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Highfields Road upgrade



Highfields residents now face three months of traffic disruptions on Highfields Road, but the Toowoomba Regional Council has urged motorists to be patient and courteous.

"It will all be worth it in the end," Mayor Cr Peter Taylor said as he inspected the start of the road reconstruction on Thursday.

"This work is long overdue and we now have the funding to get it done before Christmas, weather permitting".

The Mayor and Cr Carol Taylor "turned the first sod" on the \$1.180m upgrade during their inspection of the works. Cr Carol Taylor handles the council's engineering services portfolio. She said the council apologised for any inconvenience caused by the 1.5km reconstruction works on Highfields Road.

"But it will be worth the

Cr Carol Taylor and Nigel Murray, Clynt Myles, Mick Ryan, project foreman, and Kane Widderick, and Mayor Peter Taylor, right.

wait," she said. New turning lanes will be constructed into Kratzke Road, Kuhls Road and Andersson Court where they join Highfields

Road and missing links on the southern side kerbing will be completed. • The council will also finish the re-sealing of the Cawdor-

Kuhls Roads T-intersection before the end of the year when the first sealing works have settled. - Ken Ball

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Case for lights on Kuhls Road

I read an article about Highfields Road in the September 23 edition of the Highfields Herald.

I quote from the article, "Increased traffic and density of population have taken their toll on Highfields Road."

Further on it says, "Cr (Carol) Taylor was speaking to the Herald on the plan to reconstruct the road from the New England Highway to O'Brien Road."

This is wonderful news and will be appreciated by all residents.

Good on you. This seems to me to be a golden opportunity to install traffic lights at the intersection of Highfields Road and Kuhls Road, particularly as you are going to negotiate with Ergon and Telstra.

Could you give the traffic lights some consideration?

The reason for my request is that if one is travelling towards the highway on Highfields Road and wishes to turn right into Kuhls Road, vehicles behind you wishing to travel straight on, whizz past you on the left hand side.

Twice a large truck has passed me on that intersection and the back or tray of the truck has been about 50cm from the side of my car. I think, far too dangerous. - **Lyn Jones, Highfields.**

Conversation could save a life

A conversation can change a life. On October 7, Australians will be asked to reach out to anyone doing it tough and ask "Are you OK?" This national initiative aims to improve mental health, reduce isolation and prevent suicide.

Nine out of every 10 people with a mental illness surveyed by SANE Australia, the national mental health charity, consider social relationships important in helping to manage the effects of their illness and maintain good mental health.

Respondents told us that reaching out to friends or helplines not only reduced their risk of trying to take their own life but also led to getting help. Connection is a crucial part of our general health and wellbeing. RUOK? Day is about prevention, preventing little problems turning into big problems.

The message is simple. While you have a coffee, why not have a conversation? It could change a life. It's hoped that the behaviours developed from RUOK? Day, especially knowing what to do if someone says "No. I'm not OK", will become part of our everyday lives. Click on www.sane.org for more details. - Barbara Hocking, executive director SANE Australia. SANE helpline 1800 18 7263.

Market produce disappoints

To the people selling mandarins and strawberries from the back of a truck at the Cabarlah Markets.

From the 1 kg of strawberries I bought, I found half of them to be bad, not just the surface, but right through.

I was so annoyed that I had to write. By the time I opened the strawberries, the markets would have been closed, otherwise I would have gone straight back.

That is the first time I have ever had such bad fruit from Cabarlah Markets.

I hope you take more care when selling your strawberries at the next markets. - **Pamela Campbell, Highfields.**

Trash hair for hospice

The Toowoomba Hospice has sent out a Trash Ya Hair for Hospice Care challenge.

Chairman Graham Barron encourages all the schools, businesses, clubs/community groups or individuals on the Downs and in the Lockyer Valley to have a Trash Ya Hair Day to raise funds for the Toowoomba Hospice.

These funds will assist the daily operations of this important community facility providing palliative and respite care for all ages.

Mr Barron said the hospice's mission is to provide optimal palliative care based on mutual respect and trust of those who come and their families.

"I would like to encourage the whole community to organise a Trash Ya Hair day during October where you can colour, mousse, gel or shave your hair to raise money for the hospice."

Those interested can contact Mark Munro, on 07 4659 8500.

NEWS IN BRIEF

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Memorial Bursary applications open

Applications are open for the annual Damian (Damo) Cox Memorial Bursary. People from 10 to 25 years who have lived in the Crows Nest district for the past 12 months or more are eligible to apply. Applicants must demonstrate sporting ability, a willingness to continue study or research with high achievement in an academic field or arts and crafts.

The Bursary will be awarded to a single applicant (\$2000) or to two applicants who each receive \$1000.

Criteria and application forms are available from Crows Nest Service Centre (4698 1155) or by emailing narelle.donald@toowoombaRC.qld.gov.au. Forms can be downloaded from www.toowoombarc.qld.gov.au under **Hot Topics**. Past Bursary winners can not apply.

Applications close at 5pm Tuesday, November 30. Applications can be sent to The Damian (Damo) Cox Memorial Trust, c/- David Cox, 14 Sharp Street, Crows Nest, 4355.

Waste transfer station hours extended

Several Crows Nest district transfer stations and landfills extend opening hours from 7am to 5.30pm from this week.

Sites include Crows Nest, Ravensbourne and Haden transfer stations (Haden closed Mondays, Tuesdays) and Geham and Kleinton landfills (Kleinton closed Tuesdays, Wednesdays).

Calling young violinists

Toowoomba region violin students AMEB Grade 3 and above are eligible to apply for the 2011 Norman Miller Violin award.

Applicants 10 or older who study violin with private teachers or at Toowoomba region schools also can apply.

Entries close Friday, November 19.

Enquiries can be directed to Toowoomba Regional Art Gallery on 4688 6652, service centres or email art@toowoombaRC.qld.gov.au

Lodge request for Council service online

Council is offering residents and ratepayers a further option when lodging a request for council services.

Simply go to council's website and choose "customer requests" under the "Online services" tab, then click on "new request" before selecting the type of service required.

Your views are important to us

Councillors will be available at the following locations and times to speak with residents about the current and future needs in the area; council's strategic direction, policy, activities and services; and any other community matter.

- Thursday, October 7 2010**
 Yarraman IGA, Yarraman - 10am to noon; Cooyar Playground, Cooyar - 1pm to 1.30pm; Crows Nest IGA, Crows Nest - 2.30pm to 4pm.
- Monday, October 25**
 Highfields, Woolworths - 1pm to 3pm.

Meetings of Council

Each month, various council departments report on their activities for the previous month.

These reports are incorporated into the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting and residents are encouraged to read the Minutes to find out what is happening in the region. The Minutes and the Reports of the Committee Meetings are found on council's website under "About Council" - "Meetings".

The next Committee of the Council will be at 9am Tuesday, October 12 and Wednesday, October 13 at City Hall and the next Ordinary Meeting of Council will be at the Crows Nest Service Centre at 9am on Tuesday, October 19. For more information phone 4688 6356.

Roadworks

- Highfields Road:** Rehabilitation and asphalt overlay works - Drivers can expect delays up to 10 minutes. O'Brien Road intersection will be closed Wednesday 29 September 2010.
 - Oakey - Cooyar Road (10km North of Oakey):** Widening and Rehabilitation works, expect delays up to 10 minutes.
 - Nukku Road-Googa Road to Ness Wilson Road:** Gravel resheeting works, minor delays.
 - Bunya Mountains Highway (Maclagan):** Shoulder grading minor delays.
 - Cawdor/Kuhls Roads Intersection:** Drivers can expect delays of up to 10 minutes during upgrade works.
 - Charlotte/Curnow Sts Crows Nest:** Line marking next week, minor disruption to parking.
 - Road maintenance activities:** Maintenance grading and graveling on various roads throughout the district will continue. Minor delays, care should be taken when travelling through any roadworks.
- Council regrets any inconvenience caused by these works and asks residents who travel on gravel roads that have deteriorated due to recent wet weather around the region, to be patient. Council road gangs will be repairing roads on a priority basis according to usage and road condition as resources become available.

HIGH LEVEL WATER RESTRICTIONS

Dam levels 21.6%

Rainfall this week to Friday 9am:
 Cooby 50.4 mm
 Cressbrook 95.0 mm
 Perseverance 70.8 mm

7 day average evaporation: 17.6 mm

Residential Water Use
 (for users connected to Toowoomba city's water supply)

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Rains brighten water outlook

The unseasonably wet month of September and the local residents' conservation of water use has left the district in a much better position than it was a year ago, according to Toowoomba Regional Council's Cr Paul Antonio.

Cr Antonio holds the council's Water Services portfolio.

Speaking with the Highfields Herald and the Crow's Nest Advertiser yesterday, he was cautiously optimistic about the current water situation.

"The effects of the September rains were rather patchy with some areas get-

ting heavy falls and others light falls, but overall the situation was greatly improved by the rather damp month.

"Cooby dam is at 14.1 per cent, Perseverance is 28.2 per cent and Cressbrook, which had good catchments, is at 20.3 per cent, he said.

"Over 92mm of rainfall was recorded there in the last week of the month."

All three dams service the Highfields-Crow's Nest area. Cr Antonio said September was not as good as hoped, but the catchments areas are wet and hopes are still high.

"People have managed very well and the situation is far better than a year ago.

"Our target is 170 litres of water per person per day and we are now recording 115 litres which shows how well people are doing and the favourable effects of using tank water."

He said the council planned to retain ownership of its water structure and not sell off the assets to private enterprise.

"We have had to make some tough decisions in the last year but it has now clearly paid off for us all," he said.

"Now we are seeing some interesting trends with all indicators telling us there are more summer rains on the way and that will be good for us all. I am comfortable with the situation now and I think we are prepared for the next 50 years."

- Report by Ken Ball



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Cooyar Catholic Church centenary

Unsolved mystery - No records of origin

The centenary celebrations of St Malachy's Catholic Church, Cooyar, which is in the Nanango Parish, was attended by about 150 present and past members of the Cooyar congregation, and four former parish priests - Frs Pat Dowd, Dave O'Connor, Bill McKeown and Peter Brady.

Mass was concelebrated by Bishop Brian Finnigan and present Parish Priest Fr John Hong.

Some members of the local Christian churches, including Pastor Morrie Filke of the Lutheran Church, attended.

John Gracey, 92, formerly from Nutgrove district near Cooyar was one of the oldest past parishioners present.

Mr Gracey's grandfather, also John, donated the land for the church which was built in 1910.

It was named after his sister who became a Mercy nun and took the religious name of Sr Malachy Mary.

Other older members of the congregation present on the day included members from the Cuskelly, Bishop, Schick, Scherger, Ryan, Curtis, Saad, and Garske families.

During the Mass, Bishop Finnigan baptised a sixth generation Ryan of the St Malachy congregation, Keira Shea Ryan, daughter of Matthew and Jacinta Ryan.

Later everyone gathered at the Cooyar Showgrounds for lunch, reminiscing and viewing of the old photos and documents of historical interest.

The unsolved mystery of St Malachy's is that there appears to be no actual record of the date in 1910 when the church was dedicated and opened, and by whom.



Frs John Hong and Pat Dowd, Bishop Brian Finnigan, and Frs Dave O'Connor and Bill McKeown.



ABOVE: Baptism of Keira Ryan: Jacinta and Matt Ryan and Keira, Claire York, Zane Tonscheck and Scott York. BELOW: Rita Gleeson and John Gracey.



Wilful damage leaves family homeless

From distraught parents

Is your son or daughter responsible for this? After four years of scrimping and saving, with countless hours spent with renovations almost complete, a Crow's Nest family arrived home on Thursday to find this.

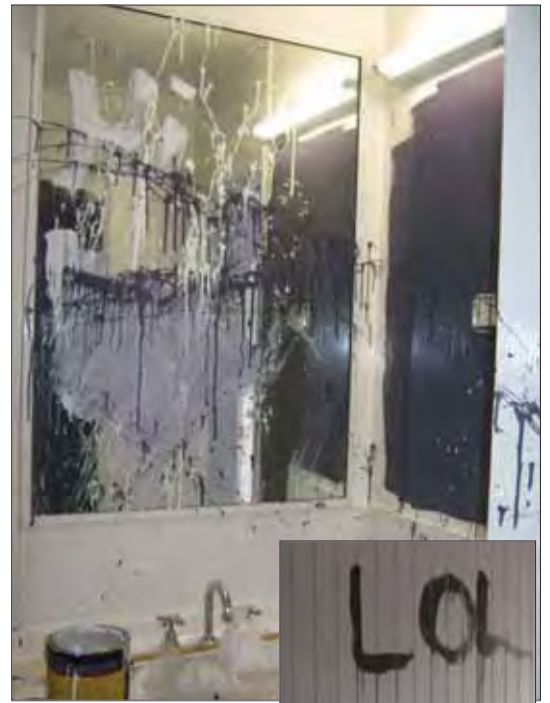
Then to top it off the little darlings returned on Friday night to complete their renovations. The police call this wilful damage.

Some facts for the parents and their children to discuss. Break and enter - seven years' jail. Wilful and malicious damage - seven years' jail. Fingerprints stay on file permanently. Scientific evidence does not lie.

Over 90 per cent of offenders on-visit the property once. The family, with six children due to move in, are now homeless.

The question for you as parents. If your child did this would you make them accountable? Did your daughter arrive home on Friday night/Saturday morning with purple or white paint on their clothes or hands?

As a home owner, tenant and as a parent would you enjoy having this done to your property? Would you



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Gardeners meet at Bullocky's Rest

Guest speaker at the Crow's Nest Garden Club's next meeting this Saturday, October 9, will be Steve Plant speaking on vegetation of Applegum Walk.

Members are asked to meet at Bullocky's Rest at 1.30 p.m., prepared for an informative stroll. There are several different paths in the area along the creeks.

Steve's knowledge of native species will ensure we see a wide variety of plants in their natural habitat.

Many of these would be suitable for our gardens.

In the event of wet weather, alternative arrangements will be made.

We look forward to a pleasant afternoon. - Marg Barnes.

Commonwealth Bank cricket grants

The Commonwealth Bank is calling for applications for its Grants for Grassroots Cricket program that will provide 200 cricket clubs with grants worth \$1750 each.

Grants for Grassroots Cricket, now in its second year, provides cricket clubs with \$1000 cash and \$750 worth of equipment, which includes two shade marquees, 100 water bottles and 50 field markers.

Executive general manager, corporate sustainability, Tristan Wills, said the success of last year's Grants for Grassroots Cricket program highlighted the need to support local clubs.

To apply or for more information on the Commonwealth Bank's Grants for Grassroots Cricket program visit: www.love cricket.com.au. Grants applications close on Sunday, 14 November. Winners will be announced from November 25.



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Crime prevention month

By KERRY SHINE
Member for Toowoomba North

Crime Prevention month kicks off in October around the State, and is a chance for everyone in the community to put some thought and action into minimising crime.

This year's theme, Be Part of it, recognises that areas like Highfields work better when there is a whole community effort to minimise crime. The Highfields Police Beat and Toowoomba Police Service already do a fantastic job each and every day in our community, working proactively to reduce crime and bringing offenders to justice. Crime Prevention Month is an opportunity for us to recognise the great job our Police do for us.

Crime Stoppers are also celebrating 20 years hard work in the community, as a not-for-profit community volunteer organisation.



MR SHINE

Crime Stoppers is celebrating its work in the community with over 19,000 offenders arrested from anonymous reports from the Queensland public.

I want to thank all the volunteers from Toowoomba North for their time and effort, and for ensuring Crime Stoppers is

such an important part of our local security network.

Crime Prevention Month is a chance for residents to become more aware and involved in community based crime prevention projects.

Crime Prevention Month is an initiative of the Queensland Police Service and is a chance for everyone to participate and contribute to making our community safer.

Highfields Police Beat will be holding a Police display at the Highfields State School Community Fair on October 17.

The display will include a demonstration of speed cameras by a fast ball competition. By participating in Crime Prevention Month you are helping to reduce crime, and I hope as many residents of Highfields as possible get involved.

Fairholme in netball finals

Fairholme College is one of 16 schools to compete in the Vicki Wilson Cup finals series at the State Netball Centre.

More than 150 schools from around Queensland have been competing since May to make the finals in the prestigious competition. Netball Queensland State competitions officer Brooke Lawrence said the finals series is the culmination of months of hard work for the teams.

"These young netballers have been competing throughout the year to secure a place in the Vicki Wilson Cup finals series.

The winner will be decided after a week-end of competition with the grand final to be played at 1.35 p.m. on Sunday, October 10."

The teams represent the best of the best of their region and the competition is likely to be fierce.

Eight teams who featured in the finals

series in 2009 will again return in 2010 with John Paul College keen to retain the premiership.

The finals series kicks off at 9 a.m. on Saturday and concludes with the grand final match to be played at 1.35 p.m. on Sunday at the State Netball Centre, Klumpp Road, Mt Gravatt.

Competing teams in the finals are: St Margaret's School (7th in 2009), John Fisher College, John Paul College (1st in 2009), Redlands College, St Peters Lutheran College, St Peter Claver, Fairholme College (4th in 2009), Lockyer District (15th in 2009), Sunshine Coast, Grace Lutheran College (3rd in 2009), Siena Catholic College, Somerset College (6th in 2009), St Michael's College, Nanango State High School (8th in 2009), Emmaus College, Cairns State High School and Kirwan State High School (13th in 2009).

Stamps honour wildlife carers

The work of wildlife carers and wildlife caring organisations will be celebrated by Australia Post with the release of the Wildlife Caring: Rescue to Release stamps, bringing national attention to the selfless work of volunteers rescuing and caring for sick, injured and orphaned native animals.

One wildlife organisation celebrated by the stamp issue is Australian Fauna

Care, which provides a national directory of volunteer wildlife carers.

The stamp issue includes a stamp and medallion cover (limited edition of 10,000), a miniature sheet, a stamp pack, a first day cover, a self-adhesive booklet of 10 x 60c stamps, a roll of 200 x 60c self-adhesive stamps, a decorative gutter strip of 10 x 60c stamps and a set of maxicards.

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On the road again

A new and improved mobile library service will be serving Gowrie Junction, Kingsthorpe, Meringandan West, Kulpi, Cooyar and Bowenville by Christmas.

The new custom made, semi-trailer mounted mobile library will replace a small temporary service introduced after the previous library van was written off in a road accident in late 2009.

Cr Ros Scotney said the new service, due to be delivered in December, should provide 20 to 30 years of service.

"There are two parts to the new mobile library, the library trailer and the prime mover. Being almost 20 metres long, the mobile library can accommodate about 7000 books, 200 CDs and 200 DVDs.

"It has a slide-out pod for extra space, wheelchair access, kitchenette and toilet, air conditioning, emergency power generator and many other features," she said.

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Highfields: Anglican Church of St Anne, Highfields Road. Holy Communion 8.30am every Sunday. Sunday School 8.30am for young people. 1st Wednesday Holy Communion 10am, fellowship and refreshments.

ASSEMBLIES OF GOD: New Hope Church, 9 Emu Creek Rd, Crow's Nest 4698 1837. A contemporary family church. Sunday 9.30am family service with children's ministry.

New Hope Church, Pastor Peter Findlay 4639 1777. Sunday 9.30am. Toowoomba Christian College, N.E. Highway, Highfields. **Goombungee Christian Church:** Mocatta Road, Goombungee. Pastor Alan and Neita Pope. 4691 5075. 10am every Sunday.

BAPTIST: Baptist Church Kuhl's Rd, Highfields. Morning Service 9.30am. Sunday School 9.45am. Kids Club Friday 5-6.45pm. 717 Youth 7.17pm. Alternate Fridays 717 Focus. Gome Groups. Ladies Group SALT 3rd Saturday each month 1.30pm. Pastor Noel Wilcox 4630 8974.

CATHOLIC: Crow's Nest Catholic Parish, 20 Creek St, Crow's Nest: 4698 1156. Servicing Crow's Nest, Haden, Goombungee. **Worship times:** Every Saturday: Vigil Mass: Crow's Nest 6pm. All Sunday masses at Crow's Nest 8am.

All country masses 10am. First and third Sunday Haden. Second and fourth Sunday Goombungee. Fifth Sunday: Haden - January and August. Goombungee - May and October.

Mary of the Southern Cross Parish Highfields Mass - Each Sunday 8am. James Byrne Centre. - Fr Brian Noonan. 4696 7094.

CHURCH UNLIMITED - OAKEY: Pastor David Trigg: Sundays 9.30am. Phone 4691 1698.

CHURCHES OF CHRIST: Highfields Church, Shannon Park Rd. Pastor John Moore 4698 7122. Inspirational worship Sundays 9am and 5pm, includes Kids Church 9am service. Playgroup Tuesdays 9-11am. Youth grads 7-12 boys and girls Fridays 7-9pm.

FAMILY LIFE MINISTRIES: Pastors Ralph and Angela Bleakley 4696 8613. Inspirational Music and Worship Service: Sundays 10am. Highfields Primary School, N.E. Hwy. Entry via Borghardt Rd.

LUTHERAN: Crow's Nest Lutheran Parish, 21-23 Toowoomba Rd, Crow's Nest. Jan, Mar, May, Jul, Sep, Nov 10.30am. Feb, Apr, Jun, Aug, Oct, Dec 8.30am. Times for Haden and Cooyar contact Pastor Wayne 4698 1309.

Christ Church Evangelical Lutheran Church, Highfields. Pastor Michael Braunberger 4632 1043. First, third and fifth Sunday 8am. Second and fourth Sunday 10am. Sunday School 9am on second and fourth Sunday. Friendship 9.30am second Tuesday of month.

MERINGANDAN HOUSE CHURCH: Non-denominational Christian church. 52 Meringandan-Goombungee Rd. (Look for sign on the top of the hill)

Sundays 9.30am for tea and coffee followed by service at 10am. Contact: Pastor Rob Cochrane 0409 264 097.

PRESBYTERIAN: Geham Presbyterian Church, New England Hwy, Geham: Rev. Andrew Clarke 4632 8027 or 4632 4879. Second Sunday 9.30am.

Meringandan Presbyterian Church, Lilyvale Sporting Club Complex: Pastor Rob Farr 4635 4560 - 0401 886 261. Bruce Finlayson 4696 7225. First & third Sundays each month 9.30am.

SEVENTH DAY ADVENTIST: Meringandan Uniting Church 4696 6295. Saturday: Sabbath school 9.30am. Church service 11am. Family worship and Bible study.

UNITING: Crow's Nest Parish, 17 Emu Creek Road, Crow's Nest: Rev. Dave Graham 4698 1143. **Crow's Nest** Every Sunday 9.30am. **Ravensbourne** First and third Sunday 11am. **Gowrie Flat** Second and fourth Sunday 9am. **Thorville** First Sunday 8am. Third Sunday 2pm.

Highfields Community Church: Rev. Marius Kruger 4615 4820. Sunday 8.30am Highfields Cultural Centre. Kids program. www.highfieldsfaith.com

Meringandan-Highfields Uniting Church: 4615 4127. Each Sunday 9am at Meringandan. Meringandan-Highfields Circle of Friends meet second Wednesday each month at 9.30am. Kids Club Thursdays 3.45-5pm. Grades 4-7.

WESLEYAN METHODIST CHAPEL: Albert St, Goombungee. 4696 5294. Worship times: Sunday 10.30am. Sunday School and Youth Group Discipleship 9.00am. Pastor Rev. P. Kerans. 0427 862 557.

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Rural fire brigade buys equipment with Heritage grant

Heritage Crow's Nest Community Branch has funded a chainsaw and accessories for the Pechey-Groomsville Rural Fire Brigade. Branch manager Julie Murphy presented a cheque for \$1450 to brigade representatives. The Pechey Groomsville Rural Fire Brigade was formed on November 12, 1952 incorporating the districts of Pechey town and forestry, Grapetree, Groomsville and Bald Hills.

Percy McLean was the first chairman. His son, Mervyn, took over his father's role in 1968 and is still the current fire warden and chairman. Mervyn stepped aside in 2007 as first officer after 39 years.

Allan Welke is now first officer and Ken Polzin, who applied for the grant, is the secretary/treasurer.

When the brigade was formed, the equipment was very basic such as a wet bag, knapsack or just a green tree branch. Like many other brigades, there was a heavy reliance on privately owned equipment.

The brigade was given old equipment from the Yarraman forestry. This consisted of some 100 gallon steel water tanks, hoses and pumps. This was the starting point of the modern equipment for the brigade.

After the introduction of the rural fire levy imposed by the Crow's Nest Shire Council,

the brigade started purchasing more fire fighting equipment, the first major purchase, three slip-on units in 1998. These units were also funded through donations and grant applications. In 2002 a fourth slip-on was purchased and a fifth in 2006.

Also in 2006 the Cabarlah Rural Fire Brigade gave the brigade a medium attack 4WD appliance.

This has been a great asset as the brigade is commonly called to assist at incidents outside their own area.

Major fires they have attended include Crow's Nest and Ravensbourne, Mt Binga, Geham Forestry, Toowoomba Grammar School outdoor education facility and

Groomsville Road. The brigade also assists with hazard reduction burn-offs. All incidents attended by the Pechey-Groomsville brigade have been approached with professionalism and the drawing on of experience of its officers and members.

First officer Allan Welke said: "All residents require a permit to burn.

"Fire bugs and urban residents who aren't aware of the safe way to burn fires are the worst problems we come across."

Courses are available in fire fighting, management, communication and being a crew leader. Phone Allan Welke on 4696 6233 for further information.



Pechey-Groomsville Rural Fire Brigade secretary/treasurer Ken Polzin (25 years' service) with chainsaw, first officer Allan Welke (45 years') Mervyn Mclean (60 years) fire warden and chairman, Heritage Crow's Nest Community Branch manager Julie Murphy and Dennis Nissen, Dennis Nissen Motors Crow's Nest, where the chainsaw and accessories were purchased. - Jenny Gersekowski.

Scott re-elected Second Deputy Speaker

Bruce Scott, Member for Maranoa, which includes Crow's Nest and district, has been re-elected as Second Deputy Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Mr Scott said he was looking forward to another term of supporting the Speaker and Deputy Speaker.

"The Speaker and the Speaker's Deputies play a vital role in the proceedings and chairing of the House, and I will certainly uphold my duties to maintain order and ensure the Parliament runs as smoothly as possible," Mr Scott said.

Mr Scott also congratulated the Speaker of the House, Harry Jenkins on his re-election.

"I congratulate the Member for Scullin, Harry

Jenkins, on his re-election to the role of Speaker, and I look forward to again working closely with him and Deputy Speaker Peter Slipper over the term of the 43rd Parliament," he said.

Mr Scott said the unique situation of a hung parliament would mean there would be even more fierce debate between the Government and Opposition.

"This term of Parliament will certainly see some robust debate, and my role is to ensure that Members of Parliament from both sides of the House conduct themselves in a dignified manner," he said.



Both Prime Minister Julia Gillard and the Leader of the Opposition Tony Abbott both spoke highly of Mr Scott in their congratulatory remarks in the House of Representatives.

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Phone Rob and Lin 0427 200 443 or 4698 7130

Lions Club of Crow's Nest Local History Project

All contributors will be quoted and/or acknowledged in the book. Lions Club members are willing to talk with you and, with your permission, record your information.

If you would like to take part, or know someone who would, please fill in the following, and briefly note your information on a sheet of paper.

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Site number/s on the map of which you have knowledge.....

A copy of the map will be dropped in letterboxes in Crow's Nest in the near future, and the maps are available in many locations in Crow's Nest as well as the Toowoomba and Hampton Visitor Information Centres.

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Boab trees and long-tailed finches

By DONALDA ROGERS

We left Top Springs with the weather fine and hot and got our first flat tyre about 70km out.

The grader had just been through and turned up some sharp edged stones. Further on we had a choice of 100-odd kilometres on formed road or 20 kilometres of 4WD to reach Gregory National Park. We chose the 4WD and for the first kilometre went up and down ditches before the road levelled out and travelled well till we came to limestone rocks where we crawled along at less than walking pace.

The rocks are quite fascinating almost cut in squares. Our slow pace allowed us to get our first glimpse of the beautiful long-tailed finches, only found in north west Australia.

Pretty little birds, they have a grey head, black throat patch, light coloured body, brown back, white rump, dark coloured tail. Some have red bills others have yellow bills.

After travelling for nearly two hours we reached the park and set up camp near East Baines River which was lined with pandanus trees.

A notice saying "Croco-



Boab - Unique to a small area in W.A.

diles - No Swimming" reminded us to stay away from the water.

Gregory National Park encompasses the Bullita Homestead and surrounds and we explored the area the next morning.

The homestead with its three rooms (bathroom and toilet are outside) is set up with fascinating stories of early life. One story is of the mailman Bert Drew who in the 1920s brought mail from Katherine 300kms with three wagons drawn by donkeys.

Another story tells of a lone woman's experience in the floods in the 1970s. The cattle were taken either to Wyndham 300 km, Kath-

erine or 2000 km to Queensland. One can only wonder at the endurance of the early settlers.

Outside the homestead is an enormous boab tree.

These trees only grow in a small area of north west Australia. We watched honeyeaters feeding in the tiny blossoms of the Kimberley bauhinia trees,

Bower birds hopping here and there, finches darting everywhere and parrots flying overhead.

A notice on the stockyard fence nearby told us the rails were made of lancewood and the posts were of bloodwood. They were carted from No 13 bore which was 105 km away.

CHRISTIAN COMMENT

Inspirational Christian family values

From St Matthew's Catholic Parish - Crow's Nest

The book of Ecclesiasticus 44:1 invites us to "praise our illustrious men (and women), our ancestors in their successive generations."

The same chapter in Ecclesiasticus continues, "In their descendants there remains a rich inheritance born of them. Their descendants stand by the covenants and, thanks to them, so do their children's children. Their offspring will last forever, their glory will not fade. Their bodies have been buried in peace, and their name lives on for all generations. The people will proclaim their wisdom, the assembly will celebrate their praises."

Churches, families and so many other social groups are able, at a moment's notice, to list their great achievers that span the many generations.

At this time in Australia's history we are doing exactly this. We are celebrating one of our Australia's Great:

Mary MacKillop. Many generations have reason to be grateful to her and to the congregation she founded, for the network of schools established for Australia's poor and needy and for the sound Christian principles her institutions taught and still stand for today.

Her Josephite education ethos focused on providing a sound combination of Christian and academic formation to the working class and those children living in rural areas.

The Sisters of St Joseph provided this form of education in Crow's Nest from 1917 to the early 70s. We pay tribute to the many sisters who taught here as well as to the many students they taught.

In 2000, a small locally published booklet "Looking Back", outlined the history of the 100 years presence of the Catholic Church in Crow's Nest. The authors cherished the memories of

the St Joseph's School, and paid tribute to some extraordinarily successful ex-students of the small school, among them, Vonnice Stark, now Dr Veronica James, a biophysicist and engineer and OAM. Veronica's siblings, who also attended St. Joseph's, are among Australia's highest achievers. To these we also pay tribute. Additionally, we acknowledge with gratitude and praise the many local expatriates who still grace our streets. They continue to offer the same inspirational Christian family values to our society that they absorbed during their primary school days in Crow's Nest. They have integrated the gospel values into their own lives and pass them on to successive generations.

Mary MacKillop - and the sisters who walked the Crow's Nest streets, visiting families and teaching in school - would indeed be gratified to see that their offspring continue to testify and witness to these values.

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gional towns such as Crow's Nest.

James McKay lives in Crow's Nest and has been working with Personnel West Employment for a number of years.

"Our focus is on placing people with a disability into suitable work, while ensuring that an appropriate job match is made for the vacancy. Wage subsidies are made to eligible employers to help cover the costs of

paying wages in the first few months of employment," he said.

Once registered, job seekers can access free support from Personnel West Employment Consultants, in relation to preparing for and finding employment. Personnel West can also organise and pay for workplace modifications (e.g., wheelchair access) for employers if they need it.

Visit the Personnel West website <http://personnelwest.com.au>. If you have a disability and are looking for work, you ask Centrelink to refer you to Personnel West Employment.

LIVESTOCK

Weaners in demand

O'SULLIVAN AUCTIONS: September 27 - Combined yarding 384. A few more numbers came back to the marketplace. With talk of more rain to come, restockers were keen to purchase any lines of weaners.

Limousin weaner steers from Maidenwell sold for 240.2c. There were a few good pens of cows and heavy steers also yarded selling to slightly dearer rates. The overall quality improved from previous weeks. A regular panel of meat works and store buyers were in attendance with strong support from restockers and feedlot operators. Otto Grazing, Yarraman, sold quality Limousin weaner steers for 240.2c to return \$586. Santa Gertrudis bulls from Linthorpe sold for \$1512. G. T. Pincot sold Angus heifers for 185.2c, \$772. D. R. Poole sold quality Droughtmaster steers for 196.2c for \$853. Angus cows a/c C. A. and V. G. Dowling sold for 157.2c for \$842. Brahman cross cows a/c R. and V. Battaglia sold for 163.2c for \$848. Angus cross bullocks off the MacLagan scrub sold for \$1153. Limousin heifers to suit restockers sold for 208.2 for \$421. Brahman cross steers from Pittsworth sold for 191.6c, 530kg, for \$1015. Hereford steers 660kg sold for 184.2c or \$1215. Angus steers 275kg sold for 226.2c for \$622. Blonde D'Aquitaine bulls sold for \$1616. Droughtmaster steers from Wyreema sold for 183.6c, 551kg, for \$1011.

Seniors visit Warwick

Last Wednesday at the Crow's Nest Senior Citizens for something different a game of whist was played with winners being J. Smith and E. Ehrlich. Runners-up P. Williams and K. Williams. In the afternoon the 500 tournament was played.

On October 12, the bus for Warwick will depart at 8 a.m. Further details from Pat Williams 4698 4163. Yarraman visit here is on October 20. - **Pat Williams.**



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Highfields Miss Personality fundraiser

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Meeting to organise Christmas Block Party

A public meeting to discuss the organisation of the 2010 Highfields Christmas Block Party is being held this Friday, December 10 at the Highfields Tavern starting at 7pm.

Swimming Club sign-on

Highfields Amateur Swimming Club's sign-on night will be held at Highfields Aquatic Centre tomorrow, Wednesday, October 6 starting at 5pm. Contact 0405 1914 952 or 4696 7047.

Ladies beginner golf clinics

Borneo Barracks Golf Club professional Gary Small will conduct ladies beginner golf clinics starting this Thursday, October 7. Phone 4696 6396 to book for the five week course.

Free legal information session

The Advocacy and Support Centre will conduct a free legal information session covering family agreement - care and accommodation, enduring power of attorney, wills and estate planning and reverse mortgages this Thursday, October 7 in the Jacaranda Room at Grand Central Shopping Centre from 8.45am to 12.45pm. Contact 4616 9700.

These notices are from events advertised in Highfields Herald and Crow's Nest Advertiser. Advertisements cost from as little as \$6.50.

Glennie Prep open day

The Glennie School Prep Open Day will be held this Friday, October 8 from 9.30am. Visitors can tour the Prep and Junior years facilities and meet specialist teachers and teacher aides.

Greg Doolan in concert

A concert by Greg Doolan (of Wicketty Wak fame) will be held at Pinelands Hall this Saturday, October 9. Contact 4698 4199, 4698 1473 or 4698 2545 for more information.

Learn to swim and squad training

Learn to swim and squad training sessions start at Crow's Nest Swimming Pool next Monday, October 11. Phone 0407 241 360.

Highfields Seniors host to visiting clubs

Highfields Seniors will host a visit by Nanango and Yarraman clubs at Cabarlah Hall on Wednesday, October 13.

Fashion parade kicks of Crow's Nest Week

Kerrie Allan of Threadz Boutique, Chic Shoes and the Nazarene Shop will host a fashion parade of clothes, hats, shoes and handbags in Centenary Park on Saturday, October 16 at 12 noon. The event is part of the Crow's Nest Week celebrations.

Highfields community fair

The Highfields State School P and C 2010 Community Fair will be held at the school grounds on Sunday, October 17 from 10am to 3pm.

Bingo

Grand Hotel Crow's Nest: 9.30am Thursday, October 7.

Crow's Nest Bowls Club: 7pm Friday, October 15.

Sunday markets - this weekend

Crow's Nest Lions Markets are held on the first Sunday of each month in Centenary Park from 7.30am. Contact 0429 678 120.

Lions Club meetings

Crow's Nest Lions meet on the first and third Thursday of each month at 6.30 for 7pm at Sundowner Coffee Lounge. Contact 4698 2665 or 4698 1538.

Highfields-North Eastern Downs Lions meet on the second and fourth Tuesday of each month at Highfields Tavern at 6.30 for 7pm. Contact 4698 7130.

Calling entrants for 2011 Miss Showgirl quest

Crow's Nest Show Society would like to hear from single girls interested in entering the Miss Showgirl quest which is held in conjunction with the Crow's Nest Show in May 2011. Great prizes are on offer. For more information contact Carolyn Bridges 4698 1694 or Bente Moller 4697 9169.

Wednesday 6

- Boys Brigade CN
- Healthy Living Support CN
- Dancing CN
- Swim Club sign on HF
- HF Christmas Block Party info night
- P & C meeting Haden

Thursday 7

- Ladies bowls CN
- Fitness classes CN
- Joey Scouts CN
- Boxercise CN
- TASC free Info Night Tba
- Ladies golf lessons Borneo Barracks
- Bingo Grand Old Crow Hotel
- Landcare meeting CN
- Lions Club meeting CN
- Probus meeting HF
- Legacy group meeting CN

Friday 8

- Mens Network CN
- Goombungee Indoor Bowls
- Open Day Glennie school
- Iris Dispersal sale Meringandan
- Show meeting CN

Saturday 9

- Pistol Club CN
- Iris Dispersal sale Meringandan
- Greg Doolan Pinelands Hall
- Garden Club meeting CN

Sunday 10

- Bowls CN

Monday 11

- Learn to swim classes CN
- Ladies Bowls President's Day HF
- Highfields Seniors
- Arts Council meeting CN

Tuesday 12

- Friendship Group CN
- Fitness classes CN
- Girls Brigade CN
- 50+ fitness HF
- Darts CN
- Venturers HF
- Senior Citizens to Warwick CN

Work to start on Peacehaven rotunda

Construction is expected to start soon on a \$90,000-plus rotunda at Peacehaven Botanic Park, Highfields. Planners hope it will be ready for a combined churches Carols by Candlelight service in December.

Development of the park began five years ago this month on 4.7 ha of land in Kuhls Road given by the late Stan Kuhl.

A landscape architect is drawing up overall plans, and a keen group of Friends has rallied behind the venture.

Toowoomba Regional Council will host a morning tea at the Highfields Cultural Centre on October 6 as a thank-you to the growing army of volunteers who have helped in the development of Peacehaven.

The morning tea will run from 9.30am till noon, with Kate Heffernan from the Gold Coast Botanic Garden as guest speaker.

Future plans for Peacehaven envisage an education role that would include programs for school students.

Proposals also include signage for the growing range of flora on the site. Park planners aim to play a key role in documentation and preservation of plant species. Further development of a wildlife garden is also high on the agenda. Soon, Peacehaven will have its own official sign, fabricated in steel by a group of the Friends.



Powdercoating has been completed as one of the final stages. The word "Peacehaven" is spelt out in letters 28cm high, with "Botanic Park" suspended below in letters 15cm high. The whole sign, 2.4 metres long, will have timber supports.

Peacehaven Botanic Park has two major objectives: to provide a place of peace and tranquillity for this and future generations, and to promote preservation, study and interest in flora and fauna.

The garden is part of a network of Australian botanic gardens all contributing to a widening volume of botanical knowledge. - **Contributed.**

IN YOUR GARDEN

October is lawn month

By BRIAN SCHAFFER
Highfields Garden Centre

With recent rain and warmer weather, now is the time to renovate lawns. Most of us have found our lawns invaded with a plethora of broadleaf weeds that have overgrown the grass turf.

Spraying with Dicamba M according to manufacturers' recommendations is an effective way to control these pests. Four days after spraying the lawn can be mown to remove clippings that contain the dead weeds. Invariably, further germination and growth of invading weeds occurs and they will require herbicide control.

I like to apply an NPK fertiliser at the same time to promote growth of the grass

that will compete with and smother later weeds. On my lawns I use an organic based fertiliser with additions of blood and bone and other nutrient additives.

Topdressing may also be necessary where lawns have become thin. Together with applied fertilisers, new growth will be stimulated. Hard patches may need to be loosened with an aerator or by using the prongs of a garden fork and bare patches can be replanted with turf divots cut from the edges of the lawn.

I like to smarten up my lawns now to provide an attractive outdoor area to enjoy during the coming summer months.

Norman Miller award entries open

Aspiring musicians are encouraged to apply for Toowoomba Regional Council 2011 Norman Miller Violin award.

The award is open to violin students AMEB Grade 3 and above or to applicants 10 or older who study violin with private teachers or at education institutions in the Toowoomba region.

Entries close on Friday, November 19. Application procedures and selection criteria are available from Toowoomba Regional Art Gallery or service centres.

The award honours self taught violin maker Norman Miller and aims to encourage young musicians to advance their studies. Toowoomba Regional Art Gallery administers the prize, which is judged by leading string exponents. The judges assess applicants on talent, potential and need. The successful applicant receives the violin made by Norman Miller to use for a year.

Contact: Toowoomba Regional Art Gallery on 4688 6652 or email art@toowoomba.rc.qld.gov.au

PISTOL

Cancer shoot

The Crow's Nest Pistol Club is again running the Fabbri/Queensland Cancer Shoot.

The shoot will be held at the Pistol Club grounds on October 16 and visitors are very welcome to come along.

There will be raffles held and all proceeds will be donated to the Queensland Cancer Council.

In past years a lot of

money has been raised. For more information please contact Mick Neal on 4698 2981.

INDOOR BOWLS

Bowling for CareFlight

A very enjoyable night of bowls was held in the Pinelands Hall to raise funds for CareFlight.

This night was sponsored by the Crow's Nest Lions Club and organised by

Wesley and Pinelands Clubs. From this night we were able to forward to Care Flight \$338.

We thank the members of Wesley and Pinelands clubs for supplying a delicious supper. - **Vera Bretz.**

Keep your sport in the public eye. Send your notes, results and news to the LOCAL paper.

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Crossword Number 459

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ACROSS

- Wire enclosure
- Sedates
- Calendar unit
- Cartridge
- Coffin stands
- Ripen
- Prospective spouse
- Authors
- Isolated
- Sharp reply
- Conflict
- Actor, ... McQueen
- Distinctive doctrines
- Tiny particle
- Noblemen

DOWN

- Saying
- Facial feature
- Cupboard
- Diva's solo
- Brandy
- Gambols
- Legislature
- Bequeaths
- Cleaves
- Animals
- Circus worker
- Sicilian volcano
- Sports field
- Gremlin

Sudoku Number 459

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Sudoku Difficulty Level - Medium

SUDOKU RULES

Fill the grid so that every column, every row and every 3x3 box contains the digits 1 through 9. There is no math involved. You solve each puzzle with reasoning and logic. Each puzzle only has one solution.

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- BIRDS AUSTRALIA:** 4698 1727.
- BLUE CARE:** Crow's Nest 4698 2980.
- BOWLS CLUB:** Crow's Nest Men: Wednesday. Ladies: Thursday. Mixed: Sunday. 4698 1450. Highfields: 4698 7417.
- BOYS BRIGADE:** Wednesday 6pm Crow's Nest Lutheran Hall 4698 1787.
- BUFFALO LODGE:** Crow's Nest 4698 1674.
- BUSINESS GROUPS:** Crow's Nest Business Alliance: 1st Tuesday 5.30pm Community Centre 4698 1430. Highfields Better Business: Breakfast 1st Tuesday 6.30am Cultural Centre 0417 783 932.
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- CARER SUPPORT GROUP:** Crow's Nest 4698 1718, 4698 2076.
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- COALBANK CITIZENS ASSN:** 4692 6154.
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- SEWING CLUB:** Catholic Parish Centre Tuesday 9am. 4698 1493. QCWA Piece Makers: 3rd Tuesday 9am CWA Hall 4698 1581.
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- DANCE CLASSES:** Wednesday 7pm Crows Nest Community Centre. 4698 1119.
- DARTS CLUB:** Crow's Nest Grand Hotel. Tuesdays 7.30pm. 4698 1415. Cabarlah Thursday-Friday from 7pm. 4696 6202.
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- Borneo Barracks** 4696 6396. Goombungee 4696 5245.
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- HEALTHY LIVING SUPPORT GROUP:** Crow's Nest CWA Hall Wednesday 5.30-6.30pm.
- HISTORICAL SOCIETY:** Crow's Nest 4698 1776.
- INDOOR BOWLS:** Crow's Nest Community Centre Friday 1pm 4698 1220. Wesley Uniting Church Hall Thursday 7.30pm 4698 4132. Highfields Indoor Sports Centre Monday 1.30pm 4630 8642. Goombungee Friday 9-11.30am 4696 7151.
- INDOOR SPORTS CENTRES:** Crow's Nest 4698 1101. Highfields 4615 5511.
- LANDCARE:** Crows Nest Creek Catchment 2nd Wednesday 7.30pm 4698 4161, 4698 1951. Emu Creek Catchment 2nd Monday 7.30pm 4698 4748, 4698 4134. Gomaren-Doctors Creek Catchment Bi-monthly 7.30pm Goombungee CWA Hall 4630 8997.
- LEARNING NETWORK:** Crow's Nest 4698 2237.
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- LOCAL AMBULANCE COMMITTEE:** Crow's Nest 4th Monday bi-monthly 7.30pm 4698 1291. Highfields: 3rd Thursday 7pm 0418 749 859.
- MARKETS:** Cabarlah Markets: Last Sunday (Dec. 2nd Sunday) 7.30am 4696 8152.
- Crow's Nest Lions Community Markets:** 1st Sunday 7.30am 0429 678 120.
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- PONY CLUB:** Cabarlah 4696 7436. Crow's Nest 4698 1322, 4696 6013.
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- RED CROSS:** Crow's Nest Branch 2nd Friday bi-monthly 1.30pm CWA Hall 4698 1339.
- RIFLE CLUB:** 4634 1172.
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- Binga** 41633 0218. **Cabarlah** 4696 6214. **Cooyar** 4692 6101. **Crow's Nest** 4698 1791, 4698 1810. **Gomaren** 4697 9593. **Haden** 4698 8159, 4698 8130. **Hampton** 4697 9230. **Pechey-Groomsville** 4698 1396. **Pierces Creek-Lower Emu Creek** 4698 4732. **Pinelands** 4698 4199. **Ravensbourne-Perseverance** 4697 8120, 4697 9196.
- Scouts:** Crow's Nest Joeys, Cubs, Scouts Thursday. Venturers Tuesday. 0428 728 973. Highfields 4696 7248.
- SENIOR CITIZENS:** Crow's Nest Wednesday 9.30am Anglican Hall. 4698 4163. Highfields 2nd Monday 10am Cultural Centre 4630 8642.
- SHOW SOCIETY:** Crow's Nest meetings 7.30pm 2nd Friday. 4698 2545. Goombungee 4696 6228. Cooyar 4692 6164.
- SQUASH CLUB:** Crow's Nest 4697 9502.
- STATE EMERGENCY SERVICE:** Crows Nest Mondays 7pm Industrial Estate building 4698 1212, 4698 1627. Goombungee
- ST VINCENT DE PAUL:** 4698 1156, 4659 5863.
- TABLE TENNIS:** Crow's Nest Monday 7.30pm Community Centre 4697 9525.
- TENNIS:** Crow's Nest 4698 1056.
- TOUCH FOOTBALL:** Highfields 0428 717 346.
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SQUASH

Mangoes in the lead

CROW'S NEST: September 23 - M. Pearce 3 d. B. Pearce (sub) 0. W. Curtis 3 d. B. Martyr (sub) 1. W. Gossow 3 d. M. Woodhead (sub) 0.

Nectarines v Kiwifruits, W. Curtis 3 d. S. Lyons (sub) 0. N. Case 3 d. K. Contessa 0. C. Blinco 3 d. A. Ibell 0. Apples v Passionfruits, M. Pearce 3 d. B. Pearce (sub) 0. P. Blinco 3 d. I. Beutel 2. L. Blinco 3 d. C. Taylor 0. S. Guilbert 3 d. T. Good 0.

Mangoes 24 d. Strawberries 10. M. Woodhead 3 d. M. Robinson 2. W. Gossow 3 d. M. Woodhead (sub) 0. D. Sanderson 3 d. A. Case 0. B. Martyr 3 d. S. Stevens 0. T. Sanderson 3 d. B. Schloss 2.

Team scores after seven rounds, Mangoes 144, Kiwifruits 123, Apples 120, Passionfruits 119, Nectarines 113, Strawberries 60. Grade scores A grade N. Case 40, I. Beutel 27. B grade W. Gossow 42, M. Pearce 31.

C grade K. Martyr 36, M. Woodhead 35. D grade B. Walker 36, S. Guilbert 28. E grade L. Blinco 42, C. Blinco 31.

Coming events: Finals start on October 14 and October 18. Grand final October 21.

The club is running a canteen so come on down and see some good squash being played.

Club championships start October 25. Trophy night November 27 at the Crow's Nest Golf Club. Winners of the club raffle were A. Croke 1, P. Blinco 2, D. White 3. A big thank you for all who bought tickets as well as all members who sold tickets. Special mention to M. Pearce and staff at Meats And More, also many thanks to other sponsors.

Contact - Club on 4698 1616, Ian Beutel 0407 589 568 or William Gossow 0419 745 304. - **Danny Sanderson.**

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Elders

September 27, 2010

CATTLE: Just under 600 head were offered for sale. Market improved across all classes. Bulls sold to 176.2c/kg or \$1522.80. A top quality yarding of 110 heavy steers and bullocks averaged 192.5c/kg or \$1030.65 to a top of 199.2c/kg or \$1264.76. Heavy feeder steers sold to 191.2c/kg. Heavy trade steers ex Kingaroy sold to 206.2c/kg or \$855.73 while trade heifers sold to 203.2c/kg or \$792.48. Heavy cows ex Pittsworth sold to 171.2c/kg to return \$1266.88. Dairy culls sold to \$929.60. Medium frame cows sold to 143.2c/kg. Lightweight trade steers ex Pittsworth sold to 222.2c/kg or \$911.02. Murray Grey heifers ex Oakey sold for 208.2c/kg while heifers ex Cambooya sold to 209.2c/kg or \$732.20. Vealer heifer calves ex Gulugaba sold to 228c/kg. Male calves sold to 237.2c/kg. Restockers sold to strong competition with sales to 232.2c/kg. Lightweight open auction male calves sold to \$305. Beef calves sold at the calf sale made up to \$305. Friesian calves sold from \$30-\$140 per head.

PIGS: 318 pigs sold with quality prime pork selling to strong rates. Bacon in short supply selling dearer. Backfatter sows firm while all stores and weaners sold to dearer rates. Prime pork \$2.25-2.60, prime light bacon \$2.19-2.35. Prime bacon \$2.12-2.30, boars 45c, sows 88-95c, forward stores \$129-142 per head, weaners \$71-93 per head, suckers \$59 per head. **Errol Luck 0427 561 678.**

Bookings for next Toowoomba sale
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GOLF

Burstows trophies

BORNEO BARRACKS LADIES: September 28 - Four ball best ball stableford, qualifying round for 4bbb matchplay for trophies donated by Burstows. Winners Lotte Pedersen and Robin Mackenzie 43 on a countback from Sandy May and Judy Barlow. Third placegetters were Dawn Lord and Sue Tucker with 40. Rundown Jenny Burgess and Pearl

Rognoni 39, Jan Little and Lyn Thomas 39, Fay Wood and Monika Walton 39.

Pin shots 1st (all in) Lotte Pedersen, 2nd on 9 - (31-45) Jessella McConnell, pro pin 2nd on 14 Hazel Black.

October 5 - Ladies open day for trophies donated by Wippells Auto. - **Dawn Lord.**

Two-person ambrose

CROW'S NEST: September 15 - Sporters winner C. Sorenson 32. Runner-up D. Woodley 29. Pin shots 7-16 D. Woodley, 8-17 D. Woodley. Putting R. Gardner 21.

September 19 - The J. and L. Somerville game was postponed until October 17 due to wet weather.

September 22 - Sporters winner J. Somerville 26. Pin shot 3-12 L. Davie, putting J. Somerville 20.

Jim and Michelle Edser sponsored a two-person ambrose open day. Winners P. Shaw and T. Steer 65¼ net, visitors from Woodford. Second

R. Burgess and M. Burgess 65½ net, third S. Castle and D. Sanderson 66 net. Bradmans M. Strong and W. Edge.

Pin shots 1-10 N. Case, 2-11 R. Burgess, 3-12 S. Castle, 4-13 D. Woodley, 5-14 D. Mungham, 6-15 R. Burgess, 7-16 M. Burgess, 8-17 W. Cox, 9-18 N. Case.

September 29 - Sporters winner R. Gardner 26. Pin shots 7-16 and 8-17 R. Gardner, putting R. Gardner 22.

Coming events: October 10 Burstows winner and runner up. Gift pack to all players. - **Leo Kruger.**

BOWLS

Pennants win

CROW'S NEST: September 25 - Third division pennants. Crow's Nest 77 d. Gattin 57. Congratulations to winners on all three rinks. The greens director sincerely thanks those who participated in the previous day's mowing bee in preparation for Saturday's pennants competition.

September 26 - Too Much Day. Winners R. Weis, P. Williams and T. Bowe. Runners-up I. Burgess, M. Coman and A. Greenwood. September 29 - Winners I. Burgess, R. Haldane and K. Stark.

Washed out

HIGHFIELDS LADIES: September 27 - No social bowls this week due to the wet weather.

However, a team of four ladies travelled to Drayton Bowls Club last Thursday to take part in the DDLBA president's at home day.

Five ladies have nominated for the

Runners-up D. Sandercock, R. Ritchie and R. Fisher.

Coming events: October 10 - City at City. Additional players are needed for City at City. Bus leaves 11 a.m. for trip to Toowoomba.

October 11-13 - Annual green maintenance. Volunteers are invited to participate in a working bee to renovate the green - drilling, barrowing, leveling. A little of your spare time will be most welcome. October 15 - Fortnightly bingo. Eyes down 7 p.m. - **Gary Baker.**

novice singles being played at Wests Bowls Club this Wednesday. Good luck and good bowling to everyone.

Ladies social bowls are held at Highfields Bowls Club on Mondays starting at 9.15 a.m.

All bowlers welcome. - **Rhonda Cook.**

Green closes for maintenance

CROW'S NEST LADIES: September 30 - Consistency singles. L. Mutch d. B. Vandersee G. Russell d. L. Sandercock Trophy winners L. Mutch, M. De Vere, L. Sandercock. Runners-up P. Harvey, B. Vandersee,

D. Handford. P. Harvey was also raffle winner.

The Crow's Nest bowling green will be closed for maintenance from Monday, October 11 until November 1. - **Del Burgess.**

TABLE TENNIS

Handicap fixtures

CROW'S NEST: September 27 - Handicap fixtures. Toyota (6) M. Macdonald (-4) 2, G. Fisher (4) 0. L. Taylor (1) 2 d. BMW (4) Ian (10) 0, K. Macdonald (7) 2, E. Kahler (16) 2. Subaru (6) J. Kahler (-4) 2, C. Kelk (18) 1, S. Rose (24) 2 d. Fiat (4) S. Murphy (2) 2, S. Kahler (20) 1, M. Burgess (7) 0. Holden (6) Kurt Macdonald (24) 2, P.

Rose (24) 1, S. (scr) 3, J. Macdonald (18) 1, D. Vandersee (21) (5) R. Kelk (8) 1, L. 2 d. Mazda (4) D. Shum Kelk (20) 1, D. (-2) 1, R. Macdonald Macdonald (2) 2. (12) 0, B. Kahler (6) 1. - Ford (6) R. Burgess Joy Bretz.

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