

From the CEO's Desk

The last Ordinary meeting of Council was held on Friday 19 February 2021.

Council engaged the services of Greenway Turf Solution to undertake an audit of turf at the John Waugh Memorial Park; this assessment was part of the QRL's Better Fields, Better Outcomes Program. The purpose of the audit is to measure the current condition of the sports field against QRL standards and generate data that can be used as a benchmark for future audits. Council are now implementing the recommendations provided to ensure the longevity of the oval at a high standard.

Flood restoration works continue throughout the Shire, approval for the repair of Trinidad, Springfield and Regleigh Roads under disaster recovery funding arrangements were awarded to APV contracting, meanwhile repairs to Old Thargomindah and Kiandra Road were awarded to SC and KG Bowen.

Council continue to deliver upon a large works program with several key projects now well underway. Sealing of the Adavale Red Road is set to be completed by early March (weather permitting) and will add an additional 2km of seal.

The foundation and base slab have been completed for the Gyrica Gardens Multipurpose Centre; the works are currently on track to be completed by the end of June.

Works have also commenced on the Eromanga Natural History Museum access road and car park as part of the overall Stage 2 Phase 1 project that is nearing completion and due to be opened in the coming months. Mayor MacKenzie and Iattended a South West Queensland Regional Organisation of Councils (SWQROC) meeting on 23 February. The SWQROC was established in 2020, bringing together the South West Local Government Association (SWLGA) and South West Regional Economic Development (SWRED). The ROC comprises the six Local Government areas of Maranoa Regional Council, Balonne Shire Council, Murweh Shire Council, Paroo Shire Council, Quilpie Shire Council and Bulloo Shire Council. In the coming months the community will see advocacy programs being rolled out throughout the regions to address key issues in the wider South West area.

In early March Council will be releasing a community satisfaction survey, which is intended to gather data to better understand the community's views about what is important to them and how they rate Council's performance and priorities. This survey will be available electronically and paper copies will also be available at our customer service centres. The last survey was undertaken in 2018 and the feedback provided will be used to benchmark Council performance since the last survey and emerging priorities within the community. Those who complete the survey will also go into the draw to win one of two \$250 local shopping vouchers. The full minutes of the Council meeting are usually available on Council's website the Tuesday or Wednesday

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.

following a Friday meeting.

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Ordinary Council Meeting Wrap up

19 February 2021

• Council announced 2 tenders at the February meeting:

o Package T 2020 Flood Restoration works: Trinidad, Springfield and Regleigh Roads, awarded to APV Contracting for a total cost of \$946,202.67

o Package South 2020 Flood Restoration works: Old Thargomindah and Kiandra Roads, awarded to SC & KG Bowen for a total cost of \$496,610.16

• Council received a report from Greenway Turf Solutions regarding remedial actions to John Waugh Park, and allocated \$58,000 towards the renovation of the turf, with an additional \$20,400pa allocated for ongoing turf management

• Council voted to undertake a commercial clean of its recently vacated property at 66 Pegler Street, Quilpie, then undertake a valuation of the property before offering for sale by public tender

• NAIDOC Week School initiative will be supported with a \$450 contribution towards printing and distribution costs for students within the Shire to participate in education based activities

• A motion to submit an application to participate in the Lexus Melbourne Cup Tour was laid on the table, pending further advice from Quilpie Diggers Club. • A Community Assistance Grant was approved for the Quilpie Cultural Society for \$1,600 to assist with the cost of employing an Arts Development Officer who will assist with auditing, sourcing funding opportunities, preparing grant applications, acquittals, social media, website and advertising updates

• The Financial Statements and Second Quarter Budget Review reports were noted

• Council agreed to investigate the possibility of placing a plaque at the cemetery to commemorate those who have had their cremated ashes spread within the Shire

• Council agreed that it would cover the costs of earthworks, sewerage and civil works to a maximum value of \$500,000 from the 21/22 Budget, to support the Eromanga Natural History Museum, should its application for Stage 2 Phase 3 in the next round of funding be successful through Building Better Regions Funding Round 5

• Several minor changes were made to Council's Roads Policy, Private Use of Council Plant & Equipment Policy and Road Network Standard Policy, which are available for viewing on Council's website

Agendas and Minutes of Council meetings are available on Council's webpage www.quilpie.qld. gov.au



Men at work completing the Baldy Top Walking Track, making it safer and easier for us to walk to the top and enjoy the beautiful views of our Shire





Council stockpiles metal products at the Quilpie and Eromanga dumps. We then sell the materials for scrap value and removal. Scavenging is not permitted at either dump due to the value and environmental outcome of selling the scrap.



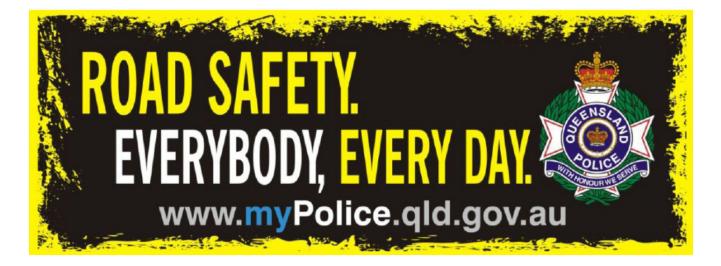
Another section of the Quilpie-Adavale Red Road was sealed on 2-3 March. The gap is quickly closing and the whole road should be sealed by the end of 2024 at current commitments.



Sections of Baldy Top Road have been sealed. Have you seen the new picnic shelter at Baldy Top? Council has also improved the walking track to the top of Baldy Top to make it better for all walkers.

2021 QUILPIE SHIRE EVENTS		
DATE	EVENT	
MARCH		
19 th March (Friday)	Cultural Society & RADF Exhibition	
	@ Quilpie Shire Gallery from Friday 19 th March until Friday 16 th April	
APRIL		
1 st (Thursday)	(Thursday) Lyn Barnes Exhibition 'Where the Pelican Builds'	
	@ Lyn Barnes Gallery	
3 rd & 4 th	Eromanga Campdraft & Rodeo	
3 rd & 4 th	Toompine Easter Gunshoot	
9 th - 11 th	Adavale Rodeo, Challenge, Gymkhana & Bikekhana	
23 rd	Leeanne Iverson Exhibition opening @ Quilpie Shire Gallery	
25 th	Anzac Day – Quilpie	
MAY		
1 st	Quilpie Cup	
28 th May	Local Photographers Exhibition opening @ Quilpie Shire Gallery	
29 th May	Are you Lonesome Tonight - Opera Queensland	
JUNE		
19 th & 20 th	Quilpie Polocrosse Carnival	
JULY		
1 st	Darrana Exhibition Opening @ Quilpie Shire Gallery	
1 st – 4 th	Bash Break on Brolga	
3 rd & 4 th	Outback Queensland Golf Masters	
10 th & 11 th	Toompine Polocrosse	
AUGUST		
31 st	Kangaranga Do	
SEPTEMBER 11 th	Quilais Chau & Quislahaara	
	Quilpie Show & Quickshears	
25 th	Pride of the West Festival	
UNCONFIRMED	Motorbike Gymkhana & Enduro	
OCTOBER		
2 nd & 3 rd	Annual 2 Day Bowls Carnival	
15 th	Combined Schools exhibition opening @ Quilpie Shire Gallery	
15 th – 17 th	Channel Country Ladies Day	
NOVEMBER		
6 th	P&C Colour Fun Run @John Waugh Park	
11 th	Remembrance Day	
13 th	Christmas in the Gallery opening @ Quilpie Shire Gallery	
19 th November	St. Finbarr's Fete & Mystery Holiday	
DECEMPER		
DECEMBER		

If you have any events that you would like to add to our calendar please contact the Visitor Information Centre on 46 560 540 or <u>tourism@quilpie.qld.gov.au</u>



Quilpie State College Leaders

Quilpie Shire Councillors were invited to attend the Quilpie State College Leadership Induction Ceremony on Monday 15th February 2021. Councillors Jenny Hewson, Lyn Barnes and Roger Volz were in attendance and Deputy Mayor Jenny Hewson joined Quilpie State College P & C President - Alisha Moody and Principal - Mrs Rachael McWaters in presenting the students with their certificates and badges. Congratulations to the following students who have achieved Leadership roles for 2021!

School Captains Alice Andrade

Ethan Vallins School Council Fraser Byrne Mark Vallins Sports House Captains Pegler – Chloe Talbot Sommerfield – Paige Schynol

McManus - Isaac Heinemann







ISOLATED CHILDREN & PARENTS ASSOCIATION QUILPIE BRANCH INVITE YOU TO

ICPA GENERAL MEETING

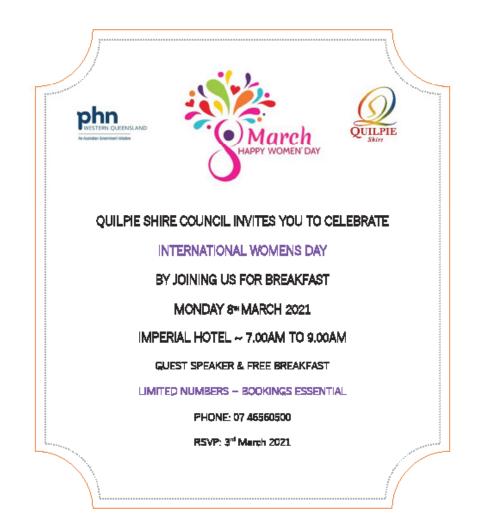
If you have a child and live in a rural or remote location or in a small town then ICPA is relevant to you. Come along to find out more.

SATURDAY 6TH MARCH | 9.00AM THE QUILPIE BRICK HOTEL, DINING ROOM BROLGA STREET, QUILPIE

> For more information contact: Ben Hall on 0428 866 415 or Karen Grimm on 0418 241 665

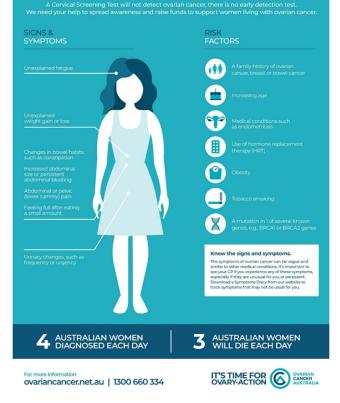








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ST MATTHEWS ANGLICAN CHURCH JUMBLE SALE

SATURDAY 27 MARCH 9:30AM - 2:30PM SATURDAY 24 APRIL 9:30AM - 2:30PM

Come along and grab a bargain!

Volunteers are required urgently to help sort and display items. If you can spare sometime on any these dates, it would be very much appreciated.

Please contact Robyn Cherry on

Mob 0428 612 566 or email lauphi12@gmail.com as soon as possible.

Morning Tea will be available.

These mornings are also a time to enjoy other people's company and have a laugh or two.



Please consider items you wish to donate. No Electrics Only clean items, as we have no facilities to wash or iron them. COVID-19 conditions apply. Thank you for your co-operation Robyn Cherry Warden



Notice of Services for April

April 4 - Easter Sunday - 10 am - conducted by Rev. Di Murphy

April 12 - Monday - 6pm - Bishop Cam Venables (dinner at the Hotel afterwards if you wish)

All welcome to attend

Contact Robyn Cherry 0428612566



AFTERSCHOOL ACTIVITIES (places available)

5year to 9years @ The Quilpie Shire Library Commencing Monday 1/02/21 3:30pm – 4:30pm (Afternoon Tea provided)

10years to 16years @ the Youth Centre Commencing Wednesday 3/02/21 3:15pm – 4:45pm (Afternoon Tea provided)

Call Michelle on 4656 0509 to reserve a place



Quilpie Library

First 5 Forever News

Quilpie Library has some fantastic goodies for the Under 5's



- Library Bags with a special kids only F5F membership card
 F5F Library Bags for babies and toddlers. Inside the bags are books, bath puppet, egg shaker and lots of useful
- Information.
 Lots of F5F NEW Picture Books have arrived at the Library and are available for loan

Call into the Library and checkout the F5F Resources that are available.

Information Sheet

SMOKE ALARM LEGISLATION

EXISTING DWELLINGS FOR OWNERS / OCCUPIERS

From 1 January 2017

When replacing smoke alarms, they must be of a *photoelectric* type which complies with Australian Standard (AS) 3786-2014.

Existing smoke alarms manufactured more than ten years ago must be replaced. (Note: Smoke alarms should have the date of manufacture stamped on them.)

Smoke alarms that do not operate when tested must be replaced immediately.

Existing *hardwired* smoke alarms that need replacement must be replaced with a *hardwired* smoke alarm.

From 1 January 2027

Smoke alarms in all dwellings must:

- i) be photoelectric (AS 3786-2014); and
- ii) not also contain an ionisation sensor; and
- iii) be less than 10 years old; and
- iv) operate when tested; and
- v) be interconnected with every other smoke alarm in the dwelling so all activate together.

Smoke alarms must be installed on each *storey*:

- i) in each bedroom; and
- ii) in hallways which connect bedrooms and the rest of the dwelling; or
- iii) if there is no hallway, between the bedrooms and other parts of the *storey*; and
- iv) if there are no bedrooms on a *storey* at least one smoke alarm must be installed in the most likely path of travel to exit the *dwelling*.

Smoke alarms must be either hardwired or powered by a non-removable 10 year battery, or a combination of both may be allowed.

DWELLINGS BEING SOLD, LEASED OR AN EXISTING LEASE IS RENEWED

From 1 January 2017

Requirements as for existing *dwellings*.

Existing landlord's and tenant's obligations regarding the installation and testing of smoke alarms continue.

Property sellers must continue to lodge a Form 24 with the Queensland Land Registry Office stating the requirements of the smoke alarm legislation have been met.

From 1 January 2022

Smoke alarms in the *dwelling* must:

- i) be photoelectric (AS 3786-2014); and
- ii) not also contain an ionisation sensor; and
- iii) be less than 10 years old; and
- iv) operate when tested; and
- v) be *interconnected* with every other smoke alarm in the *dwelling* so all activate together.

Smoke alarms must be installed on each storey:

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Smoke alarms must be *hardwired* or powered by a non-removable 10-year battery, or a combination of both may be allowed.

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NEW DWELLINGS AND DWELLINGS BEING SUBSTANTIALLY RENOVATED

From 1 January 2017

The development approval process for new *dwellings* and *substantial* renovations will ensure that building approvals received on or after this date will bring *dwellings* into compliance with the new laws. Smoke alarms in the *dwelling* must:

- i) be photoelectric (AS 3786-2014); and
- ii) not also contain an ionisation sensor; and
- iii) be *hardwired* to the mains power supply with a secondary power source (i.e. battery); and
- iv) be *interconnected* with every other smoke alarm in the *dwelling* so all activate together.

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PRESCRIBED LOCATIONS FOR INSTALLING SMOKE ALARMS

Where practicable smoke alarms must be placed on the ceiling. Smoke alarms must not be placed:

- i) within 300mm of a corner of a ceiling and a wall;
- ii) within 300mm of a light fitting;
- iii) within 400mm of an air-conditioning vent;
- iv) within 400mm of the blades of a ceiling fan.

There are special requirements for stairways, sloping ceilings, and ceilings with exposed beams. These requirements are explained in the *Building Fire Safety Regulation 2008*. Penalties may be imposed for non compliance with the law.

GLOSSARY OF TERMS*

Dwellings - houses, townhouses (Class 1A) and units (Class 2). **Photoelectric** - the method the device uses to detect smoke. **Hardwired** - connected to the domestic dwelling's electricity supply.

Interconnected - if one smoke alarm sounds all the other smoke alarms will also sound. Interconnection can be wired or wireless.

Storey - a space within a building which is situated between one floor level and the floor level or roof above.

*Refer to specific legislation for full definitions.

Source documents

- » Fire and Emergency Services Act 1990
- » Building Fire Safety Regulation 2008
- » Building Regulation 2006
- » Australian Standard (AS) 3786-2014
- » Land Title Act 1994

For more information visit www.qfes.qld.gov.au/smokealarms or email SmokeAlarms@qfes.qld.gov.au. Information Sheet

SMOKE ALARM INSTALLATION

Under Queensland Legislation, smoke alarms must be installed in all homes. The implementation of new smoke alarm legislation is a staged approach. For detailed information, please refer to the <u>Smoke Alarm Legislation</u> information sheet located on the Queensland Fire and Emergency Services (QFES) website.

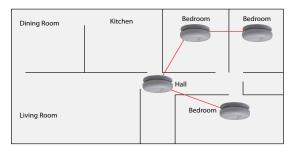
Prescribed locations for installing smoke alarms

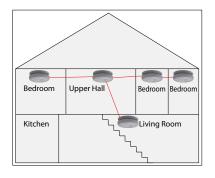
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If impracticable for the prescribed location requirements to be met (e.g. may be affected by steam from shower or fumes from cooking), the owner may put the alarm at another location that will provide a warning to occupants of the dwelling.





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Reasons behind prescribed locations

Every residence is different and you will need to assess your home. To maximise smoke alarm operation, avoid installation in the following positions:

- » In dead air space. This is an area in which trapped hot air will prevent smoke from reaching the alarm. This space generally occurs at the apex of cathedral ceilings, the corner junction of walls and ceilings, and between exposed floor joists.
- » Near windows, doors, fans or air conditioners. Excessive air movement may prevent smoke and gases from reaching the smoke alarm or cause nuisance alarms.
- » In or outside the bathroom as steam may cause nuisance alarms.
- » In insect infested areas, as insects flying into the alarm could cause nuisance alarms.

Why interconnected?

When one interconnected smoke alarm is activated, all interconnected smoke alarms are activated. This early warning increases the time occupants have to escape. The connecting of smoke alarms can be done wirelessly (e.g. via short radio frequency) or hardwired.

Power supply options for smoke alarms

You can buy smoke alarms from hardware stores, electrical retailers, or through a qualified electrician. There are two power supply options for existing dwellings (approved prior to 1 January 2017) - battery or hardwired.

Hardwired

A hardwired smoke alarm is connected to a home's mains power supply with a battery back-up. These alarms are considered more reliable in the longer term, and use a battery to provide back-up power if the AC power fails. Note: if an existing hardwired smoke alarm is being replaced, it must be replaced with another hardwired smoke alarm.

Battery

9-volt removable batteries are legal until 1 January 2022 for rentals or home sales and until 1 January 2027 for owner occupied residences (unless the initial building approval required otherwise). Replacement smoke alarms must comply with Australian Standard AS 3786-2014.

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INFORMATION SHEET SMOKE ALARM MAINTENANCE AND REPLACEMENT

MAINTENANCE

How do I keep my smoke alarms working?

Smoke alarms can only save lives if they are well maintained and work properly.

Steps to remember:

- » Read the manufacturer instructions.
- » Once a month check the operation of the smoke alarm by pressing the test button. If you cannot reach the button easily, use a broom handle.
- » Keep them clean. Dust and debris can interfere with their operation, so vacuum over and around your smoke alarm regularly.
- » Replace removable batteries, if applicable, annually.
- » In most models when batteries are low the detector will sound a short 'BEEP' every minute or so. This is your reminder to replace the battery.
- » Smoke alarms must never be painted.
- » Failure to maintain your smoke alarm may lead to continued unwanted activations.
- » If cooking smoke sets off the alarm, do not disable it. Turn on the range fan, open a window or wave a towel near the alarm until the alarm stops beeping. Or use the hush button (if fitted).
- » If unwanted alarm activations persist when cooking, consider relocating the smoke alarm or change the range fan to exhaust externally.

REPLACEMENT

Why do I need to replace my smoke alarm?

- » After 10 years smoke alarms may malfunction and their efficiency compromised with accumulated dust, insects, airborne contaminants and corrosion of the electrical circuitry.
- » They must be replaced if they are more than 10 years old or if they fail to operate when tested.
- » A smoke alarm constantly monitors the air 24 hours a day. At the end of 10 years, it has gone through millions of monitoring cycles. After so much use, components may become less reliable. This means as the smoke alarm gets older, the potential of failure increases.
- » Most smoke alarms have an expiry or replace by date stamped or printed on them.
- » Contact the smoke alarm supplier or manufacturer for more detailed advice.

How do I dispose of a smoke alarm I've replaced?

- » If the smoke alarms are the photoelectric type, individual or small numbers can be disposed of with the household waste.
- » If the smoke alarms are the ionisation type, indicated by the radiation warning symbol on the body of the alarm, individual or small numbers can be disposed of with the household waste.
- » If disposing of a large number of smoke alarms Queensland Fire and Emergency Services (QFES) recommends consulting with the relevant authority or your local council for more information.



For more information, relating to the maintenance responsibilities in rental properties, refer to the QFES <u>Smoke</u> <u>Alarms in Queensland brochure.</u>

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Information Sheet

PHOTOELECTRIC SMOKE ALARMS

Photoelectric smoke alarms

Photoelectric smoke alarms, also known as optical or photo-optical smoke alarms, detect visible particles of combustion. Research indicates that these types of smoke alarms respond quicker to a wider range of fires experienced in homes, such as smouldering fires and the dense smoke given off by foam filled furnishings or overheated coated wiring.

Advantages:

- » Good for smouldering fire and dense smoke.
- » Not as prone to cooking nuisance alarms.
- » Contain no radioactive material.
- » Suitable for general use.

Your protection against fire increases with the quality and type of smoke alarm that is installed.

What to look for?

When purchasing smoke alarms, they must comply with the Australian Standard AS 3786-2014. The following labels will appear if a smoke alarm complies with this standard.



Visit the <u>CSIRO's Activfire website</u> for further information targeted at consumers and fire safety advisers on the details of smoke alarms that have been verified as conforming with Australian Standard requirements.

Common features in smoke alarms

- » Test button to ensure correct operation.
- » Tested by Scientific Services Laboratories to comply with AS 3786-2014.
- » Some models have 'hush' buttons to stop nuisance alarms.
- » Interconnection allows all smoke alarms to sound simultaneously should any one alarm activate. All occupants are alerted, maximising the opportunity for escape.
- » Options for deaf and hearing-impaired people, and alarms with emergency lights or heat sensors.

Non-compliant replacement smoke alarms

Smoke alarms with the pictured radiation symbol are not photoelectric and do not meet the 2017 legislative requirements for replacement.

Individual or small numbers of these smoke alarms can be safely disposed of in your household rubbish. The small amount of radioactive material in a domestic ionisation smoke alarm



is insufficient to cause harm to people or the environment.

Unwanted activations

Photoelectric smoke alarms are less likely to activate as a false alarm. There are five main reasons that smoke alarms would activate for no apparent reason.

- » They are near or past their 10 year life.
- » The backup battery requires replacement.
- » The wrong type of smoke alarm has been selected for the location.
- » They have a build-up of dust, insects or other particulates.
- » They are in the wrong location (e.g. too close to cooking fumes from the kitchen or steam from the shower).

The latest Australia Standard AS 3786-2014 smoke alarms, have additional features that should further reduce the chance of a false alarms, such as a finer gauze to prevent insect infestation. They also include an indicator light to allow quick identification of which alarm has initially activated when they are interconnected with other smoke alarms.

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To set up your scheme ID visit consumer.containersforchange.com.au/cre ate-account or for more information visit www.containersforchange.com.au

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With quick and easy registration, register using your business email or any social media account you like.

Once registered use the smart form to create and save your job. You can share the job ad via email, Facebook, Twitter, LinkedIn or Google (Gmail).

You can quickly see who applied and view their applications at any time.



Seniors Group

Thanks to local artist, Lyn Barnes for holding a small exhibition in her Gallery on Friday 12 February to view the outstanding Pastel Paintings of some of our very talented seniors in the Seniors Program. A workshop was held in December over two days under Lyn's instruction and the seniors were very excited to see their framed master pieces.

It was nice to have our new CEO Justin Hancock, Deputy Mayor Jenny Hewson, Councillor Roger Volz and Director of Corporate & Community Services Lisa Hamlyn attend the evening.



Left to right: Ruby Andrews, Fran Murray, Gwen Hennessy, Lyn Barnes, Bernadette Hall enjoying refreshments after completing their artworks. Below is Director Corporate & Community Services Lisa Hamlyn with Gwen Hennessy



SWHHS Visiting Specialists 2021

Speech Therapist	23 February & 23 March		
Occupational Therapist	23 February & 23 March		
Dietician	23 February & 23 March		
Child Health Nurse	16 & 17 March		
Podiatrist	10 & 11 March		
Physiologist	22 February		
Mobile Women's Health Nurse 9 & 10 March			
Diabetes Educator	February		
Mental Health	Every Monday (if a public day falls on a Monday it will be a Tuesday)		
Women's True Outreach Clinic 2 & 3 March			

For more information please contact: SWHHS Quilpie 07 46 560 100

With Markey

OVARIAN CANCER AWARENESS MONTH

Held each year in February to educate Australians on ovarian cancer, and raise awareness by sharing the stories of real women affected by the disease. 2021 is the year we celebrate 20 years of improving support and awareness for ovarian cancer and making incremental progress in care and treatment.

Participate in the Butterfly Challenge to help create much needed awareness of ovarian cancer. For five minutes per day, we're encouraging people to do the butterfly pose throughout February, to represent that less than half of women diagnosed survive five years. Don't forget to tag us on social media @ovariancanceroz

https://www.ovariancancer.net.au/events/11/ the-butterfly-challenge





Need a Dental Appointment?

Please give us a call and we will listen to your needs and provide you with care. You can be offered an appointment or given the option to be placed on our waitlist and appointments can be made for dental emergencies and check ups.

The Dentists at Roma and Charleville visit other towns across the South West Hospital and Health Service providing full dental services.

To be eligible you will need: Health Care Card; Pension Concession Card; Commonwealth Seniors Health Card; Queensland Seniors Card or a Veterans Affairs Card. You can be seen as a Fee-Paying patient for emergencies or other care if there is no access to a Private Dentist in your area.

Call 1300 215 659 or 46 24 2716

South West Oral Health Service





South West Hospital and Health Service

Need a Dental Appointment?

We are coming to

Quilpie

Monday 22 to Thursday 25 March 2021

Call 1300 215 659 or 4624 2716 for an appointment.

"Please note there are wait lists for some treatments" To be eligible you will need: Health Care Card; Pension Concession Card; Commonwealth Seniors Health Card; Queensland Seniors Card or Veterans Affairs Card.



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South West Oral Health Service



Mobile Sexual Health and Women's Health Clinic

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Location:

Quilpie Medical Practice

For appointments phone: 4656 1158



Sexual Health testing
 Cervical Screening

- Breast / testicular examination
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- and education
- Contraception and family
- planning information
 Education and information
- Referrals



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



Reminder!!! Have you paid your pet registration fees for this year?





Queensland Government has introduced laws to promote responsible breeding of dogs, these laws apply to any dog born on or after 26 May 2017. You must not give away, supply, sell or advertise a dog or puppies without a Supply Number that identifies the Breeder or provides an Exemption.

- There are penalties if a dog or puppy born on or after 26 May 2017 is given away, sold or advertised without a supply number.
- The only breeders who don't need a supply number are primary producers who breed puppies to be kept by primary producers as working dogs.

Fast facts:

 The laws apply to all people breeding dogs, including professional, occasional and accidental breeders.

If you have any questions or require further information, please contact Council's Customer Service Centre – 07 46560500

Stop waiting for things to happen, go out and make them happen

GOOD HYGIENE IS IN YOUR HANDS.

Wash your hands thoroughly with soap and water for at least 20 seconds to prevent passing on germs. Dry your hands.



Please consider our local business operators who are grappling with ongoing restrictions and regulations as a result of the Coronavirus pandemic.

Local businesses are at the forefront of preventing the spread of coronavirus and must adhere to strict rules and regulations imposed by Queensland Health and the Government. When being served by a local business, please take the time to consider their role and duties and be patient. After all, we're all in this together.





Quilpie Cultural Society Workshops 2021

6th – 7th February 2021 Self Funded Louise's Braid Quilpie with local Tutor Louise Hall Rep Jan McConnell 0428562083

19th – 22nd March 2021 Sewing Get together Rep Jan McConnell 0428562083

19th – 24th May 2021 Raffle Quilt with "Cheryl and Friends" Quilpie Quilting Group organised by Jan McConnell making a Raffle Quilt to raise funds for Quilpie Cultural Society.

27th – 30th May RADF Furniture Restoration with Dean Timms Rep Josie Martyr 0427036984

19th – 20th June RADF **Western Watercolours** with John Morrison Rep Jo Pegler 46564942

25th – 28th June FRRR Upholstery with Tim Symons Rep Josie Martyr 0427036984

July (date to be confirmed) RADF Embroidery with Cathy Sotiriou Rep Robyn Cherry 0428612566

31st July – 2nd August RADF **Glass Glorious Glass** with tutor Alison Shaw Two day workshop – Monday for firing Rep Jane Mulligan 0428547400

20th – 23rd August 2021 RADF Fifi's Fabicology with Fiona and Kelly Rep Jan McConnell 0428562083 21st – 22nd August 2021 RADF (*Pending COVID*) Pastel Techniques with Maxine Thompson in Eromanga Rep Jo Pegler 46564942

22nd – 25th October RADF Flying into Colours with Helen Godden Rep Jan McConnell 0428562083

Quilpie Cultural Society Workshops Dates to be decided

FRRR – Possibly Easter Bubbles and Brush Strokes for adults and Busy Bees for kids with tutor Samantha Meurant Rep Jo Pegler 46564942

Photography with tutor to be advised – RADF Rep Lauren Gilligan

RADF – Two days Red Earth in Pastels with Lyn Barnes Rep Jo Pegler 46564942

RADF – One day Junior Pastels with Lyn Barnes Rep Jo Pegler 46564942

Quilpie Cultural Society Workshops 2022

18th – 21st March 2022 *RADF funding pending* **Triple F – Fun, Fabric, Finish** with Louise Hall Rep Jan McConnell 0428562083

21st – 24th October 2022 *RADF funding pending*10 Degrees West with Fran Bulmer
Rep Jan McConnell 0428562083





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



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