

#### MAYOR'S MESSAGE MARCH 2019

Despite properties north of Quilpie having some relief rain, the shire is coming out of another very ordinary low rainfall summer. It is on everyone's mind and really does lead every discussion. From a Council perspective there is a certain feeling of helplessness, knowing that rain is really the only solution that will turn things around but always feeling, in the back of your mind, that there might be something we can do.

We have extended the rates payment period for our rural ratepayers for the second time, only a small relief I know, but still worth doing. In times like these, Council has to be very careful to maintain our financial health because, like any business, it is your financial position that causes the most stress and will eventually determine how well you survive disasters and how quickly you recover.

A good example of why financial health is vital is that Council has been able to increase our shire roads budget by \$300,000 up to \$1M for this financial year without too much stress on our budget. This was to keep our shire contractors and council crews working as well as improving our roads. In dry years it is invariably more difficult and expensive to maintain our roads in an acceptable condition. We have also allocated nearly half of two lots of funding from State Government (\$1M Works for QLD) and Federal Government (\$1M Drought Funding) to roads as well. This totals nearly \$1M extra.

The lack of work for our road crews is partly due to receiving no Main Roads capital works for the last two years despite many letters, meetings with Ministers etc., and, of course, no flood damage work. However, we are appreciative of Transport and Main Roads for extra RMPC (maintenance) work that has been a help for our council crews and contractors. This was mainly due to our RMPC work being done quickly and efficiently, opening up the opportunity for more funding to come our way.

One of the hardest aspects of being on Council, especially in times like these, is that we spend a lot of time setting in place strategies that we think will deliver benefits in the medium to long term and they don't necessarily help much in the immediate term. For instance, I have always been very bullish on tourism and one reason is that it isn't dependent on rain. Similarly, the Wellspring project will provide employment and economic benefits irrespective of the seasons. The trouble is these strategies take a long time to deliver and that is the frustrating thing but, in ten years' time, I am hopeful that increased tourism and a thriving Wellspring industrial precinct will help enormously to alleviate the problems we will face if we are in another drought like this one. I am fully aware, though, that doesn't help anyone struggling today.

With that long term thinking in mind, I have just been to a forum in Cunnamulla called the "Five Issues Forum". It was run by RDA (Regional Development Australia), a committee that I am the Deputy Chair of that advises and facilitates development across the ten shires from Toowoomba west to the SA border. The five issues were Population decline, Improving digital connectivity, Zonal tax incentives, Transport and Logistics, and Access to energy.

Although I am involved in all these issues my main area of input on the day was to do with the energy access proposal. I recently had a meeting with the Energy Minister in Canberra as part of a deputation from South West Qld over a proposal to link the national energy grid from South East Qld to Adelaide through our region. There is some very solid reasons for doing this and it would stabilise the national grid enormously. The benefits for us would be cheaper and more

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reliable power and it would open up the opportunity for major power generation out here because we would have the means to transmit it to where the high demand is. This generation would be gas fired, solar and possibly even geothermal eventually. Although this could be an exciting project in the long term I do realise that this doesn't provide any relief for the immediate challenges we all face.

It is vital though that Council continues to plan and drive significant developments that will safeguard our future because, believe me, no one else is. The days when State or Federal Governments or even the business world used to plan how to develop and populate the bush are long gone!

Kind Regards to all,

Stuart Mackenzie



# Drought Assistance – Lions Club District Q3

The Lions Club District Q3 have advised they now have additional financial assistance available to rural property owners within the Quilpie Shire.

They will assist drought affected property owners by way of paying invoices owing to local businesses. Eligible properties are those owned locally by families who reside in the Shire and not multi-nationals, corporations or those managed by a paid manager with absentee landlords. Due to limited funds this is only available to those who have not received this funding before.

For further information please contact Lions directly at:

disaster\_ relief@lionsq3.org.au



The Quilpie Shire Council warmly invites you to attend the official opening of

# "Defying the Drought with Creativity"

To be held at the Quilpie Shire Gallery 29<sup>th</sup> March 2019 6:30pm

#### Light Refreshments Available

This exhibition will showcase some of the products of RADF funded workshops & the Quilpie Cultural Society. This talented community group deserves this special display.

This exhibition will be on display until 29<sup>th</sup> April 2019





# **Quilpie Fire Station Firefighters Needed!**

Auxiliary Firefighters are casual, station-based firefighters who respond to emergency situations when the demand arises. As a member of the QFES team, you will be an integral part of the front-line emergency and disaster response in Queensland.

The Quilpie Fire Station is looking for suitable persons who are interested in helping their community by becoming an Auxiliary Firefighter.

### Interested??? ....

- You could come along and visit the station on our training night - Wednesdays 5.30pm –7.30pm
- Or contact Roger on **0428 561 468** to arrange a time to catch up



# RODEO 🔷 CHALLENGE 🧉 GYMKHANA 🔹 BIKEKHANA

# FRIDAY 12th APRIL

#### **Cowboy Polo 4.00pm Start**

Fun afternoon of Cowboy Polo made up of teams of 4. Rules will be announce on the day.

Bar Games 7.00pm Informal evening of fun with various novelty games played.

# SATURDAY 13th April 2019 Stockman's Challenge 7am Start

- 1. Rookie Challenge Dry Work
- 2. Open Challenge Dry Work
- 3. Open Challenge—Cattle Work\*
- 4. Rookie Challenge—Cattle Work\*
- 5. Futurity Challenge Dry Work & Obstacle Course
- 6. Junior Challenge—Dry Work (\* Conditions Pending )

## Horse Gymkhana 8am Start

KIDS: 7&Under Led; 7&Under; 12&Under; 16&Under Age groups ran as separate events:

- 1. Bending Race
- 2. Flag Race
- 3. Figure 8
- 4. Barrel Race
- 5. Monte Carlo-7 & Under Led ; 7 & Under; 12 & Under
- 6. Walk Trot Lead -12 & Under & 16 & Under
- 7. Keyhole —12 & Under & 16 & Under
- 8. Thread the Needle—16 & Under
- ADULTS (17yrs plus) Bud Brassington Memorial Open 9.
- Bending Race
- 10. Flag Race

Saturday Night Live Music & Bar until late

# SATURDAY NIGHT Barrel Battle 3.30pm

Horse vs. Motorbike (The winner of the Open Horse & Open Bike Gym khana competing against one another)

## **RODEO 4pm Start**

- Bullock Ride
  Station Buck Jump
  Rookie Bull Ride
  Poddy Ride
- Poddy Ride
  Saddle Bronc
- 6. Bull Ride
- RSA & Channel Country Circuit Affiliated

ALL nominations due 1.4.19

# FULL BAR & CATERII

NO GLASS allowed on grounds

# SATURDAY 13th April 2019

## Horse Gymkhana Continued.

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- 12. Keyhole
- 13. Trot Relay
- 14. Rescue Race
- 15. Costello Family Thread the Needle
- 16. Rusty Donohue Memorial Barrel Race

# **ikek**hana 8am Start

JUNIORS (16yrs & Under): Will be run in bike classes—Peewee's, Up to 125cc & Over 125cc .Classes ran as separate events:

- Bending Race
- Flag Race

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- 3. Figure 8
- 4. Barrel Race
- 5. Rescue Race
- 6. Keyhole
- OPEN (17yrs & Over)
- 7. Bending Race
- 8. Flag Race
- 9. Envelope Race
- 10. Keyhole
- 11. Bang And Go Back
- 12. Rescue Race
- 12. Wheel Stand
- 13. Barrel Race

Bikekhana-Overall Open Rider & Lady Rider Prizes



Judges decision is final. The committee reserves the right to alter the program.



Shire residents show strong support for redevelopment proposal for Council's old depot site.

A big thank you for the community turn out on 24 November last year, where the "Big Idea" of Quilpie Wellspring was presented to 97 shire residents at the Bowls Club. On the following Monday, the same presentation was given to Council's staff at the new depot. After

these two events, Quilpie Wellspring had been presented to 139 shire residents representing 21% of the town residents and 17% of Quilpie Shire's population.

At the end of each presentation, overwhelming support was given to Council to progress the business case. Since November, Council has been having further discussions with Federal, State and private sector agencies to identify areas of potential funding and investment. The high level of interest and support from Quilpie residents continues to send a very positive message to potential partners.

Quilpie Wellspring is a big vision and it will require significant government and private sector contributions. Early feedback has been very encouraging, and council is continuing to explore opportunities for progressing a detailed business case.

Stay tuned for more information over the next few months.

Conservation

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES AND SENIORS PROGRAM Michelle Donohue: Health Promotions Officer Phone: 4656 0500 Mobile: 0427 243 055						
		Mai	rch 2019			
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
				1 10.30am St Matthews Hall Bingo	2	3
4 9.00am Aqua with Alina	5 2.00pm CWA Hall Craft & Conservation	6 10.30am I-Pads Library	7 9.00am Aqua with Alina 2.00pm CWA Hall Healthy Minds	8 10.30am St Matthews Hall Hoy	9	10
11 9.00am Aqua with Alina	12 2.00pm St Matthews Hall Craft & Conservation	13 10.30am Transcribing Library	14 9.00am Aqua with Alina 2.00pm St Matthews Hall Healthy Minds	15 8.30am Foot Care Day Eromanga Limited Bookings for Bus	16	17
18 9.00am Aqua with Alina Health Brain Week (18 – 22)	19 12.00pm Seniors Luncheon Quilpie Hospital	20 10.30am I-Pads Library	21 9.00am Aqua with Alina 2.00pm CWA Hall Healthy Minds	22 10.30am St Matthews Hall Jumble Sale	23	24
25 9.00am Aqua with Alina	26 2.00pm St Matthews Hall Craft &	27 10.30am Transcribing Library	28 9.00am Aqua with Alina 2.00pm St Matthews Hall	29 10.00am Men's Group Gyrica Gardens	30	31

**Healthy Minds** 



#### **ISSUE OF RATES NOTICES**

Ratepayers of the Quilpie Shire Council are advised that rate notices for the period 01 January 2019 to 30 June 2019 were issued 28 February 2019.

Rates are due **FRIDAY 29 MARCH 2019**, with the exception of rural landowners in rating categories 6, 8, 9 and 10. Due to the ongoing drought conditions Council has granted an extension of time for these RURAL properties and the due date for payment will be FRIDAY 28 JUNE 2019.

Discount will be allowed if payment is received by 5.00pm on the applicable due date.

To ensure you don't miss the discount please consider Bpay and EFT payment clearance timeframes. It is the responsibility of the property owner to advise Council of any change of address. For further information please contact Council's Customer Service Centre on (07) 4656 0500.

#### **EROMANGA TELEVISION**

Eromanga Residents are advised, that following discussion at the Community Meeting held on Friday 22nd February 2019 regarding options for television services, Council resolved at its March Ordinary Meeting to discontinue the retransmission of television services in Eromanga and provide the necessary infrastructure and installation to affected Eromanga Town residents to maintain one free-to-air access point per residence or motel/ hotel room.

Contact will be made to residents in the near future to determine requirements to enable this change to take place.

#### JOHN WAUGH PARK OVAL CLOSURE

Residents are reminded that due to the upgrade of the oval at John Waugh Park, this facility will be closed until further notice. Please stay off the oval surface whilst works are being undertaken. For further information please contact Council's Customer Service Centre on (07) 4656 0500.

#### **EXPRESSION OF INTEREST - CATERING AND BAR**

Expressions of interest are called for the provision of both bar and catering Services at the upcoming Artour "Outback Comedy Gala" being hosted by Quilpie Shire Council.

This event is being held at the Quilpie Shire Hall on Saturday 30th March with doors opening at 6.00pm. The successful community group will need to provide catering and bar services, staff and supplies. Set up & clean-up of bar & kitchen will also be required.

Expressions of Interest close at 5.00pm FRIDAY 15 MARCH.

For specific bar and menu requirements or for further information please contact Janelle Cassol on 4656 0500 or email her at janellec@quilpie.qld.gov.au.



Regional Arts Development Fund (RADF) is a partnership between the Queensland Government and Quilpie Shire Council to support local arts and culture in regional communities.

Quilpie Shire has developed priorities for the 2019-2020 RADF program. Under the framework of the Arts and Cultural Plan the local priorities are:

- Our People & Community A creative, engaged, cohesive community which supports and acknowledges its artists and artisans
- Our Place An appealing, attractive Shire with quality arts & cultural facilities and amenities
- Our Past Preservation and celebration of our rich natural and cultural heritage
- Our Partnerships Productive partnerships and alliances within and external to the Region
- Our Prosperity An arts and cultural sector that contributes economic value and prosperity

## EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST for the 2019-2020 Program will close on Friday 29<sup>th</sup> March 2019

Before submitting an EOI please read the RADF Program Guidelines. EOI forms are available on the Quilpie Shire Council website – www.quilpie.qld.gov.au.

For further information please contact:

Janelle Cassol radf@quilpie.qld.gov.au Phone: (07) 4656 0500

#### **Dave Burges**

**Chief Executive Officer** 

www.quilpie.qld.gov.au

(07) 4656 0500

#### FROM THE CEO DESK MARCH 2019

Council held its Ordinary Meeting on Friday 08 March 2019.

As is customary all Councillors provided an overview of activities they have undertaken since the last Council meeting.

Councillors have been kept busy travelling to Charleville, Eromanga, Gladstone, Canberra, Brisbane, Toowoomba and Cunnamulla for various meetings and deputations, including meetings with the Deputy Prime Minister and the Federal Energy Minister to lobby on a variety of issues.

The Quilpie landfill is regulated by the Environmental Protection Authority (EPA). They have instructed Council to be more proactive in taking measures to stop fire incidents from occurring. Staff will prepare a report for the April Ordinary meeting of Council providing options and recommendations on making the site more secure.

An application was received from the Quilpie Diggers Race Club, requesting Council give consideration to purchasing a sponsorship package for the 2019 Quilpie Cup. Council approved the request by agreeing to sponsor the band for the day at a cost of \$2,000.

Toompine Progress Association also made application to Council for financial assistance to host the 2019 Easter Gun Shoot. Council agreed to provide assistance to the value of \$2,000 to assist with catering.

The Progress Association also submitted requests for various works to be undertaken at the Toompine Hall. The Toompine Community Development funds will be used for the following:

- purchase of a caterer's gas model oven;
- purchase of a gas hot water system; and
- financial assistance for the materials, engineering plans and building certification for the construction of an undercover area.

Council also agreed to purchase a mobile generator which will be made available for hire by community organisations.

Additional requests received saw Council approving financial assistance of \$4,987.50 inc GST for the production of tourism brochures for the Eromanga natural History Museum, and \$450 for the purpose of printing materials for the NAIDOC Week 2019 school initiative competitions.

Council approved the following applications for Round 3 of the Regional Arts Development Fund (RADF) 2018-19 program:

- Quilpie Cultural Society \$650 for an Ironwork School and \$2,166 for 'Fifi's Fabricology' workshop; and
- QCWA Quilpie Branch \$845 for a Soap Making Workshop

Council ratified the decision to extend the rates discount period for rural property owners (rating categories 6, 8, 9 and 10) by 90 days for the rating period 01 January to 30 June 2019.

The State Government is proposing a wide range of reforms leading up to the next Council election which will be held in March next year. Some of these reforms are of great concern to the local government community and it was resolved that Councillors Jenny Hewson and Bob Hall will travel to Brisbane to join Councils statewide at a special meeting of the Local Government Association of Queensland to discuss and vote on the position of local governments in relation to the reforms. Council also resolved to write to the Premier of Queensland highlighting Council's concerns specifically.

As usual a range of other administrative matters were also discussed. The full minutes of the most recent and previous meetings are available on Council's website at www.quilpie.qld.gov.au (About Council / Meetings).

I am happy to meet with anyone that would like further information on any meeting outcomes. Members of the community are also reminded that all Councillors are happy to speak with you on any issue.

Regards,

Dave B.

Pay on time to receive the 10% prompt payment discount

Rates due 29 March 2019 (with the exception of rural properties in categories 6, 8, 9 & 10 (due 28 June)

**Quilpie Shire Council** 



The Regional Arts Development Fund is a partnership between the Queensland Government and Quilpie Shire Council to support local arts and culture in regional Queensland.





Water is a valuable commodity. While we may be lucky to have a supply from the artesian basin, we must all work together to ensure we are not wasting water.

Did you know that a standard garden hose uses around **1000 litres** of water in just one hour?

Residents are urged not to leave sprinklers running overnight, nor leave hoses running to keep the water hot.

Let's all look after our environment!

With the tourist season kicking off and all the visitors coming to town, we want to make a great impression so let's get together and...

Clean up our Towns!\*

To assist residents, Council will be conducting a 'kerb side collection service' for rubbish, garden matter or unwanted items. Car bodies will also be eligible for collection.

The collection service will be carried out between Monday 08 and Friday 12 April. Items big and small will be eligible for collection so start getting ready now! Items are to be out on footpaths the evening of Sunday 07 April.

PLEASE NOTE: IF YOU HAVE HEAVY, LARGE OR A HIGH VOLUME OF ITEMS FOR COLLECTION, YOU MUST CONTACT COUNCIL TO ARRANGE AN INSPECTION AND TO ENSURE STAFF KNOW TO ENTER YOUR YARD IF ITEMS ARE NOT ABLE TO BE PLACED ON THE FOOTPATH.

For further enquiries, or to make a booking, please contact Luke Hunter on 07 4656 0500.

\*Collections will take place in Quilpie, Eromanga, Adavale and Toompine townships.





# **Quilpie Cultural Society Workshops 2019**

16<sup>th</sup> – 17<sup>th</sup> March **Silversmithing** with Jill Dyer Rep Jane Mulligan 0428547400

3<sup>rd</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup> May **Embroidery** with Marlene Lamberth Rep Robyn Cherry 0428612566

15<sup>th</sup> – 19<sup>th</sup> May Raffle Quilt with Cheryl Denny Rep Jan McConnell 0428562083

23<sup>rd</sup> – 27<sup>th</sup> May Furniture Restoration with Dean Timms Rep Josie Martyr 0427036984

31<sup>st</sup> May – 3<sup>rd</sup> June Cathedral Windows quilt with Fran Bulmer Rep Jan McConnell 0428562083

14<sup>th</sup> – 17<sup>th</sup> June **Upholstery** with Tim Symons Rep Josie Martyr 0427036984

June date to be determined (*Funding Pending*) Ironwork with Brian Rutledge Rep Kylie Rutledge 0746564731

10<sup>th</sup> – 11<sup>th</sup> August <mark>Silversmithing</mark> with Jill Dyer Rep Jane Mulligan 0428547400 RADF Workshops in 2019 with dates yet to be set:

Lyn Barnes	Pastels	
John Morrison	Watercolours	
Maxine Thompson	Pastels	
Louise Gronold	Photography	

Reminder – 2019 Memberships are due for renewal.

We are looking for expressions of interest for Millinery and Glass work.

If anyone is interested in becoming a Rep and organising a new and/or different workshop please contact us at <u>cultural\_society@hotmail.com.au</u>

Or feel free to contact any of the committee:

President Jess Gilby 0457 033 900 Secretary Gina McConnell 0427 300 021 Treasurer Louise Hall 0488 596 540

23<sup>rd</sup> – 26<sup>th</sup> August (*Funding Pending*) **"Judy Niemeyer"** foundation paper piecing and **"By Annie Bag"** with 2 tutors from Fifi's Fabricology Rep Jan McConnell 0428562083

20<sup>th</sup> – 23<sup>rd</sup> March 2020 (*Funding Pending*) **Repurposed Fabric Textiles Collage** with Jennifer Clouston Rep Jan McConnell 0428562083

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# Drought Wellbeing Service



Royal Flying Doctor Service

# **Drought Wellbeing Service**

# 24 hour helplines

- > Beyond Blue 1300 22 4636
- > Lifeline 13 11 14
- > Suicide Call back 1300 659 467
- Mensline 1300 78 99 78
- > headspace (12-25 yrs.) 1800 650 890



**Doctor Service** 

OUTFRICKING SECTION



# Sad is normal. Stress is normal.

**But too much** can affect your health and the health of those around you.



Royal Flying Doctor Service

# Talking confidentially to the RFDS Drought Wellbeing Team could help.

We offer a range of mental health services including:

- Individual counselling sessions
- > Talks, group presentations and training
- > Pit stop health checks

#### Locations:

- > North West
- > Townsville
- > Central West
- > South West
- > Darling Downs



For further information about DWS services in your area, call Gail Jamieson, Manager Drought Wellbeing Service on 0427 288 432 or email infodws@rfdsqld.com.au



Individuals, families, farms and communities in the Quilpie Shire can access a range of services and support to help them manage during times of drought and prepare for future conditions.

For more information and to apply for assistance visit <u>http://www.agriculture.go</u> v.au/ag-farm-food/drought

# **QCWA Amateur Photography Competition 2019**

# You don't have to be a member to enter!

Love your camera, and taking shots of just about everything?

Why not enter the QCWA Photography Contest?

Members, non-members and children up to 15 years are welcome to enter.

There are 11 categories, with one of the categories being in two parts for children up to nine years and children 10 to 15 years inclusive. Each year, one of the categories reflects the current United Nations International Year.

# CATEGORIES:

- 1. Black and White or Sepia any subject
- 2. QCWA At Work
- 3(a) Photograph by a child up to and including the age of 9 years
- 3(b) Photograph by a child from 10 years to and including 15 years
- 4. Wildlife Animal, Bird or Insect may be close up
- 5. Landscape May include land, sky and or water
- 6. Animals in Action
- 7. Creative and Manipulative (Only this category can be digitally enhanced by computer editing programmes.)
- 8. QCWA Building or Buildings
- 9. Signpost or Signposts
- 10. People Single, group or Crowd At an event or function
- 11. Plants, Part of a Plant or Fungi
- 12. Special Category- Primary Product of the Year Honey

Photos must be rectangular in shape up to the maximum size of 5"x7" (12.7 cm x 17.8 cm), mounted on A5-sized black cardboard (which is  $\frac{1}{2}$  of an A4 size sheet)

The special category photographs are judged by coin donation. A 50 cent entry fee per photo.

# Photos need to be in by 29<sup>th</sup> March 2019

For more information, please contact:

Michelle Donohue 0428 673 301 or Valerie Stevenson 0428 434 665



# VISITING HEALTH SERVICES

#### **Body Alignment Therapy**

Body Alignment Therapist, Lois Fernandez offers pain relief and functional support to those who have issues such as sciatica, sore backs, stiff necks, stress related conditions as well as conditions in children. To book for an appointment please ring 0419 657 408.

#### **Dental Services**

The Dental Truck will be visiting Quilpie on a regular basis.

The next scheduled visit is:

Thursday 21 to Friday 22 March 2019

To make appointments please call 0400 473 441 or truck@thedentalstation.com.au

## CWAATSICH

Quilpie Health Services - please contact CWAATSICH directly on 4656 1391.

# Quilpie Hospital (South West Hospital & Health Service)

A range of allied health and medical specialists visit Quilpie Hospital on a regular basis. For further information and dates contact the Quilpie Medical Centre directly on 07 4656 1158.

Dental Services (South West Oral Health Clinic)– will be providing Oral Health Services at the Quilpie Hospital Dental Clinic. To make an appointment call: 1300 215 659.

Visiting Allied Health Services requiring referral:

Speech Pathologist - 26 March, 23 April

Occupational Therapist - 26 March, 23 April

Dietician - 26 March, 23 April

*Physiotherapist* – 13, 14, 28 March, 10 April

Child Health Nurse - 12, 13 March & 9, 10 April

Women's Health Clinic - 9, 10 April





# IGNITE IDEAS FUND

The Ignite Ideas Fund provides grants to support startups and small to medium Queensland businesses to commercialise innovative products, processes or services that have reached minimum viable product stage and have market potential.

To be eligible for funding, applicant organisations must be a business or startup organisation based in Queensland, be registered for GST and have no more than than 50 full time equivalent employees.

Please note - Expressions of Interest close at 10am on Monday 25 March 2019.

For all the details visit the Advance Queensland website at https://advance.qld.gov.au/entrepr eneurs-and-startups-industry-smallbusiness/ignite-ideas-fund



# The Dental Truck

# is returning to Quilpie

# What services will we provide?

The Dental Truck will be offering all the general dental services which include: general checkups/ cleans, fillings, dentures, crowns and bridges, extractions, teeth whitening, root canal therapy, orthodontic treatment

# Important:

If you have a pension card or health care card, you can call 1300 552 626 to seek a dental voucher from the Roma office.

# When is our next trip?

March 21st-22nd 2019

# How can you make an appointment?

We prefer all appointment enquiries to be made using our website.

# bit.ly/trucknp

# Alternatively you may call us on

0400 473 441 or email us at

truck@thedentalstation.com.au

We look forward to seeing you soon!

# ST FINBARR'S PARISH QUILPIE

# Sunday Mass Times and Special Celebrations 2019

The community is openly welcome to attend any or all of the Liturgy Celebrations & Assemblies held at St Finbarr's School.

Wednesday 6th March - Ash Wednesday Prayer Assembly St Finbarr's Church 10.30am Friday 15th March - Combined Prayer Celebration for St Patrick and St Joseph St Finbarr's School 9am Sunday 24th March - Mass, St Finbarr's Church 6pm

#### Holy Week and Easter

Thursday 4th April - School Easter Prayer Celebration St Finbarr's School 9am Sunday 14th April - Palm Sunday St Finbarr's Church Blessing of Palms and Mass 6pm Sunday 21st April - Rev Di Murphy, Easter Mass, St Matthews Anglican Church 10am

> Sunday 28th April - Mass, St Finbarr's Church 6pm Sunday 26th May - Mass, St Finbarr's Church 6pm Friday 7th June - Pentecost Prayer Assembly St

#### Finbarr's School 9am

Sunday 23rd June - Mass, St Finbarr's Church 6pm

Sunday 28th July - Mass, St Finbarr's Church 6pm

Thursday 8th August - Prayer Celebration, St Mary Mackillop Feast Day

#### St Finbarr's School 9am

Sunday 25th August - Mass, St Finbarr's Church 6pm

Sunday 22nd September - Mass, St Finbarr's Church 6pm Sunday

27th October - Mass, St Finbarr's Church 6pm

Friday 1st November - All Saints & All Souls Prayer Service

#### St Finbarr's Church 10.30 am

Sunday 24th November - End of year Mass St Finbarr's Church 6pm

Christmas Mass times to be advised

## FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES FOR COMMUNITY GROUPS

The Federal Government has released two new environmental grant programs, the Solar Communities Program and the Communities Environment Program. These programs are to assist your organisation with the practical support needed to reduce your energy costs and to help improve the local environment.

Community groups need to submit the relevant EOIs and return via email to david.littleproud.mp@aph.gov.au or mail to The Hon David Littleproud MP, Member for Maranoa, PO Box 641, Dalby Qld 4405.

Please note that to be eligible for funding, it is vital that you complete the attached EOI form/s and submit to The Hon David Littleproud MP office by Friday 22 March 2019.

To check eligibility and to download the EOI forms you can view all the details on our website at https://quilpie.qld.gov.au/2019/03/14/eois-open-federal-government-environmental-grants/

# Applications are now open for the 2019 Ergon-Energex Community Fund

We'll be providing more than \$100,000 in funding across the state to not-for-profit community groups and organisations whose projects need a helping hand to get them across the line.

If you have a project that provides a lasting benefit to the community - like support for local disaster recovery, encouraging community unlocking innovative identity. solutions using renewable and sustainable resources, or improving electrical safetv through educational programs and facility upgrades - we want to hear from you!

Grants up to \$5,000 are available for eligible projects and this year, an additional \$5,000 is up for grabs with a people's choice bonus, as voted by real people across our communities.

That means you could double your grant and receive up to \$10,000 funding in total!

For more information, and to apply, visit your applicable energy provider website at <u>energex.com.au/communityfund</u> or <u>ergon.com.au/communityfund.</u>

Applicationsclose5.00pm, Monday 8 April2019. Don't miss out!





# **JUMBLE SALE**

Due to the overwhelming amount of donated goods in the recent weeks, we ask that NO MORE DONATIONS be left at the Church Hall until further notice.

We apologise for the inconvenience, but we need to clear the backlog of goods in order to accept new ones.

Please DO NOT put soiled items in your donations.

THANK YOU for your understanding in this matter and also our thanks go to the many people who have left donated goods for us to process and sell.

Regards from Robyn, Tina and the wonderful volunteers who man the sale every month.



	2019 QUILPI	e shire ev	/ENTS	
DATE	EVENT	CONTACT	DETAILS	
MARCH				
29 <sup>th</sup>	Cultural Society/ RADF Exhibition	VIC Girls – 4656 0540	Quilpie Shire Gallery @ 6:30pm	
Closing 29 <sup>th</sup> April				
APRIL				
12 <sup>th</sup> & 13 <sup>th</sup>	Adavale Rodeo, Gymkhana & Campdraft	Dale Chicken – 4654 0237	Adavale Sport & Rec. Grounds	
19 <sup>th</sup> , 20 <sup>th</sup> & 21 <sup>st</sup>	Eromanga Rodeo, Gymkhana & Campdraft	Jo Pegler	Eromanga Rodeo Grounds	
20 <sup>th</sup> & 21 <sup>st</sup>	Toompine Easter Gunshoot	Philippa Ware – 0408 987 688	Toompine – Camping, Bar & canteen avail.	
24 <sup>th</sup>	Twilight Service	Lisa Hamlyn – 4656 0500	Quilpie Cemetery	
25 <sup>th</sup>	Anzac Day	Lisa Hamlyn – 4656 0500	Shire Hall	
25 <sup>th</sup>	Anzac Day Bowls	Dave Paulsen	Quilpie Club	
MAY				
3 <sup>rd</sup> Closing 5 <sup>th</sup> June	A Palette Of Pastel Exhibition	VIC Girls – 4656 0540	Quilpie Shire Gallery @ 3.00pm	
4 <sup>th</sup>	Quilpie Diggers Race Club – Cup Day	Courtney Bartlett – 4656 1271	Bulloo Park from 11:00am	
11 <sup>th</sup>	Mulga Mates Mother's Day High Tea	Kindy		
TBA	Biggest Morning Tea	Michelle Donohue – 4656 0500	10am – 12pm Gold Coin Donation	
JUNE				
7 <sup>th</sup> Closing 15 <sup>th</sup> July	Kaye Kerner Exhibition	VIC Girls - 4656 0540	Quilpie Shire Gallery @ 6.30pm	
29 <sup>th</sup> & 30 <sup>th</sup>	Quilpie Polocrosse Carnival	Karen Hall - 0429 977 718	Bulloo Park	
JULY				
19 <sup>th</sup> Closing 26 <sup>th</sup> Aug.	Local Photography Exhibition	VIC Girls – 4656 0540	Quilpie Shire Gallery @ 6:30pm	
20 <sup>th</sup> & 21st	Nockatunga/Toompine Polocrosse Carnival	Dee Edwards possamunga@activ8.net.au	Toompine – Bar, Canteen & Camping avail.	
	Presidents Day	Jocelyn Haylock - 0409 302 263	Quilpie Club	
AUGUST		5000.jii 110.jii 0 105 002 205	Southing crans	
AUGUST	Quilpie Motorbike Gymkhana	Kerri Vagg - 0417 739 426	Bulloo Park	
	Quilpie Golf Club Open Weekend		Quilpie Golf Club	
30 <sup>th</sup> August Closing 4 <sup>th</sup> Oct.	Samantha Meurant Exhibition	VIC Girls – 4656 0540	Quilpie Shire Gallery @ 6:30pm	
SEPTEMBER				
3rd	Kangaranga Do	Bluey & Ann – 4656 1300	Main Street - Imperial Hotel	
14 <sup>th</sup>	Quilpie Show & Rodeo	Danielle Dunlop - 4656 2550	Bulloo Park from 10am	
27 <sup>th</sup> & 28 <sup>th</sup>	Pride Of The West Festival	Courtney Bartlett – 4656 1271	Bulloo Park from 11am	
		Courtiley Bartlett – 4050 12/1		
OCTOBER	Annual 2 Day Bowls Carnival	Jocelyn Haylock - 0409 302 263	Bowls Club	
11 <sup>th</sup>	Combined Schools Exhibition	VIC Girls – 4656 0540	Quilpie Shire Gallery @ 6:30pm	
Closing 8th Nov.	Ladios Night In	Dhilippa Ware 0409 097 699	Bulloo Park	
ТВА	Ladies Night In St. Finbarr's Fete & Mystery Holiday	Philippa Ware 0408 987 688	St. Finbarr's	
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11 <sup>th</sup>	Remembrance Day	Lisa or Janet – 4656 0540	Bob Young Memorial Park	
15 <sup>th</sup> Closing Jan. 2020	Christmas in the Gallery	VIC Girls – 4656 0540	Quilpie Shire Gallery @ 6:30pm	
DECEMBER				
ТВА	Town Christmas Party	Jenny Hewson 4656 1311		

# The National Disability Insurance Scheme (also called the NDIS) is the new way of providing disability support.

The NDIS will provide all Australians under the age of 65 who have a permanent and significant disability with the reasonable and necessary supports they need to enjoy an ordinary life.

The NDIS will help people with disability achieve their goals. This may include greater independence,



As an insurance scheme, the NDIS takes a lifetime approach, investing in people with disability early to improve their outcomes later in life.

The NDIS also provides people with disability, their family and carers with information and referrals to existing support services in the community.

By 2019, the NDIS will support about 460,000 Australians with disability.









# Can I access the NDIS?

## To become an NDIS participant a person must:

 Have a permanent disability that significantly affects their ability to take part in everyday activities;

Be aged less than 65 when they first enter the NDIS;



Be an Australian citizen or hold a permanent visa or a Protected Special Category visa; and

 Live in Australia where the NDIS is available.

# Can I still receive support if I do not meet the access requirements for the NDIS?

A person does not have to be an NDIS participant to receive support from the NDIS. The NDIS will connect people with disability, their families and carers, including people who are not NDIS participants, to disability and mainstream supports in their community.

To find out more call or visit Council's NDIS Support Coordinator, Chris Houghton on 0436 816 827



