

GUNDIAH GAZETTE

COMMUNITY NEWS ACROSS THE TIARO DISTRICT

AUGUST 2011



Federal MP Warren Truss has the honour of handing out the awards at the Billy Cart Races in July.

Bauple BillyCart Racers

BillyCart Racing is all the Go at Bauple, with visits from local, state and federal officials, all wanting to get in the action.

The inaugural Bauple Billy Cart derby was held on Friday 8th July at Bauple, Fraser Coast. The derby was the initiative of the Bauple Community Men's Shed as a school holiday project providing kids from locals schools an opportunity to build and race their own billy carts. Seventeen children teamed up to make five billy carts, assisted by several shed members and some parents. The teams competed in a variety of novelty and sprint races.

Even the first man and Men's Shed patron, Tim Matheson, dropped in to support the initiative and race kids

and councillors down the track. Unfortunately Tim was pipped at the post by local independent MP Chris Foley. Mayor Mick Kruger, Cr O'Connell, Cr Harris, Federal MP Warren Truss were all keen to join in events.

Race Results: Bauple Nuts Race-Clayton Bottcher & Kynan Machen; Weaving Race-Quinton Warwick & Mackenzie Booth; Championship Race-Brody Ebert & Charlie Franklin; School Challenge-Gundiah State School-Brody Ebert & Charlie Franklin; Parents Race-Trevor Davis & Lachlan Davis.

The Men's Shed President, Mike Jennings indicated this was likely to be an annual event, with members from Hervey Bay Men's sheds also keen to participate next year.

It was a fabulous day and a great community spirit. Many thanks to all those



Above: Federal MP Warren Truss, local independent MP Chris Foley, Tim Matheson and Cr Harris, all smiles after surviving their Billy Cart race... the winner was Chris Foley!

Below: Hayley Williams of Tewantin participates in the Parent's Race.



who helped make the day a success.

Join the Men's Shed. If you are thinking about it, membership is \$25 from July 1 every year. This covers insurance and full use of the workshop and computers. Shed hours are Tuesday and Saturday from 9am to 3pm. Please call Secretary John Williams on 0417 716 840 or bauplecommunityshed@gmail.com.

1080 BAITING

Date: Sunday 14th Aug. 9am
At: Gundiah Community Club
School Road Gundiah
Organiser: Col Zemek FCRC
Phone: 0427125338

Bring your green book if you have registered before, if not ring Col on the above number and he will give you the data.

As you may be aware, a few residents have been losing poultry and goats the past few weeks so it may be a good time for us all to do a joint bait program. Trevor Keightley 41292504



WHAT'S ON IN AUGUST

Special Events & Activities

- 1 **Gundiah Rural Fire Brigade** training Monday 7pm at Station.
- 3 **Miva QCWA** Branch Mtg 9.30am CWA Rooms Miva Ph. 54846282
- 5 **Tiaro QCWA** Bingo & Tombola 9.30am Mayne St. 41292237
- 6 **Hervey Bay Whale Festival** Pialba's Seafont Oval. 10am on...
- 7 **Bauple Bicycle Gymkhana** Bauple Rec Grounds. 8am. 41292609
- 9 **Gootchie QCWA** Branch Meeting 9.30 Branch Rooms Lyn. 41293212
- 9 **Census Night**
- 10 **Tiaro QCWA** Hoy & Tombola 11am. Mayne Street ph. 41292237
- 11 **Gundiah School P&C** 3:30pm Uniform Discussion. 4129 3136
- 12 **Seniors Expo** Hervey Bay. See FCRC website for activities.
- 13 **Gootchie QCWA** Scrapbooking 8.30 Branch Rooms Lyn. 41293212
- 13 **Tiaro QCWA** Branch Meeting 9am Saturday CWA rooms ph. 41292237
- 13 **Tiaro District Arts & Crafts Exhibition** Tiaro Memorial Hall, 9-3pm. See ad. Philomena, 4129 2490.
- 14 **Baiting** - See Notice.
- 16 **Senior Week Mayoral Morning Tea** 9.30am Tiaro Mem Hall-Free. See ad
- 16 **Tiaro District Chamber Commerce** 7pm Tiaro School. Toni 4129 2107
- 18 **FREE Community Legal Services** Tiaro Comm. Ctr. 41292453 for Apt
- 19 **Gundiah Community Place AGM** 6pm BBQ. 7pm Meeting. See notice.
- 20 **Glenwood Swap-Meet** 7am. Entry \$3. Car Bike Show & Variety Concert. Bernie 54857191. See ad.
- 21 **Bauple Museum** Mtg 7pm.
- 26 **Tiaro Library Book Club**. 10am.
- 29 **RSL Meeting** Tiaro Hall 7.30pm Ph. Graeme Davis 4129 2423

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/Thur for 3-15years. 4pm. \$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 (1Aug)

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. 41292100

Karate. 6pm Tiaro Memorial Hall. 1st lesson free. Ph Mark 41293112

Thursdays.

Under 5 Story Time 10am Tiaro Library. NOW EVERY THURS. Ph. 41292453

Joey's, Cubs, Scouts. 4.30pm Bauple Rec Grounds. S Tomlinson 4129-2609

Ladies Fitness @Tiaro Hall 5.30pm \$10

Zumba Classes 5.30pm \$12. See ad.

Fridays.

Emergency Service Cadets 4pm SES Shed Maryborough. Ian 54846745

Rosendale Tennis Club 7pm. Bauple-Woolooga Road Ph. 41292589

Gundiah Community Place Social Nite 1st Friday BBQ 6pm. 3rd Friday Mtg+BBQ 6pm. (5th & 19th August AGM) 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

FREE ENTRY Seniors Week 2011
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**Tiaro & Districts
Mayoral Morning Tea
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**Tuesday 16 August 2011
9.30 AM**

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What's on at the Gundy Pub

Fridays: RSL Raffles. Social Night.

Saturdays: School Raffles & Entertainment. 1-4pm. (Meat trays, Cash prizes, Vege trays, other prizes) BBQ to die for. (14th Aug on) Pool Competition 4pm. \$5 inc lite supper. \$100 prize.

Sundays: Darts Night 1pm. \$5 inc lite supper. Prize \$100. +Carton Draw. Patron of Week.

Meals & Take Aways: Check out the ever-expanding menu. Eat in or Take Away. Call Dan or Renelle 4129 3182.

August at Theebine Pub.

Thursday Roast Night 3 course: soup/main/dessert \$13.50

Sunday BBQ lunch Starting from \$7.50

Gigs & Events:

7 **Lipstick Jungle**+Bush Darts Raffles.

13-14 **Historical Motor Cycle Club** ride. They're here Sat arvo-Sunday lunch.

14 **CMOE Gympie High**

21 **Neil Duddy** + Happy Hackers Raffles

4 Sept. **Father's Day:** Tapper Girls. See voucher for free pot!

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DATE CLAIMERS

Cricket Summer Sign On's - Registration and Info Nights - All Welcome. **Friday 9th & 16th of September** from 5pm which include a free sausage sizzle and registration packs. Also, you can sign up on **Sunday the 18th September** which is the fun day too. Fees will be \$60 for in2cricket and \$80 for all levels. Maryborough Cricket Club "New-town Oval", Ariadne Street, Maryborough Qld 4650 Phone: (07) 4123 1720 Email: marycricket1@bigpond.com

Dickabram Bridge 125th Birthday Celebration. Historic Displays, Rides, Entertainment, Food, Market Stalls and more - September 17th. All day from 9am @ the Bridge, Miva. Ph. Will Nahrung 5484 6282 / Kathy Dakin 5484 6229. dickabram@gmail.com. Note: Market stall sites are available for individuals and organisations.

FCRC Community Chat. Tues 20th September. 6.30pm. Glenwood Community Centre. See ad.

Bauple Museum 10th Birthday Celebration. 24th September. 10am. Displays cars, bikes, machinery, stalls.

Annual Scrabble Challenge. At Gootchie QCWA Thursday Sept 29th.

2011 Fraser Coast Horse Sale & General Auction Maryborough Showgrounds 9.30am **Sunday 2 October.** Order of sale: 1. Saddles & Chattels 2. Penned Horses 3. Ridden Horses. No yard fee, no advert fee - \$10 Non refundable Booking fee + 10% sales Commission. Ph 4123 5311 or info@frasercoastshow.com.au. Refreshments available.

Country Music Concert/Festival: Munna Creek Hall See page 6.

NOTICES

Gundiah Community Place AGM moved from September to **19th August 2011.** All members are requested to please attend so our club can continue to provide a place within our community to have fun, friendship, trips and sporting activity's. Trevor 4129 2504.

The Wide Bay Hibiscus Branch Next meeting: 16th October at 104 Robert Road, Chatsworth, starting at 10am - an activity day potting root stock for the Gympie Expo in May 2012. Learn how to grow Hibiscus~please come along. All welcome. Chris Robinson

Found Cat @Gootchie: Beautiful black & white fluffy tom cat has adopted us. It has had a collar, and is so quiet and smootchie. Ring Pauline 4129 2504



Fraser Coast REGIONAL COUNCIL

Community chat

with your Mayor and Councillors

Glenwood Community Centre
6.30pm Tuesday 20 September

Come and meet Fraser Coast Mayor Mick Kruger, the Councillors and Council's senior staff and let's talk about the matters that interest or concern you.

For further details visit www.frasercoast.qld.gov.au or contact Council on 1300 79 49 29

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Felt Workshops:

Two Day Workshop 13-14th August. Basic feltmaking workshop at Gatakers Gallery by Anita Larkin. Limited to 10 participants. Day 1 Feltmaking basics. Day 2 Felted Jewellery. Cost \$100.

Three Day Workshop 15-17th August Felting Hollow Forms at Gatakers Gallery by Anita Larkin. Limited to 10 participants. Cost \$120 for 3 days.

Contact Ann Chan on Ph 4129 2140 or email: annpotery@yahoo.com.au.

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TIARO DISTRICT ARTS & CRAFTS EXHIBITION

Tiaro Memorial Hall
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GUNDIAH COMMUNITY CHRONICLE

GUNDIAH COMMUNITY INCORPORATE

G'day to you all! It always happens, when you try to keep a secret it becomes common knowledge. As we are reporters of events and living in the time of phone hackers, it is only right that we, too, report the following:

A MEMBER'S WINTER SWIM. A female club member is rather embarrassed with recent events that were broadcast to the world. Her water pump had failed, and she determined that it must be the suction valve in the dam. With no boat and rather cold weather, she, like any woman, decided if a man can fix it so can a woman! To the shed to get the boogie board she went and paddled out to the suction valve. Almost there, she slipped on the board and went headfirst into the dam. Elegantly retrieving herself, she swam back to the muddy bank. Plucking herself out, she dripped back to the house, had a shower and put on clean clothes. But what of the retrieval of the boogie board and suction valve, you ask? Here, her woman's brilliance came to bear in so much that she thought it would be better to skinny dip, and off came all the clean gear except...(now this does not make too much sense as only the red bra stayed on, remembering that in the 60's women wanted equal rights and burnt their bra's...) But she made it this time without falling in, carried out her task of repair and water flows once again at her home, bless her little soul, our members are so talented!

OTHER NEWS. •We have been planting the gardens and hopefully they will take root before the next floods.

•Joanne Coyne & Rod were home for the school holidays. She is enjoying Nebo and Rod is working at the local Hotel.

•After 30 years, the Main Roads decided to make the last section of the Woollooga Road a double road. After so many near misses, (remember the truck load of meat spread across the road?) work is about complete, thank-you Main Roads.

•The Bauple Men's shed did a great job building and racing Billy Carts for the kids... I heard on the vine that they were contemplating same for seniors, but watching the Mayor race they have reconsidered.

So till next month, keep smiling and enjoy the beautiful days of our Queensland winter.
Trevor Keightley President 41292504



A photo from the Miva Homestead Collection.

Pioneering Days in Miva

An excerpt from the Miva QCWA book "A Century of Settlement" compiled by Mrs. E M Carlson.

The early settlers grew maize, potatoes and pumpkins all planted by hoe. To protect their crops from the ravages of bandicoots, wallabies etc. they would make fences of palings with wire twisted between them. They carted their produce to Gympie and Maryborough on drays. Mr. Konrad Nahrung records that he used 7 horses on these trips taking 3 days to Gympie and 4 to Maryborough. Farmers on the west side of the river were severely handicapped in flood time, on one occasion Messes Nahrung and Johnston went to Gympie with a load of maize and obtained 3 shillings a bushel; then a high price. They hurried home with their teams for the rest of their crop, but found the river up as there apparently had been heavy rain in the upper reaches. They left their drays on the Gympie side and swam with their horse's home. In the morning the river was too high to swim their horses across, so after boating the corn across

and loading their drays, they took the horses via Widgee and Glastonbury then over the Gympie bridge and back to the drays at Miva—a trip of 70 miles. When they finally got to Gympie the price of maize, which had advanced to five and sixpence, had dropped to two and three pence a bushel, the farmers on the Eastern side had reaped the benefit and glutted the market.

Farmers received low prices for their crops in those days: as low as one and four pence a bushel for maize and two pound a ton for chaff. The average price of cattle was one pound a head. Living costs of essentials was, of course, correspondingly low. Mr. Nahrung tells of sending three tons of potatoes to Gympie where there was no sale for them and then on to Brisbane, receiving at the end of the month a bill for seventeen shillings.

In 1882 the railway line from Gympie to Maryborough was opened and this brought an end to the long treks with produce to those towns. Instead it was taken to Kanyan over the "nightmare road" cut and cleared through the scrub.

Tiara's Sons.

This month's Salute to the Diggers:

John & Michael Coyne

Private John Coyne 2102 Labourer, Gootchie QLD. **Private Michael Coyne** 2360 Labourer, Maryborough QLD. Both were sons of Philip Coyne, Knock Brack, Cleggan, Co Galway Ireland.

Michael enlisted 11 May 1915 at the age of 20 and was posted into the 9th Battalion 7th Reinforcement. The Unit embarked from Sydney on Board HMAT A9 Shropshire on the 20th August 1915 bound for France. Mortally wounded in battle at Bullecourt France on the 7th May 1917, he died of his wounds on the 18th May 1917. He is buried in the Grevillers British Cemetery (Plot 111, Row A, Grave No 11) France. *Rest we forget.*

John enlisted 11 Feb. 1916 at the age of 21 and was posted into the 4th Battalion, Reinforcement 3. The unit embarked from Brisbane on board HMAT A46 Clan Macgillivray on the 1st May 1916 bound for Messines Belgium. He was killed in action 9th June 1917. There is no known grave but he is posted on the Ypres (Menin Gate) Memorial (Panel 31). *Rest we forget.*

Next month we salute Roy Gee. Trevor Keightley 41292504



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The Fraser Coast Cemeteries went 'live' on the Council website recently. (Pardon the pun.) This is a fantastic facility as it currently stands and should be even better in the next few years once more photos are uploaded and some minor enhancements made. www.frasercoast.qld.gov.au/web/guest/cemeteries-online.

Tenders were awarded for the construction of the Tiaro Medical Centre on 6.7.11. The successful tenderer was Metcalf Constructions for the sum of \$371,800. Work should be underway shortly.

Grants. Regional Arts Development Fund grant applications have been called. Contact Trevor Spohr at F.C.R.C. if interested.

Morning Tea with the Mayor. The Annual Senior Citizens Morning Tea for the Tiaro region, will be held on Tuesday 16th August, at 9.30 a.m. in the Tiaro Memorial Hall. All Senior residents are welcome to come along, to meet old friends make new friends and simply have a chat. Morning tea is free and to be prepared by the Tiaro State School P&C Association.

DON'T FORGET - Tiaro Art & Craft Exhibition 13th August and Glenwood Swapmeet 20th August, 2011!

Regards,
Cr Linda Harris. 0417 711 993

Fraser Coast Community Plan

Community response either through survey forms or by attending community forums has helped to formulate the Fraser Coast Community Plan. The next phase of the project is underway. We are now asking the community for their feedback on these plans.

Log onto Councils website (www.frasercoast.qld.gov.au) to find a survey form which can either be completed online or in hardcopy for mailing.

Community comments were on: Our Governance/ Our Community/ Our Economy/ Our Environment/ Our Movement and Access/ Our Places and Spaces.

Feedback closes on: Wednesday 31st August 2011.

Debra Moore 4197 4337

Exec Manager Community & Culture FCRC

Gundiah P&C News

New President. All members of the P&C Association would like to welcome their new President whom I am sure will do a fantastic job and will be well supported. We are very excited that we now have a full committee and are looking forward to being able to do some fundraising for our children.

New Uniform. The P&C Association would like to advise all Parents and Citizens in our local area that at our last meeting all members present moved that a survey be sent home to all parents to receive feedback as to whether or not they are happy to change the school uniform. The current uniform has a white shirt with blue trim and logos and the proposed change is to have a blue shirt with white logos and trim. Should you have any objections to this change you may advise the school in writing as your thoughts count.

Building Education Revolution Program. Gundiah State School will be having an official opening by the Honourable Senator John Hogg on the 7th September, 2011 at 11a.m. to recognise the funding received by the Federal Government for their new building.

Holiday Billy Cart Construction/Race. Some of our students participated in the inaugural Billy Cart Challenge at Bauple during the holidays. The challenge was organised and conducted by the Men's Shed and the Bauple Community. Our students managed to bring home the trophy, which was a very proud moment for such a small school.



Gundiah School: Brody Ebert and Charlie Franklin receive the School Trophy in the Men's Shed Billy Cart Derby from Warren Truss MP.

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Above: It is looking more 'spiffy' every day. Munna Creek Hall will host a Music Festival in September and October. This will be a local event not to be missed.

Munna Creek Hall Update.

July 16 2011. Last Sunday, we had a very successful working bee at the Munna Creek Hall. The inside toilets are nearly finished, the rebuilding of the front verandah is well underway, the kitchen is lined now in readiness for the floor covering and installation of kitchen benches. The disability ramp is built. We have, at last, almost completed the external painting with the internal painting well underway as well.

The perimeter of the hall grounds and the old school grounds have been bulldozed in readiness for the Munna Creek Country Music Festival. The toilets and disability ramp are courtesy of the Fraser Coast Regional Council.

If you would like to be kept updated on the progress of the hall and country music festival, then become a "friend" of the Munna Creek Hall on Facebook.

Submitted by Bronco Jensen.



Country Music Concert Munna Creek Hall 17th September at 7.30pm.

Featuring: Lindsay Waddington (Gold Coast), Tony Wagman (Brisbane), Clarry Weller (Gympie) Dorrie Muller, Bronco Jensen, Lex K, and others.

Cost: \$10 entry per person inc supper.

Proceeds: to restore the hall.

Bring: your own chair.

Phone: Lex 41293145

Country Music Festival Munna Creek Hall October 20th to 23rd 2011

Here are the details so you won't miss out on a fabulous weekend:

Bush Camping for vans, tents, motor-homes etc. Gates open Sunday 16th. Food available. No public showers. Bar open daily. Bring your own chairs for events.

Prices [per person]

Camping pass \$60 pp

Weekend pass /no camping \$50 pp

Day pass \$20 pp

Night shows \$10 pp

Passes can be purchased at the gate on the day (cash only).

Invited Artists

Some of the invited Artist include- Trevor Day, Graham Rodger, Ernie Constance. Glen Albrecht, Sharon Smith, Ginger Cox, Tony Wagner, Waddo & Butts, Bob Easter, Buddy Thomson, Lynne Bennett, Dorrie Muller, Chainsaw Lindsay, Kalesti Butler (A.B.B.A. Star Quest Winner 2011) Anne Kirkpatrick, Lex K, Kev Groves, Jan Wilson.

Poets: Gary Fogarty and his team of very comical poets.

Venue: Munna Creek Hall and Grounds are located at Munna Creek, off Bauple-Woolooga Rd, west of Mary River.

Program

Wednesday.....

6.30pm-Old Time Dance @ Hall

Thursday.....

6pm-Evening Meals Plus Walk up Artist

Friday.....

9.30am- Walk up Artist until 3pm

3.30pm- Big Show of Invited Artists

Saturday.....

7am- Poets Breakfast until 9.30am

9.30am- Walk up Artist until 3pm

3.30pm- Big show of Invited Artists

Sunday.....

7am- Poets Breakfast until 9.30 pm

9.30am- Big Show of Invited Artists

3pm- Wind Up

Contact: Lex Kunnst 41293145 www.bushballadeers.com.au/events.htm

Bush Darts News

The Bush Darts Group meet weekly on Wednesday nights at: Hideaway, Royal, Gunalda, Theebine and Gundiah. Round 2 was great with Scores of 180, Bull Starts, Bull Outs, High Score Peg Outs achieved.

Socials: Our thanks to Renelle & Dan at the Gundy Pub for hosting the great lunch for our Social in July! Some great scores were thrown in: •180s - Dave G •Highest Scores - Dave G. •65 Highest Peg Out - Stan, Sleepy Lagoon, Tin Can Bay. •3 Most Tons - Dot Burnes •3 Most Finishes - Matt Rivette.

Return Social: 8 Oct at Sleepy Lagoon, Tin Can Bay. Dart Players Welcome.

Thanks to all players-some from as far as Mandarah WA! A great day. Kay J.

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The Big Pineapple's Nut Mobile heads for it's new home.

Nut Mobile finds home in Bauple

The heritage listed Nut Mobile from the Big Pineapple has moved to its new home in Bauple, home of the original Macadamia Nut.

The Big Pineapple in Nambour was one of Australia's leading agri-tourism attractions, which closed its doors last year.

After lengthy negotiations with the owners of the Big Pineapple, the Receivers and the Heritage Commission, the Bromet family became the new owners of the iconic Nut Mobile. The Nut Mobile was one of the Big Pineapple's star attractions and many Australians and overseas visitors have fond memories of it.

It has now been relocated to Bauple-Fraser Coast, home of the original Macadamia nut, alias Bauple nut.

The Bromet family are Macadamia farmers in the area and operate the renovated local shop/tourist stop appropriately named Macadamia House. The family is keen to continue the com-

munity's vision to promote Bauple with agri-tourism and continue to promote the iconic nut.

Marc Bromet said this was nearly as good a feeling as winning State of Origin. If positively marketed this will be a wonderful tourism drawcard, not only for the Fraser Coast Hinterland, but also the Fraser Coast as a whole.

One loco and three nut mobile carriages have already been put on display at Bauple. A lot of work will be required however, to restore the Nut Mobile to its pristine condition, before getting it back on the road for visitors.

Employment opportunities for outgoing personalities are anticipated and certainly a position will be open for a nutty conductor. No doubt discussions with Fraser Coast Regional Council will be required to identify best utilization for this unique icon.

For more information see Macadamia House website and enews letter at www.macadamiahouse.com or contact Yolande Bromet on 0425 332 398 for more information.

Tiaro Chamber

The Tiaro Chamber had its AGM last Tuesday, and Darryl Stewart was re-elected as President, with Owen Thompson VP, Roslyn Banks as Secretary and Lorraine Brown as Treasurer. Some of the issues we have dealt with this last year include:

- The Tiaro Medical Centre: The tender for refit has been awarded and the Centre will be ready end of September.
- At the Fraser Coast Business Awards Gala Evening, Tiaro overwhelmingly won the Chamber promotional debate. Kylie Richardson from Highway Hair Design won the Encouragement Award.
- We continue to plead for a new bridge over the Mary. We won't give up either.
- Qld Dept of Main Roads is looking to upgrade the Bruce Highway through Tiaro, the big issue being the provision of a pedestrian crossing. Our opinion was a set of traffic lights with pedestrian crossing at the main intersection at the top of the hill. While Tiaro currently depends on a big percentage of business from highway traffic, the highway actually divides the town. More than 11000 vehicles pass through on a daily basis.
- The Chamber was unanimously against Divisional representation as proposed for the next election.
- The recent Tiaro Farming and Lifestyle Field Day organised with Tiaro and District Landcare drew huge crowds and injected an estimated \$500,000 into the local economy.
- We negotiated to have the FCRC Streetscape scheme extended to include all 11 businesses on Mayne St.
- We are assisting our regional areas; support for Glenwood Progress Association for funding for a new hall, and are trying to set up a regular cricket competition between Town (Maryborough) and Country (all of us) to build community capacity.
- Ergon Energy discussion to make the Tiaro District an Energy Efficient Community.

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GOOTCHIE GIRL GOSSIP

AUGUST 2011

Good Morning all from the Gootchie Girls! And what a cold one it is this morning, although I did hear on the Radio that we have passed the middle of Winter. So, it can only get better as we now head toward Spring. It couldn't get any worse could it ?!!! (So say I with doubt in my mind.)

AGM UPDATE. Well our AGM has been and gone with a slight change of executive. We have no president as such, but with 3 very able vice presidents, I'm sure we will get along just fine. We had a super day for it down at the Tiaro QCWA rooms with the lovely Council- or Julie Arthur taking the chair for the 3 branches and Lillian Coyne, the Bauple Historian keeping our attention and lots of laughter recalling all she knew of the early days of Bauple, Tiaro & Gootchie. I learnt that Tiaro was settled even before Maryborough which surprised me. The Lunch was, as usual, up to CWA standards with the dessert of Sticky Date Pudding and Caramel Sauce made by Gail N. (I'm bringing her home to cook it for me !!)

PETRIE GARDENS. We went for our usual delightful 'morning T' with the residents of Petrie Gardens where we took a Scottish Theme, dug out the old Scotch kilt (with surprise that it still fitted) and the traditional twin Sets. Had a bit of a rousing sing-a-long with Dennis of some of the favorite 'oldies', learned some interesting facts and worked through a few quizzes. We learnt that some of the residents are crossword and scrabble experts. Look out Diana on our Scrabble Challenge day!

SCRAPBOOKING. Scrapbooking day is August 3rd, so as I always say, come along to our rooms on Gootchie Road, bring a few photos and let Coral

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your just not up to the game, then come along for the fun of the day.

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