

GUNDIAH GAZETTE

COMMUNITY NEWS ACROSS THE TIARO DISTRICT

FEBRUARY 2012

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Council Elections bumped to April 28

Due to State elections called in March, Fraser Coast Regional Council elections are rescheduled for **Saturday 28 April**. The local council boundaries are made up of 10 divisions, the Gundiah area being within Division 2. Division 2 candidates as of 31st January are: **Darryl Stewart, John Horrex, Phil Truscott, Alan Hunter**, with the position of Mayor also to be selected on your ballot. The successful candidate will be **your** representative in the new Council. As the outgoing Council had no divisions, the task of running the Wide Bay area and at the same time bringing 4 councils into one, this election should result in the new council being able to concentrate more on building and managing the shire on our behalf as the majority of amalgamation issues should be put to rest. Please vote responsibly!



Australia Day Awards 2012

Australia Day Awards for our local Tiara area were presented on Australia Day at the Tiara Memorial Hall. Congratulations to these deserving recipients:

Citizen Of The Year: Kerrie Bartlett

The Glenwood Progress Association is one of the most active on the Fraser Coast. Association member Kerry Bartlett—the force behind the Glenwood News—is tireless in her service to the community.

Junior Citizen Of The Year: Jessica Stewart

Winning a scholarship to attend Fairholme College, Toowoomba in year 6, and despite missing almost half of Year 10 to have surgery on her leg, Jessica received two meritorious awards for her academic ability. Now a school leader at Aldridge State High School, she is a gifted student, a mentor for disabled students, and community volunteer.

Senior Sportsperson of the Year: Neil Boynton

Neil was the driving force behind The Bail Up at Black Swamp Creek, an event that raises the profile of the region as well as that of the Tiara and District Sports Club. The shoot, held annually, capitalises on the region's history with bushrangers to promote the club's annual shoot at their complex in Tiara. *(The Double Barrel Gun Club was a gang of bushrangers which actually terrorised the Tiara district.)*

Junior Sportsperson of the Year:

Karla Blowers. A member of Tiara Pistol Club, Karla Blowers, 25, won the open women's title at the International Practical Shooting Confederation World Shoot in Greece last year. Karla, who has been shooting since she was 11, currently holds the champion title in four states – Queensland, Victoria, South Australia and New South Wales.

Senior Cultural Award: Ann Chan.

An artist with abilities covering a range of media – spinning and weaving, pottery and working with glass, Ann is an active member of the community, especially through the Tiara Arts and Craft Group. Ann is secretary of the Mount Bauple and District Historical Museum and a member of the Regional Arts Development Fund, increasing the skill levels of Fraser Coast artists.

Community Event: Munna Creek Country Music Festival

The Munna Creek Country Music Festival signalled the end of a huge project – the restoration of the 105 year old Munna Creek Hall by a small band of volunteers.

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WHAT'S ON IN FEBRUARY

February Events

(FOR QCWA EVENTS SEE PG 4)

- 1 **AgForce Coal Seam Mining Info Mtg** . Tiaro Mem Hall 3.30 pm with a BBQ dinner provided. Contact Joel Rickuss/www.agforceprojects.org.au.
- 8 **Tiaro Police Division Consultative Committee** 7pm General Mtg & AGM Tiaro Comm Ctr Ph 4129 2555
- 14 **VALENTINE'S DAY**
- 16 **FREE Community Legal Services** Tiaro Comm. Ctr. 4129 2453 for apt.
- 18 **Glenwood Country Markets** 7-12 Pepper Rd. Ph. Jane / John 5485 7468
- 18 **Rhythm&Revs Ute Show** 9am Fraser Coast Show Grnds. See pg 6.
- 19 **Aust. Hibiscus Soc Mtg @ 8 Jones St** Goomeri, 10am. Chris 5484 6551
- 21 **Tiaro District Chamber Commerce** 7pm. Tiaro School. Toni 4129 2107
- 21 **Bauple Historical Museum Mtg** 7pm New members welcome. 4129 2258

Weekly Events & Activities

Tiaro Broadband for Seniors Kiosk.

Tiaro Comm Ctr. Open Mon-Fri 9-1pm. Phone Pat 41939239 or Jeff 4129 2650.

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 (6 Feb)

Tuesdays.

Tai-Chi at Tiaro Comm. Ctr. 8.30am

Child Health Nurse. 9-12pm Tiaro Lib. 2nd & 4th Tuesday. 4122 8733.

Tiaro Creative Arts Group. 9.30am

Uniting Church, Mungar Rd. 5484 6135

SES Tiaro. 6 Copenhagen St. Tiaro 7pm. Meetings/Training. Ph Bill 0429 001 094

Wednesdays.

Line Dancing Gunalda Hall resumes 21 March 2012 Ph. Pamela 4129 3126

Thursdays.

Under 5 Story Time 10am Tiaro Library. Ph. 41292453.

Ladies Fitness @Tiaro Hall 5.30pm \$10
Zumba Bauple Hall 5.30pm \$12. See ad.

Fridays.

Emergency Service Cadets 4pm SES Shed Maryborough. Ian 5484 6745

Joey's, Cubs, Scouts. 6pm. 4129-2609

Rosendale Tennis Club 7pm. Bauple-Woolooga Road Ph. 4129 2589

Gundiah Community Place Social Nite 1st & 3rd Friday BBQ 6pm. (3rd & 17th) Trevor 4129 2504. See column pg3.

Sunday Services.

Lighthouse Christian Church: Cnr For-

estry Rd & Main St Bauple. 10:00am Worship & Communion. 10:30am Children's Church. 4129 2787 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. 10.30am. 3rd Sunday. Ph 5482 2629

New Priest for Anglican Parish of Gympie.

Fr Andrew Joseph Cooper is the new Anglican priest appointed for Gympie including Christ Church Gunalda. He comes from Stafford Parish in Brisbane, is 46 years old, single and holds the following academic qualifications:- Diploma of Teaching; Bachelor of Theology; Graduate Diploma in Religious Education; Master of Social Science (Pastoral Counselling). Services are held at Gunalda 3rd Sunday of the month 10:30 am. Visitors are very welcome. Following the service, a lively morning tea is enjoyed by all.

Parish Office hrs Gympie: Wed, Thurs, Fri 9am-3pm. Ph 5482 2629. Local contact: Barbara Paterson Ph 5484 6135

DATE SAVERS

Theebine Hall 100 years old in 2012. A celebration is planned for **Saturday 24th March** at the hall, starting in the afternoon and going through into the night. This will be a great opportunity for everyone to get together and chat over afternoon tea. There'll be a Meet 'n' Greet style BBQ in the early evening followed by an old time dance and entertainment at night. If you have any memorabilia or photos or need more information please phone 5484 6129.

Clean Up Australia Day

Sunday 4 March. Join the team by going to: www.cleanupaustrialiaday.org.au or by calling 1800 282 329.

FCSS GARAGE SALE Saturday 16 March @ FCShow Grounds 7am Community Pavilion. Doors open at 7am, hot coffee and breakfast on sale. All donations of furniture, pot plants, books, household items or goods within reason, are gratefully accepted and can be delivered or collected by calling Jill on 4123 5311.



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NOTICES

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Cleaning - Sally Franklin 0438 850 269
Domestic cleaning done. All areas.

Asperger's Support Group. For adults living with an adult who has Asperger's. Mtgs 9-12noon, last Wed of month at Tiaro Com Ctr. All are welcome. Call Pat 41939239.

At the Pubs

What's on at the Gundy Pub

Fridays: 6-8pm Tiaro RSL Raffles, Patron Draw. Free Pool and Video Juke Box.

Saturdays: 4-8pm Gundiah School Raffles Fortnightly: 11&25 Feb. \$2 for 9 draws. Patron Draw-10 Pots for Grabs. Darts Comp (\$100 Prize Money)

Saturday Live Music:

4 Karaoke 5pm (Come sing up a storm)

11 Instrumentally Yours 5pm

18 Jam Session 4pm (3rd Saturdays)

25 David Gray 5pm (Check him out)

Sundays: 2-4pm Carton Draw (5 Car-tons). Pool Comp (\$100 Prize Money)

Courtesy Bus available. Camping and Showers. Ring Dan or Renelle 4129 3182.

What's on at Theebine Pub

5 Greame Jenson

14 Valentine's Dinner

19 Danny and The Crew

26 CMSOE - (Country Music School Of Excellence)

Raffles 1st Sunday for Bush Darts and 3rd Sunday for Happy Hackers. Sunday music starts 1pm. BBQ Lunch starts 12pm. Meals start from \$10.50! Theebine Hotel needs YOU for golf and dart members. Claudia 5484 6182.

What's on at the Hideaway

1st 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 function-Nia or Col 4129 2153

Latest News @The Royal!

4 **Monster Farewell Jam Session**-FRANK FINGERS & 8 piece DIXIE JAZZ BAND, + top local & state musicians. Not to be missed - SAT 4TH FEB. Courtesy Bus 41292567

Royal Hotel has new owners! Rob & Marcella are confident they are leaving the hotel in very good hands-(locals Phil & Toni) and would like to thank their many friends & patrons for their support during their time at the Royal.

GUNDIAH COMMUNITY CHRONICLE

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We welcome all our readers to 2012 and the Chinese Year of the Dragon. Remember, it does not necessary relate to your mothers-in-law! *Well, when we say it's the New Year it's one twelfth gone. In fact 8.33% of the year has passed.*

Grassroots Grazing. Our first get together of 2012 included guest speaker Dan Carney (Son of Raz) - the subject was Grassroots Grazing which, in simple terms, is putting good ingredients into the paddock with chickens.

The Story. A few weeks ago a number of property owners and members met at the club house to have the Council Pest Officer, Col Zemek, inject our livers with 1080 (not ours personally). Of course, you get into discussion about the problems with dingos, wild dogs, wild cats, with the odd lion and tiger thrown in. You would not believe what happens at night: "I saw 15 pairs of eyes crossing Gutchy creek" (wonder what he was drinking), or "I had to stop on the bridge and let these 2 dingos cross in front of me," or "I shot 3 in a group of 5 with only 2 bullets"...

Then someone noted you could hear an engine running. We all listened for the train, but no it was, well, we will say *Member A's* car, and he had been there for at least an hour prior! One could hear the engine when the AC cut in, so you can imagine the comments by other members, some being that it was not necessary to have the car cold internally just to take his liver back home. But that's not the end of the story! Member A had his baits injected, filled in the paperwork and went home, 30 minutes later his wife rang and asked if anybody had seen his liver-he lost them! Yep, they were sitting there where he left them!

Then the official photographer wanted a group photo, but his battery was flat... he tried numerous ways to get his shot, even tried his hearing aid... and I will leave that to you to work out.

2012. Our programme this year is a mix of social activities, member's stories, bus trip and Pomona Fork & Film night. Our next social night is Friday 3rd Feb and Geoff is in charge of the activities being Croquet, Darts and Horse shoes. I urge you to become a member, please contact our secretary Pauline 41292504. *Trevor Keightley President.*

Tiara's Sons-Our Salute to the Diggers Sergeant Eric John Strawbridge

**Sergeant Eric John Strawbridge 426927
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Eric was born to parents Arthur & Maud Strawbridge on 2nd May 1922. He had 2 sisters, Doris and Lillian, and 2 brothers Walter and Gordon. His family lived in Kanyan where they had a very profitable dairy farm. Eric went to school in Kanighan and took a prominent part in all school activities. He was one of ten Queensland farm boys selected to attend the junior farmers at the Royal Easter Show in Sydney. When schooldays were finished Eric joined the family at home and helped on the farm.

He was very musical and enjoyed playing the piano and mouth organ and was always available for a game of cricket or tennis.

Eric and his brother Walter decided to join the Air Force Reserve, while awaiting their call-up they were placed in the army and sent to Townsville. Later they were transferred to Brisbane and joined the RAAF and did training in Kingaroy, NSW flight school and a Gunnery School at Evans Head.

Both Eric and Walter sailed for San Francisco, arriving after 18 days, followed by a 6 day train ride to New York where they boarded the "AGUITANA" for Glasgow.

Soon after reaching England the brothers parted. Walter went on to complete his training as a wireless operator, and Eric as an Air Gunner. Eric was stationed at RAF Blyton near Gainsborough, a conversion unit to Heavy bombers; Eric lost his life on the 16th December 1943 together with the rest of the crew members on a Night Flying raid. He is buried in the RAF Section of Cambridge Cemetery. Lest We Forget. Next month we salute Arthur M Benson. For more information contact Trevor Keightley 4129 2504.



Walter and Eric Strawbridge

Baby News

Introducing Indianna Rose Thompson, born 18 January 2012, to Samantha and Noel Thompson of Tiara. Indiana weighed a healthy 8lb 4oz. Congratulations to the proud parents.



CWA Calendar

GOOTCHIE QCWA

561 Gootchie Rd, Gootchie. 41293212
14 **Meeting** (2nd Tuesday) at 9.30am
18 **Scrapbooking** Saturday 9am.
17 **Div. Ext. Meeting** Mundubbera
24 **Petrie Gardens** Visit.

TIARO QCWA

35 Mayne St Tiara. Ph. Gail 41292237
3 **Bingo** (1st Friday) 9.30 am.
8 **HOY** (2nd Wed) 11am
11 **Meeting** (2nd Sat) 9.00am
16 **Petrie Gardens** Visit (3rd Thurs)
(We also hold a Tombola 2nd Wednesday of April, August & December)

TIARO YOUNGER SET.

35 Mayne St Tiara. Ph. Gail 41292237
4 **Branch meeting** (1st Sat) 9am.
17 **Craft Activities** (3rd Sat) 9am-11am

MIVA QCWA

Ph. June 54846282
1 **Meeting** (1st Wed) 9.30am.

BAUPLE QCWA

Mill St, Bauple. Ph. Thelma 41292100
Craft Classes 1st, 2nd & 4th Wednesday. 9am-3pm \$2.00, Bring your lunch and enjoy a cuppa, a laugh and a craft.

FIRE BRIGADE NEWS

FIRE DANGER PERIOD ended midnight 16 December 2011. This means any material to be burnt (less than 2 metres in any direction) no longer requires a permit to burn.

All other material larger than 2 meters in any direction **MUST** obtain a permit to burn from your local Fire Warden.

For Gundiah area contact Fire Warden: Myles Long ph: 4129 2590

Gundiah Rural Fire Brigade

Netherby Rd, Gundiah. Ph 4129 3128
6 Feb **Training** 7pm (1st Monday)
14 March **General Meeting** 7pm

Bauple Rural Fire Brigade

Bauple Rural Fire Station Ph.41292391.
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Tenders were sought for the operation of the Medical Centre in August 2011 and in September 2011 Council resolved to negotiate with the preferred tenderer. Negotiations with the preferred tenderer were not successful.

Council have been negotiating with a number of Allied Health Services to operate from the Centre on a casual basis and it is hoped that some will be operating from the premises in February 2012. We will continue to seek interest from both medical and allied health practitioners to ensure that services will be delivered from the Medical Centre and welcome any enquiries from those wishing to establish services in the area.

Debra Moore, FCRC Executive Manager.

FCRC INFORMATION

Mungar Roadworks

Reconstruction works will commence on Mungar Road Monday 16 January and are expected to be completed by April 2012, weather permitting. Work hours are Mon-Sat 6am & 6pm.

The works will be undertaken progressively along Mungar Road at various locations. Construction activities will include full pavement reconstruction, pavement overlay & stabilisation of the existing road surface, batter reconstruction and associated drainage works.

Traffic signals, traffic controllers, single lane closures and speed restrictions will be used as required.

For further information please contact 1300 728 390 business hours.

FCRC PRESS RELEASES

Junior Bursery & Family Picnic

An invitation for Primary School Students to participate in the Fraser Coast Junior Bursary: **SUBJECT: RECYCLED JEANS**-Create or design something out of a pair of denim jeans. Entries close 9 March 2012. For more information contact Patrice Chapman on 4190 5822 or 0448 100 070, see posters at Tiaro Library. Prizes include: \$50.00 + trophy - Winner of each age group. \$25.00 + trophy - Runner Up of each age group. **AGE GROUPS:** (a)Age 5 & 6; (b)Age 7, 8, 9; (c)Age 10, 11, 12.

Please ensure entrants name, contact phone and age are attached to the entry. Entries close 9th March and may be delivered to: Tom Gee Library & Community Centre, Mayne Street, Tiaro. Winners will be awarded their prizes at the **Family Picnic** to be held on Saturday 24th March, 2012 from 2:00pm to 5:00pm at Wook-koo Park, 9 Woocoo Drive, Oakhurst.

FCRC INFORMATION

Emergency Management

FCRC Emergency Facebook page

You will be able to keep up to date with information during an emergency from Council's Facebook page - Fraser Coast Disaster Coordination Centre.

We encourage you to become a follower now to ensure you are ready to receive information and warnings during a disaster or emergency.

You may link from Council Website.



Cr Linda Harris hugs the bronze statue of the Mary River Turtle at Gataker's Artspace. The turtle was unveiled in December, and will be placed in Tiaro in the coming months.



MOUNT BAUPLE & DISTRICT HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Juicy News

Did you know the Maryborough Sugar Mill has donated a juicing machine (TRIPS) to the Bauple Museum: it's big, they say it weighs a few tons and is 4 meters long – not your house hold type of juicer.

More information will come later, but its history is that it came from England and was installed at the Bauple Sugar Mill, when Bauple closed it was relocated into the Maryborough Mill.

Each month we plan to give you titbits and updates on what's happening at the Bauple Museum. Stay tuned.

Volunteers Wanted Please! The Museum is still looking for volunteers for working bees, daily roster staff and just general members, so, if you would like to help preserve our history for future generations then call us or call in. It is very rewarding and very interesting. Other good news is that our gracious lady of finance, Lauren Dempster, is at last going to have a holiday as we have a new Treasurer! Beverley Eagle will work with Lauren in the handover period. Thank you Beverley!

Thanks IGA. We would also like to give a big thanks to GREG'S SUPA IGA MARYBOROUGH for all their help and support at our fund raising sausage sizzle on 15th January.

Contact Information. For further information about membership, donations, historic information and the like, please contact Peter Box, President on 41292258 OR ANY MEMBER. Trevor Keightley



More class, more classics at Rhythm & Revs

The annually anticipated Fraser Coast Ute Show is now known as "Rhythm & Revs" and will be held on **Saturday 18th February** at the Maryborough Showgrounds. Changes to the event include overnight camping, a massive family barbecue on Saturday night, Sunday morning recovery breakfast and a licensed canteen with no alcohol to be brought on site. Spectators will also be treated to live musical performances, the reintroduction of the Ute Pull and the introduction of a bike category. This means there are now classes in Utes, cars, trucks and now bikes so there is a category for everyone. But the latest change is the new class for the Ute category "Classic Ute" - the restored Ute, any make, must be over 30 years of age and be roadworthy and registered.

The gates open at 9am on Saturday 18th February with entry being \$8 adults, \$4 all aged school children and children under 4 are free. Interested in holding a stall or swap meet site? Contact Fraser Coast Show Office 41235311.

TIARO & DISTRICT CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

February Update

Tiaro Medical Centre. TDCC encourage Council to sign up a medical practice for the Tiaro Medical Centre soon. Provision of regional general medical services is not a privilege – it is a right. We acknowledge that a new private practice has commenced in Bauple and which provides all the services it can, but the demand for varied and essential medical services is much greater than just one country GP. The building facilities were ready in October, it is now the end of January, when can we expect Council to move?

Bruce Hwy Upgrade. The Chamber is continuing its campaign to have a traffic light controlled pedestrian crossing and 4 way intersection at the junction of Mungar Road and the Highway instead of the proposed "pedestrian refuge". Have your say... please contact us.

AgForce and Mining. Agforce is conducting information meetings regarding the Coal Seam Gas proposals looming over much of Queensland including our Mary catchment. Our Vice President, Owen Thompson, has been instrumental in arranging this meeting at Tiaro. What are your property and personal rights when someone fronts up at your place and says "I'm from a mining company and I am here to help you"? What are the advantages and disadvantages of mining CSG on your property and in your district? What are the short and long term effects? To find out, come along to the Tiaro Memorial Hall on Wednesday 1 February, 3.30 pm with a BBQ dinner provided. Please contact Agforce's Joel Rickuss or www.agforceprojects.org.au to register.

Secretary please? Our Chamber secretary, Roslyn Banks, is moving in spite of our pleas to commute to future meetings. Anyone out there want a satisfying, unfortunately unpaid job helping our community? Please call Toni 41292107. Darryl Stewart. President.



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Down Memory Lane: THE TIMBER INDUSTRY



Back: Jack Groundwater with whip. Thompson's bullock team with Frank Benson & Jack Thompson.

Timber getting or harvesting was the first economic venture in the area and has remained an important industry in the district. The following is a tribute to the early settlers skills and courage in clearing the scrub into the habitated district we have today.

The settlers were attracted to the district by the great stands of timber, both hardwoods and Hoop and Kauri Pines. In the very early days, timber-getters made no permanent settlements: they were itinerant workers, equipped with axes, wedges and cross cut saws, and often with only their bullock teams and dogs for company. Later as semi-permanent tracks were carved through the seemingly impenetrable scrub, some based themselves near the foot of the mountain, building slab huts to house their wives and families.

Charles Augustus Stringer is the first recorded timber-getter to select land in the Bauple area in 1869 followed by Samuel Inker in 1870 and John Stratford in 1880. Later the Andrews brothers, James Isbister, Bob Cunningham, Henry Missing and the Connors family to name a few became involved in the Timber-getting.

Edward Armitage who arrived in Maryborough in 1860's has left one of the few records of the industry in those early days. He said, "Arriving in Maryborough I joined a party of timber-getters. The

timber then grew in the virgin scrubs and forests on the banks of the rivers and creeks, the haulage was so short that only snigging chains and block wheel trolleys were needed. I once cut a pine tree mast for a vessel not far from the bank of the Mary River in Maryborough. I went to work in the log timber trade at Mt Boople with the Andrew brothers who are now growing sugar cane and cattle on the cleared scrub lands where they cut pine in the wilds 50 years ago."

In the early days the logs were snigged out of the forests by bullock team, loaded onto bullock wagons and carted to the Mary River and its tributaries, awaiting the river to rise high enough to float the logs (lashed together) to the Maryborough sawmills. Later they were taken to the nearest railhead or by horse team to the saw mills.

A feature article in the Sydney Mail, 1925 entitled "A Giant of the Queensland Bush" gives some insight into both the size of the trees felled in those days and also the working conditions of timber getters. "A well-known land mark for over 40 years, it was the last of the big giants and was growing on the side of the mountain. 2 men worked on it for 3 months till they got it to level ground, the old hands predicted failure—because of the steepness of the gullies, it would get away from them and bust itself-up. When the tree fell it wiped out an acre



Above: Fraser Jamieson (left) and Jack Groundwater in front of timber brought from Bauple Mountain in 1925. Below: Jack Groundwater's horse team in front of Tiaro's Royal Hotel.



and a half of scrub. It yielded 16 logs and 18,000 superficial feet, the length of the trunk to the first limb was 60 feet." The logs were taken by bullock team to Gundiah and rail to the Ipswich workshops for making railway carriages. The timber-getters that cut this giant were Jack Groundwater and Fraser Jamieson. (Jim Groundwater said the diameter of the log was greater than the railway carriage, they had to cut grooves in the log to fit the pins in.)

Thanks to Lillian Coyne for her help in putting this story together. Trevor Keightley

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