

GUNDIAH GAZETTE

COMMUNITY NEWS ACROSS THE TIARO DISTRICT

MARCH 2013

SOS FROM SES

Another plea goes out from the Tiaro SES for new members. Currently, if residents of the area require SES support it must come from Maryborough or Gympie. This will result in longer than necessary delays, particularly in flooding and storm damage. The SES needs front line members, admin and support members.

SES Functions

Main Tiaro SES functions are •Storm Damage Operations •Flood Boat Operations •Land Search •Support to Other Emergency Services.

SESTraining will be provided to members in •Safety •First Aid •Height Safety •Floodboat Crew •Communications. (Training Night Tuesdays 7-9pm)

SES Requirements: •18 years or older. •Fitness: Reasonably fit for front line duty. Admin & support - normal fitness. •Need to pass a Police check.

How to Sign Up. Call Ian Smith 5484-6745 or 4121-5736.

Congratulations

Winner of the Gundiah Gazette Good Will Competition held last year were the staff at **B&H Rural of Tiaro**. Many readers will probably agree they deserve it. The prize was one year's free advertising in the Gazette.

Corrections

February 2013. The article on Mt Kani-gan District Rural Fire Brigade Group omitted Bauple RFB. Apologies.

February 2013. Flood Level Table on page 5 had 2013 levels listed as 2012. Correct 2013 levels provided by Ron Black of Tiaro, were: Gympie 20.3m, Tiaro 21.04m, Maryborough 10.7m.

February 2013 edition. The Dickabram Bridge: Firstly, sorry, we called it the Miva Bridge-that was a big boop-and secondly, we got the height wrong. The flood height was 1.5 mtrs higher than the 2012 flood, the final (continued pg 9)



Above: Mrs Andrea Ebert, with the control unit in her left hand, Gorja, 9, Mr Jim Ebert and 11-year-old son Brody, demonstrate how the auto-chair hoist works.

RSL fundraising makes life simpler

Almost a year of fund-raising came to fruition when the Ebert family had an electric wheelchair hoist fitted to the family four-wheel-drive in January. Jointly, the Gundy Pub, and Tiaro RSL Sub-branch raised \$6,000 to purchase and have the hoist in-stalled.

Mrs Ebert told us that when the installers demonstrated how easy the electric hoist was to operate, she broke into tears. When asked why she was crying, she said they had no idea how this simple device would make life so much easier for the whole family.

"I used to have to disassemble the battery and seat to be able to lift the wheelchair into the car," she said.

"Now, with the use of the sling and hoist all I have to do is press a couple of buttons."

Gorja is the only person in Queensland, on one of only a few in Australia, who

suffers from the rare muscle-wasting disease Nemaline Myopathy. She also suffers from Scoliosis and Osteoporosis. Mr and Mrs Ebert said they were humbled by the generosity of the public and particularly thanked the owners of the Gundy Pub, Renelle and Dan, for all the work they had put into raising the money.

Tiaro RSL Sub-branch is a not-for-profit organisation whose aim it is to assist veterans, war widows and their dependants, work with the youth of our area and to generally uphold and improve the excellent name the RSL enjoys throughout Australia.

Members regularly visit veterans in their homes, nursing homes and hospitals and we assist local students to achieve their goals, with recent cash and book awards to two local students - Christopher Robertson of Bauple State School, and Ainsley Sheppard of Mungar State School.

Pete Kelly RSL



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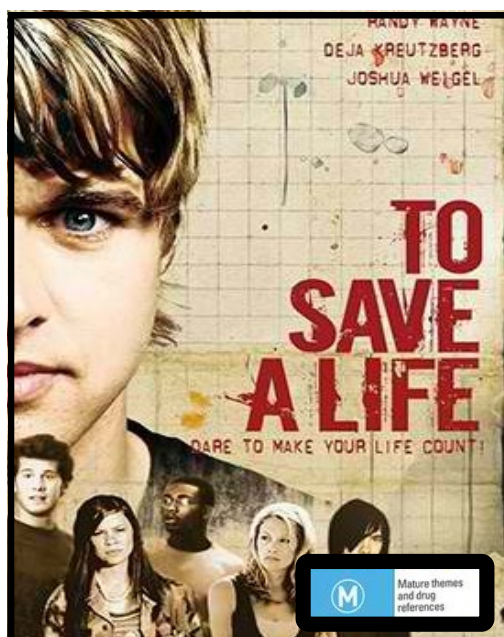
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WHAT'S ON IN MARCH

March Events

(FOR QCWA EVENTS SEE PG 4)

- 1 **World Prayer Day Services**
Jill Whitehouse 3870 4419
 - 4 **Gundiah Rural Fire Brigade Train'g**
Monday 7pm at Station. 4129 3128
 - **Bauple Rural Fire Brigade Train'g**
Monday 7pm at Station. 4129 2391
 - **Bauple Spiritual Centre Meditation**
6.30pm 0418 785 305 *see Groups*
 - 7 **Gundiah P&C AGM** 3:30pm
 - 8 **Over 35's Night-Sneaky Pete LIVE**
@ Gympie Pines Gold Club, Gympie \$10pp Ph Taleah 0409471577
 - 8 **Easter Tombola** @Bauple Band Hall
6.30pm Raffles, homemade supper, join in the fun. Heather 4129 2423
 - 9-10 **Maryborough Book Sale** Maryb'h
Plaza, 7am until sold out by Fraser Coast Libraries and Rotary Club-1000s of books, magazines and dvds.
 - 9 **Funky Chicken Book Launch** 10am
Hervey Bay children's author; Chris Collin, Maryborough Library. Book at your local library 4129 2453.
 - 13 **Bauple Rec Ground Mtg** (2nd Wed)
7pm. Debbie 0418 771 696
 - **Community Debriefs** @ Tiaro 7pm
Tiaro Community Centre, Mayne Street, Tiaro. Lyn 4197 4373. *see pg 9*
 - 15 **Tombola Style Cent Sale** @ Gympie
State High-Hamilton Hall, 7-9pm. Free entry. Food & drink. Prizes incl. \$500 holiday pkg to Noosa, passes to Aussie World, Big Kart Track, Australia Zoo, etc. Janelle 0419555568
 - 16 **Glenwood Country Markets** 7-12.
Pepper Rd Jane /John 54857468
 - 17 **FCRC "Walk with Me"** Anzac Park,
Mbh 7-9am Dogs & owners welcome
 - **Aust. Hibiscus Society** 10am
- Ph. Chris on 5484 6551 for location.
- 19 **St Paddy's Meet 'n' Greet BBQ** 6 pm
Theebine Hall. Kathy Dakin. BBQ – raffles – entertainment.
 - 18 **Bauple Spiritual Centre Meditation**
6.30pm @ The Hinterland Spiritual Centre Bauple Jillian 0418 785 305
 - **Radio 107.1** General Mtg @ Tiaro Community Centre 5:30pm All Welcome. Ph Jeff 41292650
 - **Tiaro District Community Centre**
Mtg @ 6pm. New members welcome. Ph Debbie 41939603
 - 19 **Bauple P&C Mtg** 3:15pm at School
 - **Bauple Historical Museum** 7pm.
All welcome. Ph 4129 2751
 - **Tiaro District Chamber Commerce**
7pm Tiaro School Ph Toni 41292107
 - **Bauple P&C Mtg** 3:15pm at School
 - 20 **Gundiah Hall Committee Mtg.**
Wed 7pm. Sandi 4129 3215
 - **Tiaro Landcare Mtg** 7.30pm Tiaro School Ph. Marilyn 4129 6206
 - 21 **FREE Community Legal Services**
Tiaro Comm. Ctr. 41292453 for apt.
 - **Mt Kanigan District Rural Fire Brigade Group** -General Meeting @ Bauble RFB Station - 6:30pm BBQ, 7pm General Meeting for ALL DELEGATES. Jenny 4129 3128
 - 22 **Bauple Kids Hangout' night** Bauple Recreation Grounds. (4th Fridays) 5-9 pm. Free entry. Food & drinks on sale. Table tennis, pool table, darts, air hockey, puzzles, games or just hang-out. Debbie 0418 771 696
 - 23 **Hinterland Markets** (4th Sat) 7am
Bauple Band Hall Ph. 4129 2000
 - 23 **Bauple Music Club** @ Bauple Rec Grounds. 5-11pm, licenced, food/softdrinks on sale. Good opportunity



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for young artists to perform. Emma Kate 0409 643 895 for music or Debbie 0418 771 696 for catering etc.

24 Antigua Hall Market & Boot Sale

7am-12, Mungar Rd. Antigua
Ph 4129 6133 Jeff or Donna.

26 **Tiaro Library 'Book Chat'** 9:30am at Library. 4129 2453

27 **Bauple Band Hall** Mtg 6pm 4129 2000
29 SCHOOL HOLS (Resume 15 Apr)

GOOD FRIDAY

31 EASTER SUNDAY

April Events

1 EASTER MONDAY

5-14 YOUTH WEEK

8 **LIONS LADIES Lunch** 12pm @

Hideaway Hotel Tiaro Phyl 41292490

10 **Bauple Rec Ground Mtg** (2nd Wed)
7pm. Debbie 0418 771 696

11 **Gundiah P&C Meeting** 3:30pm

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Weekly Events & Activities

Tiaro Broadband for Seniors Kiosk.

Tiaro Comm Ctr. M-F 9-12pm. 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. Bill 4193 9770.

Mondays

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

Tai Chi-Bauple Band Hall 6pm

Tuesdays.

Yoga Bauple BHall 9.30am. 0410 288 595

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

Social Dance Nights Bauple Band Hall resumes 5 March. Great fun for adults and children all ages, singles and families. 7-9pm \$3. Meg 0429 783 741.

Wednesdays.

Line Dancing Gunalda Hall. 4129 3126

Simple Living Group 9-11am @Bauple Rec Shed Ph Wendy 4129 2212

Craft Classes 1st, 2nd & 4th Wed. 9am-3pm \$2. CWA Mill St, Bauple. 4129 2551

Thursdays.

Under 5 Story Time 10am Tiaro Library.

Bauple Scouts 4.30pm. Sandra 4129-2609

Darts at Bauple Band Hall 7pm

Fridays.

Computer Group Social, literacy and computer help. Jeff Taylor 4129 2650

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

Harbour View Twilight Markets @

Urangan Marina Complex, Buccaneer Drive, Urangan 4-8pm 41249820

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

Gundiah Community Place Social Nite 1st Friday, Discussion Nite 3rd Friday. BBQ 6pm Trevor 4129 2504.

Alcoholics Anonymous Every Friday @ 7pm in the Glenwood Hall. 5485 7412

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

GROUPS

Bauple Spiritual Centre Meditations will be held fortnightly on Monday nights (4th & 18th Mar). 6.30pm for 7.15pm meditation. \$10. Pensioners \$8. Purple Bldg opp Museum. Call Jillian 0418 785 305 or 41939290. All welcome.

Asperger's Support Group Mtg. (WASPS) 9-12noon, last Wed of month Tiaro Comm. Ctr. Pat Davies 4193-9239

Older Men Unlimited Maryb'h. 1st Monday of month. 10am. City Hall. Ph: Ross Bannon 4194 0172, 0438 129 153

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

Richmond PRA Groups Mental Illness Recovery for Adults. 320 Kent St. Maryb'h. 1300 779 270.

DATE SAVERS

Back to Gundiah 90 Years On- Saturday 11 May *See ad pg 10.*

Tiaro Farming & Lifestyle Field Day Saturday July 13. Marilyn Connell. Field Day co-ordinator. tiarolandcare1@bigpond.com. *See page 8.*

Aust Campdraft Association National Finals 2013. 17-20 April. Kilkivan Showgrounds. Four days of action packed campdrafting showcase the nation's most successful riders and horses currently on the campdraft-

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Functions: Call us about your function

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ing circuit. Kilkivan Showgrounds, 88 Mudlo Rd, Kilkivan, Qld . 07 5484 1252. sevenangle@bordnet.com.au

South Burnett Winery Tour 21 April. Fundraiser for Miss Gympie Show Girl Entrant Taleah Dickfos. \$60 pp inc 2 course meal, wine tasting and transport to 3 of the best wineries South Burnett has to offer. Bus trip 8.30am-5pm. Tickets available at Karinya Florist, Mary St Gympie. Ticket deadline 28th March. Taleah 0409471577

NOTICES

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

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

NOTICES (cont.)

Family Day Care Tiaro. Samantha Thompson Ph 4129-2634.

1-2-3 Parenting. Learn to manage difficult behaviour in children 2-12 years old. A three-session program for parents and carers at 30 Jupiter St, Maryborough (next to Family Day Care building) on Tuesday 12th, 19th & 26th March. 6:30pm – 9pm. Total cost per family: \$15. To register ph Michelle or Sonia (07) 4121 5511.

AT THE PUBS

What's on at the Gundy Pub

Fridays: RSL 6pm. Free Pool and Jukebox.

Saturdays: Live music, seafood trays. Phone Dan or Renelle 4129 3182.

What's on at the Royal

Check our Bottle-O weekly specials.

Jag the Joker Friday Nights 5-8.30pm.

Sundays: Free Pool. Happy Hr 4.30-5.30pm

Meals 7 days. Top Food, Cold Drinks, Pokies & Friendly Atmosphere. See you at the Royal. Ph Phil & Toni 4129 2567

What's on at the Hideaway

Thursdays: Trivia nights

Fridays: Lions Raffle and happy hours

Sundays: Roast \$11 inc dessert.

Functions: Call Nia or Col 4129 2153



Left to right - Lyn Kelman, Bronwyn Kerr, Trina Hain, and Wendy Divine headed to Howard QCWA this month for a morning tea in aid of Cancer. There were over 100 people at the event where more than \$1,000 was raised.

GUNDIAH COMMUNITY CHRONICLE

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Do I have a story about the rain this month!

The Wee Hours. One of our members was awoken around 4am (mother nature was calling) and saw some shadows and lights going up and down the main road. *That's strange*, she thought, especially as the road was under water. She really shook her head as she was thinking, *am I dreaming, or is it the spaceship returning to take more residents to Mackay...*

Apparently, a resident was walking home at 3am, misjudged the depth and the rush of the water, subsequently he surfed down the road but managed to grab the 80 zone sign. They say he hung on for a couple of hours and used his phone to call his rescuers. They also say there was only 6 inches of water and the ute and boat saved him, or did it?????

Then it was the Keightley's turn to become involved, our phone rang at about 5am with a panic call wanting to speak to Trevor about the resident who had been picked up from the 80 zone sign, only trouble was I was the wrong Trevor. Bang down went the phone we looked at one another and thought what the heck was that all about. (It was not from a blond either.) Well, one wonders what really did happen during the wee hours in Gundiah. *If you read or know the story of the aliens coming to Gundiah and taking them to Mackay, you know anything can happen in Lower Gundiah.*

Floating Ute. Remember about a year ago, I gave a member grief about floating his Ute, bad move as well, but I have to come clean and let you know I got the 4x4 bogged and had to get towed out. "Never seen water in that area before"—that's my story and sticking to it.

The Naked Chook Man. I don't know how true this story is, but I heard that a resident was caught stark naked

coming out of his chook shed. I don't know who had the biggest shock, the owner, the visitor, or the chooks!

Diabetes Chat. We canceled our guest speaker from Diabetes Australia due to members not swimming the Mary. Rescheduled now for 15th March. Ring Pauline 41292504 if you would like to attend. 6pm BBQ (Cost \$6 plus drinks) then talk around 7pm.

Join us. We meet on the 1st & 3rd Friday of each month, have BBQs, various speakers, croquet, darts, air hockey or you can just sit around and get up to date with the local news.

Well, till next month hope your stock are happy and don't forget to take some photos of the rich green pastures. We will have a photo comp later in the year.

Trevor Keightley President 4129 2504

CWA Calendar

GOOTCHIE QCWA

561 Gootchie Rd, Gootchie. 41293212

9 Scrapbooking.

12 **Branch meeting** 9.30am

22 **Petrie Gardens** visit.

6 April **Scrapbooking.**

11 April Gootchie Contest & Tombola

TIARO QCWA

35 Mayne St Tiaro. Ph. Gail 4129 2237

9 **Branch meeting** 9.00am (2nd Sat)

13 **Hoy & Tombola** 11am (inc lunch)

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

27 **Bingo** 11am (inc lunch) (4th Tues)

13 April Branch Mtg 9am (2nd Sat)

TIARO YOUNGER SET.

35 Mayne St Tiaro. Ph. Judy 41292789

4 **Meeting & Craft** (1st Mon) 3.30pm

18 **Craft** (3rd Mon) 3.30pm

8 April **Meeting** 3.30pm

New members especially welcome. Our QCWA hall is always available for hire.

MIVA QCWA

QCWA Hall, Miva. Ph. June 54846282

6 March **Branch Meeting** 9.30am

3 April **Branch Meeting** 9.30am

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Kanighan or Kanigan?

One of our readers rang the office and told us we had a mistake in our February issue as we had spelled 'Kanighan' wrong.

Well, this to many readers, is not a new subject and my old mate Ian Brown and Norris Blair would pull you over the coals, then tar and feather you, if you pronounced or spelt it wrong. Kanighan (pronounced Kà-nine) vs Kanigan (Kà-nì-gàn).

It appears various clans from the area could not explain which one was right. We thought it might be a good idea if we did some research to find out just who was right, so we asked local historian Lillian Coyne to find out. She turned the museum upside down, paper and books everywhere and all she did was confuse herself. In fact, I thought a good double sherry may be the order of the day to calm her nerves as when I was summoned to the museum for the results I noted she had even taken her shoes off – what pressure this assignment was!

We then took the next step and thought the computer might tell us. Well that was as bad, some stories and articles use the different spellings, in some cases in the same story! (That's covering yourself!) But bingo, we hit the jackpot in the Government archives:

Kanighan School (No761) changed its name to Kanigan School in 1946; the school was started on the 26/1/1892 and closed 30/3/1959. This is noted in the Queensland State Archives Agency ID5933

The only thing it didn't tell us is "WHY?" SO, come on readers, let's hear your stories of why the change, I'm sure one of the pioneering families of the district would have the information stored away.

Trevor Keightley 4129 2504



Posthumous Award to Local Fire Brigade Volunteer.

Myles Long passed away last year, but prior to his passing he was nominated for the QFRS Diligent and Ethical Service Medal (DESM) for his sustained service as a Rural Fire Brigade member and Fire Warden.

Diligent & Ethical Service Medal.

A special presentation was held on the 25th February attended by his family, friends and guests. Superintendent Phillip Whittaker, Zone Commander, of the Queensland Fire and Rescue Service (QFRS) Wide Bay Burnett officiated and the award was presentation by Director General Kelvin Anderson, Department Community Safety to Gary Long who received the Diligent & Ethical

Service Medal as a Posthumous Award in honour of his father Myles Long for volunteer services as Chairman & Fire Warden to Gundiah Rural Fire Brigade. (See Gundiah Gazette October 2012) Again we say, thank you Myles for your dedication to the community, we will remember you.

Other Recipients. Also receiving medals of recognition were: Patricia Blanche, Volunteer-Howard RFB, Arthur Barnes, Volunteer-Nikenbah RFB, Susan Carlson, Volunteer-Gunaldah RFB, Don Duffus, Volunteer-Nikenbah RFB, Warren Edwards, Area Director-Rural Operations, Maryborough, Wayne Ford, BISO -Rural Operations, Maryborough, Scott Mengel, Volunteer-Tinana RFB, Patricia Peters, Volunteer-Gunaldah RFB. *Thank you* from members of the communities you serve!

At this point I would be remiss if I did not say to our younger residents, please, please consider joining your local brigade. Ring Jenny Pepper 4129 3128, for details and any question you may have.

Trevor Keightley



Top: Director General Kelvin Anderson presents award to Gary Long. Above: The Long Family—David, Wendy, Marion, Sally and Gary after accepting the award for their father Myles.



Medal recipients from left: Gary Long, Wayne Ford, Arthur Barnes, Warren Edwards, Patricia Blanche, Don Duffus, Scott Mengel.

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Anne Maddern

Tanks not necessary

New laws scrapping the requirement for new properties to include rainwater tanks and energy efficient hot water systems, effective February, expect to reduce the cost of a new homes. AM

Farmer Flood Support

February 22, 2013 Category D assistance for Primary Producers affected by flooding with grants of up to \$50,000 and loans of up to \$600,000 announced.

Category C package of cash grants of up to \$25,000 are also available.

Call 07 4122 2277 or Maryborough@parliament.qld.gov.au. AM

Flood-affected club funding

12 February 2013 Local sporting and recreational clubs are eligible for grants up to \$25,000 to replace much needed equipment and repair clubhouses and grounds. Application forms are available from Sport and Recreation Service Centres, at www.nprsr.qld.gov.au or by calling 1300 656 191 for assistance. Applications open until Friday 10 May. AM



What's at your local Museum?

Could it be you? Firstly, we are looking for more volunteers to man the doors—it could be a day a week, a day a fortnight or a day a month from 10am–3pm. You don't have to be an expert on the exhibits or their history—we have backup volunteers to help in that area—and we would put you with one of the current volunteers until you feel confident in the role. We are also looking for a **Secretary**, as unfortunately, Jan had to relinquish the position due to family commitments. If you could help please give myself or Mike Jennings a call and we will explain the role.

Time for a visit. I know I sound like a worn out gramophone but the museum is there for your family's use, your family's family and so on. It's always being updated with treasures from our past but it will not survive if we don't have our volunteers to keep it rolling.

Timber Cutting Exhibit. A room full of various chainsaws that the timber jacks used over the years includes some funny ones that you'll wonder how they used them, based on today's chainsaw design.

Getting Bigger. The museum has been successful in our applications for a **grant for an extension** to the machinery shed so that we can keep more items under cover; we also were successful in the **"Bauple History Walk"** which will have a Town map and plaques at the noted places i.e. The Bakery, The Butcher, Timber Mill etc. We are also **creating a bedroom** based on the pioneers way of living, partly financed by the generous donation from Fay MacKellar.

Diggers. Each month we salute a fallen Digger but we are getting short on their family history, so if you have such and would like it documented in the museum, we will copy and return.

Please, please consider our request for volunteers, we are Centrelink endorsed.

Trevor Keightley VP 41292504



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Down Memory Lane Life on the Farm at River View

by Mervyn Jessen, 02-12-2012

I was born at the Maryborough Hospital. My Mother and I returned back to the farm which was named River View via Gundiah, as the house was built over-looking the Mary River.

When I was school age, all of us kids, along with Colin Gilchrist, John Thompson, Marjory, June, Daphne and Des Lamke, would all gather at River View. My Father would then row us across the Mary in a boat, mornings and afternoons, as Deborah School was across the River. At times when the water rose too high, he would not cross the river. When I left the Deborah School was closed for good. Some children went to Gundiah School. I can still remember the cane around my legs for doing the wrong things.

My main jobs on the farm were to milk some cows, feed calves, pigs, and fowls. After milking, I had to clean up around the milking shed. I chopped wood for the stove upstairs, and for the boiler for washing clothes downstairs. I also helped my mother around the house, while my Father and 2 brothers worked on the farm to grow vegies and green feed for the animals.

At times, I had to ride my bike about 15 miles to Gundiah for mail, bread and odd things for the house. When I was old enough, I bought a motor-bike when I joined the Gundiah Cricket Club. Cricket was played behind the Hartvigsen's Store, and the late Mark Thompson was our Captain.



During the War, many soldiers camped and did training on a big slope at the back of our property. Army planes flew over the tree tops and would bomb the soldiers with bags of white stuff. The soldiers took most of our cream, milk, watermelons, pumpkins and vegies. My Father got paid from the government much later.

It was long hours and tough work those days, with horses taking the place of machinery, but it was a good clean life. My brothers got married and I left the River View farm about 1944.

At left from top: •Mervyn, about 6yrs, in front with white shoes at Deborah School. •Mervyn Jessen (about 10yrs old) sitting on his pet poddy calf on the farm. •Mervyn's father and mate fixing the roof of the Homestead on the farm. •One of Mervyn's motor-bikes (BSM).

Local Little Archer



Ellie Cash, 8, from Gundiah, placed second in recent Cub Girls freestyle unlimited competition at a two day shoot at Wide Bay Archers.

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Memories of Robert Carlson.

Dear Trevor, I am writing to tell you that my husband, (Peter and Jeffery's father) passed away on the 8th January. He was 93 and had lived his whole life at the family property at "Riverfall" Miva. We had been married for 66 years and he is sadly missed. His name was Robert Carlson.

In his younger days he was a cricketer and tennis player, first with the Munna Creek clubs and later with the Miva clubs. He was a great bowler and once achieved a hat trick for which he won a sports coat as a prize. He played tennis for many years with Colin Nahrung as his partner. In those days I think there were 28 tennis clubs in the Tiaro Shire. They were a great source of social life in the Shire.

Rob was very much interested in the Gundiah Gazette and looked forward to reading it each month. He thought (and I think) that the Gazette team are a great asset to the District. We are sorry that our lack of mobility prevented us from taking part in the activities of the district but the Gazette keeps us up to date. Yours sincerely Erin Carlson.

Many of our readers would know Erin from the Miva CWA and her book she compiled about Miva history from 1859 till 1959. Our deepest sympathies go to you and your family, Erin. Trevor Keightley

Flooded Mary

Hello Sandra, Thanks very much for the Gazette and this info re the flooding. How disappointing to see the old Gundi hall go under water again, I suppose this will need another cleanup and repair job. Maybe it is time to try for

some funding to raise it a little higher. Although I am near Brisbane, I do follow the happenings of one of my old stomping grounds. I will try to get a couple of photographs to you taken back in the 1950 era of the farmers bringing the cream across a flooded Mary River. We thought that was normal back those days, I guess it would not happen today if cream in cans was sent to Gym pie on the Bundaberg to Brisbane Mail train three times each week. Workplace health and safety would get in the way. Kindest regards from Errol White, Narangba.

Tiaro Farming & Lifestyle Field Day

Saturday July 13. Tiaro Farming & Lifestyle Field Day is a day when the locals and folk from further afield keep their boots and hats on and make the trip to Tiaro to soak up some good old fashioned country atmosphere and hospitality.

This year's theme will be **Sustainable Agriculture supporting disaster recovery.** The workshops and presentations will include information about recovery from the impacts of floods including animal health, pasture, financial and much more.

The Field day is a great opportunity for many local community groups and businesses to showcase their products and services.

'LIKE' Tiaro Farming & Lifestyle Field Day on Facebook, keep up with the news, share the page with your friends and promote our district. The Field Day is a joint initiative between Tiaro Chamber of Commerce and Tiaro Landcare. Marilyn Connell. tiarolandcare1@bigpond.com

Tiaro's Sons.

This month's Salute to the Diggers

William McGrath

QX3293 Private 2/15 AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BATTALION

William McGrath was born in Balmain NSW on the 1st April 1908 and he enlisted on the 28th May 1940. His army records state the locality of enlistment was Gungalda and place of enlistment being Maryborough. His next of kin is listed as Caroline McGrath. If any reader has any history big or small on William please contact the Museum and we will update his records.

LEST WE FORGET

Next Months digger will be JM Adams. Please contact Trevor Keightley 41292504 if you have further information, photos etc.



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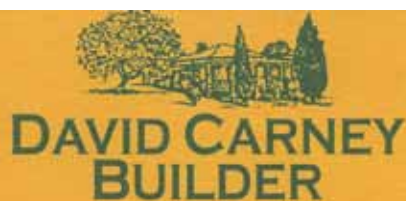
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Corrections (continued from pg1)
reading being 21mtrs. Also, we forgot to thank June Nahrung for the photo of the bridge, taken at sunrise just as the water was beginning to fall. To quote June, she "thought the ol' girl almost looked majestic". June said she was frightened the bridge was going to go, there was such a build up of debris and she could hear the creaking and groaning of the bridge.

Community Debrief on Severe Weather Event Jan 2013

Fraser Coast Regional Council is conducting community debriefings hoping to gather information that may assist in managing future weather events that may impact on our area.

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The volunteers work alongside rural families and farmers to help communities become productive once more. Mr Truss said whether people volunteer for a few hours or a few weeks, their efforts will be greatly appreciated.

Volunteers can register with BlazeAid 0429 381 448 or register on line at www.emergencyvolunteering.com.au or call Volunteering Qld on 1800 994 100.

Deeming rate cut

13 February 2013 Federal MP Warren Truss welcomed the deeming rate reduction, following his calls for the Government to do so. (Deeming rates determine how much pensioners receive under the means testing rules.)

The rate will fall from 3% to 2.5% for the first \$45,400 of financial investments for single pensioners and the first \$75,600 for couples, and reduced from 4.5 % to 4% for amounts over those thresholds. Single Age Pensioners may invest up to \$115,825/year, and couples will be able to invest up to \$202,550/year before losing some of their pension if their only source of income is from financial investments.

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