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Fight is on

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Flood funds

Disaster assistance is now available for five more Local Governments in Regional Queensland affected by ongoing monsoon activity.

Assistance for counter-disaster operations and to repair roads and other essential public infrastructure is being provided through the jointly-funded Commonwealth-State Disaster Recovery Funding Arrangements (DRFA).

The additional five LGAs are: Barcoo, Burdekin, Mackay, Whitsunday, and Winton.

Federal Minister for Emergency Management, Murray Watt, said today's additions bring the number of councils receiving assistance under DRFA to 19, as a result of the widespread flooding last week.

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Backcountry loss

By Michael R Williams and Karen Simmons

He was a man who served the country with the entirety of his being.

Vaughan Johnson, the former Member for Gregory, was known for many things, but if there was one stand out aspect of his life, it was

that he was known.

Allies and enemies, very few had a bad word to say about him, despite being easily the most prominent man in the central west.

Whether it was building roads, protecting ecology, or fighting in parliament on behalf of the bush Mr Johnson gave it his all.

"He was always a great guy to have contact with and a great guy to work with and just a fantastic fella'," said Former Central Highland Regional Council Mayor Peter Maguire.

Mr Maguire had worked alongside Mr Johnson for over a decade and was thankful for the approach the former politician had for repre-

senting his Council.

"You could present to him a case of what you think was required and that's how it would work," Mr Maguire said.

"In those days, it was easier to make contact with a politician as it is nowadays.

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Weddings, new school years, elections, and the passing of local legend.

This edition has it all.

I've decided to let those who truly new Vaughan Johnson to speak on his

I only knew him briefly but he was everything they say he is—truly warm, kind, and affectionate.

But it's been a week of big changes in

Starting school and getting an education is possibly the most important moment in any young person's life; it's where you go to become who you are.

While many probably are dreading giving up the past two months of video games and exploring the town common, I'm sure a sneaky part of them missed school too.



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LSODE's new crew

What is your name?

Sophie Richardson

Where are you from? Where did you last

I was born in Auckland, New Zealand, and then moved to Timaru on the South Island, where I trained and first taught (my two daughters were also born there).

In 2019 I moved to Ipswich and in 2020 to Alpha, where I most recently taught at the State School.

What do you teach?

This year I am excited to teach Year 1 at LSODE. What is your approach to teaching?

I like to get to know each child, what makes them tick and what they need to grow and thrive as learners, then do my best to design and deliver programs of learning to suit.

What do you like to do in your spare time/ what is one fun fact about you?

I like to run, swim and cycle on my own or with my husband, Callum. I also play the violin, saxophone and guitar, and love to sing with my daughters, Isobel and Billie.

What is your name?

Amy Steginga

Where are you from? Where did you last

I grew up in Dalby and have taught at a few places in the Darling Downs.

For the past two years, I have been governessing on a station north of Clermont.

What do you teach?

Year 2 at LSODE

What is your approach to teaching?

Every student should be able to have an excellent and exciting education, no matter where they are located.

What do you like to do in your spare time/ what is one fun fact about you?

I love reading, photography and travelling.



What is your name?

Ashleigh Leeson

Where are you from? Where did you last

I am from Northern NSW but have lived in rural and remote locations for most of my teach-

Most recently, I have been teaching at Katherine School of the Air.

What do you teach?

What is your approach to teaching? My approach to teaching is to make all learning fun and relevant while being firm, clear

and fair in my expectations. What do you like to do in your spare time/ what is one fun fact about you?

I like swimming, art, cooking, reading and travelling to new places when the mood strikes.

MP welcomes new year at 58 schools

Local MP Lachlan Millar has extended a warm welcome to new and returning students and staff across Gregory's 58 schools for the 2023 school year.

"I have been busy signing certificates to congratulate our new 2023 student leaders at their investitures," Mr Millar said this

"I wish them all a very successful and happy year in their leadership roles and I look forward to meeting them as I travel round the electorate.

"I am sure their parents are proud and they should also be proud of themselves.

"I particularly welcome our teachers. At a time when Queensland schools are struggling to fill teaching positions, we are privileged to have our valuable school staff. Our schools are the heart of our communities and our teachers are the heart of our schools.

"For new teachers relocating to Gregory, you are warmly welcomed - not just by me but by your new colleagues and your school

"I hope you enjoy your time in this wonderful part of the world. The people of Gregory value your efforts on behalf of our children as your input directly expands their zons and opportunities

Mr Millar described the work of teachers in these rural and remote settings as inspiring and said he was pleased to see the support offered to teachers by the Education Qld Centre for Learning and Wellbeing.

"The Centre is based in Emerald but works right across this huge electorate offering mentoring and coaching for beginning



Gregory MP Lachlan Millar has extended a warm welcome to new and returning students and staff across Gregory's 58 schools for the 2023 school year. Picture: SUPPLIED

"This has been a game-changer in ensuring that our teachers have access to resources, support and professional development opportunities whether they are teaching in remote one-teacher schools or large schools in our towns.

"I wish everyone a successful 2023 school year, from our littlest preppies starting school for the first time to our Grade 11

teachers and experienced teachers alike," he and 12 students who will be working hard to achieve their goals in their post-school life next year.

I know how hard it is for Gregory families to afford sending their school graduates away for university and TAFE training. We do face cost barriers. I maintain a list of available scholarships on my website www.lachlanmillarmp.com that parents and students can look out this year while thinking about their children's future opportunities.'

School's back so slow down for zones

By Chris Curtis; Officer in Charge, **Longreach Police Station**

A reminder that school is back and reduced speed zones around schools are being en-

Schoolchildren are some of the most vulnerable people within our community.

They are unpredictable and easily distracted around roads.

The safety of you and our children starts

with you and the decisions you make behind

Please slow down, observe the speed limits and pay attention to your surroundings as you travel through school zones.

Query on NDIS support

By Michael R Williams

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"We'd like people from both categories to get in touch with Outback Independent Living so that we can have a one-on-one discussion with them and talk about what their requirements are," Outback Independent Living Chair Leanne Kohler said.

"This is pretty important stuff in terms of Outback Independent Living continuing its ambition of finding accommodation out here for people who are between the ages of 16 and 64.

"We want supported independent living accommodation for all those people in our communities that can't live alone but can have a degree of independence with assistance." With the data the organisation is seeking to collect they will be able to create a more vivid picture of what resources are needed in the west for assisted living.

"We want to not only collect the data but make sure the data is correct," Ms Kohler said.

"So if there is a need for something specific in the region, we can factor that into the overall plan.

"We already know there are a handful of individuals who are seeking that independent living status."

"We also know there are people in the region who haven't come forward but would potentially fit that category.

"We would like to touch base with those people so that we aren't excluding anyone or leaving anyone out."

To contact Outback Independent Living please email outbackindependentliving@gmail.com.

"I just can't stress enough the importance of coming forward: the information with remain confidential, but we do need to hear from people who need assistance."



Bright first day at Alpha

By Alpha State School

They are resilient and well-mannered children who are eager to give everything a go.

'John F. Kennedy said, "children are the world's most valuable resource and its best hope for the future" and from what I have seen of these kids, the town of Alpha has such a bright future.

Vaughan Johnson a big loss to the backcountry

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"The guidelines for all sorts of things are a lot different.

"Not that you shouldn't be careful now, but it was much easier to make representations to a Member or a Minister.

"I think there's a lot more corporate governance or accountability put in place to make it better, but I'm not sure it's making it any easier.

"The best thing about Vaughan was his ability to work with people from all sides of politics"

Mr Johnson had an extreme attention to detail, one of the many skills he had when it came to representing his region so fully.

This included an uncanny ability to remember names and a seemingly unending notebook stacked full of helpful information.

"That was one of the things I always admire about him," Mr Maguire said.

"He also made notes all the times—he always had a diary and you'd notice him whenever you spoke to him writing down all kinds of things.

"That helped him always follow up properly."

Socially, Mr Johnson was said to be able to put people at ease.

"He was easy to catch up with to have a coffee or a beer—he seemed always able to make friends," Mr Maguire said.

"I would say he was a fantastic politician, but he was a greater bloke.

"He just had a bushy nature and you took him as he was and his word was his bond."

Former Longreach Mayor John Palmer also worked with Mr Johnson noting his hearty ambition for improving the central west.

"Anything to do with western Queensland he wanted to know about it," Mr Palmer said.

"Sometimes it might have been a bit hard to get something through to government and you'd have a chat to Vaughan and things would start to roll, and if he couldn't he would be straight back to you and you knew exactly where you were at.

"As a Council, we want to know answers, and a correct answer and that's what I liked about him most.

"He was a straight shooter and you can work very good with those sort of people.

"He was one of those people who'd pull up and you could have a chat with him on the side of the road."

Mr Palmer noted the kinder side of Mr Johnson both in politics and in private.

"He didn't think he was better than anyone or less than anyone," he said.

"I don't think I ever heard him say anything



Vaughan Johnson's parliamentary photo.

derogatory about anybody.

"He was just a country kid at heart and found him easy to get along with. "We used to ring each other up and see how

each other was going.
"A big, strong touch man who had a kind

After his retirement from politics, Mr Johnson would become a board member of Desert Channels Queensland, there he met one of his

closest friends, whom he would share a lot of his final years.

"For the last four years, we've been fairly close," said Mithaka Traditional Owner and fellow Desert Channels Queensland Board

fellow Desert Channels Queensland Board Member, George Gorringe. "In 2019 we both became directors with

Desert Channels.
"We held meetings together and a lot of that

involved long conversations I guess.

"We went to meetings in Brisbane with RA-PAD and different briefings."

Mr Gorringe, well-known himself in the Channel Country, would be confronted by Mr Johnson's renown.

"It could take you half an hour to walk a block in town you know," he said.

"Everywhere he'd go he'd run into people and a lot of people would pull him up and want to have a yarn and that sort of stuff."

The pair would hit it off sharing stories about growing up in the outback.

"He grew up in Quilpie and I grew up in Windorah—that made the conversations flow," Mr Gorringe said.

"We knew a lot of the same people, but the thing with Vaughan was, it didn't matter who



Campbell Newman and Minister John McVeigh visit western Queensland with Vaughan Johnson.

you ran into he knew them, everyone knew him.

"But Vaughan-y never stuck to the script, he just went did his usual stuff and made a lot of contact with other people.

"When he was younger he had done a lot of the same things I did, played football and mustered cattle, and rode bloody horses."

"It's a big loss to the backcountry," Mr Gorringe said.

"He did so much not just as a politician but after his time in government.

"He's helped us at Desert Channels and the Mithaka Aboriginal Corporation—he is certainly going to be missed.

"At different times he helped us at Mithaka make contacts with important people in Brisbane. He was always generous, it didn't matter who you were."

Read more tributes on pages 9 and 10

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One of our families all together.

Muttaburra's fresh start

By Muttaburra State School

Muttaburra students and staff were eager to start the year with a freshly painted school.

We have nine full-time students and five kindy kids enrolled this year also eight dualenrolled students from surrounding properties.

We had a visit from our adopt-a-cop Snr Constable Josh who presented our three senior boys with their shirts that were co-developed to include an Indigenous artwork to show the school as a meeting place for all to meet, share stories and learn, the tracks of local animals, the waterways that help feed our ecosystem and the journey of ancestors in the Mootaburra area.



Our new kindy kid.



With our Adopt a cop—Senior shirts designed with the kids.



Kindy walking into school.



Longreach State School welcomes students back

By Longreach State School

Monday was day one at Longreach State School for 2023!

Students were excited to be back at school and enjoyed meeting their new

teachers. Prep students celebrated by making a crown to commemorate their first day at

This year is going to be busy, but lots of fun at LSS!







3_4F with Miss Forsyth.

Prep W with Miss Wada.



Prep W students.



4 5H with Miss Hoyes.



1F.

2H.

Rebecca is Blackall top citizen of year

By Blackall-Tambo Regional Council

Citizen of the Year - Rebecca Manns

Bec Manns has been an integral part of our community.

She has contributed great community spirit to numerous local organizations over the years.

Bec has dedicated countless hours of her own time to helping out the Blackall Magpies', Blackall Amateur Race Club's Fashions On the Field, the Blackall Show Society and the Better in Blackall Festival.

Bec provided a great service to the community with her Fitness Bootcamps, Yoga Sessions, Water Aerobics classes and her involvement with the organization of colour fun runs and touch football competitions.

Bec Manns was a highly respected teacher at both Blackall State School and St Joseph's Catholic Primary School and went above and beyond for her students.

Young Citizen of the Year - Logan Richardson

Logan is involved with many community associations including the Blackall Junior Rugby League, Blackall Junior Netball Club and Blackall Amateur Swimming Club.

Logan is also an active member of the Blackall State School choir and represented

Blackall State School at North West swimming in Richmond.

Logan exhibits a huge effort in everything he participates in.

He displays a kind and caring manner and greets everyone he meets with a big hello.

Cultural Award - Barcoo Fishing Club

The Barcoo Fishing Club is a newly formed family-friendly club incorporating members of all ages.

In 2022 they held their first event which is now known as the 'Barcoo Fishing Club Family Fun Day'.

The members of the club wanted a major prize to remember for their first event and with generous sponsorship from members within the club and afar came the major prize of a tinny!

The club doubled their registration goal with a total of 100 registrations and just over 250 people attending their first event held at the 4 Mile Waterhole.

Sports Award - Megan Allen

Megan has dedicated herself to the Blackall Magpies' since 2014, she first volunteered her time as the First Aid Officer and Strapper, while also helping in the dressing sheds with sports massages before and after games.

In 2021, she took the role of Secretary to the

Blackall Magpies.

Her contribution to the Magpies' welfare and their fundraising efforts over the past years has significantly impacted the group and community.

Megan was faced with many hardships in 2022 yet still maintained her secretarial duties to her beloved Magpies.

Her commitment and dedication to the sport of football and its players is a commendable asset to our community.

Junior Sports Award-Connor Richardson

Connor has excelled in many sporting activities this year. He has been an active member of the Blackall Amateur Swimming Association and Blackall Junior Rugby League for 5 years.

For the 2021/2022 swimming season, Connor received four age champions and one runner-up award.

For the 2022/2023 swimming season, he has so far received two age championship awards.

Throughout the 2022 rugby league season, Connor attended the Gordon Tallis Cup in Townsville and the Paul Bowman Challenge in Proserpine where he received player of the match at each carnival.

Connor is a sporting allrounder receiving age champion in school athletics, swimming and cross country for 2022.

Emma wins Barcaldine top gong

By Barcaldine Regional Council

- Citizen of the year Emma Hay, Aramac
- Certificate of recognition Peter Ahern, Aramac
- Community event of the year Muttaburra Stock Show
- Certificate of recognition Jericho Bush Bash
- Certificate of recognition Loud Shirt Day, Muttaburra
- Certificate of recognition May Day Fundraising Committee – Whippy Griggs
- Volunteer awards Alexandra Doneley, Barcaldine Kerryn Geltch, Muttaburra Ken and Donna Robinson, Muttaburra Colleen Charman
- Barcaldine Sports award Joelene Gleeson
- Barcaldine Head Yakka Champion Stacey Ferguson
- Aramac Young sports award Max Michaelis
- Barcaldine Cultural award Margaretha Siebert, Muttaburra

Tambo recognises Therese and Sophie

By Blackall-Tambo Regional Council

Citizen of the year - Therese Sargood

- Therese Sargood has been an asset to the Tambo Community.
- Therese is a dedicated member of the Tambo Historical Association and has spent countless hours amassing a huge library of historical photographs to preserve Tambo's history.

Young Citizen of the year - Sophie Ryrie

- Sophie's kindness made her a more than worthy recipient of this award.
- While at school Sophie is always looking out for her classmates and goes above and beyond to help others out.
- Her kindness, selflessness and empathy are outstanding for a person of her age.

Cultural Award - Jennifer Busby

- Jenny Busby is an extremely dedicated member of the community.
- Jenny has been an active member of many groups and associations for a long time, some of these include;
 - The Craft Group
 - The Heritage Group
- The CAN Group

- TVCHAI
- QCWA
- Jenny's effort with the production of the Heritage Cookbook and the kilometres of bunting for the Circus required hours, days and weeks of work.
- Jenny gives her time freely and willingly, and she demonstrates the qualities that make the Tambo Community a better place to live.

Sports Award - Victoria Carroll

- Victoria Carroll has given so much of her time and energy to the young people of Tambo.
- Victoria has sought out opportunities for Tambo kids to compete in Netball Fun Days at Blackall and had Blackall kids come over to Tambo to compete as well. Victoria provided coaching, games and many skills-building afternoon training sessions to prepare students for netball in Charleville.

Victoria's actions have;

- Opened up sporting opportunities otherwise unavailable to our community and children
- Created social opportunities for both

- adults and children within Tambo and Blackall
- She is coaching and teaching the children, providing a safe and fun environment for our kids to be active
- She leads by example—by playing in the adult competition showing excellent sportsmanship and leadership
- Establishing positive relationships between the two towns within the BTRC region.

Junior Sports Award - Rafferty Philp

- Rafferty has demonstrated outstanding all-round sporting ability while always displaying a kind and courteous disposition.
- Rafferty played polocrosse for Tambo, winning many 'best junior player' awards during the season.
- Rafferty plays Social Tennis weekly with the Tambo Sports Club and travels to Charleville to play cricket on Saturdays.
- He trained diligently to participate in the 40km Tour de Tambo event and also represented Tambo State School in representative athletics.
- Rafferty displays good sportsmanship and puts great effort into everything.

Longreach names Lars as its best

By Longreach Regional Council

- Citizen of the Year Lars Hansen
- Junior Sporting Achievement Jaylie Miller
- Sports Administrator Old Thomson River Road Parkrun
- Senior Cultural Award Tia Hoare
- Junior Cultural Award Rebekah Strong
- Community Group or Association Cultural Award - Longreach Town Band
- Community Event of the Year "Sprout Agribusiness Longreach Cup/Country Cups Challenge", Longreach Jockey Club
- Ilfracombe:
- Senior Sporting Achievement Rodney Little
- Junior Achievement Alix Heslin
- Community Volunteer of the Year Paul Jackson
- Community Event of the Year Ilfracombe Picnic Races - Ilfracombe Picnic Races Club

Kerry claims Winton honour

Winton Shire Council

- The 2023 Winton Shire Council Australia Day Award recipients are:
- Citizen of the Year Kerry Turnbull
- Sports Award of the Year Campbell Evans
- Community Event of the Year Winton Community Ball Committee
- Winton Spirit Award Ernie Ellis

IN BRIEF

Aimless and online

New research from UNSW Sydney suggest over-consumption of social media is negatively affecting young peoples' cognitive function.

"Much research has been directed at understanding the impact of online interactions on adolescents' wellbeing and cognitive functioning. But the evidence is mixed, leaving us parents, policymakers and educators at a loss as to whether we should encourage or prevent social media use in our young people," says Dr Susanne Schweizer, a psychologist from UNSW Sydney.

"There's been a 52 per cent increase in time spent online by young people during the pandemic. It's important now, more than ever, to assess how it impacts learning and wellbeing. Our research showed that when young people thought that others might be evaluating them, they felt upset and their ability to perform a basic cognitive task was impaired."

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.

Be part of a warm SEND-OFF, Join us at Lake Dunn.

9.00-10.30am Desert Uplands Committee Meeting **10.30-11.00am** MORNING SMOKO

11.00am-Midday DUC Meeting & Project Updates
Midday-12.45pm RFDS with Liz Lynch & Courtney Bylett
12.45-1.30pm LUNCH

 $\textbf{1.30-2.15pm} \ \mathsf{QDAF}, \mathsf{Bob} \ \mathsf{Shepherd}, \mathsf{Peter} \ \mathsf{O'Reagain} \ \& \ \mathsf{more}$

2.15-3.00pm Turraburra Updates with Suzanne Thompson

3.00-3.30pm SMOKO

3.30-4.15pm Desiree Jackson, F.NRIS Updates & more 4.15-5.00pm AgForce Updates & 2023 with Vol Norris From 5.00pm DRINKS, BBQ & FAREWELL PARTY

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Are you True Blue?

0-10: Good Onya

11-20: Fair Dinkum

21-30: You Beaut

- What were the four original Big M flavours?
- In what fictional suburb do Kath & Kim live in?
- In which Australian town would you find The Big Merino?
- What is the main ingredient in Vegemite?
- In what year did women first take part in the Australian Open?
- What three ingredients sit atop an Iced VoVo biscuit?
- Who designed the stained glass ceiling at the National Gallery of Victoria?
- Which iconic Australian soap aired first: Home And Away or Neighbours?

- And what year was it? : 17. 9.
- Which rock band is tied for the most ARIA Award wins (21) with John Farnham?
 - Who stars alongside Nicole Kidman in the 2008 film Australia?
 - 12. What type of bread is used in the childhood classic Fairy Bread?
- In which Australian 13. state would you find the Three Sisters rock formation?

e Big Merino

- What was The Bachelor host Osher Günsberg's former stage name?
- Which British artist recently performed at the 2022 AFL Grand Final?
- In which city were the Hemsworth brothers born?

- What is the title of Kylie Minogue's 1988 debut album?
- What is the unconventional Australian tradition known as a shoey?
- Lake Hillier in Western Australia is famous for what?
- 20. In what year did the Sydney Harbour Bridge open?
- 21. Which Australian state is typically the driest?
- 22. Victa, Masport and Toro are all brands that make what?
- 23. In the animated children's show, what is the name of Bluey's younger sister?
- 24. True or false: bluetongued lizards are poisonous?

- Deborah Mailman 25. starred in which Australian political drama released in 2019?
- 26. The custom of biting a top and bottom corner of a Tim Tam and drinking through it as a straw, is known as what?
- 27. Which season of Australian Idol did Jessica Mauboy feature in?
- Is magpie swooping season usually in the first or second half of the year?

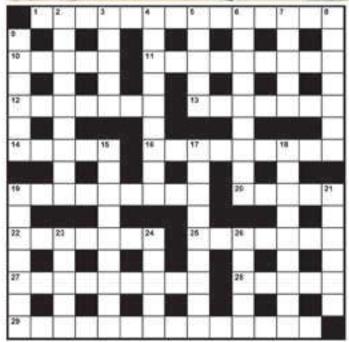
29. Which Australian artist has released albums titled The Sound of White. The Special Ones and

30. Who was the longest serving Prime Minister of Australia?



1. Chocolate, Banana, Iced Coffee and Strawberry 2. Fountain Lakes 3. Goulburn 4. Brewer's yeast 5. 1922 6. Fink fondant, raspberry jam and coconut 7. Leonard French 8. Veliphours 9. 196. Silverchair 11. Hugh Jadonan 12. White bread 13. New South Wales 14. Andrew G 15. Robbie Williams 16. Fourth 28. Second Liuly to Movember, 29. Missy Higgins 36. Bingo 24. False 25. Sotal Control 26. Tim Tam Slam 27. Fourth 28. Second Liuly to Movember, 29. Missy Higgins 36. Robert Mentiles

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- Common fowls (9) Cricketer, Glenn - (7) Dreamy (7)
- Australia's 10th prime minister (5)
- Revolt (9)
- The ditch between Australia and NZ (6.3)
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- 25 Stolen (7)
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- 28 NZ-born engineer and industrialist, Sir William - (5)

29 Architect of Perth's Parliament House and the Fremantle Post Office (7.7)

- Vague, equivocal (9)
- Singer with five No.1 albums,
- Goodrem (5)
 Musical stage show and film.
- The (9)
- Consumers (5)
- Our continent (9) Detect (5)
- Diabetic's medication (7
- Ancient, fundamental (6) Conventions (9)
- Swear (9)
- Record-breaking swimmer known as: 'Thorpedo' (3.6)
- Sam Nelli comedy (3,4)
- Australia's most populous city (6)
- 24 Nevil Shute's novel
- Called Alice (1.4)
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WORDFIND

Solastalgia?

NATIVE ANIMALS

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Bilby Brown snake Dingo Dugong Dunnar Етпи

Fairy penguin

Fur seal Great white shark Grebe Green sea turtle Koala

Marnmal Numbat Parrot Potoroo Jual Stingray lapan

Tasmanian devil Tawny frogmouth Wallaby Wombat Yabby

BOWWELL DO YOU KNOW.



1. What were the original sisters' names in McLeod's Daughters?

- A. Sam and Jess B. Jodi and Becky Claire and Tess D. Stevie and Jaz
 - 2. Which TV drama series has been awarded the most Gold Logies?
 - Blue Heelers B. Home and Away
 - C. Neighbours D. Offspring
- 3. Who is the longest-running presenter on Play School? Jay Laga'aia
- R. Benita Collings C. Andrew McFarlane D. Noni Hazlehurst
- 4. On which TV series did Erik Thomson (pictured) play
- Mitchell Stevens? A. 800 Words
- B. Aftertaste All Saints
- D. Pack to the Rafters

CLASSIC AUSSIETV 5. SeaChange was set in which small town?

- A. Ruby Bay B. Pearl Bay
- C. Diamond Bay D. Emerald Bay
- How many children does Tony Twist have in Round the Twist?
- A. One B. Two
- C. Three D. Four

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Back to work Welcoming the wet skies

This is my first column for the year and it's good to be back.

I know many locals will be returning now having gone away for the holiday season - welcome back - we look forward to another good year in our region, particularly zwith the rain we've received.

This is also a time of year when many new locals arrive to take up jobs and begin their lives in our community—to them extend a warm welcome to our

I know many in our community will have been completely taken aback, as I was, by the news that Vaughan Johnson has passed away.

I can only add my voice to the many tributes that have been coming in from across the

I've worked closely with Vaughan in many different roles, and I consider myself lucky to

The man was a powerful force for good in our communities, and, as an advocate for the outback, he was simply second to none.

It's a significant loss for our region and my thoughts are with his entire family at this difficult time.

The Electoral Commission Queensland (ECQ) officially gave notice of the Longreach Regional Council Councillor by-election last week.

The nominations closed on Monday and happily, there are five candidates who have put their hands up to represent you.

I wish each of them well and commend them for putting themselves forward to serve the community.

Being a Councillor is incredibly rewarding and whoever is elected will have the support of their fellow Councillors to make a lasting

Election day is Saturday 11 February, and it's by postal vote only—they'll stop accepting them at 5pm Tuesday 21 February.

So once you receive your ballot paper in the mail, be sure to get them in. There's a link on our website to the ECQ page where you can find out more and have your questions answered.

Council had its first meeting for the year in Longreach on Wednesday.

There was plenty on the agenda which can

FROM MY DESK TONY RAYNER LONGREACH MAYOR

be found online, along with the minutes as well once they're available.

Yesterday we had Australia Day events taking place in Longreach, Ilfracombe, and Isisford, and Yaraka is having theirs on

A big congratulations to our newest Australian citizens and everyone across the region who received an Australia Day award.

We rely entirely on nominations from the community for the awards, so thanks also to everyone who nominated someone.

I'd also like to extend a big thanks to our Australia Day ambassadors, Vanessa Fowler OAM and Peter Davis.

A full list of Australia Day Award recipients is published in this edition of the Longreach

Lastly, just a quick note that from 10am to 11am next Saturday, 4 February, we'll be having a face-to-face feedback session in the Longreach Library to go over the three draft facility plans we have out for consultation at the moment.

There's the Draft Longreach Cemetery Master Plan, the Draft Longreach Showgrounds Master Plan, and the Draft Long-

reach Skate Park Concept Plan. You can view the plans, and have your say, by visiting longreach.qld.gov.au/feedback.

I'll be back with another column in two

Until then, if you or anyone you know have questions about anything happening at Council or in our communities, I encourage you to reach out to me directly. You can find direct emails and phone numbers for me and for each of my fellow Councillors at longreach.qld.gov.au/elected-members.

As always, if you want to know anything at all, reach out to one of us - or contact Council directly on (07) 4658 4111 (24hrs), or via email to assist@longreach.qld.gov.au.

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She'll never know

There's a young girl out there about to formally embark on her life's journey.

She's five years old and starting her prep

She will live a good and long life.

As her future unfolds, she'll achieve all her dreams and hopes—a career, security, travel, relationships, and family.

She'll never know you, and you'll never

She'll never know that if it hadn't been for you, her life would have been very different.

That's because from 2023 onwards you did all you could to change community attitudes towards domestic and family violence.

Most of us at times look back and reflect on those 'sliding door' moments where our lives might have led if we'd made different choices about education, jobs, travel, friends and partners.

We'll never really know because we didn't go down that other path.

One of the major contributors though for all of us in terms of how our lives unfold is a society's values, beliefs and attitudes.

What's acceptable and what's not.

What is absolutely not acceptable is backed up by legislation making it unlawful. So that little girl who has thousands of names and lives in thousands of suburbs and towns across Australia will never know:

- What it's like to be a victim of domestic and family violence
- That the person she once trusted and thought loved and cared about her abusively dominates and controls every aspect

of her life

- The feeling of constant fear for herself and her children's safety
- How to create a library of lies, excuses and reasons as to why she can't enjoy the activities and company of others
- What it's like to choose clothing based on what can best hide the bruises

And she'll never go to:

- Her doctor saying her injuries were from an accidental fall and that her anxiety and depression are something she can't explain
- Hospital in the back of an ambulance as one of the ten women admitted each day in Australia due to domestic and family violence
- To the morgue in a body bag as yet another domestic violence homicide victim

She'll never know or go through those exeriences because you helped c ciety's values so that domestic and family violence, in all its forms, became totally rejected and unacceptable.

And you did that by:

- Learning all you could about it
- Becoming an active bystander
- Reaching out to those you were concerned
- Speaking up at every opportunity
- Calling out inappropriate behaviours

Begin the journey of helping countless young girls, by joining us in saying Not Now, Not Ever. Together.

E-mail us for more information dfvcouncil@premiers.qld.gov.au

Vanessa Fowler, **Isisford Ambassador**

I've just seen the last of the chicks off at the airport in town.

I'm sure everyone who has sent kids away this past couple of weeks knows how that feels.

While they were home, the family was working together like a well-oiled machine.

Well, mostly. Occasionally the wheels have been known to come off.

Rain saw almost everybody stranded at the shed one day.

Fortunately, having been mustering earlier in the day, there were three vehicles on

When it rains, we usually travel in two vehicles, so one can pull the other out during a 'mud event', otherwise known as a bogged vehicle.

With three vehicles, we had ourselves a convoy, of which one car made it the entire way home, with all on board.

Along with the rain has come clouds.

Massive, dramatic and blackening as a storm builds, or light and fluffy white, as moisture is sucked from the ground and back into the air.

It certainly makes a change from the endless blues skies of a drought.

My camera has been getting quite a workout, with an endlessly changing vista in every direction, like different galleries in an art museum.

There are what I think of as Van Gogh skies, all pastel shades of blue and grey, illuminated by sunlight trying to break through

There are surreal skies, like something straight out of a Salvador Dali painting, all complex layers and images in the clouds.

We've even had Turner landscapes, grey skies combined with green grass to give an almost English flavour to some of the countryside.



Nature is an artist with many brushes and many palettes, each more beautiful than the last.

It's difficult to take a bad photo, with such a wealth of inspiration.

We've also spotted the return of some bird life we haven't seen for a while.

There were swallows before Christmas, building their mud nests in numbers not seen around here in years.

Oddly, the pelicans seem to have flown the coop with the coming of rain, possibly off to Lake Eyre for the wet season.

In their stead we have corellas and galahs, the latter moving closer to home after nesting out in one of the paddocks further

I'm aware the former are likely considered a nuisance by many in Longreach, but they are a bit of a novelty out here at the

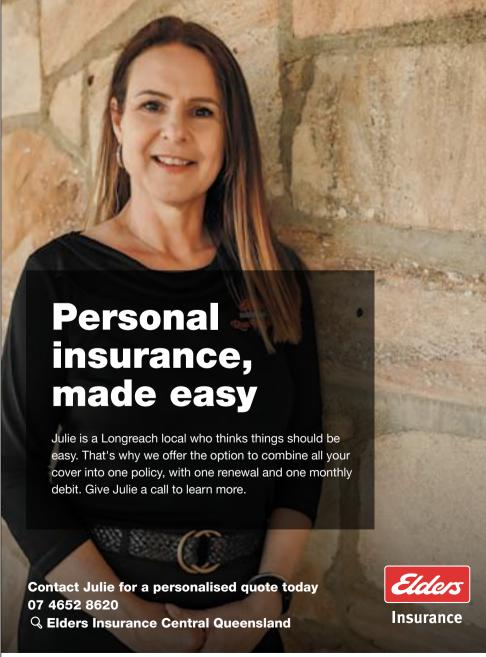
The rest of the residents seem a lot cheerier with the coming of rain.

The frogs have been croaking up a chorus every night, and even occasionally during the day.

And of course, the insects have returned in droves-moths, butterflies, dragonflies, blowflies, mosquitoes and sandflies.

Not all are welcome equally. I'll leave you to guess the ones which suffer the great Aussie salute.

But whatever comes with it, we always welcome the rain.



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What's on

Longreach and Central West Community Event Billboard

Friday, 27 January

First 5 Forever

Library Rhyme Time/Story Telling. Join a free First 5 Forever session at Longreach Library and get ideas to try at home, meet other parents and carers and access fun activities for your child.

Location: Longreach Library

Time: 9.30am

Croquet

Contact: Jean Williams on 07 4651 2354.

Location: Oak Street, Barcaldine

Time: 8am

Barcaldine Senior Cricket

Location: Barcaldine Showgrounds

Time: 6pm

Saturday, 28 January

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, 29 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

Location: Longreach Bowls Club

Time: 1 pm

Barcaldine Golf

Location: Barcaldine Golf Course, Pine Road

Time: 3pm

Monday, 30 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: 5p

Tuesday, 31 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

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

Longreach/Ilfracombe Tigers (Rugby League Training)

Every Tuesday and Thursday and the Longreach

Showgrounds from 6pm. All welcome. Location: Longreach Showgrounds

Time: 6pm

Thomson River Lions Club Meeting

For more information please contact Bobbie Willersdorf on

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, 1 February

Barcaldine Basketball

Contact: Central West Aboriginal Corporation on 07 4651

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

Location: Birdcage Hotel

Time: 7 pm

Friendship is at the heart of Banshees of Inisherin

Colin Farrell, Brendan Gleeson, and Martin McDonagh reunite for the first time in over a decade to bring audiences a tragicomedy that will go in history as not only McDonagh's crowning achievement but the best film of

Best friends Padaric (Farrell) and Colm (Gleeson) find themselves at an impasse when Colm unexpectedly wants nothing to do with Padaric, ending their decades-old relationship.

Despite assistance from sister Siobhan

(Kerry Condon) and troubled youth Dominic

(Barry Keoghan), Padaric is unable to mend

the friendship, leading Colm to initiate an

unforeseen ultimatum that results in drastic consequences for both men. The Banshees of Inisherin epitomises the strength of simplicity; two friends have a fall-

ing out and must fix it.



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But it's the manner in which director Martin McDonagh handles this situation, introducing twists and turns to keep audiences on their toes as this tumultuous relationship escalates before reaching its shocking yet in-

evitable conclusion.

The direction McDonagh takes is nothing short of remarkable, capitalising on the gorgeous landscapes of Ireland's west coast as stunning backdrops for profound conversations to make the experience all the more

realistic and feel like an authentic 1920s Irish

Having previously worked with Farrell and Gleeson in 2008's In Bruges, McDonagh understands the chemistry these two prolific actors possess, making full use of their talent as two friends going through the roughest of

While Gleeson is great in his more stoic role, it is Farrell who steals the show playing the opposite side of Gleeson's sombre coin and desperately attempting to reform their broken relationship.

One scene during the second act where Padaric confronts Colm in the local pub is a standout scene for Farrell, making the Irish actor an easy frontrunner for the Academy Awards this year.

Onscreen sister Kerry Condon is also an actress to keep an eye on; her recent perfor-

mances in Three Billboards Outside Ebbing, Missouri prove she is a future leading actress. In this film she showcased her talents as

Padaric's shoulder to cry on, representing his consciousness as the movie progressively becomes darker in tone.

As much as I would love to discuss in more depth the McDonagh modern classic,

The Banshees of Inisherin is a movie you just can't talk about; you have to experience it.

Profound characters and performances stand as its strongest attributes as every single actor, no matter how minimal their role,

brings charm and despair to this Irish isle.

The Banshees of Inisherin is easily my favourite film of 2022, and with time, perhaps

one of my favourites in history.

Please go see it.
Full reviews are available at www.movieswithhart.com.

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



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

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Tributes for former MP

From page 10

To quote just a part of it in tribute to Vaughan:

If you can keep your head when all about you Are losing theirs and blaming it on you,

If you can trust yourself when all men doubt you,

But make allowance for their doubting too; If you can wait and not be tired by waiting, Or being lied about, don't deal in lies,

Or being hated, don't give way to hating, And yet don't look too good, nor talk too

If you can talk with crowds and keep your virtue,

Or walk with Kings—nor lose the common touch

If neither foes nor loving friends can hurt you,

If all men count with you, but none too much:

If you can fill the unforgiving minute With sixty seconds' worth of distance run, Yours is the Earth and everything that's in

And—which is more—you'll be a Man, my

Vale Vaughan Gregory Johnson OAM Member for Gregory 1989 – 2015



LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Andrew Martin

Blackall-Tambo Regional Council Mayor

I've known the Johnson family, obviously, for most of my life and recognise his contribution to the entire family of the central west, but in particular, Vaughan's contribution to a whole host of things around the bush.

In short, I think Vaughan gave more love, respect, and energy to the bush, and in particular, politics, than they could ever give back to Vaughan.

I think his contribution will be a lasting legend.

There is the Vaughan Johnson lookout in his beloved channel country-there are many things he's done in many towns for many people over many years that will be around for a long long time.

I hope he died at peace. It was just a shame that it was so early. Vale Vaughan Johnson.

Gavin Baskett

Winton Shire Council Mayor

This week we lost a true gentleman, character and advocate for Western Queensland.

The word legend is thrown around a lot, but Vaughan was a true legend in Outback Queensland and fought hard, both in power and opposition, to seal our road network and lobby for many other important issues.

Having been born, raised and worked in Outback Queensland Vaughan knew the importance of connectivity and the growth that could occur in this region if the travellers and transport companies had a sealed network o travel on and this is what drove advocate for the bitumen roads, we take for

Since my time as Mayor Vaughan has visited Winton many times to either have a chat and find out what's been going on, to investigate the viability of cattle trains or to present at a meeting on drought issues in his role as a State Drought Commissioner.

Vaughan knew of the devastation that droughts brought to graziers and communities and was committed to helping Outback Communities wherever possible.

Vaughan will leave a legacy in Western Queensland that will last for generations.

I'll miss you mate, our regular chats and even that handshake that would make most men shudder.

RIP - Vaughan Johnson

Leanne Kohler

CEO Desert Channels Queensland

Queensland lost one of its strongest supporters and genuine characters this week with the passing of Vaughan Johnson OAM.

We at Desert Channels Queensland are proud to have known him, for far more than the three years he was a very active Board member.

He has been part of the landscape at DCQ for the 21 years of our existence.

You can't help but look back through the dust of history to see what formed this man who rose to the highest echelons of the Queensland government, always ready to help the battler, the family in need as well as supporting communities, business and industry in Australia's inland.

From a baby born in Bourke to a kid growing up at the 'end of the line', as Quilpie was called back when it was the railhead.

The strong scent of diesel in his young nostrils as the growl of road trains brought fat bullocks in from the Channel country, the crack of the stock whip as drovers yarded the

The midnight clang of cattle being loaded onto the railway's k-wagons was the nocturnal music of the young Vaughan Johnson.

At Quilpie he watched thousands of head of beef cattle transported to that 'other world' of faraway cities.

Vaughan realised there were two sides to the Queensland coin and both sides needed to work together for the betterment of all.

Most importantly he saw the need to fight for the scattered communities of the Out-

As the sort of bloke he was, he did something about it.

That passion led him to 25 years as the Member for Gregory holding front bench portfolios as a government minister and shadow ministries in Opposition.

Three years ago Vaughan joined the Board of Desert Channels Queensland and brought expertise and contacts that opened doors and helped us develop to where we stand as a leader in Natural Resource Management

You see, Vaughan was the consummate networker long before the word gained com-

We were so fortunate to know Vaughan Johnson as a colleague and as a mate, but then so was all of Queensland.

The cloth from which Vaughan Johnson

was cut is no longer made. We will sadly miss him.

Sean Dillon

Barcaldine Regional Council Mayor Vaughn Johnson.

A thoroughly decent, humble and genuine Australian.

A man whose primary concern was for the welfare and provision of opportunity for other people.

Vaughn could direct a laser-sharp focus to the issue at hand, and debate vigorously the points associated, but would always spare almost unlimited time to enquire after your family members and regale those present with stories of his past encounters with them.

He was someone who didn't just have the ability to understand the challenges encountered in living, working and raising a family in regional and remote Queensland, he had first-hand experience.

He could relate on equal terms with fencers and accountants, truck drivers and cattlemen, labourers and miners, parents and school teachers (although I reckon there would have been some teachers who lamented the member for Gregory at times in his own formative years!).

Vaughn was elected in an era when members of parliament from both sides embodied and defined grassroots representation.

Whether it was the placement of a phone box or the building of a hospital, the location of a Highway or the frequency of air services, Vaughn and his compatriots knew how to both advocate and deliver.

Public Servants were respected but held to

Deliver what the people who elected Vaughn needed or expect consequences.

On behalf of the residents current and former from the Barcaldine Regional Council Area, I would like to extend our deepest sympathies to Vaughan's extended families on their loss.

Whilst Regional Australia has lost a champion, you have lost a father and grandfather, and as shocked as we are, it is but a speck of the grief you, his closest and dearest are feel-

David Littleproud

Member for Maranoa, Leader of the **Nationals Party**

Vaughan Johnson OAM was a man of courage, character and conviction.

He was politically astute and a passionate

advocate for the regions, a fierce fighter for western Oueensland.

Despite a successful career in politics as one of Queensland's longest-serving MPs, Vaughan was also a successful businessman.

He worked as a grazier and contractor before politics and always championed outback communities.

Vaughan would give anyone he met his unwavering attention.

I was privileged to call Vaughan a mate and also a close family friend after he and my father served in parliament together.

Vaughan has been a constant confidant and guiding influence to me during my political career, so his death is deeply felt by myself and my family.

Vaughan was a gentleman, a loyal friend and one of The Nationals' favourites.

He was an inspiration to many and will be

Vale Vaughan Johnson.

May he rest in peace.

Tony Rayner

Longreach Regional Mayor

It was with great sadness that I learned of the passing of Vaughan Johnson OAM.

Vaughan served with distinction and made a significant contribution to the progress of our community.

I've had the good fortune of working closely with Vaughan in many different roles over a great many years.

Not only was he one of the great characters of our region – a force of nature – he was a powerful force for good in our communities.

As an advocate, Vaughan was simply sec-

He fought tirelessly for the people he represented, and always had his finger on the pulse of our communities so that he could work in our best interests.

He was fair and even-handed, taking time to consider matters thoughtfully before making his mind up.

Vaughan leaves an unequalled legacy of achievements in our region, through his work as a Member, a Minister, a wild dog fencing commissioner, and a drought commissioner.

It's an impressive record of service that never ceased, even in retirement.

I, like many of my colleagues, will miss his support and counsel.

His is a significant loss for our region and my thoughts are with his many friends and loved ones at this difficult time.

Vale to people's champion

By Lachlan Millar; Member for Gregory

Last weekend we received the sad and shocking news that Vaughan Johnson OAM had passed away on Saturday night at the age of 75.

Shocking because he was such a largerthan-life character that it is hard to believe that we can no longer bump into him in the street or have him pop in for a chat.

Sad because so many of us would have loved the chance to thank him one last time for his huge contributions to life in western Queensland.

It is sometimes hard to predict who will make a successful representative and when Vaughan was first elected as member for Gregory in 1989, he became only the third member for Gregory since 1957.

He was following in the footsteps of Wallace Rae and Bill Glasson.

At the age of 42, with a young family, Vaughan must have felt these were big boots to fill.

But he brought several key qualities to the job, not least of which was a genuine concern for people's struggles and a first-hand knowledge of western Queensland's challenges.

He was to serve as Gregory MP for 26 years.

While Vaughan always remained a Quilpie boy at heart, early on he and his wife made the decision to move their family to Longreach as it was the geographical centre of a very large electorate.

Today, the electorate is even bigger with redistributions in Vaughan's time seeing the seats of Peak Downs and Fitzroy disappear.

This expanded Gregory to include the Central Highlands.

The size of the electorate meant Vaughan was constantly on the road.

Open the boot of his vehicle and there was always a swag.

In the early days, he often had to park off the road and sleep in his swag due to local conditions or simply the sheer distances he was driving to see constituents and attend community events.

In coastal Queensland, people are usually within 30 minutes of their MP's office and it is easy for them to raise an issue.

At that time, many Gregory constituents would have to travel for hours to reach his office.

So, when he could, he travelled to them, often bringing smoko with him or bread, milk, and papers.

Vaughan was a champion of democratic representation and felt it was undemocratic for rural Queenslanders to have little actual access to their MP.

Of course, this was in the days before email and social media when many Gregory residents would have no option but to write a handwritten letter and wait for it to be delivered if they wanted to raise an issue.

Vaughan argued that parliament should grant the large electorates a second office so that people had fairer access to the services offered.

When this was refused by the Goss Labor Government, the local LNP branch financed a second Gregory office in Emerald until the Borbidge National Party Government accepted Vaughan's argument and made it an official policy which continues to this day in Gregory, Warrego, Traegar, and Cook.

While digital technology makes communications much easier these days, travel and transport still remain an issue and here too, Vaughan has left a legacy.

As Minister for Transport and Main Roads in the Borbidge Government, he is famously remembered for the time he got caught in gridlock on the highway between Brisbane and the Gold Coast.

This was when the M1 was being built.

He got out of his ministerial car and walked down the line of cars, personally apologising to as many drivers as he could for the inconvenience caused.

I can imagine their surprise, receiving a knock on the driver's window followed by "Hello, I'm Vaughan Johnson the minister for roads and I just wanted to apologise".

The point was accountability and Vaughan was saddened to see the loss of it in government today.

But he was not one for empty words either,

and I can also imagine Vaughan picking up the phone to the planning department to share his opinions on the scheduling of works during peak hour affecting so many people.

As Minister for Transport and Main Roads, Vaughan also made sure that regional Queensland got its share of road funding for maintenance and upgrades. There is a road-side plaque between Roma and Rolleston commemorating him at the opening of the Carnarvon Highway.

The fight to complete this with floodproofing at Rolleston goes on, but what had been little more than an unsealed goat track is now a key Queensland freight and tourist route.

When you drive many Gregory roads you are travelling on Vaughan's legacy.

Sadly, he has not lived to see his dream of an inland twin to the Bruce Highway.

With his usual practicality, he would point out that putting Queensland's key transport route on what is a tropical floodplain was creating unending pain and expense.

An inland route, he would argue, would be more stable and reliable.

It would also be cheaper to build and maintain.

When he retired, the Vaughan Johnson

Lookout at Bedourie was named in his honour.

This was a Labor government's smallest possible recognition of his contribution to Queensland roads and transport, and to western Queensland's road networks in par-

to Queensland roads and transport, and to western Queensland's road networks in particular—from beef roads to bridges and state highways. Vaughan was a tireless advocate for educa-

Vaughan was a tireless advocate for educational equity for the children of Gregory and will be well-remembered by many principals, teachers, parents, and students for his advocacy on their behalf.

He was able to oversee vast improvement in the way distance education is delivered and his great joy was the opening of the Emerald campus of what is now called the Capricornia School of Distance Education.

He was horrified when I told him that parents at both Longreach and Emerald were fighting to retain their right to attend residential, mini-school weeks.

"The so-and-sos are taking us backwards," he fumed.

Health was also a key concern.

He fought a long fight to have the patient travel subsidy scheme made easier and fairer, worked directly with federal governments to address doctor shortages and supported the Royal Flying Doctor Service, which had saved him personally on one occasion.

When Lawrence Springborg became health minister, Vaughan was a major part of seeing local health boards introduced as a way of decentralising health administration.

He also urged the Minister to address the need for public dental health in the west.

Minister Springborg cleared the waiting lists within 12 months by issuing vouchers to public patients to receive treatment at their nearest dentist.

This had the added advantage of helping keep those dental services in local towns.

Lastly, I must mention his passion for the Western Queensland environment.

He made major contributions to water management, including the Great Artesian Basin Sustainability Initiative.

He was also a great biosecurity advocate,

taking Emerald's citrus growers through the debacle which was citrus canker.

He also served as a drought commissioner and was a key part of the wild dog fencing solution.

He dreamed of seeing the western wool industry return in strength.

Vaughan served on the board of Desert Channels Queensland which is an absolutely vital part of managing this vast landscape in western Gregory.

Their success in addressing prickly acacia is paying dividends in returning biodiversity to our wonderful native grasslands which delighted him.

I cannot write this tribute without also extending my thanks to Vaughan's family.

In public life, sacrifice cuts two ways.

While Vaughan sacrificed much to serve Gregory and Queensland, his family also bore the cost of those sacrifices and deserves our deepest gratitude for that. Their love and support were a mainstay.

In retirement, it was a joy.

I am personally so grateful for his friendship and the advice and support he gave me when I became the member for Gregory.

He has not only been a real friend but an nspiration.

He brought energy, courage, shrewd intelligence and an authentic love of people to the job and he made a lasting impression.

While the fight goes on, his contributions will remain an inspiration and a strength.

Vaughan was a special bloke and he reminds me of Rudyard Kipling's famous poem "If".

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Looking back 100 years

The Longreach Leader archives

Death by Poisoning

TRAGIC DEATH OF MISS G. CARR

THE STORY REVEALED AT MAGISTERIAL INQUIRY

At Blackall, on January 14th a ministerial inquiry was held into circumstances surrounding the death of Miss Gwendlyn Violet Carr, a young lady well-known in Longreach.

From a report of the proceedings published in the "Barcoo Independent," we cull the following particulars:—

Caroline King, mother of the deceased, stated that Mrs. Rider, the wife of the licensee of the Union Hotel had told her that Gwen had told one of the men in the bar that she was going to take poison.

On the Friday night deceased and witness shared a bottle of horehound, a quantity being left in the bottle. Deceased left the hotel with the bottle and an enamel mug, kissing and bidding witness "good-bye" before she left.

Witness got several men to follow her daughter, she being suspicious and of the opinion that she had that night bought poison.

Witness sent two girls to find out what her daughter had bought and found out that it was strychnine. About half an hour after deceased had gone, I heard a scream and I knew it was her voice.

I said to the other girls, "there's poor Gwen; they're too late, she's taken it."

THE RETICULATION OF THE RIVERWATER (To the Editor of "Longreach Leader".)

Sir:—I was indeed pleased to see the attention of our City Fathers and the Public brought to this much called essential and it is quite re-

freshing to find another pen than my own the advocate, while the more gratifying when I am quite ignorant of the source from which this emanates. It is well known that I have in and out of season consistently advocated the reticulation of our town with the River water so that anything I have to say upon the matter is well known and will scarcely require repetition.

The ratepayers upon two previous occasions had the opportunity by referendum of expressing their wishes in the matter and by small majorities turned the proposition down, but, it will be conceded by all that a straight out issue was never sought for but was covered up by other associate schemes and thus camouflaged in such a way as to cause misapprehension and fear as to results. - JOHN A. GAVIN, Bulkeley House, 18 January, 1923.

Biliousness

The Symptoms - The Remedy - The Cause

One of the most distressing troubles a person can endure is biliousness.

It is depressing to the spirits and demoralising to the entire system.

The person so afflicted is scarcely able to work or take an interest in anything.

The sewers of his body are clogged and need flushing out. The bile is turned from its proper channel, enters the blood, and produces that particular case of complexion.

He is very restless, uneasy or sleepless at night, or perhaps his slumber is lethargic and dull.

He has dull pains, uneasiness under the right side and shoulder blades, a bitter taste in the mouth, sudden dizziness on rising, furred tongue, bowels loose one day and constipation the next





The Longreach Central West Leader is excited to celebrate it's 100th year in publication

To celebrate this milestone we will be publishing historic stories and events from previous Leader newspapers. Covering 4 years per week over a double page spread.

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30 years of bear cuddles

By Michael R Williams

Among the many icons of the Outback Queensland, Tambo's Teddies are certainly the cuddliest.

And in order to celebrate its 30th birthday, a limited-edition bear will be released in February, the Banjo bear.

According to co-owners Tammy Johnson and Alison Shaw, only two hundred special edition Banjos will be made before he 'joins the crew' as an 'on-the-shelf' teddy bear.

Possibly even more exciting is the teddy bear picnic to be hosted by the Tambo Tourism and Business Association in July.

Co-owner of Tambo Teddies Alison Shaw said Tambo Teddies is a proud icon of the town.

The now world-renowned stuffed toy had originally come about during a brain-storming session in a government workshop in 1992; the government at the time had a directive to establish new industries in regional communities.

Previous owners Helen Sargood, Charm Ryrie, and Mary Sutherland spawned the idea of creating teddy bears from sheepskin, hoping it would help the ailing wool industry.

From that point of inspiration, they were motivated to see it come to fruition.

But, it wasn't always easy going, the trio would have to spend nearly a year extensively planning, designing, and working with trial and error.

"We just sort of shudder at the challenges they faced today," current co-owner Ms Shaw said.

"If you want to know anything today you can just jump on the computer and google it.

"They would have had to pour through that phone book that you can hardly read.

"There would have been hours spent on the phone just trying to find where to source materials."

Originally, they planned to source sheep skin locally but soon found that the skins of local merino sheep were not readily available enough—forcing them to source skins from a tannery in Nerangba.

Tambo Teddies still source many of their skins from that location today.

All that effort would pay off, with the business going from strength to strength with Tambo Teddies purchased from customers all over the world including from royalty in England and Denmark.

"There are so many people who just love teddy bears," Ms Shaw said.

"People just love the story behind Tambo Teddies.

"They love the fact that they have been loved and made in the outback—that they've been born out of an almost throwaway idea."

Ms Shaw said she believes that people gravitated to Tambo Teddies because of the love, care, and effort that has gone into its creation.

"It's the sentiment behind it," she said.

"There's a lot of that underpinning; they're a sentimental purchase, a lot of people feel something special when they buy a Tambo Teddy and give it to their children or grand-

"There is no production line; each bear is individually made."











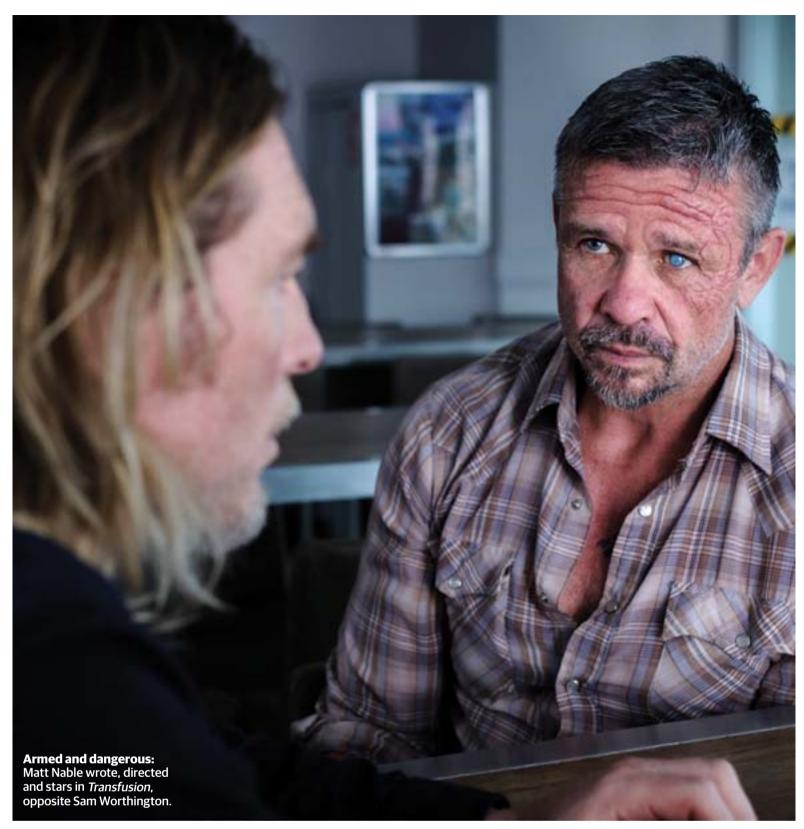




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Cover Story



Secret service

Aussie actor Matt Nable steps behind the camera for *Transfusion*, a Stan original film about the difficulties faced by those returning from active service. He tells **Siobhan Duck** why the authenticity of the project is so close to his heart

OM Hanks, George
Clooney, Orson Welles,
Mel Brooks and now,
Matt Nable.
Having written,
directed and starred in his latest
movie *Transfusion*, the Aussie actor
joins a very elite group of multitalented Hollywood performers who
have done the same thing.

The film follows SAS sniper Logan (Sam Worthington), who is struggling to adjust to life as a single parent after returning home from Iraq. Nable plays Logan's troubled commanding officer, who recruits the shattered ex-soldier into some underworld missions for quick cash.

Nable is quick to play down his impressive multi-tasking efforts, shrugging: "I think there's a real difference between executing the scripts as a director with what you've written yourself as opposed to someone else's material.

"That probably helped me immensely as far as the directing side was concerned because it was in my words, and it was my creation.

"And then as far as the acting was concerned, while I'm on-screen quite a bit, there weren't that many shoot days [for me] and it's really very much held up on the shoulders of Sam."

It is a testament to Nable's talents that his *Hacksaw Ridge* co-star – fresh from filming James Cameron's big budget follow up to the top grossing movie of all time, *Avatar* – required very little convincing to do Nable's decidedly smaller-scale production.

The script spoke for itself.
Nable says Worthington
instinctively understood the loss of
identity and the emasculation felt
by soldiers after leaving the army
and channelled that into his quiet
performance.

"In this project, Sam was at his most compelling when he was still," Nable says.

"And Sam did some things to make him appear more diminutive to really [capture that this character] had no real sense of himself after getting out the army."

Nable enthuses that Worthington's performance in *Transfusion* is a career best.

"And he'll say that himself," Nable affirms, proudly.

"Sam is at a good point in his life.
"He's got three young children.
He's very settled. He's remarkably
professional. So what he brought to
this was an energy and a dedication
that really helped me in a big way.

"Sam is quite a shy guy. He can appear to be introverted at times, but I just found him very gentle and very giving."

Nable jokes that he and Worthington have "both played cops many, many times" and so didn't need any weapons training to look believable in the action sequences.

He did call in the help of his younger brother Aaron – a former boxer – to help execute some of the choreographed fight scenes. It was only later that Nable fully appreciated how fortunate he had been to direct his little brother on film.

"The sad thing is that my brother, the young man you see in that film, has since been diagnosed with motor neurone disease," he says soberly.

"He's lost his speech. He's nowhere near like he was when we made the film 18 months ago."

The Nable family is extremely tight-knit and the five siblings, together with their parents David and Kristina, have rallied around Aaron, his partner and their three young children since his shock diagnosis.

Nable grew up in Sydney's Northern Beaches, where he and another brother Adam were recruited to play rugby professionally as young men.

Despite his sporting prowess, writing was always Nable's true passion. And, with the encouragement of his mentor Thomas Kenneally, Nable's unfinished novel, *Final Winter* (fittingly about a rugby club) was adapted for the silver screen.

The 2007 film changed the course of Nable's career and ultimately saw him hanging up his rugby boots and making a name for himself in Hollywood.

"I've never had any sort of desire to act," he says.

"I think that it was just an extension of writing things.
Seventeen years ago, I wrote Final Winter and I was ignorant enough to put myself in it."

His performance opened doors and led to roles in acclaimed Australian productions such as *Underbelly: Badness* and *East West* 101, and US cult favourites like *Arrow*.

Laidback Nable shrugs that his success was partly to do with luck, quipping: "I had a certain look that they were looking for at the time over in America."

It is clear that Nable's extensive experience as an actor – most recently playing the angry father of a murdered girl in Foxtel's *The Twelve* – has given him great skill and confidence as a director.

As such, *Transfusion* was much more than just your average heist movie.

It is a film that invites viewers to ponder what men who have been trained to kill are supposed to do with that training when they are no longer allowed to use it?

In acknowledgment of the way the film deals with some of the issues that returned soldiers face, *Transfusion* was honoured with an award at the Veteran's Film Festival.

For Nable, whose own father and grandfather were soldiers, it is a subject close to his heart and one he took very seriously.

"It's very difficult when you rise to a position of rank [in the army] and then [come out] and you are a subordinate," he reflects.

"From my research, I became very friendly with one SAS guy who was a sniper and we spoke for hours and hours and hours about his experiences and what it was like leaving the Army and also what he saw and what they were entrusted to do over in places like Afghanistan and Iran.

"Any information that I was able to gain was from a very authentic place; from these soldiers and also from my own experience of what I saw from my father leaving the army."

While the film doesn't shy away from confronting some difficult terrain, at its heart Nable says it is first and foremost a "father-son story".

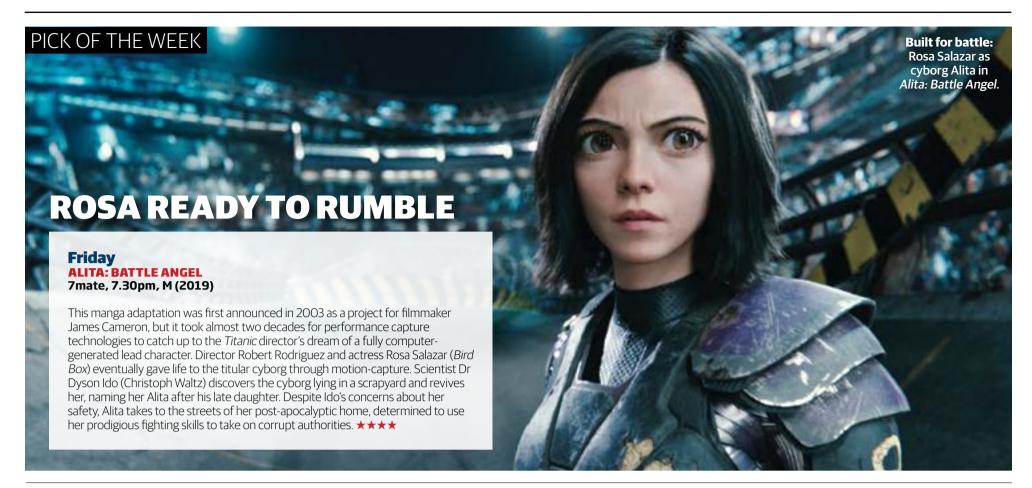
When interviewed, Nable's father had not yet seen *Transfusion*. But he was hopeful that he – along with the rest of his family – would soon watch it and feel proud of its underlying message about the trauma of war.

"I saw very, very closely what the fog of war could do to service people," he says.

"We are losing both men and women, but particularly men, in epidemic numbers to suicide after they get out."

■ *Transfusion*, streaming on Stan **Lifeline** 13 11 14

Movie Guide





EMU RUNNER NITV, Friday, 7.30pm, PG (2018)

This Aussie independent film written and directed by Imogen Thomas is a simple but engaging coming-of-age story that will appeal to the younger generation as well as adults. Set in the outback New South Wales town of Brewarrina, a young Indigenous girl called Gemma (Rhae-Kye Waites, pictured) forges a bond with a wild emu, which puts her at odds with her new social worker (Georgia Blizzard). There are few surprises to be had, but it is a richly meditative experience. ***



SPIDER-MAN 3 7mate, Sunday, 7pm, PG (2007)

In the third instalment of director Sam Raimi's franchise, Spidey discovers his dark side. Just as Peter Parker (Tobey Maguire) thinks he's found the balance between his love for MJ (Kirsten Dunst, pictured with Maguire) and his duties as New York's favourite arachnid superhero, fate steps in. Faced with a hattrick of enemies, including Goblin (James Franco), Sandman (Thomas Haden Church) and Venom (Topher Grace), plus issues with MJ. can our hero overcome his inner demons?



A DOG'S PURPOSE 7Flix, Saturday, 7pm, PG (2017)

You could say this is a film for dog lovers, although be prepared to shed a few tears as you follow the canine star through various lives. Josh Gad narrates this bittersweet story as Bailey, the devoted dog looking to find its purpose over the course of several reincarnations and owners. As well as looking for its own path in life, Bailey the dog teaches its many humans (played by Dennis Quaid, pictured, John Ortiz and Kirby Howell-Baptiste) to laugh and love and live their best lives. ***



LARA CROFT: TOMB RAIDER 10 Shake, Monday, 8.30pm, M (2001)

Based on the butt-kicking-vixen video game, this frenetic action blockbuster stars Angelina Jolie (pictured) as jet-setting adventurer Lara Croft. Croft's hobby – searching for lost crypts and artefacts – takes her to the world's most exotic locations. Her latest challenge is to prevent a monomaniacal adventurer (lain Glen) from attaining the power to control time. Jolie carries off a decent English accent while consistently kicking butt, while Simon West (*Con Air*) directs with panache. ***



THE COMEBACK TRAIL
SBS World Movies, Saturday, 8.30pm (2020)

Robert De Niro and Zach Braff lead an all-star cast – including Morgan Freeman and Tommy Lee Jones – in this crime caper. It's the 1970s and greedy film producer Max Barber (De Niro, pictured, left, with Braff) finds himself in debt to the mob and comes up with a scheme to produce a new film, then kill the lead actor for insurance money. When he casts washed-up star Duke Montana (Jones), he never expects the irascible old drunk to be reinvigorated by being in front of the camera again. ***



RUN LOLA RUN SBS World Movies, Tuesday, 8pm, M (1998)

In a star-making role, German actress Franka Potente (pictured) plays Lola, who has 20 minutes to raise the cash to save her drug-dealer boyfriend (Moritz Bleibtreu) from being killed by his gangster boss. With the clock ticking and techno music pounding in the background, our heroine races through the crowded streets towards her father's office – a scenario played out three times with different results. Director Tom Tykwer brilliantly illustrates what the smallest change can do. ****

The Guide



SCOTLAND: A WILD YEAR SBS, Friday, 7.35pm

The stories of Scotland's secret wild places and the unexpected animals that live there are the subject of this four-part series. Stretching from the Shetlands in the north to the Scottish Borders in the south, each instalment focuses on how a spectacular array of wildlife survive through the extremes of four very different seasons in one epic year, with their lives always at the mercy of the elements. Tonight's episode focuses on the season of spring - breeding time for most creatures, with its warmer weather and longer days.

NCIS: LOS ANGELES 10, Saturday, 7.30pm

This long-running spin-off of NCIS continues to bring the drama as our tight-knit group of federal agents apprehend criminals who pose a threat to national security. In "Flesh and Blood", Deeks (Eric Christian

Olsen, pictured) is reminded of the most challenging period of his life when a woman is seen fleeing the scene of her husband's murder. Guest star Pamela Reed plays Deeks' mother Roberta, who's in town to meet her new grandchild.

MARRIED AT FIRST SIGHT Nine, Monday, 7.30pm

As season 10 of this drama-filled and potentially migraineinducing show barrels onto screens tonight, melodrama, bad behaviour and self-centred absurdity is assured. Love? Probably not. The show's history of mind-boggling behaviour and out-there developments has had viewers speculating that the series is actually crammed full of actors but, this far gone, viewers probably aren't fussed about what's real or not. Tonight, the "social experiment" gets the ball rolling with the hens' and buck's nights, with introductions to the first two of the 10 couples who have been matched by experts John Aiken, Mel Schilling and Alessandra Rampolla (pictured).

Friday, January 27

6.00 News Breakfast. 9.00 ABC News Mornings. 10.00 Searching For Superhuman. (PG, R) 11.00 Australia Remastered. (R) 12.00 ABC News At Noon. 12.55 Les Misérables. (Ma, R) 1.55 The Big Blue. (R) 2.45 Back Roads. (R) 3.15 Gardening Australia. (R) 4.15 Long Lost Family. (PG, R) 5.00 Australian Story. (R)

6.00 The Drum. Analysis of the day's news. **7.00 ABC News.** Takes a look at today's top stories. **7.30 Monty Don's Adriatic** Gardens: Croatia. Part 2 of 3. 8.30 Endeavour. (Mav, R) Part 3 of 3. Thursday discovers that Endeavour's problems are greater than

5.30 Hard Quiz. (PG, R)

anybody could have suspected.

10.00 Miniseries: The Accident. (Mal, R) Part 4 of 4. 10.50 ABC Late News. Detailed coverage of the day's events. 11.10 Parkinson In Australia. (PG, R) Presented by Michael Parkinson. 11.55 Unforgotten. (Mal, R) 12.45 Rage. (MA15+adhlnsv)

ABC TV PLUS (22) 6am Children's Programs. 5.10pm Octonauts. 5.20 Hey Duggee. 5.30 Ginger And The Vegesaurs. 5.35 Do, Re & Mi. 5.45 Kiri And Lou. 5.55 Kangaroo Beach. 6.05 The Adventures Of Paddington. 6.20 Bluey. 6.30 I Still Know What You Did Last Summer. (1998. MA15+) 10.15 Doctor Who. 11.00 Death in Paradise. Midnight Killing Eve. 12.45 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.

NITV (34) 6am Morning Programs. 10.00 Going Places. **11.00** Looky Looky Here Comes Cooky. **Noon** Ningla A-Na. **1.15** Ganbu Gulin: One Mob. **1.45** Niminjarra. **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 The Untold Tales Of Tuteremoana. 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 MOVIE:** Emu Runner. (2018, PG) 9.10 First Nations Bedtime Stories. 9.20 Going Places With Ernie Dingo. **10.20** The Song Keepers. 11.50 Late Programs.

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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. **2.00** Cook Up Bitesize. (R) 2.05 The Great House Revival. (R) 3.00 NITV News: Nula. 3.30 Cook Up With Adam Liaw Bitesize. (R) 3.35 Where Are You Really From? (PG, R) **4.05** Who Do You Think You Are? (PGa, R) **5.05** Jeopardy! **5.30** Letters And Numbers. (R)

6.00 Mastermind Australia. (R) **6.30** SBS World News. **7.35** Scotland: A Wild Year: Spring. Part 1 of 4.
8.30 Inside Central Station: T4 Line. (PG, R) It is almost Christmas and the staff are working around the clock to keep trains on track and on schedule. 9.25 Undeniable: The Truth To Remember. Hosted by Julianna Margulies. 10.20 SBS World News Late. **10.50 Gomorrah**. (MA15+v, R) **1.45** The Kimberley Cruise: The Full Journey. (R) **4.35** Bamay. (R) **5.00** NHK World English News Morning. 5.30 ANC Philippines The

World Tonight.

SBS VICELAND (31) 6am WorldWatch. 9.30 Shortland St. 11.00 The Movie Show. Noon VICE. **12.35** Figure Skating. ISU World C'ships. Ice Gala. **1.45** Cook Up Bitesize. **1.50** Why Does Everyone Hate The English? 2.45 Counter Space. Painting. **6.15** Forged In Fire. **7.05** Jeopardy! **7.35** 8 Out Of 10 Cats Does Countdown. **8.30** Hoarders **9.25** The Dangerous Rise Of Andrew Tate. **10.20** Booze Bets And Sex That Built America 11.55 News. **12.50am MOVIE:** The Late Night Ride. (2020, MA15+) 2.25 My Life Online, 2.55 Future Man. 3.25 Late Programs.

SBS WORLD MOVIES (32) 6am Bran Nue Dae. (2009, PG) 7.30 Asterix: The Mansions Of The Gods. (2014, PG, French) **9.05** Rabbit-Proof Fence. (2002, PG) **10.45** The Royal Bride. (2020, M, Vietnamese) 12.55pm Driven. (2018, M) 3.00 Malcolm, (1986) 4.35 Between Worlds. (2016. PG. Hebrew) **6.10** Five Flights Up. (2014, PG) **7.50** The Importance Of Being Earnest. (2002) 9.30 Kung Fu Yoga. (2017) 11.30 Detective Chinatown 3. (2021, M) 2am Bleeding Steel. (2017, MA15+, Cantonese) 4.00 Family. (2018, M) 5.35 Rabbit-Proof Fence. (2002, PG)

SEVEN (7)

6.00 Sunrise. **9.00** The Morning Show. (PG) 11.30 Seven Morning News. 12.00 MOVIE: The Incredible Burt Wonderstone. (2013, PGdlsv, 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)

6.00 Seven Local News.

6.30 Seven News.

7.00 To Be Advised. 10.00 MOVIE: The Book Of Eli. (2010, MA15+v, R) In a post-apocalyptic future, a lone man fights his way across the US to protect a sacred book. Denzel Washington, Gary Oldman, Mila Kunis. 12.10 The Good Doctor. (Mad, R) Shaun and the team take some big risks. **1.10 Travel Oz.** (PG, R) Hosted by Greg Grainger. 2.00 Home Shopping. (R) 4.00 Million Dollar Minute.

(R) Hosted by Simon Reeve.

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** NBC Today. **Noon** Emmerdale. **12.30** Coronation Street. 1.00 Escape To The Country. 2.00 The Great **3.30** Medical Emergency. **4.00** Better Homes And Gardens. **5.00** Escape To The Country. **6.00** Bargain Hunt. 7.00 Better Homes And Gardens Summer. **8.30** Escape To The Country. **10.30** Australia's Big Backyards. **11.30** Border Security: Int. Midnight Border Patrol. 12.30 Escape To The Country. 1.30 Better Homes. 2.30 Late Programs.

5.00 NBC Today. News and current affairs.

7MATE (74) 6am Morning Programs. **7.30** Creek To Coast. 8.00 Surfing. WSL Championship Tour. Billabong Pro Pipeline. Highlights. **9.00**Surfing. WSL Championship Tour. Billabong Pro Pipeline. Highlights. 10.00 Blokesworld. 10.30 American Restoration. **11.00** American Pickers. **Noon** Pawn Stars. **1.00** Irish Pickers. **2.00** World's Deadliest. **3.00** Timbersports. **3.30** Scrap Kings. **4.30** Demolition NZ. **5.30** American Restoration. **6.00** Cricket. Big Bash League. The Eliminator. 7.00 Pawn Stars. 7.30 MOVIE: Alita: Battle Angel. (2019, M) 10.05 MOVIE: Just Cause. (1995, MA15+) 12.15am Late Programs.

NINE (8, 9)

6.00 Today. 9.00 Today Extra Summer. (PG) Highlights from the year in review. 10.00 Australian Open Tennis **Pre-Show.** Hosted by Tony Jones. 11.00 Tennis. Australian Open. Day 12. Men's singles semi-final 5.00 Millionaire Hot Seat. (R) Six contestants answer multiple-choice questions that escalate in cash-prize value.

6.00 Nine News. 6.30 Tennis. Australian Open. Night 12. Men's singles semi-final. 10.00 MOVIE: The Vow. (2012, PGalns, R)

After a woman wakes up from a coma with amnesia, her distraught husband sets out to rekindle their love. Rachel McAdams, Channing Tatum, Sam Neill. 12.00 New Amsterdam. (Mamv, R) A burst pipe plunges the ED into chaos. 1.00 Our State On A Plate. (PG) Cassandra Charlick learns how to make beer. 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)

9GEM (81, 92) 6am TV Shop: Home Shopping. **7.00** Creflo Dollar Ministries. **7.30** TV Shop: Home Shopping. 10.30 Seaway. 11.30 My Favorite Martian. **Noon** The Young And The Restless. 1.00 Full Bloom. 2.00 The Baron. 3.10 Wrote. 6.00 Australian Open Tennis Pre-Show. **6.30** Antiques Roadshow. **7.30** Queens Of Mystery. **8.30 MOVIE:** Rob Roy. (1995, M) **11.20** House. **12.20am** My Favorite Martian. **12.50** Explore. **1.00** TV Shop: Home Shopping. **5.00** Joyce Meyer. **5.30** TV Shop: Home Shopping.

9GO! (82, 93) 6am Children's Programs. 11.30 Yu-Gi-Oh! Sevens. Noon Rich Kids Go Skint. 1.00 I'm Having Their Baby. 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 MOVIE: Earth To Echo. (2014, PG) **7.45 MOVIE:** Madagascar. (2005, PG) **9.30 MOVIE:** Last Vegas. (2013, M) 11.35 Alphas. 12.30am In Ice Cold Blood. **1.30** Surfing Australia TV. **2.00** Full House. 3.00 Bakugan: Armored Alliance. **3.30** Ninjago: Crystalized. **4.00** TV Shop: Home Shopping. **5.00** Pokémon Master Journeys. **5.30** Yu-Gi-Oh! Sevens.

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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. (PGv, R) **10.00** Studio 10. (PG) **12.00** 10 News First: Midday. 1.00 Dr Phil. (PGal, R) **2.00** Jamie's Ultimate Veg. (PG, 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.

6.30 The Project. A look at the

day's news and events. **7.30 The Graham Norton Show.** Graham is joined by Michelle Williams, Helena Bonham Carter, Brendan Fraser, Russell T Davies and Oti Mabuse.

9.30 Jimeoin: Ramble On. (Mls, R) Stand-up comedy performance by Irish comedian Jimeoin featuring his clever and quirky observations on everyday suburban life in his trademark devil-may-care style. 11.00 The Project. (R) A look at

the day's news and events. 12.00 The Late Show With Stephen Colbert. (PG) Late-night talk show. 1.00 Home Shopping. (R) 5.30 Infomercials. (PG, R)

10 PEACH (52, 11) 6am The Late Show With Stephen Colbert. 7.00 NBL Slam. 7.30 Seinfeld. 9.00 Becker. 10.00 The Middle. 11.30 The King Of Queens. **12.30pm** Frasier. **1.30** Seinfeld. 3.00 The King Of Queens. 4.00 Becker. 5.00 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.

10 BOLD (53, 12) 6am Home Shopping. **7.30** Infomercials. **8.00** Australia By Design: Innovations. **8.30** Australia By Design: Architecture. **9.00** Escape Fishing With ET. **9.30** iFish. **10.00** The Love Boat. 11.00 Star Trek: The Next Generation. Noon MacGyver. 2.00 Diagnosis Murder. 3.00 Waltzing Jimeoin. **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.

Saturday, January 28

6.00 Rage. (PG) 7.00 Weekend Breakfast. 9.00 Rage. (PG) 12.00 ABC News At Noon. 12.30 Endeavour. (Mav, R) 2.00 Midsomer Murders. (PG, R) 3.30 Joanna Lumley's Unseen Adventures. (PG, R) Part 1 of 3. 4.15 Australia Day Live. (R) Concert in celebration of Australia

6.30 Better Date Than Never. (PG, R) Follows a diverse group of singles seeking love.

7.00 ABC News. Takes a look at today's top stories.

7.30 Call The Midwife. (PG) Sister Hilda and Dr Turner support a young father with a lung condition.

8.30 Midsomer Murders. (Mav, R) Barnaby and Winter investigate when the annual Midsomer Scarecrow Festival in the village of Little Upton takes a grisly turn after bodies begin appearing on poles alongside their straw creations.

10.00 Unforgotten. (Mal, R) Cassie and Sunny interview the suspects. 10.50 A Life In Ten Pictures: Muhammad Ali. (PG, R) Explores the life of Muhammad Ali.

11.45 Rage. (MA15+adhlnsv) King Stingray play music videos.

ABC TV PLUS (22) **ABC TV PLUS (22) 6am** Children's Programs. **6.30pm** Spicks And Specks. **7.30** Whose Line Is It Anyway? **8.15** Live At The Apollo. **9.00** Russell Howard Stands Up To The World. 9.45 The Set. **10.20** Doctor Who. **11.10** Would I Lie To You? **11.40** Bliss. **12.10am** Wreck. **12.55** Fleabag. **1.20** QI. 1.50 ABC News Update. 1.55 Close. 5.05 Tik Tak. 5.10 Clangers. 5.20 Buddi. 5.25 Miffy's Adventures Big And Small. **5.35** Late Programs.

NITV (34) 6am Morning Programs. 10.00 MOVIE: Emu Runner. (2018, PG) 11.40 Going Places. 12.40pm Land Of Primates. 1.30 From The Heart Of Our Nation: A Celebration. **4.30** Songlines On Screen. **4.50** Intune 08. **5.50** Going Native. 6.20 Kriol Kitchen. 6.50 News. 7.00 Family Rules **7.30** Call Of The Baby Beluga. **8.30 MOVIE**: Ghost Dog: The Way Of The Samurai. (1999, MA15+) **10.30** Milpirri: Winds Of Change. **11.30** Late Programs.

SBS(3)

6.00 WorldWatch. 9.10 Blue Water Safari. **10.10** Love Your Garden. (R) **11.05** Paul O'Grady For The Love Of Animals. 12.00 WorldWatch. 2.00 Cook Up Bitesize. (R) 2.05 Destination Flavour China Bitesize. (R) **2.15** Pluto: Back From The Dead. (R) **3.25** Happy Birthday Hubble. (PG, R) 4.35 Secret Scotland. (R) 5.30 WWII Battles For Europe.

6.30 SBS World News. 7.35 Chris Tarrant's Extreme Railway **Journeys: Crossing The Emerald** Isle. (PGa, R) Part 3 of 4. Chris Tarrant sets out to visit all four corners of Ireland in just six days on its ageing railway network.

8.30 The Queen At War. (PGa, R) Takes a look at the impact Queen Elizabeth II's experiences during World War II had on her development.

9.30 Britain By Beach. (PGn, R) Part 3 of 4. Presenter Anita Rani travels across the picturesque east coast of Scotland.

10.25 Great Escapes With Morgan Freeman: Conquering The Wall. (Ma, R) Explores real-life prison breaks.

11.15 The Responder. (Madl, R) A cop tries to help a young addict. 5.00 NHK World English News Morning. 5.15 France 24 Feature. 5.30 ANC Philippines The World Tonight.

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. **5.35** Dynamo: Magician Impossible. **6.30** Adam Eats The 80s. **7.30** Impossible Engineering. **8.30** The Last Overland: Singapore To London. **9.25** The Story Of. (Premiere) 10.45 High Society. 11.40 Late Programs.

SBS WORLD MOVIES (32) 6am Rabbit-Proof Fence. Continued. (2002, PG) 7.15 Kung Fu Yoga. (2017) 9.15 Five Flights Up. (2014, PG) **10.55** Perfect 10. (2019, M) **12.30pm** Detective Chinatown 3. (2021, M) **3.00** Bran Nue Dae. (2009, PG) 4.35 Beauty And The Beast. (2014, PG, French) **6.40** Weekend At Bernie's. (1989, PG) **8.30** The Comeback Trail. (2020) **10.25** Room In Rome. (2010, MA15+) 12.25am Late Programs.

SEVEN (7)

6.00 NBC Today. 7.00 Weekend Sunrise. 10.00 The Morning Show. (PG) 12.00 Horse Racing. Expressway Stakes Raceday, Summer at the Valley and Sunshine Coast Cup Day. 5.00 Seven News At 5.

5.30 Creek To Coast. (R) Chris Parsons joins a Vision RV convoy.

6.00 Seven News.

7.00 To Be Advised. 10.00 MOVIE: Grown Ups. (2010, PGls, R) After their high-school basketball coach passes away, five former friends and teammates are reunited for the first time in decades for his funeral and the subsequent Fourth of July holiday weekend. Adam Sandler, David Spade, Chris Rock.

12.15 Australia's Most Amazing Homes: Urban Castles. (PG, R) Follows three renowned home experts on their quest to find Australia's most stylish and breathtaking homes.

1.15 Travel Oz. (PG, R) Hosted by Greg Grainger.

2.00 Home Shopping. (R) 4.00 Get Arty. (R) A showcase

5.00 My Greek Odyssey: Symi And Alimia. (PG, R) Hosted by Peter Maneas.

7TWO (72) **6am** Morning Programs. **11.00** Horse Racing. Expressway Stakes Raceday, Summer at the Valley and Sunshine Coast Cup Day. Noon Better Homes. 1.00 Australia's Big Backyards. 2.00 Escape To The Country.5.00 Weekender.5.30 Border Security: Int. 6.00 Border Patrol.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.

7MATE (74) 7MATE (74) 6am Morning Programs. **11.00** Cycling. Cadel Evans Great Ocean Road Race. Elite Women's. **3.30pm** American Restoration. **4.00** American Pickers. **5.00** Leepu And Pitbull. **6.00** Cricket. Big Bash League. The Qualifier. **7.00** Pawn Stars. 7.30 Air Crash Investigation. 8.30 MOVIE: Unhinged. (2020, MA15+) 10.20 MOVIE: War On Everyone. (2016, MA15+) 12.20am Late

NINE (8.9)

6.00 Drive TV. (R) 6.30 Bondi Lifeguard World Adventures. (PGI, R) 7.00 Weekend Today. 10.00 Today Extra Summer. (PG) 12.00 Cybershack. (PG) 12.30 Mr Mayor. (PGa, R) **1.00** Explore. (R) **1.15 MOVIE:** Yours Mine And Ours. (2005, PGI, R) Dennis Quaid. 3.00 Australian Open Tennis Pre-Show. 4.00 Bondi Vet. (PGm, R) 5.00 News: First At Five. 5.30 Country House Hunters Australia. (R)

6.00 Nine News Saturday. 6.30 Tennis. Australian Open. Night 13. Women's singles final. From Melbourne Park. Hosted by James Bracey. 11.00 New Amsterdam. (Mamv, R) Sharpe offers help to a reluctant Mina, and Max is

faced with a tough decision about Luna. 12.00 Family Law. (Ma, R) Abby and Daniel represent a woman whose divorce gets ugly when her ex-husband accuses her of being in a cult.

1.00 Framed By The Killer: A Lover's Frame. (Mav, R) Part 2 of 3. 2.00 The Incredible Journey Presents. (PGa) Religious program. 2.30 TV Shop: Home Shopping. (R) 4.30 Global Shop. (R) Home shoppi 5.00 TV Shop: Home Shopping. (R) 5.30 Helping Hands. (PG) A celebration of people and organisations.

9GEM (81, 92) 6am Turning Point. **6.30** TV Shop. **7.00** Leading The Way. **7.30** TV Shop. **8.00** Beyond Today. **8.30** TV Shop. **10.00** Avengers. 11.10 MOVIE: The Small Voice. (1948, PG) 12.55pm MOVIE: Duel In The Jungle. (1954, PG) **3.00 MOVIE**: The Unforgiven. (1960, PG) **5.30** Australian Open Tennis Pre-Show. **6.30** Keeping Up Appearances. **7.30 MOVIE**: My Fair Lady. (1964) 11.00 Late Programs.

9GO! (82, 93) 6am Children's Programs. **1.30pm MOVIE:** Barbie Mermaid Power. **(2022, PG)** 2.50 Raymond. 3.20 MOVIE: Waiting For The Light. (1990, PG) **5.15** About A Boy. **5.45 MOVIE**: Aliens In The Attic. (2009, PG) **7.30 MOVIE**: Blended. (2014, M) 9.50 MOVIE: Hall Pass. (2011, MA15+) Midnight Manifest. **2.00** Motor Racing. FIA World Endurance Championship. End of season review. Highlights. **3.00** Late Programs.

TEN (5.1)

6.00 Morning Programs. **8.00** Exploring Off The Grid. (PGI, R) 8.30 What's Up Down Under. (R) **9.00** Planet Shapers. (R) **9.30** GCBC. (R) 10.00 St10. (PG) 12.00 Beyond The Fire: Resilience. (PGa) **1.00** Bondi Rescue. (PGal, R) **1.30** All 4 Adventure. (PGl, R) **2.30** Planet Shapers. **3.00** What's Up Down Under. **3.30** Cook It With Luke. (R) **4.00** Farm To Fork. (R) 4.30 Taste Of Aust. (R) 5.00 News.

6.00 Bondi Rescue. (PGal, R) The lifeguards are feeling the pressure. **6.30** Jamie Oliver: Together. Jamie prepares a slow-cooked pork belly, served in handmade tacos with roasted pineapple and pepper sauce.

7.30 NCIS: Los Angeles. (Mav) The NCIS team investigates when a woman is seen fleeing the scene of her husband's murder. 8.30 FBI: International. (Masv) The Fly

Team heads to the Czech Republic in pursuit of the co-founder of an illegal adults-only website when his business partner is murdered in Prague. Kellett struggles with her personal relationships.

10.30 NCIS. (Mv, R) Two bodies are found in a forest. 12.30 Home Shopping. (R) 3.30 Infomercials. (PG, R) **4.00** Home Shopping. (R) **5.00** Hour Of Power.

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. **10.50** The Bachelors Australia. **4.30pm** 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.

10 BOLD (53, 12) 6am Morning Programs. **10.00** The Love Boat. **11.00** All 4 Adventure. **Noon** What's Up Down Under. 12.30 Exploring Off The Grid. **1.00** 4x4 Adventures. **2.00** Waltzing Jimeoin. **2.30** Escape Fishing. **3.00** ST: Next Gen. **4.00** Scorpion. **5.00** JAG. **6.00** Soccer. A-League Men. Matchweek 14. Central Coast Mariners v Western Sydney Wanderers. **9.15** JAG. **10.15** MacGyver. **11.10** Late Programs.

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6.00 Rage. (PG) 7.00 Weekend Breakfast. 10.00 Offsiders: Summer Series. 10.30 The World This Week. (R) 11.00 Compass. (PG, R) **11.30** Songs Of Praise. **12.00** ABC News At Noon. 12.30 Landline: Summer Series. (R) **1.10** Monty Don's Adriatic Gardens. (R) **2.15** Call The Midwife. (PG, R) 3.15 Victoria. (PG, R) **4.00** Designing A Legacy. (PG, R) **5.00** Australia's Wild Odyssey. (R)

6.00 Antiques Roadshow.

Hosted by Fiona Bruce. 7.00 ABC News. Takes a look at today's top stories.

7.30 Joanna Lumley's Unseen Adventures. (Ml, R) Part 2 of 3. 8.20 Vera. (Ma, R) A local teacher is found dead at the bottom of a

cliff-side coastal walkway. 9.50 Wreck. (Mlv, R) Jamie becomes a fugitive onboard. 10.35 Operation Buffalo. (Mal, R) Leo arrives back at Maralinga. 11.30 Making Child Prodigies. (R)

1.00 Les Misérables. (Ma, R) 2.00 Victoria. (PG, R) **2.50** Rage. (MA15+adhlnsv) 4.05 Classic Countdown. (PG, R)

5.05 Think Tank. (PG, R)

And Small. 5.35 Late Programs.

ABC TV PLUS (22) 6am Children's Programs. **6.30pm** Spicks And Specks. **7.30** You Can't Ask That. 8.30 Louis Theroux: African Hunting Holiday. 9.30 Louis Theroux: Savile. 10.45 Rise Of The Animals. 11.45 Long Lost Family. 12.35am George Clarke's Amazing Christmas Spaces. **1.20** ABC News Update. 1.25 Close. 5.05 Tik Tak. 5.10 Clangers. 5.20 Buddi. 5.25 Miffy's Adventures Big

NITV (34) 6am Morning Programs. **1.25pm** Away From Country. **2.25** The South Sydney Story. **2.55** Feeding The Scrum. **3.25** Nyoongar Footy Magic. **3.30** Football. NTFL. Women's. Under-18s. 4.45 Football. NTFL. Men's. Under-18s. 6.00 Spirit Talker. **6.30** News. **6.40** Natural Born Rebels. **7.40** Idris Elba's Fight School. (Premiere) 8.40 Barry White: Let The Music Play. **10.15 MOVIE:** Vai. (2019, PG) 11.50 Late Programs.

6.00 WorldWatch. **9.00** Cook Up Bitesize. (R) 9.05 Blue Water Safari. (PG) 10.05 Love Your Garden. (R) **11.00** Going Places. (PG, R) **12.00** APAC Weekly. 12.30 ABC World News Tonight With David Muir. **1.00** Speedweek. **3.00** Destination Flavour China Bitesize. (PGa, R) 3.10 The Architecture Of Ra. (PGalw, R) 4.40 Secrets Of The Tower Of London. (PGa, R) **5.30** WWII Battles For Europe. (PGaw, R)

6.30 SBS World News.

7.35 Lost Treasure Tombs Of The Ancient Maya. (PGav, R) Part 1 of 2. Follows archaeologists as they search for clues to how the Maya lived and what happened to them.

9.25 Australia Burns: Silence Of The Land. (PGa, R) Takes a look at the 2019-20

bushfire season, one of the worst on record **10.50 Looking For Life On Mars.** (R) Follows NASA's Mars 2020 mission.

11.55 24 Hours In Emergency: **Great Expectations.** (Ma, R) 12.50 Uranium: Twisting The

Dragon's Tail. (PGa, R) 3.40 Destination Flavour China. (R) **4.40 Bamay.** (R)

5.00 NHK World English News Morning. **5.15** France 24 Feature. **5.30** Al Jazeera News.

SBS VICELAND (31) 6am WorldWatch. 9.30 Shortland St. 11.00 The Movie Show. Noon In My Own World. 1.50 VICE. 2.25 Cook Up Bitesize. 2.30 Gymnastics, FIG Artistic World Challenge Cup. **4.05** WorldWatch. **4.35** Adam Ruins Everything. **6.25** Guy Martin: The World's Fastest Electric Car? **7.45** Abandoned Engineering. **8.40** Lost Gold Of World War II. **9.30** Tales From The Territories. (Premiere) 11.15 Das Boot. 12.20am Late Programs.

SBS WORLD MOVIES (32) 6am

Asterix: The Mansions Of The Gods. (2014 French) 6.45 Five Flights Up. (2014. PG) 8.25 Between Worlds. (2016, PG, Hebrew) 10.00 The Importance Of Being Earnest. (2002) 11.40 Cairo Time. (2009, M) **1.20pm** Family. (2018, M) **2.55** Kung Fu Yoga. (2017, PG) **4.55** My Brilliant Career. (1979) **6.50** Footy Legends. (2006, PG) **8.30** Top End Wedding. (2019, M) 10.40 Late Programs.

SEVEN (7)

6.00 NBC Today. 7.00 Weekend Sunrise. **10.00** The Morning Show: Weekend. (PG) 11.30 Cycling. Santos Tour Down Under. Highlights.

12.30 Cricket. Women's Twenty20 International Series. Australia v Pakistan. Game 3. 4.00 Better Homes And Gardens. (R)

5.00 Seven News At 5. 5.30 Weekender. (R)

6.00 Seven News. 7.00 Cricket. Big Bash

League. The Knockout.

10.00 7NEWS Spotlight. (R) A musical edition of the show hosted by ABBA's Benny and Bjorn as well a

farewell to Olivia Newton-John. 11.00 World's Most Shocking Emergency Calls. (MA15+adv, R) Documents shocking emergency calls. 12.00 The Good Doctor. (Ma, R) Shaun

reacts to an emotional situation. **1.00 RSPCA Animal Rescue.** (R) **1.30 Travel Oz.** (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.

7TWO (72) 6am Morning Programs **1pm** The Yorkshire Vet. **2.00** South Aussie With Cosi. 2.30 The Great Australian Doorstep. 3.00 My Road To Adventure. 3.30 Our Town. 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** Heathrow. (Return) **9.30** Chris Tarrant's Extreme Railway Journeys. 10.30 Air Crash Investigation. 11.30 Late Programs.

7MATE (74) 6am The Fishing Show By AFN. 7.00 Fishy Business. 7.30 Creek To Coast. **8.00** Sound FX: Best Of. **8.30** Shopping. **9.30** Cycling. Cadel Evans Great Ocean Road Race. Elite Men's. **3pm** On The Fly. **3.30** Step Outside. **4.00** Irish Pickers. **5.00** Shipping Wars. **6.00** Cricket. Big Bash League. The Knockout. **7.00 MOVIE:** Spider-Man 3. (2007, PG) 9.50 MOVIE: The Rock. (1996, MA15+) **12.40am** Late Programs.

NINE (8, 9)

6.00 Drive TV. (R) **6.30** Bondi Lifeguard World Adventures. (PG, R) 7.00 Weekend Today. 10.00 Surf Boats. 11.00 Take Me Home. (PG, R) 12.00 Arctic Vets. (PG, R) 12.30 Kia Dylan Alcott Special. 1.00 Australian Open Tennis Pre-Show. **2.00** Tennis. Australian Open. Day 14. 4.00 To Be Advised. 4.30 My Way. (PG, R) **5.00** News: First At Five. **5.30** Territory Cops. (PGadn, R)

6.00 Nine News Sunday. **6.30 Tennis.** Australian Open. Night 14. Men's final. From Melbourne

Park. Hosted by James Bracey. 11.00 McEnroe. (Mal, R) Takes a look at John McEnroe, a controversial and gifted former tennis player.

1.00 Kia Dylan Alcott Special. (R) A *Drive TV* special with tennis champion and Kia Australia brand ambassador, Dylan Alcott.

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. The latest in news and current affairs.

9GEM (81, 92) 6am Tomorrow's World. 6.30 Amazing Facts Presents. 7.00 Leading The Way. **7.30** In Touch. **8.00** Beyond Today. **8.30** The Incredible Journey. **9.00** TV Shop. **10.00** Helping Hands. **10.30 MOVIE:** Kind Hearts And Coronets. (1949, PG) 12.40pm MOVIE: Champions. (1984, PG) **3.00 MOVIE:** Comes A Horseman. (1978, PG) 5.30 Australian Open Tennis Pre-Show. 6.30 To Be Advised. 11.30 Late Programs.

9GO! (82, 93) 6am Children's Programs. 1.30pm Raymond. 2.00 Filthy House SOS. 3.00 Full Bloom. 4.00 Dance Moms. 5.00 About A Boy. 5.30 MOVIE: Grumpy Old Men. (1993, PG) 7.30 MOVIE: Assassin's Creed. (2016, M) 9.35 MOVIE: The Legend Of Hercules. (2014, M) 11.30 Duncanville. **Midnight** Filthy House SOS. **1.00** Full Bloom. **2.00** Dance Moms. **3.00** Power Rangers Dino Charge. **3.30** Late Programs.

TEN (5, 1)

6.00 Mass. **6.30** Turning Point. (PGa) **7.00** Leading The Way. (PG, R) 7.30 Tomorrow's World. (PGa, R) 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) 2.00 Waltzing Jimeoin. (PGal, R) 2.30 Exploring Off The Grid. 3.00 4x4 Adventures. 4.00 All 4 Adventure. 5.00 10 News First.

6.30 The Sunday Project. Panellists dissect, digest and reconstitute the

daily news, events and hottest topics. 7.30 The Bachelors Australia. (Final, PGls) Jed, Felix and Thomas have decided who they want to face

their happily ever after with. **9.10 NCIS: Hawai'i.** (Mv, R) When a paniolo, a local cowboy, is shot and wounded while riding his horse, Tennant and her team must gain the trust of the paniolo community to help find the culprit and protect their life.

10.10 FBI. (Mav, R) The FBI hunts for a serial killer targeting young, homeless men. 11.00 The Sunday Project. (R) A look at the day's news.

12.00 Home Shopping. (R) 4.30 CBS Mornings.

10 PEACH (52, 11) 6am Friends, 7.30 The Middle. 9.00 The Big Bang Theory. 11.00 Friends. 1pm Basketball. NBL. Round 17. Tasmania JackJumpers v Perth Wildcats. 3.00 Baskethall NBL. Round 17. Sydney Kings v South East Melbourne Phoenix. **5.00** Two And A Half Men. **6.00** The Big Bang Theory. **9.00** Friends. **Midnight** Shopping. **12.30** Infomercials. **1.00** Shopping. **1.30** Nancy Drew. 2.30 Late Programs.

10 BOLD (53, 12) 6am Morning Programs. **7.30** Key Of David. **8.00** All 4 Adventure. **9.00** 4x4 Adventures, 10.00 Reel Action, 11.00 Healthy Homes Aust. 11.30 Buy To Build. Noon Roads Less Travelled. **12.30** JAG. **1.30** Soccer. A-League Men. Matchweek 14. Melbourne City v Adelaide United. 4.30 Demolition Down Under, 5.30 JAG, 7.30 NCIS. 10.20 MOVIE: The Expendables. (2010, MA15+) **12.20am** Late Programs.

Monday, January 30

ABCTV(2)

6.00 News Breakfast. 9.00 ABC News Mornings. 10.00 Muster Dogs. (PG, R) 11.00 Antiques Roadshow. (R) 12.00 ABC News At Noon. 1.00 Vera. (Ma, R) 2.40 Back Roads. (R) 3.10 Gardening Australia. (R) 4.10 Long Lost Family. (PG, R) 5.00 Australian Story. (R) 5.30 Hard Quiz. (PG, R)

6.00 The Drum.
7.00 ABC News.
7.30 7.30. Presented by Sarah Ferguson.
8.00 Back Roads: Ord River,
Western Australia. (PG)
Presented by Rae Johnston.
8.30 Four Corners. (Return)

8.30 Four Corners. (Return) Investigative journalism program exposing scandals, triggering inquiries, firing debate and confronting taboos. **9.15 Media Watch.** (Return, PG)

Paul Barry takes a look at the latest issues affecting media consumers.

9.35 Q+A. (Return) Public affairs program.

10.35 ABC Late News.

10.50 The Business. (R)

11.10 Midsomer Murders. (Mav, R)

12.40 Father Brown. (PG, R)

1.25 The Trouble With Maggie Cole. (PG, R)

2.15 Rage. (MA15+adhlnsv) 4.00 One Plus One. (R) 4.30 The Drum. (R) 5.30 7.30. (R)

ABC TV PLUS (22) 6am Children's Programs. 6.30pm Spicks And Specks. 7.30 David Attenborough's Great Barrier Reef. 8.30 Long Lost Family. 9.15 George Clarke's Amazing Spaces. 10.05 Australia Remastered. 11.00 Louis Theroux: African Hunting Holiday. Midnight Whose Line Is It Anyway? 12.25 Veneno. 1.10 ABC News Update. 1.15 Close. 5.05 Tik Tak. 5.10 Clangers. 5.20 Buddi. 5.25 Late Programs.

NITV (34) 6am Morning Programs. 1.30pm Spirit Talker. 2.00 Shortland St. 2.30 The Cook Up. 3.00 Jarjums. 3.40 Wolf Joe. 3.55 Tales Of The Moana. 4.00 Grace Beside Me. 4.30 Spartakus And The Sun Beneath The Sea. 5.00 Our Stories. 5.30 APTN National News. 6.00 Bamay. 6.30 News. 6.40 Land Of Primates. 7.30 The Blinding Of Isaac Woodard. 8.30 Karla Grant Presents. 9.05 Totem And Ore. 10.50 Late Programs.

SBS(3)

6.00 WorldWatch. **9.10** Cook Up Bitesize. (PG, R) **9.15** Craft It Yourself. (PG) **10.15** Beyond The Beaten Path. (M) **11.10** Great Canal Journeys. (R) **12.05** WorldWatch. **2.00** Cook Up Bitesize. (R) **2.05** The Great House Revival. (PG, R) **3.05** Portillo's Greatest Railway Journeys. (PG, R) **4.00** Who Do You Think You Are? (PG, R) **5.05** Jeopardy! (PG, R) **5.30** Letters And Numbers. (R)

6.00 Mastermind Australia. (PG, R) Presented by Marc Fennell. **6.30 SBS World News. 7.30 Darcey Bussell's Royal**

Roadtrip: London And The South-East. (PG) Part 2 of 4. 8.30 Heritage Rescue: Boston Manor. (PG) Presenter Nick Knowles follows the restoration of one of West

London's hidden gems, Boston Manor.

9.25 Secrets Of Playboy: The Big
Playboy Lie. (MA15+) Playmates
recount how women modelled for
the magazine because they believed
it would be a lucrative career.

10.15 SBS World News Late. 10.45 Partisan. (Maln) 11.45 Shadowplay. (Malv, R) 4.00 Mastermind Australia. (R) 5.00 NHK World English News Morning. 5.30 ANC Philippines The World Tonight.

SBS VICELAND (31) 6am WorldWatch. **6.50** The 77 Percent. **7.20** WorldWatch. **9.30** Shortland St. **11.00** The Movie Show. **Noon** Party Of Five. **1.35** The Employables. **2.35** Devoured. **3.25** Counter Space. **3.55** WorldWatch. **5.15** Shortland St. **5.45** Joy Of Painting. **6.15** Forged In Fire. **7.05** Jeopardy! **7.35** 8 Out Of 10 Cats. **8.30** Taskmaster. **10.20** The Dangerous Rise Of Andrew Tate. **11.15** Late Programs.

SBS WORLD MOVIES (32) 6am
Footy Legends. (2006, PG) 7.40 Beauty And The
Beast. (2014, PG, French) 9.45 The Movie Show.
10.15 Jackie Chan's First Strike. (1996, M) 12.20pm
The Comeback Trail. (2020, M) 2.15 Walking On
Sunshine. (2014, PG) 4.05 Modern Times. (1936,
No dialogue) 5.40 RBG. (2018, PG) 7.30 Dear White
People. (2014, M) 9.30 The Big Blue. (1988, M,
French) 12.35am Late Programs.

SEVEN (7)

6.00 Sunrise. **9.00** The Morning Show. (PG) **11.30** Seven Morning News. **12.00 MOVIE:** The Sweetest Heart. (2018, G, R) Chris McNally, Julie Gonzalo, Tammy Gillis. **2.15** Motorbike Cops. (PG, R) **2.30** Border Security: International. (PG, R)

3.00 The Chase. 4.00 Seven News At 4. 5.00 The Chase Australia. (R)

6.00 Seven Local News.
6.30 Seven News.
7.00 Home And Away. (PGav)
7.30 Australian Idol. (Return, PGIs)
A nationwide search for a singing superstar, determined through a series of performances.

9.15 Below Deck Down Under.
(Mls, R) Follows a charter crew aboard the M/Y Thalassa operating in the Whitsundays and Great Barrier Reef.

11.15 Busted In Bangkok. (MA15+ans, R)

Follows Thailand's tourist police.

12.15 MOVIE: Outback. (2019, Mal, R)
A couple become stranded in the outback. Lauren Lofberg, Taylor Wiese.

2.00 Home Shopping. (R)
4.00 NBC Today. News and current affairs.
5.00 Seven Early News.

7TWO (72) 6am Morning Programs.
8.30 Million Dollar Minute. 9.30 NBC Today.
10.30 Better Homes And Gardens Summer. Noon

10.30 Better Homes And Gardens Summer. **Noon** Emmerdale. **12.30** Coronation Street. **1.00** Air Crash Investigation. **2.00** Weekender. **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. **7.35** Doc Martin. **8.35** Inspector Morse. **10.55** Late Programs.

7MATE (74) 6am NFL. NFL. NFC Championship Game. Continued. **9.30** NFL. NFL. AFC Championship Game. **1pm** Armchair Experts: NFL Edition. **2.00** Sound FX: Best Of. **3.00** Wheelburn. **3.30** Rides Down Under: Workshop Wars. **4.30** Irish Pickers. **5.30** American Pickers. **6.30** 2023 Australia Cricket Awards. **8.15** Pawn Stars. **8.45 MOVIE:** Mad Max 2: The Road Warrior. (1981, MA15+) **10.50** Late Programs.

NINE (8, 9)

6.00 Today. 9.00 Today Extra. (PG) 11.30 Morning News. 12.00 MOVIE: Uptown Girls. (2003, PGI, R) 2.00 Pointless. (PG, R) 3.00 Tipping Point. (PG) 4.00 Afternoon News. 4.30 Millionaire Hot Seat. 5.30 WIN News.

6.00 Nine News.
7.00 A Current Affair.
7.30 Married At First Sight. (Return, Mls)
The social experiment begins with the hen's

and buck's night, before the first two of the 10 couples who have been matched by the experts walk down the aisle and meet their partners for the first time. 9.30 Harry And Meghan: The

Great Divide. (PGa) Takes a look at the great divide forming between Harry and Meghan and the Royal family.

10.30 Nine News Late.

11.00 The Equalizer. (MAI5+v, R)

11.50 Almost Family. (Mas)

12.40 Tipping Point. (PG, R)

1.30 TV Shop: Home Shopping. (R)

2.30 Global Shop. (R) 3.00 TV Shop: Home Shopping. (R)

4.00 Believer's Voice Of Victory. (PGa) 4.30 A Current Affair. (R) 5.00 News Early Edition. 5.30 Today.

9GEM (81, 92) 6am TV Shop. 7.00 Creflo. 7.30 TV Shop. 9.30 Newstyle Direct. 10.00 Danoz. 10.30 Seaway. 11.30 My Favorite Martian. Noon The Young And The Restless. 1.00 Full Bloom. 2.00 Antiques Roadshow. 2.30 MOVIE: San Demetrio, London. (1943, PG) 4.30 Secrets Of The National Trust. 5.30 Murder, She Wrote. 6.30 Antiques Roadshow. 7.30 Death In Paradise. 8.40 To Be Advised. 10.40 Late Programs.

9GO! (82, 93) 6am Children's Programs. Noon Motor Racing. Formula E World C'ship. Diriyah e-Prix. 1.00 I'm Having Their Baby. 2.00 Full House. 3.00 The Nanny. 3.30 Raymond. 5.30 The Nanny. 6.00 3rd Rock. 6.30 That 7Os Show. 7.00 Young Sheldon. 7.30 RBT. 8.30 MOVIE: Inside Man. (2006, MA15+) 11.00 Young Sheldon. 11.30 Raymond. Midnight Dr 90210. 1.00 Vanderpump Rules. 2.00 Full House. 3.00 Late Programs.

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 IO News First: Midday. 1.00 Dr Phil. (PGal, R) 2.00 The Bachelors Aust. (PGIs, R) 3.40 Entertainment Tonight. 4.00 Farm To Fork. 4.30 The Bold And The Beautiful. (PG) 5.00 10 News First.

6.30 The Project. The hosts and guest panellists take a look at the day's news, events and hot topics. **7.30** Australian Survivor. (Return)

Returning players and new faces battle it out on the beaches of Samoa.

9.30 FBI: Most Wanted. (Mav) When a celebrity child psychiatrist is kidnapped by the son of a former client, the team races to track down the perpetrator and learn what really happened to him and

why he has gone to such extremes.

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)4.30 CBS Mornings. Morning news and talk show.

10 PEACH (52, 11) 6am Friends. 8.00 The Big Bang Theory. 9.30 The Middle. 10.30 Friends. 1pm Charmed. 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 Home Shopping. 12.30 Infomercials. 1.30 Becker. 2.30 The Late Late Show With James Corden. 3.30 The King Of Queens. 4.30 Home

10 BOLD (53, 12) 6am Home Shopping.
7.30 Infomercials. 8.00 Australia By Design: Innovations. 8.30 Australia By Design: Architecture.
9.00 Escape Fishing With ET. 9.30 iFish. 10.00
Roads Less Travelled. 10.30 JAG. 12.30pm
MacGyver. 1.30 Diagnosis Murder. 3.30 The Love
Boat. 4.30 Star Trek: The Next Generation. 5.30
JAG. 6.30 Scorpion. 7.30 Bull. 8.30 NCIS. 10.20 In
The Dark. 11.15 Late Programs.

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ABCTV (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. (Mv, R) **1.45** Call The Midwife. (PG, R) **2.45** Back Roads. (PG, R) **3.15** Gardening Australia. (R) **4.15** Long Lost Family. (PG, R) **5.00** Australian Story. (R) **5.30** Hard Quiz. (PG, R)

6.00 The Drum. 7.00 ABC News. 7.30 7.30.

5.30 7.30. (R)

8.00 Better Date Than Never. (PG) Olivia's first ever date ends with a question mark. 8.30 Australia's Wild Odyssey:

Following The Rain. Part 2 of 3.

9.30 Julia Zemiro's Home Delivery:
Julia Zemiro. (PG, R) Part 4 of 4.

10.20 Shaun Micallef's On

The Sauce. (Mal, R)
11.20 ABC Late News.
11.35 The Business. (R) 11.50 Four Corners. (R)
12.35 Media Watch. (PG, R) 12.55 Miniseries:
The Accident. (Mal, R) 1.45 Parkinson In
Australia. (PGa, R) 3.00 Rage. (MAI5+adhInsv)
4.00 One Plus One. (R) 4.30 The Drum. (R)

ABC TV PLUS (22) 6am Children's Programs. 6.30pm Spicks And Specks. 7.30 Would I Lie To You? 8.30 To Be Advised. 9.10 The Trip To Greece. 10.15 Bliss. 10.45 Fleabag. 11.10 Ql. 11.40 Friday Night Dinner. 12.05am Everything's Gonna Be Okay. (Final) 12.30 Black Comedy. (Final) 10.00 Penn & Teller: Fool Us. 1.40 Whose Line Is It Anyway? 2.00 Russell Howard Stands Up To The World. 2.45 Late Programs.

NITV (34) 6am Morning Programs. 2pm Shortland St. 2.30 The Cook Up. 3.00 Jarjums. 3.55 Tales Of The Moana. 4.00 Jarjums. 5.00 Our Stories. 5.30 Indian Country Today News. 6.00 Bamay. 6.30 News. 6.40 Land Of Primates. 7.30 Moko. 8.00 True North Calling. 8.30 The Last Land: Gespe'gewa'gi. 9.00 Hunting Aotearoa. 9.30 Wellington Paranormal. 10.00 Deadly Funny 2022. 11.10 Late Programs.

SBS (3)

6.00 WorldWatch. 9.00 Cook Up Bitesize. (R) 9.05 Craft It Yourself. (PG) 10.05 Beyond The Beaten Path. (M) 11.05 Great Canal Journeys. (PGa, R) 12.00 WorldWatch. 2.00 Destination Flavour China Bitesize. (PG, R) 2.10 Secrets Of Royal Gardens. (R) 3.05 Portillo's Greatest Railway Journeys. (PG, R) 4.00 Who Do You Think You Are? (PG, R) 5.05 Jeopardy! (R) 5.30 Letters And Numbers. (R)

6.00 Mastermind Australia. (PG, R) Presented by Marc Fennell. **6.30 SBS World News.**

7.35 Who Do You Think You Are? US: Brooke Shields. (PG) Brooke Shields embarks on a journey to discover which side of her family she identifies with.

side of her family she identifies with.

8.30 U.S. And The Holocaust:
Yearning To Breathe Free. (M)
Part 2 of 3. Americans are united in
their disapproval of Nazi brutality but
remain divided over what to do.

11.00 SBS World News Late.

11.30 Cheyenne & Lola. (MA15+lv)
12.35 Unit One. (MA15+al, R)
4.10 Mastermind Australia. (R)
4.40 Bamay. (R)
5.00 NHK World English News Morning. 5.30
ANC Philippines The World Tonight.

SBS VICELAND (31) 6am WorldWatch. **9.30** Shortland St. **11.00** The Movie Show. **Noon** Party Of Five. **1.30** Planet A. **2.00** Chasing Famous. **2.50** Counter Space. **3.20** WorldWatch. **5.15** Shortland St. **5.45** Joy Of Painting. **6.15** Forged In Fire. **7.05** Jeopardy! **7.35** 8 Out Of 10 Cats. **8.30** Trip Hazard: My Great British Adventure. **9.25** Forbidden History. **10.20** Secret History Of Comics. **11.10** Late Programs.

SBS WORLD MOVIES (32) 6am RBG. (2018, PG) **7.50** My Brilliant Career. (1979) **9.45** Modern Times. (1936, No dialogue) **11.20** The Big Blue. (1988, M, French) **2.25pm** Footy Legends. (2006, PG) **4.05** This Beautiful Fantastic. (2016, PG) **5.45** Big Fish. (2003, PG) **8.00** Run Lola Run. (1998, M, German) **9.30** La Femme Nikita. (1990, MA15+, French) **11.40** Deerskin. (2019, MA15+, French) **1.05am** Late Programs.

SEVEN (7)

6.00 Sunrise. 9.00 The Morning Show. (PG)
11.30 Seven Morning News. 12.00 To Be
Advised. 1.40 Surveillance Oz Dashcam. (PG,
R) 2.00 Dog Patrol. (PGal, R)
2.30 Border Security:
International. (PG, R)
3.00 The Chase

International. (PG, R) 3.00 The Chase. 4.00 Seven News At 4. 5.00 The Chase Australia. (R)

6.00 Seven Local News.
6.30 Seven News.
7.00 Home And Away. (PGav)
7.30 Australian Idol. (PGIs) With thousands auditioning, only 43 golden tickets remain for a pass to the next round.

9.15 Quantum Leap. (Premiere, Mav) A new team restarts the Quantum Leap project only to have one of their own take an unauthorised leap.

11.15 Inside Belmarsh Prison. (MA15+v, R) Part 1 of 2. 12.15 The Good Doctor. (Ma, R) The city is rocked by an earthquake.

1.15 Travel Oz. (PG) 2.00 Home Shopping. (R) 4.00 NBC Today. 5.00 Seven Early News. 5.30 Sunrise.

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 Creek To Coast. 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 Call The Midwife. 8.45 Miniseries: Manhunt: The Night Stalker. 10.45 Late Programs.

7MATE (74) 6am Morning Programs.
11.30 Pawn Stars. Noon American Pickers. 1.00
Irish Pickers. 2.00 Boy To Man. 3.00 Billy The
Exterminator. 3.30 Scrap Kings. 4.30 Demolition
NZ. 5.30 American Restoration. 6.00 American
Pickers. 7.00 Pawn Stars. 7.30 Outback Truckers.
8.30 Heavy Tow Truckers Down Under. (Premiere)
9.30 Aussie Salvage Squad. 10.30 Truck Night In
America. 11.30 Late Programs.

NINE (8, 9)

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

6.00 Nine News.
7.00 A Current Affair.
7.30 Married At First Sight. (Mls)
The next two couples walk down the aisle.
9.05 MOVIE: The Castle. (1997, Ml, R)
The happy existence of a man and his family is disrupted when they

are told they must leave their home.
Michael Caton, Sophie Lee.
10.50 Nine News Late.
11.20 La Brea. (My, R)
12.10 Law & Order: Organized
Crime. (MA15+ay, R)
1.00 The Garden Gurus Best Of.
1.20 He Said/She Said. (Ma)
1.30 TV Shop: Home Shopping. (R)
4.00 Believer's Voice Of Victory. (PGa) 4.30

A Current Affair. (R) 5.00 News Early Edition.

5.30 Today.

9GEM (81, 92) 6am TV Shop. 7.00 Creflo. 7.30 TV Shop. 9.30 Newstyle Direct. 10.00 TV Shop. 10.30 Seaway. 11.30 My Favorite Martian. Noon The Young And The Restless. 1.00 The Baron. 2.00 Antiques Roadshow. 2.30 MOVIE: Sands Of The Desert. (1960) 4.30 Secrets Of The National Trust. 5.30 Murder, She Wrote. 6.30 Antiques Roadshow. 7.30 New Tricks. 8.40 The Closer. 9.40 Rizzoli & Isles. 10.40 Late Programs.

9GO! (82, 93) 6am Children's Programs. Noon Motor Racing, Formula E World C'ship. Diriyah e-Prix. 1.00 I'm Having Their Baby. 2.00 Full House, 3.00 The Nanny. 3.30 3rd Rock. 4.00 That '70s Show. 4.30 Raymond. 5.30 The Nanny. 6.00 3rd Rock. 6.30 That '70s Show. 7.00 Young Sheldon. 7.30 MOVIE: Jaws. (1975, M) 10.00 MOVIE: RoboCop. (1987, MA15+) Midnight Late Programs.

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. (PGal, R) **2.00** Australian Survivor. (R) **4.00** Farm To Fork. **4.30** The Bold And The Beautiful. (PG) **5.00** 10 News First.

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

7.30 Australian Survivor.The castaways will stop at nothing to make it through another night.

9.15 NCIS. (Mv, R) Gibbs and Fornell's crusade to find the head of the drug ring responsible for Fornell's daughter's overdose comes to a climax. The team is finally let in on a case by Gibbs and Vance that has dangerous implications.

11.15 The Project. (R) A look at

the day's news and events.

12.20 The Late Show With Stephen Colbert. (PG) Late-night talk show.

1.30 Home Shopping. (R)

2.30 CPS Marnings. Marnings.

1.30 Home Shopping. (R)4.30 CBS Mornings. Morning news and talk show.10 PEACH (52, 11) 6am The Late Show

10 PEACH (52, 11) 6am The Late Show With Stephen Colbert. 7.00 Seinfeld. 8.30 Basketball. NBL. Round 17. Tasmania JackJumpers v Perth Wildcats. Replay. 10.30 Becker. 11.30 Frasier. 12.30 pm The King Of Queens. 1.30 Seinfeld. 3.00 The King Of Queens. 4.00 Becker. 5.00 Frasier. 6.00 Friends. 8.00 The Big Bang Theory. 9.30 Mom. 10.20 Becker. 11.10 Frasier. Midnight Shopping. 12.30 Infomercials. 1.30 Late Programs.

10 BOLD (53, 12) 6am Shopping. 7.30 Infomercials. 8.00 Australia By Design: Innovations. 8.30 Australia By Design: Architecture. 9.00 Escape Fishing. 9.30 The Love Boat. 10.30 ST: Next Gen. 11.30 JAG. 12.30pm MacGyver. 13.30 Diagnosis Murder. 3.30 The Love Boat. 4.30 ST: Next Gen. 5.30 JAG. 6.30 Scorpion. 7.30 Bull. 8.30 My Life Is Murder. 9.25 Bull. 10.20 NCIS: New Orleans. 11.15 Late Programs.

Wednesday, February 1

ABC TV (2)

6.00 News Breakfast. 9.00 ABC News Mornings. 10.00 Four Corners. (R) 10.45 Q+A. (R) **12.00** ABC News At Noon. **12.30** National Press Club Address. 1.45 Call The Midwife. (Final, Md, R) 2.45 Back Roads. (R) 3.15 Gardening Australia. (R) 4.15 Long Lost Family. (PG, R) **5.00** Australian Story. (R) 5.30 Hard Quiz. (PG, Ř)

6.00 The Drum. 7.00 ABC News. **7.30 7.30.** Presented by Sarah Ferguson.

8.00 Hard Quiz. (PG, R) Presented by Tom Gleeson. 8.30 Spicks And Specks. (PG, R) Music game show, featuring Kyla Matsuura-Miller, Kate McCartney, Isaiah Firebrace and Peter Helliar.

9.15 Utopia. (PG, R) An urban development project proves difficult for Tony when multiple government departments get involved.

9.45 QI. (PG, R) Hosted by Sandi Toksvig. 10.15 Adam Hills: The Last Leg. (R) 11.00 ABC Late News. 11.15 The Business. (R) 11.30 Midsomer Murders. (Mv, R) 1.00 No Time For Quiet. (MI, R) 2.00 Rage (MA15+adhlnsv) **4.00** One Plus One. (R) **4.30** The Drum. (R) 5.30 7.30. (R)

ABC TV PLUS (22) 6am Children's Programs. **6.05pm** The Adventures Of Paddington. **6.20** Bluey. **6.30** Spicks And Specks. **7.30** Death In Paradisé. **8.30** Wreck. (Final) **9.20** Crazy Fun Park. **10.15** Killing Eve. **11.00** Veneno. **12.05am** MOVIE: I Still Know What You Did Last Summer. (1998, MA15+) **1.45** ABC News Update. **1.50** Close. **5.05** Tik Tak. **5.10** Clangers. **5.20** Buddi. **5.25** Miffy's Adventures Big And Small. **5.35** Late Programs.

NITV (34) 6am Morning Programs. 2pm Shortland St. 2.30 The Cook Up. 3.00 Jarjums. 3.55 Tales Of The Moana. 4.00 Jarjums. 4.30 Spartakus And The Sun Beneath The Sea. **5.00** Our Stories. **5.30** Living Black. **6.00** Bamay. **6.30** The Land We're On With Penelope Towney. **6.35** News. **6.45** Land Of Primates. **7.35** Ice Cowboys. **8.30** First Australians. **9.30** Ella: Just One Of Those Things. 11.10 Late Programs.

SBS (3)

6.00 WorldWatch. 9.00 Great British Photography Challenge. (PG) 10.10 Beyond The Beaten Path. (M) 11.05 Great Canal Journeys. (PGa, R) 12.00 WorldWatch. 2.10 Cook Up Bitesize. (R) 2.15 Secrets Of Royal Gardens. (R) 3.10 Portillo's Greatest Railway Journeys. (PG, R) 4.05 Who Do You Think You Are? (PGa, R) 5.05 Jeopardy! (R) 5.30 Letters And Numbers. (R)

6.00 Mastermind Australia. (R) Presented by Marc Fennell. 6.30 SBS World News.

7.35 Incredible Canals. Explore the history and engineering behind canals, focusing on three French waterways

8.35 My Grandparents' War: Kit Harington. (PG) Part 1 of 4. Kit Harington explores the stories of his grandparents during World War II.

9.30 Bloodlands. (Return) The killing of a local accountant leads DCI Tom Brannick and DS Niamh McGovern into a web of intrigue.

10.35 SBS World News Late. 11.05 Cargo. (Premiere, MA15+v) A young Eritrean woman flees to Finland. 12.05 Thin Blue Line. (MA15+al, R) 4.30 Mastermind Australia. (R) 5.00 NHK World English News Morning. 5.30 ANC Philippines The World Tonight.

SBS VICELAND (31) 6am WorldWatch. **9.30** Shortland St. **11.00** The Movie Show. **Noon** Party Of Five. **1.30** Cryptoland. **2.00** Hunters. **2.50** Counter Space. 3.20 WorldWatch. 5.15 Shortland St. **5.45** Joy Of Painting. **6.15** Forged In Fire. **7.05** Jeopardy! **7.35** 8 Out Of 10 Cats Does Countdown. **8.30** The Bloody Decade. **9.25 MOVIE**: I, Tonya. (2018) **11.45 MOVIE**: Shock Wave 2. (2020, MA15+) 1.50am Reset. 2.50 Late Programs.

SBS WORLD MOVIES (32) 6am Big Fish. Continued. (2003, PG) 7.15 Walking On Sunshine. (2014, PG) 9.05 God Willing. (2015, PG, Italian) **10.40** Dear White People. (2014, M) **12.40pm** Run Lola Run. (1998, M, German) **2.10** RBG. (2018, PG) 4.00 Under The Cover Of Cloud. (2018, PG) **5.40** Me And Orson Welles. (2008, PG) **7.45** The Woman In Black. (2012, M) **9.30** Léon: The Professional. (1994, MA15+) 11.55 Late Programs.

SEVEN (7)

6.00 Sunrise. **9.00** The Morning Show. (PG) 11.30 Seven Morning News. 12.00 To Be Advised. **1.40** Motorbike Cops. (PG, R) 2.00 Dog Patrol. (PGa, R) 2.30 Border Security: International. (PG, R) 3.00 The Chase. 4.00 Seven News At 4. 5.00 The Chase Australia. (R)

6.00 Seven Local News. 6.30 Seven News. 7.00 Home And Away. (PGa) 7.30 Australian Idol. (PGls) Hosted by Ricki-Lee and Scott Tweedie.

9.05 The Front Bar: All Sports Edition. (Return, M) Sam Pang, Mick Molloy and Andy Maher take a look at the world of sport and catch up with the stars of yesteryear.

10.05 Kitchen Nightmares Australia. (MA15+I, R) Hosted by Colin Fassnidge 11.15 Police Code Zero: Officer Under Attack. (Malv, R) Explores dangerous situations. 12.15 MOVIE: Pimped. (2018, MA15+lv) Ella Scott Lynch.

2.30 Home Shopping. (R) 4.00 NBC Today. 5.00 Seven Early News. 5.30 Sunrise.

7TWO (72) 6am Shopping. **6.30** Escape To The Country. **7.30** Our Town. **8.00** Shopping. **8.30** Million Dollar Minute. **9.30** NBC Today. **Noon** Emmerdale. 12.30 Coronation Street. 1.00 Escape To The Country. **2.00** To Be Advised. **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 Heartbeat. 8.45 Foyle's War. **10.55** Late Programs.

7MATE (74) 6am Morning Programs. **11.30** Pawn Stars. **Noon** Outback Truckers. **1.00** Heavy Tow Truckers Down Under. 2.00 Truck Night In America. **3.00** Billy The Exterminator. **3.30** Scrap Kings. **4.30** Demolition NZ. **5.30** American Restoration. **6.00** American Pickers. **7.00** Pawn Stars. **7.30** Highway Patrol. **8.30** Highway Cops. **9.30** Police Strike Force. **10.30** Surveillance Oz. 11.00 Late Programs.

NINE (8.9)

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

6.00 Nine News. 7.00 A Current Affair. 7.30 Married At First Sight. (Mls) The next two couples who have been matched by experts walk down the aisle as the experiment continues. 9.00 To Be Advised. 10.00 Nine News Late. A look

at the latest news and events. 10.30 To Be Advised. 11.30 The Thing About Pam. (Mav, R) Pam tries to extricate herself from her lies.

12.20 Tipping Point. (PG, R) 1.10 The Garden Gurus Best Of. **1.30 TV Shop: Home Shopping.** (R) 2.30 Global Shop. (R) **3.00** TV Shop: Home Shopping. (R) **4.00** Believer's Voice Of Victory. (PGa) 4.30 A Current Affair. (R)

5.00 News Early Edition. **5.30** Today. **9GEM (81, 92) 6am** TV Shop. **7.00** Creflo. **7.30** TV Shop. **10.30** Seaway. **11.30** My Favorite

Martian. **Noon** The Young And The Restless. **1.00** The Baron. 2.00 Antiques Roadshow. 2.30 MOVIE: The Great St Trinian's Train Robbery, (1966) 4.30 Secrets Of The National Trust. **5.30** Murder, She Wrote. **6.30** Antiques Roadshow. **7.30** As Time Goes By. 8.50 Midsomer Murders. 10.50 Late Programs.

9GO! (82, 93) 6am Children's Programs. **Noon** Filthy House SOS. **1.00** I'm Having Their Baby. **2.00** Full House. **3.00** The Nanny. **3.30** 3rd Rock. **4.00** That '70s Show. **4.30** Raymond. **5.30** The Nanny. **6.00** 3rd Rock. **6.30** That '70s Show. **7.00** Young Sheldon. **7.30 MOVIE:** Tower Heist. (2011, M) **9.35 MOVIE:** Dinner For Schmucks. (2010, M) **11.50** Young Sheldon. **12.15am** Married To Medicine Los Angeles. **1.10** Late Programs. **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. 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. (PGal, R) 2.00 Australian Survivor. (R) 3.45 Entertainment Tonight. 4.00 Farm To Fork. 4.30 The Bold And The Beautiful. (PG) 5.00 10 News First.

6.30 The Project. A look at the day's news and events.

7.30 Australian Survivor. Following a heated Reward Challenge, a secret night mission cause one tribe to

question one of their own. **9.15 Fire Country.** (Mv) Division Chief Sharon is forced to make a gut-wrenching decision as the crew engages in a search-and-rescue mission after a building collapses, trapping wedding reception guests underneath the rubble.

10.15 Bull. (Ma, R) Bull and the TAC team worry about jury bias when Bull mounts a murder trial defence for a BLM activist.

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

1.00 The Late Show With Stephen Colbert. (PG) Late-night talk show. 2.00 Home Shopping. (R)

4.30 CBS Mornings.

10 PEACH (52, 11) 6am The Late Show With Stephen Colbert. **7.00** Friends. **8.00** Charmed. **9.00** The King Of Queens. **10.00** The Middle. **11.30** Frasier. **12.30pm** Friends. **1.00** Becker. **2.00** NBL Slam. **2.30** The Big Bang Theory. **3.00** The King Of Queens. **4.00** Becker. **5.00** Frasier. 6.00 Friends. 8.00 The Big Bang Theory 9.20 Two And A Half Men. 10.10 The Big Bang Theory. **11.00** Late Programs.

10 BOLD (53, 12) 6am Shopping. **7.30** Infomercials. **8.00** Australia By Design: Innovations. **8.30** Australia By Design: Architecture. **9.00** Escape Fishing. **9.30** The Love Boat. **10.30** Star Trek: The Next Generation. **11.30** JAG. **12.30pm** NCIS. **1.30** NCIS: Los Angeles. **2.30** Scorpion **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 Hawaii Five-O. 11.15 Late Programs.

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Thursday, February 2

7.30. (R)

6.00 News. 9.00 News. 10.00 Back Roads. (PG, R) **10.30** That Pacific Sports Show. (R) 11.05 Carbon: The Unauthorised Biography. (PG, R) **12.00** ABC News At Noon. **1.00** Hard Quiz. (PG, R) 1.30 QI. (PG) 2.00 Movin' To The Country. (R) 2.45 Back Roads. (PG, R) 3.15 Gardening Australia. (R) 4.15 Long Lost Family. (PG, R) 5.00 Australian Story. (R) 5.30 Hard Quiz. (PG, R)

6.00 The Drum. 7.00 ABC News.

7.30 7.30. Presented by Sarah Ferguson. **8.00** You Can't Ask That: Models. (Mal, R) Models share the

truth about their profession.

8.35 Grand Designs: House Of The Year. (R) Hosted by Kevin McCloud.

9.20 Joanna Lumley's Hidden Caribbean. (PG, R) Part 1 of 2. 10.10 Movin' To The Country. (R) 10.40 ABC Late News. **10.55** The Business. (R) 11.10 Australia's Wild Odyssey. (R) **12.10** Q+A. (R) **1.15** The Trouble With Maggie Cole. (PG, R) **2.05** Rage. (MA15+adhlnsv) **4.00** One Plus One. (R) **4.30** The Drum. (R) **5.30**

ABC TV PLUS (22) 6am Children's Programs. **6.30pm** Spicks And Specks. **7.30** QI. **8.30** Penn & Teller: Fool Us. **9.15** Gruen. **9.50** Shaun Micallef's MAD AS HELL. **10.25** Doctor Who. 11.25 Would I Lie To You? 11.55 Live At The Apollo. 12.40am Louis Theroux: Savile. 1.55 Friday Night Dinner. **2.20** Everything's Gonna Be Okay. (Final) **2.45** ABC News Update. **2.50** Close. **5.05** Tik Tak. 5.10 Clangers. 5.20 Buddi. 5.25 Late Programs.

NITV (34) 6am Morning Programs. 1.30pm Settle Down Place. 2.00 Shortland St. 2.30 The Cook Up. **3.00** Jarjums. **3.55** Tales Of The Moana. **4.00** Jarjums. **4.30** Spartakus And The Sun Beneath The Sea. **5.00** Our Stories. **5.30** The 77 Percent. **6.00** Bamay. **6.30** News. **6.40** Land Of Primates. 7.30 Going Places With Ernie Dingo. 8.30 Miniseries: True Colours. 9.25 MOVIE: Samson And Delilah. (2009, M) **11.15** Late Programs.

6.00 WorldWatch. **9.00** Great British Photography Challenge. (PG) **10.10** Beyond The Beaten Path. (M) **11.05** Great Canal Journeys. (R) 12.00 WorldWatch. 2.10 Cook Up Bitesize. (R) 2.15 Secrets Of Royal Gardens. (R) 3.10 Portillo's Greatest Railway Journeys. (PGa, R) 4.05 Who Do You Think You Are? (PG, R) **5.05** Jeopardy! (R) **5.30** Letters And Numbers. (R)

6.00 Mastermind Australia. (PG, R) 6.30 SBS World News.

7.35 From Paris To Rome With **Bettany Hughes: Paris, Annecy** And The Cote D'azur. Part 1 of 4

8.30 American Presidency With Bill Clinton. (Premiere) President Bill Clinton explores the history

of the American presidency.

9.20 Miniseries: The Walk-In. (MA15+) Part 1 of 5. 10.15 SBS World News Late.

10.45 War Of The Worlds. (Final, MA15+a)

11.40 Vikings. (MA15+sv, R) 4.00 Mastermind Australia. (R) 5.00 NHK World English News Morning. **5.30** ANC Philippines The World Tonight.

SBS VICELAND (31) 6am WorldWatch 9.30 Shortland St. 11.00 The Movie Show. Noon Party Of Five. **1.35** Building Happiness. **2.45** Counter Space. 3.15 WorldWatch. 5.15 Shortland St. **5.45** Joy Of Painting. **6.15** Forged In Fire. **7.05** Jeopardy! 7.35 8 Out Of 10 Cats Does Countdown. 8.30 The Curse Of Oak Island. 10.10 Jack The Ripper: Hidden Victims. 11.05 The UnXplained. 11.55 Late Programs.

SBS WORLD MOVIES (32) 6am Me And Orson Welles. Continued. (2008, PG) 7.35 Under The Cover Of Cloud. (2018. PG) 9.20 This Beautiful Fantastic. (2016, PG) 11.00 The Movie Show. **11.30** The Bravest. (2019, M, Mandarin) **1.40pm** Big Fish. (2003, PG) **3.55** God Willing. (2015. PG. Italian) **5.30** The Chaperone. (2018. PG) **7.30** Night Train To Lisbon. (2013, M) **9.35** Colombiana. (2011, MA15+) 11.35 Late Programs.

SEVEN (7)

6.00 Sunrise. 9.00 The Morning Show. (PG) 11.30 Seven Morning News. 12.00 To Be Advised. **1.40** Motorbike Cops. (PG, R) **2.00** Kochie's Business Builders. (Return)

2.30 Border Security: International. (PG, R) **3.00** The Chase. (R) 4.00 Seven News At 4.

5.00 The Chase Australia. 6.00 Seven Local News. 6.30 Seven News.

7.00 Cricket. Big Bash League. The Challenger.

10.30 To Be Advised. 11.45 World's Most Shocking Emergency Calls. (MA15+av, R) Documents shocking emergency calls, including a woman trying

to escape her abductor. 12.45 The Good Doctor. (Ma, R) The doctors work against time and their own personal safety to save

the lives of those around them. **2.00** Home Shopping. (R) 4.00 NBC Today. News and current affairs. 5.00 Seven Early News. **5.30 Sunrise.** News, sport and weather.

7TWO (72) 6am Morning Programs **8.30** Million Dollar Minute. **9.30** NBC Today. Noon Emmerdale. 1.00 Coronation Street. 1.30

The Great Australian Doorstep, 2.00 South Aussie With Cosi. 2.30 Million Dollar Minute. 3.30 Medical Emergency. **4.00** Better Homes. **5.00** Escape To The Country. **6.00** Bargain Hunt. **7.00** Home And Away. **7.30** Father Brown. **8.30** Murdoch Mysteries. (Return) 9.30 Kavanagh QC. 11.15 Late Programs.

7MATE (74) 6am Morning Programs. **10.00** American Restoration. **10.30** American Pickers. 11.30 Pawn Stars. Noon Highway Patrol. **1.00** Surveillance Oz. **2.00** Police Strike Force. **3.00** Billy The Exterminator. **3.30** Scrap Kings. 4.30 Demolition NZ. 5.30 American Pickers. 6.30 Cricket. Big Bash League. The Challenger. **7.00** Pawn Stars. **8.30 MOVIE:** Once Upon A Time... In Hollywood. (2019, MA15+) 11.50 Late Programs.

NINE (8, 9)

6.00 Today. **9.00** Today Extra. (PG) 11.30 Morning News. 12.00 Married At First Sight. (Mls, R) 1.30 It's All Greek To Me. 2.00 Pointless. (PG, R) 3.00 Tipping Point. (PG) 4.00 Afternoon News. 4.30 Millionaire Hot Seat. **5.30 WIN News**

6.00 Nine News. 7.00 A Current Affair. 7.30 Married At First Sight. (MIs) The Honesty Box creates drama.

9.05 Kardashians: The Billion **Dollar Dynasty.** (Malns) Explores the success of the Kardashian family,

beginning with a look at Kim 10.35 Nine News Late. A look at the latest news and events 11.05 Emergency Call. (Ma) 11.55 Pure Genius. (Mm) 12.40 Tipping Point. (PG, R) 1.30 TV Shop: Home Shopping. (R) 2.30 Global Shop. (R) 3.00 TV Shop: Home Shopping. (R) 4.00 Believer's Voice Of Victory. (PGa) **4.30** A Current Affair. (R) **5.00** News Early Edition. **5.30** Today.

9GEM (81, 92) 6am TV Shop: Home Shopping. **7.00** Creflo Dollar Ministries. **7.30** TV Shop: Home Shopping. 10.30 Seaway. 11.30 My Favorite Martian. **Noon** The Young And The Restless. **1.00** The Baron. **2.00** Antiques Roadshow. **2.30 MOVIE:** Some People. (1962) **4.30** Secrets Of The National Trust. **5.30** Murder, She Wrote. 6.30 Antiques Roadshow. 7.30 Grantchester. 8.40 Poirot. 10.55 London Kills. 12.05am Late Programs.

9GO! (82, 93) **6am** Children's Programs. **Noon** Filthy House SOS. **1.00** I'm Having Their Baby. **2.00** Full House. **3.00** The Nanny. **3.30** 3rd Rock. 4.00 That '70s Show. 4.30 Raymond. 5.30 The Nanny. 6.00 3rd Rock. 6.30 That '70s Show. 7.00 Young Sheldon, 7.30 MOVIE: Interstellar, (2014. M) **10.50 MOVIE:** Solace. (2015, MA15+) **12.50am** Married To Medicine Los Angeles. **1.50** Full House. **2.50** Late Programs.

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. (PGal, R) 2.00 Australian Survivor. (R) 3.45 Entertainment Tonight. 4.00 Farm To Fork. 4.30 The Bold And The Beautiful. (PG) 5.00 10 News First

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

7.30 Taskmaster Australia. (Premiere) Comedy game show featuring comedians

performing a series of tricky tasks. **8.30 Law & Order: SVU.** (MA15+av) As Muncy tries to fit in with the squad, a home invasion and kidnapping leads

the SVU to a shocking discovery. **10.30 NCIS: Los Angeles.** (Mav, R) Roberta Deeks comes into town. 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) 4.30 CBS Mornings.

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.

10 BOLD (53, 12) 6am Shopping. **7.30** Infomercials. 8.00 Australia By Design: Innovations. **8.30** iFish. **9.00** Escape Fishing With ET. **9.30** The Love Boat. 10.30 Star Trek: The Next Generation. 11.30 JAG. 12.30pm NCIS. 1.30 NCIS: Los Angeles. **2.30** Scorpion. **3.30** The Love Boat. **4.30** Star Trek: The Next Generation. **5.30** JAG. **6.30** Scorpion. 7.30 Bull. 8.30 NCIS. 9.30 NCIS: New Orleans. **10.30** SEAL Team. **11.30** Late Programs.

On Demand

CATCH OF THE DAY

POKER FACE Streaming, from Friday, Stan

Stan.

Natasha Lyonne plays the likeable lead in this 10-part comedy drama from Rian Johnson, creator of *Knives Out*.

Lyonne (*Russian Doll*) plays Charlie Cale, an easygoing casino worker with the uncanny ability to tell when someone is lying. After her best friend dies, Charlie goes on the run in her Plymouth Barracuda. Along the way, she stops off at locations across small-town America, where she discovers a colourful cast of characters and gets mixed up in solving crimes.

Johnson and Lyonne bonded over their love of mystery shows from the '80s and '90s such as *Murder, She Wrote* and *Magnum PI,* and took inspiration from them for *Poker Face.* Reminiscent of these classics, Charlie finds herself an "accidental detective", getting embroiled in a new mystery each episode, with a swathe of familiar faces on hand to help her out.

The cast includes Adrien Brody, Chloë Sevigny, Joseph Gordon-Levitt, Ron Perlman, Benjamin Bratt, Ellen Barkin, Nick Nolte, Australian Danielle MacDonald and many more TV and film stalwarts.

Rather than being a whodunnit, *Poker Face* is presented in the style of another classic in *Colombo*, following a "howcatchem" format, allowing for bigger performances from the star-studded guest cast.

A fresh show with a retro feel, *Poker Face* should appeal to those looking for a quirky and enjoyable mystery. **- Kathryn Roberts**





HAPPY VALLEY
Streaming, Foxtel On Demand

FOXTEL

It's been six years since we checked in with Sergeant Catherine Cawood (Sarah Lancashire, pictured) of the ironically named *Happy Valley*. Her grandson Ryan is now 16 and secretly in contact with his murderous father Tommy Lee Royce (James Norton, *Grantchester*). Series three sees Catherine in an investigation that leads her straight back to Royce.

ALL THOSE THINGS WE NEVER SAID Streaming, SBS On Demand

While the premise for this series is far-fetched, the themes it explores are as old as time. Frenchwoman Julia (Alexandra Maria Lara) embarks on a road trip with a life-sized android of her late father (Jean Reno,(pictured with Lara), trying to right some wrongs and reconnecting along the way. As the pair reconcile, Julia is given a second chance at their relationship.



ONE LANE BRIDGE Streaming, Acorn TV



Back for a third season, this New Zealand crime drama explores mysterious happenings at a bridge near Queenstown. Dominic Ona-Ariki (pictured) plays Ariki, a detective with a supernatural gift. Senior Sergeant Edwards (Nicola Kāwana) arrives in town to deal with the mess left by the former police chief and to guide Ariki through a murder investigation.



WOLF PACK Streaming, from Friday, Paramount+



A California wildfire is the catalyst for four teens coming together to unravel the terrifying secret that connects them. Sarah Michelle Gellar (pictured) – star of '90s teen series *Buffy the Vampire Slayer* – returns to her roots as the adult alongside a group of teenagers. This time, it's not vampires they're hunting, but mythical monsters of a different kind.



SHRINKING Streaming, from Friday, Apple TV+

SBS



"Sometimes you have to break down to have a breakthrough" is the tagline of this quirky series, which stars Harrison Ford alongside Jason Segel. Shrinking follows Jimmy (Segel, pictured, left with Ford), a therapist grieving the death of his wife, who starts to tell his clients exactly what he thinks. Ignoring his training. Jimmy is soon changing people's lives.



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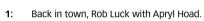














3: Always smiling, Ian and Leslie Merritt.

4: Enjoying a brew, Britt and Nathan Henrick.

5: Grabbing a smoothie, Leena Bennett and Ella Stacey.

6: River and Rochelle Denney grabbing a pie from the bakery.

- 7: Enjoying some eggs, Jason and Sue Boothe.
- **8:** Oscar Georgee and Russell Jones enjoying breakfast at Darcy's.
- 9: Serving early morning meats, Jerome and Blaine Marks with Shane Broomhall.
- **10**: Charlee Ironside and Thiva happy to serve.
- **11:** The Branch's new team, Jess Howe, Gabi Thompson, and Michael Williams.













SUNDAY

STEP TO STEP AND LIP AND LIP

Australia's waste challenges can't be solved in just one day. So, if you can't pull together a Clean Up crew, you can Step Up with a small donation to help us continue to Clean Up Australia, every day.

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Election campaign letters

Wes Irwin Ilfracombe

In my mind, election campaigns usually entail the candidate jumping on his or her soapbox and declaring all the great changes they will instigate and how much better off everyone will be.

I am often bemused by some of the extravagant promises expounded by the less informed, having witnessed the change in the role of the elected members during my association with Local Government in Queensland spanning a period of more than 45 years.

Today, a Councillor's role is similar to that of a manager, making decisions in the public interest, acting ethically and legally and encouraging sustainable development and community involvement and it is my aim to achieve these expectations in service to the community.

Hi Ilfracombe, Isisford, Yaraka and Long-

in Longreach and completed most of my

schooling here except for one year at St

painting apprenticeship in Longreach.

My name is Robert Kempson I was born

After finishing school I completed a

In my youth, I developed a love for trav-

I currently employ four staff and we un-

el which I have continued to pursue while

building my small business Red Bear Paint-

dertake contracts all across the Central West.

Robert Kempson

Brendan"s Yeppoon.

reach Residents,



My involvement with community organizations has spanned many years as a Justice of the Peace, a Volunteer Ambulance Bearer, Yuleba, the SES Local Controller, Bende-

believe I have a good understanding of our

region, the pressures on small businesses

I also think my years overseas will have

given me a different perspective on how to

help and grow our region and enhance the

If elected, I will listen to the community's

I will also embrace the opportunity to

I know I may have been a surprise nomi-

nee but this job does really interest me and

if given the opportunity I think I can make a

needs and apply these learnings to all mat-

learn everything I can about the workings of

and trades.

liveability of all residents.

local government.

ters put before me at Council.

mere, Isisford and Barcoo, a Race Club President, Isisford, Jundah and Ilfracombe as well as a committee member of several other sporting and community clubs.

I am presently employed at Longreach Home and Community Care, where I am involved in a very worthy and rewarding service, providing assistance to the older and disabled members of our community.

Having experience at a managerial level within the Longreach Regional Council and three other rural shires, I consider that the current elected members of council have achieved many great outcomes since com-

Should I gain the favour of the majority of electors, I will endeavour to add my voice to encourage ongoing community consultation and involvement to promote and develop our region to attract new businesses, residents and visitors.



David Paterson

I would like to announce my election for the Longreach Regional Council by-

I have lived in this area all my life and

My family owns a grazing business,

I have also been a member of Advisory Committees for the Longreach Re-

greater understanding of the local issues and the needs of our community.

grow with reliable facilities and services.

Given the opportunity, I am keen to

I am passionate about the development of the Longreach, Ilfracombe, Isisford, and Yaraka areas.

and I have been involved in many volunteer committees.

gional Council for 10 years. From this experience, I feel I have a

I want to be a part of the progressive team to ensure our district continues to



Gardening Neil Fisher





Petunia Cameo.



Viola Tiger-Eye.



Angelonia will provide a great display.

Colouring plots for autumn

It is time to start looking at those areas of the garden that need to be brightened up.

Only a short drive around any town in Western Queensland is all that is needed to see the kaleidoscope of colours currently appearing in some gardens.

The rain that we have received in the last week is the icing on the cake for a fantastic Autumn gardening season.

Most annual gardens could once again be seeing the results of the careful culture of those annual flower beds.

So they can literally be bursting into colour for this Autumn but it is not too late if you have not already started.

A patch of colour in any garden is a delight to everyone that views it and a great reward to the person that has created the garden.

It is also an opportunity to create colour displays on a balcony, patio, or other sunny living areas.

This can be achieved by planting beautiful flowering annuals in containers.

Whether they be simple pots, decorative urns, or window planter boxes, containers are perfect for growing flowering plants at any time of the year.

They are also good for providing a low-maintenance solution to brighten up a court-yard or patio area.

Growing plants in containers can also provide a much-needed activity for children, providing both the thrill of watching the plant grow and the responsibility of maintaining the plant.

There are many varieties of plants from colourful shrubs to annuals available at your lo-

cal nursery suitable for container planting.
When considering what type to select, the first question to ask is Annual or Perennial?

This is very important as Annual plants will exist for only one growing season and then dies off

Whereas a Perennial should exist for many growing seasons.

In most cases, Perennials will have a shorter flowering period compared to Annuals.

A favourite flowering plant of mine is the Petunia which will offer a wide range of colours either in fashionable or bright mixes or in separate colours. Snapdragons, Marigolds, Pansies and Violas all provide excellent displays in pots.

Once potted, these plants should be kept out of windy spots, as moisture will evaporate more quickly.



Snapdragon.

Avoid very shady spots as well, as most summer annuals need plenty of sun.

A handy hint to remember when planting your seedling, a good potting mix is important.

I would recommend one that is well balanced, light and easy draining and I would include a slow-release fertiliser and water retention granules.

Remember though, a feed of a soluble fertiliser every couple of weeks will be needed to keep the flowers coming.

PLANT NOW FOR FEBRUARY

Annuals - Alyssum, Angelonia, Candytuft, Cineraria, Clarkia, Cornflower, Delphinium, Dianthus Gypsophila, Larkspur, Linaria, Lobelia, Marigolds, Pansy, Petunia, Phlox, Poppy, Primula, Salvia, Snapdragon, Statice, Stock, Sweet Pea, Verbena and Viola

WHAT IS THIS TREE?

Last week Debbie of Longreach e-mailed me if I could identify a tree that is growing in her Nan's garden in Clermont.

And asked if she could grow this tree in Longreach.

What could be described as one of nature's wonders is Kigelia pinnata or the Sausage Tree.

After the rain, one of the most unusual flow-

ers of any of the world's trees occurs.

The flowers appear like hanging clusters of orchid flowers, sometimes 60cm in length.

Each individual flower is approximately 10cm across and dark maroon in colour and has a velvety texture.

Unfortunately, they do not have the sweetest perfume, but they will still attract a lot of birds to the tree.

After flowering, large sausage-shaped woody fruit develops, and these hanging from long flower stems can give the tree an odd appearance at this time. Please note the unripe fruit are poisonous.

This native of Central and Southern Africa grows into one of the more attractive canopy trees, with an expected height in ideal conditions of up to 17 metres, with a straight trunk and a large spreading crown of foliage.

One other interesting fact about this tree is that, due to its fibrous bark, it is a very good host plant for orchids and other epiphytes.

In some countries, it has been grown solely for this purpose.

As for growing the Sausage Tree in Longreach, I am not sure if it could be grown successfully but is always worth a try.



Kigelia pinnata.



Kigelia pinnata flowering in Clermont.



Kigelia pinnata Fruit.



CQUniversity researchers Alison Jensen and Karli Groves are proving that a career in agriculture is so much more than tractors and dirt.

Picture: SUPPLIED

Connecting workers

By Karen Simmons

Beef breeders Kerryn Piggott and her husband Bradley have adopted AgTech to help connect staff, create efficiencies and save time on their farm at Rolleston.

Work Health and Safety (WHS) procedures and processes often come with mounds of paperwork and the Central Highlands Regional Resources Use Planning Cooperative (CHRRUP) has created a solution to help farmers in the region digitize paperwork.

The Piggott's have been featured in the Department of Agriculture and Fisheries AgTech in Action case studies and Kerryn said their family-run Christmas Creek Cattle Company has adopted the SafeStation App to streamline their business.

"The positive impact is time," Mrs Piggott said during her case study interview.

"I mean, time is really important to us.

"Everybody's time-poor these days and the app is right there in your hand.

"Before, I would have lots of paperwork to shuffle and give to people entering our property to carry out work."

Mrs Piggot said now, she can just use the app and forward them basic inductions, and they email it back to her.

CHRRUP CEO Simone Parker said the SafeStation App is a workplace health and safety system custom-made and custom designed for agricultural businesses, which is important

because agriculture is still the most dangerous workplace for people to work in.

"CHRRUP sort of identified that gap five or six years ago," Simone said.

"We go out into the businesses, and we spend two days with that business developing their system, taking really everything about what they do, about how they work."

The system sends reminders to employees and provides real-time alerts on incidents and accidents to other app users on the property.

One of the keys to the success of technology on the land is having a reliable communications network in the region.

Dynamic duo Alison Jensen and Karli Groves are also proving that a career in agriculture is so much more than tractors and dirt.

The CQUniversity researchers are taking on the agriculture world through innovative technology, working with growers in the region to implement unique problem-solving tech in an effort to secure a sustainable future in agriculture.

Conducting research trials, providing technical support, and facilitating industry connections for farmers as part of the Hinkler Ag-Tech Initiative, Dr Jensen explained that one of the main aims of the Initiative was to facilitate the trialling of commercially available AgTech products and services on farms and to promote adoption of AgTech in the region.

"It's been great to see that some of the trials have led to the adoption of AgTech, where

growers have really seen the value of a particular product or service," Dr Jensen said.

"Especially now as horticulture is facing increased pressure to produce more with less: less cost, less land, less chemicals - the data that technology provides can help growers to make informed decisions and to improve production efficiency."

Dr Groves said awareness of AgTech was growing in the region.

"The role of people in agriculture will likely shift in the coming years, with demand for highly-skilled workers as a result," Dr Groves said

"There are so many aspects of agriculture to work in, more than just the hard labour roles.

Both women come from significant, established careers and academic studies in agriculture, the two have been part of the Institute for Future Farming Systems (IFFS) Precision Horticulture Team for the last two years between them.

Dr Jensen's research in plant pathology in conjunction with the implementation of Ag-Tech is also seeing a role in improving disease management, where the systems and data can measure natural occurrences during crop development and assist in pinpointing when a disease outbreak may be likely to occur in the future.

"It's a great industry to be a part of and it's exciting to be part of this transition in farming," she said.

Small rise in wool

By Australian Wool Network

This week was largely a repeat of the previous sale; a similar-sized offering was scheduled over three days and a small but encouraging rise in the AWEX Eastern Market Indicator.

Just over 47,000 bales were offered with three days rostered in Melbourne while the other two centres were scheduled over two days.

Merino types opened with continued momentum lifting prices between 10 and 40 cents clean on the opening day.

Wednesday was more subdued but generally had most descriptions finish slightly higher whilst the Melbourne-only sale on Thursday closed out the week on a soft note, the EMI easing back 2 cents.

Within each micron, significant price variations became increasingly apparent as the week unfolded. In particular, lots with a low CVH (Coefficient of Variation of Hauteur—a measure of length variation in processed wool) were keenly sought whilst larger discounts appeared for high CVH measurements.

Also discounted were lots showing overlong characteristics (generally those over 100mm)

Merino pieces pricing tended to be more consistent with solid results across most types.

Finer microns generally found the most support, particularly those with sought-after specifications including best length and low VM types.

The increasing supply of Crossbreds (27 per cent of the catalogue) showed slight improvements via the Micron Price Guides although large price differentials were also evident in this sector with poorly-prepared lots largely neglected.

Merino Cardings showed little change for the week. Next week there are

46,535 bales currently rostered for sale.

All centres will sell in a two-day Tuesday/Wednesday pattern given the national public holiday to be held on Thursday.

IN BRIEF

Climate plan applauded

Farmers for Climate action has applauded the NSW Government after the release of the NSW EPA Climate Change Policy and Action Plan 2023-26.

Spokesperson Peter Holding, a third-generation farmer from the south-west slopes of NSW, said considering climate change impacts when planning made perfect sense.

"The farmers who grow Australia's food are being smashed by repeat flooding, fires and drought being made worse by climate change," Mr Holding said.

"Insurance mostly does not cover events such as floods and is steadily becoming unaffordable.

"It makes sense to consider this reality when assessing projects which could contribute to making this worse. It also makes sense to have the most polluting businesses reduce their emissions.

"The disasters we're now seeing are unnatural because they are largely man-made."

Mr Holding said regional Australia was already becoming the biggest beneficiary from emissions reduction.

"Huge renewable energy projects are delivering thousands of jobs to regional Australia, with tens of thousands more in the pipeline. Community benefits funds from these projects can breathe new life into towns with upgrades to local facilities. We are already seeing battery manufacturing companies setting up in regional areas," he said.

"Farmers will also receive vital income during drought from carbon credits, and this is a huge positive for farmers if the market is properly executed.

"We welcome the NSW EPA's document and look forward to words becoming action."

Speak up on innovative machinery plan

Feedback from farmers and equipment service providers is needed on the new \$30 million On Farm Connectivity Program funded by the federal government.

The Program is part of the Albanese 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.

The discussion paper launched today sets out initial information on the 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 that 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 Program will enhance agricultural productivity across the country by supporting the uptake of innovative technology.



The On Farm Connectivity Program will provide support for the multi-billion agricultural sector to take advantage of connected machinery to drive increased productivity.

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.

Minister for Communications, the Hon Michelle Rowland MP said the agriculture industry is a core part of Australia's economy, employing thousands of people, feeding millions more, and is a trusted supplier for many importers overseas.

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

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

"Feedback from 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."

Submissions close on the On Farm Connectivity Program discussion paper on 3 March 2023.

To make a submission visit www.infrastructure.gov.au/have-your-say

country k tchens recipes

Dragon Fruit Summer Pudding

Serves: 12

Prep time: 15 minutes **Cook time:** 10 minutes + overnight chill time

1/2 serve per portion

Ingredients:

- 1 loaf sliced wholemeal bread
- 2 cups frozen pink dragon fruit chunks
- 1 cup strawberries
- 1 cup blueberries
- 1 can white dragon fruit chunks in syrup
- Reduced fat yoghurt, to serve

Method:

- LINE a bowl or pudding tin with plastic wrap.
- REMOVE crusts from bread and cut into triangles.
- ADD fruit to saucepan and gently simmer over low heat for 10 minutes. Remove from heat and cool slightly.

• DIP bread triangles in fruit mixture until lightly coated.

- ARRANGE bread inside the bowl, lining the bottom and sides.
- FILL with fruit mixture and top with remaining bread triangles.
- PLACE saucer on top of the bowl and weigh down with a tin or can.
- REFRIGERATE overnight.
- TIP the pudding out of the bowl when set. Serve with low fat vanilla or Greek yogurt.

What's Great About It?

This health-a-sized dessert is a bright and tasty treat that the whole family can enjoy. Opting for wholemeal bread as the base will increase the fibre content, helping to keep you fuller for longer. You can use fresh or frozen berries and substitute blueberries or strawberries for any other berry you have on hand.

Recipe courtesy of the Country Kitchens 2023 Product of the Year Recipe Collection – Dragon Fruit





Rainbow Fruit Salad

Serves: 6

Prep time: 15 minutes **Cook time:** 0 minutes

1 serve per portion

Ingredients:

- ½ white dragon fruit, diced
- ½ red papaya, diced
- 2 green kiwifruit, diced
- ½ punnet blueberries
- ½ punnet strawberries, sliced¼ cup pomegranate seeds
- Fresh mint
- 1 lime, juiced

Method:

- ADD fruit, mint and lime juice to a bowl and toss to combine.
- SERVE immediately.

What's Great About It?

This bright and colourful recipe contains six different types of fruits, and is the perfect dish to display the unique appearance of dragon fruit. Get creative and use a melon baller or spoon to cut the fruit, or serve the fruit salad inside the skin of a dragon fruit for a theatrical finish. You can also try substituting the ingredients for any of your favourite fruits, or serve the dish on a bed of natural yoghurt swirled in pink dragon fruit puree.

Recipe courtesy of the Country Kitchens 2023 Product of the Year Recipe Collection – Dragon Fruit







Empowering women through education and health is a priority for the Queensland Country Women's Association (QCWA). The QCWA Country Kitchens program, funded by the Queensland Government through Health and Wellbeing Queensland, supports Queenslanders to adopt healthier lifestyles. To find out more about the program visit https://qcwacountrykitchens.com.au/.

COMICS

Bottled Fruit



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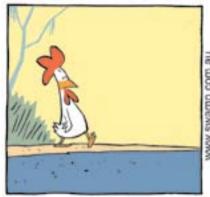
Bushy Tales







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Against the Grain



Ballard Street



Peggy is having negative thoughts about positive reinforcement.

Grin Bin



SUDOKU

No. 117

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

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- 26 Corrosion (4)
- French abbot (4) 28
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- 32 Pitcher (8)
- Scrape riverbed (6)

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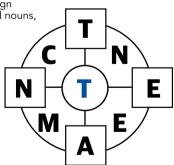
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9-LETTER WORD

Using the nine letters in the grid, how many words of four letters or more can you list? The centre letter must be included and each letter may only be used once. No colloquial or foreign

words. No capitalised nouns, apostrophes or plural words ending in "s".





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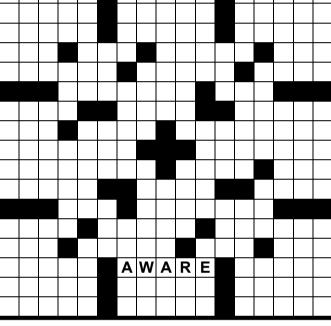
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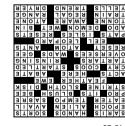
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Insert the missing letters to make 10 words – five reading across the grid and five reading down.

NOTE: more than one solution may be possible

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QUICK QUIZ



- From what cereal is pumpernickel made?
- Who did Monica Bellucci (pictured) play in *The Passion* of the Christ?

TIRES

TONAL TONNE

- What comic strip did Jim Davis work on before Garfield?
- The endocrine system is a system of what in the human body?
- What is the term for a baby ferret?
- What colour is the element cadmium?

- 7 The Nobel Prize was established in 1901 in which country?
- Who released the 2004 single Coin-Operated Boy?
- And to what musical genre is it said to belong?
- 10 In computer data storage, if you are striping, are your disks in RAID 0 or RAID 1?

8. The Dresden Dolls 9. Dark cabaret 10. RAID 0 Gnat 4. Glands 5. Kit 6. Bluish-white 7. Sweden ANSWERS: 1. Rye 2. Mary Magdalene 3. Gnorm

FORECAST

Warnings

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

Sunny. Light winds becoming east to northeasterly 15 to 25 km/h during the morning.

Saturday. Mostly sunny. **Isisford:**

Sunny. Saturday. Sunny.

Barcaldine: Sunny.

Saturday. Mostly sunny.

Central West District:

Sunny morning. The chance of a storm in the afternoon and evening, possible severe in the far south. Winds E/NE 15 to 25 km/h.

Saturday. Mostly sunny. Slight (20%) chance of a shower in the north. The chance of a storm north of Longreach in the afternoon and evening. Winds

northeasterly 20 to 30 km/h. Northern Goldfields & Upper Flinders District:

Partly cloudy. Medium (50%) chance of showers in the east, slight (20%) chance elsewhere. The chance of a storm in the afternoon and evening. Winds east to northeasterly 20 to 30 km/h.

Saturday. Partly cloudy. High (70%) chance of showers in the north, medium (50%) chance elsewhere. The chance of a storm. Winds east to

northeasterly 15 to 25 km/h.

Central Highlands & Coalfields District:

Mostly sunny. Slight (20%) chance of a shower.

The chance of a storm in the afternoon and evening, possible severe in the far south. Light winds becoming east to northeasterly 15 to 20

km/h during the morning.
Saturday. Partly cloudy. Slight (20%) chance of a shower in the northwest. The chance of a storm in the northwest in the morning and afternoon. Winds east to northeasterly 15 to 20 km/h.

Maranoa & Warrego District:
Partly cloudy. Slight (20%) chance of a shower in

the afternoon and evening. The chance of a storm in the afternoon and evening. Winds north to northeasterly 15 to 20 km/h becoming light during the day then becoming east to northeasterly 15 to 20 km/h during the afternoon.

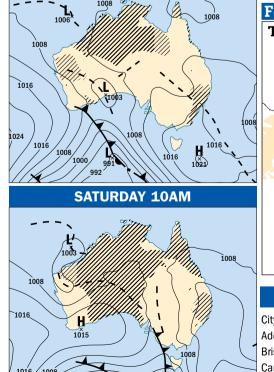
Saturday. Sunny day. The chance of a storm in the southeast in the evening. Winds north to northeasterly 20 to 30 km/h.

Queensland:

Isolated showers and the storms about the Gulf Country and Far North along with the central and southern inland, tending scattered about the far southeast. Scattered to widespread showers and storms showers about the Cassowary Coast and the far northern Peninsula. Isolated to scattered showers about the east coast south of Ingham tending isolated south of Mackay. Maximum temperatures above average in the south and west, near average elsewhere.

Saturday. Isolated showers and the chance of a storm across much of the state. Showers tending scattered to widespread at times about the Cassowary Coast and the far northern Peninsula. Partly cloudy in central Queensland. Near or slightly above average maximum temperatures about the south and west, near or slightly below average about the central and northeast tropical

FRIDAY 10AM



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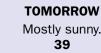
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LONGREACH FORECAST









SUNDAY Mostly sunny. 38

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MONDAY Possible shower. 37





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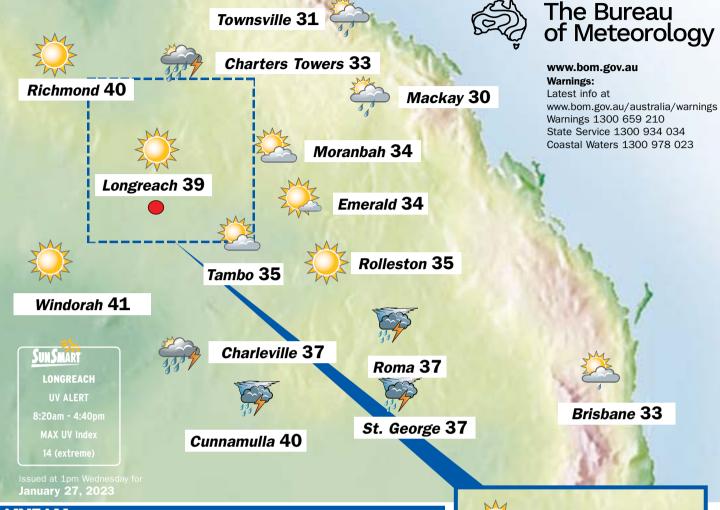
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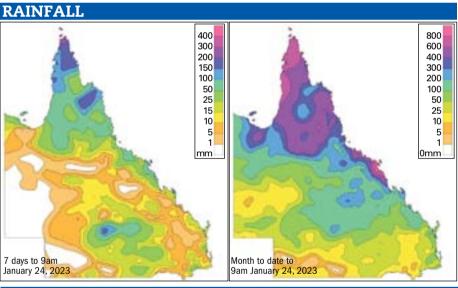


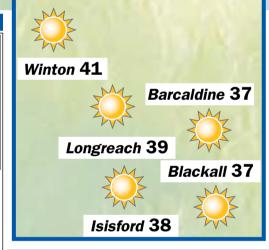


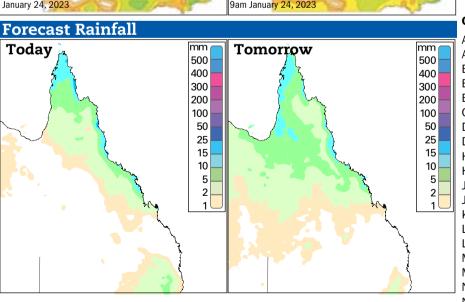


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	Brisbane Canberra	Possible shower. Cloudy.	33 29	Saturday	5:59am 7:13pm	12:13pm	11:49pm	Seoul	cloud
	Darwin	Shower or two. Possible storm.	32	Sunday	6:00am 7:12pm	1:09pm	Nil	Singapore Suva	storm
_	Hobart	Partly cloudy.	26	Monday	6:00am 7:12pm	2:06pm	12:26am	Tel Aviv	fine
	Melbourne Perth	Sunny. Partly cloudy.	27 26	Tuesday	6:01am 7:12pm	3:02pm	1:05am	Tokyo Vancouver	fine showe
	Sydney	Shower or two.	27	Wednesday	6:02am 7:11pm	3:57pm	1:49am	Wellington	fine

THE WORLD

World conditions yesterday										
City	Weather	Max	Min							
Athens	storms	14	9							
Auckland	showers	24	16							
Bangkok	windy	33	22							
Beijing	fine	1	-10							
Berlin	rain	2	0							
Christchurch	fine	30	13							
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Dublin	sunny	8	1							
Hong Kong	cloudy	17	13							
Honolulu	showers	29	23							
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Kuala Lumpur	storms	33	24							
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Madrid	showers	7	1							
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Vancouver	showers	5	2							
Wellington	fine	22	16							



General Notices

Public Notices and Event



Positions Vacant

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
Assistant Educator	Longreach	31 January 2023
Customer Service Officer	Longreach	31 January 2023
Casual Customer Experience Officer (VIC)	Longreach	02 February 2023
Horticulture & Town Services Officer	Longreach	07 February 2023
Management Accountant	Ilfracombe	10 February 2023
Asset Manager	Ilfracombe	10 February 2023
Horticulture & Town Services /Cleaning Officer	Ilfracombe	08 February 2023
Sealed Network Plant Operator/Labourer	Ilfracombe	No close date
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

Longreach Regional Council is an Equal Opportunity Employer

Brett Walsh Acting Chief Executive Officer

PO Box 144 Ilfracombe QLD 4727

Announcements





✓ Funeral Services

PHILLOTT, **Charles Rex Pender** 'Charlie'

Late of Toowoomba, and formerly of Carisbrooke Station, Winton, passed away peacefully on 22nd January 2023,

aged 88 years.

Dearly loved Husband of Anne. Much loved Father, Father-in-law, Grandfather and Great-grandfather of Susan, Helen, Catherine, Charles and their families. Eldest Son of Rex and Olive Phillott (both dec'd). Loved Brother of Ted (dec'd), Joan, Frank, Rhonda, and Jill.

Relatives and friends are warmly invited to attend Charlie's funeral, to be held at the T.S. Burstow Chapel, 1020 Ruthven Street (south), Toowoomba, service commencing at 12:00pm, Saturday, 28th January 2023.

To share in the service via webstream, please go to

www.burstows.com.au/tribute-centre

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Positions Vacant



Expression of Interest A02 Administration Officer

Permanent Full Time:

36 ¼ hour per week, Monday to Friday plus ADO's

Closing Date:

by 3.00 pm Friday 10th February. **Job Description**

Applicants should be able to demonstrate a genuine willingness to assist and engage with students, staff and the wider LSODE community

in a friendly and efficient manner Must have a current Blue Card (Working with Children)

For more information and a copy of the selection criteria, please contact

Tilly Smith | Business Manager **4658 4202 | ■ psmit66@eq.edu.au**

Real Estate



Land For Sale

FOR SALE

120 acres Lot 2. Phillipies Landing Road, Targinnie. Gladstone.

Call Dasha Kozloff on 0488 774 299





Disaster aid was delayed

Disaster assistance is now available for five more Local Governments in Regional Queensland affected by ongoing monsoon activity.

Assistance for counter-disaster operations and to repair roads and other essential public infrastructure is being provided through the jointly-funded Commonwealth-State Disaster Recovery Funding Arrangements (DRFA).

The additional five LGAs are: Barcoo, Burdekin, Mackay, Whitsunday, and Winton.

Federal Minister for Emergency Management, Murray Watt, said today's additions bring the number of councils receiving assistance under DRFA to 19, as a result of the widespread flooding last week.

"In one 24-hour period, between 100 and 200 millimetres of rain fell between Mackay and Ayr. Eungella also copped over 300 millimetres of rain over another 24-hour period," Minister Watt said.

"This amount of rainfall has seen several road closures due to flooding, including parts of the Bruce Highway, and the substantial land-slip leading to the isolation of Eungella.

"At times like this all levels of government need to work quickly to get support to communities to begin cleaning up and restoring critical infrastructure.'

Acting Minister for Queensland Fire and Emergency Services, Mark Furner, said this disaster assistance for impacted local governments means they can focus on the immediate welfare and protection of their local com-

"This assistance means that local governments can deal with the immediate impact of current flooding, knowing damage to assets such as roads and dams will be repaired once the immediate threat has passed," Minister

"Our priority is the safety of Queenslanders, but the government is also committed to helping local authorities restore damaged public infrastructure.'

The jointly funded disaster assistance has been made previously available to the LGAs of Barcaldine, Boulia, Carpentaria, Cook, Croydon, Diamantina, Etheridge, Kowanyama Aboriginal Shire, Mapoon Aboriginal Shire, Mornington, Napranum Aboriginal Shire, Northern Peninsula Area, Palm Island Aboriginal Shire and Pormpuraaw Aboriginal

Information on disaster assistance can be found on the Australian Government's Disaster Assist website at www.disasterassist.gov. au and the Queensland Reconstruction Authority's website at www.qra.qld.gov.au.

Your response to Doug Winterbottham's decision

Last week, the Leader wrote a story announcing Doug Winterbottham's retirement.

Here are some of the comments you left on Facebook regarding the story.

"About bloody time."

- Maxine Cadzhow "Good luck Doug and Rosie on your next

stage in your life enjoy it.' - Andrew Patterson

"Thank you for many years of service. All the best with future endeavours.'

- Jenny Gordon

"Congratulations Doug, all the best for you next adventure."

- Leanne Kohler

"Congratulations Doug and Rosemary, enjoy the new adventures that are ahead." - Chelle Loch

"And has been the voice of Legacy every Easter. Congratulations Doug."

- Lyn and Brian Osborn

"A great newsagent and friend!! Had the Longreach Cobbler next door for seven years!!! best wishes Doug.'

- Sue Sendall

"It won't be the same when we visit if we can't call in to say g'day to Doug"

- Kaye Gordon

"My next-door neighbours for a number of years. Hope you and Rosy are keeping well and can enjoy your retirement."

- David Rawlins Sr

"We'll miss you, Doug, you've done an amazing job, it's good to know you won't be leaving us in the near future."

- Mary Emmott

"Enjoy your well-deserved rest. We were only in Longreach for a couple of years, but we loved seeing you every Saturday morning for non-winning lotto and the papers"

- Julie and Richard Smith

"Wow 40 years you deserve a break. Hope you find a replacement."

- Jan Fitzgerald

IN BRIEF

Impromptu clubs sign on day

I am looking at an impromptu Clubs Sign-On Day at Edkins Park on 29 January, generally in the morning.

It's for Clubs to come along and promote themselves to new and existing members of the Longreach public.

I would prefer if we kept it to member Clubs, but I can't stop commercial outlets from attending.

Points:

- 1. I or my Clubs are not responsible for you, your equipment or any member of the pub-
- 2. Turn up when you want, I'm personally aiming from 9-12, but that's up to you.
- 3. Set up where you want, first in-first served. If we can't work together on this when people arrive I would be disappointed.
- 4. Bring whatever set-up you want. Nothing

will be provided.

- 5. If you want to do food or drinks, that is up to you. It's all your responsibility. There will be a coffee van there by chance.
- 6. You don't need to RSVP

- Michael Lloyd

Swim with the Stingrays

Longreach Amateur Swimming Club Inc.-Longreach Stingrays.

Club nights are Monday nights recommencing 30 January at Longreach Pool.

Registrations are from 5.30pm.

Kim Anderson Memorial Swimming Carnival at Longreach Pool Saturday, February 25.

For updates and information please check our Facebook page—Longreach Stingrays.

For further information and queries please email longreachswimclub@gmail.com or message us on Facebook.

Renew with yoga classes

By Karen Simmons and Michael Williams

A new year can bring new beginnings and there is nothing quite like the feeling of being renewed in your body and mind.

With strong interest from the community and a gap in Yoga classes on offer, Bob Morgan is back with Complete Body Therapeutics - his popular yoga practice now open in Longreach.

A familiar face around town in the early 2000s, Bob has spent three tranquil years offering Mardi and Bodhi Yoga at the Lara Wetlands near Barcaldine.

The yoga master started learning his craft in 2004 and said he had moved back to Longreach in 2021 to start a yoga practice again, but the Covid restrictions came in and delayed things.

"Lara Wetlands was a really complimentary atmosphere, with the thermal water and the relaxed scenery," Bob said.

"I used to teach out here (in Longreach) years ago."

"So I set it up because a lot of people were asking me when I was going to start again."

"My own practice was getting a little stale because I usually practice every day.

"So I thought the only way to ramp it up and change things was to start doing lessons again."

Bob said he has to prepare quite a lot for lessons and it makes him re-think, renew and re-check old postures and create different routines - which helps him as well.

He originally landed in Longreach in 2011 after travelling around a little and said the things that keep him here are wide open spaces and the quietness of the town.

"There's no traffic, no travelling - I've lived on the coast in the past and had to do the travel for work in the mornings.

"You only have to put up with the heat for a month or two and the rest of the year is quite nice," Bob remarked."

Bob said the biggest thing he hears from locals is they don't try yoga because they think they are not flexible enough.

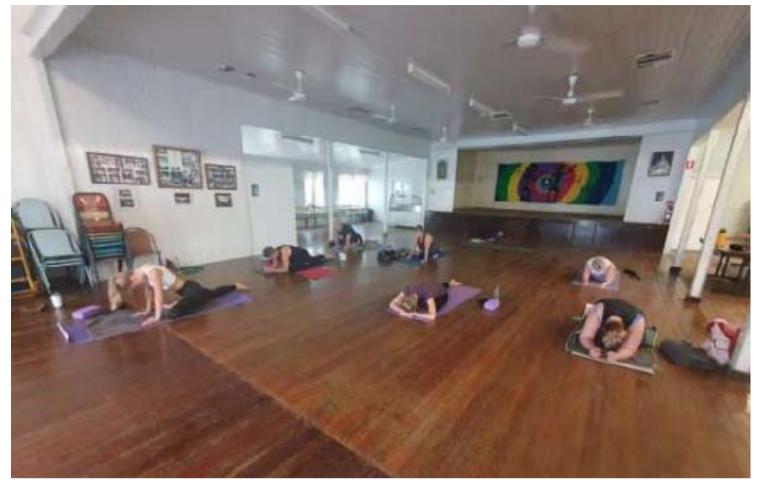
"They're probably not - but you don't all of a sudden become flexible, like a young female is, so you have to start somewhere," Bob said.

"If you have quite severe injuries you just go to the local gym or fit club and join in the really active stuff, but yoga can cater for anybody and everybody.

"The only way you see benefits is to keep on going."

But participants can also achieve high levels of fitness as Bob recalled how a few years ago he had a triathlete group come for a tryout and he thought he'd ramp it up a little bit for them and they battled through it.

Lessons are \$15 and duration is between 1 hour and 1 1/2 hours and have been filling up at the current location in Joseph Egeley Hall in Magpie Lane.





Competition is left of the greens at a fortunate club

Games galore last weekend with competition games left, right and centre, plus our usual Sunday social bowls.

The one thing I love about this club is that after the competitive competition games, bowlers walk off the green after their game and we all have a chat and laugh inside the clubhouse.

There's always banter after the games but seriously we're all there for our own reasons.

Last weekend the youngest bowler in our club turned up for his first-ever competitive game, which happened to be an 'A' Grade Championship Singles game. Now, this quiet youngster played a cranky old bald-headed bloke... me.

Boy oh boy he went well and he took all advice with an eagerness to learn.

He should be very proud of himself.

The game didn't go his way on the scorecard but it won't take long for him to improve even more.

The Competition games actually started on Saturday morning at 9.00am with John Hawkes taking on Peter Thurecht in singles.



I think it's fair to say Hawkesy had the wood over Peter early and skipped out to a great lead of 21–9 after 18 ends.

But then Peter got his line and length and scored 16 shots over the next 12 ends to tie the game up at 25 all in the race to 31 shots.

The game then went like this, Peter was in the lead 26-25, Hawkes tied it at 26 all, Hawkes was holding four shots but Peter drew the ultimate shot with his last bowl to lead 27-26, then, Hawkes got in front again 28-27.

Hawkes then held his nerve and scored three shots on the next two ends to take a good win by 31–27.

Saturday afternoon saw George Kent play-

ing Rodney Butt.

Rodney held slender leads on the 12th and 14th ends after the game was squared up on two occasions beforehand.

But George took a hold of the game after the 15th end and slowly edged away to take the win 31–21

Rodney actually won more ends but George scored multiple shots when he won ends and that proved to be the difference.

The other game on Saturday was the game between new Vice President Justin Hunt and great club man Wayne Lewis.

The story of this game was Justin started on fire leading seven-nil but Wayne started playing better bowls and hung in there with Justin keeping the lead between four to eight shots

At 22–14 Justin slowly drew away finally winning the game 31–19.

After the game, Justin celebrated his win by opening his wallet to shout in the bar, and we're still trying to get the moths out of the club

On Sunday we had more Championship

singles games starting with Bluey Beard up against Shawn Ryan.

Both blokes were coming off wins the weekend before and someone had to lose.

Unfortunately this time it was Bluey but

only after a great game.

The biggest difference in scores was only

four shots until it was 20-19 in Shawn's favour.

But then things changed when Shawn started using four bowls and Bluey had a few

issues and started feeling unwell. The game finished 31–23.

We then had a championship Pairs game with Russell Brooke and Terry Harris taking on veteran Ray Harmsworth and newish bowler Andrew Watts.

The game was in the balance at 13–10 to Ray and Wattsy but they scored five shots on the 13th and 16th end to skip out an unassailable lead and won the game with a score line of 28–16.

Another great weekend of bowls with more compelling games planned for this weekend as well.

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New trainer in Barcaldine

By Country Racing

Bevan "Billy" Johnson, Country Racing premier trainer in Queensland, is moving to the Central West and has set up a 30-stable complex on a rural property just outside of Barcaldine which he purchased late last year

Johnson has completed moving his stable from his former on-course operation at treasure park where he and his wife Melanie Johnson were based for three years, where Melanie served as the club president leaving the club in a good place and in capable hands with her loyal friend Bianca Bulst.

The move to Barcaldine will still give Johnson more access to country tracks with Barcaldine being central to the north-west southwest and will feature strongly in the central west when the season kicks off.

Johnson will be a big shot in the arm for racing in the central west which is arguably the strongest jurisdiction in country Queensland.

Johnson said it was a work in progress but he is gradually building a lush sandy loamy track at his Barcaldine property that would help his horses and it would give them more of a chance to be 100 per cent on race day.

Johnson said he struggled with the travel at his Moranbah facility with limited options with a large amount of travel involved to race in the west where a majority of his horses have raced over many years.

Johnson said his team will continue to live by their motto that 'you have to place the horses where you think they can win', and 'we do a majority of our racing in the Central West and will continue to target Tab races with our better-performing gallopers'.

Johnson said his new training base was going to be a shock to the system with the travel and the camping being heavily reduced at his new Barcaldine base so they wouldn't have to sleep rough most weekends travelling with the horses.

Johnson said he will continue to support the Moranbah meeting strongly visiting their old friend Bianca Bulst at the three treasure meetings per year.



Billy Johnson winning 2018 Birdsville Cup with jockey Aidin Thompson and horse Blue Jest.

Central Highlands will bring the flair at Country Week

By Liam Emerton

Rockhampton's Country Week cricket tournament will have a distinct Central Highland's edge to it this year.

The long weekend of cricket action begins on Australia Day with the Northside versus Southside Charity match before transitioning into the weekend's play.

Four women's teams, 16 turf teams and 24 concrete teams will take on country week this year.

However country week convener and vice president of Rockhampton Cricket Carrie Bennet said that half the teams nominated this year are from the Central Highlands region this year.

With teams coming from Rockhampton, Yeppoon and the surrounding areas, the majority of squads are based in our region which Bennet said is a wonderful thing for the tournament.

"We've got Rocky, Yeppoon, Emerald, Moralahbah, Springsure, Molbrah, we've even got some players from as far south as Brisbane and New South Wales," she said.

"It's great getting to listen to people from out of town and getting to know their stories.



Country Week in Rockhampton will see around half of the teams travelling in from the Central Highlands region.

"There have been some families coming for 30 years to Rocky to catch up.

"This is the one time they come together and then they get to catch up with all their friends from out west as well." The Central Highlands-based teams in the top divisions will also be playing for cash prizes this year.

She's Apples Cleaning and Cold Room Hire have put \$500 on the line for the first grade

turf division with Lawrence's Motors sponsoring the second division turf competition with a \$350 prize.

That comes off the back of feedback from those who played in recent years which has been seen as a progressive move from the tournament

That feedback also came in the form of how and when the games should be played which after listening to the competitors has seen Country Week build on its success.

"We're slowly growing, every year we're getting one to two more teams every year," said Bennet.

"With the inclusion of the women's competition that has helped a lot.

"And the Big Bash, currently being heavily promoted and seen on TV, has helped a lot.

"For this year I've included night games and changed the format to a T20 style.

"The feedback I've had over the last couple of years is that players wanted to be under lights after watching the Northside v Southside Charity match."

Games are scheduled to play on Friday with finals in all divisions set to be played on Sunday.

