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## **Tennis anyone?**

Rossendale Tennis Club's 75th Birthday Party is happening 6th November, and you are invited to a revival of a cultural pastime!

Please join the members of Rossendale Tennis Club Inc. at the Rossendale Tennis Club Courts, 38 Bauple-Woolooga Road, Bauple, on Sunday, 6th November for a 2 p.m. start, for the "Official Opening of the New Synthetic Grass Courts" AND....to celebrate "Rossendale Tennis Club's 75th Birthday!!!!"

The day begins with official opening of new courts that were funded by Department of Sport and Recreation, together with Tennis Australia and Tennis Queensland's "Flood Fightback Tennis Infrastructure Program 2011"– followed by cutting of 75th Birthday Cake and afternoon tea.

Then, Gympie Coach Matt Wilkinson, will conduct "Come-and-Try" activities for juniors and up. There will be "Hot shots Tennis," a ball machine, prizes, raffle, games and giveaways.

Bring your racquet, hat, water bottle and wear your tennis shoes. Be prepared to have some fun!!! Day finishes at 6 p.m. with a sausage sizzle!!! All for FREE!!! For more information or to confirm your attendance, please contact Secretary – Mary-Anne Walters on 41 292 589; or 04 3837 4091; email: mwalters2@activ8. net.au

We would love you to come and see our beautiful new courts and spread the good word about Rossendale Tennis Club!

## Munna Creek Music Festival-Country Hospitality at it's best!

If it were possible to look in the dictionary for "country hospitality" then you would definitely see a photo of the Munna Creek community right next to it.

Over the extended weekend from the 20th to 23rd of October, the Munna Creek Hall and Recreation Association (MCHRA) played host to the Munna Creek Country Music Festival. As it was the very first festival held at the venue, realistically the expectations were not all that high for a big crowd, but that was blown out of the water with an almost capacity crowd on both the main concerts on Friday and Saturday nights. Over 200 caravans, motor homes and tents camped on site with all meals catered for by the MCHRA, who ran the licensed bar as well. Including day visitors, who just came out for the concerts, there were around six hundred Australian Country Music enthusiasts crowding the stage.

With headline acts like Anne Kirkpatrick (daughter of the late Slim Dusty and accomplished singer songwriter in her own right) and bush poet Gary Foggarty (recent winner at Los Angeles at the World Championships of Performing Arts) it was always going to be a very entertaining festival.

Huge thanks go to all the committee at the MCHRA, and to the small band of volunteers who assisted in the running and organising of the event. An especial thanks to Lex and Heather K who brought the festival to the Munna Creek Hall.

All profits go to the restoration of the Munna Creek Hall and associated sporting facilities. Thanks to the Fraser Coast Regional Council, the restoration is well under way and has only taken the small band of very dedicated locals twelve months to get the hall to the stage where it is at now. The hall will be available for private hire and is perfect for that country function.

The festival will definitely be cemented on the Fraser Coast calendar and you can follow what is happening on **www. munnacreek.com** thanks to the generosity of David Parker Web Designs.



A sea of campers and caravans flood the Munna Creek Hall grounds for the inaugural Munna Creek Music Festival. Local music starts here...

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See OUR AMAZING GIFT RANCE FOR CHRISTMAS

# WHAT'S ON IN NOVEMBER

#### **Special Events & Activities**

- 1 **Melbourne Cup Party**. Gootchie QCWA Rooms, Lyn 41293212.
- 1 **Bauple Historical Museum** Meeting 7pm. New members welcome. Ph
- 2 **Miva QCWA Branch** Mtg 9.30am CWA Rooms Miva Ph. 54846282
- 4 **Tiaro QCWA Bingo & Tombola** 9.30am. Mayne St. Tiaro 41292237
- 4 'Tombola' Bauple Band Hall 7.30p
- 5 Hideaway Hotel 130th Birthday Bash 4pm Nia 41292153. See ad
- 6 Rossendale Tennis Club 75th Birthday Celebrations @ 38 Bauple-Woolooga Rd. 2-6pm. All welcome. Mary-Anne Walters 41292589 see p1
- 7 **Gundiah Rural Fire Brigade** Training Monday 7pm @ Station.
- 9 **Tiaro QCWA Hoy & Tombola** 11am.Tiaro Mayne Street. 41292237
- 11 **Pizza & Movie Night** Lighthouse Christian Church 6pm. See ad.
- 12 **Tiaro QCWA** Branch Meeting 9am Saturday CWA rooms ph. 41292237
- 13 Hibiscus Club Mtg 10am 109 Bolde -row Rd, Glenwood, 54857320.
- 14 Gootchie QCWA Branch Meeting 9.30 @ Branch rooms Lyn 41293212
- 15 **Tiaro District Chamber Commerce** 7pm. Tiaro School ph. Toni 41292107
- 15 **Gundiah School P&C** 5.30pm. Everyone is welcome 41293136
- 17 FREE Community Legal Services Tiaro Comm. Ctr. 41292453 for Apt
- 19 Glenwood Country Markets 7-12 Pepper Rd. Ph. Jane / John 54857468
- 19 **Bauple Nut Bash** Bauple Rec Ground 3pm. \$5 Adults. 41292272 See ad.
- 25 Tiaro Library Book Club. 10am.
- 26 Gootchie QCWA Scrapbooking 8.30am Branch Rooms Lyn 42193212
- 26 **Theebine Hall's Christmas 'Meet & Greet'**. Burgers, Raffles, Entertainment, Santa. 6pm.
- 26 Lions Children's Christmas Party Tiaro Rec Grounds 5-10pm. see p7.
- 27 Hervey Bay Friends of the Gallery Montville Tour. \$35 pp 4197 4210.
- 27 Carols in the Park. Queens Park 6pm www.festivefrasercoast.com.au
- 29-30 **Mental Health First Aid W'shop** Admin Rooms 1 & 2, K Block, 187 Neptune St, M/Bro). \$20 pp. CPD points avail. Ros 4122 8777.

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#### Weekly Events & Activities

Tiaro Broadband for Seniors Kiosk. Tiaro Comm Ctr. Open Mon-Fri 9–1pm. Phone Pat 41939239 or Jeff 41292650. **Bauple Jazz Ballet.** Bauple Band Hall. Mon/Wed for 7-16years. 4-5.30pm. \$7. Rita 0402 222 570

Bauple Community Shed Tue & Sat 9am-3pm Ph John 0417 716 840 Mondays

#### Lions Club 2nd & 4th Monday Hideaway Hotel 7pm. Tony Pope 4129 6440

Lions Ladies Lunch. First Monday of even months. Ph. Phyl 4129 2490 (5Dec)

#### Tuesdays.

**Tai-Chi** at Tiaro Comm. Ctr. 8.30am **Child Health Nurse**. 9-12pm Tiaro Lib. 2nd & 4th Tuesday. 41228733.

**Tiaro Creative Arts Group.** 9.30am Uniting Church, Mungar Rd. 54846135

#### Wednesdays.

**Line Dancing** Gunalda Hall 9am-12 Ph. Pamela 41293126

**Bauple QCWA Craft** classes 1st 2nd & 4th Weds 9-3pm. \$2. Bring your lunch and enjoy a cuppa... 41292100

#### Thursdays.

Under 5 Story Time 10am Tiaro Library. NOW EVERY THURS. Ph. 41292453 Ladies Fitness @Tiaro Hall 5.30pm \$10 Zumba Classes 5.30pm \$12. See ad. Karate. 6.30pm Tiaro Memorial Hall. 1st lesson free. Ph Mark 41293112

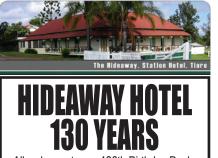
#### Fridays.

**Emergency Service Cadets** 4pm SES Shed Maryborough. Ian 54846745 **Joeys, Cubs, Scouts.** 6pm. 4129-2609 **Rossendale Tennis Club** 7pm. Bauple-Woolooga Road Ph. 41292589

**Gundiah Community Place** Social Nite 1st & 3rd Friday BBQ 6pm. (4th &18th) Trevor 41292504

#### Sunday Services.

Lighthouse Christian Church: Cnr Forestry Rd & Main St Bauple. 10:00am Worship & Communion. 10:30am Children's Church. 41292787 Ps Brian. Catholic Services: Sacred Heart, John St, Tiaro. 10am. Fthr Paul Kelly 4121 3701 St Therese, Balkin St, Gunalda 7.30am Father Patrick Cassidy. 5482 1213 Uniting Church: Tiaro Mungar Rd, 1st & 3rd Sundays 7.30pm. 4121 3204 Bauple 2nd & 4th Sundays 7.30pm Main St, Bauple. G. Slaughter 4121 3204 Theebine 2nd & 4th Sundays 10am. Old Cleveland Rd. Bevan 5484 6183 Anglican. Christ Church, Cnr King St & McDowall Street, Gunalda. 10am. 3rd Sunday. Keith Lewis 5482 2629



All welcome to our 130th Birthday Bash: Saturday 5 November - 4pm kick-off **Uncle Bob's Jug Band.** BBQ Tea: Steak/Snag/Salad \$13 Sausage SIzzle \$2 Raffle & Games with Tiaro Lions Club. A great family afternoon! Don't miss it. Phone Nia **4129 2153** 



@ Lighthouse Christian Church Assemblies of God GOLD COIN DONATION

41292787 0r 0448 870 222 email: lcchurch.bauple@gmail.com CNR Main Street & Forestry Rd, Bauple



## NOTICES

**Cleaning** - Sally Franklin 0438 850 269 Domestic cleaning done. All areas. **Position Vacant:** COUNSELLOR (32 hrs wk) Qld Community Services Award Level 5. WIDE BAY SEXUAL ASSAULT ASSOCIATION INC. Maryborough/Hervey Bay & Surrounding Areas. For position description & selection criteria Ph: (07) 41215999. Applications close Friday 4th November 2011

# At the Pubs

#### What's on at the Gundy Pub

**Fridays:** 6-8pm Tiaro RSL Raffles, Patron Draw – 10 Pots up for Grabs. Free Pool and Video Juke Box.

**Saturdays:** 4-8pm Fortnightly-Gundiah School Raffles (12th, 26th Nov) \$2for 9 draws. Patron Draw–10 Pots up for Grabs. Darts Competition (\$100.00 Prize Money) Live Music:

#### 12 Graham Jensen

19 **Jam Session:** Every third Saturday 2pm onwards. (Camping and Showers available, everyone is welcome)

#### 26 Liquor All Over

**Sundays:** 2–4pm Carton Draw (9 Cartons). Pool Competition (\$100.00 Prize Money) \$1 Sausage Sizzle

Courtesy Bus available. Ring Dan or Renelle 4129 3182.

#### What's on at Theebine Pub.

- 1 **Melbourne Cup** Live Music Karen Thomsen / Ham or Prawn platters
- 6 **Graeme Jensen** + Bush Darts Raffles 13 **Gympie High** presents 3 solo, duo
- and bands great young talent

20 **Jim McAllister**+Happy Hackers Raf' December

4 **Fiddle Me Please**+Bush Darts Raffles *Music starts at 1pm Lunch starts 12pm* Thursday Roast Nights are back: Pork, Lamb and Chicken for just \$10.50 or \$15.00 with dessert. Bookings and takeaways welcome. Call Sandy 0408454122

#### The Hideaway is 130!

Join Col and the crew for a great day celebrating 130 years since it's beginnings in 1881. (The hotel is primarily the same, only the patrons have changed over the years.) Join locals, tourists, and those looking to enjoy good country hospitality, on this historic occasion.

**First Sunday:** 'Me & Mrs Jones' **Sundays:** Sunday Roasts-Choice of two roasts and dessert for \$11!

Thursdays: Trivia Night. Fridays: Lions Club Raffles Meals: Mon-Sat. Lunches 7 days. Functions: Call us about your Christmas Party or function–Nia or Col 4129 2153



### DATE CLAIMERS

**Glenwood Christmas Carols** & Santa Party. Glenwood Progress Assoc. Hall 10 Dec 4.30pm 5485 7191

**Tiaro Police Division Consultative Committee** December 14 @ 7pm Gootchie QCWA Rooms.

**Theebine Uniting Church Christmas Carol Service** Sunday 11 December 7.30pm – supper afterwards.

Theebine Uniting Church Christmas Day Service Sunday 25 December 8am – all welcome.

**Lighthouse Christian Church Christmas Lunch** Sunday 25 December 12.30pm. Gold Coin Donation. All welcome.

**FCRC Australia Day Celebrations** Thursday 26 January at Tiaro Rec Grounds. (Details yet to be confirmed.)

**Theebine Pub New Year's Eve** featuring The Tapper Girls + Haka Join us for a New Zealand theme with a Hungy for those who are hungry!!



Well folks, the month of October went quick and it will soon be Guy Fawkes night (Well, poms know what I mean).

Paradise. Must tell you about our great bus trip last month. First stop was Paradise Dam and morning tea at the Dam shop. Unfortunately the Dam wind got up and nearly blew us away, but what the heck, it was a great spot and great Dam views. The Ranger gave us a turtle lecture. Apparently, they catch the mother turtle and hatch the eggs-with a 98% survival factor! If the rangers finds a clutch of eggs they mark them, hatch them, and put the hatchings back where they found them. Why aren't all rare breeds done this way? In fact, the Ranger said to send the Mary River Turtle eggs to them for hatching. (Marilyn, your chance to respond.)

Next stop: Mount Perry for lunch at the local Hotel. A wonderful lady, Pat, took us around town to see the sites: local mines and historic buildings. We stopped at the local church, and what I'm going to tell you could only happen with one of our Club members... If you recall, we have the Rev Pete as a member. He was in his glory at the church... we all left and the doors were being locked when we heard this voice, "COME TO ME MY CHOSEN PEOPLE,"being said multiple times. It was the Rev Pete at the alter practicing for his Sunday Sermon! We suggested we leave him with the church, but they nicely declined due to something about his build/shape not being ministerial material.

Pat took us to her beautiful gardens, and then off home via the Boolboonda Tunnel (dug out by hand in 1838-1840 to create the rail line to Mt Perry from Bundaberg). The Bus *just* fit. There were a few screams but we will not say who ... Environmental Giant. I tend to think the animal-activists a bit overthe-top, but one member deserves to be knighted for his environmentalmindedness. He planted a paddock of barley just to feed the magpie geese and a north Gundiah bull who took up residence in the lush meadow. What a life the bull had! What a saint our member is! Yes, Gundiah should get the award for "Kindness to Animals."

See you at the social night and BBQ: Friday 4 & 18 November. *Trevor Keightley*.





#### **Private Robin James Gilchrist**

Robert James Gilchrist was born at Redbank via Tiaro on 12 August, 1901. His parents were James Edward Gilchrist and Eliza Gilchrist nee Field, who were married on 24th August, 1887 in the residence of Alfred H. Hope, Old Maryborough Township, according to the rites of the Baptist Church. His grandparents, Edward & Elizabeth Douglas (nee Anderson) migrated to Maryborough on the "Ariendne", the first immigrant ship to sail directly from Great Britain to Maryborough on the 8th October 1862. Robin James' father was a timber getter and farmer who lived in Redbank near Tiaro, and later at his selection,"PineView", via Gundiah. Young Robin James went to school at Deborah, which was a provisional school. The teacher being a Miss Bullcock, who attended the school only every 2nd week. Later Robin James, known as Jim, attended the Gundiah School, riding on horseback some miles to do so.

Jim worked at home with his father as well as for other landholders in the district. He rode horses in the local sports events.

Jim enlisted in World War II (QX 10898) joining the 2/26 Infantry Battalion on the 27 July 1940 and was lost in 1943 as a POW, having served time working on the Changi Railway. Of the 12,000 Australian prisoners who were taken to the Burma-Thailand railway, 2646 died of starvation, disease, exhaustion, and brutality.

A headstone, dated 1 August 1943 remembering him is in the Tiaro Cemetery with his mother. *Lest we forget. Next month we will salute Corporal J A (Alex) Henderson AIF. See our growing list of diggers at gundiahgazette.com.au -Trevor Keightley*  GOOTCHIE GIRL GOSSIP

Hello again from the Gootchie Girls. We have had a fairly busy month with our Scrabble Challenge on Thursday 29th September. One of our members, Diana, won the Challenge Cup, and I'm not telling who won the wooden spoon. (No, it was not me !!)

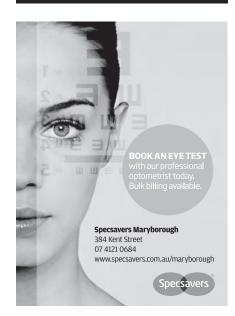
•November 1 is Melbourne Cup day – All are invited to come along to our CWA Rooms, Gootchie Road about 11.30am. Lunch will be served at 12.30pm, prizes for the best decorated hat and Jockey's colours, raffles and a lucky door prize - all for \$8.00 plus your 'sweep'! So dress-to-the -nines for a day, watch the big race and pick the winner. •Lyn & Wendy will attend the QCWA Tiaro Units Meeting November 4th– the final meeting for the year and break up lunch. And November 18th, Burnett Div. Executive meeting will be held at Gin Gin.

Members attended a meeting in Tiaro CWA to form a Younger Set for that Branch, Joined by our Div. President, Irene Hamilton, along with Mellissa Crawford, State leader of Younger Sets. Good luck to this new venture.
Our next meeting for November will be the 14th. Our next Scrapbooking day will be Saturday 26th November.

Until next month, take care. *Cya - Pauline Keightley* 



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## There's no flies on us!



Above: Steve Stubbs is mad about insect-eating plants.

There is nothing more rewarding than loving your work. For local horticulturist and carnivourous plant fanatic, Steve Stubbs of Snappy Traps, it doesn't get any better than this.

When Steve was ten years old, his aunty gave him a Venus Fly Trap plant, "And that is how it all started for me," he said. "I started this business 6 years ago when I found almost all nurseries sold very small and often sick plants to the public. They had no idea about the plant or had any information to help the customer." Steve sells plants at markets all around Queensland, and ships to people all over Australia. He often does lectures on carnivorous plants at different societies through the state. Steve has nurseries at Curra and at his home in Tiaro. He is looking to buy land around Tiaro as the rainfall and sunshine are excellent.

Steve only grows carnivorous plants (Sarracenia pitcher plants) to sell to the public, as they are very easy to grow, look spectacular, work 24/7 & live for about 20 years.

"One mature plant can consume many thousand flies, wasps, hornets & ants through one summer. Now try & get that performance out of a can of fly spray!" he says proudly. "A good place for these plants is next to your front or back door so that they can catch flies trying to get inside your home."

You can contact Steve via e-mail: snappytraps@hotmail.com, or 0411154345.

## **FIRE UPDATE**

Thank you to members attending our AGM especially, Trevor, Kevin & Josie, and welcome to our new operational member Nathan Kennedy.

Elections were as follows:- Chairman: Tony Hain, Secretary/Treasurer: Jenny Pepper, First Officer: Brian Janssen, Second Officer: Tony Hain, Third Officer: Ian Smith. (Ian Smith is also our Volunteer Community Educator: 5484 6745.) **Reminders:** For permit to burn contact Gundiah Fire Warden Myles Long ph: 4129 2590. Next Training: 7 Nov at 7pm. Interested in becoming a support or operational member? Please contact Jenny ph: 4129 3128. *Thank you to our community for your continued support.* 







**Storm season clean-up!** Are you ready for the storm season? I encourage all residents to dispose of their pre-storm clean up rubbish for FREE at Council's recycling centres, transfer stations and landfills 21-22 November. **Australia Day Awards.** Council is calling for nominations for awards for Australia Day. There are different categories, i.e. Citizen of the Year, Junior Citizen, Community Event of the Year, Junior and Senior Sportsperson, Senior and Junior Cultural award. Nomination forms are available on the Council Website, or contact me to arrange a form.

Community Grants. Well done to the following organisations who received FCRC Community events grants: Bauple Rec Ground Assoc. Inc - an extra \$750 grant subsidy for the **Bauple Nut** Bash on 19th November 2011. Tiaro and District Lions Club received an additional \$750 funding towards the Annual Children's Christmas Party. (Both events already receive \$750 from Council towards these events.) I encourage all to go along and have a great time. Fraser Coast Living. The next Fraser Coast Living magazine should be delivered to all residents throughout the community after 7th November, 2011. If you don't receive a copy within a few weeks, please let me, or Council know so a copy can be arranged.

**Road Update.** The reseal programme was recently authorised through Council with the following roads to be resealed. Many of the roads in Tiaro town are to be resealed, Tinnanbar and parts of the Tinnanbar Road, as well as the Netherby Road from Road 472 to Hoffmans Road; Kanyan Road from Paterson Road East to Road 3 and Tahiti Road between Road 52 and the end.

Catch up with you soon. Cr Linda Harris.

#### Workshop on running meetings

Members of sport, recreation and other community groups are invited to register for a workshop on running effective meetings and Annual General Meetings. The workshop from 6-9pm on Thursday **17 November** at the Maryborough RSL, is the second in a series of four run by the Fraser Coast Regional Council. RSVP carole.bye@frasercoast.qld.gov.au Friday 4 November or 1300 794 929 for more detail. Limited spaces available.

#### Memorabilia wanted: historical motorcycle display



Gatakers Artspace is calling for memorabilia for a display of Maryborough's motorcycling history to coincide with the Ulysses Club's AGM in Maryborough in 2013. Display Co-ordinator Geoff Negus is keen to hear from anyone who can lend photographs and other memorabilia focusing on the social side of motorcycling.

For more information contact Geoff Negus on 0429 936 424.

Caption: Maryborough Motorcyclists Ernie Rook, Tom Jones, George Ditchmen and Harold Forrest head off to the road races at Bathurst during the 1950s.

#### Calling for Australia Day Nominations

Do you know an outstanding Aussie or community group in the Fraser Coast region? Nominate them for an Australia Day Award! The following categories will be awarded in each of the four previous communities (Hervey Bay, Maryborough, Tiaro and Woocoo) :

- Citizen of the Year
- Junior Citizen of the Year
- Senior Sportsperson of the Year
- Junior Sportsperson of the Year
- Senior Cultural Award
- Junior Cultural Award
- Community Event

Nomination forms can be obtained from Council's administration centres, downloaded from Council's website or by telephoning Council on 1300 79 49 29.

TIARO CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

### Darryl is cranky about Tiaro Medical Centre.

And with good reason. The Fraser Coast Council delays the opening of the Tiaro Medical Centre..again. Darryl Stewart, President of the Tiaro & District Chamber of Commerce said, "Council does not seem to realise that the Medical Centre is an essential community facility, community expectations were that it would have been finished and operating as soon as possible."

"Not only is the Centre not finished, Council has not even arranged for a medical practice to operate it. What on earth has Council been doing for the last 12 months?"Mr. Stewart thundered. 'Our community wants to know why Council has stalled its long awaited Medical Centre and requests that Council explain the completely avoidable delay and immediately announces a definite opening date,"he said.

But the Fraser Coast Regional Council says, "The council has until October 31, 2011 to complete the project and as the building work is completed bar the installation of an air-conditioner, that time line will easily be achieved." AS AT 31 October, the Tiaro Medical Centre was not open and there has been no date assigned by the FCRC for

it's opening, but it is still progressing.





Email gundiahgazette@gmail.com if you would like to appear here.

#### **Bauple Scouts**

Location: (Bauple Rec Grounds)\* Contact: Sandra Tomlinson 0418 185 442 Meetings: Fridays 6.00pm

Sandra Tomlison, also known as "Baloo" is excited about scouting and has been the group leader at Bauple Scout Group for 12 years. Recently, they have lost numbers due to move-outs, illness and the sporting season and **\*presently meet with Moonaboola Sea Scouts at Tinana on Fridays** instead of at their usual Bauple Rec Grounds.

"Scouting is such a fabulous program for both boys and girls," Sandra said. "We normally have 3 groups; Joey Scouts(6 to 7.5 years), Cub Scouts (7 to 10.5 years), and Scouts(10 to 14.5 years) and are hoping to round up some interested new members."



The aim of the Scout Association of Australia is to encourage the physical, intellectual, social and spiritual development of young people so that they may take a constructive place in society as responsible citizens, and as members of their local, national and international communities.

Call Sandra today 4129 2609!



#### 44th Tiaro Lions Children's Christmas Party

Location: Tiaro Recreation Grounds Inman Street. Tiaro Old 4650 **Contact:** Tony Pope 07 4129 6440 Date: Saturday, 26 November 2011 Time: 5pm-10pm Admission: Free Come and enjoy free rides including: Merry-Go-Round, Jumping Castle, Train (The Glenwood Flyer), Giant Slide (Biggest in Australia). Santa arrives at about 7.30pm with Sweets for children under 12. Fireworks at approximately 8.30pm sponsored by Fraser Coast Regional Council. Crafts, games and activities; Competitions (Christmas style dressup with prize for age groups); Stalls and lots more. Also for the Adults •Ham Wheel •Entertainment •Lions Food Tent •Licensed Bar. See you there!

## PREP OPEN DAYS

Bauple State School 16 & 28th Nov 9am-12pm. Mrs Susan Booth 4129 2243. Glenwood State School 16, 23, 30 Nov 9-10am Mrs Jacklyn Roberts 5485 7138. Gunalda State School 2 Nov Principal: Mr Gregory Cathcart Ph 5484 6211 Gundiah State School Mon 28 & Tues 29th Nov 9-11.30am. Principal: Mr Dale Dakin 4129 3136. Mr Warren Grienke will return 2012.

**Riverside Christian College** is complete booked for 2012. Enrolments are open for 2013. Ph. 4123 1031.

**Theebine State School** 30 Nov 8.30-10.15am Mr Warrick Lucht 5484 6206

**Tiaro State School** will have a new teacher, Miss Kate Elliot, for 2012. Ph 4129 2196

**Gunalda Kindy**: 2012 enrolment is open for 4 year-olds with classes for 3 days one week, 2 days next. (3 yearolds will also be admitted). Situated Bull Street Gunalda. Call Miss Luella and Miss Jess for more detail. Ph 5484 6200.



Above: Just some of the costumes on show at Gundiah's annual Halloween Disco. A fabulous night!

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K-thunk, bang! K-thunk, bang! "Lachlaaaaan!!" "What?"

"If I hear that ball hit the wall one more time ...I swear you'll spend the rest of the day shovelling sheep manure!" "Oh but Mummmm!"

"No more 'Oh buts' just go practice outside."

"Yeh, but...?"

"Don't push it!"

K-thunk, K-thunk, K-thunk

"Lachlaaaaan!"

"Yeah, yeah, I'm going!"

I don't know about you, but this is me every cricket season and the winter's not

much better, because then its soccer balls being bounced and kicked all over the place. Why can't the average boy just get it in his head that listening to constant K-thunks, bangs, thwacks and booms, will drive their mother insane? Not that their father is any better. No matter how many times I say"Get that ball out of the house", or"Stop throwing/kicking balls in the house", I'll eventually walk out of the bedroom and nearly have my head taken off by a googly or a bouncer as it comes flying down the pitch, I mean hallway. I lose 6 years off my life and they, father and son are doubled over with laughter! Now don't get me wrong I love sport, I love watching my sons play sport. I must do, as I drive hundreds of kilometres a week taking them to training, to club games, to representative games. What I can't understand is the constant need to be throwing, kicking or hitting a blasted round object at all hours of the day and night! Now that our youngest son has taken up the bat it's going to be twice as bad.

"What's that Angus?"

"I wanna play hockey"

"Yeh cool, me too"

"Over my dead b ... "

"Hockey, fellas? That sounds great, I've got my old hockey stick in the garage, let's go try a few moves in the lounge room!"

"You're awesome Dad."

"Yeh cool."

"AAAARRRRGGGGHHH !!"

By Fiona Stewart

