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Festival list growing

From shows to avos our region is hosting more events

YOUR diary of events will be getting busier if the proposed list of happenings in our region go ahead this year and next.

It appears that many new and enthusiastic groups and individuals are wanting to revamp, reinvent or present new festivals in our community.

Some of the inaugural or proposed

events include a wellness expo, an agricultural expo, a music festival and bullride, to name a few.

If they all go ahead the visitor spotlight will be turned on our area, which can only be a good thing for businesses, and bring new activities for residents to enjoy.

Next month, Saturday, May 23 will

see the first of these new ventures taking flight with the inaugural Live Well Community Expo, in Yarraman (see page 6 for more details).

If you want your event or planned event listed here send details to news@wildhorsefm.com

Let's look at what is coming up (some dates may change)

- APRIL:
- 12 Gilbert & Sullivan, Blackbutt
 - 18 Nanango Show
 - 18 Janet Sparkes Dressage/Driving Day, Nanango
 - 21 - 26 Spirit Of The Bush Heritage Muster, Boondooma
 - 24 - 26 Manumbar Campdraft
 - 25 Wondai Anzac Day Races
 - 25 Maidenwell Bulls & Broncs
- MAY
- 2 - 3 Kingaroy Show
 - 2 - 3 Annual Big Rosella Day - Woolooga
 - 2 - 3 Widgee Bushman's Campdraft
 - 9 104th Burrandowan Picnic Races
 - 16 - 17 Kingaroy Eisteddfod - Group Dances
 - 16 Blackbutt Show
 - 22 - 24 Proston Golden Spurs Campdraft
 - 25 - 27 Kingaroy Eisteddfod - Music
 - 23 Live Well Community Expo Yarraman
 - 23 Nanango Autumn Races
 - 30 - 31 Goomeri Pumpkin Festival

- JUNE
- 8 - 13 Kingaroy Eisteddfod - Dance
 - 13-14 DQ Sled Dog Race 2, Benarkin State Forest
 - TBA Neon Night Walk, Nanango
- JULY
- 4 Yarraman Shed Show & Shine
 - 5 - 12 NAIDOC Week
 - 5 Annual Reserve Forces Day, Wondai
 - TBA Power Up Show & Shine and Swap Meet - Nanango
 - 25 - 26 Stonehouse Open Day - Moore
- AUGUST
- 1 Yarraman Festival
 - 13 - 16 Scots In The Bush Festival, Boondooma Homestead
- SEPTEMBER
- 4 - 6 Nanango PLAYfest
 - 10-13 Annual Heritage Nanango Country Music Muster

- TBA Blackbutt Avocado Festival
- TBA Kingaroy & District Vintage Machinery Club Rally
- 23 - 26 Wooroolin Country Music Campout
- TBA Wondai Spring Garden Expo
- OCTOBER
- TBA Annual Waterhole Rocks Festival Nanango
- TBA Annual Dusty Day Out, Moffatdale
- TBA Mt Stanley Muster Campdraft Linville
- NOVEMBER
- TBA Annual Kumbia Brain Drain
- 13-15 Nanango Campdraft
- DECEMBER
- TBA Yarraman Christmas in the Park
- TBA Over 60s Free Christmas Lunch Blackbutt
- TBA Blackbutt Lions Christmas Festival
- TBA Kumbia Christmas Carnival

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Nanango Show Society

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April 18

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Volunteering a great way to get involved

WILD HORSE FM is all about community, we are your community radio station, we produce this community newspaper, and the majority of the work is done by a team of dedicated volunteers. If you would like to contribute to your community, give volunteering a go, it's fun to be involved.

Volunteers needed at Yarraman P-9 State School Tuckshop

Do you have a few spare hours on a Friday during the school term? We are looking for friendly community members, grandparents, or anyone with a little free time to join our tuckshop team.

Volunteers are needed on Fridays between 9am and 1pm on a roster system, so you can help as often as suits you.

This is a great way to: support local students, meet new people in the community, and be part of a fun and welcoming environment.

A Blue Card is required, but we're happy to assist you with arranging this.

If you're interested in lending a hand, please contact the school office 07 4173 7333 for more information.

We'd love to have you involved.

Yarraman P-9 State School P and C

BLACKBUTT

Blackbutt Lions Market: Third Sunday of the month from 7am at Les Muller Park in Hart Street. Nick 0423 882 405.

Cuppa n Chat: QCWA 65 Coulson Street, Blackbutt. Monday 9.30 to 11.30am. BYO craft.

Blackbutt/Yarraman QCWA Devonshire Tea: Every Wednesday, 10am - noon at the little blue house 65 Coulson St. \$12 for Devonshire Tea with bottomless tea or coffee. Ph 0494 038 066

Blackbutt Lions Club Community Meals: Every second week 7:30pm, Lions Den, Bowman Rd. Free. Dine in or take away.

Taromeo Country Music Club: Meet every fortnight, Tuesday 1.30 - 4.30 for practice. Public social, every 2 month on the 3rd Sunday 10am - 2pm at Blackbutt Golf Club. Phone 0403 156 536

Timbertowns Woodworking Group Inc. Wednesday and Sunday, 8am - 12pm, Thursday, 4pm - 7pm. Blackbutt Showgrounds.

YARRAMAN

Yarraman Collective: Meeting is open to all representatives of community groups and businesses. First Friday of the month, 3pm, Yarraman Library. Open discussion on issues concerning Yarraman and surrounds.

Chattering Roses: coffee and chat group, Information is on Facebook Yarraman Community Notices.

Bingo Buzz Yarraman on every second Monday at the Yarraman Memorial Hall 11 Browne St, door opens at 10am, eyes down at 11am.

Yarraman Men's Shed: Mill Street, Yarraman, 8am to noon Mondays, Wednesdays and Saturdays.

Yarraman Craft & Chat - For the Oldies: First Monday of the month for oldies. 1-3pm at the Yarraman Wellness Centre, 24 Browne Street. \$5 pp. Call Sharon 0402 980 857

Yarraman Harvest Exchange: Sunday 9am to 10am at The Pink Flamingo. Share your excess produce or seedlings. Text 0447 343 641

Yarraman Country Markets: Second Saturday of each month from 8am till noon at the Yarraman Memorial Hall. Phone Joe on 0459 638 282

Yarraman Holistic Markets: Last Saturday of each month, 8am till noon, Yarraman Men's Shed, Mill Street. Local products and fresh produce, health stalls and bric-a-brac. Phone Bianca 0447 343 641

Yarraman Craft & Chat: Third Saturday of the month for everyone. 1-3pm at the Yarraman Wellness Centre, 24 Browne Street. \$5 pp. Call Sharon 0402 980 857

Meal Night: Yarraman Heritage House, last Friday of the month, 6pm. Dinner and dessert for \$25 p.p. Lucky door prize, raffle, entertainment. Book on 41638111. Funds go to the running of Yarraman Heritage Centre.

NANANGO

Taras Hall Bingo: Henry Street, Thursday eyes down at 9.30am.

Crafty Get Together: Community Centre, fun craft session every Wednesday from 9.30am.

Storytime In The Park: family event from 10am - 11am on the first Wednesday of every month, Butter Factory Park, Drayton St.

Nanango Men's Shed: cnr Mt Stanley Road and Heathermore Lane, 8.30am to noon Saturday, Monday, Wednesday.

South Burnett Community Share: Nanango Cultural Centre, George Street, 9.30am, third Sunday of every month.

Alcoholics Anonymous: every Wednesday 10am to 11am, Catholic Church hall at the corner of Alfred and Gipps Street.

Bingo Buzz Nanango on every Saturday at the Nanango Cultural Centre 48 Drayton St. Door opens at 10am, eyes down at 11am.

Nanango Country Markets: First Saturday of every month 6am to 12 noon. Nanango Showgrounds.

Pass The Yarn, Nanango QCWA: Every Monday at 9am at the club rooms, 55 Fitzroy Street. Bring along your works in progress or start something new. Cost is \$5 for morning tea, coffee or tea.

Nanango Art Workshop: Every Tuesday at 9.30am at the old Scout Hall, 40 Henry Street. Cost is \$10 which includes all you need.

Nanango CTC Cuppa N Chat: Last Wednesday of the month at 9.30 till 10.30am at 41 Drayton Street

Nanango Church Yard Op Shop: Fourth Saturday of each month 7.30am till 11.30am at the Anglican Churchyard at the corner of Drayton and Burnett streets. Phone Sue 0419 319 982

Let The Sunshine In
with Jane
WEDNESDAY 9am-11am



Pirates and perfect harmony presented at Blackbutt

READY yourself for a rollicking romp of musical fun in Blackbutt on April 12.

For 47 years, the Esk Community Choir has been delighting audiences with the joy of music.

This talented choir has been lighting up stages near and far with heartfelt performances, rich harmonies, and an energy that leaves every crowd uplifted.

Now it is Blackbutt's turn to experience the fun.

On Sunday, April 12, at 2.30pm prepare yourselves for *A Rollicking Romp with Gilbert and Sullivan*.

In association with The Blackbutt Singers, this will be yet another vibrant presentation from the Esk Community Choir.

Come along to the Blackbutt Memorial Hall to enjoy a lively afternoon brimming with sparkling wit, memorable melodies, and the comic brilliance of these true masters of musical mayhem.

A delight for lovers of light opera, clever humour and great entertainment plus a delicious afternoon tea.

Tickets \$20 available at the door. Under 12s are free.

by Sue Walker

COOYAR

Cooyar Community Cuppa Group: Cooyar Hall, fourth Thursday of the month, 9.30-11.30am for a cuppa, chat and craft. \$2 donation, bring a small plate of morning tea to share. All welcome. Ph 0467 208 475.

Yoga at Cooyar: Every Tuesday at 9am at the Cooyar Memorial Hall on the New England Hwy. Phone Jane 0408 988 100.

MAIDENWELL

Maidenwell QCWA: 9.30am branch meets on the first Wednesday of every month (except January).

Maidenwell Library: Every Wednesday 9am to noon and Saturday from noon till 3pm at the hall (run by QCWA)

YARRAMAN P-9 STATE SCHOOL TUCKSHOP

VOLUNTEERS WANTED

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BOOKFEST IS ON AGAIN



BOOK FEST
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Saturday, May 16, 2026
8am til 2pm

Yarraman Heritage Centre,
26 Millar Street, Yarraman

Reunion stirs memories to create a story

THIS was written by an anonymous contributor about experiences gained and shared at 'Back To' events.

BACK TO ...
A Place Called "Home"
My Dad used to say, "Home is where you hang your hat."

Home can change places (from time to time) as we go about our lives, but for many of us, it is where we spent most of our childhood.

Not everyone is bitten with the 'sentimental' or 'nostalgic' bug, but even if you're not, this might be worth a read.

This article is born out of the recent annual *Back to Nanango Reunion* held at Ringsfield.

I took my 90-year-old Mum along to the reunion, signed us in at the registration tent, then parked her in the shade (seated on her wheelie walker).

I then began the ritual of finding people I'd known more than 50 years ago, while still keeping an eye on my Mum.

To say we both had a fantastic day really doesn't quite 'cut it,' though, suffice to say, I suspect that most people in attendance probably had a great day.

My memories go back to the mid to late 1970's when the annual *Back to Neumgna* picnics were held at Rogers Park, located (in the forestry) outside Yarraman.

On the night of the picnic, the *Back to Maidenwell* Old Time Dance was held at the Maidenwell Hall.

The annual *Back to Nanango* has been an annual fixture for many years (to my knowledge), but it is only in recent years I have been in the loop for that event.

A couple of years ago I found myself invited to a get-together for former Yarraman, Upper Yarraman and residents from neighbouring localities.



Loosely called the *Yarraman Get Together* it has been held for the last two years in February at the Yarraman Recreation Ground and Memorial Park.

Now getting back to (if you'll pardon the pun) ... the recent Nanango reunion, within a short time I found seven of us from the same year (1971 – in Grade 9) and a couple of ring-ins from Grade 10 (if I'm not mistaken) at Nanango State Secondary School. The 50+ years instantly melted away.

Some of us had stayed together until December '74, others had moved away or joined the workforce, after completing Grade 10.

There was talk of the 2008 (two year) class reunion held at the Plough Inn Hotel on Southbank (Brisbane), and a brief mention of perhaps time "for another reunion."

In the end, it really doesn't matter what connects you to the place(s) you once called "home."

'BACK TO ...' events can be a lot of fun for lots of good reasons, and everyone is free to opt in or out.

As for my cohort, 2027 represents "three score years and ten" of being on the planet, a good round number, and just as many reasons for putting the "2027 – Back to Nanango Reunion" on the calendar for next year.

It goes without saying, that none of us, of any age, need an invitation to attend next year's Nanango reunion.

But so far as those of us born in 1957 are concerned, don't be shy, spread the word and put in an appearance.

You're bound to have a memorable day.

Old friends gather at the Back to Nanango Reunion recently held at Ringsfield.

New council website easier access for residents

TOOWOOMBA Regional Council (TRC) has officially launched its new website, delivering a modern, accessible and easy-to-use online experience that reflects the needs of a growing Toowoomba Region.

TRC portfolio spokesperson for Customer, Experience and Engagement, Councillor James O'Shea, said the new website was an important improvement in how Council serves a region that continues to grow in population, economic activity and visitor numbers.

"The Toowoomba Region is one of Queensland's fastest growing and most diverse local government areas, and our digital services need to keep pace with that growth," Cr O'Shea said.

"This new site puts the information people need right at their fingertips," Cr O'Shea said.

The website upgrade was delivered in partnership with leading local government digital provider Grani-

cus, using a platform specifically designed for Councils and local communities.

Cr O'Shea said the new web site aligns TRC with best practice across Queensland.

Visit it at www.tr.qld.gov.au

How You Growing?
with Michelle
TUESDAY 3pm-4pm

From the Poet's Pocket
with Wendy Mathews

April is the middle month of Autumn, and it's usually the best weather of the year. Not too hot, not too cold, but just right.

April is also a time for reflection, with Easter at the beginning of the month, and Anzac Day almost at the end of the month.

Here's a poem to ponder by Crows Nest bush poet, **Paul Fleming**, especially with the recent world conflicts.

WE REMEMBER

We remember those who crossed the sea,
They fought for you, they fought for me.
We remember when the fighting ceased
And once again, the world had peace.

We remember those who lost their sons,
Their brothers and fathers, one by one.
We remember sacrifices made
As we stand and watch the flowers laid.

We remember those who came back from war
Changed forever, minds and bodies sore.
We remember families who shared their pain.
They paid a price, for the peace we gained.

We remember those who serve today.
They risk their lives so far away.
We remember those who went before
And pray to God for NO MORE WAR!

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LAST MONTH'S ANSWER:

'THE MAN' Yarraman Caravan Park and Cabins
WINNER: Michael

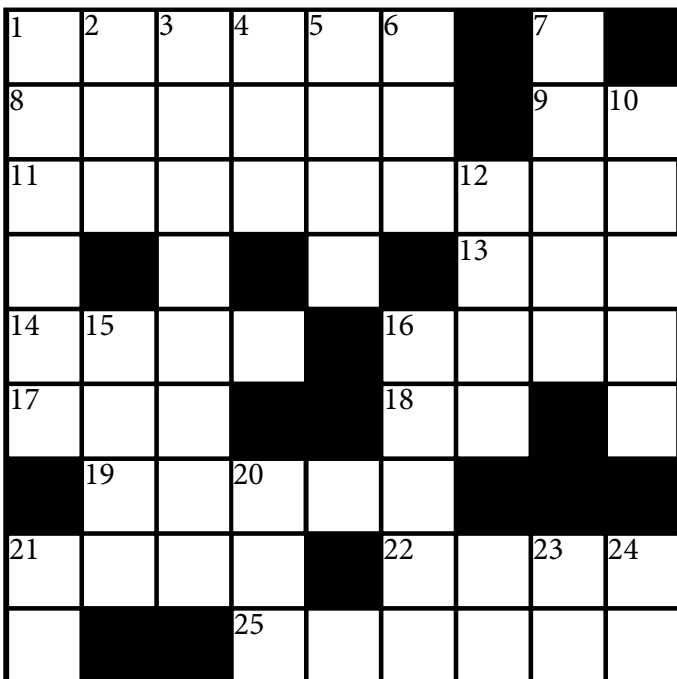
QUICK CROSS #10

ACROSS

1. Australian Irwin who won *USA Dancing With The Stars*
8. Hit song by the group Texas (2 words) *I Don't Want*
9. Slang for a watching mission
11. Billy Idol song (2 words)
13. Go by
14. 1996 movie starring Tom Hanks *Thing You Do!*
16. Sir Francis Drake ship The Golden
17. Rotation of a vehicle around its vertical axis, usually a nautical term
18. Marty Robbins song .. *Paso*
19. Type of activity featured in the movie *Xanadu*
21. Actress and singer star of *Moonstruck* and *Mask*
22. Slogan featured on Wham's shirts in the video clip of *Wake Me Up Before You Go-Go* 'Choose'
25. Savoured

DOWN

1. Purple maned *My Little Pony*
2. Spanish chant featured in Ricky Martin's song *The Cup of Life*
3. Aussie PM who, as a student at Oxford (UK) set a world record by skolling a yard glass 1.4lts of beer in 11secs
4. ... Plumb actress who played Jan in TV's *The Brady Bunch*
5. Depend on
6. Score in rugby league
7. Farrell or Bridgerton
10. *Runner*, Harrison Ford sci-fi movie



**Featured Favourites
with Karen
SUNDAY 6pm-7pm**



12. Meryl Streep movie set in Australia *Angels*
15. Symbol used as a metadata tag
16. Dorothy had to click these to return home in the *Wizard of Oz* movie
20. Paul Simon's singing partner ... Garfunkel
21. Rock band 10 .. singers of *Dreadlock Holiday*

23. Iron
24. Songwriter and singer of *Perfect* .. Sheeran

SOLUTION QUICK CROSS 9
ACROSS: 1.Boomerang 9.Inline 10.On 11.Lads 12.Menu 14.Shane 16.AB 18.Jade 20.Beta 22.Emma 24.Ovens 26.Yap 27.Reef 29.Ta 30.Gin 31.Axles.
DOWN: 1.Billabong 2.On A 3.Old 4.Miss Jane 5.En 6.Remade 7.None 8.Gnu 13.Enemy 15.Ha 17.Bev 19.Tapas 21.Tern 23.Mate 25.Sea 28.FX

Heritage Centre happenings

DEPARTING from our usual *Old But Interesting* column this month, we would like to talk about one of our most important resources, volunteers.

Volunteers at the Yarraman Heritage Centre (YHC) bring local knowledge, enthusiasm and various skills.

Many are able to take ownership of projects that align with the YHC strategic plan and vision.

Volunteering is giving time to help in an organisation and being part of the community, this in turn allows for the gaining of new experiences, learning skills and meeting new people.

YHC has many volunteering roles to choose from, as well as the flexibility of fitting hours around your life, whether you choose regular hours or occasional hours.

With the present enormous task ahead of us at YHC we are currently seeking volunteers to catalogue, clean, curate, garden, and conduct tours of the museum and

grounds.

Recently Jackie Barrio joined the YHC volunteer team.

"I wanted to give back to the community and also learn more about the Yarraman township and its history," Jackie said.

"In the short time I have been at YHC I have learnt so much about Yarraman and even the history of Australia which I didn't know," Jackie commented.

"But the added bonus is that I have had the opportunity to meet many wonderful people and new friends," she emphasised.

In June YHC is planning an open day of the museum which will showcase the museum and grounds.

The open day will also be an opportunity for a volunteer recruitment.

The volunteer drive will allow people to see the inner workings and behind the scenes of the museum, and those interested will discover if volunteering at YHC is the right fit for them.



Yarraman Heritage Centre museum curator Angela Apperley advises volunteer Jackie Barrio on how to clean and restore the museum's large collection of hats.

Join in the working bee

EXCITING things are happening at the Yarraman Heritage Centre, with gallery upgrades underway and a few projects that need a helping hand.

YHC is calling on our wonderful members and friends to join us for a couple of working bees.

May 2, 3 or 4 (a couple of hours each day)
Fence Working Bee

Help us rebuild the front white fence over the Labour Day long weekend.

Monday, May 18 (a couple of hours)

Museum Working Bee

We are preparing for a new gallery and need help clearing the current display:

If you can spare a bit of time, we'd love to have you involved. Many hands make light work—and it's a great chance to catch up.

Phone 41638 111 on Tuesday mornings other days please leave a message.

You can also email enquiries to yarramanhcsecretary@gmail.com

Funding provides much need equipment

IMPORTANT funding has been added to the coffers of the Yarraman Heritage Centre after receiving a grant from Powerlink.

These funds have enabled YHC to purchase new gardening equipment, PPE gear and first aid kits for our volunteers working across the grounds, administration and kitchen areas.

Having the right equipment and safety resources in place is one of the practical ways we back the great work our volunteers do here each week.

The Yarraman Shed kindly threw in a snake bite kit for us at no cost — a very welcome addition given our rural setting.

We also now have an AED on site, generously donated by the Local Ambulance Committee.

YHC hope to organise some community first aid and AED training, so keep an eye out for dates and come along if you can.

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	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	
5-6am	Aussie Music Weekly	Aussie Music Weekly	It's Time	The Folk Show	Dirt Music	Blues, Roots, n Boots	Let The Bands Plan	5-6am
6-7am	KAREN'S Classic Collection	Start the Morning with MAYA	Start the Morning with MAYA	Start the Morning with MAYA	Start the Morning with MAYA	In The Groove with HEIDI	Music Mix	6-7am
7-8am							It's My Country Radio Show	7-8am
8-9am								8-9am
9-10am	Music Mix	KAREN'S Classic Collection	Let The Sunshine In with JANE	One Hit Wonders with GREGO	Aust Music is Bloody Great	It's Time	Shoot the Breeze from the archive	9-10am
10-11am	Dirt Music			A Breathe of Fresh Air	In The Groove with HEIDI		CREATE A SHOW AND JOIN US PH 41638 997 FOR INFORMATION OR TO VOLUNTEER	The Local Source AMRAP
11-noon	The Folk Show	Rock The Kazbar	AMRAP Wrap Up GREGO	GREGO'S Aussie Music		Happy Hour 2		11-noon
Noon-1pm	Monday Melodies with KATHY	Tuesday Tunes with KATHY	Shoot The Breeze		ANNE'S On This Day	HEIDI'S Hour		Noon-1pm
1-2pm			Corner Country	Today's Hits with ANNE		Aussie Music Weekly		1-2pm
2-3pm			Happy Hour			Friday Feel Good with KATHY	Music Mix	2-3pm
3-4pm	Your show could be here contact us	How You Growing?	Pop Heads		PETER'S Music Legend		Stafford's World	Sunday Session with ASH
4-5pm		AddyZ Music Hits	Music	Interviews	4-5pm			
5-6pm		DJ needed	YSS Radio Club	Music Mix	Raised on Rock	5-6pm		
6-7pm	Evening with MAYA	Evening with MAYA	Evening with MAYA	Shoot The Breeze (rpt)	The Music Room BRIAN AVERY	Rock The Kazbar	Karen's Featured Favs	6-7pm
7-8pm				ANNE'S Subject Matters		Music Mix through the night1p	Shoot The Breeze from the archive	7-8pm
8-9pm	Music Mix through the night	The Music Room BRIAN AVERY	Music Mix through the night	Music Mix through the night	Deadly Beats		Music Mix through the night	8-9pm
9-10pm		Karen's Featured Favs			HEIDI'S Airways			9-10pm
10-11pm		Music Mix			Music Mix			10-11pm

Listen to your local volunteers

THE shows listed below are made possible by local volunteers who just love to share music, stories and fun times with the community.

We are always happy to welcome more volunteer presenters so why not join us. Come in and discuss your idea for a show, it can be a chat show, information show or just fill the hour with music you love.

Phone Wild Horse FM on 41638 997, leave your name and number and we will contact you.

Monday

6am-9am	Karen's Classic Collection
Noon-3pm	Monday Melodies with Kathy
6pm-8pm	Evening with Maya

Tuesday

6am-9am	Start the Morning with Maya
9am-11am	Karen's Classic Collection
11am-noon	Rock The Kazbar
3pm-4pm	How You Growing? Gardening tips from our gardening guru Michelle
4pm-5pm	AddyZ Music Hits
6pm-8pm	Evening with Maya
8pm-9pm	The Music Room with Brian Avery
9pm-10pm	Karen's Featured Favourites

Wednesday

6am-9am	Start the Morning with Maya
9am-11am	Let The Sunshine In with Jane
11am-noon	AMRAP Wrap up with Grego
Noon-1pm	Shoot The Breeze with Jon and Frank
5pm-6pm	Yarraman State School Radio Club
6pm-8pm	Evening with Maya

Thursday

6am-9am	Start the Morning with Maya
9am-10am	One Hit Wonders with Grego
11am-1pm	Grego's Aussie Music
1pm-2pm	On This Day with Anne
2pm-3pm	Today's Hits with Anne
3pm-5pm	Peter's Music Legend Interviews
6pm-7pm	Shoot The Breeze with Jon
7pm-8pm	Subject Matters with Anne

Friday

6am-9am	Start the Morning with Maya
10am-1pm	In The Groove with Heidi
1pm-2pm	Radio Remedy with Bianca and Chris information on how to stay healthy
2pm-5pm	Friday Feel Good with Kathy
7pm-8pm	The Music Room with Brian Avery
9pm-10pm	Heidi's Airways

Saturday

6am-9am	In The Groove with Heidi
6pm-7pm	Rock The Kazbar

Sunday

9am-10am	Shoot The Breeze
Noon-1pm	Heidi's Hour
3pm-6pm	Sunday Session with Ash
6pm-7pm	Karen's Featured Favourites
7pm-8pm	Shoot The Breeze



Wild Horse FM's newest recruit, Volunteer Coordinator Matt Gibson chats with office volunteer Julie.

Meet WHFM's new Volunteer Coordinator

A GENUINE honour is how Matt Gibson describes his feelings towards his new position at Wild Horse FM.

"I am absolutely thrilled to be the new Volunteer Coordinator at Wild Horse FM 99.7.

"It's a genuine honour to step into this role and become part of such a passionate and community-focused team," Matt said.

Community radio plays an incredibly important role in connecting people, sharing stories, supporting local voices, and creating a sense of belonging and our volunteers are major contributors of the day-to-day running of the station.

"I'm excited to learn more about how everything operates and, most importantly, to get to know the amazing volunteers who make the sta-

tion what it is," Matt continued.

While WHFM does have a growing volunteer base of presenters (more are needed), there are many other volunteer positions available at the station.

When Julie Notley joined the station, becoming a presenter was not on her radar.

"I was so glad to be able to work in the office. I wasn't interested in going 'on air' but I am really loving the office work," Julie said.

If you are interested in volunteering at WHFM we will find a place for you. No special skills required and you will be joining a friendly, helpful team.

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Discover a diverse showcase of local stallholders, wellness experts, handmade goods, natural therapies, and lifestyle inspiration designed to help you live your best life.

Whether you're looking to recharge your mind, nourish your body, or simply enjoy a day out with friends and family, there's something here for everyone.

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Sacred Spaces within our homes can be created through the Ancient Wisdom of Feng Shui.

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I provide Traditional Feng Shui methods, House Energetic Birth Charts, Mindfulness Practices, Workshops & Retreats. I look forward to meeting you, at the Expo.

Come along and discuss how you too, can have your own sacred space.

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Caroline Oh

Jewellery/ Naturopath

Hi, I'm Caroline,

I work in Silver and Copper using Genuine Gemstones, creating unique, one of a kind, Jewellery pieces. In my collection are Rings, Pendants, Bead Necklaces, Earrings and Bracelets.

I am also a Naturopath working from my clinic in South Nanango. If Natural Health, Herbal Medicine and Nutrition are of interest to you, please come and have a chat with me at the Expo, I would love to meet you.

Caroline OH
Jewellery/Naturopath

KELLY WELLHUNER

Kelly Wellhuner

Breathwork Facilitator

Hi, I'm Kelly Wellhuner,

I facilitate guided breathwork sessions that help release emotional stress, so people can reconnect with themselves and create space for calm and clarity. At the Expo I will offer 15-minute guided breathwork sessions so people can experience the practice for themselves. Breathwork can help regulate the nervous system, release tension held in the body and bring people back to a more grounded state.

I'm passionate about assisting people break old patterns so to create healthier foundations for themselves and their families. Breathwork, reflection and coaching, helps people to release what they've been carrying and to move forward with more clarity and self-trust.

You can find my upcoming events at www.kellywellhuner.com

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Using tarot & cards as a guiding tool, I am able to weave together insight, validation and practical guidance, so you can better understand your journey.

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SHANNON GATES

Shannon Gates

Elemental Tonics & Holistic Intuitive Health

Hi, I'm Shannon

I am a Naturopath and Reiki practitioner. I also create my own Herbal Teas and Tonics as well as Flower Essence tonics and ointments.

I am available for bookings on the day. I'm also conducting a workshop, Elemental Embodiment.

I look forward to sharing knowledge and recommendations with you at the Expo.

Please call by my stand and say hello.

TRACEY SZABO

Tracey Szabo

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Hi, I'm Tracey.

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Yvette Gunton

New Day Recovery Coaching

Hi, I'm Yvette.

We provide NDIS support coordination, recovery coaching and counselling for people who are ready to make a change. Our vision and mission is to build a community where every day is a new day and change is possible, one step at a time.

We offer accessible, non-clinical, community-based support that is real, relatable and grounded in a lived experience. Everything we do is guided by our core values.

With New Day Recovery Coaching we walk beside you through the tough stuff, helping you find clarity, confidence and practical next steps.

Chris

Chris will be talking about use of light in supporting our health including research done in Australia around using red light therapy to support neuro-degenerative illnesses such as Alzheimer's Parkinson's Disease and Dementia.

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TWO nights in boutique luxury is the prize you could win at the Live Well Expo.

An incredible two night stay in The Quarters at The Firebreak.

The Firebreak is a boutique luxury farm stay and intimate event destination located in the South Burnett, offering a refined off-grid escape set against the beauty of a working farm.

Designed for couples seeking rest, reconnection, and a deeper connection to nature, The Firebreak combines thoughtful design, quiet luxury, and an authentic rural setting.

Founded by Ace and Kylea, The Firebreak reflects a strong commitment to regenerative farming, sustainability, and elevated regional hospitality.

Every detail has been carefully considered to create an experience that feels both deeply restorative and distinctly memorable — from beautifully appointed accommodation to the sense of calm that comes with wide open space and country stillness.

Proudly grounded in community and place, The Firebreak is delighted to support the Yarraman Live Well Community Expo and celebrate the people, businesses, and experiences that make this region so unique.

Could Light Therapies be the key to protecting your brain?

RED and Near Infra Red light is becoming very popular to help skin conditions and anti-ageing etc and recent studies have shown very encouraging supportive affects on neuro-degeneration and brain diseases such as Alzheimer's, Parkinson's disease and Dementia.

In 2018 while researching for a talk I was giving, I came across the amazing story of Max Burr.

Max was a retired Tasmanian politician diagnosed with Parkinson's disease 10 years earlier.

He was struggling with his medication and it wasn't working anymore.

He was losing his sense of smell, he was losing his fine motor movements he couldn't play the piano that he loved anymore.

His treating GP was retiring and started doing research into alternative therapies that could help support Max.

They found a study at the Sydney University by Professor Mitrofanis on

mice and neuro regeneration, using red and near-infra red wavelengths of light, however, no human trials were in the pipeline.

Max, knowing he didn't have time to wait on a trail, employed a local men's shed to build a prototype helmet for him and within six months having two 40 minutes sessions a day, Max's symptoms started to abate and he was back doing all the activities he loved.

Following on from Max's amazing story, human trials have now taken place in Sydney and Adelaide Universities with very encouraging results.

In addition to these studies Tasmanian Dr Catherine Hamilton who was involved in these initial studies continues to expand on and add to this body of research in Australia including designing and developing helmets, intra-nasal devices and therapy mats that are available to the public.

For information on the studies and Dr Hamilton's devices: www.wellred.com.au



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The Grounded Life

by MELANIE McNAUGHTON

Melanie McNaughton is a local counsellor and founder of Ground & Grow, supporting rural people with gentle, down-to-earth wellbeing care.

The town was the teacher

This weekend life brings me back to the town of Thargomindah, a place that is so special to me.

I'll be sitting among familiar faces, watching a young woman I once taught walk down the aisle.

She's now a teacher herself, giving back to the same community that raised her.

It's one of those rare moments where you catch a glimpse of the ripple coming back around.

By coincidence, the day she says "I do" falls on my own wedding anniversary.

Life has a funny way of moving in circles like that.

When I think about my time in Thargomindah, I always smile. I arrived there in my twenties, stepping into my first principal role. Young, enthusiastic and, if I'm honest, totally unaware of what the role would truly ask of me. Had I known, I'm

not sure I would have signed up so quickly!

Where in my life can I see a ripple still moving?

I definitely don't remember that chapter of my life as a time where I strode in and led the charge.

If anything, the town was my teacher.

Community was what held me, pushed me, challenged me and loved me. And somewhere along the way, without any fuss or fanfare, it shaped me into the person I needed to become.

That backing showed up in a hundred quiet ways people keeping an eye out, someone appearing right when I needed, a neighbour checking in, a meal shared, a rum with skinny Coke at the pub after a long week.

Country people aren't known for being quiet and more than once I heard, "Who's that?" when I was still the new face in town. The response usually came quick,

"Careful mate ... that's our principal." How's that for loyalty, respect and trust?

The kind of backing a small town give when they decide you belong.

What has time quietly taught me along the way?

Those people in that town taught me something I'll always carry. Roots don't always need to run deep to stick.

Sometimes belonging grows simply because people choose to stand beside you.

Teaching has always felt a bit like dropping a pebble into water. But you never really know how far the ripple travels.

You hope the lessons land, the encouragement sticks. You hope the young people in front of you carry a little bit of confidence and belief into whatever life brings them next.

Most of the time, you never actually see the ripple. Years pass. Students grow up. Life moves on.

Watching this young woman return to her hometown as a teacher reminds me just how powerful those quiet ripples can be. The same community that helped raise her is now being shaped by her care, her energy and her commitment to the next generation. The circle keeps turning.

This weekend I'll return to Thargomindah with my own family beside me, celebrating love, new beginnings and the quiet pride that comes from seeing the next generation step forward.

Moments like this remind me that life rarely moves in straight lines. It moves in circles.

In communities that shape us long before we realise what they're giving us. Because sometimes the greatest lessons in life don't come from classrooms or titles. Sometimes the town itself is the teacher. Until next month ...

let's celebrate the circles

Mel



Unplanned productive diversification

IN THE 1970s, Margaret Schloss was given a gift that changed everything for her and her sister, Lyn Ditton.

The sisters have lived on *Tarlalin*, their Neumgna farm since childhood.

“When we were kids all the farms around here, including ours were dairy farms, but most have since diversified into other things,” Margaret said.

When Margaret and Lyn took over running the farm from their parents they diversified into beef, which Margaret’s son, Warren and his wife, Peta, now operate.

Which brings us to the gift that changed everything.

The change was not planned but has become an unusual diversification.

Margaret was gifted a pair of pair of peacocks.

“And they bred,” Lyn said with a mischievous smile.

“And then they bred and they bred, so we had to find out what we could do with all these birds”. Lyn emphasised.

Eventually they found out that peacocks are very popular in the pet market, especially our white and pied ones which the sisters breed.

Margaret explained that when peacocks are hand reared they become very attached to human company and want to be near their humans all the time.

“They look for you and will follow you

around,” Margaret said.

“But of course, you can’t have them in a town or if you have close neighbours since even just one can make a lot of noise!” Lyn added,

To protect their feathered-friends, Lyn and Margaret have enlisted the aid of two donkeys which are excellent gaurdians against wild dogs and dingos.



Lyn and Margaret with some of their peacock chicks.

Dexter cattle go to the show

THREE colours, 10 studs and 40 Dexters will be on show in Nanango.

On Saturday, April 18, Queensland’s 35th Annual Dexter Breed Show will be held in conjunction with the Nanango Show.

Since 1991, the annual Queensland Dexter Breed show has brought some of the country’s best beefy little milkers to South East Queensland.

This year, more than 10 studs will compete with more than 40 animals being exhibited.

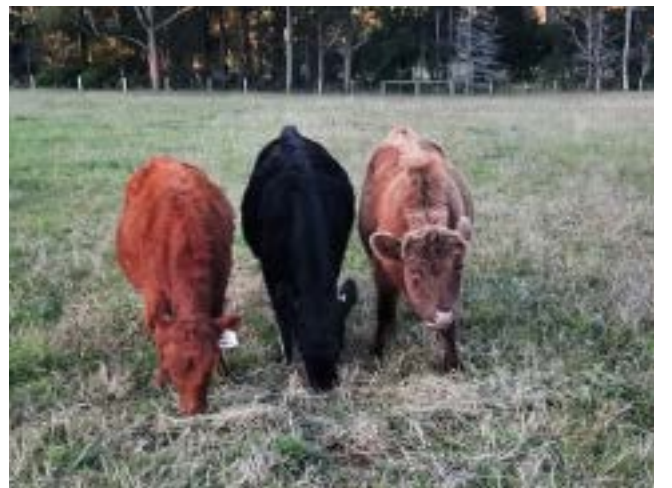
With members of the Dexter Cattle Association Inc. travelling from all over the state and as far away as NSW to exhibit, viewers can expect to see some wonderful examples of Dexters.

Dexters are a heritage breed who provide high quality A2 milk and some of the best steaks around.

Known as a dual-purpose breed Dexters come in three colours: black, red or dun, and can be horned or polled.

Originally bred in Ireland, they were first imported to Australia in the late 1800s.

Judging starts at 8.30am on Saturday, April 18, Nanango Showgrounds, D’Aguilar Highway.



Tomato source of concern for growers

IN May last year the National Management Group (NMG) decided that eradicating tomato brown rugose fruit virus (ToBRFV) was no longer possible.

As a result carriers cannot be moved into Queensland if they originate from a property that is not a certified pest-free area for ToBRFV.

Movements may be authorised under a biosecurity certificate if certain testing requirements, as prescribed in the MCO, have been met and there are no linkages with affected properties.

More detailed information is outlined in the MCO.

Practise safe biosecurity measures and report anything suspicious in plants, crops or fruit immediately to the Exotic Plant Pest Hotline on 1800 084 881.

YOUR BEST DE-FENCE IS A FENCE

Want good neighbours? You need good fences (not a solve-all but it helps). JBH Rural now stocks a great range of wire fencing products, we have something for everyone, from the budget conscious to the endless budget, so come in and talk fencing.

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The team from JBH Rural are always wanting to provide customers with great information, so expanding knowledge, learning new practices and alternative ways of doing things is a must. Recently they met up with Graeme Sait and his team of Agronomists to learn about Nutri-tech Solutions (information online and youtube) so they can give advice for all types of farming.

Nominate your hero

THE 2026 Queensland Landcare Awards have officially opened, celebrating agricultural and environmental champions.

This is an opportunity to recognise those making a difference for the land, water, soils, animals, plants and ecosystems being restored and protected in communities across Queensland.

Nominations are free and you can nominate yourself, someone you know or a group who should be recognised for their work to restore, enhance and protect the natural environment in their community.

Nominations close on Friday, July 31, 2026.

The Queensland Landcare Awards stand as a prestigious biennial state program that recognises individuals, groups and organisations involved in landcare, who are making outstanding contributions to caring for the environment in their local communities for the benefit of all Australians today, and for generations to come.

"Last year Queensland Water and Land Carers celebrated over 21 years of supporting Landcare Awards in Queensland," said Michael Bond, QWaLC Chairperson.

"We were so proud that two of our leading rural landholders went on from these awards to win at the National Landcare Awards, showcasing some of our best prac-

tices to the rest of the nation.

"We would encourage individuals and groups to participate again this year.

"Nominating someone is a meaningful way to acknowledge their contribution, celebrate their impact at the state level, raise awareness of their work, while supporting its continuation and growth," Michael said.

The Queensland Landcare Awards feature a diverse range of categories, spanning all ages and areas of interest, including:

Australian Government Landcare Innovation Award
Australian Government Sustainable Agriculture Landcare Award
Australian Government Individual Landcarer Award
Australian Government Community Partnerships Landcare Award
Coastcare Award
First Nations Landcare Collaboration Award
Women in Landcare Award
Junior Landcare Award
NextGen Landcare Award

The winners of the Queensland Landcare Award categories will advance as finalists to the 2027 National Landcare Awards to be held in Adelaide, South Australia.

For more information or to nominate go to www.landcareaustralia.org.au/awards



LET'S TALK DIRTY

by
Horticulturist
Katrina Wood

Welcome to another episode of *Let's Talk Dirty!*

IT IS time to talk about the ever-rising costs of fertiliser inputs in farming.

More and more farmers and home gardeners are taking a look at natural fertilisers as part of their plant nutrition programs.

It is not about going fully organic, but about using a wider mix of tools to support soil health and lower input costs.

Natural fertilisers include composts, animal manures, mineral products and much more.

Rather than only feeding the crop, these inputs help improve soil structure, biological activity, water holding capacity and nutrient storage capabilities.

With the price volatility of synthetic fertilisers, many producers are looking for better value over the long term.

While natural products aren't always cheaper up front, they can increase nutrient efficiency and reduce the need for as many repeat applications.

Grazing and mixed farming systems, in particular, are seeing benefits by recycling nutrients back into paddocks and improving pasture performance.

Don't rule out traditional fertiliser, many farmers are finding success blending traditional fert programs with natural inputs including foliar applications, guided by a good soil test and good agronomy advice.

Focusing on healthier soils are becoming a sound investment.

Thanks for reading.

Kat

Why did the farmer win so many awards?
Because he was outstanding in his field...

Council expands pest control resources

SOUTH Burnett Regional Council is ramping up efforts to support landholders and residents in the fight against invasive pests, with the addition of two new pig traps now available to the public.

These new traps join Council's existing pest control equipment which includes: five pig traps - two large panel traps; one pig baiting station; 10 cat cage traps; four indian myna bird cage traps; five rabbit traps; two dog cage traps.

All equipment is available to local landholders and community members to assist with managing pest animals.

Feral pigs and wild dogs continue to cause significant problems across the

South Burnett, with current population levels reported as extremely high.

Landholders have a General Biosecurity Obligation (GBO) to minimise the risks associated with invasive animals under their control.

To hire any of the rural traps, landholders will need to complete Rural Trap Hire form which is an agreement and lists the rules to abide by and ensures the best practice is met on animal welfare management.

To learn more about best-practice pest management, contact Council's Natural Resource Management team on 07 4189 9100 or email info@sbrc.qld.gov.au



Want BIG melons???

Come talk to us!

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by MICHELLE NAYLOR



How you growing?

Hello friends and gardeners

Welcome to Autumn and for gardeners that means 'seed collecting month'.

How do we go about collecting seeds?

Wait until the seed heads are dry on the plant then

- ~ Snip them off or shake them into a paper bag
- ~ Tip them onto a plate or tray
- ~ Sort and remove the dry flower and leaf bits
- ~ Put seeds into paper envelopes
- ~ Label them with:
plant name
colour/variety
date collected

Paper envelopes are better than plastic because seeds need to breathe. I suggest storing the packets in a cool cupboard or area out of sunlight.

Think of it like packing away little packets of next season's garden.

If you've been to the swap table of the Yarraman Harvest Swap n Share on Sundays at The Pink Flamingo from 9am, you'll notice lots of seed packets from locally grown plants.

Gardening is one of those things that grows better when we share it.

In the March edition of **99.7% Local News**, I covered what vegetables and flowers to plant and below are my tips for what to plant this April month.

Given that April is an excellent time for planting in Yarraman and the wider area of Cooyar, Blackbutt, Nanango to name a few of our beautiful towns, it marks the transition to cooler Autumn weather, ideal for establishing root systems.

Our location in south east Queensland experiences and basically mimics a sub tropical climate and so with the cooler nights, this month you can plant:

Vegetables: a mix of leavy greens, root vegetables and brassicas, potatoes, herbs, leaks onions, garlic and peas.

Flowers for companion planting and to add colour, I'd recommend: edibles such as marigolds, calendula, violas, nasturtium's and pansies and English lavender (*Augustifolia*).

Other flowers not edible you might like are snap dragons, cornflowers (*cosmos*), sweat peas and poppies.

Fruit trees, I'd go with: citrus and passionfruit vines while the soil is still warm, establishing their root systems before the cold of winter arrives.

Trees: Bottlebrush, silver wattle and grevilleas, frangipani, tibochinas

Before you start planting, take a look at your soil, does it need improving?

You may need to add compost, rotted manure, or seaweed fertilisers, make sure you mulch afterwards.

Mulch is your best friend and protector in the garden, to conserve moisture and to suppress weeds as the season changes.

And speaking of weeds, when you pull them don't throw them out.

We've talked about weed tea in earlier editions of my gardening column but its worth mentioning again.

If you have collected any rain water, get yourself a bucket with a lid or a tub with a lid to soak your pulled weeds in, add to it, coffee grounds, crushed egg shells into powder, Seasol, bananas peels, tea bags, rice water and make a real broth with it stewing for a few days even up to a few weeks.

It will have a strong odour but it's a magic tonic for your plants and trees. You will need to dilute it 10 parts water to 1 part tea when watering your plants.

Happy growing, see you next month.



Michelle with her radio show guest Jenny as they discuss container gardening.

Tips for container gardening

Would you like to grow some flowers and vegetables, but have a small yard and smaller budget?

Here are some tips from Jenny Addicoat who was a special guest on *How You Growing with Michelle* on Wild Horse FM.

It is possible to have a plant and veggie garden anywhere, you just need to use a little imagination.

One answer is simple .. recycling.

POTS

Do you eat yoghurt, sour cream, or cottage cheese? Those containers, once holes have been put in them, are great for seed raising, or even growing herbs in.

How about ice-cream containers?

These are perfect for pick and grow lettuces, bok choy, even strawberries. Doesn't that sound delicious?

My favourite large pots are the broccoli boxes you can get at grocery stores.

They are great for larger vegies such as carrots, tomatoes, silverbeet, cabbage, even kale if you like it.

Have a look at recycling or tip shops, remember you are only limited by your imagination ... anything can be a pot.

SOIL

That brings us to the next step ... the soil you need to grow the plants in.

As you're growing in pots, you'll need potting mix, and the best you can afford. This is one area you can't skimp on.

The mixture needs to be well drained, should have enough fertilizer in it to get you through the growing time, but also have a good water holding capacity, so you don't have to water every day.

Buy the larger bags, they'll save you money, and still won't break the bank.

If you're in or near Yarraman, I'd suggest taking a trip to JBH. In my opinion they have some of the best mixes around, and the staff are always willing to help.

SEEDS and PLANTS

Now where do you get the plants or seed?

Many areas, especially regional and rural areas have groups who are willing to share their excesses.

Even if you don't have anything to swap, you would be welcome.

They are the best places for learning, getting seeds to try and even plants you may never have heard of.

All you have to do is ask if you have a need. I don't know of any gardener who doesn't have a few pots they could give to someone. I know mine seem to breed.

But what do you do if you live in a place that doesn't have such a group.

Many produce or grocery stores have the small packets of seeds.

If you visit or belong to one of the 'sharing' groups, you'll already know or have been given seeds and plants.

But let's say you don't.

As I've mentioned before, they are available at stores, but where else could you get 'free' seeds.

How about from what you are already eating? Your kitchen 'scraps' may contain all the seeds you need.

Tomatoes, pumpkins, cucumber, melons, celery, potatoes, spring onions, garlic, the list goes on and on.

Do you have neighbours who have gardens?

Ask them if they have any seeds they could share with you.

And don't forget gardening is also a great way to meet some 'like' people.

But remember your garden etiquette: *ask, never take, from someone else's garden*. Most gardeners are happy to share seeds or cuttings if they can.

WATER

Now, how much water is enough?

You already come equipped with the best water measuring device around ... your fingers. Stick a finger in the soil. Does it feel overly wet or dry?

If it's dry, water it.

Be aware that some plants don't like too much water, and like to be on the drier side. If you have a mobile phone or computer, you'll be able to check which plants don't like 'wet feet'.

All containers, especially the ones made from recycled tubs, need holes in the bottom for excess water to drain.

So check every couple of days for good moisture in the soil.

CLEANLINESS

All pots, need to be clean. All gardening equipment must be clean and disinfected, or bacteria could be passed onto the plants you are growing. Gardening utensils can be sprayed with metholated spirits.

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Aussie icon voices support for Wild Horse FM



NATALIE Bassingthwaighe (pictured with co-star Jolie Sainsbury) lead singer of the Rogue Traders has recorded a station identification for your community radio station **Wild Horse FM**. While 99.7% Local News editor, Anne Clarke, was working on a film set recently she had the opportunity to chat with the film's leading star, Natalie. The down to earth, bubbly Aussie icon gleefully agreed to promote Wild Horse FM. Natalie has just released her autobiography, is the lead in the stage musical *Waitress* and her new movie *Love, Wine and Valentine* will be released later this year.

Mullets for Mental Health

WHEN is a bad hairstyle a good one? When it's a mullet. Mullets for Mental Health is back this April to support mental health and it brings thousands of Australians together to grow mullets and raise funds in support of the one in five Australians who experience a mental illness each year.

Join the cause in growing a mullet, you can register for free as an individual, start or join a team, or sign up your school or workplace to grow together.

From April 1, grow your mullet and help fund crucial suicide prevention research. Every dollar you raise helps fund world-leading mental health research, education and evidence-based resources and support.

Getting involved is simple: pledge your mullet for free, shape it in, and fundraise throughout April. Every dollar you raise helps fund vital suicide prevention research.

For registration or more information or to see the wall of mullet fame go to www.blackdoginstitute.org.au/get-involved/fundraise/fundraising-events/mullets4mh/

The Black Dog Institute is not a crisis centre and cannot provide crisis support, if you or someone you know needs help please call: Emergency 000 or Lifeline 13 11 14.

Star Guide

Horoscope Forecast
by **BIANCA ROSE**

Astrology has been around forever, it has been utilised in almost every culture around the world, it takes the patterns of the sky and how those frequencies affect us on a collective level. On a more personal level we must consider our birth chart that has much more than just our sun signs (what most people call their star sign). For the most accurate guidance please read your sun, moon and rising signs and blend the information for your situation. You can google how to find these placements.

APRIL

April brings a steady shift from reflection into action. After a period of uncertainty, this is a month to ground yourself and move forward with clarity. You may feel pulled between dreaming big and handling everyday responsibilities—finding balance will be key.

Focus on what truly matters and take small, consistent steps toward your goals. Emotions may surface, but they offer valuable guidance rather than setbacks. Trust your intuition, stay present, and don't rush the process. By the end of the month, you'll likely feel more stable, clear, and ready for what's next. Remember to look at your sun, moon and rising signs for a more personal message, you can google how to find these placements.



ARIES

Aries (Mar 21 – Apr 19)

A fresh start is here, but don't rush it. Take time to plan before acting. Mid-month brings clarity around work or direction.



TAURUS

Taurus (Apr 20 – May 20)

Slow and steady wins this month. Focus on finances and stability. A quiet opportunity may lead to long-term gain.



GEMINI

Gemini (May 21 – Jun 20)

Communication is key. Speak clearly and avoid mixed signals. A social connection could open an unexpected door.



CANCER

Cancer (Jun 21 – Jul 22)

Emotions run high, but so does your intuition. Trust your instincts, especially in family or home matters.



LEO

Leo (Jul 23 – Aug 22)

You're ready to shine—but timing matters. Hold back just enough to make your move count. Recognition is coming.



VIRGO

Virgo (Aug 23 – Sep 22)

Focus on health and routine. Small changes bring big improvements. Don't overthink—keep it simple.



LIBRA

Libra (Sep 23 – Oct 22)

Balance is everything. Relationships may need honest conversations. Clarity now brings peace later.



SCORPIO

Scorpio (Oct 23 – Nov 21)

Transformation is underway. Let go of what no longer serves you. Something better is waiting.



SAGITTARIUS

Sagittarius (Nov 22 – Dec 21)

Adventure calls, but responsibilities come first. Handle what's in front of you, then plan your next move.



CAPRICORN

Capricorn (Dec 22 – Jan 19)

Hard work pays off this month. Stay disciplined and focused. A goal you've been working toward is within reach.



AQUARIUS

Aquarius (Jan 20 – Feb 18)

New ideas flow easily. Stay open-minded and flexible. A shift in perspective could change everything.



PISCES

Pisces (Feb 19 – Mar 20)

Trust your inner world, but stay grounded. Creativity and intuition are strong—use them in practical ways.

YARRAMAN SUPPORT GROUP

IN THIS TOGETHER
parkinson's
QUEENSLAND

This is a peer support group for individuals impacted by **Parkinson's**

Meeting: 2nd Wednesday of the month (Feb - Nov)
Time: 10.30am
Location: Yarraman Library
Toomey Street, Yarraman

These are informal meetings that are a source of information and mutual support attended by those diagnosed with Parkinson's, family, friends, carers and others in the community.

Members are empowered by hearing about the experiences of others and by being introduced to local guest speakers with valuable knowledge.

For more Information, please contact:

Barbara 0400 646 493
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- Bus timetable - pick up from Proston Town hall 3pm & 5.30pm - return to Proston Hall 5pm & 9pm
- BYO Camp chairs / picnic blankets
- FREE Disaster Management information
- Raffle to win an evacuation kit
- Games for the kids
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• Novice Horse Ride \$500

Shane Cullen Memorial Open Bull Ride
\$2000 prize money + buckle

- Novice Bull Ride \$1000
- U18 Junior Bull Ride \$500
- U15 Mini Bull Ride \$200
- 7-U12 Mini Bull Ride \$200
- Local 7-U12 Mini Bull ride \$100

Local event is for children local to and known to the Maidenwell community

Nominations via NRA website - Local event nominations will be taken on the night.

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COME ON ... GET ACTIVE

WILD HORSE WALKING CLUB: MONDAY Walking Club meets up at 7am at the BBQ hut next to the playground in Errol Munt Oval on Margaret Street. Leisurely 1 hour walk on a paved walking circuit. Phone Jane on 0408 988 100

POP TENNIS - BLACKBUTT: MONDAY, 4pm. Pop Tennis at the Blackbutt Tennis Club, 61 Hart Street. Phone 0407 378 795

LINE DANCING - BLACKBUTT: MONDAY night and Wednesday morning. Blackbutt Memorial Hall, Bowman Road.

DARTS - NANANGO: MONDAY 7pm. Nanango Darts Club, Elk/George Streets. Phone 4163 2255.

CHAIR YOGA - NANANGO: MONDAY 9.30am. Nanango Community Centre.

DARTS - BLACKBUTT: TUESDAYS from 5.30 till 8pm. Blackbutt Darts Club, the Lion's Den, Showgrounds. Phone 0468 354 163

INDOOR BOWLS - NANANGO: TUESDAY 12.45pm. Nanango Cultural Centre, George Street.

MAT/CHAIR YOGA - COOYAR: Tuesdays at 9am at the Cooyar Memorial Hall.

INDOOR BOWLS - YARRAMAN: TUESDAY at 9am, Lutheran Church Hall in Daniel Street. Phone Murray on 4163 9182.

SELF DEFENCE/FITNESS - YARRAMAN: TUESDAYS 6.30pm-7.30pm. Yarraman Memorial Hall.

SELF DEFENCE/FITNESS - BLACKBUTT: WEDNESDAY 6.30-7.30pm. Blackbutt State School Hall.

SOCIAL TENNIS - BLACKBUTT: WEDNESDAY 8am, social tennis, Blackbutt Tennis Club, 61 Hart Street. Phone 0407 378 795

LINE DANCING - BLACKBUTT: WEDNESDAY morning at the Blackbutt Memorial Hall, Bowman Road.

ACTIVE SENIORS - YARRAMAN: WEDNESDAYS 9-10am. Exercise classes for seniors by seniors. Yarraman Memorial Hall, \$5p.p. Helen 0434 243 085.

TAI CHI - NANANGO: THURSDAY 8am, Ringsfield House's gardens, 41-45 Alfred St, (or Nanango Showgrounds if it's raining).

SELF DEFENCE/FITNESS - YARRAMAN: THURSDAY 6.30pm-7.30pm. Yarraman Memorial Hall.

PARKRUN - NANANGO: SATURDAY 7am. 5km run/walk Ros Gregor Trail, Tipperary Flat, Nanango.

PARK RUN - BRISBANE VALLEY RAIL TRAIL: SATURDAY at 7am starting adjacent to Roy Emerson Museum Bowman Road Blackbutt. 5km run, walk, spectate or volunteer along the rail trail. Free to join.

SOCIAL TENNIS - BLACKBUTT: SATURDAY, 8am. Social tennis, Blackbutt Tennis Club, 61 Hart Street. Phone 0407 378 795



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Classes provide a welcoming and supportive environment where beginners are encouraged, experienced students are challenged, and everyone progresses at their own pace.

Whether your goal is self-defence, fitness, confidence, or simply trying something new, Kwon Bop Do Tae Kwon Do offers something valuable for everyone.

Classes are held at Yarraman Memorial Hall, Browne Street, Yarraman on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 6.30pm to 7.30pm.

New students are welcome to come along and experience a class with a \$10 trial session, available anytime.

For information ph 0494186820 or visit www.thepitmartialarts.com.au



Cheers to Pub Day bowls

by JOHN WATSON

ON THE fourth Wednesday of each month, except December, the Yarraman Bowls Club runs a 'Pub Day' where teams from near and far come to Yarraman for a couple of games of bowls and a chance to win some prizes, be it via bowls or raffles.

The March edition saw 12 teams playing with three teams from Kilcoy and one team from each of Glasshouse, Toogoolawah, Nanango and Kingaroy joining the five Yarraman combinations.

The teams usually consist of four players but occasionally a team may consist of only three players, which was the case with some of the Yarraman combinations in order to have as many even numbered teams playing as possible.

To the uninitiated, a Triple playing a Four involves the first two bowlers in the Triple playing three bowls each with the skip playing just two and all the players in the Four play just two bowls each.

The winners of the day were the Yarraman combination of Andrew Box, George Wolski and John Watson. The runners-up were the Glasshouse combination with a team from Kilcoy claiming the third prize.



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