

## MAYOR'S MESSAGE OCTOBER 2019

A council's role has historically been described as being all about "Roads, Rates and Rubbish". This was probably true in the early days, but as times move on it is becoming much more than that. Years ago the councillors were mainly responsible for the operations of council which predominately did revolve around roads, rates and rubbish. However, rightly or wrongly, local government has evolved to the present situation where the CEO and senior staff generally take care of basic operations and councillors are chiefly engaged in "strategic direction". The big over riding area in this is economic development.

I am personally directly involved with the Regional Development Australia committee (RDA Darling Downs and South West), the South West Regional Economic Development committee (SWRED), the Council of Mayors (COM Darling Downs and South West), the Outback Queensland Tourism Association (OQTA) and a couple of others which are all, one way or another, about economic development. It is an area that interests me and I enjoy but is also incredibly frustrating and can be a laborious process.

We recently had an Economic Development and Planning forum in Quilpie where the council hosted a regular meeting of council economic development officers and planning officers across the Darling Downs and South West area which is from Toowoomba west to the border. The town was booked out and it was great to hold this event in Quilpie. Coinciding with the drama of having a fallen power line across the main street certainly added to the excitement and talking points for the day! Visitors from as far east as Toowoomba were certainly given a different aspect on the concept of "economic development" as it relates to the western shires.

Dave Burges and I presented the Wellspring project to the group and, along with appropriate council staff, participated in the two day event. Many ideas were floated and discussions had but, at the end of the day, nothing much new was presented. It was great to get "easterners" views on western problems and opportunities but these were generally the same things that have been discussed many times over the last ten or twenty years. It brought it home to me that economic development is easy to talk about and agree on but incredibly difficult to actually achieve.

Diversifying the economy and developing other industries is an obvious goal and tourism is one that

we have put a lot of effort into in recent years and we are seeing some success in increased visitation, length of stay, increased spend, and, most important of all, new tourism businesses starting up. The progress is slow, however, and, as all businesses directly servicing tourists know, it is hard work and long hours that has to be maintained, sometimes seven days a week.

Economic development is also about nurturing our existing core industries encouraging expansion or survival, depending on where we are at in that particular industry's cycle. Again, whether we are talking about grazing, resources, trucking, opal mining or any other of our local entrenched industries, their success or otherwise comes back to hard work and long hours and development is often slow and laborious. You often have to pull up and look back on what has developed over ten or twenty years to really make a judgement on what progress has been made.

Where I mentioned earlier that economic development is frustrating and laborious it is because, most of the time, you don't feel like you are achieving anything. I am sure if you ask people on the street about economic development they would agree that not much is happening and we are losing population etc. etc. However, if you do take a long term view and think of Quilpie Shire twenty years ago you would have to admit that a lot of development has happened and infrastructure and services, generally, have improved substantially. We have also seen downturns, in the rural sector in particular, and that has been due to many different factors, many out of anyone's control. There is no doubt that the whole Australian economy is being adversely affected by drought at the moment and there are many instances in history where the national economy has rebounded strongly when the season breaks. That time can't be too far away. Many city people don't have any comprehension of how much impact long term, wide spread droughts have on the economy.

A council's role in economic development of the shire is a two steps forward, one step back kind of process and it is frustrating and often not noticeably successful but it is very much about taking a long term view, believing in what you are trying to achieve, committing to that course of action and, lastly but most importantly of all, be persistent. It's a bit like running a business actually!

Kind Regards to all,

Stuart Mackenzie

# JOHNATHAN THURSTON & THE JT ACADEMY

## EVENT PROGRAM

### MONDAY 28 OCTOBER

#### Official Opening of John Waugh Park & Community Connect Event with Jonathan Thurston & the JT Academy

BBQ Dinner provided & drinks available for purchase at bar.

**Who:** Open to the community  
**When:** Commencing at 5:30pm  
**Where:** John Waugh Park  
**RSVP:** Essential

### TUESDAY 29 OCTOBER

#### Businesses House Breakfast with Johnathan Thurston & the JT Academy

Motivation and Inspiration delivered to businesses by Johnathan Thurston. Breakfast provided.

**Who:** Quilpie Shire Businesses  
**When:** 7:30am  
**here:** Quilpie Club  
**RSVP:** Essential

#### Seniors Morning Tea with Johnathan Thurston & the JT Academy

Have a cuppa & chat with Johnathan Thurston and the JT Academy. Morning Tea provided.

**Who:** All Quilpie Shire Seniors  
**When:** 10:00am - 11:00am  
**Where:** Quilpie Club  
**RSVP:** Essential

#### JT Future Leaders Workshop with Johnathan Thurston & the JT Academy

Intensive workshop session reinforcing community with a team approach, promoting sense of personal pride and most importantly will provide skills to participants to be productive leaders with a new sense of community and an identified role they can play in community betterment. Afternoon Tea provided.

**Who:** Quilpie Shire community members between 18-35ys  
**When:** 2:30pm - 4:00pm  
**Where:** Quilpie Club  
**RSVP:** Essential

#### Rural Landholders Dinner with Johnathan Thurston & the JT Academy

Johnathan Thurston and the JT Academy providing motivation and addressing drought and associated issues during "tough times". Dinner provided – drinks available to purchase at bar.

**Who:** Quilpie Shire Landholders  
**When:** 6:00pm - 9:00pm  
**Where:** Bulloo Park  
**RSVP:** Essential

**RSVPS ARE REQUIRED FOR ALL EVENTS.**

**PLEASE CONTACT TONI BONSEY OR LISA HAMLIN ON  
(07) 4656 0500 TO REGISTER YOUR ATTENDANCE**



*\* The taking of photos with JT and signing of items by him will be available subject to time constraints.*

# St Finbarr's School

# FETE

## 8th November 2019

6pm - Midnight

**ENTERTAINMENT**

- BAR & FOOD
- MUSIC
- LASER TAG
- SHOW BAGS
- Trash & Treasure
- Lucky Dips
- Raffles
- Stalls

*Stall holders are welcome for a small fee please contact the school*

**Mystery Holiday Prize Draw**  
**Multi Draw Kids Raffle & Prizes**

### Removal of Grids on Local Roads

If any property owners are interested in having grids removed on local roads, Council has this year budgeted some funds for this purpose. To express your interest please contact Tom Hennessy (tomh@quilpie.qld.gov.au) with your contact details and approximate location of the grid.

Alternatively you can give him a call on 07 4656 0500.

Council would like to remind residents of the importance of maintaining their footpaths. Not only do overgrown footpaths present a hazard for those using them, visitors to town often comment on how tidy Quilpie looks.

Council maintains 'open space' areas such as median strips, parks and footpaths adjoining public areas.

### NOTICE OF SPECIAL MEETING

Notice is hereby given that a Special Meeting of Council will be held Wednesday, October 30, 2019 in the Council Boardroom, 50 Brolga Street Quilpie, commencing at 7:00am.

The purpose of the meeting will be to review the results of RFT17 18-19 ENHM Stage 2A Building and Construction; RFT04 19-20 Flood Restoration Works 2019 and RFQ26 19-20 ENHM Stage 2A Project Management.

### 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.

**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

EXPRESSION OF INTEREST

## Christmas in the Gallery

We are putting the call out to anyone who wishes to put their items in the Christmas in the Gallery. If you are interested in selling your items please contact Quilpie VIC 46 560 540 or via [tourism@quilpie.qld.gov.au](mailto:tourism@quilpie.qld.gov.au)

• OPENING 15TH NOVEMBER •  
QUILPIE SHIRE GALLERY  
BROLGA STREET



## From the CEO's Desk

The last Ordinary meeting of Council was held on Friday 11 October.

Council accepted a quotation for the supply and installation of a new diesel hose bowser at the Council depot. The pumps on the existing facility (relocated from the old depot site) do not have automatic cut off which means that if dropped the hoses will continue to run. This item was budgeted for this financial year.

Another item of plant also included in this year's budget was approved, namely a Kenworth T659 prime mover.

A quotation has been called for the supply and installation of new soft fall at Bicentennial Park. The Bicentennial park existing playground soft fall condition has deteriorated to a condition that requires it to be removed and replaced. This matter was considered in conjunction from a request from a resident for Council to improve playground equipment at the park. Council resolved to not accept any quote for the soft fall replacement at this point in time and will investigate a playground upgrade in the 2020-2021 budget deliberations including softfall.

In other activities across the Engineering Department, the quotation for sealing of the next section of the Quilpie Adavale (Red) Road (from 54.35km to 58.0km) was awarded to COLAS Queensland Pty Ltd.

Correspondence has been received from WG & JJ Tully advising that they wish to extend the current agreement for the use of the Gunnadorah Reserve for a further five (5) years for cattle agistment. Council resolved to offer to enter into a Cattle Agistment Agreement for a period of five (5) years at a cost of \$255 per month including GST, in line with current charges for other reserves in the shire.

In the area of economic development and tourism, Council resolved to proceed with the development of an 'Economic Development and Tourism Strategy', support the application to establish a driver reviver stop at the Visitor Information Centre and support an application being submitted to the Year of the Outback Tourism Events Program for the Bash Break on Broilga incorporating the Golf Masters 2020.

The Adavale Rural Fire Service has requested Council give consideration to providing assistance should their external grant application for a shed and water tank be successful. Council agreed to provide assistance by laying of the concrete slab and assisting with erecting the shed and plumbing on a suitable block of land should the application be successful.

Following on from the recent community consultation meeting held with residents at Gyrica Gardens, Council considered the proposal to erect a multi-purpose function room at that location. Council's CEO will undertake further investigations and the matter will be further considered at the November meeting.

As usual a range of other administrative matters were considered.

The full minutes and agendas of Council meetings are available on Council's website at [www.quilpie.qld.gov.au](http://www.quilpie.qld.gov.au). Minutes are generally available on the Tuesday or Wednesday following a Friday meeting.

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

## Submitting a Council Request

A Customer Request includes a request to take action about a Council service, or a request for information.

Customers may request that Council Staff inspect, remove, replace, repair or reinstate Council facilities or amenities which have been damaged or ask for information about a Council service, program or project.

You can submit a request in a number of ways:

- Phone or visit the Administration Office during office hours (8.00am - 5.00pm) on 07 4656 0500;
- Email us at [admin@quilpie.qld.gov.au](mailto:admin@quilpie.qld.gov.au);
- Complete the online form at [quilpie.qld.gov.au/contact/](http://quilpie.qld.gov.au/contact/); or
- Write to us at PO Box 57 Quilpie 4480.

To ensure your request is considered in a timely matter and to allow work to be prioritised according to urgency, please do not contact operational employees directly. All requests should be via the process above.

## Quilpie Visitor Information Centre Opening Hours

### October

Weekdays 8am – 5pm  
Weekends 9am – Middyay

### November to February

Weekdays 8am – 5pm  
Weekends – Closed

### Tourism Season 2020

March – October  
Phone: 07 46 560 540



**QUILPIE SHIRE**  
YOUR OUTBACK ADVENTURE



The primary role of the Small Business Rural Financial Counselling Service Program is to support small businesses in drought impacted areas who are experiencing hardship associated with the long standing drought conditions, and have no alternative source of impartial support.

For further information on this free scheme and the free Rural Financial Counsellor Scheme visit Rural Solutions Queensland website at <https://www.rfcssq.org.au/about/>

### Quilpie Swimming Pool Hours 21 September 2019 - 24 April 2020

Monday -	6.00am - 8.30am, 3.00pm - 6.30pm
Tuesday -	6.00am - 8.30am, 3.00pm - 6.30pm
Wednesday -	6.00am - 8.30am, 3.00pm - 5.00pm
Thursday -	6.00am - 8.30am, 3.00pm - 6.30pm
Friday -	6.00am - 8.30am, 3.00pm - 6.00pm
Saturday -	8.00am - 11.00am, 2.00pm - 7.00pm
Sunday -	11.00am - 6.00pm



# OCTOBER Breast CANCER AWARENESS MONTH



## COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES AND SENIORS PROGRAM Michelle Donohue: Health Promotions Officer Phone: 4656 0500 Mobile: 0427 243 055



### October 2019

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
	1 11.00am International Day of Older Persons Mulga Mates	2 10.30am St Matthews Hall Board Games	3 2.00pm St Matthews Hall Healthy Minds	4 10.30am St Matthews Hall Bingo	5	6
7 <b>PUBLIC HOLIDAY</b>	8 2.00pm CWA Hall Craft and Chat	9 12.00pm Mindfulness Session Quilpie Sports & Rec Centre	10 9.30am Pamper Morning Morning Tea Sausage Sizzle Quilpie Hospital	11 10.30am St Matthews Hall Hoy	12	13
14 9.00am Quilpie Pool Aqua	15 2.00pm St Matthews Hall Craft and Chat	16 10.30am St Matthews Hall Tai Chi	17 9.00am Aqua with Alina 2.00pm St Matthews Hall Healthy Minds	18 10.30am St Matthews Hall Bingo & Pot Luck Lunch	19	20
21 9.00am Quilpie Pool Aqua	22 2.00pm CWA Hall Craft and Chat	23 10.00am Gyrca Gardens Men's Group	24 9.00am Aqua with Alina 2.00pm CWA Hall Healthy minds	25 10.30am St Matthews Hall Jumble Sale	26	27
28 9.00am Quilpie Pool Aqua	29 2.00pm St Matthews Hall Craft and Chat	30 10.30am St Matthews Hall Board Games	31 9.00am Aqua with Alina 2.00pm St Matthews Hall Healthy Minds			



QUILPIE SHIRE COUNCIL INVITES YOU TO ATTEND  
THE OFFICIAL

# JOHN WAUGH PARK OVAL OPENING

&  
COMMUNITY CONNECT EVENT  
WITH JOHNATHAN THURSTON  
AND THE  
JT ACADEMY

Monday 28 October 2019  
John Waugh Park  
Commencing at 5:30pm

BBQ Dinner will be provided  
Drinks available for purchase at the bar

Please RSVP to Quilpie Shire Council on 4656 0500



**phn**  
WESTERN QUEENSLAND  
An Australian Government Initiative

JOHNATHAN THURSTON  
ACADEMY



Queensland  
Government

## NOTICE OF CHANGE TO COUNCIL MEETING DATE

In accordance with the provisions of Section 277 (4) of the Local Government Regulation 2012, notice is hereby given of a change to the scheduled Ordinary Meeting of Council for November 2019.

The November Ordinary Meeting of Council will be held in the Council Boardroom, 50 Brolga Street, Quilpie on Friday 15 November commencing at 9:30am.

Subsequent Ordinary Meetings of Council will be held on the second Friday of each month at the Quilpie Shire Council Office Boardroom unless otherwise advised.

## YOUR COUNCILLORS

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Cr Roger Volz  
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E: rvolz@quilpie.qld.gov.au

## HAD A NEAR MISS OR ACCIDENT ON THE ROAD?

(Particularly along the main state  
controlled roads)

In an important move to collect  
data in relation to safety issues on  
our roads Council has established  
a dedicated email address  
(roads@quilpie.qld.gov.au) to  
allow residents to advise Council  
of dangerous experiences.

The data will be used to support  
road funding applications,  
particularly to the State  
Government.

If you report an incident please  
include location, time of day, and  
details of the experience.





## Mulga Mates Centre Inc.

PO Box 128, Quilpie, QLD, 4480

ABN 18-415-097-155

Phone: 07 4656 1182 Email: [q.mulgamates@gmail.com](mailto:q.mulgamates@gmail.com) or  
[quilpiekindergarten@bigpond.com](mailto:quilpiekindergarten@bigpond.com)

We are thrilled to announce that after many years, Mulga Mates will finally have a Kindergarten program once again! This is a great achievement for the Centre and we are extremely excited for the program to begin on Tuesday 8th October 2019. Miss Surbhi, who is a qualified Early Childhood Teacher, will be leading the program for 3-5 year olds. This program is particularly important for children who start in Prep next year as it will help them to prepare for School.

Approved kindergarten programs are designed to meet government guidelines to support children's participation in quality early childhood education.

Our program will be delivered Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday each week between 9am and 2pm. To partake in the program your child must:

- Be age 3 or over
- Be enrolled at Mulga Mates Centre
- Attend the Centre Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday for a full day

If you would like your child to participate in the program, please email [q.mulgamates@gmail.com](mailto:q.mulgamates@gmail.com). If you have any further questions about the program itself and it's delivery, please call Miss Surbhi on 4656 1182, or email [quilpiekindergarten@bigpond.com](mailto:quilpiekindergarten@bigpond.com).

If your child is not enrolled at the Centre and you would like to participate in the program we would be happy to arrange this for you, even if it's just for one term, please email [q.mulgamates@gmail.com](mailto:q.mulgamates@gmail.com).

Congratulations to the winner of our "Name the new Kenworth" competition, Kobe Booth



## Do you have an event planned for 2020?

# CALL THE VIC TODAY TO BE ON THE SHIRE EVENTS LIST 2020!

Contact us on 4656 0540 or via [tourism@quilpie.qld.gov.au](mailto:tourism@quilpie.qld.gov.au) to have your event included on the list.



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YOUR OUTBACK ADVENTURE



### QUILPIE LIBRARY

Notice is hereby given that children under 8 years of age must be accompanied by a responsible adult when visiting the Quilpie Shire Library, unless participating in an organised program event which includes appropriate supervision. Quilpie Shire Library staff are not responsible for any children left unattended.

Thank you in advance for your co-operation


QUILPIE SPORT & RECREATION INC. PRESENT

# QUIZ IN QUILPIE!

@ THE SHIRE HALL, BROLGA STREET  
SATURDAY 2ND NOVEMBER 6.30PM

ENTER IN TEAMS OF 8 OR LESS  
CASH PRIZE FOR WINNING TEAM  
BAR & SNACK PLATTERS AVAILABLE  
MULTI DRAW RAFFLE 5 TICKETS \$5  
KIDS MOVIE & DINNER \$10 PER CHILD

TICKETS \$20 PP INC DINNER  
AVAILABLE FROM SPORT & REC CENTER AND ELLES NEWS  
FOR MORE INFO EMAIL Q.SPORTREC@GMAIL.COM



AUSTRALIAN REGIONAL  
DEVELOPMENT CONFERENCE



2019 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AWARD



## SES Week 2019 12-20 October

The State Emergency Service (SES) is a volunteer-based organisation empowering people to help themselves and others in times of emergency and disaster.

In Queensland, the SES responds at local and national levels in disasters and emergencies, and is the primary response agency for storms and floods.

SES volunteers are 'ordinary people doing extraordinary things'. Volunteering with the SES is a challenging and rewarding way to give back to your community.

All SES volunteers receive comprehensive training to ensure they have the skills and knowledge they need to do their work safely and effectively.

To find out more about being an SES member give Mike Castles a call on 0408 752 123.



NATIONAL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT  
**2019 AWARDS  
FOR EXCELLENCE**  
**FINALIST**



We are delighted to announce Quilpie Shire Council recently received the award under the category of Economic Development at the 2019 Australian Regional Innovation Awards for the Quilpie Wellspring Project.

Councillor Bob Hall attended the Australian Regional Development Conference where he accepted the award on behalf of Council.

In other exciting news, Quilpie Shire Council has been recognised as a finalist in Economic Development Australia's (EDA) 2019 National Economic Development Awards for Excellence.

EDA is the national peak body for economic development professionals; building capacity, promoting excellence and providing leadership on issues that matter to their members. EDA's prestigious national awards program recognises Australia's best economic development programs and partnerships, marketing campaigns, and the year's most influential leaders.

The National Economic Development Awards for Excellence includes 12 categories which honour organisations and individuals for their efforts in driving economic growth, facilitating powerful partnerships, implementing innovative solutions to challenges and improving local communities. Council was nominated in the Economic Development Initiative- under 15,000 category.

"We had a record number of entries this year so to be named a finalist amongst such fierce competition is a considerable achievement," said Jacqueline Brinkman, EDA Chief Executive Officer.



## FREE fodder harvesting workshop and field day

The Department of Natural Resources, Mines and Energy, together with Quilpie Shire Council, is hosting a free workshop to walk you through the Managing Fodder Harvesting Code.

Officers will be on hand to step you through all you need to know about the code, answer questions and demonstrate how to notify. The afternoon will be a practical demonstration in the field on how to self-audit.

### PROGRAM:

#### Morning

- » Step through the Managing Fodder Harvesting Code
- » How to complete a Fodder Harvesting notification form online and mapping tools

#### Afternoon

- » How to complete a self-audit through a practical demonstration
- » Back to the Shire Hall to assist landholders who wish to notify one on one with a Natural Resources Officer

**When:** Tuesday 22 October 2019

**Where:** Supper Room, Quilpie Shire Hall 50 Broлга Street, Quilpie

**When:** 9:00 am to 3pm (for a 9:30 am start) afternoon session in the field to be advised on the day.

**RSVP:** Visit our Eventbrite page to [register](#)

Morning tea, lunch and afternoon tea will be provided along with tea and coffee.

If you have any questions, or to specify any dietary requirements please email: [vegetation@dnrme.qld.gov.au](mailto:vegetation@dnrme.qld.gov.au)



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## Visiting Services

### Dental Services

The Dental Truck visits Quilpie on a regular basis. To make appointments please call 0400 473 441. or email [truck@thedentalstation.com.au](mailto:truck@thedentalstation.com.au).

### Allied Health Visits - Quilpie Hospital

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.

### Visiting Allied Health Services Requiring Referral:

Physiotherapist - 23 & 24 October

Podiatrist - 23 & 24 October

Social Worker - TBA

### 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.

### CWAATSICH

A range of specialist services visit CWAATSICH on a regular basis. Please contact them on 4656 1391 to make an appointment.

Catch up Cuppa - 22 October

Dr Fielding - 29 October

Physiotherapist - 31 October

## QUILPIE SHIRE LIBRARY NEEDS YOUR HELP!

If you have any Books (*preferably adult fiction*) or Bric-a-Brac that you no longer need, please consider donating them to the Quilpie Library We currently operate a 2<sup>nd</sup> Hand Book/Bric-a-brac stall at the Library

Money collected from sales is included in Council's 2019 Fundraiser

**'Royal Flying Doctor Service'**  
**'Quilpie Hospital Auxiliary Board'**

Please drop any Books/Bric-a-brac at the Quilpie Shire Library

Alternatively, phone or email the Library and we will arrange collection.

Phone Janet or Megan – 4656 0550

Email: [library@quilpie.qld.gov.au](mailto:library@quilpie.qld.gov.au)



# Coffee and CONVERSATION

## Men's Group

Wednesday 23 /10/19



Unit 4 Gyrica Gardens Jabiru Street Quilpie





## Shared Landscapes GasFields Commission Queensland

The GasFields Commission has just released one of the most detailed reports into the Queensland gas industry and its interaction with agriculture ever produced.

We decided to call it 'Shared Landscapes' to reflect the fact that two primary industries, gas and agriculture, operate side by side on the one landscape and both are important industries to Queensland.

The report took more than a year of planning, data collection, analysis and design work to complete.

We actually ended up capturing

more information than we expected so the report stretches out to 117 pages of detailed data broken up into seven categories.

Where possible Shared Landscapes provides context in areas where the two industries overlap such as land use, economic contributions and water use.

First and foremost, Shared Landscapes is a very detailed report on the Queensland gas industry, we think the most detailed ever produced.

We've then included agricultural data to highlight common themes around water use, employment, land use and exports in particular.

The two industries are operating side by side and sharing resources

in regional Queensland so it's helpful to have a clear picture of what's happening where the two industries intersect.

The challenge producing this report was collecting all the relevant data and then turning it into a document that is both informative and easy to read.

Statistics are collected in different ways by different people and different organisations so trying to find comparable figures that are relevant to both agriculture and gas was a particularly big challenge.

Shared Landscapes is available on the GasFields Commission website (go to [gasfieldscommissionqld.org.au](http://gasfieldscommissionqld.org.au)) as an electronic flipbook, a full report or it can be downloaded as individual chapters.

Be aware, the full report is more than 20 MB in size and so the flip book could save you some internet pennies.

# SHARED LANDSCAPES

INDUSTRY TRENDS



## ONGOING WATER MAIN UPGRADE

Residents are advised that Council continues to undertake water mains replacement works in Quilpie.

Please be advised that from early October to December 2019, there will be regular road closures and water supply interruptions in all of Pegler Street and Buln Buln Street from Winchu to Galah.

Council's planned water main replacement program will, over time, help to reduce the number of service interruptions experienced by consumers, increase water pressure and equalise flow rates.

Households affected will be notified in advance when Council needs to interrupt water supply to undertake planned maintenance and repair work. We aim to provide you with at least 48 hours' notice prior to the event.

Please be advised that there may be occasions when unexpected supply interruptions are experienced. During such times, if your service is affected, Council's maintenance personnel aim to restore your connection as quickly as possible.

For further information please contact Council's Customer Service Centre on (07) 4656 0500.

# 2019 QUILPIE SHIRE EVENTS

OCTOBER			
28 – 30	JOHNATHAN THURSTON VISIT	Lisa Hamlyn 4656 0500	Various Locations TBA
NOVEMBER			
2nd	Quiz in Quilpie	Sport & Rec – Hollie <a href="mailto:q.sportrec@gmail.com">q.sportrec@gmail.com</a>	Shire Hall @ 6:30pm
8 <sup>th</sup>	St. Finbarr's Fete	Genny McNair 4656 1412	St. Finbarr's
11 <sup>th</sup>	Remembrance Day	Lisa or Janet 4656 0540	Bob Young Memorial Park
15 <sup>th</sup> <i>Closing Jan. 2020</i>	Christmas in the Gallery	VIC Girls 4656 0540	Quilpie Shire Gallery @ 6:30pm
DECEMBER			
	Town Christmas Party	Jenny Hewson 4656 1311	

It's a  
**Princess & Pirates Day**  
Hosted by Quilpie Library  
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**Friday 1 November**  
**10.30am**

Fun, food, craft & more  
.....  
Come dressed as your favourite Princess/Pirate

For more information please contact  
Janet or Megan  
Ph. 07 4656 0550  
.....

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# 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  
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