

GUNDIAH GAZETTE

GUNDIAH COMMUNITY NEWS

DEC/JAN 2009

DECEMBER & JANUARY

DECEMBER

- 1 **P&C Meeting** 3.30 Gundiah
- 2 **Tiaro Police Consultive Committee.** QCWA Gootchie 7pm. Community discussion on police /safety issues. FCRC Patrice Bates 1300 794929
- 3 **Tiaro Library** Under5 Story & Craft Time Thur 9.30am 4129 2453
- 3 **Fitness @ Tiaro Hall.** 5.30 pm (Thurs)
- 3 **Gundiah School Concert @Gundiah Hall** 7pm sharp. Bring a plate.
- 4 **Bauple QCWA** Bingo 12noon Mayne Street. 41292490
- 4 **Gundiah Community Place.** Social Nite Friday 6pm. 41292504
- 5 **Gundiah Community Place** Xmas Bus Trip: Flying High, Bundaberg Rum Distillery, Beach. Leaves Gundiah 7.30am. 41292504. All welcome.
- 5 **Santa Fair** Gunalda School Oval 2pm-9.30pm. Santa 6pm Fireworks. (Support GSS P&C Icecream Stall!!)
- 5 **Tiaro RSL** Xmas Dance Tiaro Hall
- 6 **Theebine Pub.** Sunday BBQ 12noon Live music Fiddle Me Please 54846182
- 7 **Tiaro Lions Ladies luncheon.** Hide-away Hotel. Tiaro. 12noon 54846318
- 7 **Gundiah Rural Fire Brigade** Training night 7pm. (1st. Monday)
- 8 **QCWA Gootchie** Mthly Meeting 9.30am All welcome. 4129 3212
- 9 **Gundiah Rural Fire Brigade** Sausage Sizzle, 6.30pm. RSVP Jenny 4129-3128. 7pm General Mtg.
- 9 **Tiaro QCWA** Hoy & Tombola 12.30pm Phil 41292490
- 10 **Fitness @ Tiaro Hall.** 5.30 pm (Thurs)
- 11 Last day of School 2009
- 11 **Gootchie QCWA** Break up Party Mineral Sands Motel, Maryborough.
- 12 **FCSS** Trash & Treasure Market Maryborough Showgrounds 7am.
- 12 **Christmas Carols** Glenwood Community Grounds. Pepper Rd. 4.30pm. Kids Fun. Santa. BBQ. Community Awards. Carols 7pm. See Ad.
- 13 **Theebine Pub.** Sunday BBQ 12noon Live music Karen Thomsen 54846182
- 15 **Tiaro Library** School Holidays Kids activities Craft etc. 41292453

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Cobb and Co Coach in Yuleba [400km west of Brisbane], Queensland, taken around 1910.

Cobb & Co again graces Gundiah

For over 70 years horse drawn 'Cobb and Co' coaches travelled over millions of kilometres of unmade outback roads to provide vital communication links for many isolated communities.

Nowhere was its influence so widespread as in Queensland, where the company operated horse-drawn coaches from 1866 until succumbing to the motor vehicle in 1924.

As part of Queensland's 150th anniversary, the Fraser Coast Show Society presents an historic Cobb & Co Coach tour following the original coach route from Kilkivan to Maryborough. Over two days and sixteen (16) legs of the journey there will be re-enactments, traditional fare and live entertainment while covering dense bushland, dirt roads, iron bark ridges, historic bridges and stopping at historic country pubs and properties.

"The length of the legs depends on the terrain and finding a suitable place to changeover people and horses" said Gary Jensen, President of the Fraser Coast Show Society.

Highlights of the trip include the drive over the Dickabram bridge and a barbecue lunch with live entertainment by Karen Thompson at the Theebine Pub. Later that day, passengers will be first hand witnesses to a mock hold up followed by a spit roast at the Gundy Pub on Saturday night. The Gundy Pub stop promises to be a very lively one with music by "Stockade" and bush poetry by "That Bloke".

Route:

Saturday 19 December 2009

Coach departs Kilkivan Post Office 6:30am. Lunch Theebine Hotel. Dinner Gundiah's Prince Alfred Hotel.

Sunday 20 December 2009

Breakfast Gundiah Hall 6am. Coach departs 7am. The coach will arrive in Maryborough at 5pm at Queens Park's Carols By Candlelight with its final destination at the Maryborough Post Office. A progressive dinner in historic Wharf Street restaurants follows.

Bookings for any leg of the Cobb & Co Coach run are essential, please contact Fraser Coast Show Office on 4123 5311 or info@frasercoastshow.com.au

Local History

Coach routes began and ended at a depot; along the routes were inns or change stations at regular intervals where fresh horses replaced tired ones. The original Prince Alfred Hotel, 1868, and was a 'Wayside Inn' on the coach route between Maryborough & Gympie'. Courier Mail 10/6/1869 refers to a horse stolen from the Cobb & Co stables at Gootchie by a suspected murderer. CM 13/7/1875: reports rains affecting the area, with the Cobb & Co Coach broken down at Gootchie and mail arriving by horseback at Gympie.

DECEMBER & JANUARY CALENDAR CONTINUED

- 17 **Tiaro Library** Kids Xmas Party Sausage Sizzle RSVP 14th Dec. 41292453
- 18 **Gundiah Community Place** Break-up Christmas Party 6pm. 41292504
- 17 **Free Community Legal Services.** Tiaro Library. Call 4129 2453 for apt. (3rd Thursday month)
- 18 **Tiaro Library** Adult Book Club. TBA call Library for details 41292453
- 19 **Cobb & Co Coach Tour:** approx times
Theebine Pub. 12noon Lunch. Live music Karen Thomsen 54846182
Gundiah Pub. 3pm. Mock hold up followed by a spit roast 5pm. Music by "Stockade" and bush poetry by "That Bloke". 41293182
- 20 **Cobb&Co Breakfast** Gundiah Hall. 6-7am. \$10. RSVP P&C 4129 3136
- 20 **Theebine Pub.** Sunday BBQ 12noon Live music Glen Fox 54846182
- 20 **FCRC Carols by Candlelight** Queens Park, Maryborough 4pm.
- 22 **Tiaro Library** School Holidays Kids Activities Craft etc. 41292453
Library closed 24 Dec-4 Jan.
- 24 **Gundiah Pub.** Family Christmas Eve. Finger Food. Local Music 41293182
- 25 **Christmas Day**
- 26 **Boxing Day**
- 27 **Theebine Pub** Sunday BBQ 12pm Live music Graeme Jensen starts 1pm Ph. Claudia 54846182
- 28 **Bauple Q150 Social Club** Official Opening 11.30 am. Free BBQ & Drinks after the ribbon-cutting by Mayor Mick Kruger. Also
Bauple Community Men's Shed Official Opening. Bauple Rec ground.
- 31 **Gundiah Pub.** Karaoke. Champagne @ midnite. Finger Food. 41293182
- 31 **Theebine Pub** New Year's Eve Red-Claw Races & Country Music Bash with Neil Duddy. 8pm til late. Family Fun. Prizes. BBQ. Camping 5484 6182

JANUARY 2010.

- 1 **New Year's Day**
- 11 **Tiaro Library** School Holidays Kids Activities: Bookings 41292453.
Decorated Jeans workshop 10-11am
- 12 Make a Dream-catcher 10-11am.
- 13 Make a Mardi-gras Mask 10-11am
- 18 **Tiaro Library** School Holidays Kids Activities: Bookings 41292453. Make a Chinese Lantern & Japanese Fan. 10-11am
- 23 **QCWA Gootchie** Scrapbooking Day 9am. Gootchie Rd. 4129 3212
- 26 **Australia Day Celebration.** Gundiah Oval. Cnr Netherby & School Rds. 3pm-9pm. See Ad.
- 27 Back to School.
- 28 **Fitness** @ Tiaro Hall. 5.30 pm (Thurs)

Around our town...

A round-up of local events & achievements:



Honni Russell (centre) receiving a 'Certificate of Appreciation' from Christine Betteridge and Chris Burleigh of Fairhaven and Petrie Gardens Retirement Village in Tiaro.

The Gootchie QCWA

Queens of the Kitchen

Cakes Galore were the flavor of the day at the Gootchie Girls Cooking Finals on Thursday 19th. We had about 35 guests who all enjoyed a super day. The Christmas Tombola was a 'monster' as we had predicted and all went home with a prize or two.



The judges from Miva QCWA; June and Stephanie were great and gave us lots of 'tips' on what we did right or wrong. Winners in the various sections were: Boiled Fruit Cake - Katrina Hain. Carrot Cake - Shirley Main. Cinnamon Tea Cake - Lyn Kelman. Rich Fruit Cake - Lyn Kelman. Chocolate cake - Val Brown. Buderim Ginger - Katrina Hain. Lemon Cake - Lyn Kelman. Plum Pudding - Lyn Kelman. Any other Cake - Val Brown. Marmalade - Diana Wilson. Chutney - Lyn Kelman. Tomato Relish - Val Brown.

These ladies will now compete at Division level in July 2010.

If your mouth is watering, never fear - Gootchie QCWA will be holding a cake stall at the Australia Day celebrations held at Gundiah Oval.

Petrie Gardens

A few of our girls attended a 'Thank you Morning' for volunteers where we received a 'Certificate of Appreciation' from Fairhaven and Petrie Gardens Retirement Village in Tiaro. Gootchie QCWA visit once a month to spend a morning with the residents.

Scrapbooking

2009's last Scrapbooking Day (and Breakup Party) was well attended. We look forward to it starting up again 23rd January and welcome all.

Wrapping up 2009

Don't forget our final meeting is Tuesday, 8th Dec at QCWA Rooms Gootchie Rd, 9.30am. Our breakup party is at Mineral Sands Motel in Maryborough on 11th December. Our next meeting is 9th February at 9.30am. (2nd Tuesday of the month). So until then, the Gootchie Girls wish all the Gundiah Gazette readers a safe, happy and Holy Christmas.

*from Pauline of the Gootchie Girls
Lyn Kelman Secretary Ph.41293212*

Theebine Rural Fire Brigade



Open Day

The Theebine Rural Fire Brigade recently held an open day and sausage sizzle to encourage locals to become actively involved in their Brigade. It was also a chance to show off their new Isuzu 51 Fire Truck. First Officer Glen Grehan demonstrated it to all those present. It was a successful morning with more than **10 new members** signed up.

We would also like to thank all those that came along and especially the 2 members from Gundiah Rural Fire

Brigade who also brought their Nissan 41 Fire Truck along.

An Open Invitation

As with all rural fire brigades new members are always welcome. They can either become actively involved and training is given to those members or want to help their community out in some small way. Every little bit helps as you never know when you might need the Brigade at your house.

If there are people interested in joining the Brigade they can contact Glen on 54846967 or Hilary on 54846273.

Gundiah Rural Fire Brigade

Fire Bans

Total Fire Bans were in effect as of this printing, but for latest information please see: **1800 020 440**, or ABC Emergency Channel FM 100.1 or see www.ruralfire.qld.gov.au/

Sausage Sizzle

All locals interested in our rural fire brigade are invited to our end of year **Sausage Sizzle**, 6.30pm on **Wednesday 9 December** at Gundiah Rural Fire Brigade Shed, Netherby Road.

Please RSVP to Jenny 4129-3128.

General Meeting following: 7pm

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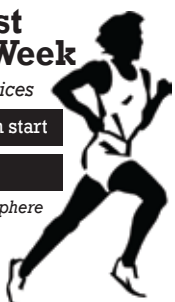
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GUNDIAH COMMUNITY CHRONICLE

Gundiah Community Place is a social and sporting group for the Netherby, Gootchie, Gundiah, Paterson areas.

Well, its nearly time to give away work, give away school, and wait for that Big Fellow with the white beard to bring us our Christmas presents, that's of course, if we have been good I'm sure all the children at Gundiah School have been extra good but that cannot be said for some of the older members of our community.

Worker Strikes

Last month, you will recall, we had a problem with the foreman and a slack worker, who refused to enter the Lagoon to remove a log, well, it's gotten worse! The worker refuses to take instructions from the foreman insomuch he took his wheelbarrow and walked home with the sulks and had to be coaxed back with chocolate biscuits for his smoko. We are seriously thinking of sending him back to Gundiah School to straighten him out – that's if they'll have him. (For reasons of confidentiality, he shall remain nameless, but we *can* say that he is building a house close to water and has a scruffy white beard.) So if any children know him and can put in a good word for him with Santa, he will, I'm sure, be grateful!

Annual Bus Trip

Our annual bus trip on 5th Dec visits Flying High Bird Sanctuary at Apple Tree Creek, Bundy Rum Distillery, Barga Beach for lunch and a swim then Mimmino ice-cream shop. All welcome. Seats available. Call Pauline on 41292504.

Australia Day

The new bollards make the grounds look smart for the Australia Day Celebrations. Call us for application forms for **stalls** and **Australia Day Award nominations**.

Well, that's it from me – on behalf of the club we would wish everybody a Merry Christmas and a Happy New year, for those that are sick we hope you get better real soon, and to Principle Rita we wish you well in your New School – it's been nice knowing you.

Trevor Keightley. President. 4129 2504

An Eye on Paterson

Local Photographer, Ian Smith has an eye for things natural.

Born in Liverpool England and graduating as a toxicologist, he worked in the UK and Canada before heading for Australia. Arriving in 1971, he worked at The Royal Brisbane Hospital for many years. Always a very keen photographer (he originally studied photography as part of his degree), his interest has blossomed since his retirement in 1998.

Around the world

Spending over 2 years travelling, firstly around Australia then across Egypt, Turkey, Southern Europe, UK, and North America including the Western United States, Canada and Alaska, he was awestruck by the magnificent scenery. "It really got me going..." Ian said, "I upgraded all my photographic equipment and spent most of my time photographing the National Parks."

And back again

"On returning to Australia, my wife and I decided that city life was no longer for us, so we looked for a place out of town, finally settling in Paterson."

Ian joined both the Gympie and Maryborough camera clubs, before finally settling for the Gympie Camera Club.

Awards

Two years ago he entered images in the Maryborough Show winning 'Top Slide of the Show' and several Highly Commended awards.

Last year he entered the Gympie show, winning a Second place and several Highly Commendeds. Continuing the trend, this year he entered the Tiaro District Art show and won First prize in the Photography section.

"My main interest in photography is nature, especially wildflowers in colour, closely followed by old buildings in black & white." Looking over Ian's portfolio is a joy in itself.



Writer's Corner

The Distance in My Mind.

By Rob Lawson

My old home town lies buried
'neath so many yesterdays
Only barely visible, as through a
dusty haze

Like a far off point on the long
straight track stretching out behind
Distorted by heatwaves, the dust,
the distance of my mind.

Pictures of good friends and the
good old times we shared

In the carefree days of our childhood - when people really cared.

Though faded by the passing
years, these memories still are
mine

Not yet erased, not yet destroyed,
by the distance in my mind.

As things that happened recently,
become harder to recall

Events of fifty years ago are like
pictures on the wall

Please God, I will remember for
the rest of my lifetime

The good old days still back there
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Tiaro & District Australia Day Celebrations

3.00pm, Tuesday, 26th January 2010
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Australia Day Award Presentation
 (Official Proceedings commence approx 5pm)

Various Stalls & Demonstrations

Free BBQ

Sponsored by Fraser Coast Regional Council
 (Directly after the Official Proceedings)

Vegemite Sandwich Eating Competition



Just for the Kids!

Children Activities
 (commences 3.00pm)

Free Children Rides

Colouring-in Competition
 (Entry via Tiaro Library)

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Let's Not Forget the Adults!

Line Dancing Performance
 (commences 4.30pm)

Licensed Bar

Live Entertainment

(Plenty of seats will be available for you to sit down, relax & enjoy)

Going Crackers!

Fireworks Display @ 7.00pm
 (depending on sponsorship & weather)

Sponsored by:

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Sponsorship received as at 1st print 27/11/09,
 2nd print will be 04/01/2010.



2009 Annual Christmas Carols

Glenwood Community Grounds
Pepper Road Glenwood

Saturday 12 December

Children's Activities 4.30 pm
 Free Sausage Sizzle for Children at 5 pm
 Santa Arrives 6 pm
 with lollies, ice blocks & candle for the children
 Barbecue 6.30 pm
 Steak & Onion sandwich \$3.00
 Carols Commencing 7 pm

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Presentation of Glenwood Community Awards

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Library Update

Broadband for Seniors

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An **Open Day** is held every **Friday morning from 9am – 12 noon** in the general purpose area of the community centre. All are Welcome. For information or bookings: **Pat Davies 4193 9239** or **Jeff Taylor 4129 2650**.

BookMark Competition

Design a bookmark and win \$50 voucher for art supplies. For all age categories. Entry Forms available at Tiaro Library. 4129 2453

Entries close Saturday 12 Dec 2009.

Winners announced on 21 Dec 2009.

Each winning entry will be printed and distributed in all Fraser Coast Regional Libraries in 2010.



Prep Enrolment 2010 Theebine State School

Enrolment is now available for all children who will be 5 by 30 June, 2010.

Please call Kim at 07-5484 6206 or visit our website

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Thank you

Thank you to all the people who have contributed to, produced, distributed or supported this newsletter every month, with a special thanks to Pauline Keightley for her generosity. For me, it has been lovely to meet so many who care.

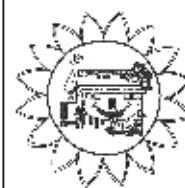
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"Thank you. You have made me feel part of a community." Hennesy Rd.

"I love reading 'Down Memory Lane' every month." Anonymous.

I appreciate it... we have had two new members from the newsletter...

Bruce Hwy



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