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## Brooke salutes

The Barker's Newsagency Central West Jockey Competition has concluded and Barcaldine's favourite Brooke Richardson has come out on top.

It was the inaugural year of the competition and was organised by the Longreach Jockey Club as a way of promoting jockeys to race in our region.

The final came down to Richardson and Clermont jockey Emma Bell and Brooke prevailed with a win on Set to Fight from the Todd Austin stables.

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Brooke Richardson after winning the Central West Jockey Competition. Picture: RLR PHOTOGRAPHY

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- Damian Morgan



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# Goodbye Ms Wachtel

By Michael R Williams

A part of the makeup of a local school is about to take part in the next chapter in her life.

Barcaldine's St Joseph's Catholic School Principal Annie Wachtel will be moving on after six years serving the community; two years as a teacher and four years as a principal.

Ms Wachtel first came to Barcaldine with her husband who got a job in the Department of Main Roads.

In the new year, she will be moving to Brisbane to work as an educational advisor.

"I've been a teacher for 25 years, on and off to have children," Ms Wachtel said.

"I've been in State schools, Catholic schools, and I've also been overseas to teach in London and Dubai."

Ms Wachtel said this school was all about community spirit.

"I think the support from the school community to attend May Day events and Anzac Day events – we put on two school musicals – the support from the Parish and how everyone is willing to chip in and help out is fantastic," she said.

Ms Wachtel, outside of her work as a principal, has organised on the Tree of Knowledge committee, and on the Parish Pastoral Council.

"We're always serving the school through school events, it feels like we do a lot more," she said.

"We try to represent the school at every event in town," Ms Wachtel said.

"We made hobby horses when there was a hobby horse race at the Tree of Knowledge



Current Principal Annie Wachtel will be leaving at the end of the year.

Festival, we participated in the Winton Poetry Festival, and sung at Anzac Day."

Becoming principal was not a part of Ms Wachtel's aspirations, but when the former Principal moved on, she put her name forward and was fortunate enough to get the position.

"It's been an incredible experience," Ms Wachtel said.

"I've learned so much, grown so much.

"It's been a very busy four years, however."

Ms Wachtel wanted to thank the school for the past six years.

"Thank you for the memories you have gifted me; thank you for the experience," she said.

"I will always have fond memories of St Josephs and hold everyone close to my heart.

"Thank you for trusting me with your children as principal."



Matt Steger and Matthew Worland driving the newly acquired International Fire Truck.

## Heritage fire truck to join society's growing collection

By Michael R Williams

A fire truck used in the 1960s has officially been gifted to the Longreach Fire Brigade Historical Society from the Longreach Regional Council.

The 1961 International AV160 was the fourth truck to be used in Longreach and had been used in Isisford for a number of years.

It had been on display at the Longreach Powerhouse Museum before being acquired by the Fire Brigade Historical Society.

Society President Riley Coppo said the truck would be a part of the collection started by the Fire Brigade Historical Society.

"It means a lot to us to have it gifted to us from the Council," he said.

"Just seeing it sit there [at the Powerhouse Museum], I just thought 'I'll finally write a letter to the Council [asking to acquire the truck]."

Mr Coppo wrote the letter in September and the decision was made in the November council meeting; it is now officially house at the former Longreach Fire Station.

"It came into our possession yesterday," Mr Coppo said.

"We've got three of our original fire trucks in our possession."

Mr Coppo said the Fire Brigade Historical Society plans to continue to use fire trucks along with Fire memorabilia for open days and parades going forward.

# Minister on defensive

Gregory MP Lachlan Miller recently confronted Minister for Agriculture Mark Furner in Parliament on the State Government's handling of the Longreach Pastoral College.

"Given the government's refusal to fund a business case to use the Longreach Pastoral College for vocational training and their failure to sell the campus to the Longreach council, how will the minister address the agricultural skills crisis in Central Western Queensland?" said Mr Miller.

Mr Furner responded, firstly by mentioning the enjoyment he finds in visiting Longreach.

"In fact, we attend that region so often that the mayor has threatened to give me a rates notice," he said.

"If the member for Gregory went to Longreach the number of times I do, he would have an understanding of the proponents who are lining up to look at the Longreach agricultural college for repurposing, which is what this government did several years ago in terms of repurposing not only the Emerald but also the Longreach QATC".

Minister Mark Furner continued stating the State Government will "continue engaging as we always do".

"We will continue listening to our regional centres as everyone in the Palaszczuk government does," he said.

"Every member of cabinet visits the regions and will be visiting the regions very, very soon, in fact, to make sure we continue that engagement and listening to those proponents, whom my department and I will be listening to, to make sure the repurposing of the college will be sustainable.

"Because we are thorough in terms of integrity, probity and what we do as a government we tabled the Coaldrake review."

The Minister for Agriculture claimed the State Government had "made sure that everyone understood what we were proposing".

"We made sure that everyone throughout Queensland, whether it be in Longreach, Emerald or other parts of the regions, knew what was ahead of them," he said.

"The fact is when the member for Gregory was the media adviser for the previous LNP minister for agriculture he lacked the intestinal fortitude to table the Ernst & Young report on the review of those colleges.

"The member for Gregory did not have the decency or integrity to table the Ernst & Young report.

"They were going to sell not only the Longreach college but, as I understand it, they were also going to sell the Emerald college."

Minister Mark Furner went on to say that the State Government would "continuously engage with all of the regions".

"And ensure the proponents who are lining up have the opportunity to make sure those colleges will be repurposed in the manner proposed in the Coaldrake review," he said.

"When you look at the funding, we put aside \$16.74 million over five years to continue the maintenance and sustainability of these sites.

"We will continue to engage with all of the proponents across the board like the butchers that are in there now at Longreach.

Mr Furner went on to commend Longreach's local butcher shop, Savage Butchers.

"They are doing a fantastic job— Ms Enoch: Get serious butchers," he said.

"Savage butchers—Savage by name, not by nature.

"They are a great example of what Longreach has to provide, and we will make sure we continue to engage with all of those proponents."

# Graziers thankful for rain

By Michael R Williams

The Bureau of Meteorology says many places on the eastern front of Australia have experienced their wettest November on record.

And while many graziers here in the central west have experienced strong downpours, some have only received “patchy” at best rain.

The graziers we spoke to had received between 70 and 90 millimetres of rain.

Dunraven Station Owner and AgForce North Director Paul Doneley said he had felt very fortunate to have received the rain that he had.

“It’s just the tip of the iceberg based on the forecasting of the upcoming wet season,” he said.

“It’s a long time to come and we have a lot of hurdles to get over to get there - but at this stage, it’s promising.

“But it’s been very patchy rain, which is typical of storm season – and a lot of people have still only got five millimetres and some that having gotten anything.”

Mr Doneley said even for graziers who have received the rain, there still needs to be a lot more to alleviate the effects of the previous drought.

“Coming off the last ten years of dryness, there’s not a lot of perennial grasses out there,” he said.

“We’ll need a lot of rain to get them established.

“That’s what we do need, consistency with rains.”

Coolullah Station owner David Patterson said it had been a great start to the wet season.

He said his station had been fortunate to have several strong wet seasons in a row and he has remained stocked.

“We are an exceptional little pocket of the central west that hasn’t had a tough time,” he said.

“But, getting useful rain at this time of the year is what’s not frequently done.

“Other times what it does do is set up the Mitchell grass country to get growing and go to seed and by March or April you get more rain during that season.”



Dunraven Station after recent rain events.

Mr Patterson said his station would not be buying more lambs or increasing stock after the rain.

“We’ll just continue on what we’re doing,” he said.

Ban Ban grazier Mike Pratt said his property has had 60 millimetres over the past month.

“We’ve been enjoying a really good season with lots of good grass since February, March this year” he said.

“But before the 60 millimetres [received this month], the grass was very dry and lacked protein, and we were feeding protein licks to the stock.”

Mr Pratt works with all three sheep, cattle, and goats; he said he will be looking to increase the breeding of his sheep and goats, and will continue to raise and sell cattle.

A recurring notion several of the graziers mentioned was that the price of cattle was too high to stock or restock after the drought if it does break.

“In time, we’d love to buy cattle, but it’s just too expensive at the moment.” Mr Pratt said.

While Mr Pratt’s stations’ have been lucky to receive rain, he did mention that farms west of Stonehenge and in other parts of the Central West have not been so lucky.

“There are still huge areas of country that have had practically no rain,” he said.

“It must be disheartening when there is news of huge rain around the country and you miss out.

“Anyway that’s the way it goes, and hopefully by Christmas, everybody would have good rain.”

According to Mr Pratt, since 2003 there has been only three years where the Longreach and Barcoo shires haven’t been drought declared.

“It’s been an incredibly long and tough haul,” he said.

“There’s always been enough to keep people going, but especially around the Longreach, Ilfracombe, Isisford, Blackall areas, this drought’s been horrific for them.

“We need rain in our black dirt; hopefully it’ll break this summer, at least according to the forecast.”

Meanwhile, Mr Doneley said looking at the forecast, things are looking up for graziers financially, however.

“If things keep going up, we may look at increasing our numbers,” he said.

“People out here are anywhere from 20 per cent to fully stock, so there’s a lot of people out there who may be looking to increase stock.

“They may be looking to change commodities: sheep or goat or small animal commodities, or to stay in cattle; there are opportunities there to diversify because there is good money at present.”

Mr Doneley, who owns a mixed enterprise, believes now is a great time to get into sheep and goat, particularly after recent wild dog fencing programs have made it safer to do so.

“Around here in Barcaldine, it’s fantastic sheep country; they’re better suited to this environment,” he said.

“We might be looking into potentially diversifying and getting some goats.

“It’s a fantastic opportunity if you can’t afford to get into cattle.”

All of the graziers agree that a lot more rain is needed.

## Queensland deluge closes roads and floods homes

Heavy rains and deluge has sparked flood warnings across Queensland, with more wet conditions forecast around the state.

There are four moderate and major flood warnings across the state’s rivers including the Dawson, Condamine, Macintyre, Balonne, Weir and Paroo rivers, while a severe weather warning remains in place for the Central West, Coalfields, Darling Downs, Burnett and Granite Belt.

On the banks of the Macintyre river in Goondiwindi, west of Brisbane, Mayor Lawrence Springborg says there’s no immediate threat to any towns or villages, but the next 24 hours will be key.

“We’ve had quite a lot of rain, all of our catchments are completely saturated, our dams are full - they’re overflowing - and rivers and streams are running quite high,” he said.

“From that perspective we don’t have much freeboard. It doesn’t take a lot of rain at the moment to change things quickly very dramatically.

“But we’ve got good flood planning here and we’re in a constant state of readiness for these circumstances.”

A truck driver was rescued by SES crews early on Tuesday morning near the town after his vehicle was swept off the Cunningham Highway.

That was one of 77 requests SES crews responded to over 24 hours, with up to 300 road closures around the state.

Further north in Mackay, schools were closed and sandbags deployed as the tropical north received 300mm of rainfall in some parts.

Workers from the Kestrel coal mine in the region were evacuated to a nearby town and moved to fly-in, fly-out procedures for 124 staff as the Gregory Highway was flood-ridden. With the Bureau of Meteorology predicting more wet weather in the coming days, Premier Annastacia Palaszczuk said Queenslanders’ needed to prepare for a storm season that had come early.

“The Central and North Coast regions were the worst-affected areas, with a small number of requests in the Brisbane, south-east and southwest regions (in the past 24 hours),” she told parliament.

“With catchments swollen due to recent rainfall, this means that localised flash flooding will remain a threat throughout Queensland over the next week.

“I encourage all Queenslanders to prepare for storm season now. Look out for weather alerts on the Bureau of Meteorology website and contact the SES if you need assistance.”

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# Most of CW vaxed

Closing in on its goal of 80 per cent fully vaccinated, Central West Health has declared that the Central West Region has hit the 75 per cent watermark for the eligible population.

Central West Hospital and Health Service executive director of medical services Dr David Walker said about 85.6 per cent of the eligible population aged 12 and older so far had received at least one dose.

"We haven't got far to go to reach the 80 per cent mark and I encourage everyone to continue turning up to our vaccination clinics, either to receive their first dose of vaccine if unvaccinated, or to complete the course of two doses if you have only had one dose to date," he said.

"We have multiple opportunities for people to be vaccinated, right through into late December.

"So, please come along and help us get over the 80 per cent mark and avoid having restrictions imposed on your individual activities if you are not fully vaccinated once our borders reopen.

"And remember, if you have completed your initial course of vaccination with two doses of a Covid-19 vaccine, it is now nationally recommended that everyone aged 18 years and older should have a booster dose of vaccine."

Mr Walker said the booster dose is recom-

mended to be delivered between 24-26 weeks from your second dose of vaccine.

"But it can be as early as 21 weeks for residents in remote areas who may have difficulty accessing the booster vaccine," he said.

"In all cases, whether you had AstraZeneca or Pfizer for your previous doses, you will receive the Pfizer vaccine for your booster dose.

"Pfizer is the only vaccine that has been approved at this time for use as a booster dose in Australia."

Dr Walker said everyone who had been vaccinated through the Central West vaccination program would be receiving a text message to contact the health service and arrange an appointment for the booster dose as they became due for it in the coming months.

Bookings are recommended but walk-ins are welcome at all clinics.

Booking an appointment for a first, second or booster dose of vaccine is easy as calling 1800 953 703, or emailing: CW COVAX@health.qld.gov.au.

If telephoning to book a booster dose, please have your Medicare card on hand when you make the call.

Remember, when presenting for your vaccination, to bring: 1. Photo identification and

your Medicare card, if you have one, 2. Your vaccination card received at your first appointment when having your second, 3. Information about medical conditions and current medications, 4. Information about any other vaccine you've had in the past 7 days.

## Upcoming community Pfizer clinics:

- Murrumbidgee: 30 November at the Town Hall
- Blackall: 30 November to 3 December at the Blackall Cultural Centre
- Longreach: 6-10 December at the Longreach Civic and Cultural Centre
- Isisford: 8 December at the Town Hall
- Jericho: 9 December in the morning at the Town Hall
- Alpha: 9 December in the pm and 10 December in the am at the Town Hall
- Baraldine: 13 and 14 December at the Town Hall
- Tambo: 15 December at the Town Hall
- Longreach: 16 December in the pm and 17 December at the Civic and Cultural Centre
- Boulia: 16-17 December at the Boulia Primary Health Centre
- Bedourie: 17 December at the Bedourie Primary Health Centre
- Winton: 20-21 December at the Winton Shire Hall.

## Preparing for border opening

The Central West Hospital and Health Service is well-prepared and has comprehensive plans in place should it be required to respond to Covid-19 cases within the region.

These plans and strategies are aligned with Queensland Health's state-wide management plans, as well as with interstate and federal counterparts.

These plans ensure we have adequate supplies, equipment, staff, and contingencies across all hospitals.

It is important to note that to date, there have been no cases of Covid-19 in the Central West region.

At this time, Central West residents should be aware and informed about coronavirus but not alarmed.

The experienced team of clinicians has responded well to health emergencies in the past, and we will do it again.

The service has completed plans to prepare our hospitals, multipurpose health services, and primary health centres for any Covid-19 scenarios.

Staff are being supported with personal protective equipment and training, as well as regular check-ups to manage health and wellbeing.

Testing for Covid-19 is available at all our health facilities throughout the region.

If you have any of the Covid-19 symptoms: fever, sore throat, runny nose, cough, shortness of breath, fatigue, diarrhoea, vomiting, nausea, or lack of taste or smell, you should be tested.

Central West residents can do their part to stay safe by practising good hygiene – and staying home if they are sick.

Washing your hands is the gold standard of health advice as far as coronavirus goes.

Washing your hands properly and often means that you can help prevent viruses from entering your body.

Most important of all, please get vaccinated.

Vaccination is a vital component of our overall Covid-19 preparedness.

You need to protect yourself and be ready for when Covid-19 comes to Queensland, which it will do inevitably once our national and international borders reopen from Christmas and New Year onwards.

Having the vaccine is your choice.

It's safe, free, and remains the best way to protect yourself, your family, and our community from serious illness.

Make sure to have both doses of Covid-19 vaccine and remember to have your booster shot when that becomes due.

Combined with Covid-safe behaviours like social distancing, vaccines are our pathway out of this pandemic and give us the best chance of keeping our communities and businesses open and doing more of the things we enjoy.

We are currently running Covid-19 vaccination clinics right across the region and these need to be strongly supported by our communities.

The more people who are fully vaccinated, the more protected our Central West communities will be – so please, go and be vaccinated when the vaccination team is in your community.

And remember, you need to have two doses of vaccine for maximum protection, so don't neglect to have your second dose if you have already had your first.

Anyone with concerns can call 13 HEALTH (13 43 25 84) or find up-to-date, reliable information on the Queensland Health website at [www.health.qld.gov.au/coronavirus](http://www.health.qld.gov.au/coronavirus)

## Central West hospitals toast milestones

The two most nascent hospitals in the central west region have celebrated their anniversaries in the past month.

Blackall's new \$20.11 million hospital and general practice celebrated its first anniversary since it started receiving patients in November last year.

Meanwhile, the \$7.24 million Boulia Primary Health Central and Wellbeing Centre is celebrating its second anniversary since opening to the public in November 2019.

Central West Health chief executive Jane Hancock said the two new facilities were doing their respective communities proud.

"I'd like to thank the Blackall-Tambo Regional Council and the Boulia Shire Council for their strong support in helping us convince the government to deliver these two outstanding health facilities for their respective communities," she said.

"The Blackall-Tambo Regional Council lobbied government strongly on behalf of its residents for the new hospital.

"We received similar support from the Boulia Shire Council and, indeed, the Wellbeing Centre component of the \$7.24 million Boulia project was funded by a \$572,900 Commonwealth contribution delivered through council.

"Both the new Blackall Hospital and General Practice and the Boulia PHC and the Wellbeing Centre are proving their worth to their communities and will continue to do so for many years to come."

Both facilities were delivered by St Hilliers Property Pty Ltd, with the Boulia precinct being delivered in partnership with AUSCO Modular (Townsville).



Boulia Primary Health Central and Wellbeing Centre has officially tuned two.

"Blackall Hospital and General Practice have already delivered more than 3100 occasions of service to the local community, along with 8094 GP consultations," Ms Hancock said.

"And I must say, the gardens at the hospital are growing magnificently and I'd like to thank the hospital's operational services team who maintain the garden and whose collective green thumbs have contributed to getting it where it is today.

"The feature trees and hedges are certainly starting to mature and have really softened the view. "Meanwhile, the Boulia PHC and Wellbeing Centre delivered 2040 occasions of service

in the 12 months from 1 October last year to 1 October this year, along with 585 GP consultations.

"This compared to 1747 occasions of service during the first nine months of last year and 964 occasions of service for the same period in 2019, prior to the opening of the new facility.

"The new Boulia PHC and Wellbeing Centre is a 21st-century facility that is able to deliver 21st-century care and this has been very well-received by the local community over the past couple of years."



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# Divine intervention

By Michael R Williams

There's been a lot of rain recently, but it was a not-too-distant memory graziers in Opalton had of a struggle to find water.

However, for five farmers, the divining work of Opal Miner Max Read has been essential.

Divining is a technique that has a large part in Australian colonial history, and despite the sceptics, Mr Read has shown it still works.

"I've done four or five properties around the Opalton area, with pretty good results," Mr Read said.

"I've dug about 15 holes for about 10 good supplies, a couple of supplies were a bit too salty and three or four duds where I might not have gone deep enough.

"It's pretty hard to say."

Mr Read said he learned divining techniques when coming across a Korean miner when he worked in South Australia.

"I never believed in it, and I sought of laughed at him [the Korean man], until I saw that he was picking up the faults pretty eas-

ily," he said.

"So, I thought, maybe there's something in this; I better have a go.

The process of divining involves holding two wires close together; Mr Read explained that when they cross a fault, the wires "turn in".

"I got two wires in me hands, and now I get someone to drive me along in the car," he said.

"You can feel a fault coming for 50 or 60 metres."

A fault may not always contain water, Mr Read explained that "water, opal, and gold behave differently".

"It's complicated, water is the easiest one, gold is not so easy, and opal's really really complicated," he said.

"I wouldn't like to find water in an opal area because it messes you up.

"I go by numbers, so a one is where the wires cross, it's got nothing to do with distance or anything like that.

"For water, it goes in fours, with gold, it's six, and for opal, it's multiples of six.

"So, if you come to an opal fault, it will come off as a one, and you follow it along until you come to six which you then want to follow for a block."

Mr Read said the property owners were deeply appreciative of his work.

"For one property, I didn't realise how bad off they were," he said.

"Because the previous owner told them there was no groundwater there.

"So I wired up three holes, and they got 3500 gallons, 4600 gallons, and 6500 gallons; they rang me up to tell me [of their success], and they were so excited.

"They told me they were pumping for nine kilometres, I think that's how they got over 6000 gallons an hour; you can imagine how happy they were."

Mr Read said his work was no trouble at all and refuses to accept any formal payment.

"I'm just happy to see them get water," he said.

"One bloke gave me some money for petrol, but I don't do it for money."

## Mayor charged

A north Queensland mayor faced court this week after being charged over a drunken assault on two female security guards on his outback town's horse racing weekend.

Richmond Shire Mayor John Wharton allegedly assaulted the women in a venue on Racecourse Rd, Richmond, about 9.15pm on 28 August.

The incident occurred on the night of the annual Richmond Bush Sprints, the town's annual horse racing event.

Police said Mr Wharton was charged with two counts of common assault and creating a disturbance in licensed premises. The 68-year-old won't be standing aside during the proceedings and has indicated he's planning to fight the charges in court.

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## 'Cracking dirt', rail adventure project right on track

By Michael R Williams

An ambitious project that has been three years in the making has finally begun to sprout.

Outback Aussie Tours, the company behind various tourist attractions in the Longreach and the Central West Region, has taken it upon itself to build a tourist train project with the end goal of connecting Emerald and Winton.

Currently, work is being done at the Sandpiper St site where a workshop, offices, a train display line, and a storage line are being built.

Outback Aussie Tours business owner Alan Smith said it was great to be finally "cracking dirt" on the project dubbed, "The Outback Rail Adventure".

"We're on schedule to have some sort of minor operation by late June next year," he said.

"There's a lot of processes to go through; if you can imagine what it takes to learn to drive a car, then make that a truck, and then a train, that's what we're having to go through."

Mr Smith said his company plans to eventually run a circuit that connects Longreach, Emerald, Barcaldine, and Winton on a once-a-week trip during the tourist season.

"That won't happen for the first few years," he said.

"We'll build the business slowly, we have to build our safety and operation procedures first.

"You know how to eat an Elephant? Piece by piece."

Mr Smith said his team has decided to reverse engineer their plan to a smaller scale in the meantime.

"We'll start with trips out to the flood plains and out to Ilfracombe," he said.

"Then we'll build to charters out to Barcaldine and Winton, and eventually Emerald."

Mr Smith was confident that there was a



Outback Aussie Tours Business Owner Alan Smith at the construction site for the Outback Rail Adventure.

market for his product.

"So we've got the Grey Nomads market, we've got our rail packages market, we've got coaches and we have local markets for events," he said. The train itself will be a 1960s Silver Bullet and will have "a lot of personality" and may turn up by Christmas.

"It's a beautiful machine and so comfy to

ride on," Mr Smith said.

"The troops at Queensland Rail have kept it in such good condition."

Mr Smith said the project was about his company having a point of difference from his other operation.

"When people come to Western Queensland, they can run the boat cruises,

which we have," he said.

"This is about having another serious business and transport option where we can attract more business to Longreach and other towns.

"Our hope is to do stuff for events and conferences in the shoulder months and try to build something a bit different to what we have tried in the past."

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# Winton’s Dinos is recognised again

A small step down from their Gold Prize in 2019, the Australian Age of Dinosaurs nabbed a Silver prize at the Queensland Tourism Awards, proving they are an attraction that has long term merit.

The award was for best major Tourist Attraction, and the business has again gone up against stiff competition.

Australian Age of Dinosaurs chairman David Elliott said the company was still pleased with Silver after a big and success year.

“The award can be broken into two things: what you do on the ground which is your museum or attraction, what we do here is put a lot of work into customer service and our product,” he said.

“We try to make sure that what people get out of the attraction is as good as we possible make it.

“That’s when, in two weeks in July we had about 700 people a day, that’s when it can be difficult to give everyone as high a quality experience as possible when they outnumber the staff by so much.

“But, I feel really happy with what our staff has achieved this year.”

Mr Elliott said the award wasn’t just about having a good product, however.

“It’s all the processes and procedure – that’s business planning and dealing with a whole range of different things,” he said.

“That’s got to be put together and we always do that in-house.

“We have Naomi Miles our Business Manager, and she does an amazing job, she’s very very thorough.”

Mr Elliott said this is how management are always improving the business.

“Every year, we are getting a better product, and every year we are getting better at delivering it,” he said.

This year the Australian Age of Dinosaurs finished the Dynamic Destination Project.

“We worked all-through 2020 and it was finished in May this year,” Mr Elliott said.

“it included the master Titanosaur that was preserved in a Sauropod creek way which two years to move.

“At the same time we have other dinosaurs and adding a shuttle bus.

“We’ve more than double the product since 2019 [when they won gold].”

Mr Elliott said the team were very pleased with the exhibit.



Australian Age of Dinosaurs Chairman David Elliott at the Queensland Tourism Awards.



Longreach Information Centre Customer Experience Officer Michelle Ballard by the Gold Award for Tourist Information Centre at the Queensland Tourism Awards.

## Longreach has best welcome

At the heart of every town, there is an information centre; an essentially building for every newcomer or tourist.

According to the Queensland Tourist Council, this year, the Longreach Information Centre was the best.

Information Centre customer experience officer Michelle Ballard said the award was a reflection of the hard work the team put in.

“It was a bit different this year, this year focussed on how you dealt with Covid; social media, marketing, promotions, what we did to encourage people to travel,” she said.

“So there was a big submission, a lot of work went into it, an interview.

“And our background in tourism – so, tourism as a whole and the work of the information centre.”

Ms Ballard said they were surprised to have received the award.

“Especially since we’re a small centre compared to the coastal ones, I think it probably comes back to the marketing and how we promote regional tourism,” she said.

“We have a joint strategy with the Winton Shire Council and our social media strategy was enjoined with them, also.

“We have a joint newsletter that goes out and our social media marketing takes them into account as well.”

The Longreach Information Centre also did an extensive television marketing campaign with Winton.

Going forward, the Information Centre will maintain the efforts they’ve made this year.

“We want to keep 100 per cent customer service to our operators, locals, and tourists alike,” Ms Ballard.

## QFM builds on a big year of accolades

After receiving the Traveller’s Choice Award and Central Queensland Project of the Year, the Qantas Founders Museum has added another two accolades to its trophy cabinet this year.

Receiving Bronze for both Cultural Tourism and Major Tourist Attraction, the Qantas Founders Museum joined a bevy of central west tourism businesses to be featured at the Tourism Awards.

Qantas Founders Museum communications manager Elizabeth Neal said the attention the museum had been receiving of late is due to unique location of Longreach.

“With that it’s really created for us a sense place,” she said.

“Along with our new airpark, our news tours, along with our Super Constellation display.”

Ms Neal said the awards meant a lot for the staff.

“It has had a huge impact for our great staff,” she said.

“It’s been a big moral boost to show that their work has been appreciated.”

Going into next year, the Qantas Founders Museum is looking to keep riding the current wave of success they are on.

“We are looking to maintain the level of quality service to our customers we are known for,” Ms Neal said.



Helen Spence, Sarah Collins, and Alleyne Johnson receiving the awards on behalf of Qantas Founders Museum.

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# Retreat takes tourism gold

Central west tourist venues have seen great success at the Queensland Tourist Awards, as **Michael R Williams** reports.

After a hugely successful tourism season, central west attractions have “cleaned up” at the Queensland Tourism Awards.

Six awards were handed to central west tourist vendors, including Mitchell Grass Retreat for Best New Tourism Business.

Others included Best Tourism Information Centre which went to the Longreach Information Centre; Qantas Founders Museum which was awarded Bronze for Cultural Tourism and Bronze for Major Tourist Attraction; Australian Age of Dinosaurs which was awarded Silver for Major Tourist Attraction; and The Big Red Bash which was awarded Bronze in the category of Festivals and Events.

Mitchell Grass Retreat co-owners Tanya and David Neal said winning the Gold Prize had come as a complete shock.

“We thought we had a shot, but we weren’t confident of even achieving a Bronze,” Mr Neal said.

“We were up for the Best New Tourism Business in Queensland, we were up against so much competition.

Ms Neal said their success had come from their willingness to try something different.

“We realised there wasn’t a lot of options for higher-end accommodation in the outback, and that’s where we came up with the idea for luxury glamping,” Mr Neal said.

“A part of the reason we went with the tents was that it was different, at least, in our region; because we can have our visitors out from city areas to come to see the stars.

“Even compared to being in Longreach, the stars are vastly better – it’s just different to your ordinary \$10 accommodation.”

The Neals have been diligent with creating an experience that is luxurious for their patrons.

“Our couples’ and solo tents have all got

luxury king-sized beds, they have their own individual fire pits that they can go out and roast their marshmallows,” Ms Neal said.

“Everything we do is provided there, each tent has its own private BBQ on the deck, we also have a communal fire pit.

“They can be by themselves on a romantic getaway, or they can use the fire pit and interact with other travellers.”

Other local businesses have profited from The Mitchell Grass Retreat: indirectly from the foot traffic it has brought the town, but also through the jobs the project has created.

“Where we can, we buy everything locally to support our community,” Ms Neal said.

“Casey’s coffee shop, the Merino Bakery, the meat in our barbecue packs come from the Savage Butcher Shop.

“We also used all local contractors in the construction of the retreat, including Gavin Groves Plumbing.”

They said they believe the town, in general, should be proud of the business achievements it’s made over the past few years – naming The Branch as another successful venture.

“I think the town should be proud of all its attributes,” Mr Neal said.

“It’s a great town.”

After a busy tourist season in 2020, the Neals said they were grateful for the hard work their staff have put in, and due to the short number of staff available, it is evident in their success, how much work they have put in to make the venture work.

“We have been so short staff all around the town, and our cleaners have done a magnificent job,” Mr Neal said.

“The fact that we haven’t had any backpackers around has made it a very tough gig to find staff.

“We are closed now because we just can’t clean in a short turnaround; it has been extremely difficult on that side of it.”



Tanya and David Neal after winning Best New Tourism Business at the Queensland Tourism Awards.

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# Be careful around wildlife

By Michael R Williams

After seeing an influx of wildlife activity recently, the Western Rehabilitation Centre has called on residents to be more considerate among our new additions.

Wildlife carer Kym Palmer said the larger brood of emu chicks indicated the likelihood of a larger wet season.

“Usually, emu chicks hatch in early August but, this year, we were noticing them hatch late June late July,” she said.

“As far as (taking care of the animals), the old saying goes – you drive to the conditions of the road.

“That doesn’t just apply to road conditions and weather conditions but taking into consideration the wildlife that may be around.”

Ms Palmer said it was important to consider the behaviours of kangaroos, emus, and also predators such as raptors.

“If you see a carcass up further ahead (while driving), there’s a very good chance there are raptors flying around,” she said.

“Eagles take quite a lot to actually get lift; something we find quite often is an eagle might be on a carcass early in the morning, and they don’t get a chance to get that lift, and they get cleaned up.

“Something we try to encourage is if somebody has hit an animal to remove it [the carcass] far enough from the road so any predators that also come aren’t also going to get hit.

“Also for kangaroos and possums - any kind of marsupial - you want to check the pouch for babies.”

Ms Palmer said it was important to note that younger animals can be “erratic”.

“Most wildlife are not adapted to human civilisation so the emu chicks especially can be unpredictable,” she said.

“So, if you’re around them, it is important to slow down.



The Central West has seen and influx in emu chicks.

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“To me, slowing down around animals is common sense, but for some people they may need the hint, and a street sign might be a good idea.”

For those who encounter the emus, Ms Palmer said it was important to exercise common sense as they are wild animals.

“I certainly wouldn’t say they are aggressive,

but if you get too close, they might get protective,” she said.

“We’re all going to get protective of our babies, humans react no differently.

“Keep your distance and be mindful that they are there.”

Ms Palmer said to be careful if feeding them that they don’t become dependent on what it is

that you are feeding them, as that food may be nutritionally insufficient.

“Processed food is not good for humans, let alone wildlife,” she said.

“Try and keep it as natural as possible, emus love spinach leaves.

“We should be able to co-habitat with them.”

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## Riding for mental health

By Michael R Williams

In support of outback mental health, philanthropists will ride by push bike from Brisbane to Longreach this time increasing the distance to include an overnight stay in Charleville.

RideWest is a biennial bike ride that has raised over \$1,400,000 for the Royal Flying Doctor Service’s Wellbeing Out West Program over its 12-year-lifespan.

Wellbeing Out West is a program that provides free one on one mental health counselling, education, and support for rural Queensland and is entirely funded by RideWest. Participant Kate Warby said the event was about providing mental health care to people in the bush that is more readily available in the cities.

There are 37 riders this year who and will ride from Brisbane next year on April 29.

“We’re riding on 150, 170kms a day,” she said.

“Some days we’re doing up to 220 kms.”

The RideWest fundraiser was conceived in when, originator Les Hancock was driving and heard on the radio that a man was riding his bike from Melbourne to Cairns for charity.

As a bike rider, Mr Hancock was inspired; the very next story was about the suicide rates in outback Queensland – 30-50 per cent higher than that of the city.

Ms Warby said she got involved in the event through her love of cycling.

“I do a lot of riding, and I had heard about this event through my husband who works for NRMA [double check] who are one of the major sponsors,” she said.

“I got on board because I love a challenge, and I have a lot of family who live in Western Queensland.

“I have a lot of understanding of the resilience they have, but they need support, and they might not go looking for it if it’s not already there.”

In the lead up, Ms Warby said she would need to train hard to prepare for the tribulation.



Participants riding west.

“But what I loved about it [RideWest in previous years] was that it wasn’t a race,” she said.

“You’re doing it as a team, together, and while we’re doing for different reasons, we’re all doing it for the same result.

“We all have a contact that we care about helping, and if we can do that [help improve mental health in the outback], then that’s we want to be able to achieve.”

Ms Warby held a “Sunset Fundraising Soiree” in Eumindi, recently, with an attendance of over 100 people.

During that event she was able to raise \$9500 from local businesses through a raffle with all proceeds going to the Wellbeing Out West program.

Ms Warby said community engagement with riders in the towns they pass has grown exponentially over the years.

“The country people can’t believe you get on a push bike and come to longreach,” she said.

“It’s very hospitable, people are very grateful for what we do, they give us scones and a feed.

“You can’t underestimate the country hospitality.”

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Photos of the Santa Competition in Isisford.



# Spotting Isisford Santas

By Michael R Williams

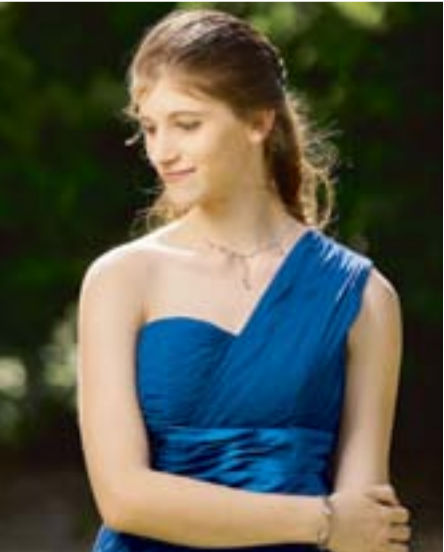
In its third year, the Isisford Santa competition has begun to inspire westerners from outside of the town, despite not being officially judged. Community member Christine Bignell started the contest when she moved to Isisford from the Tasmanian town of Lilydale three years ago. She said the idea was to help lift the community spirit in the middle of the drought. “The idea is to get your \$5 Santa suit from the post office, and it’s not for the traditional Santa, it’s a themed Santa,” she said. “We’ve had Shearing Santa with the whole shearing set-up; we’ve had Santa riding the big Yellowbelly; we’ve had Santa sitting on a dunny; we’ve had Covid safe Santa. “We also have Santa set up in the middle of the town.”

Each year the competition has a group of secret judges who are looking for originality in participants’ Santa designs. The judging will take place on 17 December with the winners announced at the Christmas Celebration event. The Santa competition is run exclusively by Ms Bignell and her husband Councillor Dale Bignell. “It’s been well received in town, and it gets quite competitive,” Ms Bignell said. “Everyone keeps their Santa a secret until he appears in their yard. “It gets the kids involved – everyone loves driving around and looking at the Santas.” The first prize Santa will receive \$200 and the second prize will receive \$100. The prize money comes from the Isisford Recycled Can Committee which is run by Mr Bignell.



## Blackall graduates shine

Recently, students from Blackall State School attended their formal as preparation for graduating High School. School principal Beth Harlow said this was a chance to celebrate. “Family, friends, and staff of Blackall State School celebrated the graduation of its four Year 12 students on Wednesday, 17 November,” she said. “The small, but proud cohort will be heading off in different directions. “Drew is about to begin an apprenticeship in Yeppoon and Lukas is relocating to Toowoomba for work and football. “Aaron will be undertaking training in Animal Studies, while Charlotte will remain in Blackall. “We wish them all the very best for their futures.”



Charlotte Tapim at the Blackall State School formal.



Drew Heumiller with partner, Piper Hansen.



Lukas Dickens with partner, Sequoia Tapim.



Aaron Trounce with partner, Lily Dendle.

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Members of the Longreach Arts and Culture Association at the Longreach Tavern for a Christmas dinner.

# Big art year

By Michael R Williams

The Longreach Arts and Culture Association held a Christmas dinner to celebrate a year of great achievements.

The event was held at the Longreach Tavern and attendance was in the double digits.

Association president Heather Hale said it was a really nice opportunity to get together.

"It's great to acknowledge the people who have put in the energy into the Arts and Crafts Centre for the year," she said.

"It was lovely to chat with some people you don't often get to chat with – it was a nice night."

This year has been a year of milestones for the club: the Longreach Arts and Crafts Centre, formerly the Queensland Ambulance Transport Brigade building, his 100 years.

"It's a gorgeous heritage building," Ms Hale said.

"So, we had a couple of celebrations around that.

The Association also unveiled the "Walking Together in Harmony" art installation that can be seen from out front of the Ibis St building.

"It acknowledges the Iningai people, the traditional owners of the area who looked after the land for such a long time," Ms Hale said.

"It's about walking together with indigenous people and people of all different races."

Throughout the year, the Association has

held pottery workshops, life drawing workshops, photography workshops, and the gallery shop front saw a surge in success; this year also saw the establishment of a Writers' Club.

"Excitedly, we got some funding from the Department of Environment and Science to do a conservation management plan," Ms Hale said.

"So we had a Heritage consultant just out recently who came out and spent nearly a week here photographing everything, talking to people about it was used, how it's going to be used.

"And we'll have a plan next year that will be the basis that we can then look at how we're going to look after that building into the future."

Next year the Association will look to continue with the groups they already have established, but Ms Hale said they are looking into introducing children's arts and crafts workshops, a jewellery workshops and some games nights.

"It's not totally arts and crafty [games nights], but they're fun," Ms Hale said.

"There will also be a night of entertainment called a bowl night.

"It's a night where you pay a fee, you get a pottery bowl that you feel up with stew – then you can wash it and fill it up with desert."

Ms Hale said it was, overall, a really great year.

# Lions Club holds big sale

After changing its name from the Longreach Lioness Club, the Thomson River Lions Club is spending its first Christmas under their new moniker.

Stationed outside of Mitre 10, the group was looking to sell sausages, Christmas cakes, and raffle tickets.

"Every year for the last seven or eight years, we have held the raffle," club president Louise Willersdorf said.

"Because of the drought and issues the community has faced in the past, we've gone to local businesses to purchase \$1000 worth of product.

"All profits go back into the community in the years to come, so we're trying to give back to the community."

This year the club has put nearly \$8000 back into the Longreach community.

"Some of the donated money has gone to students who go away for arts or sporting

events," Ms Willersdorf said.

"We sponsor local awards for the school's awards nights; we recently did a barbecue for the Variety Bash.

"It's locally raised and locally spent."

The raffle will be drawn tonight at the Christmas Street Party.

"We want the community to know that, even though we're no longer called the Lioness Club, we're still doing the sorts of activities that we have done in the past," Ms Willersdorf said.

"We hold our weekly bingo every Thursday at the Birdcage, and that runs from February to early December.

"Our final bingo for the year will be on 9 December.

"We just like to be out in the community."

Look out next year, for the new Longreach Leos club aimed at young people.

# Christmas party on street

The event of the season is soon upon us, and there is much to be excited about.

For almost a decade, the Longreach Lions and Thomson River Lions Clubs have hosted a street party along Eagle St – allowing local businesses to show their wares and for locals to let their hair down.

The event is funded by multiple organisations and grants to keep the cost to the community as low as possible, including local businesses, the Longreach Regional Council and funding through Western Drought Committee.

Former Lions Club President and Committee Member Matthew Strong said the event will start at 7pm tonight and will run between Duck and Pelican St on Eagle St.

"We have an excess of 35 stall holders plus

entertainment and the shops along Eagle St will remain open," he said.

"This year, coinciding with the event – outside Outback Pioneers, we are running a truck pull challenge for teams of five. First prize for the winning team will be \$1000 cash. Rapid action fireworks will be back out again after eight o'clock – not sure what they are bringing this year, but that's always a good surprise."

Mr Strong said its been great to see how the community appreciates the event.

"The community has definitely gotten behind the event with sponsorship," he said.

Mr Strong urged locals to come along.

"Entries are still open for the truck pull," he said. "For stall holders, if you ring quick, we'll try to squeeze you in."



The Barcaldine Rotary are excited for this year's Christmas Party.

# Rotary year ends on high

In its returning year, the Barcaldine Rotary has organised to end the year with a bang.

On Saturday 4 December, head on over to the racecourse for a bevy of exciting activities.

Rotary President Sharon Broughton said this was an opportunity for the club's new incarnation to spread awareness of its existence.

"This will be the first large event organised by the club since its return," she said.

"This is a chance for the community to come together."

The event will host a multi-draw raffle with the first prize being \$4,500 worth of family camping equipment, a ham wheel, and children's north pole set up with Santa and Mary Clause photo opportunities.

"The kids will also be given a lucky dip present from Santa and Mary," Ms Broughton said.

"That will all be Rotary organised, but there will be bits and pieces organised by local stallholders."

And for adults, the Bar will open later in the evening.

This party echoes the Christmas party the Rotary Club used to organise in Oak Street which hasn't been run for a few years.

"We think we're going to fill that gap again," Ms Broughton said.

"All the town used to turn out for those events, so we expect we will have a successful event."

For those who are unable to walk or drive to the venue, the Rotary has organised a free bus to get to and from the racecourse.

Ms Broughton said the efforts Rotary has put into the event is a result of their desire to bring the community together.

"We have a lot of volunteers in town, and a lot of small clubs," she said.

"We see our role as facilitator and providing that service to the community.

"We will be getting a one-year public liability insurance for our stallholders so that over the next year, they will be able to participate in community events as well."

Ms Broughton said that Santa and Mary may be arriving on something different, but that will remain a surprise.

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# Christmas cracker

**Darren McMullen** heads home for the holidays in Stan's romantic comedy **Christmas on the Farm**

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# Under the mistletoe

Stan's new Aussie rom-com *Christmas on the Farm* is a classic farce designed for the festive season. Actor Darren McMullen tells **Danielle McGrane** about the inspiration behind his role.

**W**hen Darren McMullen landed a leading role in a Christmas movie, there was one actor on his mind. "I tried to channel my inner Hugh Grant," he said.

As a big fan of *Love Actually*, when McMullen found out he was going to play the main love interest in the new Aussie film *Christmas on the Farm*, the floppy-haired English gent seemed like the perfect inspiration.

"Like many people growing up I fell in love with *Love Actually*," he said. "I love a Christmas film and to have the opportunity to play the male lead was phenomenal."

The actor and TV presenter has had a lot of good roles over the past few years, he's hosted *The Voice*, and acted in popular shows *Doctor Doctor*, *SeaChange* and *House Husbands*.

But there's something special about a Christmas movie because, let's face it, most people love them.

"All my friends and family have come out of the woodwork and slid into my DMs and called me saying 'Oh my God, I can't believe you're doing a Christmas film, that's my favourite genre'," he said.

"I think people are wrapping up a hard year at work and this is the time they get to spend with their family, and they just want something nice and entertaining to have a bit of a laugh to."

Getting this part was a case of the right place at the right time.

"It was a perfect combination of events. I happened to be in Queensland when the movie was happening," he said.

"I was able to go to Brisbane to meet the crew and the cast. I auditioned and got it, so it was great."

"I remember my first scene. It had come off a very tough year after COVID. We were in this beautiful place outside Brisbane and I was riding horses that whole day, and it was brilliant to be around those wonderful animals and live out my *Yellowstone* fantasies."

That wasn't the only fantasy he got to play out while filming *Christmas on the Farm*.

"I play a millionaire playboy party guy in the film whose mum started one of the biggest publishing companies in the world," he explained.

"He's more interested in going out and spending all the cash and having



**Rustic romance:** Darren McMullen stars as American playboy publisher Jack in *Christmas on the Farm*.

fun instead of actually engaging in the family business."

McMullen's character Jack is given an ultimatum by his mother – to step up and work for the company or get cut off from the business.

"Jack ends up reading this book that's like the big *Eat Pray Love* sensation and all the publishing houses are clamouring to get the rights for it," he said.

"Jack falls in love with this book which is

written by an Australian author called Clementine. He ends up paying above the odds for this book because he believes in it so much.

"So his mum, who still doesn't really trust him says 'Well you haven't done any kind of background check on this person whatsoever. So we are going to Australia to suss out this person and this book, and I will not sign off on this unless we've met them.'"

This is where McMullen's co-star Poppy Montgomery comes in. The Aussie actress, who starred in American TV shows *Without a Trace* and *Unforgettable*, plays Emmy, who has

written this book under her mother's name and based it on her late mother's journals.

In order to keep up the ruse and land this book deal, she has to pretend to be her mother when Jack and his mother fly over to her farm in Queensland.

"She has to recreate her mother's life, which is with a kid and a husband, and she has to throw that together at the last minute," McMullen said.

"And her gay best friends have to step up, one plays the husband and she cons one of the local farm girls into pretending to be her daughter to pull the wool over the Americans' eyes."

It's a classic comedic farce, with a dash of romance thrown in.

Being able to pull it all off was dependent on the chemistry between McMullen and Montgomery. Having never met each other before, the pair took some time to get to know each other before they shot the film.

"We spent a good couple of days hanging out together in Brisbane before we started filming, having dinners and drinks, and seeing if we could make this work," he said.

"Because it's really important when you're working that closely with an actor that you can be vulnerable and just throw yourself

into it. And after hanging out for a couple of days we realised, 'This is going to be easy'."

McMullen, who comes from Dunblane in Scotland, says it's still hard for him to shake the idea that Christmas should be cold and snowy.

"I still don't understand how Santa lands his sleigh in Australia, he obviously has some wheels that pop down," he said.

"To me, Christmas is cold and snowy, but the great thing about this film is that a lot of it is meant to be Manhattan, and obviously Manhattan at Christmas is snowy and cold, and then the rest of the movie is set in Australia, so you get the perfect combo of both."

He's getting more and more used to the warm Christmases too, considering how much Australia is beginning to feel like home.

"I made the decision to stay here in Australia when COVID happened," he said.

"I was working quite a lot here anyway so I thought I'd stay. It was definitely the right decision and I think I'll probably reassess where I plant myself moving forward now."

"I think being away from Australia for a number of years and coming back has given me a new appreciation for just all the wonderful things this country has."

■ *Christmas on the Farm*, streaming on Stan. Visit [www.stan.com.au](http://www.stan.com.au)

# Movie Guide

## PICK OF THE WEEK

**Method in her madness:** Margot Robbie commands the screen as DC Comics villainess Harley Quinn.



## FREE AS A BIRD

**Sunday**  
**BIRDS OF PREY**  
9Go!, 9.30pm, MA15+ (2020)

Widely regarded as the best part of 2016's *Suicide Squad*, Margot Robbie as Harley Quinn steps out on her own in this superb action-packed spin-off. After breaking up with the Joker, chaotic antiheroine Quinn cuts her hair, adopts a pet hyena and takes up roller derby before realising she is in grave danger without her ex's protection. With a ruthless crime lord (Ewan McGregor) and his hitman (Chris Messina) on her tail, Quinn teams up with detective Renee Montoya (Rosie Perez) and two unlikely allies – the Huntress (Mary Elizabeth Winstead) and Black Canary (Jurnee Smollett-Bell) – to save pickpocket Cassandra Cain (Ella Jay Basco) and Gotham City itself. *Birds of Prey* is wicked, unpredictable and so much fun. ★★★★★



**THIS MEANS WAR**  
Seven, Friday, 8.30pm, M (2012)

Prepare to suspend every ounce of disbelief for this romantic action-comedy. Directed by McG (*Terminator Salvation*), the plot follows Lauren (Reese Witherspoon, pictured), successful in all areas of her life, except love. That is until she meets two hunky men (Chris Pine and Tom Hardy), who, unbeknownst to her, both happen to be CIA agents and best friends. When the men discover they have fallen for the same girl, every trick in the book is used, including CIA contacts, to win her heart. ★★★★★



**SOURCE CODE**  
SBS World Movies, Friday, 7.50pm, M (2011)

When decorated soldier Captain Colter Stevens (Jake Gyllenhaal, pictured) wakes up in the body of an unknown man, he discovers he's part of a mission to find the bomber of a Chicago train. In an assignment unlike any he's ever known, he learns he's part of a experiment that enables him to cross over into another man's identity in the last eight minutes of his life. Filled with mind-boggling twists and heart-pounding suspense, this is a smart action-thriller directed by Duncan Jones (*Moon*). ★★★★★



**GLADIATOR**  
Nine, Saturday, 7.30pm, M (2000)

Director Ridley Scott (*House of Gucci*) revitalises the sword and sandal epic, employing at-the-time-cutting-edge computer-generated images to recreate ancient Rome. Russell Crowe (pictured) is magnificent as Maximus, the Roman general who is demoted to slave when he falls out of favour with Commodus (Joaquin Phoenix). Maximus finds himself part of the gladiator circus and takes the opportunity to avenge personal loss by becoming the Colosseum's star attraction. ★★★★★



**THE WOLF OF WALL STREET**  
10 Shake, Saturday, 8.30pm, MA15+ (2013)

In this car-crash vision of the American Dream gone wrong, Leonardo DiCaprio (pictured) is fabulous as infamous money market criminal Jordan Belfort. Based on a true story, it chronicles Belfort's surprise rise and spectacular fall. It's a long and dizzying ride at almost three hours, but DiCaprio's energetic performance – his character is fuelled by money and drugs – and his electric chemistry with Aussie co-star Margot Robbie as his put-upon trophy wife make for an eye-opening trip. ★★★★★



**THE MUMMY**  
9Go!, Sunday, 7pm, PG (1999)

A surprise box-office monster, Stephen Sommers' spooky sand 'n' shovel romper owes a great debt to classic Saturday matinees and the *Indiana Jones* films. A beautiful and brainy Egyptologist (Rachel Weisz) and her cowardly brother (John Hannah) make a deal with an explorer (Brendan Fraser, pictured) to dig up a cursed ancient site, but they awaken a mummy (Arnold Vosloo) in the process. What makes this genre film special is the sheer sense of fun the cast exude and the breakneck pace. ★★★★★



**THE PROGRAM**  
SBS World Movies, Monday, 7.35pm, M (2015)

The fall from grace of former Tour de France winner Lance Armstrong is examined in this biopic. We follow the disgraced cyclist's (Ben Foster, pictured) career in the famed race as Irish sports journalist David Walsh (Chris O'Dowd) tries to uncover his suspected doping. It's a fascinating look at the man driven to win no matter what, featuring some chilling scenes as Armstrong practises what he will say in front of the media. Ben Foster is uncanny as the scheming cyclist. ★★★★★

# The Guide

## PICK OF THE WEEK

**NCIS**  
**10, Tuesday,**  
**8.30pm**

Can a long-running series be the same when an integral, much-loved character takes a back seat? This is what fans are wondering as season 19 of the police procedural premieres tonight. In perhaps a merciful move, the show's writers appeared to kill off Special Agent Leroy Jethro Gibbs (Mark Harmon) via a massive boat explosion in last season's finale, planting the seed that the central protagonist's days were numbered after 18 years on the beat. In "Blood in the Water", the team searches for Gibbs after discovering the wreckage of his boat, and find out he was tracking a serial killer. Harmon bows out this season, with limited appearances promised in future.



**MADDY THE MODEL**  
**SBS Viceland, Friday, 9.50pm**

Swedish filmmaker Jane Magnusson embarked on a four-year, round-the-world journey following Brisbane-born Madeline Stuart (pictured) and her mother Rosanne to film this intimate documentary. It tells the story of how Maddy, who was born with Down syndrome, became a star on the New York Fashion Week runway, and how her remarkable career unfolded while the media watched with fascination. At its core, it's an exploration of the bond between a mother and daughter who have gone up against the odds with optimism and a can-do attitude, and an examination of the concept of disability and beauty.



**TOTAL CONTROL**  
**ABC TV, Sunday, 8.40pm**

The penultimate episode of season two of this piercing political drama is bolstered by excellent performances from its stars Deborah Mailman (pictured), Rachel Griffiths and William McInnes. At a short and sharp six episodes long, its perhaps enough time for viewers to marinate in the absurdity and selfishness of politics; one can easily imagine certain scenes playing out across the country as political leaders hustle to keep their jobs. This week, the identity of Alex's (Mailman) troll is finally uncovered, and he's someone she knows. Meanwhile, Alex and Rachel (Griffiths) band together to ultimately decide who will be the next PM.



**TRAVEL, COOK, REPEAT WITH CURTIS STONE**  
**SBS Food, Monday, 6.30pm**

Curtis Stone (pictured) is living the travelling chef dream. The Aussie, who now resides in LA with a Michelin-starred restaurant under his apron, obviously loves to eat, cook and create. In this leisurely series, he adds travel into the concoction for the perfect mix of escapism and food because, let's face it: travel is food's best friend. In this six-part sojourn, he begins in Western Australia, with further episodes indulging in Rome, Umbria, Rioja, Sonoma and New South Wales. Tonight, mud crabs are the star when Stone catches some at the beach. The result is a delicious Vietnamese salad.



**Chain of command:**  
Mark Harmon has played **NCIS** stalwart Special Agent Gibbs since 2003.

## Friday, December 3

<p><b>ABC TV (2)</b></p> <p><b>6.00</b> News Breakfast. <b>9.00</b> ABC News Mornings. <b>10.00</b> Q+A. (Final, R) <b>11.05</b> Searching For Superhuman. (PG, R) <b>12.00</b> ABC News At Noon. <b>1.00</b> Barrie Cassidy's One Plus One. (R)</p> <p><b>1.30</b> The Sound. (R)</p> <p><b>2.00</b> Re-Frame 2021. (M)</p> <p><b>3.00</b> ABC News Afternoons.</p> <p><b>4.10</b> Think Tank. (PG, R)</p> <p><b>5.05</b> Grand Designs Australia. (R)</p>	<p><b>SBS (3)</b></p> <p><b>6.00</b> WorldWatch. <b>7.30</b> Italian News. <b>8.10</b> Filipino News. <b>8.40</b> French News. <b>9.30</b> Greek News. <b>10.30</b> German News. <b>11.00</b> Spanish News. <b>11.30</b> Turkish News. <b>12.00</b> Arabic News F24. <b>12.30</b> ABC America: World News Tonight. <b>1.00</b> PBS NewsHour. <b>2.00</b> No Distinguishing Features. (PGa, R) <b>3.30</b> Specially For Me. <b>3.40</b> The Cook Up With Adam Liaw. (PG, R) <b>4.10</b> Focus On Ability Film Festival 2021. <b>5.05</b> Jeopardy! (PG) <b>5.30</b> Letters And Numbers. (R)</p>	<p><b>SEVEN (7)</b></p> <p><b>6.00</b> Sunrise. News, sport and weather. <b>9.00</b> The Morning Show. (PG)</p> <p>The latest news and views.</p> <p><b>9.30</b> Motor Racing. Supercars Championship. Round 12. Bathurst 1000. <b>4.30</b> Seven News At 4.30. <b>5.00</b> The Chase Australia. (R) Contestants race to answer quiz questions correctly to avoid being caught by The Chaser.</p>	<p><b>NINE (8, 9)</b></p> <p><b>6.00</b> Today. <b>9.00</b> Today Extra. (PG)</p> <p><b>11.30</b> Morning News.</p> <p><b>12.00</b> <b>MOVIE: The Flight Before Christmas.</b> (2015, PGa)</p> <p><b>1.45</b> Garden Gurus Moments. (R)</p> <p><b>2.00</b> Pointless. (PG)</p> <p><b>3.00</b> Tipping Point. (PG)</p> <p><b>4.00</b> Afternoon News.</p> <p><b>4.30</b> Millionaire Hot Seat. (R)</p> <p><b>5.30</b> WIN News.</p>	<p><b>TEN (5, 1)</b></p> <p><b>6.00</b> The Talk. (PGa) <b>7.00</b> Judge Judy. (PG, R) <b>7.30</b> The Bold And The Beautiful. (PG, R) <b>8.00</b> Studio 10. (PG) <b>12.00</b> Dr Phil. (PGad, R) <b>1.00</b> The Living Room. (PG, R) <b>2.00</b> Entertainment Tonight. <b>2.30</b> Everyday Gourmet With Justine Schofield. (R) <b>3.00</b> Judge Judy. (PG)</p> <p><b>3.30</b> My Market Kitchen. (R)</p> <p><b>4.00</b> Farm To Fork. (PG)</p> <p><b>4.30</b> The Bold And The Beautiful. (PG)</p> <p><b>5.00</b> 10 News First.</p>
<p><b>6.00</b> The Drum. Analysis of the day's news.</p> <p><b>7.00</b> ABC News. Takes a look at today's top stories.</p> <p><b>7.30</b> Gardening Australia. Millie Ross shows how to shop smart at the nursery.</p> <p><b>8.30</b> Endeavour. (Masv) Part 2 of 3. A taxi driver who owes a large debt to a colleague is found dead in his vehicle.</p> <p><b>10.00</b> Talking Heads. (PG) A woman befriends her neighbour.</p> <p><b>10.40</b> ABC Late News. Detailed coverage of the day's events.</p> <p><b>10.55</b> The Vaccine. (R) Presented by Jeremy Fernandez.</p> <p><b>11.10</b> Gruen. (R) Presented by Wil Anderson.</p> <p><b>11.45</b> Preppers. (Mls, R)</p> <p><b>12.20</b> Rage. (MA15+adhlInsv)</p>	<p><b>6.00</b> Mastermind Australia. (R)</p> <p><b>6.30</b> SBS World News.</p> <p><b>7.30</b> Inside Balmoral: 1955-1997. (PG)</p> <p><b>8.30</b> Empire With Michael Portillo. (Mad, R) Part 2 of 4.</p> <p><b>9.25</b> Dig World War II. (R) Part 2 of 4.</p> <p><b>10.20</b> SBS World News Late.</p> <p><b>10.50</b> The Back Side Of Television. (MA15+, R)</p> <p><b>11.25</b> Miniseries: The Hunting. (Malns, R)</p> <p><b>3.25</b> Sinkholes: Deadly Drops. (PGa, R) <b>4.20</b> VICE Guide To Film. (Madlv, R) <b>4.50</b> Poh &amp; Co. Bitesize. (R) <b>5.00</b> France 24 Feature. <b>5.15</b> NHK World English News. <b>5.30</b> Deutsche Welle English News.</p>	<p><b>6.00</b> Seven Local News.</p> <p><b>6.30</b> Seven News.</p> <p><b>7.00</b> Better Homes And Gardens Summer. Hosted by Johanna Griggs.</p> <p><b>8.30</b> <b>MOVIE: This Means War.</b> (2012, Mlsv, R) Two CIA operatives find themselves vying for the affections of the same woman. Reese Witherspoon, Chris Pine, Tom Hardy.</p> <p><b>10.30</b> <b>MOVIE: The Campaign.</b> (2012, MA15+ls, R) Two men vie for a political office. Will Ferrell.</p> <p><b>12.25</b> <b>MOVIE: Jailhouse Rock.</b> (1957, PGav, R) Elvis Presley.</p> <p><b>2.30</b> Home Shopping. (R)</p> <p><b>4.00</b> Million Dollar Minute. (R)</p> <p><b>5.00</b> NBC Today.</p>	<p><b>6.00</b> Nine News.</p> <p><b>7.00</b> A Current Affair.</p> <p><b>7.30</b> Taronga: Who's Who In The Zoo: Nala's Pup. (PG) Staff and vets care for a sea lion pup.</p> <p><b>8.30</b> <b>MOVIE: The Green Mile.</b> (1999, MA15+alv, R) An elderly man recalls his time as a prison guard where he befriended a man with an unusual gift. Tom Hanks, Michael Clarke Duncan, David Morse.</p> <p><b>12.00</b> Tipping Point. (PG, R)</p> <p><b>1.00</b> Destination WA: Discovering The East Kimberley. (PG, R)</p> <p><b>1.30</b> TV Shop: Home Shopping. (R)</p> <p><b>4.00</b> Global Shop. (R)</p> <p><b>4.30</b> TV Shop: Home Shopping. (R)</p> <p><b>5.30</b> A Current Affair. (R)</p>	<p><b>6.30</b> The Project.</p> <p><b>7.30</b> The Living Room. Barry Du Bois tackles a tricky renovation.</p> <p><b>8.40</b> The Graham Norton Show. (R) Graham Norton chats with Will Smith, Richard Osman, Lin-Manuel Miranda and Yola.</p> <p><b>9.40</b> The Montreal Comedy Festival. (MA15+s, R) Stand-up performances from comedians.</p> <p><b>10.40</b> Just For Laughs. (Mls, R)</p> <p><b>11.10</b> The Project. (R)</p> <p><b>12.10</b> The Late Show With Stephen Colbert. (PG)</p> <p><b>1.00</b> Home Shopping. (R)</p> <p><b>2.30</b> Infomercials. (PG, R) <b>3.00</b> Home Shopping. (R) <b>5.30</b> Infomercials. (PG, R)</p>
<p><b>ABC TV PLUS (22)</b> <b>6am</b> Children's Programs. <b>6.10pm</b> Hey Duggee. <b>6.20</b> Bluey. <b>6.25</b> Shaun The Sheep. <b>6.40</b> Andy's Prehistoric Adv. <b>7.00</b> Dino Dana. <b>7.15</b> Odd Squad. <b>7.30</b> Spicks And Specks. <b>8.00</b> Hard Quiz. <b>8.30</b> <b>MOVIE:</b> My Girl. (1991, PG) <b>10.10</b> Doctor Who. <b>11.10</b> <b>MOVIE:</b> Jaimen Hudson: From Sky To Sea. (2021, M) <b>12.05am</b> Art Works. <b>12.30</b> Brush With Fame. <b>1.00</b> Live At The Apollo. <b>1.50</b> Would I Lie To You? <b>2.20</b> Sick Of It. <b>2.40</b> Community. <b>3.05</b> Parks And Recreation. <b>3.25</b> ABC News Update. <b>3.30</b> Close. <b>5.05</b> Five Minutes More. <b>5.10</b> Sarah &amp; Duck. <b>5.20</b> The Hive. <b>5.30</b> Digby Dragon. <b>5.40</b> Late Programs.</p>	<p><b>SBS VICELAND (31)</b> <b>6am</b> WorldWatch. <b>Noon</b> Letterkenny. <b>1.55</b> Gymnastics. FIG Artistic World Challenge Cup. H'lights. <b>3.55</b> WorldWatch. <b>5.25</b> Takeshi's Castle. <b>5.55</b> Shortland Street. <b>6.25</b> Rockwiz. <b>7.05</b> Jeopardy! <b>7.35</b> 8 Out Of 10 Cats Does Countdown. <b>8.30</b> <b>MOVIE:</b> Code Of The Freaks. (2020) <b>9.50</b> Maddy The Model. <b>10.55</b> The Search For Sexy. <b>11.25</b> Project Blue Book. <b>12.15am</b> Letterkenny. <b>12.45</b> Nirvana The Band The Show. <b>1.45</b> VICE. <b>2.20</b> The Big House. <b>3.00</b> Thai News. <b>3.30</b> Bangla News. <b>4.00</b> Punjabi News. <b>4.30</b> Sri Lankan Sinhalese News. <b>5.00</b> Korean News. <b>5.30</b> Indonesian News.</p>	<p><b>7TWO (72)</b> <b>6am</b> Home Shopping. <b>6.30</b> Jabba's Movies. <b>7.00</b> Mighty Ships. <b>8.00</b> Harry's Practice. <b>8.30</b> Million Dollar Minute. <b>9.30</b> NBC Today. <b>Noon</b> House Of Wellness. <b>1.00</b> Million Dollar Minute. <b>2.00</b> Better Homes And Gardens. <b>3.30</b> RSPCA Animal Rescue. <b>4.30</b> M*A*S*H. <b>5.30</b> Escape To The Country. <b>6.30</b> Bargain Hunt. <b>7.30</b> Billy Connolly: Made In Scotland. <b>8.30</b> The Amazing Homemakers. <b>9.30</b> Australia's Big Backyards. <b>10.30</b> The Mentalist. <b>12.30am</b> The Fine Art Auction. <b>3.30</b> Travel And Eat With Dan &amp; Steph. <b>4.00</b> Better Homes And Gardens. <b>5.30</b> Home Shopping.</p>	<p><b>9GEM (81, 92)</b> <b>6am</b> TV Shop: Home Shopping. <b>7.00</b> Creflo Dollar Ministries. <b>7.30</b> TV Shop: Home Shopping. <b>10.30</b> Pointless. <b>11.30</b> My Favorite Martian. <b>Noon</b> Death In Paradise. <b>1.10</b> Days Of Our Lives. <b>2.05</b> The Young And The Restless. <b>3.00</b> Antiques Roadshow. <b>3.30</b> <b>MOVIE:</b> Billy Liar. (1963, PG) <b>5.30</b> Murder, She Wrote. <b>6.30</b> Antiques Roadshow. <b>7.30</b> Saved &amp; Remade. <b>8.30</b> <b>MOVIE:</b> Star Trek: The Motion Picture. (1979) <b>11.10</b> Memory Lane. <b>12.30am</b> Antiques Roadshow. <b>1.00</b> TV Shop: Home Shopping.</p>	<p><b>10 PEACH (52, 11)</b> <b>6am</b> The Late Show With Stephen Colbert. <b>7.00</b> Seinfeld. <b>8.00</b> Becker. <b>9.00</b> The Middle. <b>10.00</b> Frasier. <b>11.00</b> The Big Bang Theory. <b>Noon</b> In The Dark. <b>1.00</b> 2 Broke Girls. <b>2.00</b> Seinfeld. <b>3.00</b> The King Of Queens. <b>4.00</b> Becker. <b>5.00</b> Frasier. <b>6.00</b> Friends. <b>8.00</b> The Big Bang Theory. <b>9.30</b> Friends. <b>11.30</b> 2 Broke Girls. <b>Midnight</b> Home Shopping. <b>12.30</b> Infomercials. <b>1.00</b> Home Shopping. <b>1.30</b> The Late Show With Stephen Colbert. <b>2.30</b> The Late Late Show With James Corden. <b>3.30</b> In The Dark. <b>4.30</b> Home Shopping. <b>5.30</b> Infomercials.</p>
<p><b>NITV (34)</b> <b>6am</b> Morning Programs. <b>8.00</b> Raven's Quest. <b>8.10</b> Wolf Joe. <b>8.20</b> Wapos Bay. <b>8.40</b> Bushwhacked! <b>9.30</b> The Magic Canoe. <b>10.00</b> Going Places. <b>11.00</b> On The Road. <b>Noon</b> <b>MOVIE:</b> Fruitvale Station. (2013, M) <b>2.00</b> <b>MOVIE:</b> The Fade. (2012, M) <b>3.00</b> Wapos Bay. <b>3.25</b> The Magic Canoe. <b>3.50</b> Aussie Bush Tales. <b>4.00</b> Project Planet. <b>4.30</b> Grace Beside Me. <b>5.00</b> Shortland Street. <b>5.30</b> Chefs' Line. <b>6.00</b> Pete &amp; Pio's Kai Safari. <b>6.30</b> Kriol Kitchen. <b>7.00</b> Our Stories. <b>7.15</b> Nulla Nulla. <b>7.20</b> NITV News Update. <b>7.30</b> <b>MOVIE:</b> Lord Of The Flies. (1963, PG) <b>9.05</b> Bedtime Stories. <b>9.15</b> The Song Keepers. <b>10.45</b> Late Programs.</p>	<p><b>SBS WORLD MOVIES (32)</b> <b>6am</b> Every Day. Continued. (2018, PG) <b>7.35</b> Remi Nobody's Boy. (2018, PG, French) <b>9.35</b> The Boy And The Beast. (2015, PG) <b>11.45</b> Chevalier. (2015, M, Greek) <b>1.45pm</b> Blinded By The Light. (2019, PG) <b>3.55</b> Little Nicolas On Holiday. (2014, PG, French) <b>5.45</b> Gagarin. (2013, PG, Russian) <b>7.50</b> Source Code. (2011, M) <b>9.30</b> The Iron Lady. (2011, M) <b>11.30</b> Tanna. (2015, M, Bislama) <b>1.25am</b> Microbe And Gasoline. (2015, M, French) <b>3.20</b> Aloys. (2016, M, Swiss German) <b>5.00</b> Little Nicolas On Holiday. (2014, PG, French)</p>	<p><b>7MATE (73)</b> <b>6am</b> ITM Fishing Show: Best Of The Best. <b>6.30</b> Mark Berg's Fishing Addiction. <b>7.30</b> Creek To Coast. <b>8.00</b> Storage Wars: Texas. <b>8.30</b> Seven's Motorsport Classic. <b>9.30</b> Pawn Stars. <b>10.00</b> America's Game: The Super Bowl Champions. <b>11.00</b> A Football Life. <b>Noon</b> Storage Wars Canada. <b>1.00</b> Ink Master. <b>2.00</b> Ink Master: Redemption. <b>2.30</b> Pawn Stars. <b>3.00</b> Barter Kings. <b>3.55</b> <b>MOVIE:</b> Inside Out. (1975, PG) <b>6.00</b> Motor Racing. Supercars Championship. Round 12. Bathurst 1000. Pit Lane. <b>7.30</b> <b>MOVIE:</b> The Water Diviner. (2014, M) <b>9.45</b> <b>MOVIE:</b> Where Eagles Dare. (1968, M) <b>1am</b> American Pickers. <b>2.00</b> Late Programs.</p>	<p><b>9GO! (82, 93)</b> <b>6am</b> Children's Programs. <b>Noon</b> Supergirl. <b>1.00</b> Revenge Body. <b>2.00</b> America's Top Dog. <b>3.00</b> Malcolm. <b>3.30</b> The Nanny. <b>4.00</b> 3rd Rock From The Sun. <b>4.30</b> That '70s Show. <b>5.00</b> Malcolm. <b>6.00</b> The Nanny. <b>6.30</b> <b>MOVIE:</b> Casper. (1995, PG) <b>8.30</b> <b>MOVIE:</b> The Hobbit: The Desolation Of Smaug. (2013, M) <b>12.10am</b> Desperate Housewives. <b>2.10</b> Revenge Body With Khloé Kardashian. <b>3.00</b> Teen Titans Go! <b>3.30</b> Ninjago: Masters Of Spinjitzu. <b>4.00</b> Pokémon. <b>4.30</b> Transformers Bumblebee: Cyberverse Adventures. <b>4.50</b> Bakugan: Armored Alliance. <b>5.10</b> Yu-Gi-Oh! <b>5.30</b> Yu-Gi-Oh!</p>	<p><b>10 BOLD (53, 12)</b> <b>6am</b> Home Shopping. <b>7.00</b> Infomercials. <b>8.00</b> The Doctors. <b>9.00</b> Diagnosis Murder. <b>10.00</b> JAG. <b>Noon</b> MacGyver. <b>1.00</b> Star Trek: Discovery. <b>3.00</b> Diagnosis Murder. <b>5.00</b> JAG. <b>7.00</b> Bondi Rescue. <b>7.30</b> NCIS. <b>8.30</b> Law &amp; Order: SVU. <b>11.30</b> CSI: Crime Scene Investigation. <b>12.30am</b> Home Shopping. <b>1.00</b> Infomercials. <b>1.30</b> Home Shopping. <b>2.00</b> Madam Secretary. <b>3.00</b> NCIS: New Orleans. <b>5.00</b> Diagnosis Murder.</p>

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<b>ABC TV (22)</b> <b>6.00</b> Rage. (PG) <b>7.00</b> Weekend Breakfast. <b>10.00</b> Rage. (PG) <b>12.00 ABC News At Noon.</b> <b>12.30 Endeavour.</b> (Masv, R) <b>2.00 Restoration Australia.</b> (PG, R) <b>2.55 Dream Gardens.</b> (PG, R) <b>3.30 Landline.</b> <b>4.00 Basketball.</b> WNBL. Round 1. Southside Flyers v Bendigo Spirit.  <b>6.00 Rick Stein's Secret France.</b> (Final, R) Rick approaches the end of his journey. <b>7.00 ABC News.</b> Takes a look at today's top stories. <b>7.30 The Larkins.</b> (Ms) Mariette's heart is being pulled in many directions with the arrival of Charley and Tom Fisher. <b>8.20 Miniseries: Ridley Road.</b> (Final, Mv) Part 4 of 4. With time running out, Vivien risks everything to make one last attempt to sabotage the fascists. <b>9.15 Total Control.</b> (MA15+I, R) The day of the election arrives and Alex and her team make a final push to win over the voters of Freeman. <b>10.10 Call The Midwife.</b> (Ma, R) Barbara's friends continue to wait for more news. <b>11.10 Father Brown.</b> (PG, R) A woman is found dead in the church. <b>11.55 Rage.</b> (MA15+adhlmsv)	<b>SBS (3)</b> <b>6.00</b> WorldWatch. <b>8.10</b> Filipino News. <b>8.40</b> French News. <b>9.30</b> Greek News. <b>10.30</b> German News. <b>11.00</b> Spanish News. <b>11.30</b> Turkish News. <b>12.00</b> Arabic News F24. <b>12.30</b> ABC America: World News Tonight. <b>1.00</b> PBS NewsHour. <b>2.00</b> Figure Skating. ISU Grand Prix. Round 6. Rostelecom Cup. Highlights. <b>3.30</b> Lucknow. (PG, R) <b>3.40</b> Life Is A Battlefield. <b>5.35</b> Nazi Megastructures. (PGa, R)  <b>6.30 SBS World News.</b> <b>7.30 Celebrity Letters And Numbers.</b> (M) Hosted by Michael Hing. <b>8.30 The World's Greatest Hotels: Bellagio, Las Vegas.</b> (PG) Takes a look at The Bellagio in Las Vegas, one of the most expensive hotels ever built when it was first opened. <b>9.25 Russia To Iran: Across The Wild Frontier.</b> (PGa, R) Part 4 of 5. <b>10.20 8 Out Of 10 Cats Does Countdown.</b> (Mals, R) <b>11.15 MOVIE: The Girl With The Dragon Tattoo.</b> (2009, MA15+lsv, R, Swedish) <b>1.55 MOVIE: Love And Other Drugs.</b> (2010, MA15+as, R) Jake Gyllenhaal, Anne Hathaway, Oliver Platt. <b>4.00</b> VICE Guide To Film. (MA15+av, R) <b>4.50</b> Poh & Co. Bitesize. (R) <b>5.00</b> France 24 Feature. <b>5.15</b> NHK World English News. <b>5.30</b> Deutsche Welle English News.	<b>SEVEN (7)</b> <b>6.00</b> NBC Today. <b>7.00</b> Weekend Sunrise. <b>9.00</b> Motor Racing. Supercars C'ship. Round 12. Bathurst 1000. <b>12.00</b> Motor Racing. Supercars C'ship. Round 12. Bathurst 1000. <b>3.30</b> Motor Racing. Supercars C'ship. Round 12. Bathurst 1000. Top 10 Shootout. From Mount Panorama Circuit, Bathurst, NSW. <b>5.00 Seven News At 5.</b> <b>5.30 Creek To Coast.</b>  <b>6.00 Seven News.</b> <b>7.00 Surveillance Oz.</b> (PGa) A man tries to outrun a speeding train only to fall face first onto the tracks. <b>7.30 MOVIE: Ford V Ferrari.</b> (2019, Ml, R) American car designer Carroll Shelby and driver Ken Miles try to build a race car for Ford so they can defeat Ferrari. Matt Damon, Christian Bale, Jon Bernthal. <b>10.45 MOVIE: The Gumball Rally.</b> (1976, Man, R) A motley group of people takes part in a non-stop car race from New York to Long Beach, California. Norman Burton, Michael Sarrazin. <b>1.00 Motor Racing.</b> Supercars Championship. Round 12. Bathurst 1000. Top 10 Shootout. Replay. <b>2.30 Home Shopping.</b> (R) <b>4.00 Get Clever.</b> (R) Educational kids' program. <b>5.00 House Of Wellness.</b> (PG, R)	<b>NINE (8, 9)</b> <b>6.00</b> Animal Tales. (PG, R) <b>7.00</b> Weekend Today. <b>10.00</b> Today Extra: Saturday. (PG) <b>12.00</b> Animal Embassy. (R) <b>12.30</b> Destination WA. <b>1.00</b> What If...? The Brandon Wilson Story. (PGa) <b>1.30</b> My Way. <b>2.00</b> Bondi Lifeguard World Adventures. (PG) <b>2.30</b> Explore. <b>2.40 MOVIE: The Christmas Gift.</b> (2015, PGa) <b>4.30</b> Garden Gurus. <b>5.00</b> News. <b>5.30</b> Good Food Christmas. (PG)  <b>6.00 Nine News Saturday.</b> <b>7.00 A Current Affair.</b> <b>7.30 MOVIE: Gladiator.</b> (2000, Mav, R) After a successful Roman general is betrayed and his family murdered by the emperor's heir, he seeks revenge. Russell Crowe, Joaquin Phoenix. <b>10.35 MOVIE: Conan The Barbarian.</b> (2011, MA15+sv, R) A barbarian seeks revenge. Jason Momoa, Stephen Lang. <b>12.35 Bondi Lifeguard World Adventures: Road Boss Rally Pt 1.</b> (PG, R) The Bondi boys compete in a rally race. <b>1.05 Australia's Top Ten Of Everything.</b> (Msv, R) <b>2.00 TV Shop: Home Shopping.</b> (R) <b>4.30 Global Shop.</b> (R) <b>5.00 TV Shop: Home Shopping.</b> (R) <b>5.30 Wesley Impact With Stu Cameron.</b> (PG)	<b>TEN (5, 1)</b> <b>6.00</b> Reel Action. (R) <b>6.30</b> Leading The Way. <b>7.00</b> Healthy Homes Aust. (R) <b>7.30</b> Escape Fishing. (R) <b>8.00</b> All 4 Adventure. (PGI, R) <b>9.00</b> Freshly Picked. (R) <b>9.30</b> St10. (PG) <b>12.00</b> Farm To Fork. (PG, R) <b>12.20</b> The Living Room. (R) <b>1.30</b> 4x4 Adventures. (R) <b>2.30</b> All 4 Adventure. (PGI, R) <b>3.30</b> Waltzing Jimeoin. (PGan, R) <b>4.00</b> Roads Less Travelled. (R) <b>4.30</b> Taste Of Australia. (R) <b>5.00</b> News.  <b>6.00 Soccer.</b> A-League Men. Round 3. Sydney FC v Newcastle Jets. From Netstrata Jubilee Stadium, Sydney. <b>9.00 Ambulance.</b> (Mm, R) It is a wild payday weekend in London, and as revellers pack the streets ambulance crews are called to attend the scene of a double shooting, a stabbing, a brawl and a grandmother in need of CPR. <b>11.00 FBI.</b> (Mv, R) When a shooting at a girl's 15th birthday leaves two people dead, the team questions who was the intended target and decides the best plan is to use a witness to take down their prime suspect. <b>12.00 Home Shopping.</b> (R) <b>1.30 Infomercials.</b> (PG, R) <b>2.30 Home Shopping.</b> (R) <b>5.00 Hour Of Power.</b> Religious program.
<b>ABC TV PLUS (22)</b> <b>6am</b> Children's Programs. <b>7.15pm</b> Sir Mouse. <b>7.30</b> Spicks And Specks. <b>8.20</b> Live At The Apollo. <b>9.05</b> Whose Line Is It Anyway? <b>9.50</b> To Be Advised. <b>10.20</b> Schitt's Creek. <b>11.05</b> Catastrophe. <b>11.35</b> GameFace. <b>Midnight</b> Unprotected Sex. <b>12.25</b> Red Dwarf. <b>12.55</b> Escape From The City. <b>1.55</b> Stuffed. <b>1.55</b> ABC News Update. <b>2.20</b> Close. <b>5.05</b> Five Minutes More. <b>5.10</b> Sarah & Duck. <b>5.20</b> Late Programs.	<b>SBS VICELAND (31)</b> <b>6am</b> WorldWatch. <b>11.00</b> SBS Courtside. <b>11.30</b> Basketball. NBA. Dallas Mavericks v New Orleans Pelicans. <b>2pm</b> WorldWatch. <b>2.30</b> Cloning The Woolly Mammoth. <b>3.00</b> The Djarm Djarms. <b>3.30</b> Munchies Guide To Basque Country. <b>4.20</b> WorldWatch. <b>5.50</b> Megafactories. <b>6.40</b> The Story Of The Songs. <b>7.35</b> Brooklyn Nine-Nine. <b>8.30</b> Creamerie. <b>9.30</b> The X-Files. <b>12.05am</b> Late Programs.	<b>7TWO (72)</b> <b>6am</b> Home Shopping. <b>8.30</b> Travel Oz. <b>10.00</b> House Of Wellness. <b>11.00</b> Horse Racing. <b>4.30pm</b> Weekender. <b>5.00</b> Creek To Coast. <b>5.30</b> Ed And Karen's Recipes For Success. <b>6.30</b> The Hotel Inspector. <b>7.30</b> The Yorkshire Vet. <b>8.30</b> Escape To The Country. <b>10.30</b> The Mentalist. <b>12.30am</b> The Fine Art Auction. <b>3.30</b> Travel And Eat With Dan & Steph. <b>4.00</b> Weekender. <b>4.30</b> Creek To Coast. <b>5.00</b> 1 Man And A Bike. <b>5.30</b> Shopping.	<b>9GEM (81, 92)</b> <b>6am</b> Newstyle Direct. <b>6.30</b> TV Shop: Home Shopping. <b>10.00</b> Seaway. <b>11.05</b> Edgar Wallace Mysteries. <b>12.20pm</b> The Avengers. <b>1.20 MOVIE: Huckleberry Finn.</b> (1974) <b>3.45 MOVIE: Hawaii.</b> (1966, PG) <b>7.00 MOVIE: Dune.</b> (1984, PG) <b>9.45 MOVIE: Star Trek II: The Wrath Of Khan.</b> (1982, M) <b>Midnight</b> Seaway. <b>1.00</b> TV Shop: Home Shopping.	<b>10 PEACH (52, 11)</b> <b>6am</b> The Late Show With Stephen Colbert. <b>6.55</b> The King Of Queens. <b>7.55</b> Becker. <b>8.55</b> The Middle. <b>10.25</b> Frasier. <b>11.25</b> The King Of Queens. <b>12.20pm MOVIE: Father Of The Bride Part II.</b> (1995) <b>2.30</b> Friends. <b>6.00</b> The Big Bang Theory. <b>9.45</b> 2 Broke Girls. <b>12.00am</b> Home Shopping. <b>1.10</b> Infomercials. <b>1.40</b> Nancy Drew. <b>3.30</b> Undercover Girlfriends. <b>4.30</b> Home Shopping.
<b>NITV (34)</b> <b>6am</b> Morning Programs. <b>10.00 MOVIE: Lord Of The Flies.</b> (1963, PG) <b>11.35</b> The Song Keepers. <b>1pm</b> Boxing Night To Remember V. <b>2.00</b> Baseball. SA Super League. <b>4.00</b> Rugby League. NRL NT. <b>5.00</b> Indian Country Today. <b>5.30</b> APTN National News. <b>6.00</b> Karla Grant Presents. <b>6.30</b> Going Places. <b>7.30</b> NITV News Update. <b>7.40</b> Through The Wormhole With Morgan Freeman. <b>8.30 MOVIE: Ray.</b> (2004, M) <b>11.10</b> Late Programs.	<b>SBS WORLD MOVIES (32)</b> <b>6am</b> Morning Programs. <b>9.00</b> Gagarin. (2013, PG, Russian) <b>11.05</b> Microbe And Gasoline. (2015, M, French) <b>1pm</b> Remi Nobody's Boy. (2018, PG, French) <b>3.00</b> Jungle Book. (1942, PG) <b>5.00</b>			

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<b>ABC TV (2)</b> <b>6.00</b> Rage. (PG) <b>7.00</b> Weekend Breakfast. <b>9.00</b> Insiders. (Final) <b>10.00</b> Offsiders. (Final) <b>10.30</b> World This Week. (R) <b>11.00</b> Compass. (PG, R) <b>11.30</b> Praise. (R) <b>12.00</b> News. <b>12.30</b> Landline. (Final) <b>1.30</b> Gardening Aust. (R) <b>2.30</b> Pilgrimage: Road To Rome. (PG, R) <b>3.30</b> Rick Stein's Secret France. (R) <b>4.30</b> Everyone's A Critic. (PG, R) <b>5.00</b> Art Works. (PG, R) <b>5.30</b> The Sound.	<b>SBS (3)</b> <b>6.00</b> WorldWatch. <b>11.00</b> Spanish News. <b>11.30</b> Turkish News. <b>12.00</b> Motorcycle Racing. Australian Superbike Championship. Round 4. <b>3.00</b> Arabic News F24. <b>3.30</b> France 24 English News Second Edition. <b>4.00</b> Cycling. Cape To Cape MTB. Highlights. <b>5.00</b> The Untold Story Of Australian Wrestling. (R) <b>5.05</b> Going Places With Ernie Dingo. (R) <b>5.35</b> Nazi Megastructures. (PGav, R)	<b>SEVEN (7)</b> <b>6.00</b> NBC Today. News and current affairs. <b>7.00</b> Weekend Sunrise. The team takes a look at the latest in entertainment, current affairs, news, sport and weather. <b>7.30</b> Motor Racing. Supercars Championship. Round 12. Bathurst 1000. Warm Up and Support Races. <b>10.30</b> Motor Racing. Supercars Champi- onship. Round 12. Bathurst 1000. Race 31.	<b>NINE (8, 9)</b> <b>6.00</b> Animal Tales. (PG, R) <b>7.00</b> Weekend Today. <b>10.00</b> Cows For Cambodia. <b>11.00</b> The Xtreme CollXtion. (PG, R) <b>11.30</b> Fishing Australia. <b>12.00</b> Ultimate Rush. (PGI, R) <b>1.00</b> Snackmasters. (PG, R) <b>4.00</b> Bondi Vet. (PGm) <b>5.00</b> News: First At Five. <b>5.30</b> RBT. (PGI, R)	<b>TEN (5, 1)</b> <b>6am</b> Morning Programs. <b>8.00</b> Jamie's Easy Meals For Every Day. (R) <b>8.30</b> Freshly Picked. (R) <b>9.00</b> Australia By Design: Interiors. (R) <b>9.30</b> St!O. (PG) <b>12.00</b> Luca's Key Ingredient. (R) <b>12.30</b> Everyday Gourmet. (R) <b>1.00</b> Farm To Fork. (PG, R) <b>1.30</b> Healthy Homes Aust. <b>2.00</b> GCBC. (R) <b>2.30</b> Taste Of Australia. (R) <b>3.00</b> 4x4 Adventures. <b>4.00</b> All 4 Adventure. (PG) <b>5.00</b> News.
<b>6.00</b> Antiques Roadshow. Hosted by Fiona Bruce. <b>7.00</b> ABC News Sunday. <b>7.40</b> Death In Paradise. (Ma, R) A wealthy coffee magnate is shot. <b>8.40</b> Total Control. (Mal) Alex and a small group of independents meet in Canberra to decide the future of the nation. <b>9.35</b> Noughts + Crosses. (Malv) When the McGregor family receives life-changing news, Callum tries to uncover the truth. <b>10.30</b> Harrow. (Malnv, R) A forensic pathologist investigates a suicide. <b>11.25</b> Talking Heads. (PG, R) <b>12.00</b> Silent Witness. (MA15+a, R) <b>1.00</b> Press. (Mals, R) <b>2.00</b> Midsomer Murders. (Mv, R) <b>3.30</b> Rage. (MA15+adhlvns) <b>4.00</b> Death In Paradise. (Ma, R) <b>5.00</b> Insiders. (Final, R)	<b>6.30</b> SBS World News. <b>7.30</b> DNA Family Secrets. (PG) Part 3 of 3. <b>8.40</b> Muhammad Ali. (M) Part 2 of 4. A look at the life of Muhammad Ali continues with a focus on his conviction for draft evasion. <b>10.40</b> Michael Palin: Travels Of A Lifetime. (PG, R) A look at Michael Palin's next series. <b>11.30</b> 24 Hours In Emergency: The Survivors. (Ma, R) <b>12.25</b> Chasing The Moon: A Place Beyond The Sky. (PG, R) <b>2.25</b> George W. Bush. (Malv, R) <b>4.30</b> VICE Guide To Film. (MA15+alnv, R) <b>5.00</b> France 24 Feature. <b>5.15</b> NHK World English News. <b>5.30</b> Deutsche Welle English News.	<b>6.00</b> Seven News. <b>6.30</b> Cricket. Big Bash League. Game 1. Sydney Sixers v Melbourne Stars. <b>10.30</b> Homicide: With Ron Iddles: Erwin Kastenberger. (Mav, R) Ron Iddles takes a look at the investigation into the murder of Erwin Kastenberger. <b>11.30</b> Autopsy USA: Tammy Wynette. (M) Takes a look at the death of Tammy Wynette. <b>12.30</b> Gold Coast Medical. (PGa, R) Medical staff deal with a stabbing. <b>1.30</b> Harry's Practice. (R) Information about pet care. <b>2.00</b> Home Shopping. (R) <b>3.30</b> Million Dollar Minute. (R) <b>4.00</b> NBC Today. <b>5.00</b> Seven Early News. <b>5.30</b> Sunrise.	<b>6.00</b> Nine News. <b>7.00</b> 60 Minutes. Current affairs program. <b>8.00</b> David Attenborough's A Perfect Planet: Volcano. (PG, R) An examination of the impact of volcanoes, without which life on Earth would never have begun. <b>9.10</b> MOVIE: The Equalizer. (2014, Madv, R) A former black-ops agent, who faked his death, comes out of retirement to rescue a girl. Denzel Washington, Chloë Grace Moretz, Marton Csokas. <b>11.40</b> Nine News Late. <b>12.10</b> Chicago Med. (Mam, R) <b>1.00</b> The Xtreme CollXtion. (PG, R) <b>1.30</b> TV Shop: Home Shopping. (R) <b>4.00</b> Take Two. (R) <b>5.00</b> News Early Edition. <b>5.30</b> Today.	<b>6.30</b> The Sunday Project. A look at the day's news. <b>7.30</b> The Graham Norton Show. Celebrity guests include Tom Holland. <b>8.30</b> CSI: Vegas. The team looks into the world of sideshows when a couple of performers are found burned in a pit. Hodges mulls a plea deal as his trial kicks off, while Max, Grissom and Sara search for evidence to exonerate him. <b>9.30</b> FBI. (Mv, R) The team must infiltrate a drug trafficking gang after a chemical plant robbery leaves two customs agents dead. <b>11.30</b> The Sunday Project. (R) <b>12.30</b> Home Shopping. (R) <b>1.30</b> Infomercials. (PG, R) <b>3.00</b> Home Shopping. (R) <b>4.30</b> CBS Mornings.
<b>ABC TV PLUS (22)</b> <b>6am</b> Children's Programs. <b>7.15pm</b> Sir Mouse. <b>7.30</b> Spicks And Specks. <b>8.00</b> Compass. <b>8.30</b> Louis Theroux: Life On The Edge. <b>9.25</b> Pilgrimage: Road To Istanbul. <b>10.25</b> The Misadventures Of Romesh Ranganathan. <b>11.25</b> Brian Johnson's A Life On The Road. <b>12.10am</b> George Clarke's Amazing Spaces. <b>1.00</b> Getting Their Acts Together. <b>2.00</b> Unprotected Sets. <b>2.20</b> In The Long Run. <b>2.45</b> Late Programs.	<b>SBS VICELAND (31)</b> <b>6am</b> WorldWatch. <b>11.00</b> SBS Courtside. <b>11.30</b> Basketball. NBA. Golden State Warriors v San Antonio Spurs. <b>2pm</b> Dopesick: Fentanyl's Deadly Grip. <b>2.30</b> Dopesick: Policing An Addiction. <b>3.00</b> Nulla Nulla. <b>3.10</b> Vote Yes. <b>3.25</b> Ancient Aliens. <b>4.15</b> WorldWatch. <b>4.45</b> Insight. <b>5.45</b> Underground Worlds. <b>6.35</b> Country Music. <b>7.35</b> Our Guy In Russia. <b>8.30</b> Patriot Brains. <b>9.25</b> Incarceration Nation. <b>11.00</b> Late Programs.	<b>7TWO (72)</b> <b>6am</b> Morning Programs. <b>8.30</b> Shopping. <b>9.00</b> House Of Wellness. <b>10.00</b> The Thrill Of The Chase. <b>11.00</b> The Great Australian Doorstep. <b>11.30</b> Your 4x4. <b>Noon</b> 1 Man And A Bike. (Return) <b>12.30</b> Animal Rescue. <b>1.00</b> Mighty Ships. <b>4.00</b> Ed And Karen's Recipes For Success. <b>5.00</b> Escape To The Country. <b>7.00</b> Border Security. <b>8.30</b> Chris Tarrant's Extreme Railways. <b>9.30</b> Mighty Trains. <b>10.30</b> Heathrow. <b>11.00</b> Late Programs.	<b>9GEM (81, 92)</b> <b>6am</b> Morning Programs. <b>7.30</b> In Touch. <b>8.00</b> Beyond Today. <b>8.30</b> The Incredible Journey. <b>9.00</b> TV Shop. <b>10.00</b> Seaway. <b>11.05</b> Edgar Wallace Mysteries. <b>12.20pm</b> MOVIE: Where No Vultures Fly. (1951) <b>2.35</b> MOVIE: Attack On The Iron Coast. (1968, PG) <b>4.30</b> MOVIE: The Hallelujah Trail. (1965) <b>7.30</b> Christmas At Highclere Castle. <b>8.30</b> MOVIE: Downton Abbey. (2019, PG) <b>10.55</b> Late Programs.	<b>10 PEACH (52, 11)</b> <b>6am</b> This Is Us. <b>8.00</b> Brides Of Beverly Hills. <b>9.00</b> The Middle. <b>10.00</b> Neighbours. <b>Noon</b> Basketball. NBL. Round 1. Adelaide 36ers v Illawarra Hawks. <b>2.00</b> Basketball. NBL. Round 1. Sydney Kings v Melbourne United. <b>4.00</b> Friends. <b>6.00</b> The Big Bang Theory. <b>8.30</b> Friends. <b>9.30</b> 2 Broke Girls. <b>Midnight</b> Shopping. <b>12.30</b> Infomercials. <b>1.00</b> Shopping. <b>1.30</b> Late Programs.
<b>NITV (34)</b> <b>6am</b> Morning Programs. <b>12.45pm</b> Motor Racing. Dakar Rally. Highlights. <b>1.15</b> Soccer. Serie A Femminile. <b>3.00</b> Rugby Union. Monsoon Rugby Union. <b>4.30</b> Softball. CA Premier League. <b>6.00</b> Karla Grant Presents. <b>6.30</b> Dust And Bones. <b>7.30</b> NITV News Update. <b>7.40</b> Map To Paradise. <b>8.40</b> MOVIE: Teddy Pendergrass - If You Don't Know Me. (2018, M) <b>10.30</b> Vogue Australia: Sixty Years Through The Lens. <b>11.20</b> Late Programs.	<b>SBS WORLD MOVIES (32)</b> <b>6am</b> Morning Programs. <b>9.50</b> Kirikou And The Men And Women. (2012, PG, French) <b>11.30</b> Tanna. (2015, M, Bislama) <b>1.25pm</b> Gagarin. (2013, PG, Russian) <b>3.30</b> A Monster In Paris. (2011, French) <b>5.10</b> Operation Arctic. (2014, PG, Norwegian) <b>6.50</b> Rosie. (2018, PG) <b>8.30</b> Disorder. (2015, MA15+, French) <b>10.20</b> Aloys. (2016, M, Swiss German) <b>Midnight</b> Late Programs.	<b>7MATE (73)</b> <b>6am</b> Morning Programs. <b>11.00</b> River To Reef: Retro. <b>11.30</b> Step Outside. <b>Noon</b> The Fishing Show By AFN. <b>1.00</b> Hook, Line And Sinker. <b>2.00</b> On The Fly. <b>2.30</b> Merv Hughes Fishing. <b>3.00</b> Fishing Addiction. <b>4.00</b> Ultimate Fishing. <b>5.00</b> Life On The Line: The Story Of The Southern Bluefin Tuna. <b>6.00</b> Pawn Stars. <b>6.30</b> MOVIE: Ender's Game. (2013) <b>8.50</b> MOVIE: The Recruit. (2003, M) <b>11.20</b> Late Programs.	<b>9GO! (82, 93)</b> <b>6am</b> Children's Programs. <b>1.30pm</b> MOVIE: Pokémon: Giratina And The Sky Warrior. (2008) <b>3.30</b> MOVIE: Pokémon: Arceus And The Jewel Of Life. (2009) <b>5.30</b> LEGO Masters Bricksmas Special. <b>7.00</b> MOVIE: The Mummy. (1999, PG) <b>9.30</b> MOVIE: Birds Of Prey. (2020, MA15+) <b>11.40</b> Young, Dumb And Banged Up In The Sun. <b>12.40am</b> Desperate Housewives. <b>2.30</b> The Break Boys. <b>3.00</b> Late Programs.	<b>10 BOLD (53, 12)</b> <b>6am</b> Morning Programs. <b>8.30</b> Reel Action. <b>9.00</b> Healthy Homes Aust. <b>9.30</b> Escape Fishing. <b>10.00</b> iFish Summer. <b>10.30</b> The Doctors. <b>11.30</b> Scorpion. <b>12.30pm</b> MacGyver. <b>1.30</b> The Offroad Adventure Show. <b>2.30</b> Soccer. A-League Women. Round 1. Melbourne Victory v Adelaide United. <b>5.00</b> All 4 Adventure. <b>6.00</b> JAG. <b>7.00</b> Bondi Rescue. <b>7.30</b> NCIS. <b>9.25</b> Star Trek: Discovery. <b>11.25</b> Late Programs.

<b>ABC TV (22)</b> <b>6.00</b> News Breakfast. <b>9.00</b> ABC News Mornings. <b>10.00</b> Landline. (Final, R) <b>11.00</b> The Great Acceleration. (PG, R) <b>12.00 ABC News At Noon.</b> <b>1.00</b> The Larkins. (Ms, R) <b>2.00</b> Press. (Mals, R) <b>3.00 ABC News Afternoons.</b> <b>4.10</b> Think Tank. (PG, R) <b>5.10</b> Grand Designs. (PG, R)	<b>SBS (3)</b> <b>6.00</b> WorldWatch. <b>9.30</b> Greek News. <b>10.30</b> German News. <b>11.00</b> Spanish News. <b>11.30</b> Turkish News. <b>12.00</b> Arabic News F24. <b>12.30</b> ABC America: World News Tonight. <b>1.00</b> Al Jazeera News. <b>2.00</b> Scotland From The Sky. (R) <b>3.05</b> Journey Through Armenia. (PG, R) <b>3.35</b> The Cook Up With Adam Liaw. (PG, R) <b>4.05</b> Dog Tales. (PG, R) <b>5.05</b> Jeopardy! (PG) <b>5.30</b> Letters And Numbers. (R)	<b>SEVEN (7)</b> <b>6.00</b> Sunrise. <b>9.00</b> The Morning Show. (PG) <b>11.30</b> Seven Morning News. <b>12.00 MOVIE:</b> Christmas At Maple Creek. (2020, PGal) <b>2.00</b> Criminal Confessions: Jackson County, Wisconsin. (Malv, R) <b>3.00</b> The Chase. (R) <b>4.00</b> Seven News At 4. <b>5.00</b> The Chase Australia. (R)	<b>NINE (8, 9)</b> <b>6.00</b> Today. <b>9.00</b> Today Extra. (PG) <b>11.30</b> Morning News. <b>12.00 MOVIE:</b> Christmas In Mississippi. (2017, PGa, R) Jana Kramer, Wes Brown, Faith Ford. <b>1.45</b> Explore. (R) <b>2.00</b> Pointless. (PG) <b>3.00</b> Tipping Point. (PG) <b>4.00</b> Afternoon News. <b>4.30</b> Millionaire Hot Seat. (R) <b>5.30</b> WIN News.	<b>TEN (5, 1)</b> <b>6.00</b> The Talk. (PGa) <b>7.00</b> Judge Judy. (PG, R) <b>7.30</b> Bold. (PG, R) <b>8.00</b> Studio 10. (PG) <b>12.00</b> Dr Phil. (PGa, R) <b>1.00</b> The Graham Norton Show. (R) <b>2.00</b> Entertainment Tonight. <b>2.30</b> Everyday Gourmet With Justine Schofield. (R) <b>3.00</b> Judge Judy. (PG) <b>3.30</b> Freshly Picked With Simon Toohy. <b>4.00</b> Farm To Fork. (PG) <b>4.30</b> The Bold And The Beautiful. <b>5.00</b> 10 News First.
<b>6.00</b> The Drum. <b>7.00</b> ABC News. <b>7.30 7.30.</b> Presented by Leigh Sales. <b>8.00 Australian Story Summer Series: The Tipping Point.</b> (R) The story of Veena Sahajwalla. <b>8.30 Universe With Brian Cox: Heart Of Darkness - Black Holes.</b> Part 4 of 5. Professor Brian Cox continues his exploration of the universe with a look at black holes. <b>9.30 Media Watch.</b> (Final, PG) Hosted by Paul Barry. <b>9.50</b> Hunting The Essex Lorry Killers. (Ma) A look at the deaths of 39 migrants. <b>10.50</b> ABC Late News. <b>11.20</b> Books That Made Us: Place. (Mlv, R) <b>12.15</b> Noughts + Crosses. (Malv, R) <b>1.15</b> Press. (Mlv, R) <b>2.15</b> Rage. (MA15+adhlInsV) <b>4.25</b> The Drum. (R) <b>5.25</b> 7.30. (R)	<b>6.00</b> Mastermind Australia. (R) <b>6.30</b> SBS World News. <b>7.35</b> Britain's Most Historic Towns: Georgian Edinburgh. (PGa, R) Alice Roberts visits Edinburgh. <b>8.30</b> Tony Robinson's World By Rail: India And Myanmar. (R) Sir Tony Robinson continues his journey around the globe by exploring India and Myanmar. <b>9.25</b> The Best Of 24 Hours In Emergency: On The Edge. (M) A compilation of stories from St George's. <b>10.20</b> SBS World News Late. <b>10.50</b> The Crimson Rivers. (MA15+av) <b>11.45</b> Tell Me Who I Am. (Premiere, Mv) <b>3.40</b> 8 Out Of 10 Cats Does Countdown. (Mals, R) <b>4.30</b> VICE Guide To Film. (Malv, R) <b>5.00</b> France 24 Feature. <b>5.15</b> NHK World English News. <b>5.30</b> Deutsche Welle English News.	<b>6.00</b> Seven Local News. <b>6.30</b> Seven News. <b>7.00</b> Cricket. Big Bash League. Game 2. Sydney Thunder vs Brisbane Heat. <b>10.00</b> Fantasy Island. (Ms) A young woman must choose between marrying her parents' proposed match or her longtime boyfriend. <b>11.00</b> Motorway Patrol. (PG) Follows the work of a police unit dedicated to patrolling the motorways of Auckland, New Zealand. <b>11.30</b> Highway Cops. (PGI) Follows people who help keep motorists safe. <b>12.00 MOVIE:</b> Rabbit. (2017, MA15+lv, R) A woman tries to find her sister. Adelaide Clemens, Alex Russell. <b>2.00</b> Home Shopping. (R) <b>4.00</b> NBC Today. News and current affairs. <b>5.00</b> Seven Early News. <b>5.30</b> Sunrise.	<b>6.00</b> Nine News. <b>7.00</b> A Current Affair. <b>7.30</b> Snackmasters. (PGI) Part 3 of 4. Two fine-dining chefs battle it out to make a perfect replica of the iconic choc mint Drumstick. <b>9.10</b> Spice Girls: How Girl Power Changed The World. (Mal) Part 1 of 3. Takes a look at how the iconic British girl group Spice Girls influenced a generation of women. <b>11.10</b> Nine News Late. A look at the latest news and events. <b>11.40</b> Chicago Med. (MA15+am, R) <b>12.30</b> Tipping Point. (PG, R) <b>1.30</b> TV Shop: Home Shopping. (R) <b>2.30</b> Global Shop. (R) <b>3.00</b> TV Shop: Home Shopping. (R) <b>4.00</b> Take Two. (R) <b>5.00</b> News Early Edition. <b>5.30</b> Today.	<b>6.30</b> The Project. A look at the day's news and events. <b>7.30</b> Bondi Rescue. (PGal) Lifeguards try to enforce social distancing. <b>8.00</b> Territory Cops. (Madlv) Cops hunt for a couple of brazen car thieves. <b>8.30</b> FBI: Most Wanted. (MA15+sv, R) A local FBI case involving two murdered women turns into a manhunt for a crime lord. <b>10.30</b> The FBI Declassified: Saving Ethan. (Premiere, Ma) <b>11.30</b> The Project. (R) <b>12.30</b> The Late Show With Stephen Colbert. (PG) <b>1.30</b> Home Shopping. (R) <b>2.30</b> Infomercials. (PG, R) <b>3.00</b> Home Shopping. (R) <b>4.30</b> CBS Mornings.
<b>ABC TV PLUS (22)</b> <b>6am</b> Children's Programs. <b>7.15pm</b> Odd Squad. <b>7.30</b> Doctor Who. <b>8.35</b> Countdown To Disaster. <b>9.25</b> George Clarke's Amazing Spaces. <b>10.10</b> Doctor Who. <b>11.30</b> Adam Hills: The Last Leg. <b>12.10am</b> Escape From The City. <b>1.10</b> Red Dwarf. <b>1.40</b> Community. <b>2.05</b> The Letdown. (Final) <b>2.35</b> Parks And Recreation. <b>2.55</b> ABC News Update. <b>3.00</b> Close. <b>5.05</b> Five Minutes More. <b>5.10</b> Sarah & Duck. <b>5.20</b> Late Programs.	<b>SBS VICELAND (31)</b> <b>6am</b> WorldWatch. <b>Noon</b> Basketball. NBA. Dallas Mavericks v New Orleans Pelicans. <b>2.00</b> Most Expensivest. <b>2.30</b> Figure Skating. 2019-2020 ISU European C'ships. Replay. <b>4.00</b> WorldWatch. <b>5.25</b> Takeshi's Castle. <b>5.55</b> Shortland Street. <b>6.25</b> Rockwiz. <b>7.05</b> Jeopardy! <b>7.35</b> 8 Out Of 10 Cats Does Countdown. <b>8.30</b> Dark Side Of The '90s. <b>9.20</b> Iggy & Ace. <b>10.35</b> Late Programs.	<b>7TWO (72)</b> <b>6am</b> Home Shopping. <b>6.30</b> Travel Oz. <b>7.30</b> Harry's Practice. <b>8.30</b> Million Dollar Minute. <b>9.30</b> NBC Today. <b>10.30</b> One Road: Great Australian Road Trips. <b>11.00</b> Mighty Trains. <b>Noon</b> House Of Wellness. <b>1.00</b> Deadly Dates. <b>3.00</b> RSPCA Animal Rescue. <b>4.30</b> M*A*S*H. <b>5.30</b> Escape To The Country. <b>6.30</b> Bargain Hunt. <b>7.30</b> Doc Martin. <b>8.30</b> The Inspector Lynley Mysteries. <b>10.30</b> Cold Case. <b>12.30am</b> Families Of Crime. <b>3.00</b> Late Programs.	<b>9GEM (81, 92)</b> <b>6am</b> TV Shop. <b>7.00</b> Creflo. <b>7.30</b> TV Shop. <b>9.30</b> Newstyle Direct. <b>10.00</b> Danoz. <b>10.30</b> Pointless. <b>11.30</b> My Favorite Martian. <b>Noon</b> Christmas At Highclere Castle. <b>1.00</b> Days Of Our Lives. <b>1.55</b> The Young And The Restless. <b>2.50</b> Antiques Roadshow. <b>3.20 MOVIE:</b> Heart Of The Matter. (1953, PG) <b>5.30</b> Murder, She Wrote. <b>6.30</b> Antiques Roadshow. <b>7.30</b> Poirot. <b>8.40</b> Silent Witness. <b>10.50</b> Late Programs.	<b>10 PEACH (52, 11)</b> <b>6am</b> The Big Bang Theory. <b>7.30</b> Friends. <b>10.00</b> The Middle. <b>11.30</b> Seinfeld. <b>Noon</b> In The Dark. <b>1.00</b> Nancy Drew. <b>3.00</b> The King Of Queens. <b>4.00</b> Becker. <b>5.00</b> Frasier. <b>6.00</b> Friends. <b>6.30</b> Neighbours. <b>7.00</b> Friends. <b>8.00</b> The Big Bang Theory. <b>9.30</b> Seinfeld. <b>11.00</b> 2 Broke Girls. <b>Midnight</b> Shopping. <b>12.30</b> Infomercials. <b>1.30</b> Stephen Colbert. <b>2.30</b> James Corden. <b>3.30</b> In The Dark. <b>4.30</b> Shopping.
<b>NITV (34)</b> <b>6am</b> Morning Programs. <b>1.50pm</b> Dust And Bones. <b>2.50</b> Emptying The Tank. <b>3.00</b> Jarjums. <b>3.25</b> The Magic Canoe. <b>3.50</b> Jarjums. <b>5.00</b> Shortland Street. <b>5.30</b> Chefs' Lane. <b>6.00</b> The 77 Percent. <b>6.30</b> Kriol Kitchen. <b>7.00</b> Our Stories. <b>7.15</b> Keep Calm And Decolonize. <b>7.20</b> News. <b>7.30</b> Road Open. <b>7.40</b> Through The Worm				

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<b>ABC TV (22)</b> <b>6.00</b> News Breakfast. <b>9.00</b> ABC News Mornings. <b>10.00</b> War On Waste: Turning The Tide. (R) <b>11.00</b> Antiques Roadshow. (R) <b>12.00</b> ABC News At Noon. <b>1.00</b> Miniseries: <b>Ridley Road</b> . (Mv, R) <b>1.55</b> Press. (Mlv, R) <b>3.00</b> ABC News Afternoons. <b>4.10</b> Think Tank. (PG, R) <b>5.10</b> Grand Designs. (PG, R)	<b>SBS (3)</b> <b>6.00</b> WorldWatch. <b>11.00</b> Spanish News. <b>11.30</b> Turkish News. <b>12.00</b> Arabic News F24. <b>12.30</b> ABC America: World News Tonight. <b>1.00</b> PBS NewsHour. <b>2.00</b> Destination Flavour China Bitesize. (R) <b>2.05</b> Scotland From The Sky. (R) <b>3.10</b> Journey Through Armenia. (PG, R) <b>3.40</b> The Cook Up With Adam Liaw. (PG, R) <b>4.10</b> Animal Einsteins. (PGa, R) <b>5.05</b> Jeopardy! (PG) <b>5.30</b> Letters And Numbers. (R)	<b>SEVEN (7)</b> <b>6.00</b> Sunrise. <b>9.00</b> The Morning Show. (PG) <b>11.30</b> Seven Morning News. <b>12.00</b> MOVIE: Maggie's Christmas Miracle. (2017, PGa) <b>2.00</b> House Of Wellness. (PG) <b>3.00</b> The Chase. (R) <b>4.00</b> Seven News At 4. <b>5.00</b> The Chase Australia. (R)	<b>NINE (8, 9)</b> <b>6.00</b> Today. <b>9.00</b> Today Extra. (PG) <b>11.30</b> Morning News. <b>12.00</b> MOVIE: Lonestar Christmas. (2020, PGa) Stephanie Bennett, Marco Grazzini, Brent Stait. <b>1.45</b> Talking Honey: Princess Diana. (PG, R) <b>2.00</b> Pointless. (PG) <b>3.00</b> Tipping Point. (PG) <b>4.00</b> Afternoon News. <b>4.30</b> Millionaire Hot Seat. (R) <b>5.30</b> WIN News.	<b>TEN (5, 1)</b> <b>6.00</b> The Talk. (PGa) <b>7.00</b> Judge Judy. (PG, R) <b>7.30</b> Bold. (R) <b>8.00</b> Studio 10. (PG) <b>12.00</b> Dr Phil. (PGa, R) <b>1.00</b> The Dog House Australia. (PG, R) <b>2.00</b> Entertainment Tonight. <b>2.30</b> Everyday Gourmet With Justine Schofield. (R) <b>3.00</b> Judge Judy. (PG) <b>3.30</b> Freshly Picked With Simon Toohy. <b>4.00</b> Farm To Fork. (PG) <b>4.30</b> The Bold And The Beautiful. <b>5.00</b> 10 News First.
<b>6.00</b> The Drum. <b>7.00</b> ABC News. <b>7.30</b> 7.30. Presented by Leigh Sales. <b>8.00</b> Anh's Brush With Fame: Sophie Delezio. (PG, R) Anh Do paints Sophie Delezio. <b>8.30</b> Books That Made Us. (Malnv) Part 3 of 3. Claudia Karvan delves into how power is portrayed in stories. <b>9.25</b> Australia Remastered: Nature's Great Divide: Where Worlds Collide. Part 2 of 3. <b>10.40</b> ABC Late News. <b>11.10</b> Q+A. (Final, R) <b>12.15</b> Midsomer Murders. (Mv, R) <b>1.45</b> Press. (Mls, R) <b>2.45</b> Rage. (MA15+adhlsv) <b>4.25</b> The Drum. (R) <b>5.25</b> 7.30. (R)	<b>6.00</b> Mastermind Australia. (R) Presented by Marc Fennell. <b>6.30</b> SBS World News. <b>7.30</b> Stonehenge: The New Revelations. (PG) Follows a team of experts as they investigate a previously undetected monument near Stonehenge. <b>9.00</b> Pearl Harbor. (M) Takes a look at the attack on December 7, 1941, on the US naval base at Pearl Harbor in Honolulu, Hawaii. <b>10.30</b> SBS World News Late. <b>11.05</b> Before We Die. (Final, Mlv) Hanna goes on the run. <b>12.10</b> Miss S. (Mav) <b>4.35</b> VICE Guide To Film. (MA15+adls, R) <b>5.00</b> France 24 Feature. <b>5.15</b> NHK World English News. <b>5.30</b> Deutsche Welle English News.	<b>6.00</b> Seven Local News. <b>6.30</b> Seven News. <b>7.00</b> Cricket. Big Bash League. Game 3. Melbourne Renegades v Adelaide Strikers. <b>10.00</b> Born To Kill? Ivan Milat. (Mav, R) Takes a look at the case of Ivan Milat, who served life for the murders of seven backpackers. <b>11.00</b> Beat The Chasers UK. Presented by Bradley Walsh. <b>12.00</b> Dr Harry's Animal Encounters. (PGa, R) Dr Harry meets a bomb detection dog unit. <b>1.00</b> Gold Coast Medical. (Ma, R) <b>2.00</b> Home Shopping. (R) <b>4.00</b> NBC Today. <b>5.00</b> Seven Early News. <b>5.30</b> Sunrise.	<b>6.00</b> Nine News. <b>7.00</b> A Current Affair. <b>7.30</b> Snackmasters. (PG) Part 4 of 4. <b>9.10</b> Travel Guides. (PGls, R) Ordinary Australians become travel critics, experiencing a holiday in the tropical island paradise of Mauritius. <b>10.10</b> Spice Girls: How Girl Power Changed The World. (Mals) Part 3 of 3. <b>11.10</b> Nine News Late. A look at the latest news and events. <b>11.40</b> Damian Lewis: Spy Wars: Merchant Of Death. (Mv) <b>12.35</b> Tipping Point. (PG, R) <b>1.30</b> TV Shop: Home Shopping. (R) <b>4.00</b> Take Two. (R) <b>5.00</b> News Early Edition. <b>5.30</b> Today.	<b>6.30</b> The Project. A look at the day's news and events. <b>7.30</b> The Dog House Australia. (PG) Narrated by Dr Chris Brown. <b>8.30</b> NCIS. (Return, Mv) The team searches for Gibbs after wreckage of his boat is discovered. <b>9.30</b> NCIS: Los Angeles. (Mv) A man threatens to blow-up a busload of hostages unless his daughter's war crimes are posthumously cleared. <b>10.30</b> NCIS. (Mv, R) A US Navy officer is murdered. <b>11.30</b> The Project. (R) <b>12.30</b> The Late Show With Stephen Colbert. (PG) <b>1.30</b> Home Shopping. (R) <b>3.00</b> Infomercials. (PG, R) <b>3.30</b> Home Shopping. (R) <b>4.30</b> CBS Mornings.
<b>ABC TV PLUS (22)</b> <b>6am</b> Children's Programs. <b>7.15pm</b> Odd Squad. <b>7.30</b> Spicks And Specks. <b>8.30</b> Adam Hills: The Last Leg. <b>9.10</b> Schitt's Creek. <b>9.55</b> Preppers. <b>10.30</b> Doctor Who. <b>11.20</b> Catastrophe. <b>11.45</b> In The Long Run. <b>12.10am</b> Sick Of It. <b>12.30</b> GameFace. <b>12.55</b> Whose Line Is It Anyway? <b>1.40</b> Community. <b>2.00</b> Parks And Recreation. <b>2.25</b> ABC News Update. <b>2.30</b> Close. <b>5.05</b> Late Programs.	<b>SBS VICELAND (31)</b> <b>6am</b> WorldWatch. <b>Noon</b> Basketball. NBA. Golden State Warriors v San Antonio Spurs. Replay. <b>2.00</b> Date My Race. <b>3.05</b> Gymnastics. 2020 FIG Trampoline World Cup. H'lights. <b>4.00</b> WorldWatch. <b>5.25</b> Takeshi's Castle. <b>5.55</b> Shortland Street. <b>6.25</b> Rockwiz. <b>7.05</b> Jeopardy! <b>7.35</b> 8 Out Of 10 Cats Does Countdown. <b>8.30</b> Fear Of Dancing. <b>9.30</b> Stacey Dooley: Young And Homeless. <b>10.40</b> Late Programs.	<b>7TWO (72)</b> <b>6am</b> Home Shopping. <b>6.30</b> Travel Oz. <b>8.00</b> Harry's Practice. <b>8.30</b> Million Dollar Minute. <b>9.30</b> NBC Today. <b>Noon</b> House Of Wellness. <b>1.00</b> Deadly Dates. <b>3.00</b> Creek To Coast. <b>3.30</b> RSPCA Animal Rescue. <b>4.30</b> M*A*S*H. <b>5.30</b> Escape To The Country. <b>6.30</b> Bargain Hunt. <b>7.30</b> Pie In The Sky. <b>8.30</b> Lewis. <b>10.30</b> Without A Trace. <b>12.30am</b> Deadly Dates. <b>2.30</b> The Real Seachange. <b>3.00</b> Mighty Ships. <b>4.00</b> Late Programs.	<b>9GEM (81, 92)</b> <b>6am</b> TV Shop. <b>7.00</b> Creflo. <b>7.30</b> TV Shop. <b>9.30</b> Newstyle Direct. <b>10.00</b> Danoz. <b>10.30</b> Pointless. <b>11.30</b> My Favorite Martian. <b>Noon</b> Poirot. <b>1.10</b> Days Of Our Lives. <b>2.05</b> The Young And The Restless. <b>3.00</b> Explore. <b>3.05</b> Antiques Roadshow. <b>3.35</b> MOVIE: Carry On Cabby. (1963, PG) <b>5.30</b> Murder, She Wrote. <b>6.30</b> Antiques Roadshow. <b>7.30</b> New Tricks. <b>8.40</b> The Closer. <b>9.40</b> Rizzoli & Isles. <b>10.40</b> Late Programs.	<b>10 PEACH (52, 11)</b> <b>6am</b> The Late Show With Stephen Colbert. <b>7.00</b> Seinfeld. <b>8.00</b> Becker. <b>9.00</b> The Middle. <b>10.00</b> Frasier. <b>11.00</b> The King Of Queens. <b>Noon</b> In The Dark. <b>1.00</b> 2 Broke Girls. <b>2.00</b> Seinfeld. <b>3.00</b> The King Of Queens. <b>4.00</b> Becker. <b>5.00</b> Friends. <b>6.00</b> Friends. <b>6.30</b> Neighbours. <b>7.00</b> Frasier. <b>8.00</b> The Big Bang Theory. <b>9.30</b> Morn. <b>11.35</b> Frasier. <b>Midnight</b> Shopping. <b>12.30</b> Infomercials. <b>1.30</b> Late Programs.
<b>NITV (34)</b> <b>6am</b> Morning Programs. <b>2.20pm</b> Always Was Always Will Be. <b>3.00</b> Jarjums. <b>3.25</b> The Magic Canoe. <b>3.50</b> Aussie Bush Tales. <b>4.00</b> Project Planet. <b>4.30</b> Grace Beside Me. <b>5.00</b> Shortland Street. <b>5.30</b> Chefs' Line. <b>6.00</b> Pete & Plo's Kai Safari. <b>6.30</b> Kriol Kitchen. <b>7.00</b> Our Stories. <b>7.15</b> Keep Calm And Decolonize. <b>7.20</b> News. <b>7.30</b> The Whole Table. <b>8.30</b> Power Meri. <b>9.30</b> Black Market. <b>10.00</b> Hate Thy Neighbour. <b>10.50</b> Late Programs.	<b>SBS WORLD MOVIES (32)</b> <b>6am</b> Morning Programs. <b>8.30</b>			

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<b>ABC TV (2)</b> <b>6.00</b> News Breakfast. <b>9.00</b> ABC News Mornings. <b>10.00</b> Invisible Wars. (PG, R) <b>10.55</b> The Great Australian Bee Challenge. (R) <b>12.00</b> ABC News At Noon. <b>12.30</b> National Press Club Address. (Final) <b>1.35</b> Media Watch. (PG, R) <b>2.00</b> Press. (MIs, R) <b>3.00</b> ABC News Afternoons. <b>4.10</b> Think Tank. (R) <b>5.10</b> Grand Designs. (PG, R)	<b>SBS (3)</b> <b>6.00</b> WorldWatch. <b>11.00</b> Spanish News. <b>11.30</b> Turkish News. <b>12.00</b> Arabic News F24. <b>12.30</b> ABC America: World News Tonight. <b>1.00</b> PBS NewsHour. <b>2.00</b> Destination Flavour China Bitesize. (PGaw, R) <b>2.05</b> Scotland From The Sky. (R) <b>3.10</b> Journey Through Armenia. (PG, R) <b>3.40</b> The Cook Up With Adam Liaw. (PG, R) <b>4.10</b> Animal Einsteins. (PG) <b>5.05</b> Jeopardy! (PG) <b>5.30</b> Letters And Numbers. (R)	<b>SEVEN (7)</b> <b>6am</b> Morning Programs. <b>12.00</b> The Ashes: The Lunch Break. <b>12.40</b> Cricket. The Ashes. First Test. Australia v England. Day 1. Afternoon session. <b>2.40</b> The Ashes: Tea Break. <b>3.00</b> Cricket. The Ashes. First Test. Australia v England. Day 1. Late afternoon session. <b>5.30</b> Cricket. Big Bash League. Game 4. Hobart Hurricanes v Sydney Sixers.	<b>NINE (8, 9)</b> <b>6.00</b> Today. <b>9.00</b> Today Extra. (PG) <b>11.30</b> Morning News. <b>12.00</b> <b>MOVIE:</b> Christmas Ever After. (2020, G) Ali Stroker, Daniel di Tomasso, Bill Marchant. <b>1.45</b> Explore. (R) <b>2.00</b> Pointless. (PG) <b>3.00</b> Tipping Point. (PG) <b>4.00</b> Afternoon News. <b>4.30</b> Millionaire Hot Seat. (R) <b>5.30</b> WIN News.	<b>TEN (5, 1)</b> <b>6.00</b> The Talk. (PGa) <b>7.00</b> Judge Judy. (PG, R) <b>7.30</b> The Bold And The Beautiful. (R) <b>8.00</b> Studio 10. (PG) <b>12.00</b> Dr Phil. (PGa, R) <b>1.00</b> Jamie & The Nonnas. (R) <b>2.00</b> Entertainment Tonight. <b>2.30</b> Everyday Gourmet With Justine Schofield. (R) <b>3.00</b> Judge Judy. (PG) <b>3.30</b> Freshly Picked With Simon Toohey. <b>4.00</b> Farm To Fork. (PG) <b>4.30</b> The Bold And The Beautiful. <b>5.00</b> 10 News First.
<b>6.00</b> The Drum. <b>7.00</b> ABC News. <b>7.30</b> <b>7.30</b> . Presented by Leigh Sales. <b>8.00</b> Hard Quiz. (PG) Hosted by Tom Gleeson. <b>8.30</b> Gruen. Wil Anderson and a team of experts analyse the advertising industry and consumerism. <b>9.10</b> Preppers. (MIs) Charlie's hippie mother is hiding a secret when she arrives at Eden 2 to reconnect with daughter. <b>9.40</b> QI. (PG, R) Hosted by Sandi Toksvig. <b>10.10</b> Adam Hills: The Last Leg. (R) UK-based panel show. <b>10.50</b> ABC Late News. <b>11.20</b> Universe With Brian Cox. (R) <b>12.20</b> Media Watch. (Final, PG, R) <b>12.40</b> Father Brown. (PG, R) <b>1.25</b> Silent Witness. (MA15+a, R) <b>2.25</b> Press. (MIs, R) <b>3.25</b> Rage. (MA15+adhlinsv) <b>4.25</b> The Drum. (R) <b>5.25</b> 7.30. (R)	<b>6.00</b> Mastermind Australia. (R) Presented by Marc Fennell. <b>6.30</b> SBS World News. <b>7.30</b> Scotland's Sacred Islands With Ben Fogle: Shetland. Part 4 of 4. <b>8.30</b> Michael Mosley On Cosmetic Treatments. (PGaw, R) Part 1 of 2. Michael Mosley and Mehreen Baig explore the world of cosmetic enhancement. <b>9.30</b> Before We Die. (Final, Madlv) The police undercover team try to bust the Mimicas' drug smuggling operation, with unpleasant results. <b>10.25</b> SBS World News Late. <b>11.00</b> In Therapy. (PGa) A swimmer needs a psychological assessment. <b>11.50</b> Departure. (Ma, R) <b>4.45</b> Poh & Co. Bitesize. (R) <b>5.00</b> France 24 Feature. <b>5.15</b> NHK World English News. <b>5.30</b> Deutsche Welle English News.	<b>6.00</b> Seven Local News. <b>6.30</b> Seven News. <b>7.00</b> Cricket. Big Bash League. Game 4. Hobart Hurricanes v Sydney Sixers. From University of Tasmania Stadium. <b>8.40</b> Cricket. Big Bash League. Game 5. Perth Scorchers v Brisbane Heat. From Optus Stadium, Perth. <b>12.00</b> American Crime. (Mads, R) An undocumented Mexican worker discovers modern servitude thriving in an agricultural community. <b>1.00</b> RSPCA Animal Rescue. (R) Two greyhounds are found neglected. <b>1.30</b> Harry's Practice. (R) Information about pet care. <b>2.00</b> Home Shopping. (R) <b>4.00</b> NBC Today. News and current affairs. <b>5.00</b> Seven Early News. <b>5.30</b> Sunrise. News, sport and weather.	<b>6.00</b> Nine News. <b>7.00</b> A Current Affair. <b>7.30</b> Mega Zoo. (PG) A crafty orangutan puts keepers to the test. <b>8.30</b> Emergency. (Md, R) Nurse Julie helps a smitten young couple who spend most of their first date in emergency. <b>9.30</b> A+E After Dark. (Mlm) A young woman is admitted after sustaining a nasty injury falling off a bar stool in Hull. <b>10.30</b> Nine News Late. A look at the latest news and events. <b>11.00</b> New Amsterdam. (Mam, R) A history-making blizzard hits New York. <b>11.50</b> The Fix. (Mav, R) <b>12.40</b> Tipping Point. (PG, R) <b>1.30</b> TV Shop: Home Shopping. (R) <b>2.30</b> Global Shop. (R) <b>3.00</b> TV Shop: Home Shopping. (R) <b>5.00</b> News Early Edition. <b>5.30</b> Today.	<b>6.30</b> The Project. The hosts and guest panellists take a look at the day's news, events and hot topics. <b>7.30</b> 2021 AACTA Awards. Coverage of the 11th Australian Academy of Cinema and Television Arts Awards from the Sydney Opera House. <b>9.00</b> Bull. Bull's legal troubles go from professional to personal when new evidence in his bribery trial implicates his wife. However, the TAC team's efforts to assist their leader in court are thwarted by his cautious lawyer. <b>12.00</b> The Project. (R) A look at the day's news and events. <b>1.00</b> The Late Show With Stephen Colbert. (PG) Late night talk show. <b>2.00</b> Home Shopping. (R) <b>2.30</b> Infomercials. (PG, R) <b>3.00</b> Home Shopping. (R) <b>4.30</b> CBS Mornings.
<b>ABC TV PLUS (22)</b> <b>6am</b> Children's Programs. <b>7.15pm</b> Odd Squad. <b>7.30</b> Spicks And Specks. <b>8.00</b> Would I Lie To You? <b>8.30</b> Art Works. <b>9.00</b> Brian Johnson's A Life On The Road. <b>9.45</b> The Sound. <b>10.15</b> Doctor Who. <b>11.05</b> Books That Made Us. (Final) <b>12.05am</b> Love On The Spectrum. <b>1.00</b> Pilgrimage: Road To Istanbul. <b>2.00</b> Louis Theroux: Life On The Edge. <b>2.50</b> Community. <b>3.15</b> Parks And Recreation. <b>3.35</b> Late Programs.	<b>SBS VICELAND (31)</b> <b>6am</b> WorldWatch. <b>Noon</b> Hustle. <b>12.55</b> North To South: The Full Journey. <b>4.00</b> WorldWatch. <b>5.25</b> Takeshi's Castle. <b>5.55</b> Shortland Street. <b>6.25</b> RockWiz. <b>7.05</b> Jeopardy! <b>7.35</b> 8 Out Of 10 Cats Does Countdown. <b>8.30</b> <b>MOVIE:</b> Donnie Darko. (2001, M) <b>10.35</b> <b>MOVIE:</b> A Good Old Fashioned Orgy. (2011, MA15+) <b>12.20am</b> The X-Files. <b>3.00</b> Thai News. <b>3.30</b> Bangla News. <b>4.00</b> Punjabi News. <b>4.30</b> Late Programs.	<b>7TWO (72)</b> <b>6am</b> Home Shopping. <b>6.30</b> Travel Oz. <b>8.00</b> Harry's Practice. <b>8.30</b> Million Dollar Minute. <b>9.30</b> NBC Today. <b>Noon</b> House Of Wellness. <b>1.00</b> Deadly Dates. <b>3.00</b> Travel And Eat With Dan & Steph. <b>3.30</b> RSPCA Animal Rescue. <b>4.30</b> M*A*S*H. <b>5.30</b> Escape To The Country. <b>6.30</b> Bargain Hunt. <b>7.30</b> The Vicar Of Dibley. <b>8.30</b> Mrs Brown's Boys. <b>10.30</b> Miranda. <b>11.10</b> What A Carry On! <b>11.50</b> Bones. <b>1.50am</b> Late Programs.	<b>9GEM (81, 92)</b> <b>6am</b> TV Shop. <b>7.00</b> Creflo. <b>7.30</b> TV Shop. <b>10.30</b> Pointless. <b>11.30</b> My Favorite Martian. <b>Noon</b> New Tricks. <b>1.10</b> Days Of Our Lives. <b>2.05</b> The Young And The Restless. <b>3.00</b> Explore. <b>3.05</b> Antiques Roadshow. <b>3.35</b> <b>MOVIE:</b> An Elephant Called Slowly. (1970) <b>5.30</b> Murder, She Wrote. <b>6.30</b> Antiques Roadshow. <b>7.30</b> As Time Goes By. <b>8.50</b> Midsomer Murders. <b>10.50</b> Late Programs.	<b>10 PEACH (52, 11)</b> <b>6am</b> The Late Show With Stephen Colbert. <b>7.00</b> The King Of Queens. <b>8.00</b> Becker. <b>9.00</b> The Middle. <b>10.00</b> Frasier. <b>11.00</b> Friends. <b>Noon</b> In The Dark. <b>1.00</b> 2 Broke Girls. <b>2.00</b> Mom. <b>3.00</b> The King Of Queens. <b>4.00</b> Becker. <b>5.00</b> Frasier. <b>6.00</b> Friends. <b>6.30</b> Neighbours. <b>7.00</b> Friends. <b>8.00</b> The Big Bang Theory. <b>9.20</b> 2 Broke Girls. <b>Midnight</b> Shopping. <b>12.30</b> Infomercials. <b>1.00</b> Shopping. <b>1.30</b> Late Programs.
<b>NITV (34)</b> <b>6am</b> Morning Programs. <b>2pm</b> My Life As I Live It. <b>3.00</b> Jarjums. <b>3.25</b> The Magic Canoe. <b>3.50</b> Jarjums. <b>5.00</b> Shortland Street. <b>5.30</b> Chefs' Line. <b>6.00</b> Pete & Pio's Kai Safari. <b>6.30</b> Kriol Kitchen. <b>7.00</b> Our Stories. <b>7.15</b> Keep Calm And Decolonize. <b>7.20</b> News. <b>7.30</b> Celtics/Lakers: Best Of Enemies. <b>9.20</b> NITV News Update. <b>9.30</b> My Family Matters. <b>10.00</b> Karla Grant Presents. <b>10.30</b> Wild Kai Legends. <b>11.00</b> Late Programs.	<b>SBS WORLD MOVIES (32)</b> <b>6am</b> Little Nicolas. Continued. (2009, PG, French) <b>6.40</b> Dean Spanley. (2008, PG) <b>8.35</b> This Beautiful Fantastic. (2016, PG) <b>10.15</b> Long Way North. (2015, PG) <b>11.45</b> The Motorcycle Diaries. (2004, M, Spanish) <b>2.05pm</b> Believe. (2013, PG) <b>3.55</b> The Finishers. (2013, PG, French) <b>5.35</b> 1982. (2019, PG, Arabic) <b>7.30</b> Chef. (2014, M) <b>9.35</b> Skin. (2008, M) <b>11.35</b> Late Programs.	<b>7MATE (73)</b> <b>6am</b> Morning Programs. <b>11.00</b> A Football Life. <b>Noon</b> Storage Wars Canada. <b>1.00</b> The Grade Cricketer. <b>1.30</b> Seven's Motorsport Classic. <b>2.00</b> Inside Line. <b>3.00</b> 7th Gear. <b>4.00</b> Fish'n With Mates. <b>4.30</b> Barter Kings. <b>5.30</b> Storage Wars: TX. <b>6.00</b> Cricket. Big Bash League. Game 4. Hobart Hurricanes v Sydney Sixers. <b>7.00</b> Pawn Stars. <b>8.30</b> Storage Wars. <b>9.30</b> Storage Wars: Miami. <b>10.00</b> Irish Pickers. <b>11.00</b> Late Programs.	<b>9GO! (82, 93)</b> <b>6am</b> Children's Programs. <b>Noon</b> Hollywood Medium. <b>1.00</b> Revenge Body. <b>2.00</b> America's Top Dog. <b>3.00</b> The Nanny. <b>3.30</b> 3rd Rock From The Sun. <b>4.00</b> That '70s Show. <b>4.30</b> Malcolm. <b>5.30</b> The Nanny. <b>6.00</b> 3rd Rock From The Sun. <b>6.30</b> That '70s Show. <b>7.00</b> Young Sheldon. <b>7.30</b> Raymond. <b>8.30</b> <b>MOVIE:</b> Billy Madison. (1995, M) <b>10.15</b> <b>MOVIE:</b> Mr Deeds. (2002, M) <b>12.15am</b> Late Programs.	<b>10 BOLD (53, 12)</b> <b>6am</b> Infomercials. <b>8.00</b> Stories Of Bikes. <b>8.30</b> iFish Summer Series. <b>9.00</b> Diagnosis Murder. <b>10.00</b> JAG. <b>Noon</b> NCIS: Los Angeles. <b>1.00</b> NCIS. <b>3.00</b> Diagnosis Murder. <b>5.00</b> JAG. <b>7.00</b> Bondi Rescue. <b>7.30</b> NCIS. <b>8.30</b> NCIS: Los Angeles. <b>11.15</b> Evil. <b>12.10am</b> Home Shopping. <b>1.40</b> Infomercials. <b>2.10</b> Motor Racing. Formula 1. Race 21. Saudi Arabian Grand Prix. Highlights. <b>3.10</b> 48 Hours. <b>4.05</b> CSI. <b>5.00</b> The Doctors.



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<b>ABC TV (2)</b> <b>6.00</b> News Breakfast. <b>9.00</b> ABC News Mornings. <b>10.00</b> Australia Remastered: Nature's Great Divide. (R) <b>11.00</b> The Pool. (PG, R) <b>12.00</b> ABC News At Noon. <b>1.00</b> Hard Quiz. (PG, R) <b>1.30</b> QI. (PG, R) <b>2.00</b> Press. (MIs, R) <b>3.00</b> ABC News Afternoons. <b>4.15</b> Think Tank. (PG, R) <b>5.10</b> Grand Designs. (PG, R)	<b>SBS (3)</b> <b>6.00</b> WorldWatch. <b>11.00</b> Spanish News. <b>11.30</b> Turkish News. <b>12.00</b> Arabic News F24. <b>12.30</b> ABC America: World News Tonight. <b>1.00</b> PBS NewsHour. <b>2.00</b> Destination Flavour China Bitesize. (R) <b>2.10</b> Royals At War. (PG, R) <b>3.15</b> Journey Through Armenia. (PG, R) <b>3.45</b> The Cook Up With Adam Liaw. (PG, R) <b>4.15</b> The Wonderful World Of Chocolate. (R) <b>5.05</b> Jeopardy! (PG) <b>5.30</b> Letters And Numbers. (R)	<b>SEVEN (7)</b> <b>6.00</b> Sunrise. <b>9.00</b> The Ashes: Pre-Game Show. <b>10.00</b> Cricket. The Ashes. First Test. Australia v England. Day 2. Morning session. <b>12.00</b> The Ashes: The Lunch Break. <b>12.40</b> Cricket. The Ashes. First Test. Australia v England. Day 2. Afternoon session. <b>2.40</b> The Ashes: Tea Break. <b>3.00</b> Cricket. The Ashes. First Test. Australia v England. Day 2. Late afternoon session. <b>5.30</b> The Chase Australia.	<b>NINE (8, 9)</b> <b>6.00</b> Today. <b>9.00</b> Today Extra. (PG) <b>11.30</b> Morning News. <b>12.00</b> <b>MOVIE:</b> A Christmas Wish. (2019, PGa, R) Hilarie Burton, Tyler Hilton, Megan Park. <b>1.45</b> Talking Honey: Princess Diana. (R) <b>2.00</b> Pointless. (PG) <b>3.00</b> Tipping Point. (PG) <b>4.00</b> Afternoon News. <b>4.30</b> Millionaire Hot Seat. (R) <b>5.30</b> WIN News.	<b>TEN (5, 1)</b> <b>6.00</b> The Talk. (PGa) <b>7.00</b> Judge Judy. (PG, R) <b>7.30</b> The Bold And The Beautiful. (R) <b>8.00</b> Studio 10. (PG) <b>12.00</b> Dr Phil. (PGal, R) <b>1.00</b> Jamie & The Nonnas. (R) <b>2.00</b> Entertainment Tonight. <b>2.30</b> Everyday Gourmet With Justine Schofield. (R) <b>3.00</b> Judge Judy. (PG) <b>3.30</b> Freshly Picked With Simon Toohey. <b>4.00</b> Farm To Fork. (PG) <b>4.30</b> The Bold And The Beautiful. <b>5.00</b> 10 News First.
<b>6.00</b> The Drum. <b>7.00</b> ABC News. <b>7.30</b> <b>7.30</b> . Presented by Leigh Sales. <b>8.00</b> Barrie Cassidy's One Plus One. Jane Barnes speaks with Barrie Cassidy. <b>8.30</b> Designing A Legacy. (Ml, R) Tim Ross meets families whose lives have been shaped by the designs of their iconic homes. <b>9.30</b> To Be Advised. <b>10.30</b> You Can't Ask That: Terminally Ill. (Ml, R) <b>11.00</b> ABC Late News. <b>11.30</b> Pilgrimage: Road To Rome. (PG, R) <b>12.35</b> Hunting The Essex Lorry Killers. (Ma, R) <b>1.35</b> Call The Midwife. (Ma, R) <b>2.35</b> Press. (Mal, R) <b>3.35</b> Rage. (MA15+adhlinsv) <b>4.25</b> The Drum. (R) <b>5.25</b> 7.30. (R)	<b>6.00</b> Mastermind Australia. (R) <b>6.30</b> SBS World News. <b>7.35</b> The Wonderful World Of Chocolate. (PG) Follows chocolatier Chris Zammit. <b>8.30</b> Red Election. (MA15+) Katrine prepares to deliver to Oleg the USB that can be used to mimic a nuclear meltdown at a power plant. <b>9.25</b> Murder Case: The Search For Julie Reilly. (MA15+) Part 2 of 3. <b>10.30</b> SBS World News Late. <b>11.00</b> Gomorrah. (MA15+av, R) <b>12.00</b> We Are Who We Are. (MA15+n, R) <b>1.05</b> Darklands. (MA15+dlv, R) <b>3.45</b> 8 Out Of 10 Cats Does Countdown. (Mas, R) <b>4.40</b> Poh & Co. Bitesize. (R) <b>5.00</b> France 24 Feature. <b>5.15</b> NHK World English News. <b>5.30</b> Deutsche Welle English News.	<b>6.00</b> Seven Local News. <b>6.30</b> Seven News. <b>7.00</b> Cricket. Big Bash League. Game 6. Adelaide Strikers v Melbourne Renegades. <b>10.00</b> World's Deadliest Weather: Caught On Camera. (PGa) A drone captures a young daredevil caught in a flash flood on the Hawaiian island of Maui. <b>11.00</b> Nurses. (Mam, R) A look at the experiences of nurses. <b>12.00</b> American Crime. (Mads, R) Luis finds himself sinking into servitude. <b>1.00</b> Harry's Practice. (R) Information about pet care. <b>1.30</b> RSPCA Animal Rescue. (R) <b>2.00</b> Home Shopping. (R) <b>4.00</b> NBC Today. <b>5.00</b> Seven Early News. <b>5.30</b> Sunrise.	<b>6.00</b> Nine News. <b>7.00</b> A Current Affair. <b>7.30</b> Great Getaways. (Return, PG) Takes a look at holiday ideas. <b>8.30</b> Paramedics. (M, R) A paramedic worries his patient might give birth to twins in the back of the ambulance. <b>9.30</b> Inside The Mind Of Freddie Mercury. (Ma) Psychiatrist Dr Bob Johnson takes a look at legendary Queen frontman Freddie Mercury. <b>10.30</b> Nine News Late. <b>11.00</b> New Amsterdam. (Mam, R) <b>11.50</b> Prison. (MA15+d, R) <b>12.40</b> Tipping Point. (PG, R) <b>1.30</b> TV Shop: Home Shopping. (R) <b>2.30</b> Global Shop. (R) <b>3.00</b> TV Shop: Home Shopping. (R) <b>5.00</b> News Early Edition. <b>5.30</b> Today.	<b>6.30</b> The Project. A look at the day's news and events. <b>7.30</b> Christmas With Australian Women's Weekly. Tips and ideas for the festive season. <b>8.30</b> Law & Order: SVU. (Mav) Chief McGrath pressures Benson to get a conviction as the bodies start piling up in the probe into Congressman Howard, while the search for witnesses on the run leads Fin and Kat down a dangerous path. <b>10.30</b> Blue Bloods. <b>11.30</b> The Project. (R) <b>12.30</b> The Late Show With Stephen Colbert. (PG) <b>1.30</b> Home Shopping. (R) <b>3.00</b> Infomercials. (PG) <b>3.30</b> Home Shopping. (R) <b>4.30</b> CBS Mornings.
<b>ABC TV PLUS (22)</b> <b>6am</b> Children's Programs. <b>7.15pm</b> Odd Squad. <b>7.30</b> Spicks And Specks. <b>8.30</b> To Be Advised. <b>9.00</b> Would I Lie To You? <b>9.30</b> Hard Quiz. <b>10.00</b> Gruen. <b>10.40</b> Doctor Who. <b>11.30</b> You Can't Ask That. <b>Midnight</b> Countdown To Disaster. <b>12.50</b> The Misadventures Of Romesh Ranganathan. <b>1.50</b> Community. <b>2.10</b> Parks And Recreation. <b>2.30</b> ABC News Update. <b>2.35</b> Close. <b>5.05</b> Late Programs.	<b>SBS VICELAND (31)</b> <b>6am</b> WorldWatch. <b>Noon</b> Project Blue Book. <b>1.40</b> North To South: The Full Journey. <b>4.00</b> WorldWatch. <b>5.25</b> Takeshi's Castle. <b>5.55</b> Shortland Street. <b>6.25</b> RockWiz. <b>7.05</b> Jeopardy! <b>7.35</b> 8 Out Of 10 Cats Does Countdown. <b>8.30</b> The Curse Of Oak Island. <b>10.10</b> The Source. <b>11.00</b> Vikings. <b>11.50</b> News. <b>12.45am</b> Me And My Mental Illness. <b>1.35</b> The X-Files. <b>2.25</b> Miracle Fish. <b>2.45</b> Deutsche Welle. <b>3.00</b> Late Programs.	<b>7TWO (72)</b> <b>6am</b> Home Shopping. <b>6.30</b> Travel Oz. <b>8.00</b> Harry's Practice. <b>8.30</b> Million Dollar Minute. <b>9.30</b> NBC Today. <b>Noon</b> House Of Wellness. <b>1.00</b> Deadly Dates. <b>3.00</b> Weekender. <b>3.30</b> RSPCA Animal Rescue. <b>4.30</b> M*A*S*H. <b>5.30</b> Escape To The Country. <b>6.30</b> Bargain Hunt. <b>7.30</b> Father Brown. <b>8.30</b> Inspector George Gently. <b>10.30</b> Murdoch Mysteries. <b>12.30am</b> The Fine Art Auction. <b>3.30</b> Late Programs.	<b>9GEM (81, 92)</b> <b>6am</b> TV Shop: Home Shopping. <b>7.00</b> Creflo Dollar Ministries. <b>7.30</b> TV Shop: Home Shopping. <b>10.30</b> Pointless. <b>11.30</b> My Favorite Martian. <b>Noon</b> As Time Goes By. <b>1.10</b> Days Of Our Lives. <b>2.05</b> The Young And The Restless. <b>3.00</b> Explore. <b>3.10</b> <b>MOVIE:</b> Silver Bears. (1978, PG) <b>5.30</b> Murder, She Wrote. <b>6.30</b> Antiques Roadshow. <b>7.30</b> Death In Paradise. <b>8.40</b> The Brokenwood Mysteries. <b>10.40</b> Law & Order. <b>11.35</b> Late Programs.	<b>10 PEACH (52, 11)</b> <b>6am</b> The Late Show With Stephen Colbert. <b>7.00</b> Frasier. <b>8.00</b> Becker. <b>9.00</b> The Middle. <b>10.00</b> Frasier. <b>11.00</b> The Big Bang Theory. <b>Noon</b> In The Dark. <b>1.00</b> 2 Broke Girls. <b>2.00</b> Mom. <b>3.00</b> The King Of Queens. <b>4.00</b> Becker. <b>5.00</b> Frasier. <b>6.00</b> Friends. <b>6.30</b> Neighbours. (Final) <b>7.00</b> Friends. <b>8.00</b> The Big Bang Theory. <b>9.00</b> TikTok For You Fest. <b>10.30</b> Seinfeld. <b>11.00</b> 2 Broke Girls. <b>Midnight</b> Shopping. <b>12.30</b> Late Programs.
<b>NITV (34)</b> <b>6am</b> Morning Programs. <b>1.50pm</b> My Survival As An Aboriginal. <b>2.45</b> Hand Talk. <b>3.00</b> Jarjums. <b>3.25</b> The Magic Canoe. <b>3.50</b> Jarjums. <b>4.30</b> Grace Beside Me. <b>5.00</b> Shortland Street. <b>5.30</b> Chefs' Line. <b>6.00</b> Pete & Pio's Kai Safari. <b>6.30</b> Kriol Kitchen. <b>7.00</b> Our Stories. <b>7.15</b> Keep Calm And Decolonize. <b>7.20</b> News. <b>7.30</b> Going Places With Ernie Dingo. <b>8.30</b> <b>MOVIE:</b> Precious. (2009, MA15+) <b>10.30</b> News. <b>10.40</b> Late Programs.	<b>SBS WORLD MOVIES (32)</b> <b>6am</b> The Finishers. Continued. (2013, PG, French) <b>6.40</b> Long Way North. (2015, PG) <b>8.10</b> 1982. (2019, PG, Arabic) <b>10.05</b> Infernal Affairs 3. (2003, M, Cantonese) <b>12.15pm</b> Little Nicolas. (2009, PG, French) <b>1.55</b> Dean Spanley. (2008, PG) <b>3.50</b> This Beautiful Fantastic. (2016, PG) <b>5.30</b> Jappeloup. (2013, PG, French) <b>7.55</b> Joshy. (2016, M) <b>9.30</b> My Brilliant Career. (1979) <b>11.25</b> Late Programs.	<b>7MATE (73)</b> <b>6am</b> Morning Programs. <b>1pm</b> Ink Master. <b>2.00</b> Ink Master: Redemption. <b>2.30</b> Pawn Stars. <b>4.00</b> Fish'n With Mates. <b>4.30</b> Barter Kings. <b>5.30</b> Storage Wars: TX. <b>6.00</b> Cricket. Big Bash League. Game 6. Adelaide Strikers v Melbourne Renegades. <b>7.00</b> Pawn Stars. <b>7.30</b> <b>MOVIE:</b> Heartbreak Ridge. (1986, M) <b>10.15</b> <b>MOVIE:</b> Last Man Standing. (1996, M) <b>12.30am</b> Late Programs.	<b>9GO! (82, 93)</b> <b>6am</b> Children's Programs. <b>Noon</b> Hollywood Medium. <b>1.00</b> Revenge Body. <b>2.00</b> America's Top Dog. <b>3.00</b> The Nanny. <b>3.30</b> 3rd Rock From The Sun. <b>4.00</b> That '70s Show. <b>4.30</b> Malcolm. <b>5.30</b> The Nanny. <b>6.00</b> 3rd Rock From The Sun. <b>6.30</b> That '70s Show. <b>7.00</b> Young Sheldon. <b>7.30</b> Survivor 41. <b>8.30</b> Metro Sexual. <b>10.00</b> <b>MOVIE:</b> Ted 2. (2015, MA15+) <b>12.20am</b> Late Programs.	<b>10 BOLD (53, 12)</b> <b>6am</b> Home Shopping. <b>6.30</b> Infomercials. <b>8.00</b> What's Up Down Under. <b>8.30</b> Escape Fishing With ET. <b>9.00</b> Diagnosis Murder. <b>10.00</b> JAG. <b>Noon</b> NCIS: Los Angeles. <b>1.00</b> NCIS. <b>3.00</b> Diagnosis Murder. <b>5.00</b> JAG. <b>7.00</b> Bondi Rescue. <b>7.30</b> NCIS. <b>8.30</b> Hawaii Five-0. <b>10.30</b> SEAL Team. <b>12.30am</b> Infomercials. <b>1.00</b> Home Shopping. <b>2.00</b> Madam Secretary. <b>3.00</b> Blue Bloods. <b>4.00</b> Hawaii Five-0.

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# On Demand



**Come together:**  
Paul McCartney,  
George Harrison,  
Ringo Starr and  
John Lennon  
recording in 1969.

## A DAY IN THE LIFE

**THE BEATLES: GET BACK**  
Streaming, Disney+



Take a step back in time with this six-hour, three-part docuseries from Academy Award-winning *Lord of the Rings* filmmaker Peter Jackson, who uses nearly 60 hours of unseen footage to paint an unbelievably

intimate portrait of The Beatles and their creative process.  
In January 1969, a film crew was given access to the band as they attempted to write 14 new songs, in less than three weeks, in preparation for their first live concert in three years.  
It's a time when some of the world's most iconic songs, including *Let It Be*, *The Long and Winding Road* and *Get Back* were first recorded.

The resulting fly-on-the-wall footage, which has been locked in a vault for more than half a century, is a time capsule of the creative genius and strong bonds shared by John Lennon, Paul McCartney, George Harrison and Ringo Starr, as the group is put to the test in the lead-up to what would be their final public performance together – a concert on the Apple Corps studio rooftop in London.



**DIVE CLUB**  
Streaming, Netflix



Diving enthusiasts and best friends Maddie (Miah Madden), Lauren (Georgia-May Davis), Anna (Aubri Ibrag) and Stevie (Sana'a Shaik) are four regular Aussie teenagers loving life in their small coastal town. However, when a cyclone hits and Lauren goes missing, the other girls are thrown into a desperate search for the truth.



**KAMIKAZE**  
Streaming, Foxtel On Demand



When 18-year-old Julie (Marie Reuther, pictured) loses her parents and older brother in a plane crash, the teen leaves behind her affluent lifestyle and material possessions and embarks on a search for answers that takes her from her native Denmark to the far corners of the globe. Based on the novel *Muleum* by Erlend Loe.



**NITRAM**  
Streaming, Stan



Nominated for seven AACTA Awards, including Best Film and Best Direction, *Nitram* depicts the events leading up to one of the darkest chapters in Australian history, attempting to understand why and how the atrocity occurred. *Snowtown*'s Justin Kurzel directs the tale of an isolated man (Caleb Landry Jones, pictured) whose frustration turns deadly.



**BURNING**  
Streaming, Amazon Prime Video



Fuelled by climate change, the bushfires that dominated Australia's hottest and driest summer ever recorded burned more than 59 million acres, killed and injured three billion animals, and affected millions of Australians. Oscar-winning filmmaker Eva Orner explores what happened, sharing the perspectives of victims, activists and scientists.



**MUSIC BOX: JAGGED**  
Streaming, Bing



With a debut album as superb as *Jagged Little Pill*, it's no surprise that Canadian singer-songwriter Alanis Morissette (pictured) became the voice of a generation. Through interviews and unseen footage, filmmaker Alison Klayman documents Morissette's meteoric rise through the male-dominated music industry in this feature-length special.

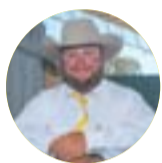


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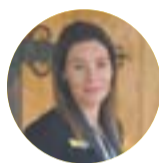
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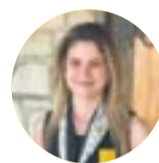
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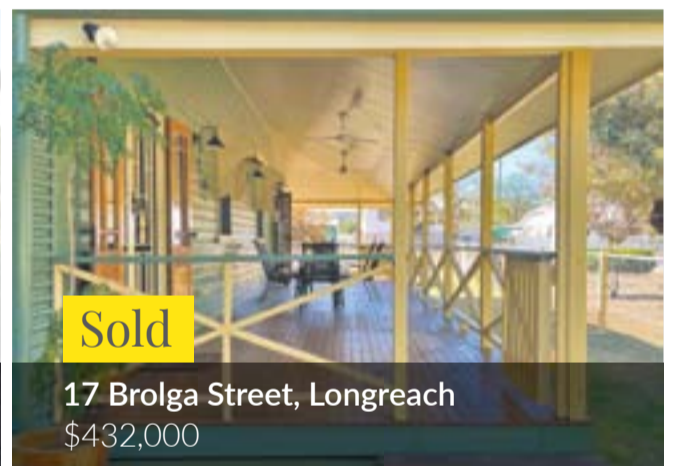
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# Out and About



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- 1: Tyson Kelly and Ash Bielenberg enjoying the races.
- 2: Lance Fox and Ryan Ruwhiu looking smart.
- 3: The folks from McIntyre Concreting taking a load off after a big week.
- 4: John Mill, Dim Mill, Bill Parker and Rhonda Good man having a blast at the RSL.
- 5: Tahuy Parker, Blake Moreland, and Bekka Milton enjoying a drink inbetween races.
- 6: John "Bush Pig" Scholes, Will Hulme, Jackson Woods, and Reece Whyte getting rowdy in the corner.
- 7: Nick Burke and John Osmond in their cool shades.
- 8: Looking wonderful, Alex Barclay, Sophie Schneider, and Georgie Russ.
- 9: Liam Oates, John Wheelan, and Craig Ftizsim mons grabbing a bevvy at the Longreach RSL.
- 10: Drinks with the boys, Brodie Limbery, Chris Mitchel, and Alan "Smithy" Smith.



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# Rescue bid bogged down

By The Longreach Archival and Historical Research Group

In the 1940s, the Australian Inland Mission (AIM) Aerial Medical Service, which later became The Royal Flying Doctor Service (RFDS), was a remarkable and much-admired service.

It started as a one-year “experiment” based in Cloncurry then later established bases at Charters Towers and Charleville.

However, there were many occasions when the AIM plane was not available to transport patients in the Longreach area.

Qantas Empire Airways Ltd filled the gap numerous times with their plane being used as an aerial ambulance but it too was not always available.

In one instance in February 1940, Dr Basil H. L. Grey, the doctor at the Longreach Private Hospital, was notified of an urgent medical case on a property some 260km away.

A stockman on Rockwood station in the Corfield district had his leg broken in several places when his horse fell on him.

Neither the AIM plane nor the Qantas Empire Airways plane was available.

The Longreach Ambulance covered a huge area with their road vehicles but there had been recent heavy rain and the road to the property was untrafficable.

With no aerial or road ambulance service to call upon, what follows is a story how Dr Grey and a generous businessman, Mr. J. C. D. Whitty, retrieved the patient.

A story of co-operation, determination, and improvisation.

Mr Whitty was the Longreach manager for Moffat-Virtue (Qld) Pty Ltd. Moffat-Virtue was a well-known Australian firm of Machinery Merchants, Engineers, and Manufacturers and supplied equipment to Central Western Queensland graziers.

Mr Whitty used a plane to service the large territory which he covered.

When he learned of the urgent medical situation at Rockwood, in true Aussie outback spirit, Mr Whitty offered his Percival Gull plane to fly Dr Grey to attend the injured man.

Mr Whitty and Dr Grey left Longreach at noon.

The journey was treacherous, flying into numerous rain squalls.

The landing was hazardous with surface water on the property but the manager of Rockwood had lit a fire to mark the spot he considered the most suitable for landing.

On landing, after running a few yards, the plane became bogged.

The weather was still unsettled so the plane was tied down for the night.

The doctor, pilot, and station manager proceeded to the homestead where the office was turned into an operating theatre.

The patient had been made as comfortable as possible after the accident, and as Mr Whitty administered the anaesthetic, Dr Grey set the broken leg.

It was now nighttime and much too late and dangerous to get the patient to Longreach.

More rain fell overnight which made conditions difficult for take-off the next morning.

And there was still the problem of the bogged plane.

That day, with the assistance of station employees, a sleigh drawn by eight horses was constructed to pull the plane out of the bog. However, the sleigh broke under the strain.

It was repaired during the night and early the following morning, the plane was moved and was able to take off.

The initial landing spot two days prior was a long distance away from the homestead so, at this stage, only the pilot was on board.

The doctor and patient were still waiting back at the homestead.

The pilot had to find a safer landing and take-off spot because the additional passenger would make take-off more hazardous if the ground was too soft.

The pilot flew around a few times until he sighted a suitable place to land – on a nearby property.

It looked a suitable landing spot from the air but upon landing and running a short distance, the plane sank through the crust of the earth – again!



Dr. Basil H.L. Grey, 1940.

All this had taken time – the minutes were ticking by.

The folk back at Rockwood became anxious when the pilot didn't return.

They thought he might have landed at Muttaborra so rang there but received no reply.

They then contacted the manager of the property where they thought the plane may have landed.

Yes, the plane was there and the manager said he would get two of his boys to find the plane and see if they could help the pilot.

As soon as the pilot saw them, he asked them to drive a mob of sheep up and down to pack down the ground to make a runway. Meantime, the folk from Rockwood, including Dr Grey and the patient, had set out to look for the plane.

They reached it about three hours later, after negotiating a swollen river.

Thankfully, the improvised runway allowed the pilot to take off safely and the trip to Longreach took about 70 minutes.

Most of the journey was made above the clouds to ensure a comfortable ride for the patient.

On arrival at Longreach, the plane was met by the Longreach Ambulance and transported to the Longreach Private Hospital.

An x-ray was needed, so the patient was transferred to the Longreach Hospital where he remained until he was well enough to be discharged.

Two months later, Dr Grey attended another gravely ill patient on Alroy Station. In May 1940, he was appointed the Medical Officer of



Bogged plane at Rockwood station, 1940.

Health for the Longreach Shire Council for a period of six months.

A few days after the Rockwood station retrieval, Mr. Whitty headed off to Winton, Boulia, and Cloncurry on company business.

A couple of months later, Mr Whitty and Moffat-Virtue's Percival Gull plane again provided valuable assistance during the floods conveying stranded passengers, carrying stores, doing food drops, and responding to

two further urgent medical calls.

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# LongreachLeader COMMUNITY EVENTS BILLBOARD

## DECEMBER

### First Five Forever

An interactive educational experience for children learning to read.

Location: Longreach Library

Time: 10 am

### Friday, 3 December

#### Multi-Purpose Raffle and RSL Raffle Draw

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

Location: Longreach RSL

Time: 6.30 pm

#### Trivia Quiz Night, Winton

Test your general knowledge.

Location: Winton Club

Time: 6 pm

#### Christmas fun at the Tambo Library

Christmas Craft will be held on 1 and 3 December 3.30pm. Other sessions will be held 6, 7, 8, 9 & 10 December at 3.00pm. Five years and under sessions will be held on 6 & 7 December at 10.30am.

Location: Tambo Library

### Saturday, 4 December

#### Park Run

Looking to get fit and make friends? Come join Park Run.

Location: 110 Spoonbill St, Longreach.

Time: 7 am

#### Morning Golf

Morning shootout of golf.

Location: Longreach Golf Course.

Time: 7 am

#### Longreach RSL Christmas Party

Entertainment from Mother's 2nd Choice, and catering by Outback Catering and Services.

Location: Longreach RSL.

For more information visit the Longreach RSL Website.



Richard Egerton, Leanna Patterson, Andrea and Mitch Armstrong are all done up for the races.

#### Multi-Draw Raffle in Jericho

Hosted by the Jericho Tourism Association, come for a free sausage sizzle.

Location: Jordan Valley Hotel

#### Barcaldine Community Christmas Tree Party

Hosted by the Barcaldine Rotary, "we are inviting the community to come and celebrate Christmas."

Location: Barcaldine Race Course

Time: 6 pm

#### Alpha Christmas Tree

Santa is visiting. Enjoy some great food and cold drinks. Come along and get into the Christmas spirit with the community. All welcome.

Location: Alpha Golf Club

Sunday, 5 December

#### Santa Pub Crawl

Complimentary drink at each venue. Prize for best dressed. Raffles on day. Proceeds go to charity.

Time: 11 am.

Location: Harry's Restaurant.

Buy tickets at stickytickets.com.au

#### Longreach Christmas Carols

Longreach Churches Together present an evening of Christmas carols. Free glow sticks for kids, chairs provided or BYO picnic rug, an offering will be taken up to local chaplaincy, chips and drinks for sale – proceeds go to chaplaincy

Time: 7 pm

Location: Edkins Park

#### Social Bowls

Weekly bowls. All welcome.

Location: Longreach Bowls Club

Time: 1pm

#### Longreach Town Band Mixed Ensemble Rehearsals

Location: Longreach State School.

Time: 4pm

### Monday, 6 December

#### Get Educated about Diabetes

Central West Health will be providing diabetes education services and support to Isisford. Referral required, please speak to your GP about your need for a referral.

Please call 4652 5500 to book an appointment.



Keely Bushford and Jenna Power in their fancy race outfits.

#### Longreach Town Band Brass Ensemble Rehearsals

Location: Longreach State School

Time: 6pm

### Tuesday, 7 December

#### Qantas Founders Museum Movie Night

Come down to the Qantas Founders Museum on Tuesday 7 December to watch a free screening of Arthur Christmas!! BYO Blanket and Pillow. Free Popcorn and Candy Canes. Water only.

Location: Qantas Founders Museum

Time: 6 pm

#### Longreach Squash

Come along and have a bash.

Location: Longreach Squash Courts

Time: 5.30 pm

#### Thomson River Lions Club Meeting

A meet up for people who are a part of, or wish to be a part of, the Thomson River Lions Club, formerly the Lioness Club.

Location: Birdcage Hotel

Time: 6 pm

### Friday, 10 December

#### Christmas Street Party

Hosted by the Longreach Lions Club experience street stalls, fireworks and a truck pulling competition.

Location: Eagle Street

Time: 7 pm.

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### Boulia

Tuesday 14 December

### Jundah

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### Longreach

Friday 17 December

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**Tribute to Abdu'l-Baha**

So glad The Leader is back.

100 years ago in 1921, the world was still recovering from the ravages of a world war, the Russian Revolution, and the Spanish flu.

It was a noteworthy year worldwide.

In contrast to the volatile nature of world events, a funeral took place in Haifa (then Palestine), of a gentle exemplar of a way of life to which many pay lip service, a true leader, beloved by all with whom He came in contact.

He tended the sick and fed the poor, counselled His broader world-wide family, travelled to Egypt, Europe, UK, North America, to spread His message of unity and peace.

He was a humble yet articulate man, with a depth of knowledge hard to comprehend in one with only an informal education.

He spoke from pulpits, podiums, stages, in private homes and in streets, to a vast variety of audiences, groups of every possible persuasion, race, background and age.

This was 'Abdu'l-Baha, born in 1844 in Tehran.

His father and mother were the newborn was named Abbas, (Lion) but was later called 'Abdu'l-Baha (Servant of Glory).

Baha'u'llah, His Father was associated with a new religious movement and as a result was thrown into a prison, called the Black Pit, 300 steps below ground.

There He was awakened to His mission as the Manifestation of God for this day and age.

The religion, the Baha'i Faith His son, 'Abdu'l-Baha at the age of 9, recognised the Station of His Father and thus began a life pledged to the support of his Father.

He became the embodiment of his Father's teachings, demonstrating loving kindness, benevolence, the oneness of religion, mankind as one family, seeking to bring unity in diversity, teaching the equality of men and women, spiritual solutions to economic problems, racial equity and education for all, (especially girls), (and much more), through a life dedicated to the service of Mankind.

That He achieved this aim was attested to by the 10000 people who attended His funeral; leaders of government, clergy of all persuasions, farmers, the high and the low alike



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mourned the passing of a man who. through humble servitude lived His beliefs.

He was a Mystery, an Exemplar, a shield and shelter to all with whom He came into contact, an epitome of what He believed.

He it is Whose Life the Baha'is the world over have been celebrating throughout this year and Whose death on 28th November, 1921, 100 years ago we are commemorating.

His legacy is through His Writings, the stories gathered that pay homage to His deeds.

He it is to Whom we turn to maintain unity and He is our Example in times of overwhelm and decision making.

We should know about such people, the real heroes and inspiration for us at all times.

**Maxien**

**The Lockyer Valley flood**

A terror none dared dream of has fallen on Queensland

From our lovely range-top city to the Bay line's tranquil strand.

When dark foreboding storm clouds around the ranges struck,

Swiftly moving storm-cells became a deluge run amuck.

Toowoomba's streets are flooded, leaving wreckage and dismay,

Yet, still the rain comes pelting from lowering skies of grey.

The mountain creeks and gullies rise, the levies overflow;

A fatal flood peak rages through the Lockyer, and below.

Along our verdant valley good people work and dream

Of crops and cattle blooming by a pleasant willowed stream.

But Oh! So brief the warning: a fateful rising roar,

And a wall of water strikes us, a terror taking all before.

Broken houses, sheds and vehicles roll and tumble on the tide;

Folk are drowning, neighbours swimming, our hearts are sorely tried.

Tree trunks, kangaroos and cattle roll on the boiling crest;

Keepsakes, photographs and letters torn from a family's breast.

A warning shout to neighbours, a prayer made on the run;

The rage and hunger of wild water: "Oh God, where is my son?"

No tongue can tell the terror of nature's force this night,

As we pray for dawn on roof tops, and share a fearful plight.

The big heart of Australia cries out with us in pain;

Kind hands dig deep in pockets to help us start again.

But all the gold in Canberra's coffers can do but little good

To bring back a heart's own darling, or a loved one of our blood.

**Alan Blunt**

**'A wall of water'**

A recent rain event saw the destruction of a powerline and the felling of a tree on Galah St.

Resident Lorraine Dicinoski said it was a like a wall of water when a whirlwind marched its way up the street.

"I saw it and I thought, it's time to go inside," she said.

"I got in just a second before it hit my house."



A recent rain event caused damage to powerlines and spooked locals.

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**NO JABS?**

**NO PUBS. NO BANDS. NO FOOTY.**

**NO MOVIES. NO FESTIVALS.**

From 17 December, no double-covid jab means no entry into some sports, hospitality and entertainment events and locations. These measures are to keep all Queenslanders safe.

So if you're not yet vaccinated, now is the time.

**FIND A VAX LOCATION — [covid19.qld.gov.au](https://covid19.qld.gov.au)**



COMICS

Bottled Fruit



Don King's morning hair

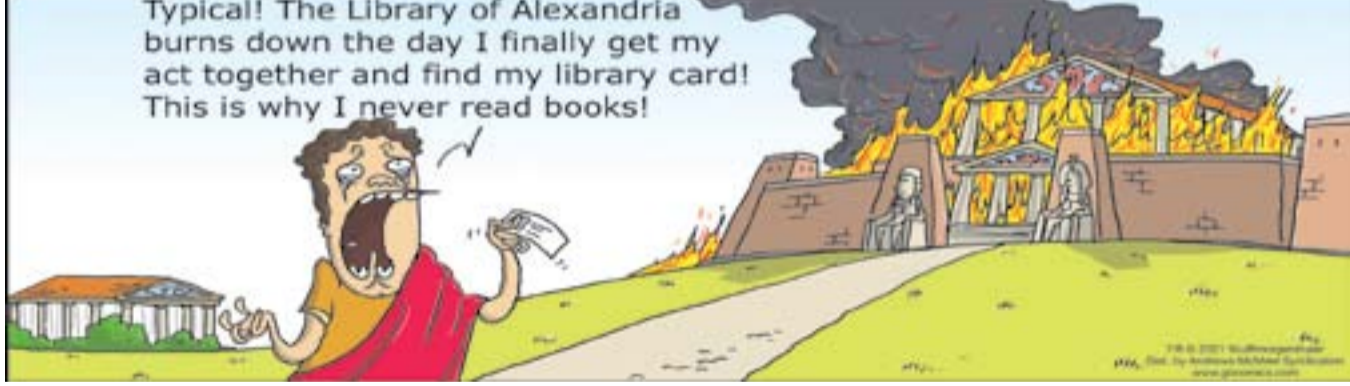
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Doodley Squat



WuMo



Against the Grain



Bushy Tales



Swamp



Insanity Streak



Ballard Street



Grin Bin



PUZZLES

SUDOKU

No.057

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

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# Gardening

Neil Fisher



## For the love of trees

Welcome to my very first Garden column for the Longreach and Central West Leader.

So to start the very first column, I invited mayors of Longreach Regional Council Tony Rayner and Blackall Tambo Regional Council Andrew Martin to share their favourite tree or shrub that holds a treasured memory for them in their community.

Tony Rayner reflected on growing up on a Western Queensland family property, Fernhurst; the old house had a row of large Fig Trees, *Ficus hillii*, planted in the front garden.

These beautiful lush trees provided a massive canopy of shade and cooled the garden down in the hottest of summers and offered respite in the worst of droughts.

As a young school student at Longreach In April of 1970, I watched the Queen and the Duke of Edinburgh both plant a Fig Tree in front of the civic centre, and I now walk past these same magnificent trees each day admiring their beauty and grace and think of that special day when they were planted.

Our Main Street, Eagle Street is full of these same beautiful Fig Trees, and they are certainly a landscape feature of Longreach in my eyes.

For Andrew Martin, it is almost impossible to shortlist for a final selection.

First on the shortlist, notwithstanding the exotic and until recently exclusive to the Blackall and Tambo Region.

The *Hibiscus rosa-sinensis* Blackall 150 Lucy.

Then there is the ethereal *Bauhinia*, *Lysiphyllum hookeri* with the incredibly beautiful and constant 'trooping of the colours', closely followed by the most amazing, ancient, adaptable, resilient and hardy, yet so beautifully soft and, to most of us, fragrantly delicate when in flower, *Gidyea*, *Acacia argyrodendron*.



A photo of the Fig Tree in front of the Longreach Civic Centre.

However the winner, after due process of elimination, is the plain old Bottle Tree, *Brachychiton rupestris*.

As children, we reckoned because of its unique stature the "bottly" was mother nature's library, with all of her wisdom stacked away in the voluminous trunk, I thought.

In fact and the clincher for first prize, my first remembered sighting of a Koala in the wild was of one in a bottle tree, smack in the middle of the 1965 drought. Us kids speculated the wee chap was visiting old Mother's library, given the season, for further advice.

Then for me, I spent many of my early years joining my father seed collecting throughout Central Queensland developing a lifelong love for the Australian bushland and the plants growing within.

From that experience, if I was to select a tree - a single tree - it would be the Ghost Gum, *Eucalyptus papuana*.

To this day I always look forward to my first sightings of these stately and sometimes twisted Gums when I travel to Western Queensland.

The contrast of the outback's red ochre soils and the Ghost Gums smooth white powdery bark is so welcoming to one of Australia's most beautiful locations.

I can easily see why this iconic tree became the inspiration for Albert Namatjira's landscape paintings, my favorite artist.

I just love trees whether it is the dense cooling canopy of a shade tree to the brilliant colour of a tree in full bloom, flush of fresh foliage, or the contrast of the tree itself to the surrounding environment.



Petunia Very Cherries.

### SEEDLINGS THAT WE CAN PLANT NOW

We are now at a stage when seedlings planted for Christmas will not be ready in time.

However, most local nurseries are selling advanced seedling packs that will provide flowers for Christmas.

- Annuals: *Amaranthus*, *Balsam*, *Celosia*, *Coleus*, *Cosmos*, *Petunia*, *Salvia*, *Torenia*, *Zinnia*;
- Vegetables: *Beetroot*, *Capsicum*, *Cucumber*, *Eggplant*, *Endive*, *Lettuce*, *Marrow*, *Pumpkin*, *Radish*, *Silverbeet*, *Spinach*, *Squash*, *Snake Beans*, *Sweet Corn*, *Tomatoes*, *Zucchini*;

### DO YOU HAVE?

Each week I would like to publish an extraordinary Tree, Shrub, Ground-cover or Bush-house Plant.

So if you have that plant please send a picture to [fishersnursery@bigpond.com](mailto:fishersnursery@bigpond.com)

### LIVING CHRISTMAS TREE

I plan to publish some pictures of living Christmas Trees in the Christmas edition of the Longreach Leader. So if you have that living Christmas Tree please send a picture to [fishersnursery@bigpond.com](mailto:fishersnursery@bigpond.com)

## Bloomin' beautiful arrangements for Christmas

Floral arrangements are a perfect way to add some colour to your Yule time table. Ensure your house is looking its festive, floral best with these popular blooms:

### Lilies

Lilies and amaryllis are always a popular choice at Christmas in a variety of colours. Many varieties have a beautiful scent that will perfume your home. They can be placed in an arrangement with other flowers or in a vase on their own and prefer to be kept away from direct sunlight in a cool environment. Remember though that lilies are extremely toxic to cats, causing acute renal failure, so think twice before gifting them to your cat-loving friend and keep them out of reach of your own felines.

### Poinsettia

The poinsettia has come to symbolise Christmas, and with its bright red and green foliage it's not hard to see why. They are commonly found in pots, ready to adorn a table or bench in your house. However, they can be finicky; they don't like too much water, but take care also to not let them dry out. If the leaves begin to turn yellow and fall off, you may not be watering it correctly. They're native to Mexico, so they also prefer warmth and light, and make sure to protect them from wind and draughts to keep them happy for the Christmas season.

### Rosemary

It might not be the first plant that comes to mind when you think of Christmas, but this Mediterranean herb is actually perfect for an Australian Christmas. It's easy to grow and care for, and fills the air with a mouth-watering perfume. It can be pruned into a Christmas tree shape if desired, and best of all, pairs deliciously well with the Christmas roast.



Poinsettias are an iconic Christmas bloom.



Lilies work well on their own or in an arrangement with other festive colours.



Bring some Rosemary inside for your floral arrangement - and the roast!

# WEATHER

## FORECAST

### Warnings

See [www.bom.gov.au/australia/warnings](http://www.bom.gov.au/australia/warnings)

### Longreach:

Sunny. Light winds becoming east to southeasterly 15 to 25 km/h during the morning then becoming light during the evening.

Saturday. Sunny.

### Isisford:

Sunny.

Saturday. Mostly sunny.

### Barcaldine:

Sunny.

Saturday. Sunny.

### Central West District:

Sunny. Winds east to southeasterly 15 to 20 km/h increasing to 20 to 30 km/h during the morning then becoming light during the evening.

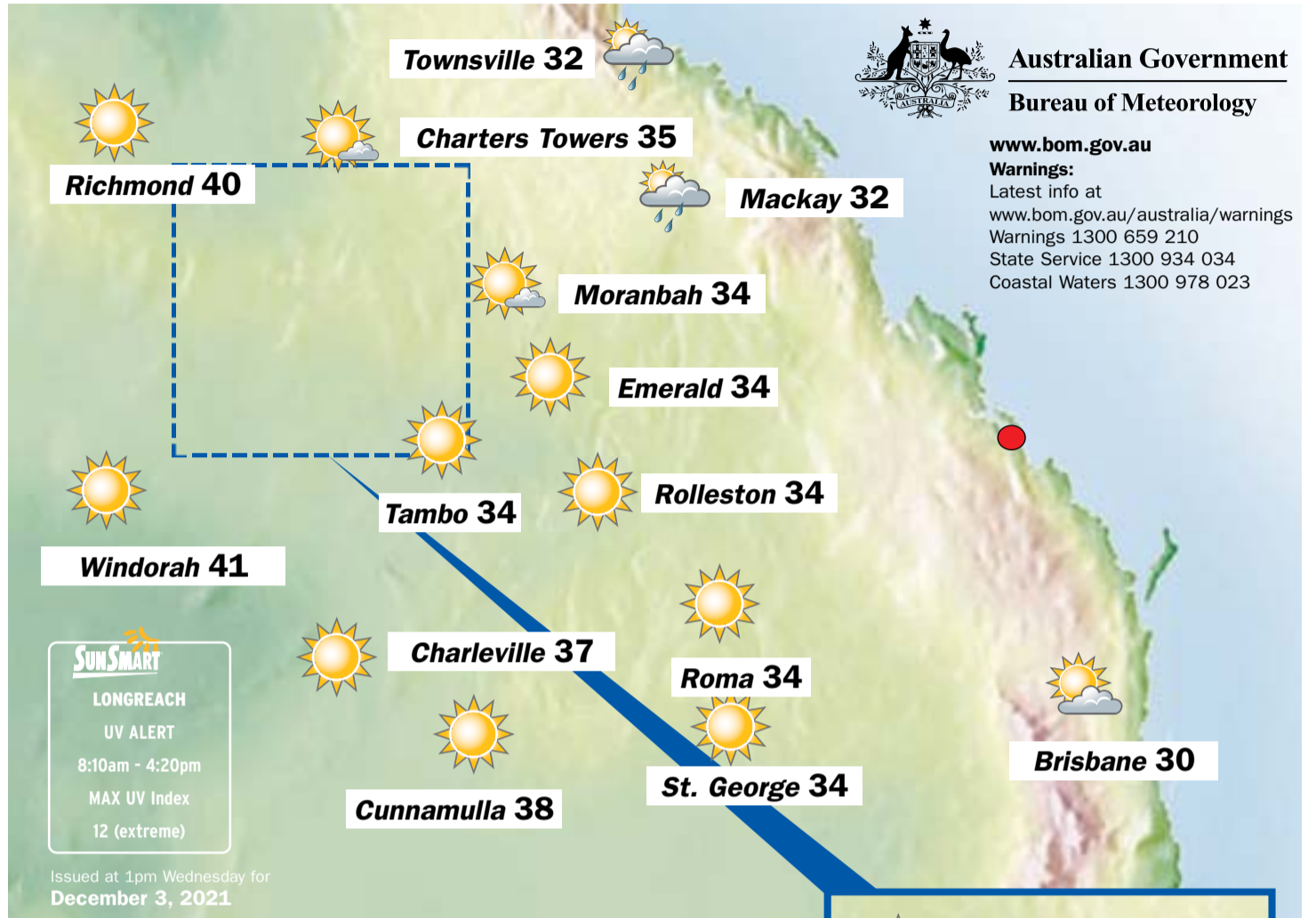
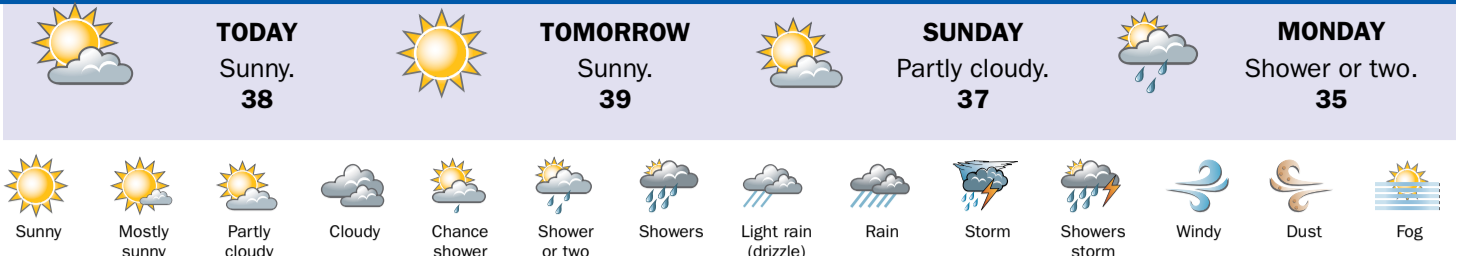
### Queensland:

A weak trough may linger over eastern Queensland while a high over the Tasman Sea will extend a ridge across much of the state. A slight to medium chance of showers and storms in eastern and northern districts, increasing to a medium to high chance in the far north. A slight chance of a shower or storm in the southwest. Mostly sunny elsewhere. Temperatures near or above average.

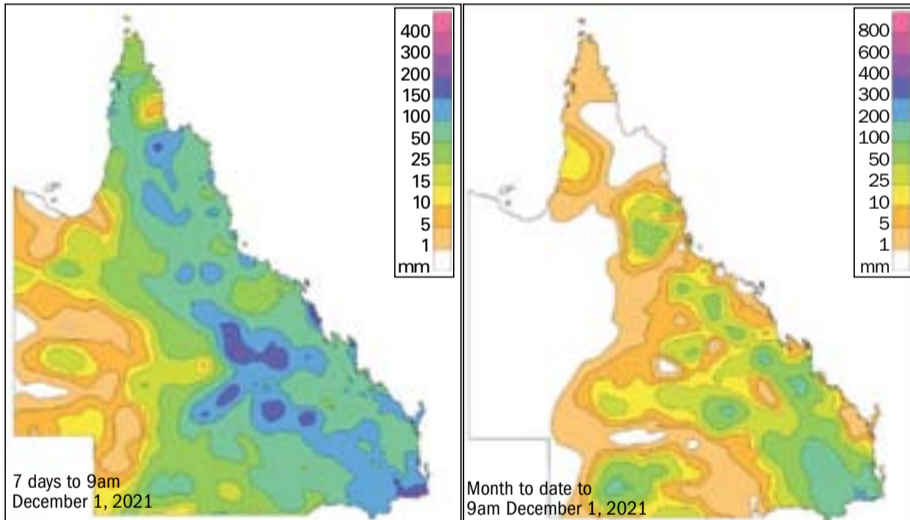
Saturday. A trough may move east over the south western interior of Queensland while a high strengthening in the Great Australian Bight will extend a ridge across much of the state. A slight to medium chance of showers and storms the southern half of the state and the far north, increasing to a medium to high chance about the southeastern interior, the Peninsula and the North Tropical Coast. Mostly sunny in the northwest. Temperatures near or above average.

Sunday. A high to the southeast of Australia will extend a ridge across much of the state. The high will direct a southeasterly wind surge north along the east coast as it shifts into the Tasman Sea and strengthens. A trough may linger about western parts of the state. A slight to medium chance of showers and thunderstorms across the state, increasing to a medium to high chance in parts of the far south.

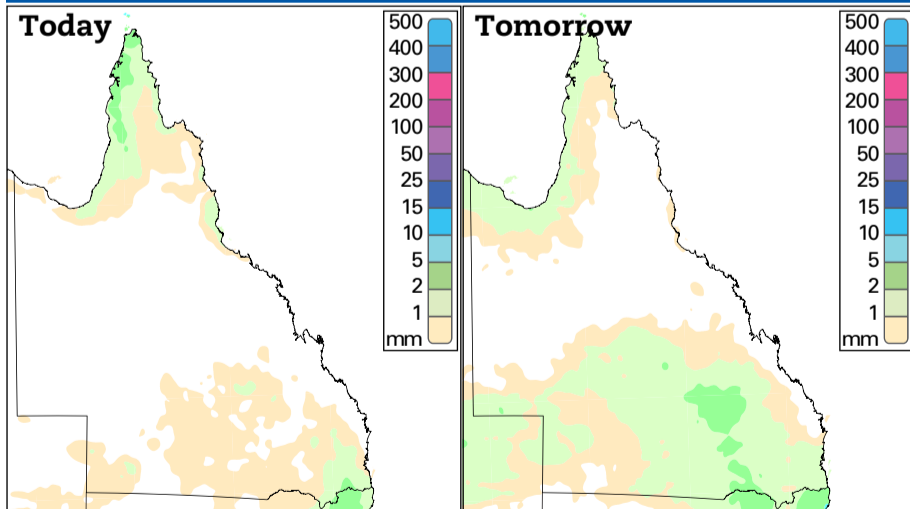
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### RAINFALL



### Forecast Rainfall

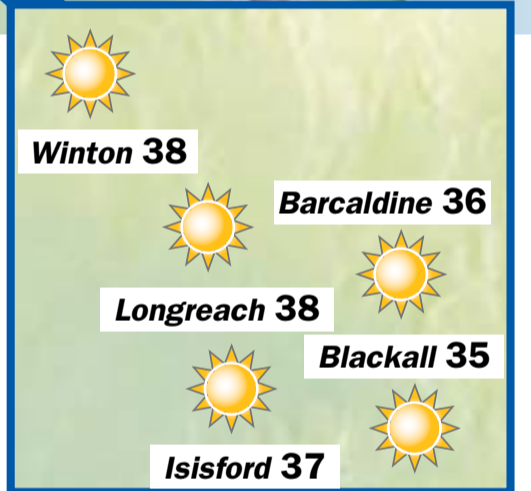


### CAPITAL CITIES

City	Condition	Max
Adelaide	Partly cloudy.	24
Brisbane	Partly cloudy.	30
Canberra	Showers. Possible storm.	26
Darwin	Shower or two. Possible storm.	35
Hobart	Possible shower.	20
Melbourne	Partly cloudy.	20
Perth	Sunny	32
Sydney	Becoming cloudy.	25

### SUN & MOON

	Sunrise	Sunset	Moonrise	Moonset
<b>Friday</b>	4:59am	6:30pm	3:44am	5:19pm
<b>Saturday</b>	5:00am	6:31pm	4:33am	6:30pm
<b>Sunday</b>	5:00am	6:32pm	5:29am	7:41pm
<b>Monday</b>	5:00am	6:32pm	6:31am	8:48pm
<b>Tuesday</b>	5:00am	6:33pm	7:38am	9:48pm



### THE WORLD

World conditions yesterday

City	Weather	Max	Min
Athens	fine	17	9
Auckland	fine	24	17
Bangkok	fine	29	21
Beijing	cloudy	10	-4
Berlin	cloudy	4	3
Christchurch	fine	18	12
Denpasar	cloudy	31	24
Dublin	cloudy	6	5
Hong Kong	cool	20	13
Honolulu	showers	29	23
Jakarta	rain	31	26
Johannesburg	storms	27	18
Kuala Lumpur	rain	33	24
London	sunny	5	2
Los Angeles	sunny	23	12
Madrid	fine	10	2
Moscow	snow	5	-2
New Delhi	rain	24	12
New York	showers	13	3
Noumea	sunny	28	24
Paris	fine	6	3
Auckland	fine	24	17
Port Vila	showers	31	23
Seoul	fine	6	-4
Singapore	storms	34	24
Suva	storms	31	24
Tel Aviv	fine	21	18
Tokyo	fine	15	6
Vancouver	sunny	7	5
Wellington	fine	22	12

# Lloydy's Serve

Micheal Lloyd



## Loving sports of all sorts

Sport and the Bush go hand in, it's there for all to see.

Whether it be Corfield, where there are more tennis courts than people, the fact when you google map Winton, the only green patch is the footy oval, or the bowls club in each town, where often you can find the only movement on a Sunday afternoon; we love our sport. So, I reflect on the evolution of different sports out here over the years.

Yes I haven't been here long and yes, this will be a little Longreach centric, but I have witnessed skateboarding at the Olympics and a fast bowler become captain of the Australian cricket team this year - so it got me thinking.

Sure, we have had sports that have been around for 100 plus years - rugby league, tennis has clocked up 120, and the jockey club 125!

But what about those sports that have come and gone, those who have disappeared and re-emerged, and those that are new on the scene.....seriously skateboarding at the Olympics?

It was interesting to see rugby union back on the scene last year.

Spurred on by some newcomers to town, it didn't take much for the coals of the past to be fired up and old boys from near and far to emerge.

And, the last thing I expected to hear when I spoke to people about starting hockey up next year was, "oh yes dozens of us played back a



Sports-mad Lloyd Junior. It must run in the family.

few decades ago".

Now hockey, and the recently introduced AFL, might not be vying for Western Queensland National League teams in the near future, but just imagine the Norm Smith medallist saying after the game, I started playing AFL in Longreach.

So what.

Well, we are a passionate and talented lot out here.

Sometimes all we lack are numbers and a private jet.

So, let's all work together to give our kids the best opportunities, enjoy our sport, be thankful the Longreach Leader is back.

Now I'm off to buy some rollerblades and baggy pants - someone warn the hospital!



Michael Lloyd will provide a story on local sport, weekly.



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# Water doesn't stop fireys

By Michael R Williams

Despite heavy rain, this year's Fire Trials still went ahead – at least on Monday night.

The trials were still postponed after heavy rain on Tuesday night.

The Fire Trials are an event where local fire-fighters compete to perform the best time on various firefighting activities.

Since 1924, local firefighters have racing to get the best times on activities such as driving, attaching hoses to fire hydrants, and hose accuracy – sometimes all at once.

To keep things fair, the firefighters still use much of the same equipment, including the locally famous, "The Dennis" fire truck.

This year, the firemen and firewomen had another element to contend with – the rain.

Longreach Fire Brigade Historical Society President Riley Coppo said the event had only been postponed due to rain five times in its history.

"We ran it on Monday night, despite that it was just drizzling," he said.

"But last night (Tuesday night), it was just too much."

Mr Coppo has been doing the trials for seven years and has been a "Dennis" driver for the last three.

"It's always good, it's a traditional event," he said.

"We use a lot of old gear and techniques that you're probably not allowed to do anymore."

"But we're strictly performing under the Longreach Fire Brigade Historical Society, so it's nothing to do with QFES (Queensland Fire and Emergency Services)."

Local children also took to the event – when the firefighters would set up the hose to spray down the street, the children would run under it and receive a sprinkling, despite already being drenched from the rain.

"They usually stand under the jet of hoses anyway," Mr Coppo said.

"But I think the rain made them even more excited."

Mr Coppo said the rain made the trial more difficult.

"It added another dimension for sure, it made us have to work a lot slower,"

"It was difficult to get back into the truck, it made it much more slippery."

"It was certainly good."

Mr Coppo said the team wasn't worried about any injuries occurring on the night.

"We are trained professionals, we have to work in whatever weather anyway," he said.

"It was good practice just to do that, they are all basic skills and drills we should know, day in day out."

"Make sure you come down to watch it this time of year, every year."



Members of the Longreach Fire Brigade Historical Society hosing down Eagle St during the 2021 Fire Trials.



Local children dancing in the jet stream and the rain.



Local Firefighters ready to race for first prize.



Firefighter Sam Tweedle attaching a hose.



# Luck given honour for life

By Michael R Williams

Eight years ago, Rob Luck, the now former Jockey Club President and current Vice President made it his mission to see the organisation grow – now he has been honoured with a life membership.

The ceremony was held at the Longreach Cup this September with a presentation held for both Mr Luck and his wife and business partner, Leanne Luck who received a certificate of appreciation.

Mr Luck said he believed the allocation of the award came from both the time he has spent with the club and the achievements he has helped to create.

“(The club was in) a fairly stagnant situation [for the club before Mr Luck’s time as president] both financially and attendance wise,” he said.

“(We turned) the club into a venture that was much more community focussed with a race day.

“Members of the community [would come] to see race day as the place to be – that came about with the efforts our committee put in during that time.”

Mr Luck and his committee made it their prerogative to get numbers back up at race day.

They did so by allowing other groups to run their functions on race day, such as the PNC running a Mother’s Day Luncheon; or the return of Fashion on the Field, run by Mrs Luck.

“(Fashions on the Field) became its own event,” Mr Luck said.

“So much so that I used to say, ‘somewhere out there, there are horses running around in a circle.’”

Racing has been what Mr Luck bleeds since 1965 when a horse named Eyeliner caught his attention, winning her first nine races straight.

“That was that feeling you get in sport when the hairs in the back of the neck stand-up, it’s an exciting moment,” Mr Luck said.



Rob and his wife Leanne Luck, when he received life membership of the Longreach Jockey Club at the Longreach Cup this year.  
Picture: RLR PHOTOGRAPHY

“Ever since then I was hooked.”

As a kid, Mr Luck had ambitions of becoming a jockey himself, but unfortunately grew too fast.

“It’s about the love of the horse and their career for me, not so much the punting side.”

“I loved looking at the breeding aspects of a horse.

“I had a grandfather who lived in Hendra,

so as a kid I loved walking around and looking at the stables.”

Moving forward, Mr Luck said he believes the Jockey Club will continue to grow along the path he and his committee has established.

“We had a good committee that wanted to see the club grow,”

“And once we realised that we needed to

keep involving the community, we then realised we had a product that could be sold to sponsors.

“As a result financially the club was able to grow.”

The club then could apply for grants which then would pay for improvements to the member’s stands and a new kitchen area.

“Community groups continued to see it as a lovely venue,” Mr Luck.

“Our disadvantage is that a lot of our equipment is outdated and needs to be modernised.

“That’s the process that where in at the moment, the Jockey Club is looking at becoming grant ready for future.”

In the last eighteen months, the Jockey Club has hosted senior formals, memorial services, funerals, weddings and Christmas parties.

“It’s such a fantastic open air venue – as well as having covered areas – but, it’s also got that unique outback sunset,” Mr Luck.

“Not only do we want make Longreach a central club in racing Queensland but also, we build it in a way that is accessible to the community.”

Mr Luck said he sees Central West racing as a vital part of the regrowth of Racing Queensland.

“Country racing has been through some ups and downs, some doldrums, and some cutbacks,” he said.

“Queensland has the largest number of country racing clubs in the country and that’s seen as an opportunity not a hindrance.

“That will link to tourism, that will link to getting the message out about country towns – because they understand the importance of racing to a country town.”

After stepping down from the presidency, Mr Luck has decided to remain on the committee as a Vice President and advisor to current President Andrew Watts.

He is currently looking to sell his local business, Barker’s Newsagency and plans to move after its sale.

## Richardson clinches the Central West racing crown

By Michael R Williams

The Barker’s Newsagency Central West Jockey Competition has concluded with the winner being Barcaldine’s favourite, Brooke Richardson.

It was the inaugural year of the competition and was organised by the Longreach Jockey Club as a way of promoting jockeys to race in our region.

The final came down to Richardson and Clermont jockey Emma Bell, with Richardson holding a three-point lead going into the Barcaldine races.

She scored her last win and secured the championship on the horse Set to Fight from the Todd Austin stables.

“I’ve ridden Set to Fight in every single race start for Todd Austin since him coming to our stable,” Ms Richardson said.

“This was his sixth or fifth race for us; we had seconds and thirds, but this was our first win with him.

“Which was also the win to take out the Premiership.”

Ms Richardson said she was stoked to have won.

“It was something that I set out to achieve and I got there,” she said.

“It’s pretty special when you put your mind to something and your work pays off.”

Ms Richardson said the competition

greatly benefits central west jockeys.

“Hopefully, it gives an initiative for jockeys to travel out here so there are no shortages anymore,” she said.

“It’s exciting because of the money that’s up for grabs and the title of having won the premiership out here.

“We’re looking at running it every year, which will be great for country racing.”

Ms Richardson described her winning horse as actually rather chill and laid back.

“I get to ride the horse every morning at Todd Austin Stables,” she said.

“His nickname is Sunny, and he takes a lot of encouraging, and he can be a little bit lazy.

“I know just from riding him in races and riding him every morning, we knew exactly where he likes to be in the run.

“He likes to be up nice and close to the pace, but in behind a horse so he can follow.

“So I have an advantage there, just knowing him so well.”

Ms Richardson said after placing second so many times, Sunny was due for a win.

As the winner, she walked away with \$3000 in prize money.

Brooke Richardson on Set for Fight in the winning moment.

