

GUNDIAH GAZETTE

COMMUNITY NEWS ACROSS THE TIARO DISTRICT

JULY 2012

NEWS IN BRIEF

Census Results

DID YOU KNOW the population of the Fraser Coast (taken from the recent census) is 95,312 People (46,672 Male, 48,640 Female). There are 26,867 Families; 44,928 Private dwellings AND 2,072 People over 85 years old.

Sprake Fraser Coast Business Awards 2012

Local business **Macadamia House** walked away with the Business Award in the Tourism category while Primary Industry Award went to **B&H Rural** from Tiaro! Yolande Brommet of Macadamia House was very excited, "A big thank you to everyone for supporting 'the House' - we are all still reeling from the rooftops...Go NUTS!"



Billy Cart Challenge

Above: Bauple Men's Shed Billy Cart building began the first week of the school holidays. Any school aged children who would still like to be involved can come to the shed any week day morning (except Tuesday) from 9 till noon and build a cart in a team of 3-4. Building will end next Friday 5 July. They can then be finished at home. Race Day is Saturday July 28 with Sprint races, obstacle races, long distance races. Cart racing starts at 10:30. Prizes at 1pm. Come 7am for Market—there are food stalls, bbq, craft—a good family day out! Further information on cart construction, call John Williamson 0417 716 840.



Bruce Highway roadwork in Tiaro commenced April 2012 and will continue until late October.

Expect Detours 'til late July

Road works ground to a standstill with the wet conditions late in June, but works are expected to recommence in July, as conditions improve, with the work requiring detours completed by the end of the month.

Local businesses are coping with the works and problems with parking and access. Janene Sweetnam from Foodworks said their sales were down 20% but was patient and appreciative of the patronage from local residents.

"It is quite an inconvenience for our customers and we have had to cut down staff hours, but hopefully it will be much better when they are finished," she said. Myles Kunst from Tiaro Machinery Centre at the other end of town said his customer numbers have dropped from 18-20 per day to only about 5. "A large percentage of my customers come from highway traffic. People are just finding it too inconvenient," he said.

B&H Rural thanked their customers for battling the Roadwork and making the effort to still shop with them in a recent newsletter to clients, "We know it has been very inconvenient and at times downright annoying, but we have to look forward to the completion of works

and and hugely improved infrastructure for Tiaro. We ask that you look to support ALL Tiaro businesses while roadworks are in progress."

Time to Slow Down and Enjoy.

Some businesses made the most of it and closed for a week in the thick of the road works. "Perhaps they'll find gold!" said one local over the noise of the jackhammers. A Main Roads spokesperson said that all work should be finished in October.

"We are making every effort to minimise the impacts, especially during peak periods," they said. Motorists are asked to allow additional time for their journey.

7 days/6am-6pm. To fast-track construction and restore traffic, works will take place seven days a week where possible and will generally be completed between 6am and 6pm. Some night works will also occur.

The two-stage project, including the works north of Tiaro, is being delivered with \$10.2 million in funding from the Federal Government's Nation Building Program and a further \$1.8 million from the Natural Disaster Relief and Recovery Arrangements (NDRRA).

For more information: www.tmr.qld.gov.au (search for "Tiaro"), 1300 728 390 or bundaberg.office@tmr.qld.gov.au.



ROADWORK SPECIALS!

We would like to thank you for your patience and patronage during the Roadworks! Our great **Foodworks Specials** are still running! Looking forward to seeing you!

Please note Tiaro Post Office hours are now M-F 9am to 5pm. Closed 12.30-1pm. TIARO FOODWORKS Ph: 4129 2138 Hours: Mon-Fri 6am-6pm • Sat 6am-5pm • Sun 7am-1pm

WHAT'S ON IN JULY

July Events

(FOR QCWA EVENTS SEE PG 4)
(NAIDOC WEEK 4-7 JULY)

- 1-6 **Billy Cart Workshops** @ Men's Shed, Bauple. John 0417 716 840
- 2 **Gundiah Rural Fire Brigade** Train'g Monday 7pm at Station. 4129 3128
- 2 **Bauple Rural Fire Brigade** Trng Monday 7pm at Station. 4129 2391
- 2 **Kids@Tiaro Library.** Make an 'Exploding Photo Box' book. 4129 2453.
- 4 **Gundiah Hall Committee Mtg.** Wed 7pm. Sandi 4187 1006
- 4 **STATE OF ORIGIN III**
- 6 **NAIDOC Family Fun Day** Brolga Theatre Mbh 10-2pm. 0421 739 326
- 9 **BACK TO SCHOOL**
- 11 **Flickerfest** 6:30pm Brolga Theatre, \$10-12 see pg 4.
- 12 **Gundiah P&C** 3.30pm 41293136
- 14 **Clothes Spare&Share** Q150 Rec. Centre 10am-2pm. Proceeds towards "Community Project Fund" Ph. Debbie 41292272
- 15 **Hibiscus Society Meeting** 10am Ph. Chris for venue on 5484 6551
- 17 **Bauple Historical Museum** Meeting 7pm at the Museum. New members welcome. Ph Jan Cornock 4129 2751
- 17 **Tiaro District Chamber Commerce AGM** 7pm. See Notice p3.
- 18 **Tiaro Landcare Mtg** 7.30pm Tiaro School Ph. Marilyn 4129 6206
- 19 **FREE Community Legal Services** Tiaro Comm. Ctr. 4129 2453 for Apt.
- 21 **Glenwood Country Markets** 7am-noon@Pepper Rd Glenwood. Jane/John 5485 7468
- 21 **Gunalda Kindergarten Bingo** 3.30pm Glenwood Progress. Assoc Hall, Pepper Rd Glenwood, \$1200+ prizes \$10pp=2 game cards in 10 games. Extras: Face painting and balloons for the kids. Book 0403 037774.
- 25 **Bauple Band Hall** Gen Mtg 6pm
- 26 **Fraser Coast Jobs and Careers Expo** 9:00am-6:00pm Hervey Bay PCYC, Pialba, Hervey Bay Kellie 4190 5622
- 27 **Tiaro Library Book Club** 10am at Library. 4129 2453
- 27 **Youth Disco** Bauple Rec Grounds. 4-9yo (5-7pm) 10-17yo (6-9pm) Theme 'Favorite Pop Artist' \$2 entry, food & drinks on sale. No pass outs. Ph. Debbie 41292272

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28 **Billy Cart Challenge** Q150 Men's Shed' Race Day, sprint races, obstacle races, long distance races. 0417 716 840

28 **Bauple Market Day**
28-29 **Fraser Coast Sprints** Showground
See www.FraserCoastSprints.com.au

Weekly Events & Activities

Tiaro Broadband for Seniors Kiosk.
Tiaro Comm Ctr. M-F 9-1pm. 41939239

Radio 107.1 : 7days. Ph Jeff 4129 2650.

Vinyasa Yoga Classes Beg/Intermediate Levels. Antigua Hall-Wed 9.30 & Sat 7.30am. Mbh West-Mon 7.00pm, 27 Georgia Way Ph Chelsie 0407733622

Bauple Men's (Community) Shed Tue & Sat 9am-3pm Ph John 0417 716 840.

Mondays

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

Zumba Antigua Hall (near Mungar) 4.30pm Kids 4-12yrs, 6pm Adults. Sonia Mozes 0422 207505. (see Thurs also)

Tai Chi-Bauple Band Hall 6pm

Tuesdays.

Tai-ChiTiaro Com.Ctr.8.30am.41292490

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

Tiaro Creative Arts Group. 9.30am Uniting Church, Mungar Rd. 5484 6135

Zumba Tiaro Mem Hall 5.30pm \$12.

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

Social Dance Nights Bauple Band Hall 7-9pm \$3. Meg 0429 783 741.

Wednesdays.

Line Dancing Gunalda Hall. 4129 3126

Thursdays.

Under 5 Story Time 10am Tiaro Library.

Ladies Fitness. Tiaro Hall. 5.30pm \$10

Zumba Bauple Band Hall 5.30pm \$12.

Zumba Antigua Hall 6.30pm with Sonia

Darts at Bauple Band Hall 7pm

Fridays.

Computer Group for New Users @ Tiaro Com Ctr. Jeff Taylor 4129 2650

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

Bauple Scouts 6pm. Sandra 4129-2609

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

Gundiah Community Place Social Nite 1st Friday, Discussion Nite 3rd Friday. BBQ 6pm (6th&20th) Trevor 4129 2504.

Sunday Services.

Lighthouse Christian Church: Cnr Forestry 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

DATE SAVERS

Me and My Shadow @Brolga Theatre **Monday 6 August**, 10am by Patch Theatre, aimed at 4-8y.o. \$12 4122 6010

Tiaro Art & Craft Exhibition. Tiaro Mem Hall. **Sat, 11 August** 9-3pm. Phil Grimwade 4129 2490.

Seniors Week 2012 Theme: "Year of The Farmer" **Sat 11 - Sun 26 August.**
See pg 7 for competition info.

Mayoral Morning Teas Maryborough on **Tuesday 14 August** at 9.30am. Bauple on Tuesday 21 August at 9.30am.

Jammin' for Gorja. Gundiah Pub/RSL fundraiser-proceeds aid local child. on **Saturday, 18 August.** Starts noon. Music Jam, Jumping Castle, Sausage Sizzle, Pony Rides, Renelle 4129 3182

9th Annual Glenwood Swap-meet, Car & Bike Show, Variety Concert 7-4pm **Saturday, 18 August.** 13 Pepper Road, Glenwood, Over 170 sites. Food. Rides. Site Fees \$10. Adult: Entry Fee \$3. Ph 0408 458 303

Bauple Recreation Grounds.
Saturday 18th August - Music Club
Saturday 1st Sept - Bauple Nut Bash Family Day + Fireworks - 2-8pm
Saturday 3rd November - Music Club

Adult Learners Week. "Digital Literacy-Connecting & Learning through Technology." **1st-8th September** 2012. Community groups are encouraged to participate - events published: www.adultlearnersweek.org (you could also win an ipad by liking them on facebook).

Munna Creek Music Festival.
Starts 17th Oct 8pm Old time dance. **18-21 October** Great Line-up at the Munna Creek Hall. Campers welcome. 41293145. munnacreekhall.com.au

Melbourne Cup. Theebine State School P&C. **6 November.** 5484 6206.

NOTICES

Chamber of Commerce AGM
Tuesday 17th July 7pm at Hideaway Hotel in Tiaro. Guest Speaker: Mr. Peter Chapman, Editor of The Chronicle. It is time to join with new Council to make our region stronger! Contact: Toni Hume 41 292107 tiarochamber@bigpond.com for further information.

Family Day Care Gootchie. Laura Lawrence. Ph 4129 3236.

Asperger's Support Group. Mtgs 9-12noon, last Wed of month at Tiaro Community Ctr. Call Pat 41939239.

Gunalda Kindergarten. Tue, Thur & every 2nd Friday 8:30am-2:30pm (exc school holidays). Vacancies available-5 Bull Street, Gunalda 5484 6200.

Interested in Yoga? Contact Helen 0410 288 595. Bauple area.

Positions Vacant: OPERATIONS MANAGER with Indiginous Corp. Permanent/Part-time 22hrs per week, pay rate initially \$25.00 per hr. All nationalities eligible. Applications close 5.00pm on Friday 13th July 2012. For details ph Brogan Elliott 0741 224382 M-F 9-1pm. Mail applications to: PO Box 608, Maryborough Qld 4650. Email: ma24799@bigpond.net.au

Adoptive Parent Support Group. Contact family connect 4194 3050 familyconnect@hbnc.com.au M-F 9-4pm.

Let the Bible help you to find answers to life's questions. Free bible study classes and materials. Call Eva & Walter 4129 3295.

At the Pubs

What's on at the Gundy Pub

Fridays: RSL 6pm. Free Pool and Jukebox. Saturdays: Live music, school raffles or seafood trays. Dan or Renelle 4129 3182.

7 **Karaoke** 5pm (1st Saturday)

14 **Glen Fox** - 5pm

21 **Jammin' for Gorja** 4pm (3rd Sat)

28 **Ghett** (Classic Hits) 5pm

What's on at the Royal

Fridays 5pm: Raffles, Footy, Jag the Joker

Wed 4th July State of Origin Decider

Saturday 7th July Jam session. 3pm

Saturday 14th July Lance Friend. 6.30pm

Meals 7 days. Lunch 11.30-2pm. Dinner 5.30-8pm. Courtesy Bus on Fri/Sat! Ph 4129 2567

What's on at Theebine Pub

4 **State of Origin Decider** 6pm BigScreen

8 **CMSOE** 12.30-4.30pm

14 **Backstage@Theebine** 2pm (Forum for musicians & bushpoets)

15 **Neil Duddy** 12.30-4.30pm

22 **Graeme Jensen** 12.30-4.30pm

29 **Cool Lula** 12.30-4.30p

Fridays: Happy Hour 5.30-6.30pm.

Jag the Joker \$700 currently 5-8.30pm.

Thursdays: 2for1 Meal Deal. Sundays:

Raffles for various community groups.

Sunday music starts 12.30pm. BBQ

Lunch 12-2pm. Lunch & Dinner 7 days.

Graham & Kath 5484 6182

What's on at the Hideaway

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Fridays: Lions Raffle and happy hours

Sundays: Roast \$11 inc dessert.

Functions: Call Nia or Col 4129 2153

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I'm whinging about the weather again. The weather reminds me of my childhood days on the annual Sunday School Picnic in Lowestoft, UK. We spent the whole day huddled under the pier trying to keep warm. Still it will soon be summer then, listen to me!

Flood Grant. Steve Dickson MP, Minister for Recreation Sport & Racing advises that our grant application to replace our sporting equipment has been successful so we are looking forward to getting everything back in order.

Mower Mayhem. A member decided that he could mow the croquet court with one blade as one had *already* parted company with the mower (resulting in no injuries, except pride). As he took off on the mower, he lost control and smashed into the fence, resulting in a change of appearance in the bodywork. He made a few repairs and wheeled the mower back into the shed. The caretaker reportedly found a note on it with the words 'IT WAS NOT ME!!' The next week, another member mounted the mower (I was present at the time) and did a couple of rounds when I heard an almighty yell! I could not believe it, the driver was sprawled across the ground, the bonnet was ripped off the cowl and smoke was coming from the mower! It seems, it had blown up! So all one can say is that's round one to China. (See photo for evidence—would I tell a lie?).



Walk For Heart Locals that would like to get fit by walking MON, WED, & FRI mornings, can meet at the club house at 7am. Call Pauline on 4129 2504.

Membership due. Why not join in our local community get-togethers (we are off to visit Pomona Majestic Theatre for Fork & Film Night in July)? Membership fees are \$5pp. We meet the 1st & 3rd Friday each month at the Purple Club house, starting with a BBQ at 6pm. Call on 41292504.

Trevor Keightley, President



Carbon Tax Petition

Federal Member for Wide Bay, Warren Truss, has released a draft petition which calls on Members of the House of Representatives to repeal the Gillard Labor Government's proposed carbon tax.

A copy of the petition is available from Mr Truss' office, 1300 301 968 or email W.Truss.MP@aph.gov.au, or www.warrentruss.com/onestopshop.

Flickerfest

Short Film Festival @ Brolga

"Bite Size Chunks Of Great Cinema"

The Best of Australian Shorts Programme opens 6:30pm Wednesday 11th July at the Brolga Theatre, Maryborough, showcasing some amazing Australian filmmaking talent, including the politically astute and hilarious Julian, which recently won the Crystal Bear Award at the Berlin International Film Festival. Also featured is the hilarious Fish & Chips, the story of fish and chip shop girl Pauline Hanson who cooks on Chef of the Universe against boy geniuses Barry Obama, Vlad Putin and Kim Yong-il. Plus Nash Edgerton's Cannes short-listed and Flickerfest Best Director winner, Bear.

Don't miss this unique opportunity! Ticket prices: \$12/\$10 (Arts Council members)

Tickets are available on the door only. For catering and seating numbers, please RSVP Friday 6 July to Keith on 41221276 or Roger on 41231614.

www.flickerfest.com.au and on <http://www.facebook.com/flickerfest>

CWA News

Our Biggest Morning Tea in early June, was a wonderful success, raising \$868 for the Cancer Fund. Tiaro Branch hosted the event with the support of local business houses behind us who supplied food and raffles prizes. Local entertainers were applauded loudly, and we are hoping they return next year. A big thank you to everyone. -Gail Nancarrow

Annual Meeting. Our QCWA Annual Meeting is combined for Tiaro, the Younger Set and Gootchie. It will be held Saturday 15 July at Gootchie QCWA Rooms, and starts with Morning Tea, 10am.

CWA Calendar

GOOTCHIE QCWA

561 Gootchie Rd, Gootchie. 41293212

10 **Meeting** (2nd Tuesday) at 9.30am

14 **QCWA Annual Mtg Combined**

at Gootchie QCWA Rooms, 10am.

27 **Petrie Gardens Visit.**

TIARO QCWA

35 Mayne St Tiaro. Ph. Judy 41292789

6 **Bingo** (1st Friday) 9.30am

11 **HOY & Tombola** (2nd Wed) 11am

14 **Annual Meeting** @ Gootchie 10am

19 **Petrie Gardens Visit** (3rd Thurs)

21 **Branch meeting** 9.00am

Tiaro QCWA Hall is available for meetings and other functions.

TIARO YOUNGER SET.

35 Mayne St Tiaro. Ph. Gail 4129 2237

2 **Branch meeting** (1st Mon) 3.30pm

14 **Annual Mtg** at Gootchie 10am

16 **Craft Activities** (3rd Mon) 3.30pm

The YOUNGER SET invites all young ladies 5-25yrs to their meetings & craft days.

MIVA QCWA

QCWA Hall, Miva. Ph. June 54846282

6 **Meeting** (1st Wed) 9.30am.

BAUPLE

Mill St, Bauple. Ph. Gail 4129 2551

Craft Classes 1st, 2nd & 4th Wednesday. 9am-3pm \$2.00.

DeAmalgamation?

The Minister for Local Government has announced the appointment of a Boundary Commissioner to oversee possible Council de-amalgamations per a pre election promise given by the LNP. If community members wish to proceed further, details of the process to be followed can be found at www.qld.gov.au/deamalgamation.

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B A U P L E B I T S

The markets are coming to Bauple!

Saturday July 28th—Our first Farmers Market and Craft Market located on the Bauple Band Hall green; corner of Band Hall Rd and Main St starts at 7am! Bring the family for breaky and enjoy the festive atmosphere. These first markets are free to stall holders, all welcome! For more info call Graeme 4129 2423 or Yolande 4129 2000. The day coincides with the annual **Bauple Billy Cart Derby Race**. See poster page 3.

RACQ Vintage Rally

The Queens Jubilee weekend saw over 100 vintage cars, taking part in the 2012 RACQ HMC Rally, descend on the Fraser Coast. They explored the heritage city of Maryborough, the coastal city of Hervey Bay and the Hinterland town of Bauple! The rally arrived in Bauple on Monday and enjoyed lunch on the oval, while displaying their cars to the delight of both locals and visitors. Rally drivers explored the Men's Shed, historical museum and also toured 'the shed' to see how macadamias are dried and sorted.

Yolande Bromet was invited to speak at the awards ceremony alongside Fraser Coast Mayor, Gerard O'Connell and the RACQ sponsor at the Sunday night dinner at Maryborough town hall with the RACQ clubs. All in all, a 'stylish' time was had by all and we hope to see the vintage crew back again next year.

Mystery Tours!

Recently **Macademia House** hosted 2 bus loads of Mystery Tour groups with tours of Bauple: MH's nut shed plus Bauple Men's Shed and Bauple Museum, and were very happy to great reviews from the tourists. "We are working together to make our town sustainable," said Yolande Brommet of Macademia House.

G U N D I A H H A L L

A Big Job Ahead!

A new committee was recently elected for the Gundiah Public Welfare Committee. The hall, recently inundated with a 50cm surge of water, had never been flooded in its 90 year history. "We have a claim on our insurance, but there is more to be done," said President David Carney. He asked for the support of locals to restore the building. Meetings are the first Wednesday of the month. All are welcome. *Pictured Right: David Carney, Bridget Macintyre, Dan Hourigan and Sandra Groundwater Kelly in the Gundiah Hall.*

MOUNT BAUPLE & DISTRICT HISTORICAL SOCIETY



Museum News

Brats Bash. Bauple Tourism was big this month when the Museum was host for lunch to the Brats Bash (*Variety Children's Charity*) whereby 60 kids and 50 adults arrived for a BBQ and sausage sizzle. After the meal they climbed aboard the variety bash vehicles and headed off to the bay for the night. Lillian Coyne, as you can see making up to the clown, had a great time along with all the others.

New Exec Member. We are happy to welcome our new Secretary, Jan Cornock. June saw one of our best attended meetings for a long time, with most of us on our best behaviour as we wanted to impress on Jan that we're good law-abiding citizens, well most of us are... Lillian was reprimanded by the President for hooning on Bauple Drive with her mobility cart (apparently she has been sending out drag racing challenges to Gundiah Community members). "It's just not cricket," said the President.

Renovations & News. We have received quotes for extending the Tiaro end of the Museum. Vickie and her team have been discussing the placement of historical building signs with residents of Bauple, then it is to go to council for the necessary approvals.

So, welcome Jan and thanks to Beverley (Treasurer) for her role as acting Secretary. For further details Pres. Peter Box 4129 2258 or Trevor Keightley VP 4129-2504



Down Memory Lane:

The Eel Charmer

Childhood memories of Archie Hoffman, son of Walter and Annie Hoffman of Gootchie.

by daughter Stephanie Mitchell nee Hoffman.

Sunday Picnics. On Sundays the only form of entertainment was to go on picnics, which usually ended up at Miva Crossing. In those days there was a drapery store owned by Duncan Stewart – Don Stewart started a bus run from Bauple and every Sunday morning he would pick up everyone from the side of the road and invariably end up at the Miva crossing.

Eel Charming. Archie's dad, Walter Hoffman, was a great fisherman and had a favourite trick. The Miva crossing its self was just a concrete slab that crossed the river (which, by the way, is still there and can be seen up the river from the present Mary River Bridge). In normal weather there would be 6 to 12 inches of water running continually across it. Below the level crossing were a large number of rocks which stretched for a chain or two down the river, and old dad's trick was to get 6 to 8 foot of fishing line, (in those days there was no such thing as nylon lines – it was all hemp) and attach a large hook on one end. Then he would go into the water, below the crossing, and get into a swimming position. He would lie down and hold the hook in his mouth and run his hands down the side of the rocks where the eels would shelter. He would then, as he called it, "tickle them." He would feel the eel and run his hand up and down it so as not to frighten them, then he would slowly take the hook down through the water and jag the eel with the hook. It was quite a show when he would bring them out from the rocks – some as big as monsters! Everybody would be standing on the crossing applauding him! Walter showed Archie how to do it. Archie said "I could do it, but as I was 17/18 years old, in those



Above: Miva Crossing circa 1930s. Right: Archie Hoffman with some of his family in his late 70s about 1985.



days girls were more interesting than eels." He remembers it as "a wonderful time of my life".

Tinnanbar. Archie's father was one of the keenest fishermen he ever knew. He was one of the original committee members who started the Tinnanbar Improvement Committee. It included Walter Hoffman, Jack Greaves, Bill and Joe Scott, Bill Davis, Jack Brown and Hugh Douglas. They started the committee to raise money to start the township of Tinnanbar. The Hoffmans at the time had rather a large farm truck and on weekends Archie used to drive for them. The road was only two wheel tracks eroded over time with roots exposed. It was very slow going. When they came to a creek, they cut large logs and make a bridge. Eventually, they raised enough money to put a small hut at Tinnanbar. It consisted of 4 posts and a gable roof. As the committee gained more finances they finished the hut and it became a very warm and comfortable camp.

In the slack season in the sugar industry they would go to Tinnanbar for 3 or 4

weeks at a time. It was rather a wonderful place with an abundance of fish and bird life. They cleared the country to make better access for fishing.

Excerpt from the memories of Archie as told to his daughter Stephanie. For further information or details of stories of our past contact Trevor Keightley. 4129 2504

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Tiario's Sons



Archibald Robert Hoffman

QX10825 Private, Australian Army.

Archie Hoffman was born on the 14th May 1900 in Maryborough and was employed by Tiario Shire Council. He was an active tennis player in the area and a member of the Wattlebae Tennis club in Tiario. Archie married Olive Ashford daughter of Mr T.E Ashford of Harvey Siding, they had 5 children, Spencer, Gloria, Beryl, Lester and Rex.

Archie enlisted in the Army in July 1940 and ended up becoming a prisoner of war in Malaya and died as a result of injuries whilst working on the infamous Burma railway on the 21st January 1944.

LEST WE FORGET

Next month's salute is W A Matthews.
Contact Trevor Keightley 41292504

Would you care to Dance?

Bauple Band Hall hopes to revive the heyday of local community social dances by offering Social Dance Nights on Tuesdays.

Individuals and families can learn skills that are being lost. "There is no real Australian National Dance, but the English Sequence or Ballroom dance comes close and used to be taught in all schools until fairly recently," said organiser, Meg Hamlet.

"Usually the Graduating Year 12's are suddenly expected to dance a Pride of Erin or some other Waltz with very little chance to learn or enjoy dancing."

Meg would really love to see 'the whole Family' coming to dances again and is the driving force behind the Social Dances on Tuesday nights.

Have Fun and Get Fit. Dancing for fun and fitness is all-over exercise and social interaction for people of all ages. Meg also tutors a class for the U.3.A. in Maryborough – encouraging the older ones to "Stay on their Feet" and keep fit. Meg boasts her oldest student is a lady in her mid eighties and several are over 70 years old.

Join in. So come along – singles, couples and families of all ages are welcome. Meg assures you that beginners will quickly gain confidence and learn the basic steps, and students will gain confidence before the School Formal. Dancing is from 7-9pm for a low cost of \$3.00 each, to benefit the Bauple Band Hall. Call Meg: 0429 783 741.

Seniors Week 2012

Theme: "Year of The Farmer" Sat 11 – Sun 26 August. As part of Maryborough/Woocoo/Tiario Senior Weeks celebration, FCRC are running two senior competitions for persons 50 years young and over.

Poetry Competition

Poem: "Love of the Land"

Length: Maximum of 16 lines

Judges: Peter Chapman (Chronicle) and Wayne Shearman (ABC radio)

Entries Closing date Fri 27 July 2012.

Contact: Ann-Maree 41 23 15 54.

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Decorated Hat: "Bank Overdraft Hat"

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PHOTOS OF OUR PAST

Top: From hill above Main St Gundiah looking north west across train line. Heather Behrendorf and her horses in foreground. Shed and one of the Railway houses behind are no longer there. Home in distance is owned by Groundwaters.
Bottom: Looking from hill above Main Street, Gundiah.

Photos from Heather Behrendorf – Thank you Heather!

Calling all readers! We are looking for photos of our past! Email them or give us a call and we will collect and make copies. Call Trevor 4129 2504.

More Memories

from Errol White, Narangba, Qld.

Hello Sandi, What a surprise to find the Gundiah publication, quite by accident. I have some very fond memories of Gundiah, when my father was a night officer in the railways there, from about 1956 to 1961. I used to come home to Gundiah from boarding school in Ipswich and Gatton for my holidays, and after I finished school, I worked for a short spell for Jim Groundwater Snr before I moved to Monto to work for his son Fraser Groundwater, until late 1960. I remember many dances in the Gundiah Hall. The general store across the road was owned and run by Henry Hartvigson and the Hotel was run by Henry and I think his sister Kath Benson also ran it. Kath's two boys Alan and Ken I knew fairly well. Magnus (Sailor)



Groundwater and I knocked around a little during my time there, although he was a few years older than I was. We used to go fishing out at the Mary River near the entrance of Birts or Wades properties, catching the odd mullet. Also, I recall during the floods the cream coming across the river in a row boat, starting nearly a mile upstream to come ashore near the road back to Gundiah. Another family I worked for a short while was George Behrendorf whose wife's parents, Mrs and Mr Kavanagh

lived just behind the Gundiah Railway Station. My parents, Charles and Ula White moved from Gundiah to Kilkivan and then Murgon where they retired. Dad passed away January 2002 aged 90 years and Mum October 2011 aged 95 years. Prior to Gundiah, Mum and Dad lived at Paterson for a couple of years, where we knew a few of the family folk there also.

I am enjoying reading the Gazette, really interesting and great to see. Please keep it up. *Kindest Regards from E.W.*

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