of people, by giving a worthy objective to the bloody business of War.

It succeeded.

The large-hearted magnanimous youth of the Empire unhesitatingly walked into the bloody mire, and gave life, limb and happiness, all—that the world should be freed from this plague of war.

- J. M. DURKIN.

TRAGIC DEATH OF MISS G. CARR.

Quite a gloom was cast over the town on Friday night of last week (says the "Barcoo Independent," Blackall) when it became known that Gwendlyn Carr had died as the result of poison, self-inflicted.

The deceased was very popular and was employed by Mr. D. Rider, Union Hotel, as a barmaid.

She went about her work during the day as usual, although it was noticed that she seemed to be worrying.

After tea she went to town with her mother, and after returning to her room at the hotel, cleared out.

Her mother, becoming alarmed, as her daughter had threatened, when in a depressed mood, several times to take her life, got a couple of men to follow her, but for a moment they lost trace, but when eventually found she had already taken poison, near the water trough on the common.

She was hurried back to the hotel but breathed her last on arrival.

The funeral took place from the morgue to the Blackall cemetery on Saturday afternoon and was well attended.

Some pretty wreaths were laid on the coffin.

(The deceased will be remembered locally as having at one time been employed as barmaid at the Longreach Hotel, where she was very well-liked and respected.—Ed. "Leader".)



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Poetry cafe woos Winton

By Michael R Williams

A new book-themed cafe in Winton is proving to be a classic.

Born in Winton, but travelling often, Lost Poet owner-operator Tahnee Oakhill would finally settle in the outback town when she turned 18.

Having a background in journalism and creative writing she designed the motif as a way to share her sense of purpose with her home town.

Growing up in shearing sheds where her mother was a cook and her father was a shear-er, Ms Oakhill met her now husband in her late teens, despite the two only being born days apart in the same hospital.

“I spent plenty of time growing up in the kitchens of pubs, bistros and cafes that my mother either worked in or ran herself; she has also run her own catering operations.”

“My background [however] is in journal-ism, creative writing, and events.

“For the past 20 years in Winton, I have mostly been behind a camera, keyboard or somewhere behind the scenes or backstage of the huge variety of events that my little town has seen throughout that time.”

Ms Oakhill has built a steady portfolio writing for the Winton Herald, magazines, Queensland Country Life, The Longreach Leader, and Sunday Mail in the past, as well as, production for festivals and the filming of ABC’s Total Control.

“I have loved reading and writing the writ-ten word since I was a small child,” Ms Oakhill said.

“I named the store The Lost Poet because it was really about me trying to find my place and reconnect with myself and my sense of purpose and what that looks like in my home-town.

“I also felt like it represented so many of the artistic and creative folks who can often feel like the odd ones out or the black sheep in small outback towns.

“I think the character of many small towns, however, is changing vastly, and can no lon-ger be so easily stereotyped nor does it do the same.

“I did note that when I first decided to call the Coffee Bookstore ‘The Lost Poet’ that it related not only to me personally but could easily be connected to that figure [Banjo Pat-erson who famously first performed Waltzing Matilda in the town] which has represented our town and becomes part of its leading char-acter for such a long time.”

The cafe aims to be a relaxed space for lo-cals and tourists alike to come and ‘just be as they need to be’.

“I want people to feel they are welcomed to come and sit, to read, to connect or discon-nect, to be inspired or energised in some small way,” Ms Oakhill said.

“If I can offer good coffee and some comfort food in the mix to help that along then I feel like the business is doing its job.

“I run the Poet with my young cousin, Cry-sanias Gadd, who has moved out to Winton from Townsville to pour the coffees from our La Marzocco machine ‘Delilah’.”

“The initial goal for me when I started the lost poet was not just to be a coffee bookstore,” she said.

“I just felt like these would be the two as-pects that would help create the atmosphere that might lend itself to the future goals of run-ning events within the walls of the poet and the kind of folks that would seek those out and the space itself.

“I am hoping to expand further on the space and create events or openings where creatives and artists can be inspired to mingle, work, in-spire and be inspired. “There are so many hid-den talents in and outside of our small towns in the central west and id love to see them find a stage or space that really encourages and embraces them doing that.”

Since opening in November, the Winton community has embraced the coffee shop-bookstore hybrid with open arms.

“As long as some days can be when you are starting out your own business, it has been the friendly faces who come through every day that my staff and I get to enjoy seeing; or even watching friends and family come together during tough times and seeing that they feel some sort of comfort and intimacy within the



The Britton family catch up.



The Saturday scrabblers.



The cheesecake critics.



Fae Le Friz Tarot readings (Grace Elliott, writer in residence and fortune teller).

walls of the poet has been special,” Ms Oakhill said.

“That’s been the real kicker.

“That’s the stuff that gets you up early and keeps you going late at night to make sure that no matter what the following day brings that your community knows you will open your door to them.

“I love seeing the writers come in with their laptops and seeing their eyes sparkle as they order another hot chocolate and tell you how many words they’ve just clocked up and how inspired by the space they have been.

“Seeing someone find their favourite book in the used books in the room.

“Watching kids roll in after school and share milkshakes on the old chesterfields, phones in pockets, laughing and talking face to face.

“There have been plenty of times our closing hour has rolled around and we just let people sit and continue talking, writing, reading as we clean or just enjoy the energy of the room. I

“It’s been a beautiful, positive thing.

“I am very grateful.”



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Looking for love

Better Date Than Never follows a diverse group of singles dating for the first time. **Siobhan Duck** speaks with Nirvali, a young songwriter stepping outside her comfort zone to find her perfect match

LIKE so many Australians, Nirvali fell in love with the poignant real-life romances that unfolded on the factual series *Love on the Spectrum*.

In a TV landscape awash with Aussie dating shows which feature glamorous, uber-confident and social-media savvy types, *Love on the Spectrum* was a breath of fresh air.

And for Nirvali, who has never been a fan of *Married at First Sight*, *Love Island* or *The Bachelor* because they felt a "bit too dystopian," *Love on the Spectrum* became the only reality romance she'd ever watched from start to finish. It was also the reason she dipped her toes into TV dating too.

"I guess that's because it's not just a dating show, but a window into what it's like to live on the spectrum," she says of the Emmy-winning series.

When the opportunity arose to be part of a new dating series from the same creative team as *Love on the Spectrum*, Nirvali jumped at the chance.

For Nirvali, 20, whose social anxiety has meant she rarely leaves the house let alone goes out wining and dining a swag of suitors, it came as something of a shock to her friends and family that she would sign up to do a dating show. "They were slightly amused," she smiles.

Despite never having so much as held hands with anyone before taking part in the show, Nirvali says it wasn't loneliness which drove her to apply.

"I am not lonely, because I have a number of people who are there for me emotionally, I would, however, love to have someone to share my life with," she reflects.

Instead, Nirvali felt that *Better Date Than Never* offered a safe and supportive space to look for love and try something that pushed her outside her comfort zone.

"I really appreciated that the creators tried to prioritise the comfort and safety of the participants [in *Love on the Spectrum*] over the need to capture dramatic moments for the sake of television ratings," she explains.

"I felt that if I was to ever have a vulnerable moment, such as a panic attack, I wouldn't be chased around with a camera."

Plus, she jokes: "I also figured that if I took part in the show, it doesn't matter the outcome because I'd still have a very interesting first date story."

While *Love on the Spectrum* featured singles who are on the autism spectrum, *Better Date Than Never* widens its gaze to people who are taking their first tentative steps into the dating world.



Keeping it real: Clockwise from top, Nirvali, Dianne, Olivia and Charles are ready to begin their searches for love on *Better Date Than Never*.

Better Date Than Never director and executive producer Cian O'Clery says: "We believe that the realm of the dating show shouldn't belong only to the young and the Instagrammable, and that there's a hunger from audiences to see a more diverse range of people of all shapes and sizes, abilities and sexualities, as they navigate the universal experience of looking for love."

As such, in addition to Nirvali, we meet the gregarious Olivia who has Down syndrome. Then there's Charles, an international student from China who has been scared off dating by his experiences with hook-up culture. Dianne is a 68-year-old trans woman grappling with the isolation of living in a regional town. And Liv is a self-described romantic who believes her cerebral palsy has held her back from finding the one.

Unlike her co-star Liv, who has a scrapbook filled with wedding dress images, Nirvali has never been the sort of person who believes in happily ever afters. That's not to say that she doesn't long to find someone with whom she can enjoy hiking, rock climbing and watching *Miss Fisher's Murder Mysteries*.

As a songwriter, she's also hopeful of finding someone who will share her love of music.

"I would not call myself romantic unless romance is doing things with someone you care about that you both enjoy and being there for each other when you don't feel great," she says.

"I do believe that people can meet each other and have happy lives together. The best relationships are where people want the same things."

As such, she's not interested in candlelit dinners, sunset yacht cruises or any of the sort of clichéd clinches that play out on shows like *The Bachelor*.

"I can't quite put it into words, I think different people find different things to be romantic," she says.

"For example, I like the idea of someone genuinely liking me for who I am and enjoying my presence as much I do theirs. I like the idea of someone who shares the same goals and wants a future with me. I also think it's kind of romantic if someone can handle me talking enthusiastically about a new microphone I bought."

Nirvali admits that it took her a while to feel comfortable with cameras following her every move.

"The camera was fine, getting used to the people behind the camera took a while," she explains.

"The crew were very kind and patient though, I appreciated that."

While she feels like she grew in confidence while filming the series, adding that the shoot days were often filled with laughter, she's not fully prepared for potentially finding herself an overnight celebrity when the show finally goes to air.

What she does hope, is that *Better Date Than Never* will open viewers' eyes to what real love really looks like.

"We live in a world where we're encouraged to select partners based on a very narrow criteria," she says.

"I think at the end of the day it's character that matters, not any physical traits, status, or experience. I hope that viewers will get that's where I'm coming from."

■ *Better Date Than Never*, Tuesday, 8pm, ABC TV and ABC iview

Movie Guide



THE SOUND OF MUSIC
Seven, Friday, 8.30pm, G (1965)

Based on the true story of the singing von Trapp family's escape from Nazis, this classic Rodgers and Hammerstein musical scored a bag of Oscars including Best Picture, Director and Music, and spawned a host of timeless tunes (insomniacs around the world praise it for its sleep-inducing effects). Julie Andrews (pictured) shines as Maria, a misfit nun who falls for her widower boss (Christopher Plummer) while looking after his plucky children. The undertones of World War II are referenced sporadically, but in essence it's a feelgood family hit. ★★★★★



WATCHMEN
9Go!, Friday, 9.15pm, MA15+ (2009)

From the rich themes to the special effects and the running time, everything about this film is epic. Billy Crudup stars as Dr Manhattan, the only hero in the story to have genuine superpowers. A master of time and space, he works for the US Government as protection against a Russian nuclear attack. The world is further threatened by a plot to rid the world of masked crime fighters. Director Zack Snyder (300) certainly knows how to thrill and it's a highly entertaining romp, full of buzz and excitement. The fine cast includes Malin Akerman, Matthew Goode (pictured, right, with Akerman and Crudup), Jeffrey Dean Morgan, Jackie Earle Haley and Patrick Wilson. ★★★★★



THE FATHER
SBS World Movies, Sunday, 8.30pm, M (2020)

Veteran actor Anthony Hopkins puts on a masterclass in his Academy Award-winning role as Anthony, a Welsh octogenarian grappling with dementia. Olivia Colman (pictured, *The Crown*) is likewise remarkable as Anne, the daughter who is trying to provide care for Anthony despite his insistence he needs none. Director Florian Zeller, who co-wrote the screenplay, has crafted a profoundly moving portrayal that gives audiences an inkling of how terrifying the grips of this disease can truly be. ★★★★★

PICK OF THE WEEK

Swashbuckling stars:
Orlando Bloom and
Johnny Depp in *Curse
of the Black Pearl*.



SET SAIL FOR ADVENTURE

Saturday
PIRATES OF THE CARIBBEAN: THE CURSE OF THE BLACK PEARL
Seven, 7.30pm, M (2003)

Johnny Depp is unmissable as a half-drunk, half-mad pirate in this high-seas thriller. His boat has been seized by the evil Barbossa (Geoffrey Rush), whose crew have been turned into living skeletons by a curse. Volunteering to help Depp get his vessel back is Orlando Bloom, who is trying to rescue the kidnapped Keira Knightley. With Depp and Rush hogging the limelight, a barrage of visual effects, sweeping cinematography and a deafening soundtrack, it's no wonder that co-stars Bloom and Knightley are almost lost in the mix. A terrific yarn, playfully helmed by director Gore Verbinski (*The Ring*), it's easy to see how this fun flick spawned a franchise that continues to entertain 20 years later. ★★★★★



BASTILLE DAY
Seven, Saturday,
10.25pm, M (2016)

Richard Madden (*Game of Thrones*, *Bodyguard*) has made a career out of playing stoic, taciturn men of few words, but in this frenetic action flick he's playing against type as cocky pickpocket Michael Mason. After a theft gone wrong leads to a deadly explosion, Mason is forced to go on the run as authorities label him a terrorist. On the other side of the blue line, CIA agent Sean Briar (*Luther's* Idris Elba, pictured, far left, with Madden) uncovers the real threat to the country and teams up with Mason to bring the culprits to justice. It's not deep but it's good fun. ★★★



THE ITALIAN JOB
10 Shake, Monday, 8.30pm, M (2003)

The remake of Michael Caine's superior crime classic, transposed from Italy to LA, is essentially a two-hour ad for the then new-look Mini Cooper. Mark Wahlberg leads a team of slick crooks (including Mos Def, pictured, Jason Statham, Seth Green and Charlize Theron) who are brought undone by a double-crosser (Edward Norton) after an audacious robbery. To get even, they draw up a plan to bring California's traffic to a standstill and pull off the ultimate snatch. ★★★



RABBIT-PROOF FENCE
NITV, Tuesday, 8.45pm, PG (2002)

Removed from their home under government policy in 1931 and placed in a training camp for domestic servants, 14-year-old Aboriginal girl Molly (Everlyn Sampi, pictured) leads her little sister and cousin (Tianna Sansbury and Laura Monaghan) in a daring escape. Guided by a 2400km fence, they are pursued by lawmen and a determined bureaucrat (Kenneth Branagh) in an outback journey to return to their mothers' arms. Molly Craig's extraordinary factual story holds remarkable power. ★★★★★

The Guide



MONTY DON'S ADRIATIC GARDENS ABC TV, Friday, 7.30pm

Elegant and engaging, British gardener Monty Don (pictured) has a wonderfully warm manner. His screen presence is intoxicating – is it the curly hair, the lilting British accent or his smooth voice? – but it's only fair to concede that it's no match for the scenery in his travel shows, which is uniformly magnificent. In this new three-part series, starting tonight, the plant lover and culture connoisseur invites us on a fascinating journey as he explores the influence that the Venetians have had on horticulture, from centuries past through to the present day. Prepare to lose yourself in the scenery as he begins in Venice, visiting lush gardens along the Grand Canal. Later episodes head to the picturesque coastlines of Croatia and Greece.



JAMIE OLIVER: TOGETHER 10, Saturday, 6.30pm

With Jamie Oliver (pictured), it's about more than just the recipe: he's peddling an idyllic, laid-back and good-looking lifestyle. The veteran British chef and cookbook author dishes up simple and colourful fare that looks mouth-watering, but the world he inhabits is just as intoxicating. In this new series, scenes of friends and family relaxing and eating at an effortlessly styled table hit all the right aspirational notes. Tonight, Oliver whips up a gorgeous spread that's the perfect way to say thank you to those you love. The summery feast includes a Mediterranean salmon centrepiece, served with lemon potatoes, garlic-roasted tomatoes and followed by a unique summer pudding. It's all washed down with strawberry and prosecco cocktails.



LUCY WORSLEY: AGATHA CHRISTIE MYSTERY QUEEN ABC TV Plus, Sunday, 8.30pm

Agatha Christie led a life as intriguing as her work. Historian Lucy Worsley (pictured) discovers the origins of Christie's storytelling magic through the compelling characters and secrets of the author's life. After looking at the little girl with the "unsettling imagination" and the troubles of her early adult life, in part three, Worsley examines Christie's later life and discovers how the turbulent change of the '30s and '40s ushered in the golden age of her writing. Christie penned some of her most famous works during this time, including *Murder on the Orient Express*. Worsley explores how Christie found happiness and global celebrity, but still remained the anonymous observer.



All that jazz: Danielle Pinnoch plays lounge singer Alberta in *Ghosts*.

PICK OF THE WEEK

GHOSTS 10, Monday, 8.45pm

Young couple Sam (Rose McIver) and Jay (Utkarsh Ambudkar) are trying to turn the somewhat ramshackle country house they inherited into a successful B&B. After a near-death experience, Sam can see and hear the many ghosts who inhabit the house, so the couple always have some spirited helpers to call on. In this episode, feisty jazz singer Alberta's (Danielle Pinnoch) Prohibition-era expertise comes in handy when Sam and Jay run into complications during a whiskey tasting soiree.

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ABC TV (2) 6.00 News Breakfast. 9.00 ABC News Mornings. 10.00 Searching For Superhuman. (PG, R) 11.05 Australia Remastered. (R) 12.00 ABC News At Noon. 1.00 Les Misérables. (Masv, R) 2.00 London Zoo: An Extraordinary Year. (R) 2.45 Back Roads. (PG, R) 3.15 Gardening Australia. (R) 4.10 Long Lost Family. (PG, R) 5.00 Australian Story. (R) 5.30 Hard Quiz. (PG, R)	SBS (3) 6.00 WorldWatch. 9.00 Cook Up Bitesize. (R) 9.05 Peer To Peer. (PG, R) 10.05 Beyond The Beaten Path. (10.00) Great Canal Journeys. (PGa, R) 12.00 BBC News At Ten. 12.30 ABC World News Tonight With David Muir. 1.00 PBS NewsHour. 2.00 The Great House Revival. (R) 3.00 NITV News: Nula. 3.30 Where Are You Really From? (PG, R) 4.00 Who Do You Think You Are? (PGa, R) 5.05 Jeopardy! 5.30 Letters And Numbers. (R)	SEVEN (7) 6.00 Sunrise. 9.00 The Morning Show. (PG) 11.30 Seven Morning News. 12.00 MOVIE: Stay Away, Joe. (1968, G, R) 2.00 Border Security: International. (PG, R) 2.30 Beach Cops. (PG, R) 3.00 The Chase. (R) 4.00 Seven News At 4. 5.00 The Chase Australia. (R)	NINE (8, 9) 6.00 Today. The latest in news, current affairs, sport, politics, entertainment, fashion, health and lifestyle. 9.00 Australian Open Tennis Pre-Show. Reviews, previews, interviews, highlights and opinions from the Australian Open at Melbourne Park. 10.00 Tennis. Australian Open. Day 5. From Melbourne Park. Hosted by Tony Jones and Roz Kelly.	TEN (5, 1) 6.00 The Talk. (PGa) 7.00 Farm To Fork. (PG, R) 7.30 GCBC. (R) 8.00 Everyday Gourmet. (R) 8.30 Ent. Tonight. (R) 9.00 Judge Judy. (PG, R) 9.30 The Bold And The Beautiful. (PG, R) 10.00 Studio 10. (PG) 12.00 10 News First: Midday. 1.00 Dr Phil. (PGa, R) 2.00 Jamie's Ultimate Veg. (R) 3.00 Entertainment Tonight. 3.30 Judge Judy. (PG, R) 4.00 Farm To Fork. 4.30 The Bold And The Beautiful. (PG) 5.00 10 News First.
6.00 Old People's Home For Teenagers. (Final, PG, R) Part 5 of 5. 7.00 ABC News. Takes a look at today's top stories. 7.30 Monty Don's Adriatic Gardens: Venice. Part 1 of 3. 8.30 Endeavour. (Masv, R) Part 2 of 3. A taxi driver who owes a large debt to a colleague is found dead in his vehicle. 10.00 Miniseries: The Accident. (M, R) Part 3 of 4. 10.50 ABC Late News. Detailed coverage of the day's events. 11.05 Miniseries: Us. (Final, M, R) Part 4 of 4. 12.05 Unforgotten. (Malv, R) 12.55 Rage. (MA15+adhlnsv)	6.00 Mastermind Australia. (R) 6.30 SBS World News. 7.30 Supertrains: The Race For Speed. Examines the TGV, France's high-speed train. 8.30 Inside Central Station: Mardi Gras. (PGa, R) Takes a look at the diverse nature of the staff and crew working across the Sydney Trains Network. 9.25 How To Build A Nuclear Power Station. (R) Part 2 of 2. 10.35 SBS World News Late. 11.05 Gomorrah. (MA15+v, R) 2.00 The Kimberley Cruise: The Full Journey. (R) 4.15 Bamay. (R) 5.00 NHK World English News Morning. 5.30 ANC Philippines The World Tonight.	6.00 Seven Local News. 6.30 Seven News. 7.00 Better Homes And Gardens Summer. Johanna Griggs meets an artist. 8.30 MOVIE: The Sound Of Music. (1965, G, R) On the eve of World War II, a novice nun becomes a governess to a large Austrian family. Julie Andrews, Christopher Plummer, Eleanor Parker. 12.05 Cycling. Santos Tour Down Under. Stage 3. Highlights. 1.05 The Good Doctor. (Ma, R) 2.00 Home Shopping. (R) 4.00 Million Dollar Minute. (R) 5.00 NBC Today.	6.00 Nine News. 7.00 Tennis. Australian Open. Night 5. From Melbourne Park. Hosted by James Bracey. 11.00 New Amsterdam. (Mamv, R) Sharpe notices the hospital's blood supply is running dangerously low, Max concocts a plan to save the day. 12.00 Family Law. (Mas, R) Abigail and Daniel represent Ira. 1.00 Hello SA. (PG, R) Revisit some accommodation favourites. 1.30 TV Shop: Home Shopping. (R) 4.00 Take Two. (R) Home shopping. 4.30 Global Shop. (R) Home shopping. 5.00 TV Shop: Home Shopping. (R) 5.30 Skippy The Bush Kangaroo. (R)	6.30 The Project. A look at the day's news and events. 7.30 The Graham Norton Show. Graham Norton is joined on the red couch by Cate Blanchett, Margot Robbie, Alan Carr and Ashley Banjo. 9.30 Kitty Flanagan: Smashing. (MA15+ls, R) A stand-up performance by Kitty Flanagan tackling a host of topics, from sex to algorithms. 11.30 The Project. (R) A look at the day's news and events. 12.30 The Late Show With Stephen Colbert. (PG) Late-night talk show. 1.30 Home Shopping. (R) 5.30 Infomercials. (PG, R)
ABC TV PLUS (22) 6am Children's Programs. 4.40pm Fireman Sam. 4.50 PJ Masks. 5.00 Peppa Pig. 5.10 Octonauts. 5.20 Hey Duggee. 5.30 Ginger And The Vegesaur. 5.35 Do, Re & Mi. 5.45 Kiri And Lou. 5.55 Reef School. 6.05 The Adventures Of Paddington. 6.20 Bluey. 6.30 Spicks And Specks. 7.30 Hard Quiz. 8.30 MOVIE: I Know What You Did Last Summer. (1997, MA15+) 10.10 Doctor Who. 10.55 Death In Paradise. 11.55 Killing Eve. 12.40am The Trip To Greece. 1.10 ABC News Update. 1.15 Close. 5.05 Tik Tak. 5.10 Clangers. 5.20 Buddi. 5.25 Miffy's Adventures Big And Small. 5.35 Charlie And Lola. 5.50 Late Programs.	SBS VICELAND (31) 6am WorldWatch. 9.30 Shortland St. 11.00 The Movie Show. Noon Assholes: A Theory. 1.30 Figure Skating. 2021 ISU World Championships. Ice dance. Replay. 3.15 BBC News At Ten. 3.45 ABC World News Tonight With David Muir. 4.15 PBS News. 5.15 Takeshi's Castle. 5.45 The Joy Of Painting With Bob Ross. 6.15 Forged In Fire. 7.05 Jeopardy! 7.40 8 Out Of 10 Cats Does Countdown. 8.30 Hoarders. 9.20 Booze, Bets and Sex That Built America. 10.55 VICE News Tonight. 11.50 Raw Comedy Festival. 1.30am My Life Online. 2.00 Future Man. 4.20 NHK World English News. 5.00 Al Jazeera Newshour.	7TWO (72) 6am Home Shopping. 6.30 Escape To The Country. 7.30 Our Town. 8.00 Home Shopping. 8.30 Million Dollar Minute. 9.30 Better Homes And Gardens. 10.30 The Great Australian Doorstep. 11.00 Cycling. Santos Tour Down Under. Stage 3. 2.30pm Bargain Hunt. 3.30 Medical Emergency. 4.00 Surf Patrol. 4.30 Better Homes And Gardens. 5.30 Escape To The Country. 6.30 Bargain Hunt. 7.30 Border Security: International. 8.30 Escape To The Country. 10.30 Australia's Big Backyards. 11.30 Border Security: Int. 12.30am Escape To The Country. 2.30 The Bay. 3.30 Surf Patrol. 4.00 Late Programs.	9GEM (81, 92) 6am TV Shop: Home Shopping. 7.00 Creflo Dollar Ministries. 7.30 TV Shop: Home Shopping. 9.00 Australian Open Tennis Pre-Show. 10.00 Tennis. Australian Open. Day 5. 5pm Tennis. Australian Open. Night 5. 10.00 Major Crimes. 11.00 House. Midnight My Favorite Martian. 12.30 Skippy The Bush Kangaroo. 1.00 TV Shop: Home Shopping. 5.00 Joyce Meyer. 5.30 TV Shop: Home Shopping.	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. 11.30 The King Of Queens. 12.30pm Frasier. 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 Two And A Half Men. 10.30 Nancy Drew. 11.30 Frasier. Midnight Home Shopping. 12.30 Infomercials. 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.
NITV (34) 6am Morning Programs. 8.45 Bushwhacked! 9.35 The Magic Canoe. 10.00 Land Of Primates. 10.50 Road Open. 11.00 Going Places. 11.30 Strait To The Plate. Noon Sing About This Country. 2.00 Shortland St. 2.30 The Cook Up. 3.00 Bushwhacked! 3.25 Red Dirt Riders. 3.40 Wolf Joe. 3.55 Tales Of The Moana. 4.00 Thalu. 4.30 Spartakus And The Sun Beneath The Sea. 5.00 Our Stories. 5.30 NITV News: Nula. 6.00 Bamay. 6.40 Land Of Primates. 7.30 Barrumbi Kids. 8.00 MOVIE: Arthur And The Two Worlds War. (2010, PG) 9.50 First Nations Bedtime Stories. 9.55 Going Places With Ernie Dingo. 10.55 Late Programs.	SBS WORLD MOVIES (32) 6am Akira Kurosawa's Dreams. Continued. (1990, PG, Japanese) 8.05 55 Steps. (2017, PG) 10.10 Bugsy. (1991, M) 12.40pm Hilary And Jackie. (1998, M) 2.55 The Movie Show. 3.25 The Red Shoes. (1948, PG) 5.55 All At Sea. (2010, PG) 7.30 Kodachrome. (2017) 9.30 Mud. (2013, M) 11.50 Killer Joe. (2011, MA15+) 1.40am Tu Me Manques. (2019, MA15+) 3.45 Hilary And Jackie. (1998, M)	7MATE (74) 6am The Fishing Show By AFN. 7.00 Merv Hughes Fishing. 7.30 Creek To Coast. 8.00 WSL Presents. 9.00 WSL Wrapped. 10.00 Blokesworld. 10.30 Scrap Kings. 11.30 Demolition NZ. Noon American Restoration. 12.30 American Pickers. 1.30 Pawn Stars. 3.00 Timbersports. 3.30 Billy The Exterminator. 4.00 Scrap Kings. 5.00 Demolition NZ. 5.30 American Restoration. 6.00 American Pickers. 7.00 Pawn Stars. 7.30 MOVIE: Salt. (2010, M) 9.35 MOVIE: Anna. (2019, MA15+) 12.05am Demolition NZ. 12.35 Billy The Exterminator. 1.05 American Pickers. 2.00 Late Programs.	9GO! (82, 93) 6am Children's Programs. 11.30 Yu-Gi-Oh! Sevens. Noon Rich Kids Go Skint. 1.00 America's Top Dog. 2.00 Full House. 3.00 The Nanny. 3.30 3rd Rock From The Sun. 4.00 That '70s Show. 4.30 Everybody Loves Raymond. 5.30 WIN News. 6.00 Tennis. Australian Open. Night 5. 7.00 Young Sheldon. 7.30 MOVIE: Aeon Flux. (2005, M) 9.15 MOVIE: Watchmen. (2009, MA15+) 12.20am Alphas. 1.10 In Ice Cold Blood. 2.00 Full House. 3.00 Bakugan: Armored Alliance. 3.30 Ninjago: Crystalized. 4.00 TV Shop: Home Shopping. 5.00 Pokémon Master Journeys: The Series. 5.30 Yu-Gi-Oh! Sevens.	10 BOLD (53, 12) 6am Home Shopping. 7.30 Infomercials. 8.00 Healthy Homes Australia. 8.30 Roads Less Travelled. 9.00 Escape Fishing With ET. 9.30 Reel Action. 10.00 The Love Boat. 11.00 Star Trek: The Next Generation. Noon MacGyver. 2.00 Diagnosis Murder. 3.00 Bondi Rescue. 3.30 The Love Boat. 4.30 Star Trek: The Next Generation. 5.30 JAG. 6.30 Scorpion. 7.30 Bull. 8.30 NCIS. 9.25 NCIS: Los Angeles. 10.20 Evil. 11.15 MacGyver. 12.15am Home Shopping. 2.15 MacGyver. 4.05 JAG. 5.00 Scorpion.

ABC TV (2) 6.00 Rage. (PG) 7.00 Weekend Breakfast. 9.00 Rage. (PG) 12.00 ABC News At Noon. 12.30 Endeavour. (Masv, R) 2.00 Midsomer Murders. (PG, R) 3.30 Death In Paradise. (Final, PG, R) 4.30 Going Country. (R) Part 2 of 2. 5.25 Australia's Favourite Tree. (R) Part 2 of 2.	SBS (3) 6.00 WorldWatch. 9.00 Destination Flavour China Bitesize. (R) 9.10 Blue Water Safari. (PG) 10.05 Love Your Garden. (PG, R) 11.00 Paul O'Grady For The Love Of Dogs: India. 12.00 WorldWatch. 2.00 Figure Skating. ISU Grand Prix. Round 6. Grand Prix of Espoo. Highlights. 4.00 Fading Sands. (PGa, R) 4.40 World's Most Scenic Railway Journeys. (R) 5.30 WWII Battles For Europe. (PGaw, R)	SEVEN (7) 6.00 NBC Today. 7.00 Weekend Sunrise. 10.00 The Morning Show. (PG) 11.30 Horse Racing. Royal Randwick Race Day, Summer At The Valley and Saturday Raceday. 5.00 Seven News At 5. 5.30 Creek To Coast. (R) Hosted by Scott Hillier.	NINE (8, 9) 6.00 Weekend Today. News, current affairs and sports. 9.00 Australian Open Tennis Pre-Show. Reviews, previews, interviews, highlights and opinions from the Australian Open at Melbourne Park. 10.00 Tennis. Australian Open. Day 6.	TEN (5, 1) 6am Morning Programs. 7.30 Escape Fishing. (R) 8.00 Exploring Off The Grid. (R) 8.30 What's Up Down Under. (R) 9.00 Everyday Gourmet. (R) 9.30 GCBC. (R) 10.00 St10. (PG) 12.00 4x4 Adventures. (R) 1.00 Offroad Adv. (PG, R) 2.00 All 4 Adventure. (PGI, R) 3.00 Planet Shapers. (R) 3.30 Cook It With Luke. (R) 4.00 Farm To Fork. (R) 4.30 Taste Of Aust. (R) 5.00 News.
6.30 Julia Zemiro's Home Delivery: Shane Gould. (PG, R) Julia Zemiro spends time with Shane Gould. 7.00 ABC News. Takes a look at today's top stories. 7.30 Call The Midwife. (Ma) Nancy tackles the plight of meths drinkers living rough in Poplar. The Order celebrates a milestone birthday. 8.30 Midsomer Murders. (Mv, R) Barnaby and Winter investigate when a killer strikes during a murder mystery weekend, claiming the life of the guest of honour, the aging patriarch of the Karras family, at Hulton Manor. 10.00 Unforgotten. (Mal, R) Cassie and Sunny interview the suspects. 10.50 A Life In Ten Pictures: Amy Winehouse. (Madl, R) Takes a look at the life of Amy Winehouse. 11.40 Rage. (MA15+adhlinsv)	6.30 SBS World News. 7.35 Chris Tarrant's Extreme Railway Journeys: The Eastern Express. (PG, R) Chris Tarrant travels from Istanbul to Kars. 8.30 Legendary Castles: Haut-Koenigsbourg. (R) Part 2 of 2. Takes a look at Haut-Koenigsbourg, a castle in Alsace, France. 9.30 Britain By Beach. (PGa, R) Part 2 of 4. 10.25 Great Escapes With Morgan Freeman: El Chapo. (Mad, R) 11.15 Miniseries: Four Lives. (Mal, R) 2.30 MOVIE: Dallas Buyers Club. (2013, MA15+ds, R) Matthew McConaughey, Jared Leto, Jennifer Garner. 4.30 Destination Flavour China. (R) 5.00 NHK World English News Morning. 5.15 France 24 Feature. 5.30 ANC Philippines The World Tonight.	6.00 Seven News. 7.00 Border Security: Australia's Front Line. (PG, R) A woman acting suspiciously is stopped at the border and officers are shocked by what she's hiding. 7.30 MOVIE: Pirates Of The Caribbean: The Curse Of The Black Pearl. (2003, Mhv, R) A young man joins forces with an infamous pirate to rescue the daughter of a local governor. Johnny Depp, Orlando Bloom, Keira Knightley. 10.25 MOVIE: Bastille Day. (2016, Mlnv, R) A pickpocket is thrust into a conspiracy. Idris Elba, Richard Madden. 12.15 Cycling. Santos Tour Down Under. Stage 4. Highlights. 1.15 The Good Doctor. (Ma, R) 2.30 Home Shopping. (R) 4.00 Get Arty. (R) 5.00 My Greek Odyssey: Tilos And Symi. (PG, R)	6.00 Nine News Saturday. 7.00 Tennis. Australian Open. Night 6. From Melbourne Park. Hosted by James Bracey. 11.00 New Amsterdam. (Mamv, R) Max is on a mission to stop systemic racism in New Amsterdam. Sharpe is overwhelmed by family matters. 12.00 Family Law. (Mas, R) Daniel and Abigail represent a woman. 1.00 Hello SA. (PG, R) A look at South Australia's wineries. 1.30 Drive TV. (R) Tips on exploring the Great Ocean Road. 2.00 The Incredible Journey Presents. (PGa) Religious program. 2.30 TV Shop: Home Shopping. (R) 4.30 Global Shop. (R) Home shopping. 5.00 TV Shop: Home Shopping. (R) 5.30 Helping Hands. (PG)	6.00 Bondi Rescue. (PGal, R) Sam tries a daring move during a rescue. 6.30 Jamie Oliver: Together. British chef Jamie Oliver prepares a thank you feast featuring a side of salmon. 7.30 NCIS: Los Angeles. (Ma) Aiden Hanna's plane crashes and he is accused of being at fault for the accident. 8.30 FBI: International. (Mv) Jamie accuses Forrester of being overprotective when the team suspects Russian involvement in the death of an American journalist who was trying to meet an anonymous source in Poland. 10.30 NCIS. (Mdv, R) Gibbs and Fornell pursue a drug dealer. 12.30 Home Shopping. (R) 3.30 Infomercials. (PG, R) 4.00 Home Shopping. (R) 5.00 Hour Of Power.
ABC TV PLUS (22) 6am Children's Programs. 6.30pm Spicks And Specks. 7.30 Whose Line Is It Anyway? 8.10 Live At The Apollo. 8.55 Melbourne Comedy Festival Allstars Supershow. 9.55 The Set. 10.35 Doctor Who. 11.25 Would I Lie To You? 11.55 Staged. 12.20am Bliss. 12.45 Wreck. 1.35 Fleabag. 2.00 QI. 2.35 ABC News Update. 2.40 Close. 5.05 Tik Tak. 5.10 Clangers. 5.20 Buddi. 5.25 Late Programs.	SBS VICELAND (31) 6am WorldWatch. 9.30 Shortland St. 11.00 The Movie Show. Noon Dave Gorman: Terms And Conditions Apply. 12.55 American Song Contest. 2.35 WorldWatch. 4.35 Mastermind Aust. 5.40 Dynamo: Magician Impossible. 6.35 Adam Eats The 80s. 7.35 Impossible Engineering. 8.35 The Last Overland: Singapore To London. 9.30 Who Killed The KLF? 11.10 High Society. 11.40 Late Programs.	7TWO (72) 6am Morning Programs. 11.00 Horse Racing. Royal Randwick Race Day, Summer At The Valley and Saturday Raceday. 11.30 Cycling. Santos Tour Down Under. Stage 4. 3pm Escape To The Country. 5.00 Weekender. 5.30 Border Security: Int. 6.30 The Yorkshire Vet. 8.30 Escape To The Country. 9.30 Escape To The Perfect Town. 10.30 Penelope Keith's Hidden Villages. 11.30 Late Programs.	9GEM (81, 92) 6am Turning Point With Dr David Jeremiah. 6.30 TV Shop: Home Shopping. 7.00 Leading The Way. 7.30 TV Shop: Home Shopping. 8.00 Beyond Today. 8.30 TV Shop: Home Shopping. 9.00 Australian Open Tennis Pre-Show. 10.00 Tennis. Australian Open. Day 6. 5pm Tennis. Australian Open. Night 6. 10.00 Major Crimes. 11.00 House. Midnight My Favorite Martian. 12.30 Skippy. 1.00 TV Shop.	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 Friends. 11.45 To Be Advised. 5pm Friends. 6.00 The Big Bang Theory. 10.15 Friends. 12.15am Home Shopping. 1.15 Infomercials. 1.45 The Late Show With Stephen Colbert. 2.40 Charmed. 3.35 Nancy Drew. 4.30 Home Shopping.
NITV (34) 6am Morning Programs. 12.15pm Land Of Primates. 1.05 Going Places. 2.05 Firekeepers Of Kakadu. 2.25 Boy Nomad. 2.50 Wiyi Yani U Thangani. 3.00 Bamay. 3.30 Dance Rites. 4.50 Intune 08: Neil Murray And Shaz Lane. 5.50 Going Native. 6.20 Kriol Kitchen. 6.50 News. 7.00 Family. 7.30 Stay At Home Animal Dads. 8.30 MOVIE: Toomelah. (2011, MA15+) 10.15 Songlines. 10.55 Late Programs.	SBS WORLD MOVIES (32) 6am The Perfect Candidate. (2019, PG, Arabic) 7.55 All At Sea. (2010, PG) 9.30 Howard Lovcraft. (2016, PG) 11.05 Kodachrome. (2017) 1.05pm The Justice Of Bunny King. (2021) 3.00 55 Steps. (2017, PG) 5.05 Sun Children. (2020, PG, Farsi) 6.50 Good Night, And Good Luck. (2005, PG) 8.30 Six Minutes To Midnight. (2020) 10.25 Norwegian Wood. (2010, Japanese) 12.50am Late Programs.	7MATE (74) 6am Morning Programs. 1.30pm Cricket. Women's One Day International Series. Australia v Pakistan. Game 3. Afternoon session. 5.00 American Restoration. 5.30 Pawn Stars. 6.30 Building Giants. 7.30 Air Crash Investigation. 8.30		

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<p>ABC TV (22) 6am Morning Programs. 10.30 World This Week. (R) 11.00 Compass. (PG, R) 11.30 Praise. (R) 12.00 News. 12.30 Landline: Summer Series. (R) 1.00 Movin' To The Country. (R) 1.30 Monty Don's Adriatic Gardens. (R) 2.30 Call The Midwife. (PG, R) 3.30 Victoria. (PG, R) 4.15 Grand Designs: House Of The Year. (PG, R) 5.05 Great Barrier Reef: The Next Generation. (PG, R)</p> <p>6.00 Antiques Roadshow. Hosted by Fiona Bruce.</p> <p>7.00 ABC News. Takes a look at today's top stories.</p> <p>7.30 Joanna Lumley's Unseen Adventures. (PG, R) Part 1 of 3.</p> <p>8.20 Vera. (Mv, R) Vera investigates a daring robbery, but uncovers a web of intrigue when it turns out to be an inside job.</p> <p>9.50 Wreck. (Malv, R) Jamie gains an unexpected ally.</p> <p>10.40 Operation Buffalo. (Madlv, R)</p> <p>11.30 Everyone's A Critic: National Gallery Of Victoria - Ian Potter Centre. (PG, R)</p> <p>1.00 Les Misérables. (Masv, R)</p> <p>2.00 Victoria. (PG, R)</p> <p>2.45 Rage. (MA15+adhlvns) 4.05 Classic Countdown. (PG, R) 5.00 Think Tank. (PG, R)</p> <p>ABC TV PLUS (22) 6am Children's Programs. 6.30pm Spicks And Specks. 7.30 You Can't Ask That. 8.30 Lucy Worsley: Agatha Christie Mystery Queen. 9.35 Louis Theroux: Gambling In Las Vegas. 10.35 Auschwitz Untold: In Colour. 11.45 Rise Of The Animals. 12.45am Long Lost Family. 1.25 George Clarke's Amazing Spaces. 2.20 ABC News Update. 2.25 Close. 5.05 Tik Tak. 5.10 Clangers. 5.20 Buddi. 5.25 Late Programs.</p> <p>NITV (34) 6am Morning Programs. 1pm Rugby Union. Ella Ts. 1.25 Away From Country. 2.25 The South Sydney Story. 2.55 Feeding The Scrum. 3.25 Nyongaar Footy Magic. 3.30 Football. NFL. Women's Under 18s. 4.45 Football. NFL. Men's Under-18s. Palmerston Vs St Marys. 6.00 Spirit Talker. 6.30 News. 6.40 Australia In Colour. 7.40 The Australian Wars. 8.40 MOVIE: Sweet Country. (2017, MA15+) 10.40 Late Programs.</p>	<p>SBS (3) 6.00 WorldWatch. 9.10 Blue Water Safari. (PGa) 10.10 Love Your Garden. (PG, R) 11.05 Paul O'Grady For The Love Of Animals. (Premiere) 12.00 WorldWatch. 1.00 Speedweek. 3.00 Figure Skating. ISU Grand Prix. Round 6. Grand Prix of Espoo. Highlights. 4.30 Lucknow. (PG, R) 4.40 Secrets Of The Tower Of London. (PGa, R) 5.30 WWII Battles For Europe. (PGaw, R)</p> <p>6.30 SBS World News.</p> <p>7.35 The Great Wall Of China: The Hidden Story. (PG, R) Takes a look at the Great Wall of China and at what new discoveries tell us about this structure and its origins.</p> <p>8.30 Attila's Forbidden Tomb. (Mav, R) Takes a look at recent discoveries in remote Kazakhstan that shed a light on Attila and the Hun people.</p> <p>10.10 Lost Cities Of The Trojans. (PGav, R) Explores the story of the Trojan War.</p> <p>11.40 Miniseries: Hungry Ghosts. (Mahl, R)</p> <p>3.45 Destination Flavour China. (R)</p> <p>4.45 Bamay. (R)</p> <p>5.00 NHK World English News Morning. 5.15 France 24 Feature. 5.30 Al Jazeera News.</p> <p>SBS VICELAND (31) 6am WorldWatch. 9.30 Shortland St. 11.00 The Movie Show. Noon The Family Law. 3.00 WorldWatch. 3.30 Insight. 4.30 MOVIE: Master Cheng: A Spice For Life. (2019, PG) 6.35 China's New Silk Road: Yiwu To Madrid. 7.35 Abandoned Engineering. 8.30 Lost Gold Of World War II. 9.20 MOVIE: The Donut King. (2020) 11.10 WWE Legends. 12.45am Detective Chinatown. 3.00 Late Programs.</p> <p>SBS WORLD MOVIES (32) 6am Good Night, And Good Luck. Continued. (2005, PG) 7.05 Traffic. (1971, French) 8.55 Belle And Sebastian 2. (2015, PG, French) 10.45 Mud. (2013, M) 1.05pm It Must Be Heaven. (2019, M, French) 3.00 All At Sea. (2010, PG) 4.35 Howard Lovcraft. (2016, PG) 6.10 The World's Fastest Indian. (2005, PG) 8.30 The Father. (2020, M) 10.20 Better Days. (2019, MA15+, Mandarin) 12.50am Late Programs.</p>	<p>SEVEN (7) 6.00 NBC Today. 7.00 Weekend Sunrise. 10.00 The Morning Show: Weekend. (PG) 11.30 Tour De Cure 2022. (PGa) 12.30 Cricket. Big Bash League. Game 51. Brisbane Heat v Melbourne Stars. 4.00 Better Homes And Gardens. (R) 5.00 Better News At 5. 5.30 Weekender.</p> <p>6.00 Seven News. 7.00 Cricket. Big Bash League. Game 52. Perth Scorchers v Melbourne Renegades. 10.00 7NEWS Spotlight. (R) An investigation into a network of telephone scammers stealing millions of dollars from Australians every day. 11.00 World's Most Shocking Emergency Calls. (MA15+av, R) Documents shocking emergency calls. 12.00 Cycling. Santos Tour Down Under. Final stage. Highlights. 1.00 Australia's Most Amazing Homes: Little Gems. (PG, R) 2.00 Home Shopping. (R) 3.30 Million Dollar Minute. (R) 4.00 NBC Today. 5.00 Seven Early News. 5.30 Sunrise.</p> <p>7TWO (72) 6am Morning Programs. 2.30pm The Great Australian Doorstep. 3.00 South Aussie With Cosi. 3.30 One Road: Great Australian Road Trips. 4.00 Penelope Keith's Hidden Villages. 5.00 Escape To The Perfect Town. 6.00 Air Crash Investigation: Special Report. 7.00 Border Security. 8.30 Britain's Busiest Airport: Heathrow. 9.30 Chris Tarrant's Extreme Railway Journeys. 10.30 Air Crash Investigation. 11.30 Late Programs.</p> <p>7MATE (74) 6am Morning Programs. 7.30 NFL. AFC Divisional Playoff. 10.30 Sound FX: Best Of. 11.00 NFL. NFC Divisional Playoff. 2pm Sound FX: Best Of. 3.00 Fishing Addiction. 4.00 Irish Pickers. 5.00 Shipping Wars. 6.00 Cricket. Big Bash League. Game 52. Perth Scorchers v Melbourne Renegades. 7.00 MOVIE: Spider-Man 2. (2004, PG) 9.40 MOVIE: Elysium. (2013, MA15+) 11.55 Late Programs.</p>	<p>NINE (8, 9) 6.00 Weekend Today. News, current affairs and sports. 9.00 Australian Open Tennis Pre-Show. Reviews, previews, interviews, highlights and opinions from the Australian Open at Melbourne Park. 10.00 Tennis. Australian Open. Day 7. This year's tournament marks the 111th Australian Open.</p> <p>6.00 Nine News Sunday. 7.00 Tennis. Australian Open. Night 7. From Melbourne Park. Hosted by James Bracey. 11.00 New Amsterdam. (Mamv, R) Bloom and Reynolds butt heads over their opposing bedside manners. Iggy eagerly awaits the return of a friend. 12.00 Family Law. (Mas, R) Abigail and Daniel represent an artist. 1.00 Drive TV. (PG, R) James Ward heads to the Pyrenees. 1.30 TV Shop: Home Shopping. (R) 4.00 Believer's Voice Of Victory. (PGa) Religious program. 4.30 Take Two. (R) Home shopping. 5.00 News Early Edition. 5.30 Today.</p> <p>9GEM (81, 92) 6am Tomorrow's World. 6.30 Amazing Facts Presents. 7.00 Leading The Way. 7.30 In Touch Ministries. 8.00 Beyond Today. 8.30 The Incredible Journey Presents. 9.00 Australian Open Tennis Pre-Show. 10.00 Tennis. Australian Open. Day 7. 5pm Tennis. Australian Open. Night 7. 7.00 Mega Zoo. 8.00 To Be Advised. 10.30 Major Crimes. 11.30 House. 12.30am My Favorite Martian. 1.00 Late Programs.</p> <p>9GO! (82, 93) 6am Children's Programs. 1.30pm Surfing Australia TV. 2.00 Filthy House SOS. 3.00 Full Bloom. 4.00 Dance Moms. 5.00 Young Sheldon. 5.30 About A Boy. 6.00 Tennis. Aust Open. 7.00 MOVIE: The Coods. (2013, PG) 9.00 MOVIE: Jurassic World: Fallen Kingdom. (2018, M) 11.30 Duncannville. Midnight Filthy House SOS. 1.00 Full Bloom. 2.00 Dance Moms. 3.00 Power Rangers Dino Charge. 3.30 Late Programs.</p>	<p>TEN (5, 1) 6am Morning Programs. 8.00 Luca's Key Ingredient. (R) 8.30 Freshly Picked. (R) 9.00 GCBC. (R) 9.30 Destination Dessert. (R) 10.00 St10. (PG) 12.00 The Bachelors Aust. (PGIs, R) 1.15 My Market Kitchen. (R) 1.30 Luxury Escapes. (R) 2.00 Waltzing Jimeoin. (PGa, R) 2.30 Exploring Of The Grid. (PGI) 3.00 4x4 Adventures. 4.00 All 4 Adventure. 5.00 News.</p> <p>6.30 The Sunday Project. A look at the day's news.</p> <p>7.30 The Bachelors Australia. (PGI) Tash is back and ready to re-enter the mansion leaving Jed with a big decision to make.</p> <p>8.40 NCIS: Hawai'i. (Mv, R) Kai goes undercover in one of Hawai'i's oldest surf gangs after a petty officer, who was trying to help wayward kids find a</p>
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<p>ABC TV (2) 6.00 News. 9.00 News. 10.00 Kurt Fearnley's One Plus One. (R) 10.30 Everyone's A Critic. (PG, R) 11.05 Aussie Inventions That Changed The World. (PG, R) 12.00 ABC News At Noon. 1.00 Father Brown. (PG, R) 1.45 Call The Midwife. (PG, R) 2.45 Back Roads. (PG, R) 3.15 Gardening Australia. (R) 4.10 Long Lost Family. (PG, R) 5.00 Australian Story. (R) 5.30 Hard Quiz. (PG, R)</p>	<p>SBS (3) 6.00 WorldWatch. 9.00 Cook Up Bitesize. (R) 9.05 Craft It Yourself. 10.05 Beyond The Beaten Path. (M) 11.05 Great Canal Journeys. (R) 12.00 WorldWatch. 1.00 PBS NewsHour. 2.00 Cook Up With Adam Liaw Bitesize. (R) 2.10 The Great House Revival. (R) 3.05 Portillo's Greatest Railway Journeys. (R) 4.00 Who Do You Think You Are? (PG, R) 5.05 Jeopardy! 5.30 Letters And Numbers. (R)</p>	<p>SEVEN (7) 6.00 Sunrise. 9.00 The Morning Show. (PG) 11.30 Seven Morning News. 12.00 Border Security: International. (PG, R) 12.30 Cricket. Women's Twenty20 International Series. Australia v Pakistan. Game 1. 4.00 Seven News At 4. 5.00 The Chase Australia. (R)</p>	<p>NINE (8, 9) 6.00 Today. The latest in news and current affairs. 9.00 Australian Open Tennis Pre-Show. Reviews, previews, interviews, highlights and opinions from the Australian Open at Melbourne Park. 10.00 Tennis. Australian Open. Day 9. This year's tournament marks the 111th Australian Open.</p>	<p>TEN (5, 1) 6.00 The Talk. (PGa) 7.00 Farm To Fork. (PG, R) 7.30 GCBC. (R) 8.00 Everyday Gourmet. (R) 8.30 Ent. Tonight. (R) 9.00 Judge Judy. (PG, R) 9.30 Bold. (PG, R) 10.00 Studio 10. (PG) 12.00 10 News First: Midday. 1.00 Dr Phil. (PG, R) 2.00 The Bachelors Aust. (PGs, R) 3.15 Ent. Tonight. 3.30 Judge Judy. (PG, R) 4.00 Farm To Fork. 4.30 Bold. (PG) 5.00 News.</p>
<p>6.00 The Drum. 7.00 ABC News. 7.30 7.30. Presented by Laura Tingle. 8.00 Better Date Than Never. (Premiere, PG) Follows a diverse group of singles seeking love. 8.30 Australia's Wild Odyssey. Part 1 of 3. Discover how rain, rivers and underground aquifers transform and connect ecosystems. 9.30 Julia Zemiro's Home Delivery: Stephen Page. (PGa, R) Part 3 of 4. 10.20 Shaun Micallef's On The Sauce. (Mal, R) 11.15 ABC Late News. 11.35 Miniseries: The Accident. (Mals, R) 12.20 Everyone's A Critic. (PG, R) 1.50 Rage. (MA15+adhlNsv) 4.00 One Plus One. (R) 4.30 The Drum. (R) 5.30 7.30. (R)</p>	<p>6.00 Mastermind Australia. (R) Presented by Marc Fennell. 6.30 SBS World News. 7.30 Who Do You Think You Are? US: Smokey Robinson. (PG) Smokey Robinson explores his roots. 8.30 U.S. And The Holocaust: The Golden Door. (M) Part 1 of 3. An examination of how the American people and their leaders responded to the Holocaust, and how this catastrophe challenged their identity as a nation of immigrants. 10.50 SBS World News Late. 11.20 Cheyenne & Lola. (MA15+) Yannick and Lola have fallen in love. 12.25 Unit One. (MA15+av, R) 4.45 Bamay. (R) 5.00 NHK World English News Morning. 5.30 ANC Philippines The World Tonight.</p>	<p>6.00 Seven Local News. 6.30 Seven News. 7.00 Home And Away. (PGa) 7.30 Cricket. Big Bash League. Game 54. Melbourne Renegades v Adelaide Strikers. 10.00 Dogs Behaving (Very) Badly. (PG) Follows dog trainer Graeme Hall as he comes to the aid of nightclub owners and their dogs. 11.00 Death Row: Countdown To Execution. (MA15+, R) Part 4 of 4. 12.00 The Good Doctor. (Ma, R) The team treats a young boy. 1.00 World's Deadliest: Whatchamacallits. (Mal, R) 2.00 Home Shopping. (R) 4.00 NBC Today. 5.00 Seven Early News. 5.30 Sunrise.</p>	<p>6.00 Nine News. 7.00 Tennis. Australian Open. Night 9. 11.00 New Amsterdam. (Mamv, R) Max is on a mission to deliver free broadband access. Reynolds treats a young girl with a gunshot wound. 12.00 Family Law. (Ma, R) Two sisters are being sued. 1.00 Hello SA. (PG, R) Explores the Indian Pacific train journey. 1.30 TV Shop: Home Shopping. (R) 4.00 Believer's Voice Of Victory. (PGa) Religious program. 4.30 Bondi Lifeguard World Adventures: Hawaii Ocean Paddle Pt 2. (PG, R) The lifeguards tackle a challenge. 5.00 News Early Edition. 5.30 Today.</p>	<p>6.30 The Project. The hosts and guest panellists take a look at the day's news, events and hot topics. 7.30 The Bachelors Australia. (PGal) The bachelors have a lot of questions they need answered before they can commit to taking a girl to the finale. 8.50 NCIS. (Mv, R) The discovery of two bodies in a forest leads the team into the world of modern-day treasure hunting. Gibbs and Fornell continue their pursuit of an opioid kingpin who supplied drugs to Fornell's daughter. 10.40 The Project. (R) A look at the day's news and events. 11.40 The Late Show With Stephen Colbert. (PG) Late-night talk show. 12.30 Home Shopping. (R) 4.30 CBS Mornings.</p>
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ABC TV (22) 6am Morning Programs. 10.15 News. 10.30 Back Roads. (PG, R) 11.00 How Australia Got Its Mojo. (PG, R) 12.00 News. 1.00 Australian Of The Year. (R) 2.15 Heywire. (R) 2.50 Back Roads. (PG, R) 3.25 To Be Advised. 4.30 Nick Cave And Warren Ellis At Hanging Rock. (PG, R) 5.00 Aust Story. (R) 5.25 Hard Quiz. (PG, R) 5.55 The Drum: January 26 Special.	SBS (3) 6.00 Morning Programs. 7.25 Struggling Songlines. (PGa) 7.55 The Song Keepers. (R) 9.25 The Truth Tellers. 10.25 Occupation: Native. (PG, R) 11.30 NITV News Special: Day 26 2023. 12.00 Sunset Ceremony. (R) 2.00 Such Was Life. (Premiere) 2.25 Ain't Many Like Lennie. (R) 2.30 Who Do You Think You Are? (PG, R) 4.35 Jeopardy! 5.00 Letters And Numbers. (R) 5.30 Mastermind Aust. (R)	SEVEN (7) 6.00 Sunrise. 9.00 The Morning Show. (PG) 11.30 Seven Morning News. 12.00 MOVIE: The BBQ. (2018, PGal, R) 2.00 Beach Cops. (PG, R) 2.30 Border Security: International. (PG, R) 3.00 The Chase. (R) 4.00 Seven News At 4. 5.00 The Chase Australia. (R)	NINE (8, 9) 6.00 Today. 9.00 Australian Open Tennis Pre-Show. 10.00 Tennis. Australian Open. Day 11. Women's singles semi-final. 4.00 Tipping Point. (PG, R) Hosted by Ben Shepherd. 5.00 Millionaire Hot Seat. (R) Hosted by Eddie McGuire.	TEN (5, 1) 6.00 Sunset Ceremony. 8.00 Everyday Gourmet With Justine Schofield. (R) 8.30 Entertainment Tonight. (R) 9.00 Judge Judy. (PG, R) 9.30 The Bold And The Beautiful. (PG, R) 10.00 Studio 10. (PG) 12.00 10 News First: Midday. 1.00 Dr Phil. (PGadl, R) 2.00 The Bachelors Australia. (PGls, R) 4.00 Farm To Fork. 4.30 The Bold And The Beautiful. (PGv) 5.00 10 News First.
6.55 Governor-General's Australia Day Message. An address to the nation. 7.00 ABC News. Takes a look at today's top stories. 7.30 Australia Day Live. Concert in celebration of Australia. 9.30 MOVIE: The Light Between Oceans. (2016, Mas, R) After a war veteran and his Australian wife find a baby drifting in a rowboat, they raise the child as their own. Michael Fassbender, Alicia Vikander. 11.40 ABC Late News. 11.55 Australia's Wild Odyssey. (R) 12.55 Parkinson In Australia. (PG, R) 2.10 The Trouble With Maggie Cole. (MI, R) 3.00 Rage. (MA15+adhlNsv) 4.00 One Plus One. (R) 4.30 The Drum: January 26 Special. (R) 5.30 Poh's Kitchen. (R)	6.00 NITV News Special: Day 26 2023. Hosted by Natalie Ahmat. 6.30 SBS World News. 7.30 MOVIE: Top End Wedding. (2019, I, R) A woman and her fiancé have just 10 days to find her mother before their wedding. Miranda Tapsell, Shari Sebbens. 9.20 Royal History's Myths And Secrets. (R) Lucy Worsley examines myths around the 1917 Russian Revolution. 10.25 SBS World News Late. 10.55 War Of The Worlds. (MA15+av, R) Catherine reaches out to Richard. 11.50 Vikings. (MA15+av, R) 4.15 Destination Flavour China. (R) 4.45 Bamay. (R) 5.00 NHK World English News Morning. 5.30 ANC Philippines The World Tonight.	6.00 Seven Local News. 6.30 Seven News. 7.00 Home And Away. (PGs) 7.30 Cricket. Women's Twenty20 International Series. Australia v Pakistan. Game 2. 9.30 Disasters At Sea: The Sinking Of The Lady Mary. (PGa) Takes a look at the 2009 sinking of the fishing boat Lady Mary, off the coast of New Jersey. 10.30 Ambulance: Code Red. (Mal, R) Critical care paramedic Fay is despatched. 11.30 Dog Patrol. (PGa) 12.00 The Good Doctor. (Ma, R) 1.00 World's Deadliest. (Mal, R) 2.00 Home Shopping. (R) 4.00 NBC Today. 5.00 Seven Early News. 5.30 Sunrise.	6.00 Nine News. 7.00 Tennis. Australian Open. Night 11. Women's singles semi-final. 11.00 New Amsterdam. (Mamv, R) Bloom returns from holidays. 12.00 Family Law. (Mas, R) Abby sets out to get justice for a widow. 1.00 Our State On A Plate. (PG, R) Cassandra Charlick visits a dairy farm. 1.30 TV Shop: Home Shopping. (R) 2.30 Global Shop. (R) Home shopping. 3.00 TV Shop: Home Shopping. (R) 4.00 Believer's Voice Of Victory. (PGa) Religious program. 4.30 Bondi Lifeguard World Adventures: Hawaii Ocean Paddle Pt 4. (PGl, R) 5.00 News Early Edition. 5.30 Today.	6.30 The Project. A look at the day's news and events. 7.30 Ambulance Australia. (Mal, R) A crash involving a motorcyclist occurs. 8.30 Law & Order: SVU. (Mav) Benson tries to help a pop star in a volatile relationship. Rollins struggles with taking the stress of work home with her. Fin teaches rookie Grace Muncy a lesson about respecting fellow officers. 10.30 NCIS: Los Angeles. (Ma, R) Aiden Hanna's plane crashes. 11.30 The Project. (R) 12.30 The Late Show With Stephen Colbert. (PG) 1.30 Home Shopping. (R) 4.30 CBS Mornings.
ABC TV PLUS (22) 6am Children's Programs. 6.30pm Spicks And Specks. 7.30 QI. 8.30 Penn & Teller: Fool Us. 9.10 Gruen. 9.50 Shaun Micallef's MAD AS HELL. 10.20 Doctor Who. 11.00 Would I Lie To You? 11.45 Live At The Apollo. 12.30am Louis Theroux: Gambling In Las Vegas. 1.30 Friday Night Dinner. 1.55 Everything's Gonna Be Okay. 2.15 ABC News Update. 2.20 Close. 5.05 Tik Tak. 5.10 Clangers. 5.20 Late Programs.	SBS VICELAND (31) 6am WorldWatch. 9.30 Shortland St. 11.00 The Movie Show. Noon VICE. 1.40 Lee Lin Chin's Fashionista. 1.50 Why Does Everyone Hate The English? 2.45 Counter Space. 3.15 WorldWatch. 5.15 Shortland St. 5.45 Joy Of Painting. 6.15 Forged In Fire. 7.10 Jeopardy! 7.35 8 Out Of 10 Cats Does Countdown. 8.30 The Curse Of Oak Island. 10.10 Curious Australia. 11.10 The UnXplained. Midnight Late Programs.	7TWO (72) 6am Morning Programs. 8.30 Million Dollar Minute. 9.30 NBC Today. Noon Emmerdale. 12.30 Coronation Street. 1.00 Escape To The Country. 2.00 South Aussie With Cosi. 2.30 Million Dollar Minute. 3.30 Medical Emergency. 4.00 Surf Patrol. 4.30 Better Homes. 5.30 Escape To The Country. 6.30 Bargain Hunt. 7.30 Father Brown. 8.30 Kavanagh QC. 10.15 Murdoch Mysteries. 11.15 Late Programs.	9GEM (81, 92) 6am TV Shop. 7.00 Creflo. 7.30 TV Shop. 10.30 Seaway. 11.30 My Favorite Martian. Noon The Young And The Restless. 1.00 Full Bloom. 2.00 The Baron. 3.10 MOVIE: Silver Bears. (1978, PG) 5.30 Antiques Roadshow. 6.00 Tennis. Australian Open. Night 11. Women's singles semi-final. 7.00 Antiques Roadshow. 7.30 Grantchester. 8.40 Poirot. 10.50 London Kills. Midnight Late Programs.	10 PEACH (52, 11) 6am The Late Show With Stephen Colbert. 7.00 Friends. 8.00 Becker. 9.00 The King Of Queens. 10.00 Friends. 10.30 The Middle. Noon The Big Bang Theory. 1.00 Frasier. 2.00 Becker. 3.00 The King Of Queens. 4.00 Becker. 5.00 Frasier. 6.00 Friends. 8.00 The Big Bang Theory. 9.30 Seinfeld. 11.00 Frasier. Midnight Shopping. 12.30 Infomercials. 1.30 Stephen Colbert. 2.30 Late Programs.
NITV (34) 6am Morning Programs. 11.30 NITV News Special: Day 26. Noon Sunset Ceremony. 2.00 MOVIE: Putuparri And The Rainmakers. (2015, PG) 3.45 Ningla A-Na. 5.00 Ganbu Gulini: One Mob. 5.30 Going Places. 6.00 NITV News Special: Day 26. 6.30 Going Places. 7.30 MOVIE: Top End Wedding. (2019) 9.20 Looky Looky Here Comes Cooky. 10.20 From The Heart Of Our Nation: A Celebration. 1.20am Late Programs.	SBS WORLD MOVIES (32) 6am Morning Programs. 9.30 The Movie Show. 10.00 The Big Boss. (1971, M, Cantonese) Noon Drunken Master II. (1994, M, Cantonese) 1.55 Mon Oncle. (1958, French) 4.05 The Kid From The Big Apple 2. (2017, PG, Mandarin) 6.			

On Demand



Cream of the crop:
The Kelly Clarkson Show, Real Girlfriends in Paris and Below Deck Down Under lead the offerings on 7Bravo.



REALITY CHECK

7BRAVO
Streaming, 7plus



Thought you couldn't squeeze in any more shows? Did you mistakenly believe a glut of repeats awaited on the summer horizon? Think again: there's a new channel in 7Bravo.

Free and flush with a lively schedule cherrypicked from one of the world's biggest media networks, NBCUniversal, it offers a smorgasbord of reality and entertainment viewing. Let's take a squiz at the new shows on offer.

Songstress Kelly Clarkson has forged a new career as a chat/variety show host with the seriously fun, music-filled *The Kelly Clarkson Show*. Season four lands in Australia for the first time, with impressive guests including Jon Hamm, Olivia Wilde, Scarlett Johansson, Gwen Stefani and Jill Biden.

Filled with drunken shenanigans, rich-people antics and even a crocodile or two, *Below Deck Down Under* – the Aussie spinoff of the hit US reality show following the crew and clients aboard luxury yachts – makes its free-to-air debut. Aussie Captain Jason Chambers is the standout star with his charming and protective nature – and a penchant for shirtless attire.

The reality shows roll on, with *The Real Housewives of Dubai* and *Real Housewives Ultimate Girls' Trip* promising razzle-dazzle and manufactured melodrama, while Netflix's hit *Emily in Paris* has no doubt inspired frivolous reality series *Real Girlfriends in Paris*. Following a group of young Americans immersing themselves in French culture, it's (delightfully) cringe-worthy. – **Rebecca Balloch**



MIRACLE WORKERS: END TIMES
Streaming, Stan



The absurdist anthology comedy adopts a *Mad Max* flavour in season four as it follows a wasteland warrior (Daniel Radcliffe) and a warlord (Aussie Geraldine Viswanathan, pictured) while they try to adapt to married life in their dystopian world. Featuring killer robots and "a tyrannical homeowner's association", it's unpredictable and creative.



STONEHOUSE
Streaming, BritBox



Matthew Macfadyen is a riot in this playful dramatisation of the downfall of British MP John Stonehouse, who faked his own death on a Florida beach in 1974 to escape debt and begin a new life with a mistress in Australia. Written by John Preston (*A Very English Scandal*), it also features Macfadyen's real-life wife Keeley Hawes (pictured with Macfadyen).



THAT '90S SHOW
Streaming, Netflix



Nostalgia reigns with this spin-off of *That '70s Show*, which believe it or not, aired 20 years ago. Most of the gang returns, including Red and Kitty (Kurtwood Smith and Debra Jo Rupp, both pictured), now grandparents to Donna and Eric's teenage daughter, Leia (Callie Haverda). The Forman's home is virtually unchanged as Leia stays for the holidays.



MINIONS: THE RISE OF GRU
Streaming, Foxtel On Demand



Steve Carell's lovable, big-nosed baddie, Gru, gets his origin story in this fourth instalment of the joyful franchise that features the trademark little yellow, impulsive creatures. Take a step back in time as 11-year-old Gru plots his ascent to villainy in the '70s, amid a backdrop of flares and disco balls. It's a fun-filled sensory overload.



TRUTH BE TOLD
Streaming, from Friday, Apple TV+

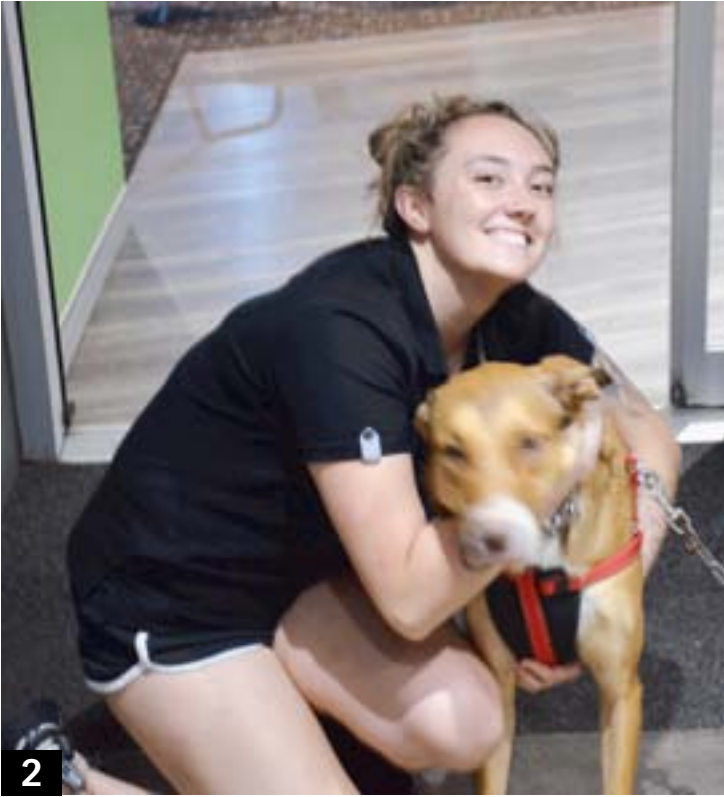


This haunting series ponders our obsession with true-crime podcasts. Octavia Spencer (pictured, *Hidden Figures*) stars as Poppy Parnell, a podcaster hellbent on uncovering justice. In this third season, she teams up with an outspoken principal (Gabrielle Union) to find several young missing girls who may be caught in a human trafficking ring.

FARM FRESH

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Out and About



- 1: John Palmer enjoying his birthday dinner with family.
- 2: Courtney Blythe cuddling a friendly dog.
- 3: Nadish Kariyawasam sharing a drink with Mike Aleckson.
- 4: Diana Wabing enjoying a drink.
- 5: David and Clare Paterson enjoying their dinner date.
- 6: Twan and Julie Lloyd having dinner out at the Longreach Tavern.
- 7: Frances Calleja enjoying a night off from cooking.
- 8: Drinks out Kayla McIntyre, Carlin Burns, and Kiona Weldon.
- 9: Keegan Smith-Bellis, Abbey Walden, and Elijah Burke ready to serve dinner at the Longreach RSL.



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IN BRIEF

Cutting costs and emissions in beef production

A research team led by the University of Queensland has developed a tool to help the global beef industry simultaneously reduce costs and greenhouse gas emissions while meeting demand for meat.

The team assessed the economic and emissions impacts of different cattle feeds at different locations around the globe to formulate a framework to guide and inform industry sustainability efforts.

Postdoctoral Research Fellow Adam C. Castonguay from UQ's School of Veterinary Science said the study showed that as much as 85 per cent of emissions could be cut without an overall economic hit to the beef sector.

"This can be achieved by opting for more efficient feeds and locations, and restoring forests in inefficient areas, without increasing global costs of production or reducing demand for beef," Mr Castonguay said.

"We have mapped out the most efficient locations around the world to produce beef and the maps change when factors are altered, such as how much society values reducing emissions over reducing production costs.

"This has given us an unprecedented insight into the 'what, where, and why' of beef production at a global level and decisions about the future of the industry can be informed by inputting trade-offs and opportunities."

The research group says the tool could be used by governments and industry to develop policy and strategy.

"There will be continued global demand for beef and there are a huge number of livelihoods associated with it, so this research aims to find an appropriate balance to maintain the bottom line of the sector," Mr Castonguay said.

"Further economic modelling and fine-tuning the data for specific locations would reveal the implications of any changes, including on beef prices for consumers."

Mr Castonguay said the optimisation method developed by the team using mapping technology overcame historic roadblocks to finding an environmental-economic balance.

"There are many innovations in cattle feed to increase productivity or reduce emissions which have not been analysed as a trade-off with other values and goals," he said.

"Our results highlight the massive potential for improvements in the way we produce beef, to help us to meet global sustainability goals.

"The extent to which we reduce emissions and production costs depends on our values or preferences as a society."

This research has been published in Nature Sustainability.

Wool sales resume

By Australian Wool Network

Sales resumed this week after the annual three-week Christmas recess to a national offering of 50,509 bales; it was the third largest sale for the season and the most bales in five months.

Volumes were particularly high at the three-day Melbourne sale which hosted its largest sale in 11 months, and Fremantle, which recorded its second-largest sale for the season.

The market commenced the 2023 calendar year following the lead of the first sale from the previous seven years which have all opened

up making gains.

At this sale, it was initially a cautious start however, with the AWEX-EMI losing 4 cents on the opening day (Tuesday) on the back of losses across most of the Merino microns.

The momentum changed on Wednesday when there were solid increases particularly at the stylish Melbourne offering, while Thursday closed out the week to further gains in the medium microns.

The results at the end of the series had gains of 20 cents for the 19-micron and finer range

which carried the AWEX Eastern Market Indicator to an increase of 6 cents for the sale.

Merino Skirtings also found good support for most of the week, closing as much as 50 cents dearer.

Crossbreds had heavy losses early before stabilising but still closed cheaper for the sale. Merino Cardings were generally in line with the previous sale held prior to Christmas.

Next week is expected to be a similar-sized catalogue with more than 51,000 bales forecast to be offered in three selling centres.

New report tells the 'good story' of land management

By Agforce

AgForce has commended farmers for sustainable land management practices, following the release of the latest Statewide Landcover and Trees Study (SLATS) report.

The report, which uses state-of-the-art satellite technology, reveals overall tree clearing in Queensland from 2019-2020 is down by 40 per cent on the previous year while clearing in remnant and high-value regrowth vegetation-regulated areas has reduced by more than 50 per cent.

Tree clearing in Reef catchment areas has also decreased by 16 per cent on the previous year.

AgForce General President Georgie Somerset said the figures put paid to outlandish claims by greenies that the State is a "deforestation hotspot."

"This latest information tells an undeniably good story of landowners managing our natural assets in Queensland," she said.

"With so much at stake these days (environmentally, climatically, socially, and economically), it's never been more important to spread a positive message - landowners do indeed care for agricultural lands.

"The findings are a testament to the



Agforce General President Georgie Somerset, right, with friends.

hard work of landowners, who have made great efforts with sustainable land management during particularly challenging times and tough drought conditions.

"They value protected plant and animal species, and they are united in their desire to produce safe, delicious, healthy food for the rest of us in Australia and throughout the world, while also maintaining and building natural capital to support healthy ecosystems.

"We commend our farmers for their great work, and will continue to work with industry, the community, and the State Government to ensure land clearing in Queensland continues to reduce."

Better connectivity plan for nation's primary producers

The Federal Government is seeking feedback from farmers and equipment service providers on the new \$30 million On Farm Connectivity Program, funded through the October Budget.

The program is part of the Government's Better Connectivity Plan for Regional and Rural Australia, committing funding over three years to grow Australia's agricultural sector through extended connectivity for farmers and their innovative machinery.

A new discussion paper sets out initial information about the On Farm Connectivity Program's scope and encourages industry feedback to ensure it is fit-for-purpose to deliver on the needs of the agricultural sector.

In its current design, the program will contribute towards the cost of an equipment service provider purchasing, installing and delivering some initial training on equipment which extends connectivity on farms and agribusinesses - including in the forestry and fisheries sector - so primary producers can take advantage of connected machinery and sensor technology.

The first round of funding is expected to be available in the second quarter of 2023 through a grant application process.

The October Budget included one of the most significant regional telecommunications investment packages since the establishment

of the National Broadband Network over a decade ago, with over \$2.2 billion invested in regional telecommunications over the next five years.

Other measures funded through the Budget will improve mobile coverage and capacity, boost communications resilience, and expand programs to address known black spots.

Submissions on the On Farm Connectivity Program discussion paper close on 3 March 2023. To make a submission visit infrastructure.gov.au/have-your-say

Federal Blair MP Shayne Neumann said the agriculture industry was a core part of the local economy in Ipswich, the Somerset Region and surrounding areas.

"That's why the Albanese Government is taking action to back our hardworking farmers to stay at the cutting edge of agricultural innovation.

"Our On Farm Connectivity Program will provide support for our agricultural sector to be able to take advantage of connected machinery to drive increased productivity.

"Feedback from local primary producers on the ground who know the sector better than anyone else is essential for the successful design and implementation of this program, and I encourage them to have their say," Mr Neumann said.

Gardening

Neil Fisher



Anigozanthos Bush Fire.



Anigozanthos Bush Ranger.



Anigozanthos Bush Tenacity.



Anigozanthos Bush Inferno.

Kangaroo Paws for colour

This Thursday is Australia Day so why not plant one of Australia's true icon plants in your garden?

The plant I was thinking of is the Kangaroo Paw or Anigozanthos the floral emblem of Western Australia.

With its distinctive flowers and diversity of colours and forms the Kangaroo Paw or Anigozanthos has become an Australian icon.

And up to a few years ago a plant that would not tolerate our climate in Central Queensland.

As our humid summers and dry winters are totally unsuitable for the growing of Western Australian wildflowers.

The change in growing habits of many plants comes from hybridisation with most of the Kangaroo Paw grown in this region being developed to tolerate our climate.

There are about 50 registered hybrids of Kangaroo Paws, and it is these hybrids that are seen growing in this region.

Hybrid Kangaroo Paws will perform better in the garden than the true native species.

In particular, the Bush Gem varieties are worth a try in local gardens.

Some hybrids have also been bred for the cut flower industry with the flowers exported to Japan and Europe.

Kangaroo Paws are one of the most drought-tolerant Australian plants but many enthusiasts find that a little extra watering during early spring and summer will help sustain the longevity of the flowers.

A sunny very well-drained position is a must for growing any of the Kangaroo Paws.

Most enthusiasts will recommend adding a small amount of organic matter to the garden soil to improve the plants' growth.

There are eleven species of Anigozanthos with the best known being Red and Green Kangaroo Paw or Mangles Kangaroo Paw, Anigozanthos manglesii.

This Kangaroo Paw is the floral emblem of Western Australia and the flower also appears on the state Coat of arms.

Anigozanthos manglesii is a medium-sized Kangaroo Paw for a well-drained but well-watered position in full sun.

Masses of large green flowers with red throats will appear during spring and summer.

It is a useful landscape plant in Western Australia but is very hard to grow locally.

There are more species that were previously known as Anigozanthos fuliginosus or the Black Kangaroo Paw, which have been re-named Macropidia fuliginosa.

It is a small Kangaroo Paw that requires a very well-drained sunny position.

Large pale green flowers with a black throat and fine black hairs appear in late spring and summer.

I know of only one plant that lasted more



Excess water should also be eliminated from ponding in the yard to prevent root-based diseases for the lawn or trees and shrubs.

than a year in Central Queensland.

Pruning is the key to keeping Kangaroo Paws healthy and vigorous and as they grow from underground rhizomes it is safe to cut the plants back to almost ground level.

It is best to prune back your plants after flowering as this will help reduce the risk of fungal disease.

The blackening of the foliage is a problem for Kangaroo Paws with discolouring often caused by the disease Ink Spot.

Frost and snails can also cause foliage blackening, in fact, anything that damages the leaf tissue will blacken it.

I would recommend cutting off all damaged foliage so to allow the plant to produce fresh new leaves to create a better overall appearance.

DRAINAGE

The heavy rain that's been experienced across Central Queensland over the last few weeks highlights the need for drainage in most forms of landscaping.

Firstly, water must be directed away from the house so that it doesn't cause any damp-related damage to the structure.

Excess water should also be eliminated from ponding in the yard to prevent root-based diseases for the lawn or trees and shrubs.

The best time to identify drainage issues is now, after a heavy rain event.

It is quite easy to address surface drainage



Anigozanthos Bush Ballad.

by making sure the water is always running away from the house.

It is a little harder with subsurface water, and the only way to remove this from problem areas is by underground slotted drainage pipes.

This water should always be carried to the lowest point of the land, where it can be dis-

posed of in a number of ways.

These could include the construction of a special drainage pit, or connecting it to an already established stormwater system.

While drainage can be a major headache to the garden, with a little bit of planning and foresight, your house and garden can survive even the wettest of years.

Chewy Date, Fig and Ginger Slice

Serves: 12

Prep time: 10 minutes

Cook time: 20 minutes

Fruit and veg: ½ serve per portion

Ingredients:

- 2 cups dates, chopped
- 2 teaspoons ginger spice
- 2 cups reduced fat milk
- 1 cup wholemeal flour, self raising
- 1/3 cup cornflour
- 2/3 cup rolled oats
- ½ cup dark brown sugar
- 1 2/3 cups desiccated coconut
- ½ cup dried figs, chopped
- ¼ cup walnuts, chopped

Method:

- PREHEAT oven to 180°C and line a slice tin with baking paper.
- SOFTEN the dates and ginger spice in milk. Warm in microwave for 3 minutes.

- PLACE the flours, oats, brown sugar, coconut, dried figs and walnuts in a large bowl.
- ADD the softened dates to the dry ingredients, mix well and pour into prepared tin.
- BAKE for 20 minutes then cut into squares once cooled.

What's Great About It?

Your favourite traditional ginger slice... made healthier! The punchy ginger combined with the sweet, dried dates and figs make for a treat the whole family will love.

Recipe Courtesy of Noela Anderson, Rosslea Branch



Cranberry Couscous

Serves: 6

Prep time: 15 minutes

Cook time: 10 minutes

Fruit and Veggies 1 per serve

Ingredients:

- ¼ cup pepitas
- ½ cup pecans
- 1 cup dried cranberries
- ½ cup fresh orange juice
- 1 ¾ cup chicken stock, salt reduced
- 1 ½ cup couscous
- 2 tablespoons olive oil
- ½ cup parsley, chopped
- 400g chickpeas canned, drained
- Cracked pepper to taste

Method:

- Preheat oven to 180°C and line a tray with baking paper.
- PLACE pepitas and pecan nuts on a tray and bake for 5 minutes
- COOL the nuts and chop roughly.
- PLACE cranberries in a bowl and add orange juice.

- HEAT cranberries in microwave for 45 seconds then stand for 15 minutes to soften, stirring occasionally.
- BRING chicken stock to the boil in a large saucepan, and then add couscous.
- COVER tightly and turn off the heat, let stand for 5 minutes.
- Drizzle couscous with olive oil and fluff its grains using a fork and then transfer to serving bowl
- ADD the cranberries, orange juice, nuts, parsley, chickpeas and pepper.

What's Great About It?

This is a quick and easy side dish or stand-alone lunch. We have not added any extra salt in this recipe, as cooking the couscous in chicken stock will satisfy that craving! This one is great for leftovers or lunch the next day.

Courtesy of Beverley Milligan, Millaa Millaa Branch

COMICS

Bottled Fruit



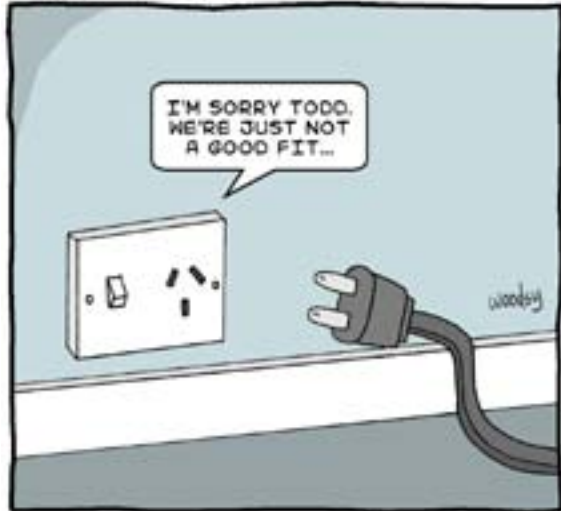
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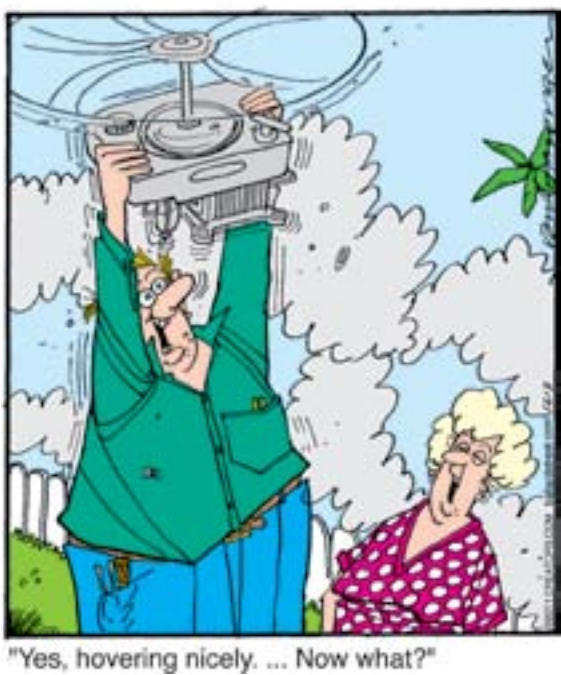
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Against the Grain



Ballard Street



Grin Bin



WEATHER

FORECAST

Warnings

See www.bom.gov.au/australia/warnings

Longreach:

Mostly sunny. Light winds.

Saturday. Sunny.

Isisford:

Sunny.

Saturday. Mostly sunny.

Barcaldine:

Mostly sunny.

Saturday. Sunny.

Central West District:

Mostly sunny. Slight (20%) chance of a shower in the southeast. The chance of a storm in the southeast. Light winds becoming east to northeasterly 15 to 20 km/h during the afternoon. Saturday. Mostly sunny. Slight (30%) chance of a shower in the southeast in the afternoon and evening. The chance of a storm south of Longreach in the afternoon and evening. Winds east to northeasterly 15 to 25 km/h.

Northern Goldfields & Upper Flinders District:

Sunny day. The chance of a storm in the north in the afternoon and evening. Winds easterly 15 to 25 km/h.

Saturday. Mostly sunny. Winds east to northeasterly 15 to 25 km/h.

Central Highlands & Coalfields District:

Mostly sunny. Slight (30%) chance of a shower about the Carnarvon Ranges in the afternoon and evening. The chance of a storm in the south in the afternoon and evening. Light winds becoming northeast to southeasterly 15 to 20 km/h during the day then becoming light during the evening. Saturday. Partly cloudy. Medium (50%) chance of showers about the Carnarvon Ranges, most likely in the afternoon and evening. The chance of a storm in the south in the afternoon and evening. Winds east to northeasterly 15 to 20 km/h becoming light during the evening.

Maranoa & Warrego District:

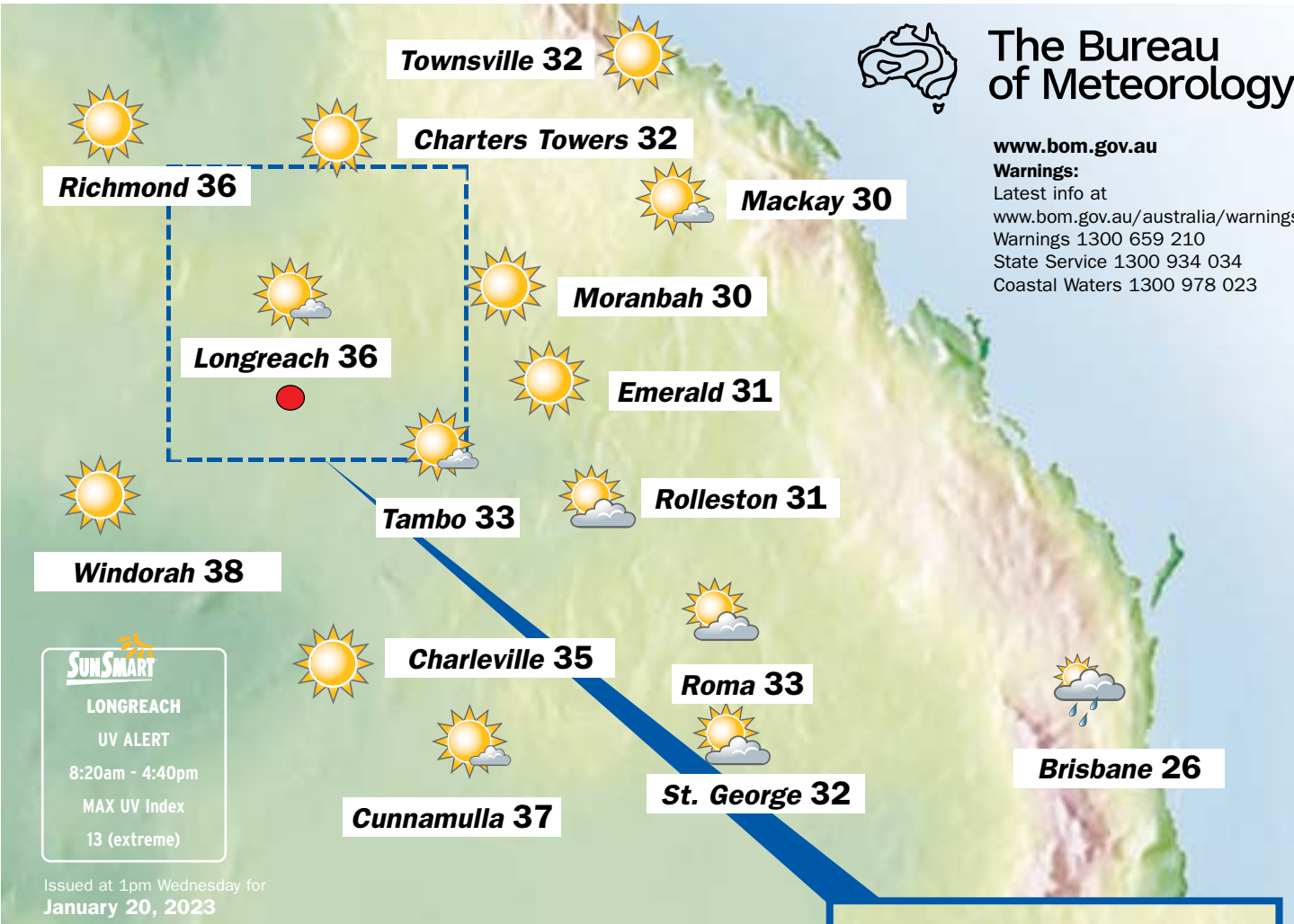
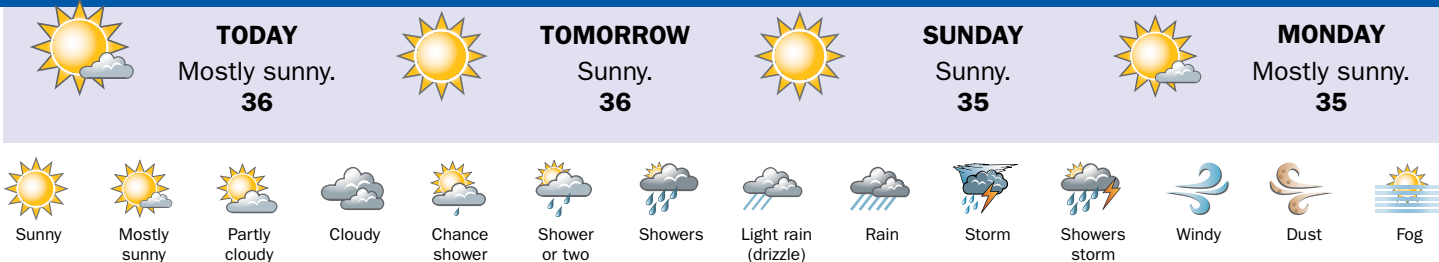
Mostly sunny. Slight (20%) chance of a shower in the northeast. The chance of a storm. Winds northeast to southeasterly 15 to 20 km/h tending south to southeasterly 15 to 25 km/h during the day then tending east to southeasterly during the evening.

Saturday. Partly cloudy. Medium (40%) chance of showers in the afternoon and evening. The chance of a storm. Winds east to northeasterly 15 to 25 km/h tending north to northeasterly during the morning then tending east to northeasterly during the day.

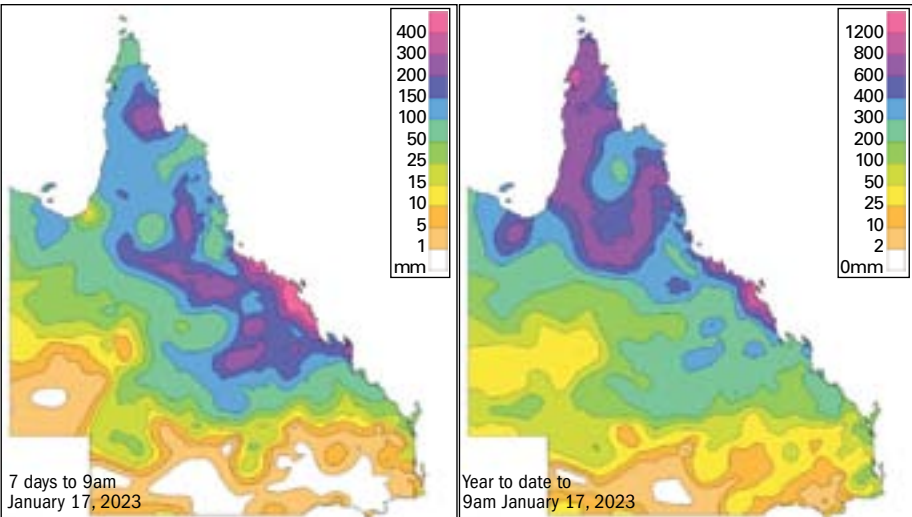
Queensland:

Scattered showers and storms north of about Cairns to Kowanyama, tending widespread at times over the Peninsula. Locally heavy falls possible on the Peninsula with the monsoon trough. Isolated showers south of Ingham, tending scattered about the Cassowary Coast. Isolated showers and storms about the southern inland and southeast, tending scattered about the Granite Belt and Border Ranges. Partly cloudy about the central interior and far southwest of the state. Maximum temperatures near or below average.

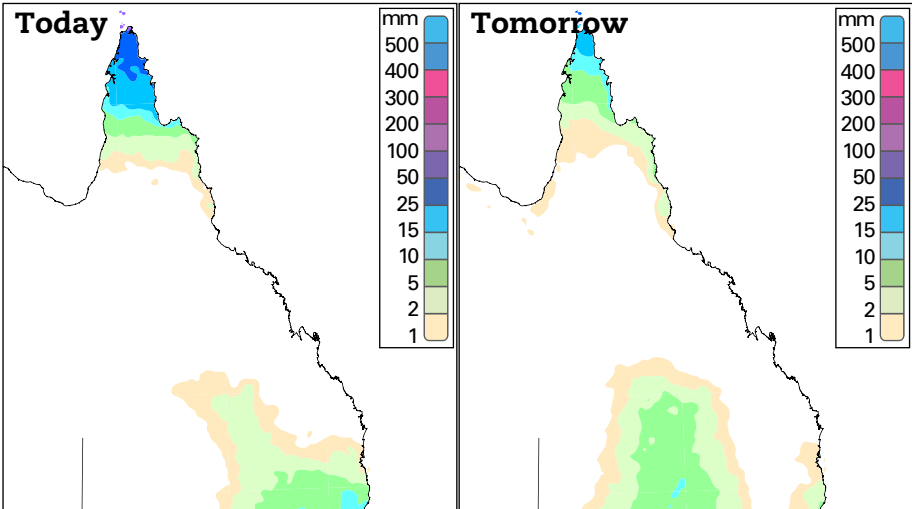
LONGREACH FORECAST



RAINFALL



Forecast Rainfall



CAPITAL CITIES

City	Condition	Max
Adelaide	Mostly sunny.	26
Brisbane	Shower or two.	26
Canberra	Cloudy.	22
Darwin	Showers. Possible storm.	32
Hobart	Partly cloudy.	20
Melbourne	Partly cloudy.	23
Perth	Mostly sunny.	35
Sydney	Shower or two.	24

SUN & MOON

	Sunrise	Sunset	Moonrise	Moonset
Friday	5:53am	7:14pm	3:33am	5:52pm
Saturday	5:54am	7:14pm	4:40am	6:56pm
Sunday	5:55am	7:14pm	5:51am	7:53pm
Monday	5:55am	7:14pm	7:03am	8:42pm
Tuesday	5:56am	7:14pm	8:12am	9:25pm
Wednesday	5:57am	7:13pm	9:17am	10:03pm

THE WORLD

World conditions yesterday

City	Weather	Max	Min
Athens	fine	19	14
Auckland	fine	25	17
Bangkok	windy	33	20
Beijing	fine	4	-6
Berlin	fine	3	-3
Christchurch	fine	23	14
Denpasar	rain	32	26
Dublin	sunny	4	-1
Hong Kong	sunny	19	14
Honolulu	haze	27	19
Jakarta	rain	28	24
Johannesburg	storms	31	17
Kuala Lumpur	storms	33	24
London	sunny	4	-1
Los Angeles	sunny	14	7
Madrid	fine	8	1
Moscow	rain	1	-2
New Delhi	rain	22	6
New York	rain	7	4
Noumea	sunny	30	22
Paris	fine	5	0
Auckland	fine	25	17
Port Vila	storms	31	21
Seoul	mist	0	-5
Singapore	storms	33	23
Suva	storms	32	22
Tel Aviv	fine	20	10
Tokyo	cloudy	10	3
Vancouver	sunny	6	0
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▼ Deaths



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Loved husband of Dorothy,
incredible father to Kerrie, Helen and Paul
and father-in-law to Greg and Sarah.
Adored and loved Pa of Tom, Ben, Kate,
Hannah, Simon, Will and Ollie and partners
Bree, Alice, Sammy, Callum,
Sienna and Sophie.

Ian devoted his life to his family,
his garden, the community and the
newspaper industry.

We all love and miss you already

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▼ Funeral Services

EGERTON, Marjory Evelyn

Formerly of 107 Elm Street, Barcaldine
passed away on 9 January 2023
aged 92 years.

A graveside service was held at the
Barcaldine Cemetery, Friday 20 January 2023.
Lovingly remembered by family and friends.

Sadly missed

Barcaldine Regional Council
Funeral Directors



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General Notices

▼ Public Notices and Event



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Longreach Regional Council is seeking enthusiastic people with a passion for their community to join a vibrant team in a progressive Council for the following positions.

Positions	Branch	Closing Date
Apprentice Mechanic	Longreach	27 January 2023
Assistant Educator	Longreach	31 January 2023
Customer Service Officer	Longreach	31 January 2023
Concrete Labourer	Longreach	No close date
Casual Assistant Educator	Longreach	No close date

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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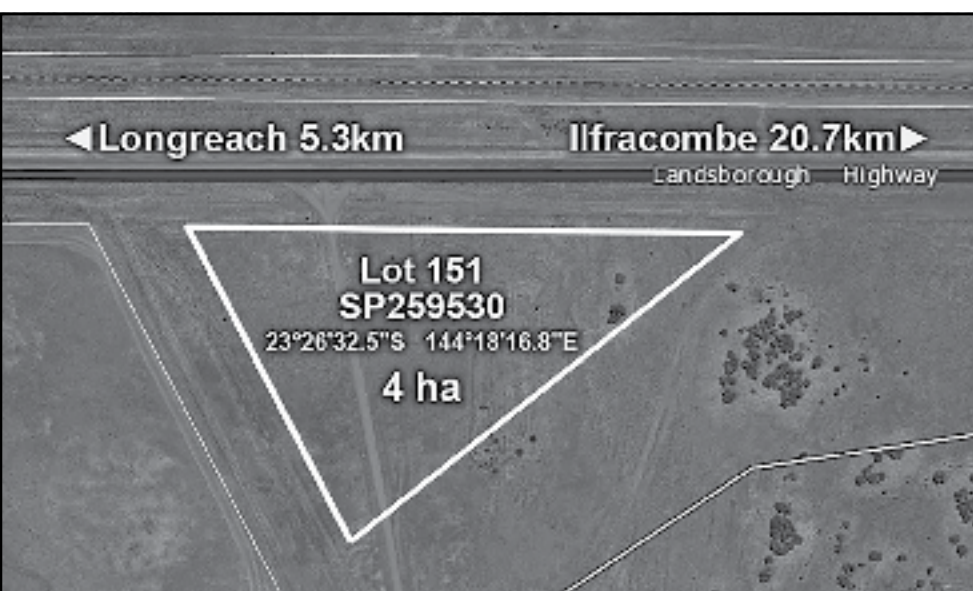
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Longreach Regional Council is inviting written submissions from the public for the sale by tender of Lot 151 on SP259530.

Information is available via QTender, or by contacting Council's Procurement Team on (07) 4658 4196.

Tender submissions must be submitted electronically via QTender to be received by 2.00pm on Friday 3 February 2023.

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Will in action at the United Cup.



Will servicing players at the United Cup in Brisbane.

A dream of the United Cup

By Michael R Williams

Central West tennis prodigy Will Cameron took a step closer to his dream at this year's Brisbane United Tennis Cup as a ball kid for some of the world's greatest players.

"I've been playing tennis since I was a little kid, so I've always had a love of tennis," Will said.

"I've played tournaments all over.

"It was a good experience; it was something different, but I still got to see great tennis being played."

Will was ecstatic when we was able to meet some of his idols at the tournament/

"There was Stan Wawrinka and lots of other top ten players in the world," he said.

"It was amazing to see them play.

"I saw their aggressive game style and the different styles they played with.

"But I liked how aggressive they were with taking the ball on."

Will was granted the opportunity when his mum, Louise Cameron, saw the advertisement on Facebook.

"She asked me if I wanted to do it, and I said yeah because I thought it'd be good to see all the good players live," Will said.

"We went down a day early to get our uniforms sorted, but from there it was pretty full on.

"The days were packed with work to do; it was 9 to 3 some days.

"We didn't really get much time to see the sights of Brisbane."

Off the court Will made friends with other ball kids and was able to socialise with the players.

"It was a good atmosphere off the court; I got to play card games with some of the other ball kids," Will said.

"And we got to go into the player's lounge and all the private areas where the public isn't allowed and we could interact with some of the players there.

"I got pictures with Matteo Berrettini and Casper Ruud who are both top five in the world—that was pretty cool."

While enjoyable, it was also a nerve-racking experience for Will.

"I had never done it [being a ball kid] before," he said.

"The first match I was a bit nervous because you don't want to mess up, but after that, I felt pretty good.

"At that point, I felt like I had got the gist of it.

"It was really fun.

"The night session was a stand out: it was Stan Wawrinka versus Bublik.

"There was a really great atmosphere with the crowd, and it was really good tennis, and the crowd was going crazy."



Harry Cameron had his own adventure.

Harry Cameron, Will's brother, was a member of the Toowoomba Anglican School's tennis team at the recent Queensland State Primary School cup, which was played at the same time as United Cup.

He played singles and doubles at Queensland Tennis Centre courts against other Queensland-wide Year 6 boys.

When they weren't on the court, they had fun getting autographs from the Brisbane United Cup players.

"We really enjoyed playing as a team and then when we were off the court it was really fun chasing down the famous tennis players," Harry said.



Will with Matteo Berrettini, world number 6.



Will with three-time grand slam champion Stan Wawrinka.



Michael and Alex Lloyd geared up to try out the Winton Tennis Courts.

Looking for returns

By Michael Lloyd

The great sport of Tennis is looking to make a resurgence in Winton.

Once one of the strongholds of the game in the Central West, tennis has had a short hiatus in Winton, but Michael Lloyd is looking to bring the sport back. Prompted by some successful holiday programs run by the Winton Council, Lloyd called a hastily arranged meeting last Sunday which had a small but enthusiastic turnout.

Other interested parties also have made contact and there indeed seems to be plenty of interest to at least start junior coaching up with social tennis for adults. With Corfield also keen for coaching, there are definitely some plans being put in place for Coach Lloyd to travel North.

Anyone interested in coaching, playing or helping out the Winton Tennis Club please contact Michael Lloyd on 0409624119 or ml-cwesternqld@gmail.com After attending the Winton Council holiday program, aspiring Longreach junior Alex Lloyd tried out the Winton courts.



Rain halts competition

BOWLS BY BONES

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Well unfortunately the Saturday Comp games were called off when the heavens opened up, but we had plenty of Singles Competition games again on Sunday. We had club Life Member Dave Ramage taking on Shawn Ryan.

Shawn has been playing great bowls and proved too strong for Dave in this game taking the win by 31-11.

We also had Cisco Llewelyn up against Bernie Gayler.

This game lasted 32 ends with Bernie leading early but then Cisco catching him at eight all after 10 ends.

Cisco then drew (excuse the pun) away after scoring 12 shots in five ends to take a commanding 20-8 lead.

Bernie stayed in the hunt but the 10 to 12-shot gap was too much for him to close and Cisco took the game 31-21.

The next game panned out the same with Peter Thurecht and Andrew Watts battling it out.

Wattsy took an early lead but when Peter caught him Peter then scored 14 unanswered shots and maintained that 10 to 12 shot gap through the latter stages, finally taking the win by 31-21.

Another game saw Bob Grant taking on Bluey Beard. Bluey lost the first few ends but then he consistently scored shots to take a 13-4 lead.

Bob rallied and got back within four shots but Bluey found his second wind and drew away again to take the game 31-13.

The last game saw last weekend's winners in Peter Anderson and Terry Harris up against each other.

Pete had a small lead but Terry found his line and length and squared the score at five all after seven ends.

Terry then passed Pete and held a narrow 13-12 lead after 16 ends.

Terry skipped out to a 20-12 lead but as we've come to expect Pete came back to trail 19-20 after 24 ends.

To Terry's credit he scored eight shots over five ends to be leading 28-21 to go within three shots of the win.

It took him three ends but he got those shots to win the game 31-22 for a memorable win.

There were also social games but I can't find the scorecards... so there must've been some big hidings that some bowlers didn't want me to report on.

Lloydy's Serve

Michael Lloyd



'Fast food' fix with little time to relish the real game

For those who know me, I like cricket, well know I LOVE cricket.

I suffer now through an extended Rugby League season of Bronco coaching dramas and NSW players again making fools of themselves to finally get four months of uninterrupted cricket each year.

But this year it seems to have come and gone without me really noticing.

Two oppositions in the Test arena that struggled to make a game last four days let alone five and some inconsequential one games have left me with cricket's fast food, the

Big Bash.

Sure they've had some great finishes, but as a traditionalist, 20/20s should be the cherry on the cricket cake, not the sponge at the bottom propping it all up. The looming away series against India is an unofficial World Championship; so that might just save me, but let's just say it hasn't been the summer I could have hoped for.

In Australian cricket, followers might just be in for a once-in-a-lifetime experience in a few years.

Rarely do we see a major change in our Na-

tional team but this could be on the cards in the 28-36 months.

Not since Chappell, Lillee and Marsh all left at the same time, have we see such a dramatic turnover in the Australian team as we are about to witness.

Smith, Warner, Khawaja and Lyon, all playing great cricket at the moment, are moving into the twilights of their careers, and it's not too hard to see them all leaving at the same time.

Yes, you might say there are some talented replacements in the wings, but their experi-

ence and knowledge will leave a great hole when they go.

Locally in the Central West cricket is on the verge of a boom era. New facilities in Longreach will guarantee a cracker of 23/24 summer for seniors and juniors, the resurgence of intertown games in Barcaldine continues, Blackall has restarted a junior program and will be getting support from Queensland Cricket, and the new pitch in Winton will hopefully be up and running for next season. Its exciting times for the red, white and pink ball in Western Queensland, pad up and get ready for the next chapter!



Locals are certainly "Inter Fitness"

Supporting fitness locally

By Michael R Williams

Mother of three and healthcare professional, yet Hayley Jackson has a third passion in her life.

As owner-operator of Inter Fitness, Hayley Jackson has been able to fuse her love for seeing people grow with her adoration for health, mental health, and fitness.

She started this venture mid to late last year when Sammi Sheehan - former operator of Sammi's Fresh Fitness - moved to Brisbane leaving a hole in the community.

"That was a religious thing for me and was a part of my daily routine," Ms Jackson said.

"Once she sort of left, I just thought that was a massive gap for our community.

"That inspired me to finish my Cert 4 in fitness.

"I was up late at night, sometimes until 1 am, just to ensure that our community doesn't go without."

"Fitness has always been a massive part of

my lifestyle, not only physically, but also mentally," she said.

"I like having a place where people can come and feel welcomed at any level of fitness."

Dubbing her new operation Inter Fitness, Ms Jackson has been able to create a welcoming place for men and women of all ages to get in their morning fitness.

"Inter Fitness is very welcoming to men and women of all ages," she said.

"We have young, wise, and people of all different fitness levels.

"We're offering many classes, such as our functional strength, boxing, HIIT, and many others.

"We allow everyone to work at their own pace—there are always alternatives."

At Inter Fitness, it's not always about exercising your body, however.

"I've often found that people - in particular, mothers who have dedicated much of

their time to raising children - have been able to make time for themselves and really come out of their shell, and they've really been able to build confidence off of the back of this," Ms Jackson said.

"They've really shone.

"For me, keeping my mind active is to exercise.

"It's a natural endorphin.

"If I do it every day, I feel really great; the days that I miss it are the days I feel that slump.

"With the group fitness, there are so many people around who are inspiring and encouraging you.

"I enjoy giving to the community that gives back to me."

Inter Fitness has hosted a number of four-week challenges in what Ms Jackson describes as the height of the experience.

Another will be hosted in the middle of February.

"We have multi-week challenges, with our

greatest turnout having 27 challengers," Ms Jackson said.

"It was such an inspiration for me to watch people start out at a certain fitness level and then completely transform.

"That was a four-week challenge with seven classes a week with awards going to the most shrewd, the most consistent, the most inspiring, and the most improved.

"It was very hard to separate the challengers for that.

"And that was for all age brackets.

"We had people from 16 to 70 years old—it's just a welcoming place."

Inter Fitness is held every morning from 5.30am to 6.15am with extra classes held in the afternoons and Saturday mornings during challenges.

It is held at the Arts Pavilion in the Longreach Showgrounds.

To find out more you can find Inter Fitness on Facebook.

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