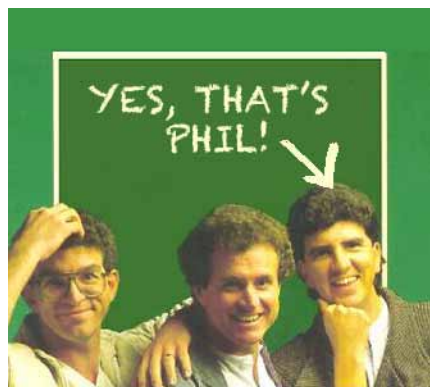


GUNDIAH GAZETTE

COMMUNITY NEWS ACROSS THE TIARO DISTRICT

APRIL 2013

PAY TO MAKE PHIL PLAY!



HAVE YOU SEEN OUR DIVISION 2 COUNCILOR PLAY ROCK N ROLL? Neither have we, but for a few bob he will, apparently!

As some of you recall, Mr Truscott said that he would love to play in our area (he told us this when he was looking for votes) and we heard that he was a muso and played in a band in his younger days and still liked strumming his guitar in his spare time... but alas he gets very little spare time since he got voted into the FCRC. Now we, the committee, don't forget those statements and promises (farmers never forget).

So, he was challenged to play for 10 min at the **Gundiah Hall - 90 Years On Dinner & Dance** night on May 11 on the proviso that we raise \$\$ for the hall restoration fund. We think he is worth \$2000. So dig deep into your money-boxes so we can keep the hall together for another 90 years, its our heritage for the next generation.

To make Phil play, go to gundiahgazette.com.au and click the Paypal DONATE button. Remember, no money, no putting Phil in the spotlight! It's worth your spare change at least! See p5 for Gundiah Hall 90th info. *Gundiah Hall Committee*



*Back row: Gary Long (Treasurer), Lorraine Brown, Ron Black and Linda Harris (Executive Members)
Front: Owen Thompson (Vice President) Darryl Stewart (President) and Toni Hume (Secretary).*

Tiaro & District Chamber of Commerce

Have you ever wondered who and what are The Tiaro & District Chamber of Commerce?

It's a local business organisation that protects, fosters and enhances the success of its members through a focused, joint effort, and strive to support and assist business and their growth throughout our district, and ultimately that is a benefit to all of us who live here.

Tiaro Farming & Lifestyle Field Day. They are very proud of the community partnerships they have developed-in particular that with the Tiaro Landcare organisation-which enables them to jointly run the Tiaro Farming & Lifestyle Field Day, which is a bi-annual event.

"This event has become very popular over the past few years, getting bigger and better each year," Toni Hume said. "We are currently organising this year's event on Saturday, 13th July." So' pencil that date in your diaries.

Membership encouraged. They are very focused on increasing their

membership and encourage all local businesses and primary producers to become members.

As a member of the chamber you will receive regular information on local and state issues, with opportunities for workshops, seminars and networking. To gain more information on becoming a member, please contact us on: tiaro-chamber@bigpond.com or ring the secretary Toni Hume on 41202107.

Date Claimer: Tiaro Farming & Lifestyle Field Day-13th July 2013
Like us on Facebook!

Anzac Day Dawn Service

The Tiaro RSL Sub-branch will conduct its Anzac Day Dawn Service starting at 6am in the Memorial Gardens in Mayne Street.

All members of the public are welcome to attend this service, after which a sausage sizzle and "Gunfire Coffee" will be served in the Memorial Hall.

(Gunfire Coffee is milk coffee laced with rum!).

Pete Kelly 4129 6270



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WHAT'S ON IN APRIL

April Events

(FOR QCWA EVENTS SEE PG 4)

- 1 EASTER MONDAY
- 5-14 YOUTH WEEK
- 6 **Bauple Men's Shed Open Day** 9am.
Graeme Davis 4129 2423.
- 8 **Lions Ladies Lunch** 12pm @
Hideaway Hotel Tiaro Phyl 41292490
- 10 **Bauple Rec Ground Mtg** (2nd Wed)
7pm. Debbie 0418 771 696
- **Tiaro Police Div Consultative Com Mtg.** 7pm Glenwood Com Hall.
Supper. All welcome. Lyn 4129 3212
- 13 **North Aramara Fun Day** North
Aramara Hall Q 4650, 11am. Free
entry. Kids bored? Join in on old
fashioned games, family fun and
fantastic country hospitality. Slip
n slide, Tug of war, sack races, egg
n spoon races, toad races and the
famous Iron Man competition. Great
prizes, raffles, BBQ lunch & dinner
and a licensed bar. Enjoy the days
entertainments with MC Bronco
Jensen. Margaret Ford 07 4129 9282
- 15 **SCHOOL STARTS**
- **Radio 107.1** General Mtg @ Tiaro
Community Centre 5:30pm All
Welcome. Ph Jeff 41292650
- **Tiaro District Community Centre**
Mtg @ 6pm. Ph Debbie 41939603
- **Bauple Spiritual Centre Meditation**
6.30pm Jillian 0418 785 305 *see Groups*

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- 16 **Bauple P&C Mtg** 3:15pm at School
- **Bauple Historical Museum** 7pm.
All welcome. Ph 4129 2751
- **Tiaro District Chamber Commerce**
7pm now at Tiaro Landcare Office,
below new medical centre. Ph Toni
41292107
- 17-20 **Australian Campdraft Assoc**
National Finals 2013 Kilkivan
Showgrnds 88 Mudlo Rd 5484 1252.
- 17 **Gundiah Hall Committee Mtg.**
Wed 7pm. Sandi 4129 3215
- 17 **Tiaro Landcare Mtg** 7.30pm Land
care office. Downstairs @ old Tiaro
Council Bldg. Ph. Marilyn 4129 6206
- 18 **Gundiah P&C Meeting** 3:15pm
- 18 **FREE Community Legal Services**
Tiaro Comm. Ctr. 41292453 for apt.
- 20 **Glenwood Country Markets** 7-12.
Pepper Rd Jane /John 54857468
- 21 **FCRC "Walk with Me"** Anzac Park,
Maryborough 7- 9am All dogs and
Owners welcome.
- **Aust. Hibiscus Society** 10am
Ph. Chris on 5484 6551 for location.
- 24 **Bauple Band Hall General Mtg**
6pm Ph. 4129 2000.
- 25 **ANZAC DAY** Memorial Service
by Tiaro RSL Subbranch at 6am in
the Memorial Gardens in Mayne
Street Tiaro. (Be there by 5.30am)
Pete Kelly 4129 6270
- 26 **Tiaro Library Book Club** 10am at
Library. 4129 2453
- **Bauple Kids 'Hangout' Night**
@ Bauple Recreation Grounds. (4th
Fridays) 5-9 pm. Free entry. Food
and drinks on sale. Join in games or
just hang-out. Debbie 0418 771 696
- 27 **Hinterland Markets** (4th Sat) 7am
Bauple Band Hall Ph. 4129 2000

- **Gatakers by Night** - Artists at work-
woodcarver, painters, sculptors -
and view the latest exhibitions at
Gatakers Gallery. Free. 5-9pm Light
refreshments available. Gatakers
Artspace, Wharf Street, Maryb'h
- **"A Night at the Museum Tour"** @
Maryborough Military and Colonial
Museum, see exhibits come alive or
take a tour with the Nightwatch-
man to hear stories and tales of the
historic Port area. Tours start at 7pm.
- 30 **Tiaro Library 'Book Chat'** 9:30am at
Library. 4129 2453

May Events

- 3-6 **2XU Hervey Bay Triathlon and**
MultiSports Festival & Expo Sea-
front Oval, Pialba. 4 Days, 5 Events
Ron Acutt info@herveybaytri.com.au
www.herveybaytri.com.au
- 6 **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 Ctr Meditation-**
see Groups
- 8 **Bauple Rec Ground Mtg** (2nd Wed)
7pm. Debbie 0418 771 696
- 9 **Gundiah P&C Mtg** 3:30pm
- 11 **Back to Gundiah. 90 yrs on.** *See p5.*
- 12 **MOTHERS DAY**
- **Love Mary Day** @Tiaro 11am-3pm
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Weekly Events & Activities

Tiara Broadband for Seniors Kiosk.

Tiara 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-ChiTiara Com.Ctr.8.30am.41292490

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

Tiara 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 Tiara 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

Rossendale 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,

Tiara. 10am. Fthr Paul Kelly 4121 3701

St Therese, Balkin St, Gunalda 7.30am

Father Patrick Cassidy. 5482 1213

Uniting Church: Tiara 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 &

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Sunday. Ph 5482 2629

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April 27 -28th

GUNDIAH COMMUNITY CHRONICLE

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We it would appear that the big rains have gone and we are getting back to a somehow normal life... cutting the lawns, replanting, looking for items that floated away (like the club water tank)... but luckily it was found.

Guest Speakers. We had a guest speaker from Diabetes Australia, Sandy McDonald, who gave us a brief overview of the symptoms and what we should be doing with our eating and exercising lifestyles, there was a few "O"s and "R"s from our members, so Sandy may have hit a few pointers that we need to keep an eye on. Our guest speaker this month is Col Zemek, FCRC Pest and Weed officer. (See Col's write-up on page 10.)

The Belly Dancer. Some of our members can get themselves into trouble without really trying. It happened like this, member and wife goes to the big smoke and he decides it might be nice to take the wife out to a secluded restaurant for dinner. Now most of us know there are areas that one would probably not take the wife or girlfriend to, well he did, they had a nice meal then the show started. Well, I'm told that the main act were Belly Dancing Strippers and he was rather carried away as such is not seen in our area too often, (not on a regular basis at least). They apparently had a good night.

Two days later he needed his credit card and could not locate it, and thinks, "Where did I last have it? Yes, the Belly Dancing show!" Off he goes, tells wife that he will nip down and see if it's there, gets there and the show is under way, recognises one of the belly dancers as being the waitress previously, tries to get her attention, fails, jumps up on the stage and asked if she handed it in, she said yes and she will get it for him when this number is finished so why not dance while you are on stage...

guess he found it hard to turn the offer down. Anyway, cutting a long story short, one of his mates rang him the next day to say - 'boy what an act you did, you are in the local paper this morning and a great photo too'. They tell me he spent most of the day collecting the local papers which he was lucky, as they were free.

Anzac Day. Remember 25th of April is the day we bow our heads in remembrance of those that lost their lives in the wars that gave us our freedom. If you can, please try to attend one of the ANZAC Dawn services to pay our respect. LEST WE FORGET

'Hope you all have a great month and if you would like to know more about the Gundiah Community Place call Secretary Pauline 41292504. Trevor Keightley President

CWA Calendar

GOOTCHIE QCWA

561 Gootchie Rd, Gootchie. 41293212

6 Scrapbooking.

9 Branch meeting 9.30am

11 Gootchie Contest & Tombola

26 Petrie Gardens visit.

4 May Scrapbooking.

5 May Bunnings Sausage Sizzle

TIARO QCWA

35 Mayne St Tiaro. Ph. Gail 4129 2237

10 Hoy & Tombola 11am (inc lunch)

13 Branch meeting 9.00am (2nd Sat)

18 Petrie Gardens Visit (3rd Thurs)

24 Bingo 11am (inc lunch) (4th Wed)

11 May Branch Mtg 9am (2nd Sat)

TIARO YOUNGER SET.

35 Mayne St Tiaro. Ph. Judy 41292789

1 Meeting & Craft (1st Mon) 3.30pm

15 Craft (3rd Mon) 3.30pm

6 May Meeting 3.30pm

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

MIVA QCWA

QCWA Hall, Miva. Ph. June 54846282

3 April Branch Meeting 9.30am

1 May Branch Meeting 9.30am

BAUPLE Mill St. Gail 4129 2551

Craft Classes 1st 2nd & 4th Wed 9am-3pm. \$2.00. Have a laugh & learn a craft.

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

DATE SAVERS

Back to Gundiah 90 Years On- Saturday 11 May See ad pg 5.

Tiaro Farming & Lifestyle Field Day Saturday July 13. Marilyn Connell. Field Day co-ordinator. tiarolandcare1@bigpond.com. See pg 1 for TDCC.

NOTICES

Shop to Rent-Short term available. Shop space next to Tiaro Foodworks Phone Doug 0438 642 964

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

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

THE GAZETTE APOLOGISES FOR A LATE EDITION THIS MONTH DUE TO THE EDITOR HAVING TOO MUCH ON HER PLATE.

QCWA NOTICE BOARD

Annual Combined Tombola & Competition Day: Thurs 11th April

Gootchie QCWA 10am start. \$10 incl Morning Tea & Lunch. Entries welcome for cooking, knitting & crochet, photography and floral art. (Submit entries 10am) Lyn Kelman 41293212

Scrapbooking & Photo Sorting:

Card Making 1st Monday 10am-2pm Cost \$5.00 BYO Lunch. Morning Tea & Tools supplied. Janelle 0407 142848

Craft. 1st, 2nd & 4th Tuesdays 9-3pm Contact Gail Warwick Ph. 4129 2551

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We Need Trees

by Col Bowman. Dip App Sc Forestry.

Historically, trees were seen as weeds on farms and therefore removed. In fact, in earlier times large properties had teams of men to poison and ring bark trees to remove them as it was believed the trees stole water and nutrient from pastures. However, the Thompson family in this region have been selling timber off their grazing property for 80+ years in an environmentally aware system before it became normal practice.

Working together. In 2009 Ag Force sponsored a Farm Forestry Program Field Day at the Thompson property, Mt Urah, showing figures to prove the timber was earning more than the cattle, and used an example to show that if the cattle and timber were run in separate paddocks that the \$ return would NOT be as great as when they were run together.

Trees aid the growth of pastures through deep nutrient recycling, by slowing of the overland water flow so the water infiltrates the soil more deeply, by shading the pasture to extend the grazing and quality of the pasture, and shading the cattle so they don't have to waste energy keeping cool. The cattle lower competition from pasture and weeds by grazing and also lower wild fire risk through keeping the pasture growth short.

The Future. By 2024, all forestry products will have to come from managed forests and not crown native forests. To this end the area from Gympie to the NSW border and out to Toowoomba is already locked up from logging, the Western Hardwood allocation is closed and the Western Cypress allocations are being progressively withdrawn.

The result of these actions is an increase in log prices from farm forestry with an anticipated increase in value of 3% per annum as far as can be seen into the future.

Drought Proofing. Native trees that grow in low nutrient soils and are often unaffected by drought as they get up to 60% of their moisture from deep in the soil. The extra income from trees counterbalances the drought times where cattle lose their value and, in fact, become a liability. Primary Producers can go a long way to drought proofing their property.

In short, trees are a major part of the natural environment. They bind the soils to prevent wind and water erosion, lower the ground water table to prevent soil salinity, cool the atmosphere through shading transpire moisture on hot days, disperse winds which would dry soils, provide habitat for tree dwelling fauna and in recent times they have been recognised as an asset in farming landscapes.

Col Bowman is a 'senior' resident of Bauple, acts in the Bauple Progress Association in 'Early Responders Action Group', was a small grazier in Northern Territory & Central Queensland and claims he is no fan of Bob Hawke, has 8 grown children, has an associate degree in Forestry, is a wildlife advocate for butterflies and koalas and is worth having a yarn to.

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BACK TO GUNDIAH 90 YEARS ON

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SATURDAY 11 MAY

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Commencing with

FREE BREAKFAST

at Gundiah Community Place Sports Ground
cnr of Netherby Rd & School Rd at 8am
in the spirit of past Country Sports Days with

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Children's Cricket & Croquet from 8.30am
and a hearty game of

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plus Croquet from 9.30am-3pm.

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Historic Displays

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For tickets, stall bookings, cricket signups etc., please call Sandi 4129 3215 or David 0417 745 399
(Dinner/dance is a BYO event.)

*Donate to the **Pay to Make Phil Play** fund by going to gundiahgazette.com.au

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Men's Shed Open Day

The Bauple Men's Shed held an open day on April 6 to celebrate it's role as a "no carbon footprint, green shed".

The Shed recently had solar panels installed, negating the need for it to be hooked into the Ergon electricity grid. Genuinely free 240-volt power from the sun. The open day also officially marked receiving a \$3,800 wood thicknessing machine donated by the Tiaro RSL Sub-branch. Membership of the Bauple Men's Shed is also open to the public. Please call Graeme Davis 4129 2423 or Bill Todd 4193 9770.

Bill Todd

Volunteer Grants 2013 open.

Federal Government Volunteer Grants program provide grants of between \$1,000 to \$5,000 to eligible not-for-profit organisations. Information and an online application form are found www.fahcsia.gov.au/. Application forms are also available by calling 1800 183 374 or by emailing vg2013@fahcsia.gov.au. Applications close Wednesday 24 April 2013 at 5pm AEST.

"If you know of a volunteer who deserves special recognition, please contact me and I will arrange a special national certificate recognising their efforts," Mr Truss said.

128 New Constables hit the beat

Member for Maryborough welcomed the addition of new First Year Constables to the local district.

People interesting in joining the QPS are encouraged to visit www.policerecruit.qld.gov.au for more information.

Great Start to home ownership

18 March 2013. Anne Maddern is urging Maryborough Electorate residents considering buying their first home to apply for the Newman Government's \$15,000 Great Start Grant. Full eligibility criteria and application forms for the Great Start Grant are available at www.qld.gov.au/greatstartgrant

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What's at your local Museum?

MT BAUPLE HISTORICAL MUSEUM
Firstly we would like to advise that we have a new Secretary Chris Williams and New Treasurer Pauline Walsh. We warmly welcome them to our team. Historically, Country Museums have shown that the community is a place that is proud of its past and future, so next time you have visitors bring them to your museum, also why not bring a lunch and use our free BBQ's.

Become a Member. I'm like a worn out gramophone record, saying, we need new duty staff 10am to 3pm every day—at present we are looking for some bodies to fill our Saturday spot. So give us a call and we will explain the role. (It does not have to be every week—maybe once a month may suit you better.)

We are also looking for new members! It will only cost you \$10/year per family. Local support will help to keep the doors open, as with the loss of the RV's our donation tin is rather bare.

Adopt a Spot. We are encouraging locals to adopt a spot in the museum to clean, as you can imagine, it is becoming a major task for the current duty staff. We imagine that it may only be a couple of hours a visit every fortnight or month to keep your adopted spot clean.

Lunch in the museum park. Finally, we are bringing back "Lunch in the park" on the first Sunday each month. It's BYO and have a cuppa on the museum for a small gold coin donation, so note that in your diary should be fun and allows us to meet others from our district.

So, if you feel you can help and become one of the team, please contact me or any member, or leave a message at the museum. Trevor Keightley VP 41292504

Road works update.

www.frasercoast.qld.gov.au/roads. Emory's Bridge Rd delayed. Forgan Tce Tiaro -Footpath construction under way.



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Down Memory Lane Mount Bauple Central Mill

How many of you know the history of the Sugar industry in Bauple? Well a lot of our mature readers would be aware as many would have either worked or had family involved in the milling industry, so here is this month's history lesson. We all drive past the cane fields and most of us know the owners of the farms and we see the trucks taking the cane to the Maryborough mill during the crushing season, but do we know how it all started.

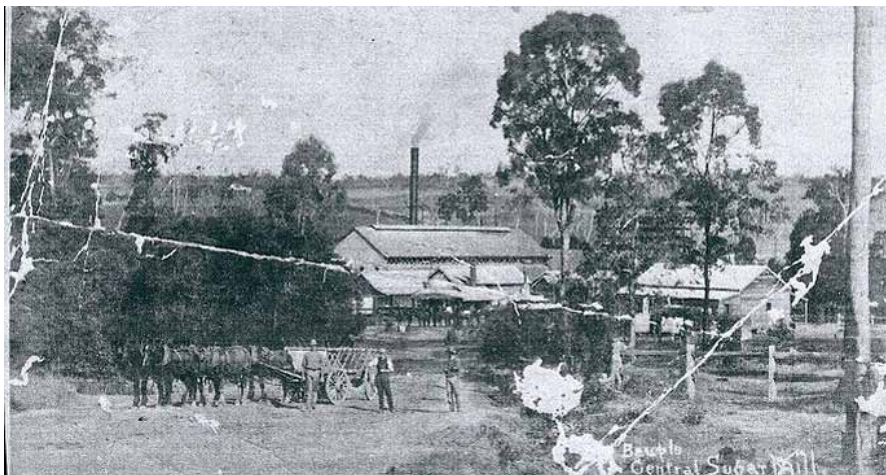
Firstly, if you are interested, there is lots of information in the Mt Bauple Historical Museum, but I will give you some of the information that I read while putting this memory together.

In 1893, 24 years after first settlement in the area, a committee of Messrs. Negus, MacKellar, Biddles, Proctor & Hunt was formed to assess land available for sugar cane production. By 1894, support was received from the Government, and a contract let to John Walker and Co for a sugar mill.

Production commenced in 1896 when 10,314 tons of cane was crushed. Production doubled in the first 5 years, but after a severe drought in 1902 nil cane was crushed. Losses were sufficient that the government took control. The Bauple mill was large compared to the Maryborough Mill but it never reached its full potential, in 1925 the government handed it over to a grower controlled co-operative. Some good years followed. The highest crush on record was in 1924 when 58,198 tons was crushed. Hard times fell during the war years and in 1951 it was decided to close the mill due to its financial situation.

According to the records Bauple mill was considered built in the wrong place and the wrong time.

However, from the records the mill had a checked history during its 54 years of operation. The great drought from 1898



Bauple Central Sugar Mill.

to 1902 devastated the land, and the mill had insufficient cane to warrant crushing in 1902, in 1919 and again in 1932. The 1932 drought left Bauple with an estimated crop of only 8000 tonnes. There was again a drought in 1942 compounded by the fact that this was the height of the Second World War. There was also a lack of labour, transport and fertilizer, however the records stated that from 1938 to 1941 there was a run of successful seasons with a extraction over 90%. The mill recorded profits for this period.

In a good season well over 100 men were employed at the mill itself, while a maintenance team worked all year round. Labour came from Gympie and Maryborough and lived in the barracks and boarding houses around the Bauple District. The advent of war saw the first females being employed in the mill. Strangely, the ladies were called "Juice Boys." Don't ask me why, but I'm sure I will be told.

And that, dear readers is only an overview of pages of information. If you need more why not visit the Museum.

In a future Gazette we will review the records of the Mill's tramways and railways.

I thank the Museum and Lillian Coyne for the history lesson and hope those of you new to the area found the article interesting.

Trevor Keightley

From the Minutes

Meeting Gundiah Public Hall Co 4/3/1933.

"At this stage tenders for painting of the hall, outside only, were opened. The tender of Mr T K Kennaway was accepted on the motion of N Lawson, seconded by D Lawson which was carried. The amount of the tender was £32-0-0 (\$64.00). The writing out of the agreement was left in the secretary's hands. The colour to be chocolate with white facings. Bergers first quality paint only to be used."

David Carney, GMHA.



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Friday night Club Nights are going well with up to 16 players competing for points in our Chocolate Competition. We always welcome new players to come and join the club to be part of this competition. Memberships are now due and are \$30 per year for adults and

\$10 per year for juniors. All members get player insurance through Tennis Queensland and a discount on court hire fees.

Fees. Our courts, (38 Bauple Woolloga Road which is across the Bruce Highway from the southern Bauple entrance/exit), cost just \$5.50 per hour for day hire and \$11 per hour for night hire. Get a group together and spend a couple of hours playing under the lights - it's an experience you'll want to repeat!! There are BBQ facilities and some racquets available. For any enquiries or to hire courts please phone Mary-Anne Walters on 4129 2589; MOB: 0438 374 091; Bob & Carol Maxwell on 4129 2391; or John & Lyn Kelman on 41 293 212.

Mary-Anne Walters - Secretary

Cleanup Crew at Gundy

Pictured Right. Just a huge thank you to the members that made up my team of willing workers to do a makeover on the Gundiah Caravan Park post-flooding. It's made that little corner of Gundiah look as good as new, and incidentally just as good as it did 2 years to the day that Renelle & Dan opened the doors for the first time with their very own key. With refreshments of cold drinks and macadamia nuts, we got it all ship shape in record time. *Pauline Keightley*

Tiaro's Sons.

This month's Salute to the Diggers

John M. R. Adams

Service # 22887 Royal Australian Air Force
John Methuen Robertson ADAMS or "Jock" as he was as called, was the only son of Mr & Mrs W.R. Adams of Tiaro, and born in Ayr, Scotland on the 23rd September 1908.

He enlisted in the Australian Air Force on the 8th July 1940 and worked his way through the ranks to become a Pilot officer in the 75th Squadron.

Jock had a property near Tiaro and gave invaluable service as a member of Tiaro Shire Council prior to his enlistment. During his years in Tiaro he was always interested in community events and was a member of the Tiaro Patriotic Fund Committee and the Tiaro Rifle Club. He was proud of the district and did all in his power to promote its interests, he applied himself with the same diligence to the welfare of his Squadron. He lost his life in an aircraft accident on February 3rd 1943 at the age of 35.

LEST WE FORGET

Next month's digger will be Clyde William Roberts. Please contact Trevor Keightley 41292504 with information, photos etc.



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Tiara Girls aiming higher get local support

Sisters who are members of the Maryborough "Little Athletics", did well enough at the recent 'Regionals' held in Bundaberg that they will be competing in the 'State Trials' being held at the QE2 in Brisbane starting on the 22nd of March 2013.

11year old Ta-Leigha is competing in the High Jump, Long Jump, Triple Jump and the 100m Sprint. Meanwhile her younger sister, 9 year old Ta-Naya is competing in the Shot-Put.



After hearing about their recent achievements, the Tiara District Community Centre were happy to donate \$100 towards traveling expenses for their upcoming Brisbane trip. Dad Lesley was very appreciative and thanked TDCC Committee Members for the financial assistance. We wish both the girls all the best and good luck. *Debra Hibbett. Sec.*



Above. Ryan Kelly points to his paintings on display at Gattaker's Art Space in March. Ryan participated in children's workshops organised by Gattakers and the FCRC. Below: Paradise Seaplanes started flying passengers at Easter after 2 years of paperwork. Pilot Shawn Kelly of Gundiah is elated. He flies from Shelly Beach Wed-Sun. 0437 719 088.



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Pest Control

Groundsel & Mother of Millions. At the moment groundsel bush is out in flower, (it looks like a Christmas tree covered in white flowers and when the wind blows it will appear like snowflakes flying on the wind. Also quite noticeable this time of the year is mother of millions, their bright coloured flowers can be seen from afar. Both are class 2 pests and must be controlled. A full list of known declared pests can be found on the Council's web site (under Pest Management).

Our feral animal baiting program usually occurs through August – September. Anyone who has a feral animal issue outside of these

times I am only too pleased to provide a free 1080 service, and can offer baiting or caged traps. Please contact me if you have any questions.

Colin Zemek. Coordinator Vector & Pest Management Regulatory Services. 41974474, 0427125338, colin.zemek@frasercoast.qld.gov.au

ANNUAL BAITING PROGRAMME

Saturday 4th May. 9am

Meet at the Gundiah Community Place, School Rd, Gundiah. Bring your guide book and bait, if you have not been before you will be issued with a TOXIN 1089 guide book at the club. To register with Col Zemek ring Pauline Keightley on 41292504.



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