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Hitting the road

Longreach Bowls Club members enjoyed a weekend away at Emerald. And the result ... the smiles say it all.
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Longreach Bowls Club crew kicking back after some friendly competition in Emerald last weekend. L-R Peter Thurecht, Trent Shillington and George Kent.
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Paterson in

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No dances in rain

By Karen Simmons

The Barcoo Shire and parts of Barcaldine Shire have had their drought status revoked this week, but not everyone was dancing in the rain when they heard the news.
It's the first time since 2013 that the Local Government Areas of Barcoo and the eastern part of Barcaldine have been declared drought-free.

From 1 March 2023, 27.8 per cent of the state's land area is to be drought-declared, which is down from 38.1 per cent.
While this is great news for primary producers who've received the rain, Barcoo Shire Council Mayor Sally O'Neil acknowledged there were areas in her shire that were far from out of drought.
Cr O'Neil said the Barcoo Shire is a massive area of nearly 62,000 square kilometres and

summer rains can be hit and miss for land-owners.
"Parts of this shire are without a doubt drought-free and there are parts that aren't," Cr O'Neil said.
"It can storm in town here and not a few kilometres away. Then some places have had a year's worth of rain already this year.
"The best way to find out is to talk to land-owners west of Windorah in areas outside of

the Channel country, who will affirm drought is still very apparent."
"Thankfully, these properties can still access assistance."
Primary producers in drought-revoked areas can access freight subsidies for restocking and returning from agistment under the Drought Relief Assistance Scheme (DRAS).
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Greeting Dear Community,

Lot's happening in this week's edition with a bill amendment being passed to give local councils greater funds and management over Queensland's expansive stock route network.

Hats off to Lachlan Millar MP for his work with AgForce on representing landowners and council well during the first sitting of Parliament this year.

Great news about Barcoo and part of Barcardine Shires having their Drought Declaration status lifted this month.

In saying that, we know there are landowners, especially situated south-west in the Barcoo Shire that have unfortunately not seen as much rain as their northeastern neighbours.

We have listed different funding available for landowners who might still be in Drought-Declaration zones, and for those who are not.

Til' next week friends...

- Karen Simmons



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Emily scores a win

By Karen Simmons

After practising for weeks Aramac Grade 5 Student, Emily Geltch finally got to present her speech to a crowded room of politicians last Wednesday morning.

Queensland not-for-profit Hear and Say celebrated the outstanding communication capabilities of children who are deaf at its inaugural Power of Speech event on Wednesday, 22 February at Parliament House.

Emily presented her speech in the Speaker's Hall and spoke about her hearing loss journey, the amazing support she has had from Hear and Say as well as her hobbies and dreams for the future.

Emily's mum, Kerryn Geltch said when Emily grows up she wants to be a hairdresser in Longreach and live on her own sheep and cattle property.

"It was an amazing experience for her and although she was nervous, she didn't skip a beat and spoke perfectly," Kerryn said proudly.

"It was a great opportunity for Emily to advocate for other children with hearing loss, especially in rural areas, where the challenge of distance to specialist care can be huge.

"Lachlan Millar, Member for Gregory was a great support and also Deb Frecklington was lovely to speak to."

Emily said she was very nervous but also very excited.

She said she loved meeting and chatting with the other three children who presented speeches.

The Power of Speech event demonstrated how children who are deaf can grow up to become powerful communicators and reach their full potential with the support of early intervention, therapy and technology.

Emceed by Hear and Say client Jamie-Lee Lewis, the inspiring event saw five children and young adults tell their powerful stories and showcase their excellent speaking abilities.

Building on 30 years of service across Queensland, Hear and Say Chief Executive Officer, Greg Elphinstone, said the

organisation has supported thousands of children to meet the world with the full force of their personalities.

"We are tremendously fortunate to have access to technology and specialist therapy in Australia," Mr Elphinstone said.

"It isn't common in other countries and we can achieve results far beyond people's expectations at Hear and Say.

"Our inaugural Power of Speech event will celebrate the outstanding speech and language outcomes that Hear and

Say children and families have achieved."



Aramac Grade 5 Student, Emily Geltch presented her speech at the Hear and Say Power of Speech event last Wednesday in Brisbane.
Pictures: HEAR AND SAY



Emily Geltch (Third from left) with young speakers from Brisbane, pictured with Hear and Say CEO Greg Elphinstone and Julieanne Gilbert, Assistant Minister for Health and Regional Health Infrastructure.

Born profoundly deaf, Power of Speech emcee Jamie-Lew Lewis was fitted with her first cochlear implant at four-years

old and received support Hear and Say to learn to listen and speak.

"Hear and Say afforded me the opportunity to hear and speak," Ms Lewis said.

"Without their life-changing support and therapy services, I wouldn't be able to hear my nieces and nephews say I love you.

Member for Gregory, Lachlan Millar MP

said it was an absolute pleasure to meet and listen to Emily Geltch about her journey and success with Hear and Say.

"Emily joined school students from all over Queensland who are powerful and confident speakers despite hearing loss," Mr Millar said in his online post.

"So proud of Emily and her passion for the Central West and Agriculture - she is a future leader for our region."

Search is on for photos and stories

With a history nearly as long as the State of Queensland itself, the Barcoo Pastoral Society and Barcoo Race Club are this year celebrating over 150 years of entertainment and achievement in the central west.

From auspicious foundations at the auction of the late Richard Welford's property, Walton

Station in 1872, both clubs have gone on to withstand the challenges of distance, drought, and the changing times; to now celebrating excellent membership numbers and hosting multiple events for their community each year.

Barcoo Pastoral Society and Barcoo Race Club continue today as two of the oldest pastoral societies and race clubs in Australia.

The Barcoo Pastoral Society was formally known as the Greater Western Downs Pastoral Society and held its first annual show at Blackall, on Wednesday, July 9, 1873.

The Barcoo Pastoral Society and Barcoo Race Club look forward to celebrating this milestone at the Back to Blackall Ball on 28 April.

Ticket details are to be released soon.

Holly Macdonald, Secretary of the Barcoo Pastoral Society said the committees are hoping to produce a display of sorts at the Blackall Show in May and need some more



Celebrating 150 years: The original Showgrounds, pictured here, were a testament to the generosity and spirit of the Blackall community in the early years. Spectators are enjoying the parade, with vehicles parked ringside. Can you help confirm the date of this photo? A suggestion that it might be late 1920's, or early 1930's.

photos and stories to bring it all to life.

"We are encouraging others to contribute their own memories to our research," Holly said.

"We want to share a quote from the original article describing the day both groups were formed, that we believe still holds true today:

'Certainly these are proofs of what unity can accomplish even in a large and scattered district like this, and should the result only be the drawing together of those interested in the welfare of the district once a year, it

will soon be apparent and beneficial.'

Both committees are calling on the public to please share photographs, stories and memorabilia relating to each club.

Anyone wishing to contribute is encouraged to contact the Barcoo Pastoral Society secretary Holly Macdonald, by email barcoopastoral@outlook.com; or the Barcoo Race Club secretary Jaimee-lee Prow, via email BARC.blackallraces@gmail.com

Submissions are needed by April 1, 2023.



Longreach welcomes its newest Division One Councillor, grazier David Paterson, after a neck-and-neck election race.

Picture: SUPPLIED

Longreach welcomes Paterson

By Karen Simmons

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Mr Paterson has lived in the region all his life and said it was a very close result but he was grateful for his community's support.

"It was very close, no doubt about that," Mr Paterson shared.

"I didn't think coming from 14 counts behind to come out in front was possible.

"It was eight days of waiting for the final count to be announced.

"I'm very grateful for everybody's support for this result."

The sheep and cattle grazier, based at Kaloola Station south of Longreach said he is passionate about the development of the Longreach, Ilfracombe, Isisford and Yaraka areas.

He believes only by supporting local businesses can the region grow.

The new Councillor said he is interested in all aspects of council governance but has had a special interest in rural roads and pest management.

"During the last 10 years, I have been a member of two Longreach Regional Council Advisory Committees," he said.

"I enjoyed this challenge and the insight into Council operations.

"I am keen to learn more about managing areas like parks and gardens and the weirs."

"We are fortunate that three of our grown children work for us, so they will have the property under control when I need to head into town for Council responsibilities."

Over the years, Mr Paterson has been involved in many local voluntary committees including the Isisford Sheep and Wool Show, Yaraka Gymkhana, Stonehenge Bushman's Carnival, Longreach Meals on Wheels and The Divide Rural Fire Brigade.

All Longreach Regional Council Councillors will come up for re-election in March 2024.

Mr Paterson was sworn into his new position during a ceremony at Longreach Council Chambers on Thursday, March 2, with his wife, Clare and daughter also hoping to be present.

Not everyone's singing in the rain

By Karen Simmons

If a producer believes they are still experiencing difficult conditions in a council area that is no longer drought-declared, they can apply for an Individually Droughted Property (IDP) declaration. This will continue to give them the same access to drought assistance as a current area declaration.

The Longreach Leader spoke with one of the long-standing members of the Local Drought Committee who was instrumental in the decision-making process.

The function of the Drought Committees is to be local and confidential, so an unbiased decision makes a recommendation to the minister's office.

The committee member said there are science-based indicators that they look at to have the declaration lifted and they had been reached.

"The other members on the Local Drought Committee are reputable graziers and very knowledgeable of the area," He said.

"What helped make the decision was, you've got a season that's good enough to get you through to the next wet season.

"We went to great lengths to say that those that are still in drought, there are people with patches that haven't had it as good as others .

"Those people can stay on the drought list for funding, they can get an IDP.

"There are more substantial incentives to help you prepare for the next drought, so you are better off it (the drought-declared list) than on it to apply."

The other areas to have their drought status revoked are the Central Highlands Regional Council, Rockhampton Regional Council and Woorabinda Aboriginal Shire Council, which had all been drought-declared since 2019.

There is hope the surrounding shires of Longreach, Winton and the rest of Barcaldine may follow suit in the coming months.

Agricultural Industry Development and Fisheries Minister and Rural Communities Minister Mark Furner announced he'd accepted the Local Drought Committees (LDCs) recommendation to revoke several regions' drought status from 1 March, due to the ongoing improvement in seasonal conditions since the start of the year.

Minister Mark Furner this is great news for primary producers in now drought-free regions of Queensland.

"Some of our farmers have done it tough during a long drought, so increased rainfall over the past six months has been welcome relief," Mr Furner said.

"LDCs in the remaining drought-declared areas are still monitoring pasture recovery as the end of the wet season approaches.

"It's important to note that thanks to our government's ground-breaking reforms, primary producers no longer need to be in a drought-declared area to access assistance."

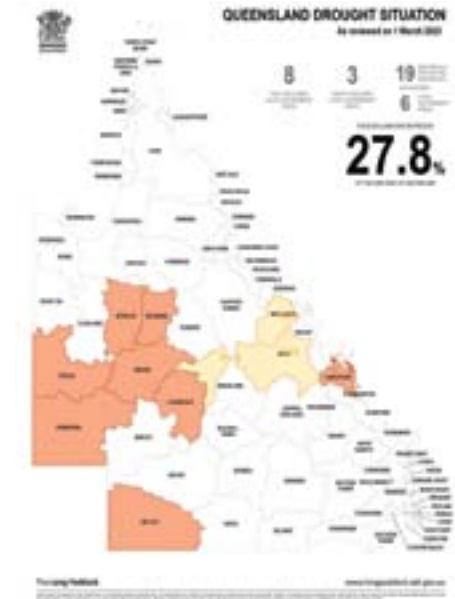


These two photos were taken at the same location in Barcaldine heading towards Aramac. One during the height of the drought and the other in mid-February after the recent rain.

Pictures: OUTBACK QUEENSLAND

Drought Assistance Program offers primary producers assistance to:

- Write a Farm Business Resilience Plan to support the productivity and profitability of their business, identify and assess risks, identify opportunities to improve their business, and develop strategies and actions on how to manage risks and progress opportunities;
- Access training and workshops through the Farm Business Resilience Program, which helps primary producers and graziers build a sustainable business by planning today for tomorrow's drought and climate risks;
- Access Queensland Government financial assistance through QRIDA. This includes Drought Preparedness Grants, Drought Ready and Recovery Finance Loans, Emergency Drought Assistance Loans and Drought Carry-on Finance Loans.



Queensland drought situation as of March 1, 2023. Picture: LONGPADDOCK/QUEENSLAND GOVERNMENT

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Parcels lost in daring theft

By Khrysti Balanay

A group disguised as postal workers allegedly broke into the Australia Post mail centre in North Rockhampton last weekend, stealing a large number of parcels.

Detective Acting Senior Sergeant Kevin Mawdsley said that five or six offenders entered the facility just after 7am on Saturday 25 February.

“It is alleged that a large number of parcels and mail had been opened and stolen,” he said.

“An Australia Post van was also stolen and found later that night at 11.40pm burnt out at Parkhurst.”

The Australia Post mail centre caters for the entire Capricornia District, including Rockhampton, Yeppoon, Gracemere, Emerald, Longreach and Winton. A spokesperson for Australia Post said they were supporting Rockhampton police with the investigation.

“While mail processing operations were able to quickly return to normal, unfortunately, a number of parcel items were taken during the break-in,” they said.

“Australia Post will be working hard over the next few days to identify and contact affected customers and encourages customers to reach out to us on 13POST (13 7678).”

Snr Sgt Mawdsley said the day of the incident was the one day of the week that the facility was closed, and the offenders would leave and re-enter the business over 13 hours.

“While brazen, it seems a bit of planning was involved,” he said.



Detective Acting Senior Sergeant Kevin Mawdsley said about five or six offenders were involved in the incident.

“It appears as though they have attempted to pose to some degree as employees wearing hi-visibility clothing, to not draw attention to themselves.

“It is a very difficult time for Australia Post to say how many items of property have been stolen or tampered with, and we’re working closely with them to try and identify that.

“We are happy to report that a 34-year-old

male, who we believe is a primary offender, was arrested and charged with one count of enter premises and commit an indictable offence on Sunday night.

“Police have opposed bail, and he was due to appear in Rockhampton Magistrates Court on Monday.”

Following the break and enter, Snr Sgt Mawdsley said it was important businesses

remain vigilant and review their security measures.

“We have a district crime prevention unit that is more than happy to assist and provide advice,” he said.

At the time of print, no other arrests have been made, and police encourage anyone with information to contact Crime Stoppers or PoliceLink.

IN BRIEF

Barcaldine Council Notes

Council is looking to source a local Indigenous artist to design artwork suitable for a range of clothing to be used for special occasions by the Executive, Councillors and to be given as gifts for dignitaries.

Also, a range is being considered to be ordered from RedRidge, designed by a local artist, for indoor staff to wear.

Three local Indigenous women have had their artwork incorporated into clothing designs which are marketed through Red Ridge the Label.

The Barki Collection introduces channel country artists Ronell Patuwai, Janeece and Beryl Thompson and Deanna Plumb, featuring waterways and sand hills as well as storylines of connection and family.

Executive members and councillors have attended shows headlining the clothing range and would like to show our support for the local Indigenous Community by purchasing a range of clothing for the indoor staff to wear on special occasions.

Longreach Council Notes

In 2021, Council commissioned the construction of a digital roadside sign, funded by the federal

Local Roads and Community Infrastructure (LRCI) program.

The intent was to use the sign to inform the community on matters relating to Council business.

Several locations were considered for the sign, some of which were rejected by the Department of Transport and Main Roads (TMR), before finally settling for a prominent position approved by TMR on the Landsborough Highway at Longreach.

Now that the digital signage is operational, it is timely to adopt a policy that formalises current practice and clarifies its intended use.

The draft policy provides guidance on Council’s intention for the sign to be used as a means to communicate Council business. It offers guidance on the degree to which external parties may be featured in content.

Blackall-Tambo Council Notes

The Department of Energy and Private Works (EPW) have approached Council with their interest in the parcel fronting Petunia Street, Blackall, which is in the process of being subdivided from 87 Thistle Street, Blackall.

Under the Queensland Government Land Transaction Policy, section 3.6 inter-agency transfers, transfers between agencies, in-



Jundah Roadhouse

cluding local governments, are to be given preference over disposal to the private sector.

The Queensland Government Land Transaction Policy states that inter-agency transfers are to occur at market value.

Based on the independent valuation gained by EPW the purchase price is \$20,000.

The land, once the subdivision has been finalised, will be used for Government Employee Housing.

Barcoo Council Notes

Updates from Barcoo Shire Council CEO, Mike Lollback from the Ordinary Meeting on Wednesday 15 February 2023, at Jundah Council Chambers:

Survey - The biannual Community Survey 2023 was released to the community on 16 February 2023. The survey is designed to gauge peoples’ thoughts on priorities for the shire together with views on councils’ performance. The survey will open until 3 March 2023.

Wet Weather - The continued wet weather, whilst welcomed, continues to have an effect on councils’ roads and flood restoration projects. The recent rain, since December, has resulted in an ongoing assessment of damage to transport assets and is being assessed for submission to the QRA.

A more comprehensive report will be later provided by both the Group Manager of Works and Services and Town and Rural Services.

Jundah Roadhouse - In the previous month council has commenced 9kg Gas and Go bottles together with a contractual arrangement with TJF transport for the delivery of food and stock to the Jundah Roadhouse. This has resulted in new suppliers across a range of products, most notably meat and bread. There has been a price reduction of key items and that price reduction will continue as old stock is run out and the new stock delivers. It is clear in the early weeks of this new arrangement that positive feedback has been received from the community and we will continue to explore ways of providing a cost-effective and expanded service to the broader Barcoo community.

Central West Hospital and Health Service information

Private billing for oral health services is available at the Barcaldine Multipurpose Health Service.

Join the First Nations Health Equity Working Group for a virtual working group catch-up on the second Tuesday of each month, 1pm to 2.30pm.

Upcoming child health clinics are taking place throughout March at Alpha, Aramac, Barcaldine, Blackall, Isisford, Jericho, Longreach, Murrumbidgee, Tambo and Winton.

Book your children in through your Central West provider at each location.

Market your business at the Longreach Show

As the biggest event on the local calendar, the Longreach Show is a fabulous opportunity to showcase your products and services.

The 2023 Longreach Show is shaping up to be one of the biggest yet with an action-packed entertainment lineup and free unlimited sideshow for all ages.

Held on Friday 12 May 2023, over 2500 people are expected to flock to the Showgrounds.

Business operators, market stalls, food vendors, community groups, agricultural representatives and anyone with something to sell or display are encouraged to book a space during the Show.

Fees start from \$40, making the Show a very affordable way to promote your business or hobby.

Download your Site Application online at the Show Society website.

Extended rural placements study

University of Queensland medical students who completed a 12-week training program in a rural or remote area were more likely to work as doctors in similar communities, a

study has shown.

Researchers at UQ’s Rural Clinical School (UQRCS) and Mayne Academy of Rural and Remote Medicine examined data on the career outcomes of 2,806 medical students who graduated between 2012 and 2021.

UQRCS Head of Regional Training Hubs Research and study lead author, Associate Professor Matthew McGrail said the study pointed to a simple way to build the medical workforce in the regions.

Exercise trumps meds

University of South Australia researchers are calling for exercise to be a mainstay approach for managing depression as a new study shows that physical activity is 1.5 times more effective than counselling or the leading medications.

Published in the British Journal of Sports Medicine, the review is the most comprehensive to date, encompassing 97 reviews, 1039 trials and 128,119 participants. It shows that physical activity is extremely beneficial for improving symptoms of depression, anxiety, and distress.

Specifically, the review showed that exercise interventions that were 12 weeks or shorter were most effective at reducing mental health symptoms, highlighting the speed at which physical activity can make a change.

The largest benefits were seen among people with depression, pregnant and postpartum women, healthy individuals, and people diagnosed with HIV or kidney disease.

According to the World Health Organization, one in every eight people worldwide (970 million people) lives with a mental disorder.

Poor mental health costs the world economy approximately \$2.5 trillion each year, a cost projected to rise to \$6 trillion by 2030.

In Australia, an estimated one in five people (aged 16–85) has experienced a mental disorder in the past 12 months.

World Spay Day

CQUniversity’s Head of Course for Animal Studies and Veterinarian Camilla Thomas has used ‘World Spay Day’ - 28 February - to urge pet owners to have their pets desexed, not only to reduce the number of puppies and kittens ending up in shelters or euthanised but to ensure their pet has a happy and healthy life.

Launched in 1995, World Spay Day is celebrated annually on the fourth Tuesday of February and aims to encourage people to save animal lives by spaying and neutering companion animals and feral cats.

Stock route fee success

By Karen Simmons

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In the first session of the fifty-seventh Parliament sitting last week, Member for Gregory, Lachlan Millar didn't waste any time addressing amendments to the bill.

During his address in Parliament last week Mr Millar said the bill makes substantial changes to the operation of Queensland stock routes and, like AgForce and the Local Government Association of Queensland, he welcomed the amendments.

"Queensland's stock route network consists of 72,000 kilometres of roads, reserves and dedicated corridors across pastoral leases and unallocated state land," he said.

"The government at the time... had spent decades trying to shift the maintenance of the stock routes to local governments while grabbing the fees collected from drovers.

"In doing so they neglected the maintenance of the stock routes: the fencing, the water points and even the mapping.

"During droughts stock is walked on foot, cared for by drovers, from areas with decreasing feed to areas of Queensland still receiving rain and producing pasture.

"You have to prevent these corridors from being eaten out or cattle would be starved on the way.



Grazier Peter 'PJ' Cookson checks on cattle he is droving along a stock route near St George, Queensland during the 2018 drought.

Picture: DAN PELED/AAP IMAGE

Mr Millar said the last 10 years of drought have showed the true cost of that neglect.

"Western shires suffering the economic and social impact of the drought were struggling to repair the vital watering points along part of that network," he continued.

"To the east, shires like the Central Highlands found themselves acting as key crossroads as cattle moved from the drought-stricken inland to the coast.

"They did a wonderful job at that.

"They were doing the state government's job, but they were only permitted to keep 50 per cent of the fees by the users.

"The bill will resolve a lot of those issues and I congratulate the minister on that achievement.

"The amendments will empower local governments to better manage their part of the network."

The Member for Gregory also addressed the issue of Queensland's very complex system of land tenure and the conversion of perpetual leases to freehold.

"The Labor Party's policy of converting such leases to protected estate will cause much anxiety and lessees will have extremely limited rights of appeal against such a decision made on an environmental or conservation policy ground," he said.

Queensland's 2.6-million-hectare stock route network is vital to the state's \$23.1 billion agriculture sector.

AgForce has also welcomed changes to the management of Queensland's stock route network, following years of advocacy work on behalf of producers.

AgForce CEO Michael Guerin said it was a step in the right direction towards a more sustainable and efficient stock route network.

"On the back of a multiyear advocacy ef-

fort, it is pleasing to see some stock route reform has finally passed through Parliament," Mr Guerin said.

"We need to ensure that there is a fair fee structure in place, so that the benefits of a more functional stock route network outweigh any additional costs.

"Rest assured we will continue to advocate for producers, as further reform is necessary to protect this valuable infrastructure for its core purpose."

The 72,000 km stock route network plays a crucial role in supporting landholders moving livestock, with up to 330,000 stock each year across 48 local government areas.

The changes in the fee structure, combined with proposed revisions to permit fees, mean that fees are estimated to recover 38 per cent of the cost of local councils managing that network.

Resources Minister Scott Stewart said the reform strikes the right balance by increasing revenue to better manage and maintain stock routes and reducing the burden on ratepayers while remaining cost-effective for drovers.

"And with the ability to waive fees in cases of hardship, like during droughts, these changes will help support our farmers and drovers when they need it most," Mr Stewart said.

Stock routes have been part of Queensland's rural history for more than 150 years, evolving as settlers drove stock along corridors that followed river systems, Indigenous trade routes and trails.

Between 1860-1890, established stock routes were recognised and dedicated as roads.

Use declined in the 1950s and 1960s when road improvements made road transport more convenient and efficient.

Recently, increases in fuel prices and continuing drought have made the stock route network a cost-effective alternative for moving stock and a vital source of pasture for emergency grazing.

3300 letters support AAM tender bid for college site

By Karen Simmons

AAM Investment Group delivered its tender bid for the former Longreach Pastoral College site last week, with the backing of more than 3300 letters of support.

Lodged to the Queensland Government on behalf of a consortium of leading Australian agribusinesses, the tender includes the entire 17,511 hectares of land including Rosebank Station adjoining the College site, modern classroom facilities and other practical agricultural infrastructure.

AAM Managing Director, Garry Edwards, said the group is committed to exploring all options to ensure the College, which was closed in 2019 after 50 years of operation, became a trusted source of knowledge sharing and education servicing the farm sector and a vibrant facility that enriched local communities.



The AAM Investment Group tender was submitted with the backing of more than 3300 letters of support. Industry stakeholders and members of the Longreach community showed their support at the community consultation session.

"We see this as a once-in-a-generation opportunity to coordinate the practical and strategic skills required to not only revive Longreach Pastoral College, but to also identify new ways to elevate the value the site

delivers to the agricultural industry, community and broader Queensland economy,"

Mr Edwards said. "If the bid is successful, we look forward to working closely with the broader agricultural industry and members of the Longreach community to make the campus facilities available to as many people as possible.

"The groundswell of support that we have received for our bid has been overwhelming, as the tender was submitted with the backing of more than 3300 letters of support.

"We want to help ensure the gap that was left when the College was closed is filled with a facility we believe can be even better than before."

Mr Edwards said the tender process included consultation in Longreach with more than 50 industry stakeholders and members of the Longreach community showing their support.

Leader of The Nationals and Federal Member for Maranoa David Littleproud has welcomed plans to retain and return critical agriculture and pastoral training services to Longreach.

Mr Littleproud said it was good news AAM Investment Group, a consortium of private and corporate pastoral interests, lodged an application to buy the former Longreach Pastoral College.

"It was a devastating blow when the State Labor government closed the gates of Longreach Pastoral College in 2019," Mr Littleproud said.

"Common sense tells you a successful pastoral and agriculture industry needs successful training facilities.

"An outback college like the one in Longreach provided learning with hands-on training that you just can't get sitting in a classroom or at a desk - teaching important skills



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All aboard outback

Local Outback legends Alan and Sue Smith are celebrating 35 years of Outback holidays for travellers.

With the next 35 years in sight, they are launching an all-new rail experience in June this year.

The company has come a long way from when Alan Smith, a restless 21-year-old bush boy with a dream, started operations in 1988 with photocopied brochures, a camp oven, a billy, and Tilly the troop carrier.

Some guests, still touring with Alan, vividly recall jolting around in Tilly! Not only did Alan survive as a tour operator in a remote marginal area, but he grew his business into a successful, highly renowned, and recognised operation.

As a Savannah Guide Master Operator, Outback Aussie Tours has built a reputation for providing top-quality guided tours of the Outback's rugged terrain, showcasing the area's natural beauty and unique cultural heritage.

Alan and Sue Smith, owners Outback Aussie Tours, invite their guests to enjoy their warm outback hospitality, benefit from strong relationships with local characters and be entertained by local yarns as they share their in-depth knowledge and passionate connection with the land, their home.

Their tours offer passengers the opportunity to experience the freedom of the vast open plains and beauty of the Outback in comfort and style.

Each tour is designed to provide an experience that is both enjoyable and accessible for all ages.

With a focus on providing a unique and immersive experience of the Outback's culture, history, and landscapes, Outback Aussie Tours has become a go-to for travellers seeking a once-in-a-lifetime adventure.

As part of their commitment to delivering unforgettable experiences to their customers, Outback

Aussie Tours has just launched a new product called the Outback Rail Adventure.

This exciting new adventure will take passengers on a journey between Longreach, Ilfracombe and surrounds on a beautifully refurbished silver bullet rail motor.

The Outback Rail Adventure offers a new way to explore the beauty of Outback Queensland, combining the comfort of a luxury train ride with stunning views of the ruggedness of the Outback.

"Whether you like trains or like the Outback, or both, this new and entertaining experience in Longreach is going to be a thrilling way for passengers to reconnect with rail whilst bringing the great outdoors inside," Alan said.

"We're thrilled to be celebrating 35 years of providing exceptional tourism experiences in Outback Queensland.

"Our team has worked hard to create exclu-



Local Outback legends Alan and Sue Smith are celebrating 35 years of Outback holidays for travellers. Pictures: SUPPLIED



Aussie Tours has just launched a new product called the Outback Rail Adventure.

sive, unforgettable tours and our new Outback Rail Adventure is a perfect example of this.

"We're excited to offer this unique and luxurious experience to our visitors, and we look forward to many more years of showcasing the beauty of the Outback."

Born and bred in the bush, Alan and Sue

love the outback life and share a passion for its strong sense of community and freedom.

The Outback Aussie Tours team is dedicated to continuing to improve and innovate including supporting local charities and businesses, helping to create a better and more sustainable future for Longreach.

New blood for RSL Barcaldine Sub Branch

We are now entering an exciting time for our local RSL Barcaldine Sub Branch with new blood.

We congratulate and welcome the new executives of the Sub Branch, Jake Ardrey, President and Mel Ardrey, Secretary / Treasurer.

We thank you both for committing to these roles and for your continual support for the veteran community.

This will be a welcoming time of change as we look forward to the new directions and new ideas you both will bring to the Sub Branch and the Barcaldine community.

I would personally like to take this time to thank RSL North Qld District for their support over my time as secretary/treasurer and especially to Garry Player Nth Qld District President and not forgetting Shelley Isokangas who joined the RSL as district secretary the same year as I took on this new role in 2009.

You both have been tremendous supporters of our Sub Branch and for that I personally thank you.

This role started out to be a giant learning curve for me with the RSL, but I had amazing assistance from the late Garry O'Rourke, a great advocate for the sub-branch, and my late husband John for which I am truly grateful.

I also would like to thank Chris Rohan for his support over the past two years as president and the other presidents along the way after John which was Ian Proctor and James Forrest-Cook.

I certainly must not forget the Barcaldine Community members and visitors who have always been so generous in giving their support to the Barcaldine Sub Branch over many years and long before my role over these past 15 years.

I sincerely thank you all.

■ Joycelyn Bennetts

Millar honours loyal legend

"Sadly, on Australia Day Western Queensland also lost highly respected banker Angus 'Gus' McLellan. Quite simply, Gus was Rabobank in Longreach.

Throughout the 10-year-long drought, Gus focused intently on getting all his clients through it.

His loyalty was renowned. His loyalty to his clients, to Western Queensland and to his work colleagues was legendary.

Angus started in the ag industry back in 1974 as a cadet livestock agent with Winchcombe Carson, moving on to work for Elders and then later Dalgety.

This experience gave him deep knowledge of Western Queensland's agricultural industries and a substantial network of key operators in those industries.

In 2002 he moved to Rabobank, and his dedication to his clients' welfare throughout the drought made a huge difference. Gus was 67 when we lost him to cancer.

He had put off his retirement until the drought broke and I am sad to say that he did not get to enjoy that retirement.

He was a much-loved husband, father, uncle and community member.

I extend my deepest condolences to his wife Karen and his children Angus, Tom and Annabelle."

■ Member for Gregory, Lachlan Millar paid tribute to Angus 'Gus' McLellan during his first sitting in Parliament last week.

Retirement of Peter Pidgeon, Barcoo

Last week is the final pay week for our long-serving rural officer, Peter Pidgeon before he commences his well-earned retirement.

Peter has worked in this council for over 20 years, also providing services to the Diamantina Shire.

Peter has left an enduring legacy in the work he delivered for this council and has set standards that continue to be a measure of best practice emulated by numerous rural and regional councils.

Peter has graciously agreed to allow us to call on his assistance where it might be needed.

I would like to invite Peter to our next ordinary meeting to formally wish him well and acknowledge his significant lifetime of achievements."

■ Mike Lollback, Chief Executive Officer, Barcoo Shire Council

What did you have on your pancakes?

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Faylene Laverty said she had icecream and maple syrup on her pancakes. Keith Wassell said he had ice cream and maple syrup, While Xanthee and Lilliarnar had ice cream and maple syrup as well.



Christy Leonard just had maple syrup and Barbara Watson had ice cream, maple syrup and lemon.



Michelle Rose had ice cream, Gladys Rose had ice cream, and Daisy Walton had ice cream and maple syrup.

Together we make a stand

By Michael Guerin, AgForce CEO

There's a reason why wolves hunt in packs – they know that by working together they get the job done.

They're not alone in their M.O. Chimpanzees, dolphins, and lions, to name but a few, all join forces when the time comes to achieve a common goal.

Believe it or not, humans are pack animals too.

We hunt, travel, and eat in groups. We congregate. We choose leaders we consider strong. We follow. We are pack animals.

The consortium bid for Longreach Pastoral College is the perfect example of how solidarity in numbers can lead to success.

In a huge step for industry, nine prominent pastoral holdings (ACC, Cleveland Agriculture, CPC, Curr Family, Georgina Pastoral Company, Hewitt Cattle Australia, MDH, Mort & Co, and NAPCO) have pledged their financial support for the bid, being put together by the AAM Investment Group.

Together they have created a once in a lifetime opportunity to restore the college to its former glory as a teaching facility Queensland can be proud of.

But that's not all.

This one in a million chance wouldn't have been possible without the backing of our rural and regional communities.

An astonishing 3300 letters of support for this proposal have been received by the State Government, who will now consider the bid and, fingers crossed, turn the dream into a reality.



AgForce CEO Michael Guerin

In addition, if the sale is successful, AgForce will propose that our joint training venture with Response is adopted by the college to deliver a modern approach to ag education.

When Longreach Pastoral College closed in 2019, it left a gaping hole in the State's capacity to develop the skills of the workforce required by Australia's thriving farm sector, and took away part of the lifeblood of the community.

The time has come to restore what was lost.

The time has come to collectively rejuvenate Longreach Pastoral College, to enable it to become a trustworthy, viable, and inter-generational learning centre for centuries to come.

Together we stand, divided we fall. I know which one I'm choosing.

Eyes on storm coming in



We watched the storm build all day.

The sky was a clear, bright blue, first thing in the morning, with no hint of what was to come.

By morning smoko, little fluffy white clouds appeared, picturesque, but not yet promising, let alone threatening.

At midday, the clouds were larger, billowy and heavy, but still white.

They loomed over all, with a hint that something might be brewing.

The bank of clouds building on the horizon, from the ground up, by afternoon smoko, showed real promise.

By four o'clock, we could see rain falling in the distance, still a wondrous sight to someone who grew up with a sky confined by either buildings or trees and plenty of them.

From then on, there was no time to storm gaze, as we had to get tomorrow's sheep under cover as quickly as possible to keep them dry.

Still, even without looking up, we could feel the storm moving in.

The sky darkened ominously and a chill permeated the air, dropping the temperature a good ten degrees or more in a matter of moments.

I could feel the cold nip through the thin material of my work shirt.

Then the wind built up, fierce and wild enough to chase the reluctant sheep under cover, now willing to escape the onslaught

of the storm.

Whirlwinds blew up scuds of dust in the yards and the already crutched sheep moved away from them.

Seeds were whipped from the trees and danced in the air, seeming like raindrops, until I realised they were dry.

Then came the rain, in sprinkles at first. Thankfully the sheep were undercover by then, but our tools were not.

By the time I'd finished gathering them, the rain was coming down, fast and furious, so I ducked into the nearest vehicle for cover and sat out the storm.

The shearers were already on their way to town, hooning out ahead of the brunt of the storm.

By five minutes past five, it was all over. The storm had passed over and gone in search of other pastures. I won't say greener, since ours are still nicely green at the moment.

Funnily enough, I don't remember hearing any thunder until after the rain had passed.

Then it rumbled in the distance of the direction the storm had taken, away from us.

It ended up being all fury and little substance, dropping about ten points of rain on us.

Not even enough to lay the dust in the yards.

But it was sure spectacular to watch.

People who think the landscape is unchanging out here don't have a clue.

The sky alone constantly changes, except in the middle of a drought, when it always seems to be endlessly blue and cloudless. The urban weatherman tells us this is 'fine' weather, but we know differently out here.

Unending blue means unending death.

And, thankfully, we seem to be in the midst of a season brimming with life.



Margot de Groot, Fiona Maxwell, Soul Martinez, Ann Leahy MP, Caitlin McConnel, Bim Struss, Roger Desailly and Andrew Rodgers at the launch of BeefBank's Great Australian Charity Cattle Drive.

Drive on to feed the needy

The Great Australian Charity Cattle Drive from Longreach to Roma has been launched by BeefBank Queensland.

Warrego MP Ann Leahy was among the guests at BeefBank's Brisbane headquarters for the charity initiative that aims to raise \$1.5 million.

In August, at least 1000 head of donated cattle are expected to go on a 10-week drive along stock routes from Longreach to Roma where they will be sold via a charity auction.

"The Great Australian Cattle Drive aims to feed 2.5 million meals to people who are struggling to make ends meet," Ms Leahy said.

"These people are sometimes found homeless on the streets of cities.

"More recently they are professional people who may have become homeless because of the housing crisis or as result the loss of a job due to COVID, or a natural disaster.

"It is a great initiative of volunteers that will support those less fortunate in

our community and it is designed to support the communities between Longreach and Roma where the cattle drive will pass through.

"The drive will create a lot of goodwill in the metropolitan areas by re igniting that connection with agriculture and food security."

Pastoral entities, commercial and private, have already pledged to support the project here BeefBank aims to raise at least \$1.5m from the cattle auction.

Charity Drive chairman Bim Struss said the project was a great way to raise awareness about the nationwide problem of food security.

"The beef industry has, by and large, had three very good years and the project provides a perfect platform to the broader community after itself receiving fantastic community support during the 2019-20 drought," Mr Struss said.

It is hoped trucking companies and fuel supporters will support aggregating the cattle in Longreach for the start of the drive.



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What’s on

Thursday, 2 March

Ilfracombe Clay Target Club Twilight Shoots

Beginners are welcome anytime.
No weapons licence or previous experience required.
Bring: Enclosed shoes and food/drinks money (Photo ID)
What is supplied:
Shotguns/Coaches/Ammo/Earplugs/BBQ/Cash Bar
Cost: \$30 cash to shoot (12yrs+)
Where: Ilfracombe Race Course

Friday, 3 March

Tai Chi

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

Social Craft at the Library

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

Barcaldine Golf

Contact: Michael Hayward.
Location: Barcaldine Golf Course, Pine Road
Time: 3pm

Hole-in-One

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

Location: Longreach Golf Course

Time: 4 pm

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 Bingo

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

Location: Birdcage Hotel

Time: 6.30 pm

Muttaburra P and C Trivia Night

Winter Wonderland Theme and prizes for best-dressed person and table.
\$20/person which includes cold platter on arrival (6 the max number in a team)
BYO Alcohol; hot meat and gravy rolls \$10 and softdrinks also available for purchase.

Bookings are essential either at the School or call into Fiona’s.

Contact: Muttaburra State School 07 4658 7289

Location: Muttaburra Town Hall

Tine: 6.00pm arrive for 6.30pm start

Cost: \$20 p/p

Saturday, 4 March

Longreach Meeting Place - Community Art Workshop

Longreach Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Corporation will be hosting a collaborative community art project with Red Ridge Interior Queensland, to create a community artwork for a public installation at the new renal clinic.
Date: 4th March 2023 - 8th March 2023 Every day
Location: CQID 39 Duck Street, Longreach
Cost: FREE
Time: 08:00 - 18:00

Alpha District Tourism & Development Association Chess/Checkers Game

Bring your chess or checker’s games; sausage sizzle, tea and coffee on sale.
A fun free social games morning.
Time: 8am

Location: Park Opposite the BOQ Alpha

Muttaburra Golf Club Opening Day

Social 3-person ambrose. Cash only (no EFTPOS).
BBQ Dinner and bar. Get a team together and enjoy and afternoon of fun and laughter and everyone is welcome.
Contact: Beau Gray 07 4658 7562
Location: Muttaburra Golf Club
Time: 2.00pm

Sunday, 5 March

Clean Up Australia Day - Barcaldine

Bring along a hat and sunscreen. Sausage sizzle and drinks available after clean up.

Gloves and bags provided

Contact: Jenny Lawrence 07 4651 5600

Location: Rob Chandler Park, Beech Street, Barcaldine
Time: 7.00am to 9.00am

Clean Up Australia Day - Muttaburra

Contact: Kerry Robinson 07 4658 7191
Location: Jubilee Park, Muttaburra
Time: 7.00am to 9.00am
Bring along a hat and sunscreen. BBQ breakfast. Gloves and bags provided

Resin Art Workshop

Choose from a lazy Susan, wall art, camphor cheesboard and two coasters
Time: 9 to 11am
Cost: \$100 p/p
Where: Winton Shire Council Supper Room
Contact: Winton Neighbourhood Centre 4657 2666

Friday, March 10

International Women's Day - Winton

Come dressed as your favourite fashion era.
Cheese platter and two-course meal included.
Tickets on sale at Winton Neighbourhood Centre
12 years and over to be accompanied by a responsible adult.
Time: 5.30pm
Cost: \$50 p/p
Where: North Gregory Hotel Beer Garden, Winton

Outback Music Trail a pilgrimage all way to Tambo

Qld Music Trails recently announced the first part of its 2023 program with The Outback Trail music road trip taking place from April 12 to 21.

This pilgrimage from St George to Tambo offers trail-goers the opportunity to voyage between some of the finest musical events Queensland has to offer.

The collection of five unique experiences is Oasis Afternoon, Light It Up at the Outback River Lights Festival, The Big Base Party, The Sundowner, and On the Road with The Barleyshakes Duo.

While not many could have predicted that a dance party in a former secret WWII base would be on their bucket list for 2023, trail-goers can cross that one off when they hit the Charleville leg of the road trip at The Big Base Party featuring headliners C.W. Stoneking & His Primitive Horn Orchestra, Everybody NOW! and The Pacific Belles.

Explore the newly refurbished WWII Secret Base Museum as part of The Big Base party experience and discover Charleville's heritage and history.

Additional activities include dance classes and markets.

“Charleville is really excited that The Outback Trail is coming to town,” said Shaun Radnedge, Mayor of Murweh Shire Council.

“We’ll be hosting The Big Base Party at the WWII Museum which will be an unforgettable celebration for our community.

“Not only will it attract much-needed tourism to our region, but it will also provide a memorable experience for our community.

The final stop on the Outback Trail 2023



Book now for The Outback Trail music road trip from St George to Tambo, taking place from April 12 to 21.
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is Tambo where travellers have a chance to grab a loved one a Tambo Teddy souvenir or enjoy the outrageous scenes of Ben’s Chicken racing out the back of the local pub while in the Central West’s oldest town for The Sundowner, where Harry James Angus, The Bar-

leyshakes Duo, and Tane Rua will serenade you as the sun sets.

“Queensland Music Trails provides the unique opportunity for trail-goers to mingle with locals and experience the true outback,” says Andrew Martin, Mayor of Blackall-Tambo Regional Council.

“Nothing beats the welcoming and inclusiveness of small communities, not to mention, the vastness of our open grasslands, which are synonymous to Tambo,”

“Our expansive sky provides an uninterrupted view of the night stars and sensational sunsets and sunrises.

“I guarantee that visitors will only find that The Sundowner will enhance their experience of our beautiful region.”

Tickets for Queensland Music Trails, including The Outback Trail, are on general sale from February 14.

Attendees can head to qldmusictrails.com to buy tickets now.

Regional line-up dates:

- THE SUNDOWNER - Tambo, Fri 21 April
- Featuring Harry James Angus, The Barleyshakes Duo, Tane Rua

“ON THE ROAD” WITH THE BARLEYSHAKES DUO

- The Outback Trail - St George, Cunnamulla, Charleville, Tambo: 12 – 21 April

The Festival of Outback Opera will be held from May 16 to 22, with the following music events:

- Long Lunch, Winton
- Dark Sky Serenade, Winton
- Singing in the Night, Longreach
- Opera Ball, Longreach

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Luxury ride for Pioneers

One can't but help unleash their pioneer spirit when they catch a glimpse of Outback Pioneers' new luxury coach, which was handed over to the team last week.

The incredible artwork gives the sense that horses are running the ridge line in the outback.

Longreach travel enterprise, Outback Pioneers, expanded its fleet this week when it took delivery of a new Volvo B8R Euro 6 coach with a customised Irizar body.

Outback Pioneers founder and director Richard Kinnon was on hand to accept the keys from the Volvo and Irizar teams in Wacol, Brisbane.

"More guests are coming to Longreach, there's more space on our restored Pride of the Murray paddle-wheeler, which we launched in 2022, and now we need more room on our coaches to transfer guests to the Thomson River," Richard Kinnon said.

"We always do what it takes to give our guests the best experience and, for us, that meant the safety and comfort of the Volvo-Irizar coach to start their evening before they board our beautiful old paddle-wheeler to enjoy their cruise through a bush sunset."

The new 350hp coach will also transfer guests to Nogo Station and on the Winton day tour and pick up larger groups from the station and airport.

"When you're in the outback, you need vehicles you can rely on and Volvo was the obvious choice," Richard Kinnon said.

"It's also very fuel-efficient and packed with safety features so we know we're protecting our guests and our environment."

The luxury Irizar coach body has 48 reclining seats, dual-zone air-conditioning and a wide doorway to make every journey smooth sailing for guests.

Volvo Bus Australia's General Manager Mitch Peden said they're very excited to see



New wheels L-R: Leonie Conyers (Volvo), Luke Eldred (Irizar), Richard Kinnon (Outback Pioneers), John Higgins, Mitch Peden (Volvo) and Nicki Lloyd (Outback Pioneers) at the vehicle handover in Brisbane this week.
Pictures: SUPPLIED



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this premium B8R Euro 6 coach handed over to the Outback Pioneers team.

"We worked closely with one of our trusted bodybuild suppliers, Irizar, and we are confident this excellent coach will provide reliability, quality and most importantly, unparalleled

safety, to the operators and riders alike," Mr Peden said.

"The Volvo B8R is primarily known for its fuel efficiency and durability-ensuring maximum uptime for our customers," Mr Peden said.



Richard Kinnon with Irizar's Sales Manager for Asia Pacific, Luke Eldred, who will personally deliver the new coach to Longreach.



Tour guests will travel the outback in style and comfort with this new edition to Outback Pioneers fleet.

Irizar's Sales Manager for Asia Pacific, Luke Eldred, will personally deliver the new coach to Longreach.

In 2022, Outback Pioneers welcomed more than 22,000 guests for holidays and experiences in Longreach.

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...Council's resolution, which the figures were made available and the appearance of the shire clerk and staff in their appearance.

The chairman, Cr. J. O'M. Gleeson, said it was right the Council should, when necessary, show their appreciation of the efforts of their staff.

A SPOT OF HUMOUR

AT SHIRE COUNCIL MEETING
A short dialogue between Cr. J. O'M. Gleeson and the overseer (Mr. W. G. Gilchrist) at Monday's meeting of the Longreach Shire Council brought a laugh from councillors.

Overseer Gilchrist had recommended that as the power hoist used recently to the International truck was successful another be secured for fitting to the second International truck. He said he did not recommend power hoists for the Morris trucks which were getting old. The recommendation was agreed to.

Cr. Gleeson asked the overseer if the cost was warranted and how long it takes to raise the man operated hoist?

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Mr. Gilchrist explained that frequently it takes two men to lift the man operated hoist.

Cr. W. A. McNally stated that when working along roads a mechanical hoist would save a good deal of time is spreading.

Mr. Gilchrist said that was so.

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No relief

The graziers in the drought areas in the Isisford and down the Thomson River districts apparently are to receive negative results from their recent representations to the Government for some substantial relief following the drought period of the past two years through which those districts passed.

In a letter to the late Mr George Pollock written nine days before his death, the Minister for Lands (Mr P Pease) stated, "Taking all relevant facts and circumstances into consideration special relief measures are not warranted in the areas under review and the Government is unable to accede to the request of the petitioners." The letter had been forwarded by Mr Pollock's secretary (Mr C George) to Mr E T Towner, district representative of the Selectors Association of Queensland.

Similar letters have been received by Messrs H G Behan (Bilbah Downs, Isisford) and F W Banks (Kendal, Longreach) and read as follows:

With reference to your further representations in connection with the request that the special relief measures, that were granted in the North West sheep areas, be extended to the Jundah, Stonehenge and Windorah districts, the position is that this matter has had the full consideration of the Government.

When the re-adjustment of rent of tenures was granted early in 1937 to the North-West sheep district; it was pointed out that exceptional disabilities applied to that part of the State and it was, at the time, made clear that adjustments, although warranted within the area, would not be extended to other districts as circumstances were dissimilar. The districts laboured under disadvantages as compared with the sheep areas in the Central and South West districts. All concerned, viz., the Government, financial institutions and the grazing interests agreed that exceptional disabilities applied to this area which differentiated it from the sheep grazing areas in other parts of the State and that an adjustment was necessary to bring the rents to conform to the rents of the other districts.

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Is Hitler Sane? Sister doubts sanity

An Austrian refugee Frau Hahn, now in London, told this week of an encounter with Heir Hitler in a house in Schaumberger Str., Vienna, nineteen years ago.

It was the lodging house run by Hitler's sister, who let off two rooms to an Italian woman with whom Frau Hahn was friendly.

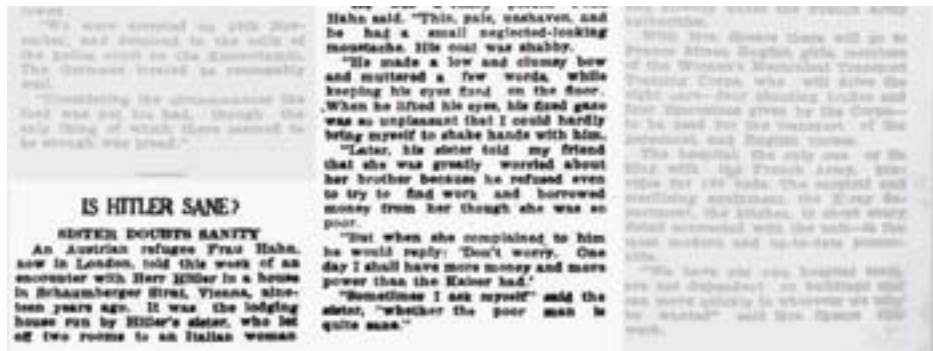
One day, Frau Hahn was having tea with her friend, when the landlady came in, much distressed, because her brother had come to see her and she had nothing in the house to give him for tea.

There was a great shortage of food in Vienna at that time.

The Italian woman provided some tea, and she and Frau Hahn were introduced to the landlady's brother, "He was a funny person," Frau Hahn said.

"Thin, pale, unshaven, and he had a small neglected-looking moustache. His coat was shabby..

"He made a low and clumsy bow and



muttered a few words, while keeping his eyes fixed on the floor.

When he lifted his eyes, his fixed gaze was so unpleasant that I could hardly bring myself to shake hands with him.

"Later, his sister told my friend that she was greatly worried about her brother because he refused even to try and find work and borrowed money from her though she was so poor."

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"But when she complained to him he would reply: 'Don't worry. One day I shall have more money and more power than the Kaiser had.'"

"Sometimes I ask myself" said the sister, "whether the poor man is quite sane."

Councillor absent, but the municipal show goes on

The shire clerk advised that he had forwarded to Mr. T. L. Coutts (Adelaide) information relative to the resources of Longreach and district, which are to be used as the basis for articles to be sent to English and American journals and to 'be printed in Australian newspapers.

The postmaster-General (Mr. A.G. Cameron) thanked the Council for its congratulations upon his appointment as Postmaster-General. He stated that matters raised by the Council relative to the establishment of an A class broadcasting station in the Central West are receiving attention. Early in the New Year he stated he hoped to visit the northern part of Queensland when he would contact the Council. The Department of Health and Home Affairs forwarded a copy of "The Local Government Validation of Powers Act of 1938" which validated the budgets for the years 1937-38 and 1938-39 of all Local Authorities which did not conform to the prescribed form and manner of compilation and presentation or were not adopted within the prescribed period of on or before 31st August in each year.

Copies of reports by the Medical Officer of



Health (Dr. C. V. Watson Brown) and the Health Inspector (Mr. W. G. Nicholls) relative to a case of typhoid fever at Morella have been forwarded to the Department of Public Health. The chairman stated that the Council could take no further action, but he considered the case would warrant some action by the Railway Department. Cr. W. C. Coade expressed the same view especially as Morella is a refreshment-centre on the Longreach-Winton railway line which is used extensively by passengers travel-

ling between those centres.

Copies of the Council's by-law relative to the banning of Alsatian dogs have been forwarded to the Atherton Town Council and the Belyando Shire Council.

Draft by-laws relative to radio interference, subject to certain alterations, have been forwarded the Department of Health and Home Affairs to be submitted for approval by the Governor-in-Council.

No objection was raised to Johnston Bros.* application to erect a telephone line from Wammadoo to the Longreach telephone exchange, provided that they comply with the regulations.

The Queensland Main Roads Commission advised that £200 had been allocated for maintenance work on the Morella-Greenhills road for the present financial year. Also that schedules for other maintenance work in the shire had been referred to the officer in charge of main roadwork at Barcaldine.

Mr. J. Bellew (Bogewong) objected to the Council's decision to apply to the Land Administration Board to have the private road

from the Tocal reserve through Bogewong to the Kendal boundary gazetted a public road. The question was deferred until the return of Mr. Bellew when he will be interviewed by Cr. McNally, who is to report to the next meeting.

The four Council bulls, which range in age from five to eight year olds, are to be removed from the town reserve to the Arrilalah reserve where there is feed for about eight weeks.

The plant working in the Isisford Lane is making good progress. After this work is complete the gang is to repair an invert near Arrilalah and a washaway in the overshot dam in the Isisford lane.

The Longreach Hospitals Board wrote relative to the new base hospital to be erected at Longreach. Cr. T. S. L. Armstrong, who is the Council's representative on the Board, stated that the delay in connection with the building was due principally to the Defence Department taking exception to the height of the building, which is in close proximity to the Longreach aerodrome. Until the Board called tenders no estimate of what the building would actually cost could 'be given, he added.

Around Barcaldine

DISTRICT BARCALDINE PERSONAL

Mr. and Mrs. C. MLLv and family (Coreerda) returned of Saturdays mail train from a holiday at Yeppoon. Private O. Devpry, of Sellheim, was a visitor to Barcaldine during the week.

Among the other passengers on Saturday's mail train returning from the south were Messrs. W. R. 'l Gray and R. Carter.

After an absence from Barcaldine for 21 years, Mrs. J. Page of Towns-ville, arrived back on a short visit during the week, Mr. and Mrs. Burns, of Mt. arrived in Barcaldine during the wek and are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. B. Burns, Ash, Street.

After spending the Christmas holidays In Barcaldine, Mr. W. Vale returned to Clermont on' Thursdays mail train. Nurse l. Fysh, of Alpha, was a visitor to Barcaldine during the week, M. Duffy and family joined, Thursday's mall train for a holiday: at Emu Park. Master P. Durnton and Mrs. C. Durston, Barcaldine, re-received advice that he secured the highest pass in Queensland in the recent sub-junior exam at the Christian Brothers' School.

Mr. D. Miller. of Mpuifrabit, rehis call-up for the R.A.A.F this week-end and departs on Monday's mail train for the south.

Mr. J. Hourke. stipendiary steward of the Q.R.A., was a passenger on Monday's mail train to spend a short holiday in Sydney.

Private O. Devery returned to the helm on Monday's train.

Mr. l. Davis, the newly-elected secretary for the A.W.U. western Union, joined Monday's train for a business visit to Brisbane.

Mr. FI. F. Pender, solicitor, re-turned to Barcaldine on Saturday's train, after a short visit to Brisbane. During his stay.

Mr. Pander enlisted In the A.I.I.F. and expects to leave Barcaldine at an early date. to enter camp.

Mr. M. O'Dwyer, Station master at Barcaldine, has received advice, of his transfer to Yeppoon. The date of his departure has not yet been derided upon.

The following pupils of the Barcaldine State



School have been advised of their success in the recent State scholarship examinations -Cleo Guterilge, Maurice Wlvrs, Ron Mc-Iver, Stuart Scott, Dor Fraser, Terence. Thomas and Kenneth Faulkner.

Matron Smith, of the Barcaldine Hospital,

who spent, a few days in Rockhampton, returned on Wednesday's train.

Nurse M. Manning, of the Rock Hampton General Hospital staff, is paying, a short visit in Barcaldine. Nurse Marjorie of the Bundaberg General Hospital; is visiting relatives.

Air raid preparation

Twenty-five parents responded to a call from the committee for the Barcaldine State School to attend the school grounds on Sunday morning for the purpose of digging trenches for the benefit of the children in case of an air raid. Considering that at least 30 per cent of the fathers were absent from town, the attendance was very gratifying, especially when comparisons are made with similar requests in Brisbane, where one school working bee only mustered eight parents at a school with a roll call of over 500. Every man put his full weight into the business, and after a good morning's toil, 25 trenches up to specifications were finished. The morning was not without its excitement, for at one period it was found that one willing labourer was missing, later being found in a trench thoroughly exhausted from his efforts and unable to climb out. Arrangements were also made for another working bee for tomorrow when it is expected the work will be finished.



‘Kisses’ on letters: Navy says ‘no’

Sailors are no longer allowed to write kisses in the form of crosses at the foot of letters to their wives or girlfriends.

This is the latest edict of the censorship officials who fear that the crosses may be used as a secret code.

It does not mean that sailors are suspected of deliberately giving away vital navy information.

But, it is pointed out, sailor husbands often like to tell their wives of their whereabouts at sea.

Knowing that this is strictly forbidden by the naval authorities, husband and wife may pre-arrange a secret code.

Thus XX at the foot of a letter might mean "Darwin" or XXXX "Salonika" and so on.

No harm is intended by husband and wife and no harm is done until the sailor's wife tells her next door neighbour and the news spreads around that Mrs. So and so's husband a sailor on the H.M.A.S. Wallaby is at Salonika.

Coming finally to the ears of an enemy agent, it may prove an item of vital information to the enemy.

The censor's department employs a special staff of experts for the detection of cyphers, or cryptography as it is called. The main objective of these experts is to discover and track down

enemy agents who send information out of the country.

But their work is greatly complicated by the loyal correspondent, who accepts it, as a joke or a challenge to his special mental ability to beat the censor. The mentality of this individual is much like the mentality of the crossword puzzle fan at his worst.

Much time is wasted by the experts in dealing with this joker. As a precaution



and as a curb on his inventiveness. they have removed from the public libraries and bookshops all books dealing with codes, cyphers and cryptography.

The efforts of these correspondents however are doomed to fail for there is practically no form of cypher which is not known to the experts.

They cannot always, decode the cypher, but they can almost detect it and destroy it.

All letters which enter or leave Australia are subject to censorship examination. The

task is an enormous one.

During the last war the censor's department compiled "black lists" of persons whose correspondence was specially watched. By 1918 this list contained 15,000 names.

The black list was divided- into two categories: The names of enemy and neutral firms with whom it was forbidden to trade, and a secret list of the names of persons or firms in Australia or in Allied or neutral countries, suspected of dealing with the enemy.

New songs

The new 20th Century-Fox picture, "Young People", which stars Shirley Temple, Jack Oakie and Charlotte Greenwood, introduces five grand new songs. Combined with these in the gay new film are a sances of dances that help make "Young People" an outstanding musical hit.

A new song-writing team of Mack Gordon and Harry Warren was created to write these hits for Shirley's new picture.

Included among the new songs, which seem destined for a long stay on the hit parade, are:

- Fifth Avenue
- I Wouldn't Take a Million
- The Mason-Dixon Line
- Tra-la-la-la
- Young People

Young people, co-stars Shirley with two fo the grandest comedians the screen has ever known, Jack Oakie and Charlotte Greenwood and is coming to the Muttaborra Talkies on Saturday next 29th November 1941.

The picture has a fine featured cast headed by Arleen Whelan, George Montgomery and Kathleen Howard.



Can't thank Bruce enough

By Jeff Close, Winton Correspondant

Last week saw a 'Thank You' dinner hosted by the Winton Shire Council and attended by Directors of the Waltzing Matilda Centre Board to recognise the contribution of Bruce Collins OAM.

After a near 30-year association with the Matilda Centre, as Deputy Mayor, Mayor, Chair of the Board, and Director as well as a link with the local Historical Society, it was a fitting function. His service to the Matilda Centre is but a part of his active community citizenship.

Bruce was presented with a very limited edition bronze sculpture by the Board Chair.

Bruce's address was both a potted history of the Waltzing Matilda Centre, as well as an insight for newer Board members into the history of the company.

Mr Collins addressed the meeting thus:

"I thank the Council and Board members for putting this function on to mark my involvement with the Waltzing Matilda Centre and thank you for coming.

I intend to use this opportunity to give a broad account of the birth of the Waltzing Matilda Centre.

When I look back on my time on Council and involvement with the construction of and subsequent operation of the Centre, I do so with some pride – not for what I did, but for what the community of Winton did, for this was a true community project.

Following the very successful Centenary of Waltzing Matilda in 1995, the Mayor, the late Cr Eric Lenton was advised by State Deputy Premier, Tom Burns "to get something physical for Winton out of the celebrations" which had attracted over 14,000 visitors in ten days, including the State Premier, Wayne Goss and Prime Minister, Paul Keating.

Following the success of those celebrations, the community generally was in a very positive frame of mind and people were happy to engage with Council and offer support.

With the Mayor's leadership, Council settled on a site in Elderslie Street for the proposed structure next to the Qantilda Museum and purchased two additional adjacent blocks. Council also set about raising funds via donations from private and commercial sources.

All donations of \$5000 or more were recognised by presenting the donor with a signed, framed document as well as a miniature of the Banjo statue.

This idea of exchanging a bronze swaggy for \$5000 towards the new Centre raised a lot of money for its construction, not only from business and private sources but from many local organisations.

Council called for expressions of interest to design a suitable structure for the planned Waltzing Matilda Centre and settled on the idea of an early station homestead, supplied by Brisbane architect, Robin Retchford.

All of this was still in a conceptual stage when the sudden death of Mayor, Cr Eric Lenton in September 1995 delivered a major jolt to Council's plans. Eric had been the driver, he spoke with many people of influence and, to some degree, had the concept plan in his head.

As I was Deputy Mayor at the time, I felt a moral obligation to keep these plans going so I put my name in the ring and was elected in a by-election to replace Eric. There were a lot of gaps in our plans. All we had was an architect – we needed builders, fit-out consultants, what do we put in it? Where do we get all the money we need? How do we sort all this out in a hurry?

Council decided that Deputy CEO, Chris Blanch and I would attend the Local Government Conference in Canberra late November and whilst away, knock on some political doors as well as visiting a number of attractions to come back with some ideas. My wife, Helen, accompanied us as a self-funded volunteer! We visited a number of attractions in Sydney, Canberra and Victoria, including Sovereign Hill at Ballarat, which celebrates the Eureka Stockade and does it very well.

In order to attract government funding, an art gallery was designed into the complex after the provision of comprehensive advice to the architect from Qld Art Gallery staff regarding the preferred dimensions of the space, wall and floor coverings, ceiling height, lighting etc.

A lot of water passed under the bridge in 1996 as finances were secured and publicity ramped up.



Winton's Bruce Collins OAM was presented with this limited-edition bronze statuette at a 'Thank You' dinner hosted by Winton Shire Council last week. Picture: SUPPLIED



Bruce reminisced about many things over his 30 years - including the original Qantilda Pioneer Place at Winton, pictured here in the early 1970s. Picture: SUPPLIED

Council appointed a WMC Management Committee with three community representatives, Alan Green, Butch Lenton and Diane Murphy; and two Historical Society reps joining three Councillors, Council's CEO, Tim Rose and later the first Centre manager.

John Aitken Productions was appointed the project consultants to manage all aspects of media, promotion and celebrations.

After finalising the building design, construction was short-listed to J Hutchinson Pty Ltd and Sommer and Staff Constructions Pty Ltd.

Both were proposing a Construction Management process, which was chosen as it gave Council more oversight during the construction phase.

The contract was awarded to J Hutchinson Builders in March 1997 and they commenced work on the project soon after.

In hindsight, a lot could have been done better with the design, but visitors were booking ahead to come in and it was functional. We were really in uncharted waters because this was the first attraction constructed by a local

government for the purpose of bringing more visitors to their town.

Council was well aware that new tourist attractions need regular injections of funds in order to display something new or they become old hat and can wither on the vine. In an attempt to overcome this, our business plan was to sell the Centre as celebrating "the spirit of the Australian character". We set out to try to engage all Australians by utilising the goodwill of well-known sports people and performers with the status of Patron in order to help promotion and attract more visitors.

Some of our foundation Patrons came up to Winton for the opening –Norman May (the voice of swimming), Tracey Wickham, Dick Smith, guitarist Tommy Emanuel, and singer John Williamson, to name a few.

The Centre was opened by Qld Premier, the Hon Rob Borbidge in early April 1998 and this saw Winton get a lot of publicity that week and that continued because Richard Magoffin became a trenchant critic, often rushing to the ABC and other journos with dramatic stories of everything Winton had done wrong and we'd usually be asked to respond.

It was a deliberate decision by Council to run the new Centre at arm's length from Council in order to access skills and business experience from the private sector, to enable better access to philanthropy and to avoid the restriction of local government workplace laws.

It was also a decision to form an operational partnership with the Winton Historical Society which was very keen to see the one-ticket give entry to both attractions. A memorandum of understanding was signed and that still operates today with a few changes.

The first Board involved three Councillors, two members of the Historical Society and three people invited for their expertise in business - Sallyanne Atkinson, Vince O'Rourke and Warwick Tainton. Sallyanne, as you all know, is still on the board, has great contacts, wide experience and a lot to offer. Vince used to head up Qld Rail and was a very experienced and astute businessman. Warwick flew 747's for Qantas and was involved with the early days of the Qantas Founders Museum in Longreach.

After that first year we engaged a new Manager as the first one was on a nine months contract to get the Centre opened and functioning, which he did quite well.

One aspect of the Centre that worked very well from the outset was the Outback Regional Gallery, whose volunteer members had been trained in gallery practice by Bettina MacAulay, past curator of Australian Art at QAG. This training was arranged and paid for by Council.

Our very first exhibition coincided with the Centre opening and was a collection of Masters from the QAG collection. Visitors were heard to lament that they could often see better works hanging here than in Brisbane.

It took several modifications over a period of years to rectify most of those early design errors in the Centre and sad to say, I think the operational side of the Centre was functioning better than it had for some time when the fire of 2015 visited us and caused great mayhem. It was a sad loss to the community and that day I saw big, tough men with tears in their eyes.

So now we have a new one, totally different but still one to be proud of."

Mr Collins' seat on the board is being filled by Ms Kim Stoter.

Bruce is also providing information to Melbourne W Benjamin Lindner, Barrister-at-Law, who is writing a follow-up book to his definitive Banjo Paterson - this time on the history of the Waltzing Matilda Centre.

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The fame game
Prime Video's
Daisy Jones &
The Six boasts
rock royalty

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Brian Nankervis
gets the band
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for a new season
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And the beat goes on

As *RockWiz* returns to our screens after a seven-year absence, co-creator Brian Nankervis muses to **Siobhan Duck** on the power of nostalgia and what to expect in the new season

IT ALL began with a dusty old cassette player in Brian Nankervis' classroom. Long before he kept score on *RockWiz*, Nankervis was a teacher whose weekly music-themed quizzes proved so popular that his old students are still talking about them decades later.

"I went to a 50th birthday party on Friday night and one of my favourite students of all time was there, a woman called Joanna, who is about 50 herself, and I taught her in grade four," he recalls.

"And we had a laugh about some of the former students and the games and she said: 'Whenever I watch *RockWiz* I think: we used to do that!' We used to have quizzes every Friday that everyone liked so much that it was often still going on the Monday."

Keen to do some overseas travel, Nankervis took a second job as a waiter at the Last Laugh comedy venue. It was there that he discovered that his ease in front of an audience and quick quips didn't just hold him in good stead in the classroom – they also struck a chord on stage.

"I really enjoyed that the atmosphere there, and the waiters at The Last Laugh were always encouraged to get the crowd in the mood," he recalls.

So, when he got back from his overseas adventure, Nankervis decided to return to The Last Laugh where he made the move to the stage itself in *Let the Blood Run Free*, an improvised soap opera that would eventually become the groundbreaking choose-your-own-adventure series that screened on Channel 10 from 1992 to 1994.

The show co-starred some Australian comedy legends – Jean Kittson, Peter Rowsthorn and "the late, great" Lynda Gibson (who died in 2004 after a battle with ovarian cancer).

"We loved doing it but it was a bit unusual," he says. "It was a little bit different for most. A lot of critics hated it. We got some dreadful reviews, saying it was stupid. Over the top. Crass. Ghoulish."

Despite being a miss with critics, Nankervis got the last laugh, because *Let the Blood Run Free* paved the way to him making comedy his full-time job and creating *RockWiz*, the music trivia series which aired on SBS for 14 seasons.

Now after a seven-year absence from the small screen, Nankervis is getting the band back together with a *RockWiz* reboot debuting on Foxtel.

"It's exciting, although it should be said that we've never really stopped," he says.

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IT'S WORTH POINTING OUT THAT WHILE WE DID OUR FINAL SHOWS ON SBS IN 2016, WHICH IS SEVEN YEARS AGO, WE'VE BEEN DOING LIVE SHOWS THE WHOLE TIME



Ready to rock: *RockWiz* co-creator Brian Nankervis is getting the band back together for a new season on Foxtel, including host Julia Zemiro, inset.



2016, which is seven years ago, we've been doing live shows the whole time.

"So every year we do a live show at Hamer Hall called 'Really, Really Good Friday', not just a Good Friday, but a really good Friday.

"We go to Bluesfest most years up at Byron. We've done lots of national tours – 25 or 30 shows around Australia in one hit. And we've done festivals."

The timing of this *RockWiz* reboot couldn't be better. It comes hot on the heels of the pandemic, where many people realised how much they missed live entertainment and are yearning for nostalgia.

Nankervis says the return of *RockWiz* was also music to the ears

of the rockers, popstars, soul singers, rappers and assorted folk acts who had missed having it as an avenue to perform live on television.

"One of the things that we've always done, and we're certainly continuing with this new series on Foxtel, is to have a mixture of established artists and young up-and-comers," he says.

"Because sometimes, the young up-and-comers miss out [on TV gigs] because people want household names or they want artists that are instantly recognisable.

"And then sometimes the household names miss out because [producers] feel that we have seen them we've had enough of them.

"But *RockWiz* has always, because of the structure of our show, been a platform for two artists [from both ends of the spectrum] right from the start."

As such, the new season of *RockWiz* will feature the likes of Jimmy Barnes, Tina Arena, Ella Hooper, Ben Lee, WILSN and Isabella Manfredi.

The show also marks the return of the original *RockWiz* Orchestra and, of course, Nankervis' partner in musical crime, Julia Zemiro.

While life on the road has been fun, Nankervis says he is looking forward to bringing the show back to the box.

"There's something very exciting about working within the confines of TV," he explains.

"And when it's live, anything goes [on stage or screen] but when it's on the TV, it's a lot more constructed and you've got to be a lot more careful.

"Plus, the fact is, that you go on telly and you can suddenly reach massive amounts of people, which means that you can sell more tickets to the live shows."

Nankervis has always been in his element when he's performing in front of a live audience. Whether

that was as a teacher in the classroom, performing a poetry parody on *Hey Hey it's Saturday* or as the adjudicator on *RockWiz*.

He's also become one of the best warm-up guys in the business. The often-underappreciated gig requires artists like Nankervis to keep audiences entertained during the breaks in lengthy TV recording sessions.

Nankervis fell into the gig by accident while he was working on the *Jimeoin* show during the mid-'90s.

When the booked warm-up act called in sick, Nankervis volunteered to step into the fray, wheeling out a slightly updated version of his classroom music quiz.

"And then the funny thing is that about seven years later, that same guy who was a producer at *Jimeoin* [Peter Bain-Hogg], who offered me that warm-up job, had started working for Renegade Films, and they had decided they wanted to make a pilot of a music trivia show..." he says.

And the rest, as they say, is history.

■ *RockWiz*, Friday, 7.30pm (AEDT), FOX8 and Foxtel On Demand

Movie Guide

PICK OF THE WEEK

KILLER INSTINCT

Saturday
JOHN WICK: CHAPTER 3 - PARABELLUM
Seven, 8.30pm, MA15+ (2019)

It's non-stop action from start to finish as Keanu Reeves stars in the third instalment of his hit assassin series. This time, the stakes are higher as Reeves finds himself on the run and struggling to fend off assassins from an international criminal syndicate after killing one of their own. While the film attempts to set up mythology in amongst the action, it truly shines when it comes to its beautiful fight choreography that often sees Reeves taking down scores of foes in brutal hand-to-hand combat or from afar with some impressive and flashy gunplay. Halle Berry puts in a memorable turn – even after breaking three ribs during rehearsals – as Sofia Al-Azwar, a masterful marksman who comes to Wick's aid. ★★★★★



Deadly duo:
Keanu Reeves
and Halle Berry.



HACKSAW RIDGE
Seven, Friday, 8.30pm, MA15+ (2016)

Andrew Garfield (pictured, *99 Homes*) leads this World War II true story of Desmond T. Doss, who won the Congressional Medal of Honor despite refusing to bear arms on religious grounds. Doss was drafted and ostracised by fellow soldiers for his pacifist stance, but went on to earn respect and adoration for his bravery, selflessness and compassion after he risked his life to save 75 men in the Battle of Okinawa – without firing or even carrying a gun. ★★★★★



THE PROPOSITION
ABC TV Plus, Friday, 8.30pm, MA15+ (2005)

The first full screenplay from the dark prince of Aussie music, Nick Cave, is a western set in 1880s colonial Australia. It focuses on Charlie (Guy Pearce, pictured), a man torn between the loyalty of two brothers. To save one (Richard Wilson) from the gallows, he agrees to hunt down another (Danny Huston), a psychopath who has been attacking settlers. Directed by John Hillcoat, *The Proposition* is utterly uncompromising and is one of the best Australian films for some time. ★★★★★



ZOMBIELAND
7Flix, Saturday, 9.30pm, MA15+ (2009)

While not in quite the same league as the classic "zom-com" *Shaun of the Dead*, this gruesome guilty pleasure is only a notch below. Jesse Eisenberg stars as neurotic narrator Columbus, a nervous youngster who appears to be the last survivor of a zombie apocalypse and is trying make his way back home to his parents. Along the way, he runs into gun-toting cowboy Tallahassee (Woody Harrelson, pictured, right, with Eisenberg), and two unlikely partners hit the road together. ★★★★★



THE DANISH GIRL
7Bravo, Sunday, 8.30pm, M (2015)

Based on the story of Lili Elbe, one of the first-known recipients of sex reassignment surgery, director Tom Hooper's (*The King's Speech*) 1920s-set feature is a polished affair. Eddie Redmayne and Alicia Vikander (both pictured) play Einar and Gerda, Danish artists who find their marriage challenged when Einar realises he identifies as a woman. Hooper favours an arty approach over an intimate examination of Lili's feelings, leaving Redmayne the huge job of conveying a multitude of emotions. ★★★★★



COCO AVANT CHANEL
SBS World Movies, Monday, 6.25pm, PG (2009)

This beautifully made period production focuses on the life of Gabrielle 'Coco' Chanel, a headstrong orphan who went on to become the legendary world-renowned fashion designer. Audrey Tautou (pictured) in the lead role perfectly embodies the somewhat rigid personality of the aspiring fashion queen, and as the title suggests, the focus is on her formative years. *Coco Avant Chanel* is a lovely tribute to a thoroughly modern woman who became a timeless style symbol. ★★★★★



BASIC INSTINCT
7Flix, Tuesday, 8.30pm, MA15+ (1992)

The thriller that launched Sharon Stone (pictured) to stardom is overblown trash par excellence. Michael Douglas plays a San Francisco homicide detective investigating the murder of a rock star. He becomes entangled in a deadly affair with a crime novelist (Stone), who is the prime suspect. Stone's chilling, sexy performance is capped by her infamous "leg-crossing" scene. There are enough dead-ends, John Does and double-crosses to keep viewers guessing until the end. ★★

The Guide

ROYAL AUTOPSY SBS, Friday, 9.25pm

Not for the faint-hearted, this grisly two-part series investigates the cause of the deaths of two of Britain's most famous and historically significant monarchs – Queen Elizabeth I (1533-1603) and King Charles II (1630-1685). In each episode, Professor Alice Roberts and forensic pathologist Dr Brett Lockyer conduct simulated autopsies on each of the rulers using a blend of prosthetic bodies, toxicology testing and forensic analysis. Tonight's post-mortem examination brings to life the final days of Queen Elizabeth I's reign.

VERA ABC TV, Sunday, 8.30pm

Devoted fans of this long-running detective drama can breathe a sigh of relief – no-nonsense sleuth DCI Vera Stanhope (Brenda Blethyn, pictured) will return for at least one more instalment after this latest four-episode run wraps up next week. Rest assured, Vera isn't hanging up her iconic green mac and fisherman hat just yet. In tonight's penultimate episode of season 12, simply titled "Blue", Vera gets her teeth stuck into another baffling mystery when a second-generation police officer is found dead floating in a park lake. The unorthodox but perceptive crime-solver treads carefully on both sides of the thin blue line as she bids to uncover the truth.



SOUTH KOREA WITH ALEXANDER ARMSTRONG SBS, Monday, 8.30pm

South Korean pop music has exploded over the past decade, with groups such as BTS and Blackpink dominating charts around the world. But few K-pop songs have captured the world's collective attention like Psy's *Gangnam Style* did in 2012. Propelled by an energetic beat and an unforgettable horse-riding dance, the viral phenomenon went on to become the first video to rack up one billion views on YouTube. In this series premiere, dapper host Alexander Armstrong visits Gangnam, the Seoul district immortalised in the catchy tune. He even gets the chance to record a K-pop banger of his very own.

PICK OF THE WEEK



BACK IN TIME FOR THE CORNER SHOP ABC TV, Tuesday, 8pm

Our shopping habits have drastically changed over the years, with everything now just the click of a button away. So it's fascinating to reflect on far simpler times, when Australians had to rely on one small business to meet their daily needs – the humble corner shop. In the latest instalment of this much-loved living-history series, the fearless Ferrone family returns to experience running one of Australia's most treasured institutions over 150 years of history, starting further back in time than ever before – in the 1850s. Host Annabel Crabb is on hand as Carol, Peter, Julian, Sienna and Olivia navigate the enlightening challenge with their unbridled enthusiasm and curiosity.

Friday, March 3

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| ABC TV (2) 6.00 News Breakfast. 9.00 ABC News Mornings. 10.00 Australia's Ocean Odyssey: A Journey Down The East Australian Current. (PG, R) 11.00 Australia Remastered. (R) 12.00 ABC News At Noon. 1.00 Queerstralia. (Malns, R) 2.00 QI. (Ms, R) 2.30 Back Roads. (PG, R) 3.00 Gardening Australia. (R) 4.00 Antiques Roadshow. (R) 5.00 Anh's Brush With Fame. (PG, R) 5.30 Hard Quiz. (PG, R) | SBS (3) 6.00 WorldWatch. 9.00 Home Of The Year: Scotland. (PG) 10.00 Grayson's Art Club. (PG, R) 10.55 Lady Jane Grey: Murder Of A Child Queen. (PGv, R) 12.05 WorldWatch. 2.10 Hear Me Out. 2.20 Amplify This. 2.40 Deafying Gravity. 2.55 Flightpaths, Freeways, Railroads. (PG) 3.00 NITV News: Nula. 3.30 Bamay. (R) 3.45 The Cook Up. (PG) 4.15 We Hear You. 5.05 Jeopardy! (R) 5.30 Letters And Numbers. (R) | SEVEN (7) 6.00 Sunrise. 9.00 The Morning Show. (PG) 11.30 Seven Morning News. 12.00 MOVIE: Heaven. (2019, Mav, R) Annalise Basso. 2.00 House Of Wellness. (PG) 3.00 The Chase. (R) 4.00 Seven News At 4. 5.00 The Chase Australia. Hosted by Larry Emdur. | NINE (8, 9) 6.00 Today. 9.00 Today Extra. (PG) 11.30 Morning News. 12.00 For The Love Of Pets. (PGm, R) 1.00 Space Invaders. (PGal, R) 2.00 Pointless. (PG, R) 3.00 Tipping Point. (PG, R) 4.00 Afternoon News. 4.30 Millionaire Hot Seat. (R) 5.30 WIN News. | TEN (5, 1) 6.00 The Talk. (PGa) 7.00 Farm To Fork. (PG, R) 7.30 GCBC. (R) 8.00 Everyday Gourmet. (R) 8.30 Ent. Tonight. (R) 9.00 Judge Judy. (PG, R) 9.30 The Bold And The Beautiful. (PG, R) 10.00 Studio 10. (PG) 12.00 10 News First: Midday. 1.00 Dr Phil. (PGa) 2.00 To Be Advised. 3.00 Entertainment Tonight. 3.30 Judge Judy. (PG, R) 4.00 Farm To Fork. 4.30 The Bold And The Beautiful. (PG) 5.00 10 News First. |
| 6.00 The Drum. Analysis of the day's news. 7.00 ABC News. Takes a look at today's top stories. 7.30 Gardening Australia. Costa Georgiadis tours an expert's vegie patch. Jane Edmanson cultivates autumn colour. 8.30 Endeavour. (Mav) Part 1 of 3. A grisly discovery in a College garden raises suspicion among a celebrated Oxford orchestra, but when a second tragedy hits, this time within their ranks, Endeavour discovers a story the would sooner forget. 10.00 Van Der Valk. (Mav, R) Part 1 of 3. 11.35 ABC Late News. 11.50 Miniseries: Butterfly. (Mal, R) 12.35 Adam Hills: The Last Leg. (R) 1.20 Rage. (MA15+adhlnsv) | 6.00 Mastermind Australia. (PG) 6.30 SBS World News. 7.30 Wrecks That Changed The World: Danger Ahead. Takes a look at shipwrecks. 8.30 Walking Britain's Lost Railways: Devon. (PG, R) Rob Bell discovers the now-abandoned lines that unlocked the wild coastline of north Devon. 9.25 Royal Autopsy. Part 1 of 2. 10.25 SBS World News Late. 10.55 Gomorrah. (MA15+v, R) 1.25 Romulus. (MA15+sv, R) 3.25 Mastermind Australia. (R) 4.30 Bamay. (R) 5.00 NHK World English News Morning. 5.30 ANC Philippines The World Tonight. | 6.00 Seven Local News. 6.30 Seven News. 7.00 Better Homes And Gardens. Hosted by Johanna Griggs. 8.30 MOVIE: Hacksaw Ridge. (2016, MA15+v, R) Based on a true story. A conscientious objector works as a medic on the frontlines of World War II. Andrew Garfield, Sam Worthington, Vince Vaughn. 11.15 MOVIE: Point Of No Return. (1993, Mlsv, R) A murderer becomes an assassin. Bridget Fonda. 1.35 RSPCA Animal Rescue. (R) 2.00 Home Shopping. (R) 4.00 Million Dollar Minute. (R) 5.00 NBC Today. | 6.00 Nine News. 7.00 Rugby League. NRL. Round 1. Penrith Panthers v Brisbane Broncos. 8.55 Golden Point. A wrap-up of the Penrith Panthers versus Brisbane Broncos match, with news and analysis. 9.40 All The Way: Panthers Title Defence. A behind-the-scene journey of the Penrith Panthers on their quest to win the 2022 NRL Premiership. 11.10 The First 48: Bad Love. (Mav, R) 12.00 Tipping Point. (PG, R) 1.00 Surfing Australia TV. (R) 1.30 TV Shop: Home Shopping. (R) 4.00 Take Two. (R) 4.30 Global Shop. (R) 5.00 TV Shop: Home Shopping. (R) 5.30 Skippy The Bush Kangaroo. (R) | 6.30 The Project. A look at the day's news and events. 7.30 The Graham Norton Show. Graham Norton is joined on the couch by celebrity guests including Dame Helen Mirren and Pedro Pascal. 8.30 To Be Advised. 10.30 Just For Laughs. (MI, R) Hosted by Nick Cody. 11.00 Just For Laughs Uncut. (MA15+Is, R) Hosted by Nikki Osborne. 11.30 The Project. (R) A look at the day's news and events. 12.30 The Late Show With Stephen Colbert. (PG) Late-night talk show. 1.30 Home Shopping. (R) 5.30 Infomercials. (PG, R) |
| ABC TV PLUS (22) 6am Children's Programs. 5.30pm Ginger And The Vegesaur. 5.35 Interstellar Ella. 5.50 Kiri And Lou. 5.55 Kangaroo Beach. 6.05 The Adventures Of Paddington. 6.20 Bluey. 6.25 Peter Rabbit. 6.40 Ben And Holly. 6.50 Shaun The Sheep. 7.05 Grace's Amazing Machines. 7.20 Bluey. 7.30 Spicks And Specks. 8.00 Hard Quiz. 8.30 MOVIE: The Proposition. (2005, MA15+) 10.10 Doctor Who. 10.55 Silent Witness. 11.55 Killing Eve. 12.40am High Fidelity. 1.10 Friday Night Dinner. 1.55 ABC News Update. 2.00 Close. 5.05 Curious George. 5.25 Miffy's Adventures Big And Small. 5.35 Charlie And Lola. 5.50 Late Programs. | SBS VICELAND (31) 6am WorldWatch. 9.30 Shortland St. 11.00 The Movie Show. Noon Land Of The Giants: Titans Of Tech. 1.35 The Beach. 2.05 The UnXplained. 2.50 Counter Space. 3.20 BBC News At Ten. 3.50 ABC World News Tonight With David Muir. 4.15 PBS News. 5.15 Takeshi's Castle. 5.45 The Joy Of Painting With Bob Ross. 6.15 Forged In Fire. 7.05 Jeopardy! 7.35 8 Out Of 10 Cats Does Countdown. 8.30 Hoarders. 9.20 Sex With Sue. 11.00 Sex War Robots. 11.25 VICE News Tonight. 12.20am Dark Side Of The '90s. 2.10 True Believers. 3.05 NHK World English News. 5.00 Al Jazeera Newshour. | 7TWO (72) 6am Home Shopping. 6.30 Escape To The Country. 7.30 The Real Seachange. 8.00 Home Shopping. 8.30 Million Dollar Minute. 9.30 NBC Today. Noon The Surgery Ship. 1.00 House Of Wellness. 2.00 Our Town. 2.30 Million Dollar Minute. 3.30 ICU. 4.30 Better Homes And Gardens Summer. 5.30 Escape To The Country. 6.30 Bargain Hunt. 7.30 Border Security USA. 8.00 Border Patrol. 8.30 Escape To The Country. 10.30 World's Most Secret Homes. 11.30 Border Security USA. Midnight Border Patrol. 12.30 Escape To The Country. 1.30 Better Homes And Gardens Summer. 2.30 Late Programs. | 9GEM (81, 92) 6am TV Shop: Home Shopping. 7.00 Creflo Dollar Ministries. 7.30 TV Shop: Home Shopping. 10.30 Pointless. 11.30 My Favorite Martian. Noon Days Of Our Lives. 12.55 Raymond. 4.00 The Nanny. 5.00 Bewitched. 5.30 Queens Of Mystery. 3.00 Antiques Roadshow. 3.30 MOVIE: School For Scoundrels. (1960) 5.30 Murder, She Wrote. 6.30 Rugby League. NRL. Round 1. Penrith Panthers v Brisbane Broncos. 7.00 A Current Affair. 7.30 For The Love Of Pets. 8.30 MOVIE: Mamma Mia! Here We Go Again. (2018, PG) 10.40 MOVIE: Footloose. (1984, M) 12.50am Explore. 1.00 TV Shop. 5.00 Late Programs. | 10 PEACH (52, 11) 6am The Late Show With Stephen Colbert. 7.00 NBL Slam. 7.30 Becker. 8.00 Seinfeld. 9.30 The King Of Queens. 10.30 The Middle. 11.30 Frasier. 12.30pm Becker. 1.30 Seinfeld. 3.00 The King Of Queens. 4.00 Becker. 5.00 Frasier. 6.00 Friends. 6.30 Basketball. NBL. Finals. Sydney Kings v New Zealand Breakers. 8.30 Friends. 9.30 Two And A Half Men. 10.30 Nancy Drew. (Final) 11.30 Frasier. Midnight Home Shopping. 12.30 Infomercials. 1.00 Home Shopping. 1.30 The Late Show With Stephen Colbert. 2.30 James Corden. 3.30 Becker. 4.30 Shopping. 5.30 Infomercials. |
| NITV (34) 6am Morning Programs. 8.45 Bushwhacked! 9.35 The Magic Canoe. 10.00 Great Blue Wild. 10.50 Going Places. 11.20 MOVIE: The Color Purple. (1985, PG) 2pm 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 Grace Beside Me. 4.30 Spartakus And The Sun Beneath The Sea. 5.00 Our Stories. 5.30 NITV News: Nula. 6.00 Bamay. 6.35 Great Blue Wild. 7.30 MOVIE: Belle And Sebastian 3. (2017, PG) 9.05 Going Places With Ernie Dingo. 10.05 Cultural Connections Immersion Festival. 11.05 Late Programs. | SBS WORLD MOVIES (32) 6am On A Clear Day. Continued. (2005, PG) 7.15 A Monster In Paris. (2011, French) 8.55 It's All About Karma. (2017, PG, Italian) 10.35 Living Is Easy With Eyes Closed. (2013, M, Spanish) 12.35pm Dreamfools. (2018, M, Italian) 2.30 This Beautiful Fantastic. (2016, PG) 4.10 Hairspray. (1988, PG) 5.50 Love And Friendship. (2016, PG) 7.30 Gosford Park. (2001, M) 10.00 The Good Boss. (2021, M, Spanish) 12.15am 7:20 Once A Week. (2018, MA15+, Spanish) 1.40 The Whistlers. (2019, MA15+, Romanian) 3.25 Desierto. (2015, MA15+, Spanish) 5.00 Vai. (2019, PG) | 7MATE (74) 6am Hook, Line And Sinkers. 7.00 Merv Hughes Fishing. 7.30 Creek To Coast. 8.00 WSL Wrapped. 9.00 Motor Racing. Supercars Championship. Round 5. Winton SuperSprint. Day 2. Highlights. 10.00 Blokesworld. 10.30 American Pickers. 11.30 Pawn Stars. Noon Motorbike Cops. 12.20 Jabba's Movies. 12.50 MOVIE: The Last Starfighter. (1984, PG) 3.00 Timbersports. 3.30 Counting Cars. 4.30 Ultimate Rides. 5.30 American Restoration. 6.00 American Pickers. 7.00 Pawn Stars. 7.30 MOVIE: Waterworld. (1995, M) 10.15 MOVIE: Mad Max 2: The Road Warrior. (1981, MA15+) 12.20am Late Programs. | 9GO! (82, 93) 6am Children's Programs. Noon Motor Racing. SpeedSeries. TCR Aust Series, TransAm Series and the S5000 Austn Drivers C'ship. H'lights. 2.00 Full House. 2.30 3rd Rock. 3.30 Raymond. 4.00 The Nanny. 5.00 Bewitched. 5.30 I Dream Of Jeannie. 6.00 MOVIE: Alvin And The Chipmunks: The Squeakquel. (2009) 7.45 MOVIE: Meet The Fockers. (2004, M) 10.05 MOVIE: Little Fockers. (2010, M) 12.05am Alphas. 1.00 Manifest. 2.00 Everybody Loves Raymond. 2.30 Full House. 3.00 Bakugan: Armored Alliance. 3.30 LEGO City Adventures. 4.00 TV Shop: Home Shopping. 5.00 Pokémon Master Journeys. 5.30 Yu-Gi-Oh! Sevens. | 10 BOLD (53, 12) 6am Home Shopping. 6.30 Infomercials. 8.00 Tough Tested. 9.00 iFish. 9.30 Star Trek: The Next Generation. 10.30 MacGyver. 11.30 JAG. 12.30pm NCIS. 1.30 Blue Bloods. 2.30 Scorpion. 3.30 Star Trek: The Next Generation. 4.30 MacGyver. 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. 1.15 Infomercials. 1.45 Home Shopping. 2.15 Star Trek: The Next Generation. 3.10 MacGyver. 4.05 JAG. 5.00 Scorpion. |

CONSUMER ADVICE (P) Pre-school (C) Children (PG) Parental Guidance Recommended (M) Mature Audiences (MA15+) Mature Audiences Only (A15+) Extreme Adult Violence (R) Repeat (a) Adult themes (d) Drug references (h) Horror (s) Sex references (l) Language (m) Medical procedures (n) Nudity (v) Violence.

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Saturday, March 4

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| ABC TV PLUS (22) 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 Death In Paradise. (Mv, R) 3.00 Scottish Vets Down Under. (PG, R) 3.30 Monty Don's French Gardens. (R) 4.30 Landline. (R) 5.00 Dream Gardens. (R) 5.30 Further Back In Time For Dinner. (PG, R) | SBS (3) 6.00 WorldWatch. 9.05 J Schwanke's Life In Bloom. (Premiere) 10.05 Love Your Garden. (PGa, R) 11.00 Outside: Beyond The Lens. (PG) 12.00 WorldWatch. 2.00 Bowls. Ultimate Bowls 2022. Event 1. Final. Highlights. 3.00 Figure Skating. Four Continents Championships. Highlights. 4.35 Secret Scotland. (PG, R) 5.30 The Abyss: The Rise And Fall Of The Nazis. (PG) | SEVEN (7) 6.00 NBC Today. 7.00 Weekend Sunrise. 10.00 The Morning Show. (PG) The latest news and views. 12.00 Horse Racing. Australian Guineas Day and Randwick Guineas Day. 5.00 Seven News At 5. 5.30 Creek To Coast. A look at the latest in outdoor activities. | NINE (8, 9) 6.00 Getaway. (PG, R) 6.30 A Current Affair. (R) 7.00 Weekend Today. 10.00 Today Extra: Saturday. (PG) 12.00 Our State On A Plate. (PG) 12.30 The Pet Rescuers. (PG) 1.00 My Way. (PG, R) 1.30 MOVIE : The Man In The Moon. (1991, PGa, R) Reese Witherspoon, Sam Waterston, Jason London. 3.30 Journey To South Africa. 4.30 Explore TV. 5.00 News: First At Five. 5.30 Getaway. (PG) | TEN (5, 8) 6am Morning Programs. 7.30 Escape Fishing. (R) 8.00 Exploring Off The Grid. (R) 8.30 What's Up Down Under. (R) 9.30 CBC. (R) 10.00 St10. (PG) 12.00 4x4 Adventures. (R) 1.00 Offroad Adv. (R) 2.00 All 4 Adventure. (PGI, R) 3.00 What's Up Down Under. 3.30 Roads Less Travelled. (R) 4.00 Farm To Fork. (R) 4.30 Taste Of Australia: BBQ Special. 5.00 News. |
| 6.25 Better Date Than Never. (Final, PG, R) Dianne's first date continues. 7.00 ABC News. Takes a look at today's top stories and events as they unfold, with comprehensive analysis and reporting. 7.30 Call The Midwife. (Final, PG) Nonnatus House faces its darkest day after a tragic incident in the heart of Poplar. 8.35 The Larkins At Christmas. (PG, R) As the Larkins prepare for Christmas, the village faces a rash of burglaries. Chaos descends on the farm when Mariette and Charley return for the festive season along with Charley's parents. 9.40 Traces. (Mal, R) A lab assistant attending a forensic course discovers that a fictitious case study has a link to her past. 10.30 Miniseries: Time. (Malv, R) Part 1 of 3. 11.30 Rage. (MA15+adhlnsv) Music video clips. | 6.30 SBS World News. 7.35 The World's Most Beautiful Landscapes: The Mekong River. (PG) Narrated by Robert Lindsay. 8.30 Britain's Scenic Railways. (R) Part 1 of 4. Takes a look at the landscapes along some of Britain's most scenic railway journeys. 9.25 Inside Windsor Castle: Four Divorces And A Fire. (PGa, R) Part 4 of 4. 10.15 Planet Sex With Cara Delevingne: No Such Thing As Straight. (Premiere, MA15+as) 11.10 UFOs. (PGa) 2.30 Some Kind Of Heaven. (Md, R) 4.00 Mastermind Australia. (R) 4.30 Bamay. (R) 5.00 NHK World English News Morning. 5.15 France 24 Feature. 5.30 ANC Philippines The World Tonight. | 6.00 Seven News. 7.00 To Be Advised. 8.00 Border Patrol. (PGa) Follows dedicated New Zealand border staff on the frontlines as they check drugs and illegal goods, and intercept packages carrying potentially harmful pests and diseases. 8.30 MOVIE : John Wick: Chapter 3 – Parabellum. (2019, MA15+v, R) Having been declared excommunicado by the High Table for the murder of an international crime lord, professional assassin John Wick is pursued by a host of killers determined to claim the price on his head. Keanu Reeves, Halle Berry, Laurence Fishburne. 11.10 MOVIE : Absolute Power. (1997, Mlv, R) A thief uncovers a deadly conspiracy. Clint Eastwood, Gene Hackman. 2.00 Home Shopping. (R) 4.00 Get Arty. (R) 5.00 House Of Wellness. (PGa, R) | 6.00 Nine News Saturday. 7.00 A Current Affair. 7.30 Space Invaders. (PGal) The team transforms a townhouse. 8.30 MOVIE : The Notebook. (2004, PGals, R) An old man reads a love story from a faded notebook to a woman with Alzheimer's disease. Rachel McAdams, Ryan Gosling, James Garner. 11.00 MOVIE : The Choice. (2016, PGals) A med student and her neighbour fall in love. Benjamin Walker. 1.00 Australia's Top Ten Of Everything. (PG, R) 1.50 Talking Honey. (R) 2.00 The Incredible Journey Presents. (PGa) 2.30 TV Shop: Home Shopping. (R) 4.30 Global Shop. (R) 5.00 TV Shop: Home Shopping. (R) 5.30 Helping Hands. (PG) | 6.00 Bondi Rescue. (PGI, R) On Bondi's shores, the lifeguards investigate a UFO, also known as an unidentified floating object. 6.30 To Be Advised. 7.30 NCIS: Los Angeles. (Mv) The NCIS team investigates a shootout on a boat in which a rare cultural artifact is stolen. 8.30 FBI: International. (Mv) When an American vintner is shot and killed on his wine estate in France, the Fly Team must determine if the region's local protest group with a history of violence against foreigners is to blame. 10.30 NCIS. (Mv, R) Parker is the victim of identity theft. 11.30 NCIS: Hawai'i. (Mv, R) Pike is ambushed while working undercover. 12.30 Home Shopping. (R) 3.30 Infomercials. (PG, R) 4.00 Home Shopping. (R) 5.00 Hour Of Power. |
| ABC TV PLUS (22) 6am Children's Programs. 7.05pm Grace's Amazing Machines. 7.20 Bluey. 7.30 Spicks And Specks. 8.00 Whose Line Is It Anyway? 8.15 Live At The Apollo. 9.10 Penn & Teller: Fool Us. 9.45 The Set. 10.25 Doctor Who. 11.05 Fleabag. (Final) 11.40 Cucumber. 12.20am QI. 12.50 Banana. 1.15 The Young Offenders. 1.50 Close. 5.05 Curious George. 5.25 Miffy's Adventures Big And Small. 5.35 Late Programs. | SBS VICELAND (31) 6am WorldWatch. 9.30 Shortland St. 11.00 The Movie Show. Noon Dave Gorman: Modern Life Is Goodish. 2.45 Lee Lin Chin's Fashionista. 2.55 WorldWatch. 4.55 Mastermind Aust. 5.25 The Jeff Bezos Empire: The Rise And Reign Of Amazon. 7.30 Impossible Engineering. 8.30 Women Who Rock. 9.30 Cycling. UCI Women's World Tour. Strade Bianche Women. 10.25 Late Programs. | 7TWO (72) 6am Morning Programs. Noon Escape To The Country. 1.00 House Of Wellness. 2.00 Escape To The Country. 4.00 The Hotel Inspector. 5.00 Weekender. 5.30 Britain's Busiest Airport: Heathrow. 6.00 Dog Patrol. 6.30 The Highland Vet. 7.30 The Yorkshire Vet. 8.30 I Escaped To The Country. 9.30 Escape To The Perfect Town. 10.30 Vintage Roads: Great And Small. 11.30 Late Programs. | 9GEM (81, 92) 6am Morning Programs. 8.30 TV Shop. 10.00 Explore. 10.10 MOVIE : The Sleeping Tiger. (1954, PG) Noon MOVIE : The Frightened City. (1961, PG) 2.00 MOVIE : Outcast Of The Islands. (1951, PG) 4.00 MOVIE : Beachhead. (1954, PG) 6.00 Rugby Union. Super Rugby Pacific. Round 2. Fijian Drua v Waratahs. 8.30 Super Rugby Pacific Post-Match. 8.45 MOVIE : Platoon. (1986, MA15+) 11.10 Late Programs. | 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. 10.30 The Neighborhood. 11.30 The King Of Queens. 12.30pm Frasier. 1.00 The Middle. 1.50 Australian Survivor. 6.00 The Big Bang Theory. 10.15 Friends. 12.15am Home Shopping. 1.15 Infomercials. 1.45 The Late Show With Stephen Colbert. 2.45 Mom. 3.35 Nancy Drew. 4.30 Home Shopping. |
| NITV (34) 6am Morning Programs. 11.35 Great Blue Wild. 12.30pm Going Places. 1.00 Cultural Connections Immersion Festival. 2.00 Elsta Foy. 2.30 Sing About This Country. 4.25 Bush Bands Bash. 5.25 Going Native. 5.55 First People's Kitchen. 6.20 Lost Diamonds. 6.50 News. 7.00 Family Rules. 7.30 Stay At Home Animal Dads. 8.30 MOVIE : Zappa. (2020, MA15+) 10.45 Late Programs. | SBS WORLD MOVIES (32) 6am Vai. Continued. (2019, PG) 6.40 Love And Friendship. (2016, PG) 8.20 Chalet Girl. (2011, PG) 10.15 Spy Game. (2001, M) 12.35pm Boundaries. (2018, M) 2.35 On A Clear Day. (2005, PG) 4.25 It's All About Karma. (2017, PG, Italian) 6.05 Brideshead Revisited. (2008, PG) 8.30 Brooklyn. (2015, M) 10.35 Ammonite. (2020, MA15+) 12.45am Holding The Man. (2015, MA15+) 3.05 Late Programs. | 7MATE (74) 6am Morning Programs. 1pm Blokesworld. 1.30 The Car Club. 2.00 Boating. Austr V8 Superboats C'ship 2022. Replay. 3.00 Rides Down Under: Workshop Wars. 4.00 Last Car Garage. 4.30 Down East Dickering. 5.30 Storage Wars. 6.00 Pawn Stars. 6.30 Building Giants. 7.30 Air Crash Investigations. 8.30 Air Crash Investigations: Special Report. 9.30 Disasters At Sea. 10.30 Mighty Trains. 11.30 Late Programs. | 9GO! (82, 93) 6am Children's Programs. 1.30pm MOVIE : Pokémon: Lucario And The Mystery Of Mew. (2005) 3.30 Motor Racing. ABB FIA Formula E World C'ship. Cape Town ePrix. H'lights. 4.40 About A Boy. 5.10 MOVIE : Bill & Ted's Excellent Adventure. (1989, PG) 7.00 MOVIE : Back To The Future Part II. (1989, PG) 9.10 MOVIE : Executive Decision. (1996, M) 11.50 Late Programs. | 10 BOLD (53, 12) 6am Shopping. 6.30 Infomercials. 8.30 Shopping. 9.00 Tough Tested. 10.00 ST: Next Gen. 11.00 MacGyver. Noon Escape Fishing. 12.30 Exploring Off The Grid. 1.00 4x4 Adventures. 2.00 Beyond The Fire. 3.00 JAG. 4.00 Scorpion. 5.00 Escape Fishing. 5.30 Reel Action. 6.00 Soccer. A-League Men. Matchweek 19. Sydney FC v Melbourne Victory. 9.15 JAG. 10.15 MacGyver. 11.10 Late Programs. |

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| ABC TV (2) 6.00 Rage. (PG) 7.00 Weekend Breakfast. 9.00 Insiders. 10.00 Offsiders. 10.30 The World This Week. (R) 11.00 Compass. (PGn, R) 11.30 Songs Of Praise. (R) 12.00 ABC News At Noon. 12.30 Landline. 1.30 Gardening Australia. (R) 2.30 Call The Midwife. (Final, PG, R) 3.30 Victoria. (Final, PG, R) 4.20 Grand Designs: The Streets. (PG, R) 5.10 Joanna Lumley's Great Cities Of The World. (PG, R) | SBS (3) 6.00 WorldWatch. 9.05 J Schwanke's Life In Bloom. 10.05 Love Your Garden. (R) 11.00 Outside: Beyond The Lens. (PG) 12.00 Australian ProMX Championship. Round 1. 3.00 WorldWatch. 4.00 Cycling. UCI Women's World Tour. Strade Bianche Women. 5.00 Surf Life Saving. Australian Interstate Championships. 5.30 The Abyss: The Rise And Fall Of The Nazis. (PG) | SEVEN (7) 6.00 NBC Today. 7.00 Weekend Sunrise. 10.00 The Morning Show: Weekend. (PG) 12.00 House Of Wellness. (PG, R) 1.00 Cycling. Cadel Evans Great Ocean Road Race. Replay. 2.15 To Be Advised. 4.00 Better Homes And Gardens. (R) 5.00 Seven News At 5. 5.30 Weekender. | NINE (8, 9) 6.00 Drive TV. (R) 6.30 A Current Affair. (R) 7.00 Weekend Today. 10.00 Sports Sunday. (Return, PG) 11.00 NRL Sunday Footy Show. (Return, PG) 1.00 Drive TV. 1.30 Arctic Vets. (PGm, R) 2.00 Rugby League. NRL. Round 1. Dolphins v Sydney Roosters. 5.00 News: First At Five. 5.30 My Way. | TEN (5, 8) 6am Morning Programs. 7.30 Tomorrow's World. (PGA, R) 8.00 Everyday Gourmet. (R) 8.30 Freshly Picked. (R) 9.00 GCBC. (R) 9.30 Destination Dessert. (R) 10.00 St10. (PG) 12.00 Australian Survivor. (R) 1.10 My Market Kitchen. (R) 1.30 Bondi Rescue. (PGI, R) 2.00 Luxury Escapes. (PG, R) 2.30 Exploring Off The Grid. 3.00 4x4 Adventures. 4.00 Farm To Fork. (R) 4.30 Taste Of Aust. (R) 5.00 News. |
| 6.00 Antiques Roadshow. Hosted by Fiona Bruce. 7.00 ABC News. Takes a look at today's top stories. 7.30 Death In Paradise. (Mv) Florence returns to Saint-Marie. 8.30 Vera. (Ma) Part 3 of 4. After a young police officer is found dead floating in a park lake, DCI Vera Stanhope investigates. 10.05 Miniseries: Butterfly. (Final, Ma) Part 3 of 3. 10.50 Queerstralia: The Law. (Malns, R) 11.50 Finding Alice. (MI, R) 12.35 Last Tango In Halifax. (MI, R) 1.35 Victoria. (Final, PG, R) 2.20 Rage. (MA15+adhlsv) 3.15 Last Tango In Halifax. (MI, R) 4.15 The Recording Studio. (R) 5.00 Insiders. (R) | 6.30 SBS World News. 7.35 Ancient Egypt By Train: The Temples. (PG) Part 4 of 4. 8.30 Chernobyl: The New Evidence: Situation Critical. (PG, R) Part 1 of 2. Explores the catalogue of errors in the build-up to Chernobyl's devastating explosion. 10.20 Castles: Secrets, Mysteries And Legends. (Mav, R) 11.30 24 Hours In Emergency. (Ma, R) 12.25 Great British Railway Journeys. (PG, R) 1.00 Destination Flavour Down Under Bitesize. (R) 1.10 Cycling. UCI World Tour. Paris-Nice Race. Stage 1. 3.10 Why We Hate. (Mav, R) 4.00 The Source. (Mav, R) 4.55 Destination Flavour Scandinavia Bitesize. (R) 5.00 NHK World English News Morning. 5.15 France 24 Feature. 5.30 Al Jazeera News. | 6.00 Seven News. 7.00 Australian Idol. (PG) Hosted by Ricki-Lee and Scott Tweedie. 9.00 7NEWS Spotlight: Peter Bol. 9.30 The Latest: Seven News. 10.00 Manhunt: The Porsche Kid. (Malv, R) Takes a look at the "Porsche kid", Bret Lindsay Capper, whose crime spree ended after a week-long manhunt. 11.00 Born To Kill? Beverley Allitt. (MA15+) A look at the case of Beverly Allitt. 12.00 MOVIE: Doomsday Man. (2000, Mav, R) A professor tracks down a virus thief. James Marshall. 2.00 Home Shopping. (R) 3.30 Million Dollar Minute. (R) 4.00 NBC Today. 5.00 Seven Early News. 5.30 Sunrise. | 6.00 Nine News Sunday. 7.00 Married At First Sight. (PGals) It's time for the Commitment Ceremony. 8.40 60 Minutes. Current affairs program, investigating, analysing and uncovering the issues affecting all Australians. 9.40 Nine News Late. A look at the latest news and events. 10.10 Australian Crime Stories: Million Dollar Mystery. (Mv, R) A look at the case of Revelle Balmain. 11.15 The First 48: House Of Horrors/Final Sacrifice. (Mav) 12.05 Law & Order: Organized Crime. (Mdv, R) 1.00 Explore TV. (R) 1.30 TV Shop: Home Shopping. (R) 4.00 Believer's Voice Of Victory. (PGA) 4.30 Take Two. (R) 5.00 News Early Edition. 5.30 Today. | 6.30 The Sunday Project. Panellists dissect, digest and reconstitute the daily news, events and hottest topics. 7.30 Australian Survivor. With the Vigilantes having taken over, the OG Heroes are hanging on for dear life. 9.00 NCIS: Hawai'i. (Mav) When a special forces US Marine captain is murdered, the NCIS team finds a suspect in an unusual place. 10.00 FBI. (Mv, R) After Rina is critically wounded, the team discovers that a vengeful Vargas orchestrated the shooting. 11.00 The Sunday Project. (R) Panellists dissect, digest and reconstitute the daily news, events and hottest topics. 12.00 Home Shopping. (R) 3.30 Infomercials. (PG, R) 4.30 CBS Mornings. |
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| NITV (34) 6am Morning Programs. 2.30pm Sisters In League. 3.25 Football. NITV. Women's Under 18s. 4.40 Football. First Nations Indigenous Football Cup. Men's. Round 2. NT Wha's v SA Stars. 6.00 Stories From The Land. 6.25 News. 6.35 Wild Mexico. 7.40 BLK: An Origin Story. 8.30 Sherpa: Trouble On Everest. 10.10 MOVIE: Dark Horse. (2011) Midnight Late Programs. | SBS WORLD MOVIES (32) 6am It's All About Karma. Continued. (2017, PG, Italian) 6.40 Brideshead Revisited. (2008, PG) 9.05 Belle And Sebastian. (2013, PG, French) 10.55 Gosford Park. (2001, M) 1.25pm Vai. (2019, PG) 3.05 Love And Friendship. (2016, PG) 4.45 Chalet Girl. (2011, PG) 6.40 An Ideal Husband. (1999, PG) 8.30 On Chesil Beach. (2017, M) 10.30 Violet & Daisy. (2011) 12.15am Late Programs. | 7MATE (74) 6am Morning Programs. 9.00 Shopping. 10.00 Air Crash Investigations. 11.00 Air Crash Investigations: Special Report. Noon The Fishing Show By AFN. 1.00 Hook, Line And Sink. 2.00 Fish'n Mates. 2.30 Step Outside. 3.00 Fishy Business. 3.30 MOVIE: Superman III. (1983, PG) 6.00 MOVIE: Batman. (1989, PG) 8.40 MOVIE: Batman V Superman: Dawn Of Justice. (2016, M) 11.45 Late Programs. | 9GO! (82, 93) 6am Children's Programs. 1.30pm Galavant. 2.00 Hollywood Medium. 3.00 I Can See Your Voice. 5.00 About A Boy. 5.30 To Be Advised. Midnight Nightmare Tenants, Slum Landlords. 2.00 Hollywood Medium. 3.00 Power Rangers Dino Super. 3.30 Beyblade Burst Surge. 4.00 Yu-Gi-Oh! Sevens. 4.30 Ricky Zoom. 5.40 LEGO City Adventures. 5.10 LEGO Friends: Heartlake Stories. 5.30 Gigantosaurus. | 10 BOLD (53, 12) 6am Morning Programs. 7.30 Key Of David. 8.00 Tough Tested. 9.00 4x4 Adventures. 10.00 Reel Action. 11.00 Australia By Design: Architecture. 11.30 Roads Less Travelled. Noon JAG. 1.00 What's Up Down Under. 1.30 Soccer. A-League Men. Matchweek 19. Macarthur FC v Brisbane Roar. 4.30 Beyond The Fire. 5.30 JAG. 7.30 NCIS. 10.20 MOVIE: Deep Rising. (1998, MA15+) 12.25am Late Programs. |

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| 6.00 The Drum. 7.00 ABC News. 7.30 7.30. Presented by Sarah Ferguson. 8.00 Australian Story. Presented by Leigh Sales. 8.30 Four Corners. Investigative journalism program exposing scandals, triggering inquiries, firing debate and confronting taboos. 9.15 Media Watch. (PG) Paul Barry takes a look at the latest issues affecting media consumers. 9.35 Q+A. Public affairs program. 10.35 China Tonight. (R) 11.10 ABC Late News. 11.25 The Business. (R) 11.40 Vera. (Ma, R) 1.10 Parliament Question Time. 2.10 Father Brown. (Mv, R) 2.55 Rage. (MA15+adhlvns) 3.30 Antiques Roadshow. (R) 4.30 The Drum. (R) 5.30 7.30. (R) | 6.00 Mastermind Australia. (PG) 6.30 SBS World News. 7.30 Planet Reef: Protecting Megamouths. (PG) Part 3 of 3. 8.30 South Korea With Alexander Armstrong. Part 1 of 3. English actor Alexander Armstrong embarks on an epic journey across South Korea. 9.30 Secrets Of Playboy: The Aftermath. (Final, MA15+) Former Playmates share their experiences. 10.20 SBS World News Late. 10.50 Infiniti. (MA15+v) 11.50 Mr Mercedes. (MA15+alv, R) 12.55 Cycling. UCI World Tour. Paris-Nice Race. Stage 2. Bazainville to Fontainebleau. 163.7 km. From France. 2.55 Going Places With Ernie Dingo. (R) 3.55 Mastermind Australia. (R) 4.55 Destination Flavour Scandinavia Bitesize. (R) 5.00 NHK World English News Morning. 5.30 ANC Philippines The World Tonight. | 6.00 Seven Local News. 6.30 Seven News. 7.00 Home And Away. (PGas) 7.30 Australian Idol. (PG) As the competition continues, the results of the live performances are revealed. 8.45 Starstruck. (PG) Another batch of superfans compete for a chance to win the £50,000 prize. 10.00 Australia: Now And Then. (Mal, R) Part 3 of 4. 11.00 The Latest: Seven News. 11.30 Busted In Bangkok. (Mals, R) Follows Thailand's tourist police. 12.30 Kocie's Business Builders. (R) 1.00 Dr Harry's Animal Encounters. (PG, R) 2.00 Home Shopping. (R) 4.00 NBC Today. 5.00 Seven Early News. 5.30 Sunrise. | 6.00 Nine News. 7.00 A Current Affair. 7.30 Married At First Sight. (Mlins) All the remaining couples leave town. 9.00 Big Miracles. (Ma) Follows 10 Australian couples and singles on their journey to becoming parents with the help of IVF. 10.00 Nine News Late. A look at the latest news and events. 10.30 100% Footy. (Return, M) Features the latest rugby league news. 11.20 The Equalizer. (MA15+av, R) 12.10 Almost Family. (Mas) 1.00 Hello SA. (PG) 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. | 6.30 The Project. A look at the day's news and events. 7.30 Australian Survivor. Presented by Jonathan LaPaglia. 8.40 Would I Lie To You? Australia. (MI) Two teams, including Christopher Pyne, Josh Lawson, Em Rusciano and Mel Buttle, go head-to-head. 9.40 Ghosts. (PGals) Trevor receives disturbing news about his parents when they come to the Woodstone bed and breakfast. 10.10 The Montreal Comedy Festival. (R) Stand-up performances from comedians. 11.10 FBI: Most Wanted. (Mdv, R) 12.00 The Project. (R) 1.00 The Late Show With Stephen Colbert. (PG) 2.00 Home Shopping. (R) 4.30 CBS Mornings. |
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| 6.00 The Drum. 7.00 ABC News. 7.30 7.30. Presented by Sarah Ferguson. 8.00 Back In Time For The Corner Shop: 1850s – 1919. (PG) Part 1 of 5. 9.00 Queerstralia: Gender And Identity. Part 2 of 3. Zoë Coombs Marr examines the ways that Queers have had their identities defined and shaped. 10.00 Kweens Of The Queer Underground: I Am Kai. (PGa) Part 2 of 3. 10.10 Brazen Hussies. (Mlns, R) 11.40 ABC Late News. 11.55 The Business. (R) 12.10 Four Corners. (R) 1.00 Media Watch. (PG, R) 1.15 Parliament Question Time. 2.15 Van Der Valk. (Mav, R) 3.45 Rage. (MA15+adhlsv) 4.30 The Drum. (R) 5.30 7.30. (R) | 6.00 Mastermind Australia. (PG) 6.30 SBS World News. 7.30 Who Do You Think You Are? UK: Alex Scott. (PG) 8.30 Insight. Presented by Kumi Taguchi. 9.30 Dateline: The Church And The Assassin. (Return) Presented by Kumi Taguchi. 10.00 SBS World News Late. 10.30 Great British Railway Journeys. (PG, R) 11.00 Antidisturbios. (MA15+av) 12.00 Manayek. (Mal, R) 12.55 Cycling. UCI World Tour. Paris-Nice Race. Stage 3. 2.55 Cacciatore: The Hunter. (Mal, R) 4.00 Mastermind Australia. (R) 5.00 NHK World English News Morning. 5.30 ANC Philippines The World Tonight. | 6.00 Seven Local News. 6.30 Seven News. 7.00 Home And Away. (PGas) 7.30 We Interrupt This Broadcast. (PGal) Sketch comedy series. 8.30 The Good Doctor. (Madms) Shaun invites Aaron to stay with him while he has exterminators at his house. 9.30 Quantum Leap. (Mav) Ben leaps into a 16-year-old boy's body and finds himself among a group of outcast teens on the run. 10.30 The Latest: Seven News. 11.00 Police Custody USA: Meth Wars. (Madl) 12.00 MOVIE: The Nightingale. (2018, MA15+av, R) Aisling Franciosi. 3.00 Home Shopping. (R) 4.00 NBC Today. 5.00 Seven Early News. 5.30 Sunrise. | 6.00 Nine News. 7.00 A Current Affair. 7.30 Married At First Sight. (Mals) The Retreat continues. 9.00 The Hundred With Andy Lee. (Mls) Andy Lee is joined by a panel of comedians and 100 Aussies to explore the fun behind the facts. 10.00 Nine News Late. A look at the latest news and events. 10.30 Botched. (MA15+amn, R) A model wants custom implants. 11.20 La Brea. (Mv, R) 12.10 Tipping Point. (PG, R) 1.00 It's All Greek To Me. 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. | 6.30 The Project. A look at the day's news and events. 7.30 Australian Survivor. With numbers dwindling, it is anyone's game to take out the title of Sole Survivor and claim the \$500,000 prize. 9.00 NCIS. (Mav) An old pal of Torres' comes to him, disheveled and bloodied, for guidance before disappearing. 11.00 NCIS: Hawai'i. (Mav, R) A US Marine captain is murdered. 12.00 The Project. (R) 1.00 The Late Show With Stephen Colbert. (PG) 2.00 Home Shopping. (R) 3.30 Infomercials. (PG, R) 4.30 CBS Mornings. |
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| ABC TV (22) 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. 1.40 Media Watch. (PG, R) 2.00 Parliament Question Time. 3.00 Gardening Australia. (R) 4.00 Antiques Roadshow. (R) 5.00 Anh's Brush With Fame. (PG, R) 5.25 Hard Quiz. (PG, R) | SBS (3) 6.00 WorldWatch. 9.00 Home Of The Year: Scotland. (PG) 10.05 Fantastical Factory Of Curious Craft. (PG, R) 11.00 Looking For Rembrandt. 12.00 WorldWatch. 2.00 Dateline. (R) 2.30 Insight. (R) 3.35 The Cook Up. (R) 4.10 I Want To Make A Film About Women. (PG) 4.25 Dylan Alcott Interviews. (PGal, R) 5.05 Jeopardy! (R) 5.30 Letters And Numbers. (R) | SEVEN (7) 6.00 Sunrise. 9.00 The Morning Show. (PG) 11.30 Seven Morning News. 12.00 MOVIE: Murder, She Baked: A Chocolate Chip Cookie Mystery. (2015, PGav) Alison Sweeney, Cameron Mathison, Lisa Durupt. 2.00 Surveillance Oz. (Ma, R) 2.30 Border Security: International. (PG, R) 3.00 The Chase. 4.00 Seven News At 4. 5.00 The Chase Australia. | NINE (8, 9) 6.00 Today. 9.00 Today Extra. (PG) 11.30 Morning News. 12.00 Married At First Sight. (Mals, R) 1.30 My Way. 2.00 Pointless. (PG, R) 3.00 Tipping Point. (PG) 4.00 Afternoon News. 4.30 Millionaire Hot Seat. 5.30 WIN News. | 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. (Mav) 2.00 Australian Survivor. (R) 3.30 Judge Judy. (PG, R) 4.00 Farm To Fork. 4.30 The Bold And The Beautiful. (PG) 5.00 10 News First. |
| 6.00 The Drum. 7.00 ABC News. 7.30 7.30. Presented by Sarah Ferguson. 8.00 Hard Quiz. (PG) Presented by Tom Gleeson. 8.30 The Weekly With Charlie Pickering. (PG) A satirical news program exposing the humorous, absurd and downright hypocritical. 9.05 QI. (MI) Hosted by Sandi Toksvig. 9.35 Zoe Coombs Marr: Bossy Bottom. (MA15+Is, R) Stand up comedy by Zoë Coombs Marr. 10.40 Adam Hills: The Last Leg. (R) 11.25 ABC Late News. 11.40 The Business. (R) 11.55 Frayed. (MA15+Is, R) 12.40 Parliament Question Time. 1.45 Finding Alice. (MI, R) 2.30 Rage. (MA15+adhlnsv) 3.30 Antiques Roadshow. (R) 4.30 The Drum. (R) 5.30 7.30. (R) | 6.00 Mastermind Australia. (PG) 6.30 SBS World News. 7.30 Wildlife ER: Brisbane Floods. (PG) The clinic deals with the aftermath of a flood. 8.30 The Swap. (M) Part 1 of 3. Follows a social experiment that sees students swapping schools. 9.30 Bloodlands. (Final, M) Tom choreographs a final reckoning. 10.35 SBS World News Late. 11.05 Cargo. (MA15+) 12.00 24 Hours In Emergency. (Mal, R) 12.55 Cycling. UCI World Tour. Paris-Nice Race. Stage 4. 2.55 Going Places With Ernie Dingo. (R) 3.55 Mastermind Australia. (R) 4.55 Destination Flavour Scandinavia Bitesize. (R) 5.00 NHK World English News Morning. 5.30 ANC Philippines The World Tonight. | 6.00 Seven Local News. 6.30 Seven News. 7.00 Home And Away. (PGa) 7.30 Best Of Russell Gilbert: Part 1. (PG) A look at comedian Russell Gilbert. 8.45 The Front Bar: All Sports Edition. (M) Sam Pang, Mick Molloy and Andy Maher take a look at the world of sport and catch up with the stars of yesteryear. 9.45 Kitchen Nightmares Australia. (MA15+I, R) Colin Fassnidge has to deal with a side order of denial when he comes to the aid of Café Martini. 10.55 The Latest: Seven News. 11.25 Unbelievable Moments Caught On Camera. (PGa, R) 12.25 Filthy Rich. (Mav, R) 1.25 Harry's Practice. (R) 2.00 Home Shopping. (R) 4.00 NBC Today. 5.00 Seven Early News. 5.30 Sunrise. | 6.00 Nine News. 7.00 A Current Affair. 7.30 Married At First Sight. It's time for the dinner party. 9.00 Under Investigation: An Excellent Murder. (Mdv) Liz Hayes and a team of experts take a look at the disappearance and murder of Don Mackay. 10.00 Nine News Late. A look at the latest news and events. 10.30 See No Evil: Come Quickly, I'm Afraid. (Mv) 11.20 Ordinary Joe. (Ma) 12.10 Tipping Point. (PG, R) 1.00 Our State On A Plate. (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. | 6.30 The Project. A look at the day's news and events. 7.30 The Dog House Australia. (PGa) A husky cross could be the right fit for a family. Partners get the chance to tame a stress-ball of a canine. 8.40 Law & Order: SVU. (Masv) Benson tries to make Noah's Christmas wish come true when a case falls in her lap. 9.40 Fire Country. (Mv) An internal investigation is launched after a life was lost following a difficult rescue that went awry. 10.40 Bull. (Ma, R) A midwife is accused of practicing without a license. 12.30 The Project. (R) 1.30 The Late Show With Stephen Colbert. (PG) 2.30 Home Shopping. (R) 3.30 Infomercials. (PG, R) 4.30 CBS Mornings. |
| ABC TV PLUS (22) 6am Children's Programs. 7.05pm Grace's Amazing Machines. 7.20 Bluey. 7.30 Spicks And Specks. 8.30 Silent Witness. 9.30 Banana. 9.55 Cucumber. 10.45 Killing Eve. 11.30 Black Mirror. 12.25am MOVIE: The Proposition. (2005, MA15+) 2.10 Women Of Steel. 3.05 ABC News Update. 3.10 Close. 5.05 Tik Tak. 5.10 Guess How Much I Love You. 5.20 Pins And Nettie. 5.25 Pip And Posy. 5.35 Late Programs. | SBS VICELAND (31) 6am WorldWatch. 9.30 Shortland St. 11.00 The Movie Show. Noon One Armed Chef. 12.55 Border To Border. 1.25 Cryptoland. 1.55 Taskmaster Norway. 2.50 The Pizza Show. 3.20 WorldWatch. 5.20 Takeshi's Castle. 5.55 Joy Of Painting. 6.25 Forged In Fire. 7.15 Jeopardy! 7.45 8 Out Of 10 Cats. 8.30 Rockwiz Salutes The Decades. 9.30 Women And The Power Of Activism. 10.35 Late Programs. | 7TWO (72) 6am Shopping. 6.30 Escape To The Country. 7.30 The Real Seachange. 8.00 Shopping. 8.30 Million Dollar Minute. 9.30 NBC Today. Noon Better Homes. 1.00 Escape To The Country. 2.00 Weekender. 2.30 Million Dollar Minute. 3.30 The Zoo. 4.00 Animal Rescue. 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. | 9GEM (81, 92) 6am TV Shop. 7.00 Creflo. 7.30 TV Shop. 10.30 Pointless. 11.30 My Favorite Martian. Noon Days Of Our Lives. 12.55 The Young And The Restless. 1.50 New Tricks. 3.00 Antiques Roadshow. 3.30 MOVIE: Beautiful Stranger. (1954, PG) 5.30 Murder, She Wrote. 6.30 Antiques Roadshow. 7.30 As Time Goes By. 8.50 Midsomer Murders. 10.50 One Deadly Mistake. 11.50 Late Programs. | 10 PEACH (52, 11) 6am The Late Show With Stephen Colbert. 7.00 Friends. 8.30 The Neighborhood. 9.30 The King Of Queens. 10.30 The Middle. Noon Frasier. 1.00 Becker. 2.00 NBL Slam. 2.30 Two And A Half Men. 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. |
| NITV (34) 6am Morning Programs. 2pm Shortland St. 2.30 The Cook Up. 3.00 Jarjums. 3.25 Red Dirt Riders. 3.40 Wolf Joe. 3.55 Tales Of The Moana. 4.00 Grace Beside Me. | | | | |

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| ABC TV (2) 6.00 News. 9.00 News. 10.00 Australian Story. (R) 10.30 That Pacific Sports Show. (R) 11.00 Invisible Wars. (PG, R) 12.00 ABC News At Noon. 1.00 Hard Quiz. (PG, R) 1.30 The Weekly With Charlie Pickering. (PG, R) 2.00 Parliament Question Time. 3.00 Gardening Australia. (R) 4.00 Antiques Roadshow. (R) 5.00 Anh's Brush With Fame. (PG, R) 5.25 Hard Quiz. (PG, R) | SBS (3) 6.00 WorldWatch. 9.00 Peer To Peer. (PG, R) 9.35 Home Of The Year: Scotland. (PG) 10.05 Fantastical Factory Of Curious Craft. (PG, R) 11.00 Looking For Rembrandt. 12.00 WorldWatch. 2.00 First Ladies. (PGal, R) 2.45 Mastermind Aust. (R) 3.45 The Cook Up With Adam Liaw. (R) 4.15 The Architecture The Railways Built. (PG, R) 5.05 Jeopardy! (R) 5.30 Letters And Numbers. (R) | SEVEN (7) 6.00 Sunrise. 9.00 The Morning Show. (PG) 11.30 Seven Morning News. 12.00 MOVIE: Pregnant At 17. (2016, Msv, R) Josie Bissett, Zoé De Grand Maison, Roark Critchlow. 2.00 Kocie's Business Builders. 2.30 Border Security: America's Front Line. (PG, R) 3.00 The Chase. (R) 4.00 Seven News At 4. 5.00 The Chase Australia. | NINE (8, 9) 6.00 Today. 9.00 Today Extra. (PG) 11.30 Morning News. 12.00 Married At First Sight. (R) 1.30 It's All Greek To Me. (R) 2.00 Pointless. (PG, R) 3.00 Tipping Point. (PG) 4.00 Afternoon News. 4.30 Millionaire Hot Seat. 5.30 WIN News. | 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 Bold. (R) 10.00 Studio 10. (PG) 12.00 10 News First: Midday. 1.00 Dr Phil. (PGal) 2.00 Taskmaster Australia. (PGL, R) 3.00 Ent. Tonight. 3.30 Judge Judy. (PG, R) 4.00 Farm To Fork. 4.30 The Bold And The Beautiful. (PG) 5.00 10 News First. |
| 6.00 The Drum. 7.00 ABC News. 7.30 7.30. 8.00 Foreign Correspondent. International affairs program. 8.30 Grand Designs: The Streets. (PG) Part 2 of 5. 9.20 Griff's Canadian Adventure: Bigness. (R) Griff Rhys Jones explores Canada. 10.10 Movin' To The Country. (PG, R) 10.40 ABC Late News. 10.55 The Business. (R) 11.10 Back In Time For The Corner Shop. (PG, R) 12.10 Q+A. (R) 1.15 Parliament Question Time. 2.15 Rage. (MA15+adhlNsv) 3.30 Antiques Roadshow. (R) 4.30 The Drum. (R) 5.30 7.30. (R) | 6.00 Mastermind Australia. (PG) 6.30 SBS World News. 7.35 Coastal Ireland With Adrian Dunbar. Part 2 of 2. 8.30 American Presidency With Bill Clinton: Becoming A Superpower. (PG) Hosted by President Bill Clinton. 9.20 Vigil. (Premiere, MA15+) A sailor is found dead on a submarine. 10.30 SBS World News Late. 11.00 L'Opera. (Mdl) 11.50 The Eagle. (MA15+av, R) 12.55 Cycling. UCI World Tour. Paris-Nice Race. Stage 5. 2.55 Going Places With Ernie Dingo. (PGa, R) 3.55 Mastermind Australia. (R) 4.55 Destination Flavour: Singapore Bitesize. (R) 5.00 NHK World English News Morning. 5.30 ANC Philippines The World Tonight. | 6.00 Seven Local News. 6.30 Seven News. 7.00 Home And Away. (PGa) 8.30 Code 1: The Martin Place Siege. (Mav) Takes a look at Sydney's 2014 Martin Place siege of a Lindt Chocolate Café by a domestic terrorist. 9.30 Air Crash Investigations: Peril Over Portugal. (PGa) Takes a look at the crash of 1992 Martinair Flight 495 on final approach to Portugal's Faro Airport. 10.30 The Latest: Seven News. 11.00 To Be Advised. 12.15 Mighty Ships: Norrona. (PG, R) 1.15 Travel Oz. (PG, R) 2.00 Home Shopping. (R) 4.00 NBC Today. 5.00 Seven Early News. 5.30 Sunrise. | 6.00 Nine News. 7.00 Rugby League. NRL. Round 2. Penrith Panthers v South Sydney Rabbitohs. 8.55 Thursday Night Knock Off. Post-match NRL news and analysis of the Parramatta Eels versus South Sydney Rabbitohs match. 9.40 Australia Behind Bars. (Malv, R) Presented by Melissa Doyle. 10.40 Nine News Late. 11.10 A+E After Dark. (Mlm, R) 12.05 Council Of Dads. (PGa) 1.00 Drive TV. (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. | 6.30 The Project. A look at the day's news and events. 7.30 Taskmaster Australia. Hosted by Tom Gleeson. 8.30 Gogglebox Australia. TV fanatics open up their living rooms to reveal their reactions to popular and topical TV shows. 9.30 The Montreal Comedy Festival. Stand-up comedy routines from James Acaster, Patton Oswalt, Sophie Buddle, Sindhu Vee, Caroline Rhea and Jo Koy. 10.30 Would I Lie To You? Australia. (MI, R) Hosted by Chrissie Swan. 11.30 The Project. (R) 12.30 The Late Show With Stephen Colbert. (PG) 1.30 Home Shopping. (R) 3.30 Infomercials. (PG, R) 4.30 CBS Mornings. |
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On Demand

Rockstar treatment:
The cast of *Daisy Jones & The Six*, from left, Suki Waterhouse, Will Harrison, Sebastian Chacon, Josh Whitehouse, Riley Keough and Sam Claflin.



THE FAME GAME

DAISY JONES & THE SIX
Streaming from Friday,
Prime Video



Reese Witherspoon's production company Hello Sunshine has a great strike rate when it comes to adapting best-selling books into must-watch TV series.

This latest offering looks to follow suit, with Taylor Jenkins Reid's million-seller *Daisy Jones & The Six* coming to the small screen – and true music royalty bringing it to life.

Riley Keough – yes, real-life grand-daughter of Elvis – takes the title role as Daisy Jones, who is co-lead singer of The Six with Billy Dunne (Sam Claflin, *Peaky Blinders*). Suki Waterhouse is keyboard player Karen, Josh Whitehouse and Will Harrison are guitarists Eddie and Graham; while *Pose*'s Sebastian Chacon rounds out the band as down-to-earth drummer Warren.

The series follows the story of fictional 1970s band The Six, whose meteoric rise to fame comes at the cost of relationship breakdowns, creative clashes, love triangles and personal chaos – but which also sees the creation of chart-topping rock classics.

Their story is inspired by iconic band Fleetwood Mac – whose members are almost as famous for their off-stage relationships as their enduring songs.

The story of The Six is told through sit-down interviews with the band members, decades after the height of their fame, as they finally agree to reveal the truth.

Billed as “the story of how an iconic band imploded at the height of its powers”, *Daisy Jones & The Six* promises to deliver a nostalgic story of love and fame, highs and lows, and friendships and falling out in the world of rock'n'roll in the 1970s. – **Kathryn Roberts**



EMILY THE CRIMINAL
Streaming, Foxtel
On Demand

FOXTEL

The White Lotus standout Aubrey Plaza (pictured) stars as Emily, a woman saddled with student debt and locked out of the job market due to a minor criminal record in this acclaimed thriller. She takes a shady gig buying goods with stolen credit cards supplied by the charismatic Youcef (Theo Rossi), but soon finds herself seduced by the quick cash.



THE MANDALORIAN
Streaming, Disney+



The third season of this live-action *Star Wars* series sees bounty hunter Din Djarin (Pedro Pascal) again travelling with his adopted son Grogu (pictured, left, with Pascal), after they were reunited in spinoff series *The Book Of Boba Fett*. New adventures await the duo as they travel to Mandalore so Djarin can redeem himself for his transgression.



WEIRD: THE AL YANKOVIC STORY
Streaming, Paramount+



Anyone old enough to remember Michael Jackson at the peak of his fame will also remember “Weird Al” Yankovic, whose parodies of MJ's hits were almost as big as the songs themselves. Daniel Radcliffe (pictured) plays Yankovic in this biographical parody film – the story of a “misfit kid” who twisted popular lyrics to become a top-selling artist in his own right.



PARTY DOWN
Streaming, Stan



The long-awaited revival of this cult hit catering-company sitcom picks up 10 years later and most of the team have moved on, but find themselves thrown together again. Almost all the gang – including stars Adam Scott, Jane Lynch and Megan Mullally – return, along with some big names, including Jennifer Garner (pictured with Scott) and James Marsden.



TRAINSPOTTING WITH FRANCIS BOURGEOIS
Streaming, SBS On Demand



Francis Bourgeois (pictured) is a British trainspotter with a huge following on social media thanks to his lighthearted videos about trains. He fronts this five-part series where he shares the pastime with celebrity guests, including comedian Aisling Bea, Eurovision star Sam Ryder, and footballer Jesse Lingard, to name a few.



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Age Champion – 12 year Girls – 1st Maggie G (Longreach) (R) and 2nd, Chloe C (Springsure) (L). Age Champion 12 year Boys 1st, Cian S (Emerald) and (missing) 2nd, Cooper M (Longreach).



Age Champion – 11 year Girls – 1st, Abby W (Longreach) (R) and Lani E (Emerald) (L). Age Champion – 11 year Boys - Xander F (Longreach) (R) and Jack C (Blackall).



Age Champions L-R: 8-year-old Girls – 1st, Abigail M (Longreach) and 2nd, Makaddi W (Alpha) and (Front) 8-year-old Boys – 1st, Mac S (Longreach).

Making a splash at meet

By Suzie McDarra

The annual Kim Anderson Memorial Swimming Meet in Longreach last Saturday brought almost 100 nominations from around the region, with Longreach swimmers accumulating the most points, with a total of 501 points.

Barcaldine followed on 207 points, Blackall on 272 and Emerald and Alpha/Jericho showing great promise too despite lower numbers.

Life-long local “Blue” Gielis attended the event in honour of his wife Kim Anderson who passed away from cancer in 2016.

Kim Anderson was a beloved First Aid and swimming instructor for more than 30 years.

“It was a high priority of hers to teach bush kids how to swim because they’re in contact

with dams and troughs,” Blue said.

A Royal Surf Lifesaving report released last year shows 105 children aged 5 – 14 years drowned in Australia between July 1, 2011 and June 30, 2021.

On average, there were ten child (aged 5 – 14 years) drowning deaths per year.

Of the 105 drownings in the ten year period, 24 percent were in Swimming Pools, 20 percent were in Lakes/Dams and 22 percent in Rivers/Creeks.

Organisers of the Kim Anderson Memorial Meet said the event was made possible with a generous \$2500 grant by Longreach Regional Council to help run the event and the dash for cash was sponsored by local businesses, as was an abundance of donated raffle prizes.



Age Champion – 11 year Girls – 1st, Abby W (Longreach) (R) and Lani E (Emerald) (L). Age Champion – 11 year Boys - Xander F (Longreach) (R) and Jack C (Blackall).



Age Champion – 10-year Girls – 1st, Abigail A (Blackall) (R) and 2nd Alida F (Barcaldine). Age Champion 10-year Boys Tom S (Longreach)(R) and 2nd Eli A (Blackall).



Age Champion - 9 year Girls – 1st, Evangeline E (Barcaldine) (R) and 2nd Eva S (Emerald) (L). Age Champion 9 year Boys 1st, Nathan C (Springsure) (R) and 2nd, Connor H (Blackall) (L). Pictures: SUZIE MCDARRA



On behalf of all the Longreach swimming competitors, Max and Maggie accepted the overall winning trophy from “Blue” Gielis. Life-long local “Blue” attended the event in honour of his wife Kim Anderson who passed away from cancer in 2016.



Age Champion – 15 years ans over Girls – 1st Makenzi C (Rockhampton City) (R) and 2nd Any P (Emerald).



Age Champion - 13 year Girls – 1st, Tayah E (Emerald) and 2nd, Natalia E (Barcaldine).

Gardening



Is your Ixora looking untidy?



Do you have Bougainvillea that has become a little old or straggly?

Eye-catching Sturts pea

Gardening in West Queensland can have numerous challenges but then there are times that I am envious of the array of unique plant species that can be grown in Barcaldine, Blackall, Longreach or Winton.

One plant that I would love to have in my garden would be the Sturts Desert Pea.

The Sturt's Desert Pea or Swainsona Formosa was formerly called Clianthus formosus and is soon to be known as Willdampia Formosa, confused? This plant is the official floral emblem of South Australia and was named for Charles Sturt who headed a number of expeditions into Australia's arid interior in the mid-1800s.

The Sturt's Desert Pea is a prostrate, rambling plant with soft grey-green foliage.

In the right position, the Sturt's Desert Pea can cover over two square metres.

It is the flower that the Sturt's Desert Pea is known for, the striking blood-red flowers with prominent black bumps in the middle of the flower. There are a number of hybrids on the market in dryland areas of Australia with flower colours from white through to red and many shades of pink in between.

Most of these hybrid Sturt's Desert Peas have been grafted to the rootstock of the New Zealand native plant called New Zealand glory pea or Clianthus puniceus, which is not susceptible to root diseases.

In its natural environment, the Sturt's Desert Pea grows from the edge of the open woodland to the open plains. Sturt's Desert Pea can withstand extremes of temperature, and it will even tolerate light frosts.

If you want to try growing the Sturt's Desert Pea in a pot or hanging basket, you will need to modify the potting mix to make sure the mix is very well drained.

The place your Sturt's desert pea would be best positioned on the northern or western side of the house and protected from rain.

Sturt's Desert Pea has an exceptionally long taproot that can locate water deep in the soil. When planted in the garden the Sturt's Desert Pea should always be located in a mounded garden.

Like most native plants it is best to regularly tip prune the plant to encourage compact growth.

It is always best to cut back old stems after flowering, as this will encourage new growth from the centre of the plant.

It is important to only use native plant food or low phosphorus fertilisers on your Sturt's Desert Pea.

It is also important not to wet the foliage as that could cause fungal diseases.

YOU'VE GOT TO BE CRUEL TO BE KIND

Do you have a shrub or tree that has become a little old or straggly, and you are now tempted to remove it completely from the garden and replace it?

When you think how long it has taken to establish the plant to its current size, it seems a shame to waste all of those growing years, es-



Sturts Desert Pea.

pecially when it is possible to make even the untidiest shrub or tree into a neat and attractive specimen.

Here are some simple steps to rejuvenate that tired shrub or tree, providing it has at least one strong, upright stem.

- Step One. Cut off all side branches in line with the main stem.
- Step Two. Reduce the main stem to the height that you would like the new branches to be.
- Step Three. Loosen the soil around the plant, maybe apply some compost, mulch well and apply ample quantities of water.
- Step Four. Wait until new branches develop, with at least four sets of leaves, then lightly tip-prune the new growth.

Each year, cut the plant right back by up to one-third of the plant's growth and continue trimming and tip-pruning the new growth throughout the year. When you notice any branches that look out of place in the shape that you want, or that look a little sparsely foliated, remove it immediately so that a new young branch can take its place.

The best time to prune flowering shrubs is after the main flush of blooms has died off.

It is important to remember that most flowers form on one-year-old stems, so if you prune too early, many blooms can be lost.



Sturts Desert Pea foliage.

Change from wool to meat

By Bruce Honeywill

The Merino sheep was the reigning monarch of Australia's economy for a century.

The slogan that Australia 'rides on the sheep's back' was more than a throwaway advertising blurb, it reflected the reality of Australia's growing economic stability.

Merino wool was the gold sought by the textile mills of Britain.

There was no better wool, the fine crimp from Australia's arid lands made the best tweed.

By the mid-19th century, Australia was supplying more wool to Britain than all the traditional suppliers of Europe combined.

Great wealth was brought to Longreach through wool production. As wool prices slumped during the last quarter of the 20th century in the face of competition by synthetic textiles, many wool producers turned to alternatives.

By the 1990s usurpers were coming to challenge the wool sheep on the golden plains of the west. Meat sheep. Sheep that didn't need shearing, instead they shed their coats and the 'hair' contaminated the wool of the traditional Merino flocks.

For a producer who had relied on wool and the Merino, it was a hard decision to move from wool production to meat sheep, but one family south of Longreach did that. No, not an easy decision, but a move that David and Clare Paterson are glad they made.

The Paterson family, based at Kaloola, runs a four-property aggregation between Longreach and Stonehenge.

Bowed by the pressures of shearing, crutching, wild dogs and all the demands the Merino has on management.

And the droughts. Always the droughts. The drought in the mid 20-teens was the tipping point for David and Clare Paterson.

As Clare puts it, "We had to make a decision of how to continue with frequent droughts.

"Suddenly we were considering the option of running meat sheep on our property."

As the Paterson family explored the idea, the advantages began to build in the meat sheep's favour.

Running Merinos means an investment in genetics. Growers like the Patersons spend decades in growing the 'perfect' Merino for their grasslands.

There is a reticence to reduce flock numbers in droughts.

Five years ago, the Paterson family made the revolutionary decision. The Merino flock was moved out and meat sheep, Dorpers crossed with Australian White rams, moved in.

With meat sheep, the Paterson's say they can treat the sheep as commodities. They can reduce stocking rates as soon as a season turns dry. This approach assists with pasture management and diversity in grass species.

"We find there's a lot more flexibility in running the stock," Clare said.

"We actually treat them like cattle, like a commodity.

"They can be turned off at various different stages; we're not locked into a particular stage."

David Paterson says the family operation is running around 7,000 breeders and a small herd of cattle.



Mustering the Dorper ewes for drafting and processing at 'Kaloola.'

"Our goal is to turn off between ten and twelve thousand lambs a year," David says.

There are differences in how the meat sheep work the country. The Patersons say they browse young Gidyea and are not affected by protein droughts as much as the Merinos.

"They are not hammering the grass the way we thought they would, they graze evenly," Clare said.

"We have witnessed them walk past beautiful green Mitchell Grass and browse new leaf on a Gidyea tree.

"They are really well adapted to this area."

The Patersons say the meat sheep are better for the landscape because of the reduction of pressure on the grass.

Management practices have changed. David says that with Merinos they would get 80 to 85 per cent lambing while with the Dorpers they are regularly getting lambing exceeding 100 per cent. And this brings its own challenges.

"We still get caught out. Suddenly you've doubled your sheep numbers. In general, we have to run less ewes per acre so as not to degenerate country," David says.

The Patersons have organic status on their properties. While it took some time to find markets that attracted a premium for organic status, agents and buyers are now taking the quality purpose-bred, organic lambs seriously.

David Paterson says the annual labour in managing the flock has changed with no shearing, crutching and mulesing. But help is still required at lamb marking time and special cradles are used because of the size, weight



Clare and David Paterson made the transition from wool sheep to meat Dorpers and haven't looked back. Pictures: SUPPLIED

and strength of the breed.

Both David and Clare agree that they have no regrets in changing their operation to meat sheep.

"We have cash flow coming in three and four times a year instead of one wool clip per year, that's a bonus," David said.

"Yes, we have no regrets at all."

Surprise prices but welcomed by buyers: Market report

By Australian Wool Innovation

Prices at this week's Australian wool auctions somewhat surprised the saleroom buyers as values continued to trend towards the buyer's favour on most sectors once again.

Pre-sale expectations were for a very firm to dearer market on the back of some steady enquiry ex-China over the preceding week-end.

This did not eventuate as all three selling centres opened on Tuesday to levels of between 5 and 20ac lower.

The large offerings again this week stifled the market from heading in the expected positive direction.

The AUD v USD had also risen on Tuesday to a 100 points above where the new business had been written.

By Thursday the forex had settled back to that low .68 level but by then the sales had concluded with just Melbourne selling.

Additionally, some rhetoric surfaced from the exporting fraternity talk around financing conditions and access to that finance becoming more costly and harder to come by than over the previous years.

Some slower payments from overseas are being felt as this ties up money to re-enter the market to purchase further and compete normally at auction. All these factors contributed to the initial price weakness.

As traders were extremely busy coping with executing substantial deliveries, trying to complete due contracts and constantly following erratic price setting factors for new business opportunities, the two largest Chinese top makers stepped up their buying rates in auction rooms.

Their support of the market was strong as they took advantage of any holes appearing and made it more difficult for traders than what has been the case for the past 3 weeks.

This no doubt assisted the stronger results that were recorded on the final 2 days of selling which basically saw a firm unchanged market with a strong push towards the close.

Merino wools finer than 18.5 micron finished the week around 15ac lower, whilst the broader wools were harder hit by being around 30ac lower but stability had returned.

Both the oddments and crossbred sectors traded hands at +/- 5ac around their established levels from the previous week.

Wools-selling growers somewhat revealed their intent as the falling price met with resistance which led to a 13&percent; passed-in rate.

53,000 bales is on offer next week with three days rostered.

Sydney is a designated superfine sale and will sell on Wednesday and Thursday.



Fish with Pineapple Salsa and Tomato and Avocado Salad

Serves: 4

Prep time: 15 minutes

Cook time: 10 minutes

1 serve per portion

Ingredients:

Salsa

- 1 cup pineapple, finely chopped
- ½ red onion, finely chopped
- 1 tablespoon lemon juice

Salad

- 2 tablespoons lemon juice
- ½ cup red onion, thinly sliced
- ¼ cup fresh basil, torn
- 1 tomato, cut into wedges
- 1 avocado, peeled and cut into about 8 wedges
- 2 tablespoons extra virgin olive oil
- 4 barramundi fillets or other white fish, approximately 500grams
- ½ teaspoon ground cumin
- ¼ teaspoon paprika

Method:

- COMBINE salsa ingredients in a bowl, set aside.
- COMBINE lemon juice, remaining red onion, basil, tomato, avocado and half of the olive oil into a large bowl and set aside.
- SEASON fish with ground cumin and paprika.
- HEAT remaining olive oil in frying pan over medium heat. Add seasoned fish to pan and cook for approximately 3 minutes on each side, or until fish flakes easily with a fork.
- SPOON pineapple salsa over fish and serve with the tomato and avocado salad.

Recipe Courtesy of Angela Stephensen, Howard Branch

Salmon, Pea and Potato Salad

Serves: 8

Prep time: 20 minutes

Cook time: 20 minutes

1 ½ serves per portion

Ingredients:

- 4 large fillets of salmon, skin off
- 700 grams Kipfler potatoes, skin on, diced
- ½ cup mayonnaise, reduced fat
- ½ cup Dijon mustard
- ½ cup lemon juice
- 2 cups sugar snap peas, thinly sliced
- 2 cups snow peas, thinly sliced
- Pinch of black pepper
- ½ cup dill, finely chopped
- ½ cup chives, finely chopped
- 1 dill sprig to garnish

Method:

- PREHEAT oven to 180°C.
- PLACE salmon fillets on a baking tray and cook for 15 to 20 minutes. Once cooked, set aside to cool before flaking into segments with a fork.

- PLACE potatoes in a saucepan of water and bring to the boil. Cook potatoes for 15 minutes or until easily pierced with a skewer.
- COMBINE mayonnaise, mustard, and lemon juice, in a small bowl. Stir until well combined. If the mixture is too thick, add a dash of water or olive oil and stir to combine.
- DRAIN potatoes and place in a mixing bowl.
- ADD sugar snap and snow peas, pepper and dressing to the potatoes. Mix well.
- GENTLY toss the flaked salmon with herbs and black pepper.
- ADD salmon, dill and chives to the potato mixture and gently stir.
- TRANSFER salad to a serving platter.
- GARNISH with dill sprigs and serve immediately.

Recipe courtesy of Suzie van Laarhoven, Country Kitchens team

Everyday Food



COMICS

Bottled Fruit



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Doodley Squat



WuMo



Against the Grain



Bushy Tales



Swamp



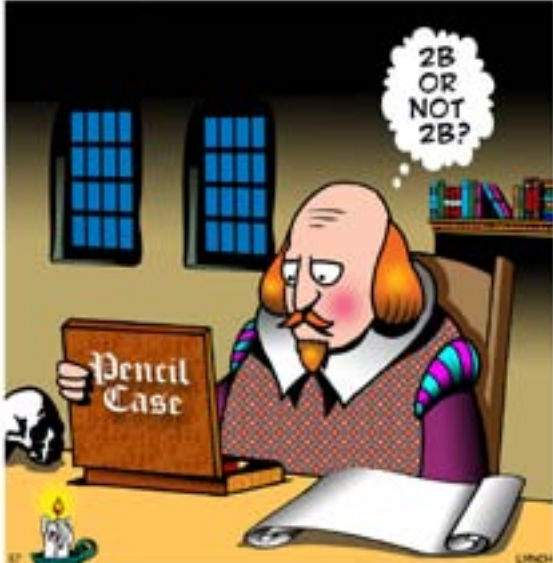
Insanity Streak



Ballard Street



Grin Bin



PUZZLES

SUDOKU

No. 122

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.

easy

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QUICK CROSSWORD

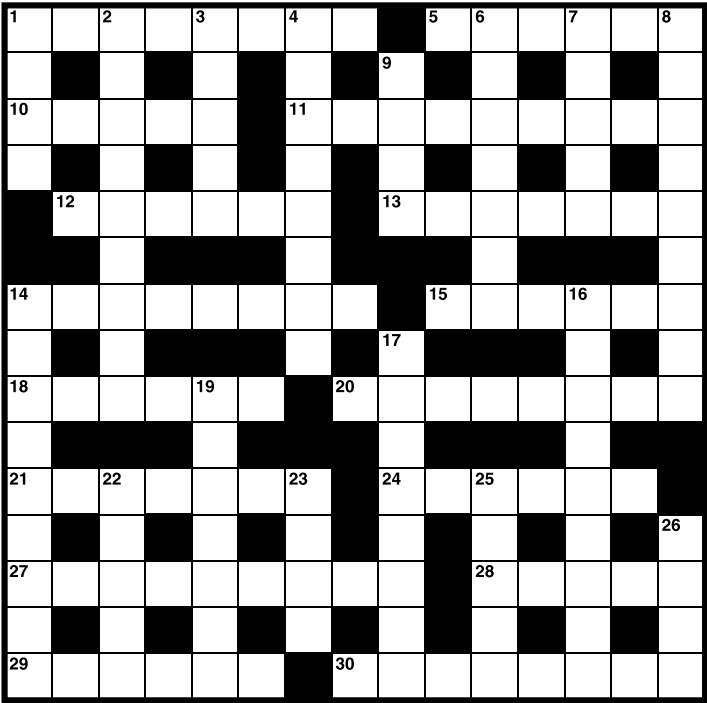
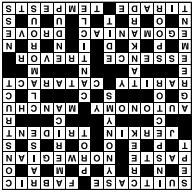
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ACROSS

- 1 Travelling bag (8)
- 5 Cloth (6)
- 10 Adhesive (5)
- 11 From Oslo, eg (9)
- 12 Sleeveless jacket (6)
- 13 Neptune's fork (7)
- 14 Self-government (8)
- 15 Chinese ethnicity (6)
- 18 Uncommon event or item (6)
- 20 Waterfall (8)
- 21 Perfume (7)
- 24 Man's name (6)
- 27 Pathological self-admirer (9)
- 28 Herd (5)
- 29 Long, angry speech (6)
- 30 Fierce storms (8)

DOWN

- 4 Words of the same meaning (8)
- 6 Common name for the US (7)
- 7 Lift (5)
- 8 Compile (9)
- 9 Colloquial shortening of Protestant (4)
- 14 Consensus (9)
- 16 Making loud and confused noise (10)
- 17 Song of praise (8)
- 19 Drinking vessel (7)
- 22 Animal track (5)
- 23 Revise and correct (4)
- 25 Finish (3,2)
- 26 Headland (4)



DECODER

No. 122

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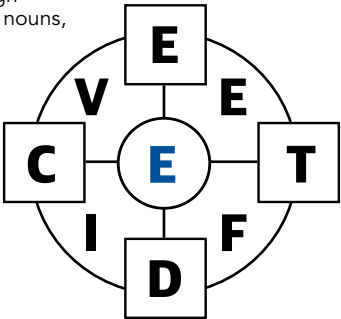
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9-LETTER WORD

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".

- Today's Aim:
- 16 words: Good
- 24 words: Very good
- 32 words: Excellent



ceded, cited, civet, civet, deceit, deceive, defect, DEFECTIVE, deft, device, dice, diet, dive, edict, edit, evict, evicted, fecht, feed, fete, feted, fetid, five, iced, idee, tied, tide, teed, tied, vice, vied, vied

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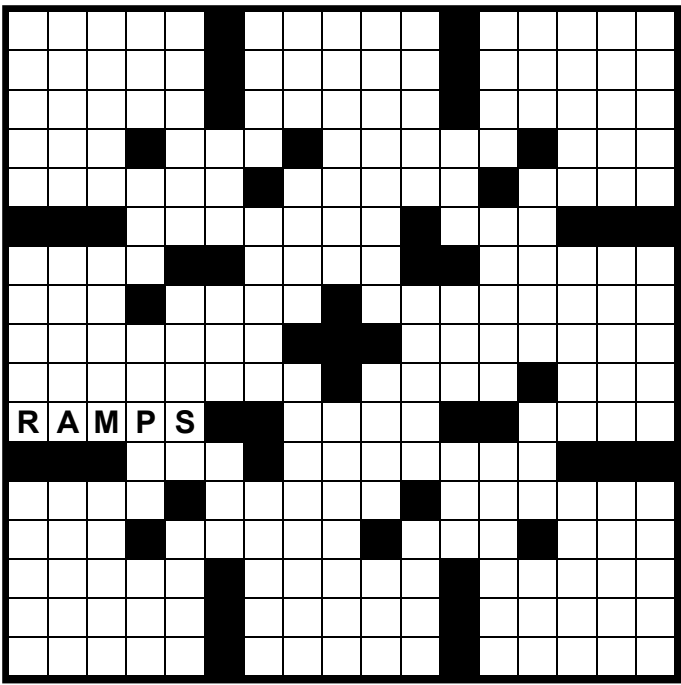
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3 LETTERS

- ARE
- ART
- ASH
- ATE
- BOO
- EGO
- EKE
- ERA
- EVE
- EYE
- GEE
- GYM
- HEN
- HOE
- ICY
- IVY
- KEN
- OPT
- ORE
- OVA
- RAN
- SIT
- TOW
- VIE

4 LETTERS

- ACHE
- DINE
- DIPS
- EVIL
- GEMS
- HISS
- IDOL
- POSE
- REST
- SALE
- SEES
- TACO
- WADE
- WIDE



5 LETTERS

- ABLER
- ADAGE
- ADORE
- ATONE
- AVAIL
- AVERT
- BABES
- BEIGE
- BESET
- CACAO
- CACTI
- CANED
- COOEE
- CYCLE
- DELTA
- DENIM
- DONOR
- DOSES
- EAVES
- EDGES

- EERIE
- ERODE
- HEART
- HOURS
- KILOS
- LOUSE
- MATTS
- OBESSE
- OLIVE
- OPERA
- OVERT
- POLAR
- RACES
- RADAR
- RAMPS
- REACT
- REARS
- RESTS
- SARIS
- SASSY
- SLEET

- SLEWS
- STORM
- TEPEE
- TESTS
- TICKS
- TILDE
- TRILL
- WANTS
- WAVER

7 LETTERS

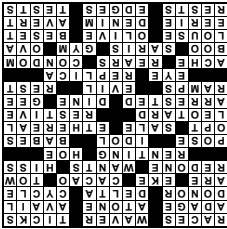
- LEOTARD
- RENTING
- REPLICA
- RESTIVE
- VERGING
- VOLCANO

8 LETTERS

- ARRESTED
- DERAILED
- ENTANGLE
- ETHEREAL

6 LETTERS

- COMBAT
- CONDOM
- REDONE
- SERENE



5x5

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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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| S | A | S | P | S |

QUICK QUIZ



- 1 With regards to the university, what does RMIT stand for?
- 2 The Richter scale was developed by which US seismologist?
- 3 See What You Made Me Do is a 2020 non-fiction book written by which Australian journalist?
- 4 What type of fruit was the heaviest recorded fruit, at more than 1000kg?
- 5 The two Australian pigeon species that have an erect crest are the crested pigeon and what other species?
- 6 Which podcast won Podcast of the Year at the 2022 Australian Podcast Awards?
- 7 Abbi Jacobson and Ilana Glazer (pictured) star in which US TV comedy?
- 8 Do emperor penguins live in the Arctic or Antarctica?
- 9 President Joe Biden was born in which US state?
- 10 Which city has the highest population density in the world?

ANSWERS: 1. Royal Melbourne Institute of Technology 2. Charles F. Richter 3. Jess Hill 4. Pumpkin 5. Sphintex pigeon 6. The Last Outlaws 7. Broad City 8. Antarctica 9. Pennsylvania 10. Manila (The Philippines)

WEATHER

FORECAST

Warnings

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

Longreach:

Cloudy. Slight chance of a shower in the afternoon and evening. The chance of a thunderstorm in the afternoon and evening. Light winds becoming southwesterly 15 to 20 km/h during the morning then turning south to southeasterly during the day. Saturday. Partly cloudy.

Isisford:

Cloudy.
Saturday. Partly cloudy.

Barcaldine:

Cloudy.
Saturday. Partly cloudy.

Central West District:

Cloudy. Slight (20%) chance of a shower north of Longreach. The chance of a storm in the afternoon and evening. Light winds becoming southeast to southwesterly 15 to 20 km/h during the morning then becoming light during the evening.

Saturday. Partly cloudy. Slight (30%) chance of a shower north of Longreach. The chance of a storm in the northeast. Light winds becoming north to northeasterly 15 to 20 km/h during the morning then tending east to northeasterly during the day.

Northern Goldfields & Upper Flinders District:

Partly cloudy. Slight (20%) chance of a shower, most likely in the afternoon and evening. The chance of a storm. Light winds becoming north to northeasterly 15 to 20 km/h during the morning then tending northeast to southeasterly during the afternoon.

Central Highlands & Coalfields District:

Cloudy. Slight (30%) chance of a shower, most likely in the afternoon and evening. The chance of a storm. Light winds.

Maranoa & Warrego District:

Partly cloudy. Slight (20%) chance of a shower in the northeast in the afternoon and evening. The chance of a storm in the afternoon and evening. Winds south to southeasterly 15 to 20 km/h tending northeast to southeasterly during the morning.

Queensland:

Widespread showers and storms with possible heavy falls about the northwest, Gulf Country and Peninsula. Isolated showers and storms for remaining districts, tending scattered in southeastern Queensland, Sunny and dry in the southwest. Maximum temperatures below average in the northwest, near average elsewhere.

LONGREACH FORECAST



TODAY
Cloudy.
34



TOMORROW
Partly cloudy.
33



SUNDAY
Partly cloudy.
34



MONDAY
Sunny.
35



Sunny



Mostly sunny



Partly cloudy



Cloudy



Chance shower



Shower or two



Showers



Light rain (drizzle)



Rain



Storm



Showers storm



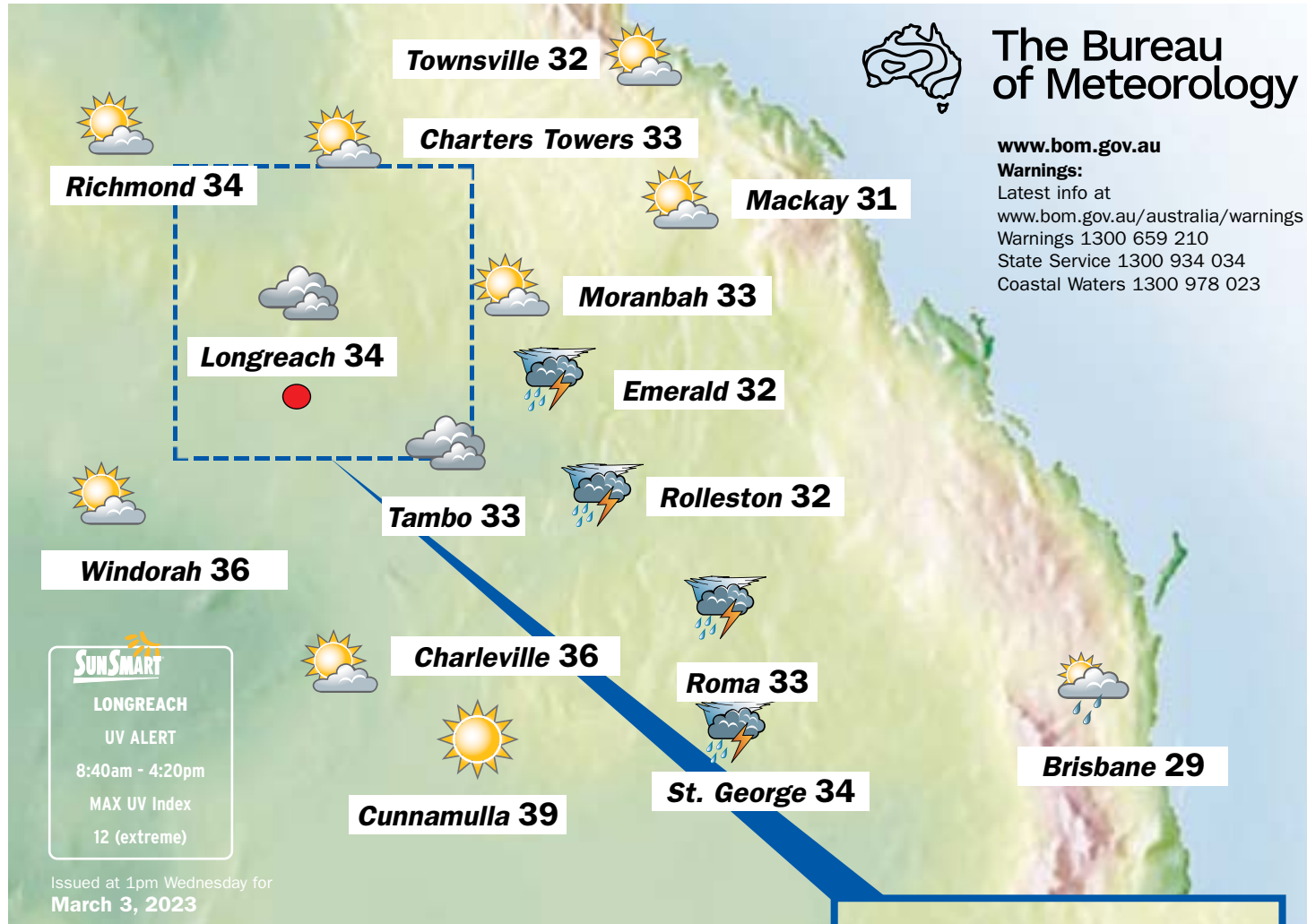
Windy



Dust



Fog



The Bureau of Meteorology

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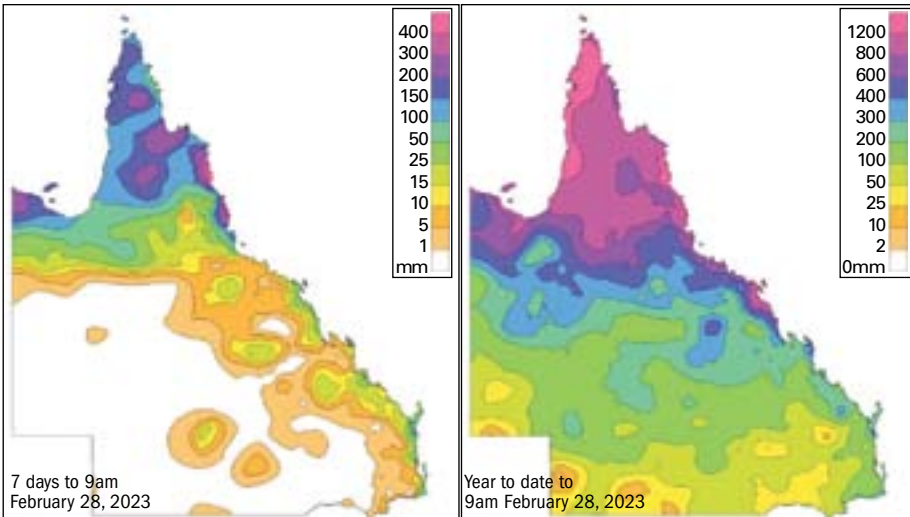
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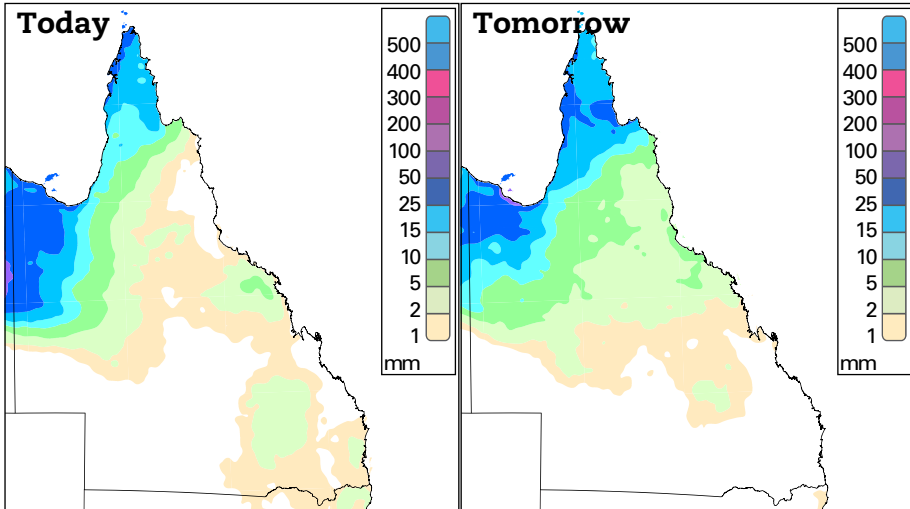
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Coastal Waters 1300 978 023

RAINFALL



Forecast Rainfall



CAPITAL CITIES

| City | Condition | Max |
|-----------|-----------------|-----|
| Adelaide | Mostly sunny. | 26 |
| Brisbane | Shower or two. | 29 |
| Canberra | Partly cloudy. | 25 |
| Darwin | Showers easing. | 31 |
| Hobart | Partly cloudy. | 20 |
| Melbourne | Partly cloudy. | 22 |
| Perth | Partly cloudy. | 33 |
| Sydney | Shower or two. | 27 |

SUN & MOON

| | Sunrise | Sunset | Moonrise | Moonset |
|------------------|---------|--------|----------|---------|
| Friday | 6:19am | 6:51pm | 4:23pm | 2:15am |
| Saturday | 6:20am | 6:50pm | 5:06pm | 3:09am |
| Sunday | 6:20am | 6:49pm | 5:44pm | 4:03am |
| Monday | 6:21am | 6:48pm | 6:19pm | 4:57am |
| Tuesday | 6:21am | 6:47pm | 6:51pm | 5:49am |
| Wednesday | 6:22am | 6:46pm | 7:22pm | 6:41am |

THE WORLD

World conditions yesterday

| City | Weather | Max | Min |
|--------------|---------|-----|-----|
| Athens | showers | 16 | 9 |
| Auckland | fine | 23 | 15 |
| Bangkok | fine | 34 | 25 |
| Beijing | fine | 14 | -3 |
| Berlin | cloudy | 5 | -1 |
| Christchurch | showers | 28 | 13 |
| Denpasar | rain | 32 | 24 |
| Dublin | drizzle | 7 | 5 |
| Hong Kong | sunny | 23 | 17 |
| Honolulu | showers | 28 | 21 |
| Jakarta | rain | 25 | 23 |
| Johannesburg | fine | 27 | 14 |
| Kuala Lumpur | storms | 32 | 23 |
| London | sunny | 9 | 4 |
| Los Angeles | sunny | 16 | 3 |
| Madrid | sunny | 11 | -2 |
| Moscow | fine | -1 | -8 |
| New Delhi | fine | 33 | 15 |
| New York | showers | 12 | 5 |
| Noumea | sunny | 30 | 25 |
| Paris | sunny | 9 | 0 |
| Auckland | fine | 23 | 15 |
| Port Vila | showers | 31 | 25 |
| Seoul | fine | 7 | -2 |
| Singapore | showers | 32 | 23 |
| Suva | storms | 30 | 24 |
| Tel Aviv | fine | 26 | 18 |
| Tokyo | cloudy | 16 | 6 |
| Vancouver | sleet | 3 | 1 |
| Wellington | fine | 22 | 16 |



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Positions Vacant



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Positions Vacant

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Student Yoga teacher Peta Ann Gowing (far left) has been taking Yoga classes at Edkins Park recently. She is under the wing of yoga instructor Bob Morgan assisting him at his classes at Edgley Hall on Tuesdays at 6 am and Wednesday at 5.30 pm. “Bob’s been a great teacher and support to get me out of my comfort zone. But while he’s away, people are loving the move to the park so that’s where we are, for now.” All welcome!



Junior Tennis Coaching resumed this week with a stellar 13 youngsters turning up at the Longreach State Primary School hall. Coach Michael Lloyd was pleasantly surprised by the turnout. School-aged kids keen to learn tennis this term can contact Lloyd. This week’s kids bouncing around a few balls were (Back L-R) Tilley, Leo, Indy, Ash, Alex, Beau (Front L-R) Grace, Evie, Henry, Sienna, Jade, Montgomery and James.

Enjoying sports of all sorts

By Michael Lloyd

JUNIOR CRICKET

Junior Cricket continues across the Central West this week.

Longreach and Barcaldine centres have four weeks of play and training left with the culmination being the North West side heading to Rockhampton in the last week of term.

Queensland Cricket Development Officer Michael Lloyd will be travelling to Tambo this Friday to help with some skills and drills at the Tambo Cricket Club.

All kids are welcome to attend from 3:30pm on Friday afternoon at the Tambo State School.

He will be returning next Friday the 10th and then in Blackall at the Indoor Cricket Centre on the 17th and 24th from 3:30-5pm.

Sessions are free but participants will need to register so keep an eye out for details or contact your local school.

SENIOR CRICKET

Senior Cricket plays its last games of the season this weekend.

Longreach travel to Stonehenge and Blackall to Barcaldine, with players looking to etch their names in the records before Rugby League takes over for the next few months.

Longreach organiser James Walker said they are still looking for a few players, but they are confident of overcoming the usually strong side Stonehenge puts on the park.

Barcaldine are looking to build on their comeback efforts against Longreach last week, while despite losing, showed they will be a force to be reckoned with later in the year.

Blackall will be fielding one of its first senior cricket sides for some time, with a resurgence in the junior and senior games coming after some hard work from local organisers. Get down to the grounds from 12 for a beverage and snack, and support your local cricket sides.



Keeping their cool at the multiple Aqua Yoga classes at the Longreach Aquatic Centre with instructor Rachel Patterson (front), leading participants (L-R) Jackara Jones, Jasmin Parsons, Kylie Ellifson, Kimberley Orr, Julie Bailey-Pratt and Dianne Barrett. Picture: SUZIE MCDARRA



Longreach Bowls Club ladies enjoyed a weekend away at Emerald. L-R Riley Blunt, Cerise Woodfield, Lorraine Barbeler, Carol Williamson, Michelle McKewen, Bail Butt and Paula Brun. Picture: DI STANLEY



Longreach Bowls Club members Peter Thurecht, Trent Shillington and George Kent caught up after competition at the Emerald Bowls Club bar last weekend. Picture: DI STANLEY

SPORTS QUIZ

- 1. Which sports brand did tennis star Roger Federer part ways with in 2018?
- 2. Where were the World Street Skateboarding championships held this year?
- 3. Which sport is Dave Bautista best known for?



Ben Simmons

- 4. In which year was Brooklyn Nets point guard Ben Simmons first drafted into the NBA?
- 5. Which NBL team does American athlete Tahjere McCall play for?
- 6. Dyson Heppell recently stepped down as Essendon's skipper after how many seasons in the role?
- 7. What is the title of Netflix's new golf documentary?
- 8. True or false: bouldering is a sport at the Olympics?
- 9. Which WWE star is currently filming for Ricky Stanicky alongside Zac Efron in Melbourne?
- 10. Who is the AFLW captain of Carlton?
- 11. Which NRL team did inaugural Dolphins captain Jesse Bromwich previously play for?
- 12. The Women's Premier League Twenty20 cricket league is set to debut in March 2023 in which country?

- 13. With Josh Kelly and Stephen Coniglio as vice-captains, who is captain of the GWS Giants?
- 14. Which Portland Trail Blazers player won the Three-Point Contest at the 2023 NBA All-Star Weekend?
- 15. The 2023 Cup Of Nations international women's soccer tournament was held in which Australian state?
- 16. And the 2023 Cup Of Nations featured Australia and which three other national teams?
- 17. Jack Ginnivan last played for which AFL team?
- 18. Which Sudan-born middle-distance runner was named 2023 WA Young Australian Of The Year?
- 19. DK Metcalf, MVP of the 2023 NBA Celebrity All-Star Game, plays for which NFL team?
- 20. Which Philadelphia 76ers player won the Slam Dunk Contest at the 2023 NBA All-Star Weekend?



- 21. Which Australian women's cricket player went for more than half a million dollars at the inaugural Women's Premier League draft?
- 22. At which Winter Olympics did Australia first compete?
- 23. A typical soccer ball has how many hexagons and pentagons?
- 24. The Essendon Football Club just announced who as their vice-captain, alongside Zach Merrett as captain?
- 25. In volleyball, how many points must a set be won by?
- 26. In which sport do competitors slide face down and head-first at speeds over 130km per hour?
- 27. When was the last time Arsenal won the Premier League title?
- 28. Out of his 61 bouts, how many did Muhammad Ali lose?
- 29. Melbourne United missed the NBL finals after which team beat the Sydney Kings by 12 points to jump ahead on the ladder?
- 30. A double eagle is a score of how many under par in golf?

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Dolphins drop bombshell

By Joel Gould/AAP

Wayne Bennett has pulled the trigger and dropped five-eighth Anthony Milford from the Dolphins’ team for their first NRL match against the Sydney Roosters, naming 19-year-old debutant Isaiya Katoa to start at No.6.

The biggest selection bombshell on Tuesday was Milford’s omission after the 206-game veteran played in the World Cup final for Samoa.

Coach Bennett never dropped the 28-year-old in four seasons at the Broncos, where he was one of his favourite players.

Former Penrith prodigy Katoa, who played three Tests at the World Cup for Tonga, has outshone his older teammate in pre-season and captain Jesse Bromwich said that is what the selection came down to.

“Milf has got a fight in front of him and I’d love to see him step up and get that jersey back,” Bromwich said.

Bromwich said Katoa was ready to step up.

“At the World Cup he did some really good things too and I think kids these days are just so much more confident than they used to be,” Bromwich said.

“He has done a really good job at training and showed he has got the potential and skill to be a really good first-grader. You’ve got to start somewhere.

“I have full confidence in him. He has a mature head and is really good at organising.”

Another major selection was the naming of Capras’ signee Kurt Donoghue who will play an unknown role from the 17 jumper.

The Roosters have lost Joey Manu to a facial fracture for the Dolphins clash with his spot taken by Corey Allan.

The Bulldogs are facing a front-rower crisis with England prop Luke Thompson sustaining a broken ankle at training on Tuesday and set to be sidelined for at least six months. Thompson joins fellow front-rower Tevita Pangai Jnr, Chris Patolo and Sam Hughes on the sidelines for the away showdown with Manly on Sunday.

Canterbury named Ex-Shark Franklin Pele and young gun Jayden Tanner on the bench.

Parramatta have back-row injury woes and have given starts to Bryce Cartwright and Matt Doorey in a new-look pack against Melbourne at CommBank Stadium on Thursday night.

The Storm are missing nine of their top 30 due to injury. Former New Zealand rugby sevens star Will Warbrick will debut on the wing after the giant Olympian carved up in the pre-season.

Flying Titans winger Alofiana Khan-Pereira has been given an NRL debut by coach Justin Holbrook against the Tigers after he scored a stunning six tries in two NRL trials.

South Sydney confirmed Blake Taaffe in the No.14 jersey for their round-one clash with the Sharks.

Newcastle centre Dane Gagai (hamstring) is out of the side to play the Warriors in Wellington on Friday night with Enari Tuala recovering from a pectoral injury to take his place.



Isaiya Katoa will replace Anthony Milford in the starting five-eight slot this weekend.



Anthony Milford (right) of the Dolphins is seen running onto the field during the NRL Pre-Season Challenge Round 2 match between the Redcliffe Dolphins and the Gold Coast Titans at Kayo Stadium in Redcliffe.
Picture: AAP/DARREN ENGLAND

Lloydy’s Serve

Michael Lloyd



Season upon us again, club still in ‘rebuilding phase’

The Rugby League season is quickly upon us again.

Yes as a cricketer, League seems to be creeping up earlier and earlier each year, but it is what it is and I’ll have to live with it.

The NRL kicks off this weekend with the new Redcliffe Dolphins entering the fray.

Their marketing techniques to gain new members has been interesting.

There is their local base which is strong, but not enough to sustain an NRL club.

So they have gone outside their geographical area to appeal to “disillusioned” Broncos fans and essentially all Queenslanders not al-

ready aligned to a Club.

Not sure why they would think we are disillusioned, we are just on a ten-year rebuilding phase and Kevie will return the Cup to us this year, and the Wallabies will beat the All Blacks and I’ll win the 100 metres at the Sunset Carnival.

It will happen people!

Anyway, where was I, yes it’s great to see another Queensland NRL Club in the mix and the geographical spread of their membership expanding. Good luck to Wayne and his boys, I just look forward to making Flipper jokes later in the season.

Rugby League locally starts next weekend

Teams have had an early hit out at the Longreach 9s and are now looking to have a strong start to the season.

League is an integral part of the West with several Clubs clocking in at 100-plus years old.

While it might not be the boom times when crowds of several thousand attended games and there was a standalone competition in Longreach, it’s not to say that can’t continue.

All League Clubs in the West make a great effort to bring their town and community along with them for the season.

Barcy are well known for their charity work; Alpha residents live and breathe with their team.

You cant get around Winton without seeing a supporter’s jersey, Longreach have been out and about in the main street, and Blackall is a sea of black and white come finals time.

It’s a great opportunity for all league and non-league supporters to get behind your town and your local side.

Ask how you can help at home games, buy a shirt or stubby holder, get a raffle ticket in the meat tray, and cheer loudly at the games.

It’s a great time of year, see you at the games!



Michael Busby passes out of the dummy-half position.



Longreach's Reiner Grams making a tackle in the under-16s match on Saturday.

Pictures: LIAM EMERTON

Young guns open season

By Liam Emerton

Our young shining stars of Central Queensland rugby league took to Browne Park for their opening games of the season on Saturday.

Our under-19s women, our under-18s boys and our under-16s boys took on the Townsville Blackhawks in round one of their respective competitions.

Opening the day were our under-16s who came within minutes of picking up a huge first round victory.

The side were easily the better team for a majority of the match but a momentum shift late in the second half saw the Townsville squad come from behind and steal a victory.

Tries to Phillip Yock, Jake Murphy and Jay Marsh put the Capras up 16-4 at half time before an early four-pointer in the second stanza by Tyson Hinds made it a 20-4 scoreline.

Tyler Melrose deserves a special mention for his outstanding performance in the seven jumper, kicking a 40-20 and having his hands all over every CQ attack.

But four unanswered tries, including two in the final two minutes of the match, saw the Blackhawks sneak home with a huge victory, leaving our under-16s wondering how they let the win slip.

Next up were our under-19s women's side who faced off against the team from Townsville.

Alenna Whipp, who was named by her coach in last week's edition, was the star of the show, crossing from a double in the first half.

Harmonie Faudid and Mackayla Oakley polished off an all-round performance, handing the 19s a 18-4 victory and a perfect start to 2023.

And finally it was a learning experience for our under-18s as they went up against last year's minor premiers.

The Blackhawks were just way too strong for our Capras who suffered a 36-10 defeat.

Sebastian Nona and Tommy Green were the only two try scorers for the home side in a tough opening match.

This weekend the Capras will have their first taste of our local rivalry when they all collide with the Mackay Cutters.

It will be a big test for our young boys' sides while our women will hope to remain undefeated in the early season.

Our men's Hostplus Cup side flew out to Papua New Guinea to take on the PNG Hunters in a trial match.

After trailing 8-4 at the half time break Lionel Harbin rallied his troops and motivated them to pick up a massive 20-14 victory.

That win will certainly bring a lot of confidence and momentum into the squad who are just a couple of weeks out from their opening match.



Jake Murphy dives over the try line on Saturday afternoon.

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