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FROM JANUARY 13TH 2022

DECEMBER 3 -JANUARY 22

Saiki Children's Art 2021 When: Mon – Fri, 10am – 4:30pm & Sat, 10am – 2pm Where: Gladstone Regional Art Gallery & Museum

Saiki City Children's Art 2021 presents 30 artworks created by children between 7 and 15 years old from our Sister City during 2020 and 2021.

This annual exhibition is a Gladstone Saiki Sister City cultural exchange program.

JANUARY 19

CQUni TAFE Careers Expo

When: 2 – 5:30pm Where: CQUni Gladstone Campus – Leo Zussino Building

Explore your TAFE training options and drop into the CQUni TAFE Careers Expo. Suitable for anyone interested in TAFE, from school students, career starters, people upskilling or seeking to re-join the workforce.

Course information provided includes TAFE diplomas, certificates (including apprenticeships and traineeships), short courses and micro-credentials.



JANUARY 19 LEGO Build Challenge Gladstone When: 10am - 12noon Where: Gladstone Library Cost: Free - bookings required

Show off your Lego building skills and compete against other children to find out who is the Lego building champion of the Gladstone Region. For ages 5-11 years. To book, phone 4976 6400 or email library@gladstone. qld.gov.au.

JANUARY 20

Bubbles & Brushes When: 6 – 9pm Where: ARTmatters at Creative Gladstone Region Inc. – 3 Pitt St Cost: \$55

Create a masterpiece on canvas while enjoying a glass of wine (or two) in great company. Cost includes demo, tuition, art materials, wine, bubbles, and deli platters. No expertise required! Contact Jen on 0482 911 030 to book.

JANUARY 21

School Holiday Movie Gladstone When: 2pm Where: Gladstone Library Cost: Free - bookings required

Come along to your local library to watch a movie in airconditioned comfort. BYO snacks, pillows and whatever else you require for movie-watching enjoyment. Children under 12 years must be supervised by an adult. Movie: The Kid Who Would be King (PG). To book, phone 4976 6400 or email library@ gladstone.qld.gov.au.



JANUARY 26 Discovery Coast Markets When: 8am – 12noon Where: 1770 SES Grounds – Captain Cook Drive, Agnes Water/ 1770

Held by the Discovery Coast Rotary Club the markets feature food vans, live entertainment, arts and creation stalls and lots more. Dogs allowed on leads.

FISH OF THE MONTH WINNER

Congratulations Dayle Mitchell on catching this Nannygai Fish! Please contact Gladstone News to arrange collection of your \$50 voucher.

DID YOU KNOW?

Nannygai fish are known by a several different names such as Pinkies, Red Jew, Red Snapper, Large Mouth Sea Perch, Scarlet Perch and Nanny's!











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Colin BOYCE LNP Candidate for Flynn

Taking Flynn Forward

COLIN BOYCE IS WORKING HARD TO SECURE RURAL AND REGIONAL QUEENSLANDERS BETTER ACCESS TO HEALTHCARE PROFESSIONALS AND AFFORDABLE MEDICINES.

Big incentives for more doctors and nurses locally

From the 1st of January 2022, local GP practices in regional areas such as Gladstone, Calliope, Boyne Island, and Tannum Sands will now have more options and a larger pool of doctors to recruit from, following changes announced by the Morrison Joyce Government.

Colin Boyce said the Morrison Joyce Government were implementing a range of policies to get more GPs, nurses, and allied health professionals to areas where they are needed.

New changes will give automatic access to Distribution Priority Area (DPA) classification for regional and larger rural towns to make it easier for areas to recruit more doctors.

The Government will also invest in a significant incentive for eligible doctors and nurse practitioners to practice in rural, remote or very remote areas of Australia, by eliminating all or part of their Higher Education Loan Programme (HELP) debt subject to meeting eligibility criteria.

> Students who accepted a Commonwealth Supported Place in an Australian medical course in

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return for a commitment to work in a regional, rural and remote area at the end of their studies must also work in a DPA.

"The Gladstone region will greatly benefit from this policy." Mr Boyce said

"It will be easier for regional towns with doctor shortages to recruit more doctors to improve access to GP and primary care services.

A plan for Central Queensland medical training facilities

The University of Queensland Rural Clinical School (UQRCS) has developed a plan to establish medical training facilities in Central Queensland.

Colin Boyce supports this plan and is fighting to deliver its key initiatives that include:

- An allocation of Commonwealth Supported Places
- A targeted uplift in student learning and teaching infrastructure; and
- Fight to get shovel ready investment into student accommodation projects in rural and regional Queensland.

Mr Boyce believes increases in student accommodation in rural and regional towns will benefit students living, working, and studying locally and provide ongoing benefits to the community.

"I've long believed that once the country way of life has been experienced, students will embrace the benefits of living in rural and regional Queensland," Mr Boyce said.

"There is a risk that under the State Labor Government, regional Queensland will keep falling behind on healthcare that is available in Brisbane.

"That's why I'm supporting this plan to improve our healthcare and welcome more doctors to our regions."

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Affordable cancer medication

Colin Boyce strongly supports the Morrison Joyce Government's new investment for cancer patients who will now be able to access vital breast and prostate cancer medication.

Through the Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme (PBS), Australian patients for the first time have access to Nubeqa® for prostate cancer treatment and Verzenio® for breast cancer treatment.

Through the PBS patients will pay a maximum of \$41.30 per script or \$6.60 with a concession card for these medicines. Without the PBS, prostate cancer patients would pay more than \$40,000 per year for treatment and breast cancer patients would pay around \$80,000 per course of treatment.

Since 2013, the Liberal & Nationals Government has approved more than 2,700 new or amended listings on the PBS. This represents an average of around 30 listings or amendments per month – one each day.

The LNP are committed to continuing Australians' access to new and affordable medicines.



Celebrate what being Australian means to you this Australia

LIKE ONE IN FOUR AUSTRALIAN RESIDENTS I WASN'T BORN HERE.

My family and I emigrated to Australia from South-Africa when I was 13, in pursuit of a better life.

On January 26, along with 13 million people, over half the country, I will celebrate all the things I love about my adopted country – the democracy, the lifestyle, the sense or fair go, and particularly the people.

Australia Day is about acknowledging and celebrating the contribution that all of us make to our dynamic nation.

From our Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people, who have been here for more than 65,000 years, to those who, like my husband and his family, have lived here for generations, and those who, like myself, have come from all over the world to call our country home.

The marking of January 26 is an important date in Australia's history, and has changed over time.

Starting as a celebration for emancipated convicts, it has evolved into what is now a celebration of an Australia that reflects our nation's diverse people.

Australia Day continues to be hugely popular, with three in four of us believing it has a bigger meaning beyond being just a day off, and importantly, over 16,000 new Australians will become citizens on the day.

Celebrate what being Australian means to you, at home with family and friends, or by taking part in Gladstone Regional Council's free Family Fun Day this January 26 from 2-6pm at Millennium Esplanade, Tannum Sands.

Enjoy strolling through the handmade markets while enjoying the talents of local musicians, or feast on the free sausage sizzle and ice blocks while trying your hand at rock climbing, dunk tank and mechanical surfboarding (also free).

However you choose to celebrate Australia Day, make time to reflect on our history, its highs and lows, respect the stories of others, and remember that we're all part of our country's story.

Check out the full list of Australia Day activities around the region at www. gladstone.qld.gov.au/events/event/346/ australia-day-family-fun-day

By Carey McIntosh

Australia Day Events In The Gladstone Region

Australia Day Family Fun Day

When: January 26 from 2 – 6pm Where: Millennium Esplanade, Tannum Sands

Cost: Free – tickets are not required but checking in via the Check In Qld App is still required.

Builyan Many Peaks Community Development Association

What: Australia Day Brekkie – BBQ breakfast, poetry, trivia quizzes and cake cutting.

Where: Builyan Hall, Pine Street, Builyan

When: January 26 from 8 - 11am

Boyne Valley Community Discovery Centre Inc.

What: Australia Day Backyard - an afternoon event which begins with some waterplay, a treasure hunt and other games for the kids while adults relax and catch up. A backyard cricket match involving all ages follows. The event ends with a BBQ and cutting of the Australia Day cake.

Where: Boyne Valley Community Discovery Centre, McDonald Street, Boyne Valley

When: January 26 from 4 -7.30pm

South End Progress Association Inc.

What: Australia Day Celebrations -BBQ food, lamingtons, soft drinks, water, tea and coffee are provided. Sporting activities for adults and children include tug-o-war, crab pot throwing, volleyball and cricket. Music entertainment is provided.

Where: Golding Park, South End, Curtis Island

When: January 26 from 10.30am -3.30pm

Turkey Beach Progress Association

What: Australia Day Breakfast – BBQ breakfast, costume judging, thong throwing, cow pat, colouring competitions, cricket match and much more.

Where: Turkey Beach Community Hall, Worthington Road, Turkey Beach

When: January 26 from 7 -10am

Queensland Alumina Limited shares the Christinas spirit WITH COMMUNITY DONATIONS

QUEENSLAND ALUMINA LIMITED (QAL) HAS CELEBRATED THE SEASON OF GIVING BY GIFTING \$10,000 WORTH OF DONATIONS TO LOCAL NOT-FOR-PROFIT ORGANISATIONS AROUND THE GLADSTONE REGION.

In the lead up to Christmas, the QAL Team surprised Anglicare; Aussie Helpers; Gladstone PAWS; GAPDL's Communities for Children; Roseberry Qld, and Gladstone Animal Rescue Group with a donation to say "thank for their hard work and ongoing support of our local community".

QAL General Manager Pine Pienaar said contributing to growing a sustainable and thriving community was at the core of QAL's work.

"Helping local not-for-profit and community groups allows QAL to show gratitude to organisations that help contribute to Gladstone's vibrancy and success," he said.











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CONNECT Your Council Community Update



Parking options increased in city centre

Gladstone Regional Council will increase parking options in Goondoon Street with the addition of two designated disabled parking spaces for public use.

The car parks are located towards the rear of Council's 101 Goondoon Street office and can be accessed via Goondoon Street.

Signage is in place to direct motorists to these new parking spaces. The remaining car parks in this area are reserved for Council.

The addition of two disabled car parks came in response to feedback associated with the recent Goondoon Street CBD Civic Precinct Footpath Renewal Project.

Emerging community leader and disability advocate, Kate Dufty, was thrilled to see the new car parks and is now determined to make more people aware of them.

"It's a matter of getting the word out and word of mouth is great and because I've got some networks too that's a really good thing," Kate said.

"A lot of people probably wonder when they've got to come here where they can get a park without knowing there's two beautiful parks here, so the more we can publicise it the better." In addition to the disabled car parks, extra rubbish bins were also requested and have now been provided throughout the CBD.

A single, general purpose bin has been installed adjacent to the Rydges Gladstone and Wilhelmsen driveways, with double waste and recycle bins also installed near Council's 109 Goondoon Street office.

It is hoped these rubbish bins will assist in keeping the newly revamped CBD streetscaping in showcase condition.



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Exhibitions aplenty ready for display

Those with an appreciation for art and local history are in for a treat over the coming months with a plethora of exhibitions just waiting to be discovered.

The always intriguing *Our Priceless Past* exhibition will hit the road in 2022, offering more people a chance to take a glimpse into times gone by.

This exhibition launched at Gladstone Regional Art Gallery & Museum (GRAGM) in October and will visit Gladstone City Library (15 January – 28 February), Calliope Library (8 March – 30 April), Gladstone Airport (2-31 May) and CQUniversity Marina Campus (15 July – 31 August).

On display at GRAGM from 29 January until 9 April is *early*, an exhibition that follows the chronological, narrative journey of an artist mother's experiences with premature birth, autism and ADHD.

Celebrating Sports in the Gladstone Region will also open on 29 January until 9 April. This exhibition features photographs, stories and memorabilia that celebrate our region's sporting history from the 1900s until today.

On the Move will run from 19 February until 11 June and is a family-friendly exhibition created by Sydney Living Museums that explores transport in all its forms.

Visit gragm.qld.gov.au or phone 4976 6766 for more information.



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SHOP TO WIN WINNER wing \$10,000 with single entry

KATE CHARALAMBOUS THOUGHT SHE WAS BEING SCAMMED WHEN SHE RECEIVED THE PHONE CALL FROM ELEVATE MEDIA CEO ASHLEIGH KVITKO TELLING HER SHE WON \$10,000!

"I couldn't believe it, I still can't really believe it, it doesn't seem real," the mum of two boys said.

Kate made her winning purchase at SportsPower Gladstone, where she purchased new school shoes for her youngest son, and said she remembers the day well.

"I was served by Kristy (Claridge) the owner, and I remember her asking me if I wanted to enter the competition," she said.

"And I remember saying to her 'you've got to be in it to win it'.

"I've entered so many competitions over the years and have never won anything, so this is amazing.

"This just shows you it pays to enter, shop local and keep our community going." The former Kin Kora State School Running Coach said she and her husband had already come up with their wish list for spending the \$10,000 cash prize.

"My big thing is replacing the flooring in our house, and the kids need new school desks," she said. "We also need a new bed, but I know the kids have their own ideas of how they would like to see the money spent.

"On behalf of our family I'd like to say a huge thank you to SportsPower Gladstone, Elevate Media, and all the businesses who participated in Shop to Win."

With almost 30,000 entries in the 2021 Shop to Win Competition, Ashleigh said Kate's win was even more exciting considering she only entered the draw once.

"Congratulations to Kate and her family on taking out Gladstone's biggest shopping competition and winning the \$10,000," Ashleigh said.

"With 30 amazing participating retailers this year I know Kate is going to have a hard time deciding where and how to spend the cash."

Ashleigh said Shop to Win had been Gladstone's favourite shopping competition for over five years.

"Not only is there no minimum spend to enter, the winner can choose to spend the prize at just one of the participating retailers or share the love across multiple," she said.

"The competition is a great incentive to encourage residents to shop local and support those businesses who support our community, it's also a great advertising campaign, with many participating businesses launching their end of year campaigns to coincide with the widely popular Shop To Win competition.

"We would like thank all of last year's participating retailers for their involvement and support, and we look forward to bringing Shop to Win back even bigger in 2022."

Any local businesses interested in taking part in Gladstone's biggest shopping competition in 2022 can register their interest by visiting www.shoptowin.com. au.



Back to school supply drive supports local families in need

IF YOU'VE STARTED GETTING YOUR CHILDREN'S SUPPLIES TOGETHER IN READINESS FOR THEM GOING BACK TO SCHOOL, SPARE A NOTEBOOK OR TWO, IF YOU CAN, FOR THOSE LOCAL FAMILIES IN NEED.

RE/MAX Gold Gladstone and Roseberry Qld have teamed up for the sixth year to help support the most vulnerable in our community through their annual Back to School Supply Drive.

Principal Shane McLeod thanked the community for their on-going support, and said the drive has been "so well supported by the Gladstone Region in previous years".

"Last year we helped over 240 local children get back to school with the gear they needed," he said. "This year we would love for the drive to be even bigger, and give as many in-need students as possible the best possible chance to succeed.

"Whether it's new exercise books, backpacks or textas and crayons, if it's on a school booklist we can take it.

"We also accept store vouchers to places like Office Works, Office National and Big W, and will do the school shopping for you."

Roseberry Qld General Manager Michelle Coats said the supply drive supported the more vulnerable families in our community in sending their children off to school with the resources they need.

"Research shows that children who don't have the correct school supplies can struggle at school," she said. "So it is wonderful that we have the support of our community in donating items to help ensure local children have the best opportunity to succeed."

School supply donations can be dropped into the RE/MAX Gold office, at 2 Mellefont Street, or the Roseberry Qld office, at 21 Dawson Road, by January 19.

For more information contact the RE/MAX Gold Gladstone Team on 4976 3800.

FUNDING DRIVES STEM careers in the region

CQUNIVERSITY AND GLADSTONE PORTS CORPORATION ARE DRIVING STEM EDUCATION TO SUPPORT LONG-TERM SUSTAINABILITY PROSPERITY IN OUR COMMUNITY.

The push to fund STEM comes as the Gladstone Region is set to emerge as a leader in development, innovation and technology throughout Australia.

Thanks to a \$8500 funding boost from GPC's Community Investment Program, CQUniversity STEM Central's project Growing STEM in the Community has provided educators with the tools to take a critical and connected approach when teaching STEM in the classroom.

The project brings together collaborators from schools, universities, communities, and organisations – such as Questacon – to create a series of highly engaging experiments.

The programs aim to provide students with a unique learning experience as they tap into the world of engineering by building rocket launchers, undertaking bug safaris to learn about the different species, understanding electrical circuitry in the plasma ball experiment, and stepping back in time to explore retro gaming.

CQUniversity STEM expert Dr Linda Pfeiffer said STEM Central envisages that these experiences will generate interest in staying in school and pursuing STEM degrees and careers.

"By developing these fun and exciting experiments, we aim to spark their interest in STEM at a young age and highlight the interesting careers that a STEM education can lead to," Dr Pfeiffer said. "Funding through generous supporters like the Gladstone Ports Corporation has enabled us to drive STEM education in the community, and showcase the fantastic facilities that CQUniversity has to offer.

"The STEM Central laboratory was designed to be a mobile learning space that offers engaging hands-on STEM experiences for both students and teachers."

GPC Chief Operating Officer Craig Walker said supporting this program through funding was vital in developing future leaders and future jobs for this region.

"We know this funding is going to help create new skills and new ways for sustainable workforces in our region,"

Mr Walker said. "At GPC, we're home to dozens of our valued employees who have STEM careers including environmental scientists, engineers, IT professionals and planners.

"We are excited for the future and we can't wait to potentially see these students working at the port in STEM careers."



ROTARY GIVES BACK TO COMMUNITY WITH \$10,000 WORTH OF DONATIONS

THE ROTARY CLUB OF GLADSTONE MIDDAY HELPED SPREAD THE CHRISTMAS CHEER IN DECEMBER, MAKING \$10,000 WORTH OF DONATIONS TO OTHER NOT-FOR-PROFIT ORGANISATIONS.

Among the fortunate recipients were Gladstone Food Centre; St Vincent De Paul Society; Anglicare; Shepherd's Arms Orphanage in the Philippines; Salvation Army Gladstone; the Gladstone's Women's Shelter and Gladstone Chaplaincy.

Club President Gail Sellers said the club, which coordinates the monthly Charity Markets at Toondoon Botanic Gardens, tried to make similar donations yearly.

"It's important to our club to give back to other local organisations who do so much to help members of our





Gladstone Region community," she said.

"We're fortunate, as the facilitators of the Charity Markets, to be in a position to use the funds raised through the markets to support some of the most vulnerable members of our community.

"We would like to thank everyone who supported the markets in 2021, whether that be as a stallholder or a customer and visitor, we look forward to seeing you back in 2022."

The Rotary Club of Gladstone Midday meets Wednesdays from 12noon at the Gladstone Bowls Club for lunch and fellowship, everyone is welcome to attend.

The next Rotary Charity Market will take place on February 20 between 7am and 12noon at the Tondoon Botanic Gardens.

Looking back on 2021

Reflecting on QAL's environmental performance in 2021, we placed environmental and community concerns as a top priority. We have made exceptional progress.

In 2021 alone we spent over **\$80M** addressing our Class III & IV environment risks, completing **12 projects**. Projects included the new caustic line from the wharf to the refinery, the new waste line from the refinery to the RDA, upgrading decaying bund, drains and containment ponds, and constructing a new sulfuric acid offloading facility.

The QAL Environment committee has had much success this year. The committee consists of Employees from each department of QAL who are passionate about QAL improving our environmental performance.

In 2021 we continued to support Containers for Change with **\$1500 collected** via the proceeds and donated to local organizations in 2021. We implemented earplug recycling and battery recycling, as well as adding some much-needed greenery into the refinery process areas with **10 planter boxes** made from recycled waste materials. The committee was also successful in switching over all photocopy papers ordered on site to 100% recycled.

A big thank-you to the Gladstone Community for their ongoing support and interest in the QAL 5-Year Environment Strategy this year. There is no doubt that the work we have completed this year has helped us progress on our journey to environmental stewardship.

In 2022 we look forward to continuing to reinforce our commitment to the future by continuing to improve our environmental performance.



For more detailed information on these projects please visit: www.qal.com.au/our-approach/environmental-improvement

To contact us please: call 1800 181 110 or email feedback@qal.com.au

Gladstone on its way to change gas for good

In line with the Queensland Government's goal to generate 50% of its energy needs from renewable sources by 2030, Gladstone households connected to gas will receive up to 10% blended renewable gas from September 2022, supplied by the proposed Hydrogen Park Gladstone (HyP Gladstone) facility (subject to necessary approvals).

Under the proposal from Australian Gas Networks (AGN), which is currently with Gladstone Regional Council for Development Assessment, HyP Gladstone would use water and renewable electricity to produce renewable hydrogen for blending into the existing AGN distribution network. Craig de Laine, Chief Executive Officer at the Australian Gas Infrastructure Group, said the small demonstration facility would be a similar size to around four tennis courts and was planned for a 30mx37m site on Derby Street, South Gladstone.

"Hydrogen Park Gladstone will play a significant role in starting to decarbonise the city's gas supply and help develop the region's emerging renewable hydrogen industry which will create new economic development opportunities," Mr de Laine said.

"As a longstanding owner of gas infrastructure in Gladstone and throughout Central Queensland, we are proud to contribute to a low carbon economy and meet our customers' expectations to support decarbonisation. HyP Gladstone would save approximately 57 tonnes in carbon dioxide emissions each year, the equivalent to removing around 19 petrol passenger vehicles from the road."

"Through our extensive community consultation program we have received many positive responses to the project. Ongoing discussions with stakeholders have provided valuable insight into the community's view of HyP Gladstone, including some matters requiring clarification. We've addressed these in our recently submitted response to Council, further detailing the extensive safety assessment undertaken and providing more details on how the site was selected. There are no plans to expand the facility or export."

"We would encourage anyone with further questions to contact our project team directly on 1300 001 001 (option 8) or communityengagement@agig. com.au," he said.

Hydrogen Park Gladstone is supported by the Queensland Government, with grant funding of up to \$1.78 million from the Hydrogen Industry Development Fund.

In the spirit of reconciliation AGN acknowledge the Byellee, Gooreng Gooreng, Gurang and Taribelang Bunda people who are the traditional custodians of the land in Gladstone and its surrounds. AGN would also like to pay respect to Elders past, present and emerging, and extends that respect to all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples today.



A pathway to a cleaner future **Up to 10% blended renewable gas in Gladstone**

Hydrogen Park Gladstone (HyP Gladstone) is a small demonstration facility designed to produce renewable hydrogen to start to reduce the amount of carbon in our gas supply in Gladstone.

HyP Gladstone will produce small quantities of hydrogen for local use and store energy amounts similar to four standard LPG bottles used on a typical gas barbecue. There are no plans to expand production capacity or to export.

Once approved, homes connected to AGN's gas network in Gladstone would receive up to 10% renewable blended gas from September 2022. HyP Gladstone will lead the way to help provide a cleaner energy future, delivering Australia's lowest carbon gas through the existing network in Gladstone.

If you have any further questions or would like to be kept informed about receiving renewable blended gas, get in touch:

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Go online and visit blendedgas.agn.com.au

Email our project team at communityengagement@agig.com.au



roudly supported by the Queensland Gouernment, with grant funding of up to \$178 million from the Hydrogen Industry Development Fund



MAKE A LITTLE MORE TIME FOR

Chris Bax

AT 40 YEARS OLD SINGER/ SONGWRITER AND MUSICIAN CHRIS BAX CONSIDERS HIMSELF TOO OLD TO BE A ROCKSTAR, BUT I WOULD HAVE TO DISAGREE.

The Gladstone local, who works by day as a Safety Specialist at Gladstone Ports Corporation, has performed at some big events recently, including Gladstone Chamber of Commerce & Industry's Best In Business Awards and Gladstone Regional Council's NYE Party.

A consistent regular on the Central Queensland music scene for over 10 years honing his craft, he's also just released his first original single *A Little More Time*, which has a distinct modern country feel, on Spotify and iTunes.

Written by Chris to explain the hectic life he leads with his wife and their two daughters, 11 (a keen swimmer) and eight (an avid gymnast), the song was recorded at Stilwell Studio in Calliope. "Sometimes the days just roll into each other, and it would be really nice if we just had a little more time with each other," Chris said of the song's inspiration, which most parents can relate to.

"I believe my song writing style lends itself to the storytelling aspect of country music, but I also love the energy the rock aspects can bring to a song.

"Modern country, which combines both, is the genre where my music best fits."

Chris said country music was also quite popular "when playing cover gigs" in Gladstone.

"But if you can get through a gig without playing Wonderwall by Oasis, you're a genius," he said.

With Engineer Andy Marxsen recording *A Little More Time*, Chris said the process was easier due to the understanding the two shared.

"Andy is the first person I have worked



with who I didn't have to explain the sound I was chasing," he said.

"We sent the track to Brisbane where Bryan Macaranas recorded the drums and then sent it back to us for Steve Quinn to add the bass guitar, and to put the finishing touches on it.

"It was then sent back to Brisbane to be mastered by Matthew Gray Mastering, and then we began the confusing process of uploading it to the streaming world.

"It's nice to have an original song on streaming platforms, but I think my kids and their friends get a bigger kick out of it being on Spotify and iTunes than I do."

Chris said the music scene in Gladstone was "great", with loads of talented performers, but the best thing about it was how the artists supported one another.

"The guys that play in my band are some of the best musos I have played with," Chris said.

"I often say to them that I know what sounds good, but they know why it sounds good.

"Their knowledge is priceless and they're happy to share that with other artists."

You can catch Chris, with his full band, next on the main stage at the Agnes Water Blues, Roots & Rock Festival on February 19.

"I am too old to be a rockstar," Chris said (based on his energetic performances and quality musicianship I disagree).

"But I would love to continue to grow as an artist, and get my band on some bigger stages.

"One of my goals was to perform at the Agnes Water Blues, Roots & Rock Festival, so I'm excited that it's going to become a reality.

"I hope everyone comes down to the 1770 SES Grounds next month to enjoy three days of really fantastic music."

To keep up-to-date with Chris's upcoming gigs and new music, he's planning on releasing more original songs in 2022, follow @chrisbaxentertainment on Facebook and Instagram.

You can check out the festival's full lineup and buy tickets via www. agnesbluesandroots.com.au.

Zac forges a new career path thanks to CQU AND XTREME ENGINEERING

THE COGS OF ZAC PHILLIPS' FUTURE ARE TURNING FAST, WITH THE FOURTH-YEAR ENGINEERING STUDENT ALREADY SECURING EMPLOYMENT WITH LOCAL FIRM XTREME ENGINEERING.

The 29-year-old started work at Xtreme Engineering in December after he was referred by Lecturer Dr Ashfaque Chowdhury.

"Dr Chowdhury contacted me out of the blue to say that Xtreme were looking for someone and I jumped at the chance," Zac said. "I was with Bellis Insulation at the time, but this is more centred around mechanical engineering.

"I've only been with Xtreme a few weeks but it's pretty good so far, even though I am still learning the ropes."

Zac said his role at Xtreme was a project engineering type role, and he had been busy doing estimating for various projects. His success is even more significant, given the fact that engineering wasn't his first choice of study with CQU.

"I started in psychology and was studying that on the Gold Coast when I decided it wasn't for me," he said. "Eventually I came back to Gladstone and got some work as a trades assistant in a hydraulics shutdown on Curtis Island and I really liked the technical aspects of that job."

It wasn't long after that Zac enrolled in engineering, and he hasn't looked back.

"I'm in my fourth year now and employed as an undergraduate. I've really enjoyed the degree, it's been great for problem solving and learning how to design things. It definitely gives you the structure to set you up for a job," he said. "Part of me wants to be designing things in the future, but I'm still only just experiencing the industry."

Xtreme Engineering General Manager Scott Harrington said the firm was happy to have Zac on board. "Zac has been a tremendous pickup for us as he has been able to immediately apply some of his engineering training that he has gained from attending CQUniversity and



apply that learning into our own work environment here at Xtreme Engineering," Mr Harrington said.

Zac advised anyone considering studying engineering at CQU to follow through.

"If you like to know how things work in a deep, problem-solving manner then you should definitely do it," he said. "I have found the degree really interesting, solving problems is very rewarding and it's not all just theory.

"If you're a problem solver the degree is good to sink your teeth into and challenging at the same time."



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Help shape the resources industry's future BY HAVING YOUR SAY

MINISTER FOR RESOURCES SCOTT STEWART HAS SAID THE EMERGING HYDROGEN INDUSTRY WILL CREATE NEW MARKETS AND JOB OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE RESOURCES SECTOR, PARTICULARLY IN CENTRAL QUEENSLAND.

Mr Stewart spoke in Gladstone last month at a consultation session for the draft Queensland Resources Industry Development Plan, which provides a vision for the state's resources industry



over the next 30 years.

"Your feedback is so important to ensuring that this 30-year plan will be successful in guiding the future of the Queensland resources sector," he said of the session. "Gladstone is an example of a community that supports, and is supported, by the sector.

"So speaking to locals about the plan is vital to getting it right."

The draft plan outlines global challenges and changes facing the industry, opportunities for industry growth and diversification, industry's lead role in Queensland's economic recovery from the COVID-19 pandemic.

It proposes 43 actions across six key focus areas, including decarbonisation presenting opportunities, challenges and risks for the state's resources sector, and the right skills and training, especially transferrable skills, being critical for the future of the sector and regional communities.

The Resources and Energy Major Projects

report, released in December, forecasts a "significant uptick" in resources and energy investment in 2022.

Mr Stewart said the report, released at the same time as the Chief Economist Resources and Energy Quarterly report, dovetailed the state government's draft plan.

For the first time it included hydrogen, identifying seven new energy projects on the books in Queensland, including commercial hydrogen production facilities in Townsville, Bundaberg and Gladstone.

"Our economic recovery plan is about identifying jobs in traditional and emerging industries, including hydrogen and manufacturing," he said. "That is why one of the proposed actions in our draft resources industry development plan is to review existing legislation to ensure we are ready for hydrogen and other clean resources to be used in our homes."

With the final plan due for release in mid-2022, you can have your say on the draft plan up until February 11, by completing an online survey via www.haveyoursay. resources.qld.gov.au.

View the draft plan via www.resources. qld.gov.au.

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Continued sustainable growth expected in local property market in 2022

THE DEMAND FOR GLADSTONE'S RESIDENTIAL PROPERTY MARKET CONTINUES TO BE STRONG, DESPITE MEDIAN HOUSE AND UNIT PRICES TAKING A STEP BACK IN THE SEPTEMBER (JULY TO SEPTEMBER 2021) QUARTER.

Latest data from the REIQ shows Gladstone's median house prices fell 5.6 per cent, while September quarter median unit prices dropped 14.8 per cent.

Despite this dip our local government area posted growth over 12 months, with a respectable 15.7 per cent across median



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house prices and a remarkable 33.4 per cent across median unit prices.

REIQ Gladstone Zone Chair and LOCATIONS estate agents Principal Alicia Williams said quarterly measures can be good to review rental vacancy, but not necessarily housing growth.

"Sometimes there are a few sales that skew the data either way, so it's important to look at the net overall change for the year," she said.

"Most real estate agents in Gladstone had a very strong finish to the year, with inspections and enquiries over the holiday period.

"Coming into 2022 there has been a big push on appraisal requests as home owners and investors look towards their new year plans."

Alicia said the continuing demand for properties to both rent and purchase was largely due to "lower interest rates, and a change in lifestyle preference, as well as strong migration into Queensland from neighbouring states".

"The bottle necks associated with building, including increased costs, are pushing many buyers back into the established market," she said.

"Overall our market has improved substantially, but we expect to see continued sustainable growth for the next 12 – 18 months as least.

"There may be some delays with land sales due to building supply bottlenecks and price increases, however there are buyers who are committed to building and have secured land now at very affordable prices.

"They understand that it may be 12 – 18 months before build completion."

With Gladstone being flagged as a Hydrogen Hub, a continued demand for commodities, and the Federal Government's business case into extending the Inland Rail corridor to Gladstone underway, confidence has returned to our market.

"We firmly believe that our local area has many positives and opportunities for the future," Alicia said.

GLADSTONE AREA WATER BOARD BOOSTS LOCAL KNOWLEDGE WITH NEW DIRECTOR APPOINTMENT

GLADSTONE AREA WATER BOARD (GAWB) LAST MONTH ANNOUNCED THE APPOINTMENT OF TINA ZAWILA AS A DIRECTOR, EFFECTIVE 9TH OF DECEMBER 2021.

Ms Zawila has worked in the financial services sector for more than 30 years', and is an experienced company director.

Board Chair Maxine Brushe said Ms Zawila's extensive corporate and community knowledge would be an invaluable asset to GAWB.

"A Chartered Accountant by trade, Ms Zawila holds non-Executive Director roles with the Gladstone Airport Corporation and the Central Queensland Hospital and Health Service. She will bring a wealth of experience to the position," Ms Brushe said.

"Ms Zawila is a passionate community advocate, holding various voluntary roles with local not-for-profit organisations including Gladstone Area Group Apprentices Limited, EQIP Business Industry and Tourism Skills Centre Advisory Committee, and Yaralla Sports Club.

"We're delighted to have someone of Ms Zawila's credentials



LIVESTOCK AGISTMENT ON GLADSTONE AREA WATER BOARD LAND

QTENDER RF00LAND1 Closing: 5pm AEST 28 January 2022

Tenders are invited for the agistment of Gladstone Area Water Board (GAWB) land for the purpose of grazing livestock. The eight (8) parcels of land are located around the Lake Awoonga Catchment, in the Gladstone Regional Council Local Government Area.

The Request for Tender is structured into eight (8) separable portions. Respondents can submit for one or more separable portions. GAWB may, at its sole discretion, elect to award one or more separable portions to one or more respondents. The Qtenders reference is: RF00LAND1 - Livestock Agistment on Gladstone Area Water Board Land.

Further information on each parcel of land is listed in Schedule 5 of the Request for Tender.

The agistment over each parcel of land will be established for a period of two (2) years.

Respondents are to complete and sign Schedule 6 - Tender Response Form and lodge the document electronically on the QTenders website for this tender. Hardcopy or email offers will be non-conforming and not accepted.

For further information please lodge an enquiry on the QTenders Forum or email contracts@gawb.qld.gov.au

on our board. I know that she will work hard to ensure GAWB continues to deliver safe and reliable water services to the Gladstone Region."

Ms Zawila welcomed the opportunity to join the Board of Gladstone's sole bulk water provider.

"GAWB has supplied water to the Gladstone region since 1973 and water security is critical to our region now more than ever," Ms Zawila said.

"GAWB is led and operated by a passionate team of individuals who care about our customers, community and people,

and I'm honoured to play a role in helping develop the organisation's strategic direction."

Ms Zawila has been appointed to the Board on a three year term.

Current Director, Professor Poh-Ling Tan, has been reappointed to the Board for a further two years.



INDUSTRY EVENT Gladstone Area Water Board Fitzhoy to Gladstone Pipeline INDUSTRY BRIEFING

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Gladstone Area Water Board invites local suppliers to attend a Fitzroy to Gladstone Pipeline local supplier briefing

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LOCAL HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS PASS ON THEIR LOVE OF READING

BABIES BORN AT GLADSTONE HOSPITAL IN THE LEAD-UP TO CHRISTMAS WERE GIVEN THEIR VERY FIRST BOOK, AND HOPEFULLY A LIFELONG LOVE OF READING, BY A THOUGHTFUL GROUP OF TOOLOOA STATE HIGH STUDENTS.

Books4Bubs is part of Toolooa's junior leadership program, and brings together like-minded Year 7, 8 and 9 students who want to promote literacy and reading.

In addition to wrapping picture books as Christmas gifts for newborns, the students visited primary schools to read to Prep and Year 1 students, and collected books to send to children in Papua New Guinea.

Coordinating Teacher Ann Mallie said Books4Bubs, now in its second year, originated from her own love of books and literacy.

"I taught Prep to Year 3 for 30 years so I have always had a passion for connecting with young children through reading," she said. "I love being able to continue that at Toolooa State High.

"I worry that with all the technology young children have access to, they risk losing that physical connection with books.

"Books4Bubs is our little way of getting in early, and helping parents and carers build a connection with their babies by reading to them.

"Each book has been lovingly wrapped by the students and includes a special message from Flynn, Mitch, Tairui, Niel, Carleen, Charley, Zarah, Jasmine, Austyn and Ibrahim."

Year 7 student Charley Ryan said she loved books, and didn't think twice about volunteering, even though some of the work was completed in her own time.

"It was really fun," she said. "I loved visiting the little kids at Gladstone South State School and reading my favourite story, 'All I want for Christmas is Rain' by Cori Brooke, to the Preps at Kin Kora."

Ann said the idea of students giving freely of their time, and giving to others, was an added bonus of the program.

"I am so proud of the 10 Year 7 students who took part this year, they did an amazing job and have grown in confidence," she said. "We're already looking forward to next year.

"This year's new picture books were mostly sourced from donations, but next year we'd like to fundraise so we can really curate which books we give to the newborns."



The BIRD in the HERD by Kathryn Apel

Illustrated by Renee Treml

THIS DELIGHTFUL PICTURE BOOK BY MIRIAM VALE LOCAL KATHRYN APEL IS A JOY TO READ ALOUD TO YOUNG CHILDREN.

Simple rhyming text is complemented by simple and colourful illustrations, making this a story to be read again and again.

The format is a little like *The house* that Jack built so bits of the story are repeated, allowing children to join in the rhyming fun.

It's a great look at a typical Aussie cattle farm, and the children will love finding the hidden cows at the end.

The BIRD in the HERD is available for purchase from Gladstone City Library, or for loan from any Gladstone Regional Libraries.

Kathryn Apel is a born and bred farm girl who's scared of cows. She lives among the gum trees, kangaroos and cattle on a Queensland grazing property.

Kat paints pictures with words because, as much as she'd love to, she can't draw. She loves pumping poetry because she can flex her muscles across other genres, to bend (and break) writing rules.





HERE IN HISTORY The Meatworks Detty

by Betty Laver

THE GLADSTONE MEATWORKS COMPANY BUILT AN EIGHTY-METRE-LONG JETTY WITH WOODEN PILES, AND THIS WAS LINKED TO THE MEATWORKS BY A TRAMWAY.

The first change in operational method of the meatworks came about when full scale freezing operations began in March 1897.

In May 1897, the Southern Cross, under the command of Captain Childs, was the first overseas vessel to load meat at Parson's Point.

An exporting firm, Bergyl and Co, commenced treating stock on the owner's behalf at the Gladstone Meatworks. The killing of export cattle was at the owner's cost. This charge covered slaughtering, weighing, freezing, bagging and branding, shipping freight and twenty-eight days storage at a London depot.

This jetty, with the handling of meat products, encouraged the fish population to congregate there, and it became a popular harbour fishing spot.

A boy fishing from the jetty in 1901 provided a reversal of a big fish yarn. Having secured his line to his big toe, he was pulled into the water by a big fish. In this instance the boy was the one that got away as he was rescued by a passer-by.

Vessels Everton, Rippingham (9.400 tonne) and Denton (9110 tonne) of the Grange Line, and Siam, Venice, Bothnia and Genoa of the Gulf Line, called for meat in the closing years of the nineteenth century.

The Julia Percy took meat to Sydney and Melbourne.

Cattle killed per annum were from twenty-five to thirty thousand. Profit of the company for the year 1898-99 was £3,524.

In 1911 the jetty was first lit with electric lights and the 7532-ton Oswestry Grange berthed there. By 1925, the Parson's Point Jetty had become structurally weak with age, and the pilot had to be extremely careful to avoid both it and the nearby sandbanks since there were no tugs available.

Berthing and loading were permitted in daylight hours only and time was limited to the first two-and-half hours of the ebb tide. The jetty then closed, and meat export was then put through the Auckland Point Wharf.

Mexican-style BAKED SWEET POTATOES

THESE DELICIOUS MEXICAN-STYLE BAKED SWEET POTATOES TAKE JACKET POTATOES TO A WHOLE NEW LEVEL, AND MAKE AN EASY BACK-TO-SCHOOL DINNER.

Top them with corn, shredded cabbage and salsa for a spicy alternative to traditional potatoes.

Ingredients

- 4 small gold sweet potatoes
- 1 corn cob, husk and silk removed
- 400g can black beans, rinsed, drained
- 300g jar tomato salsa, mild
- 1 cup finely shredded red cabbage
- Coriander leaves, to serve
- Avocado dip, to serve

Method

- 1) Preheat oven to 200°C. Place sweet potatoes on a baking tray. Bake, turning occasionally, for 40 mins or until tender.
- Meanwhile, heat a chargrill on high. Cook corn on grill, turning, for 10 mins or until lightly charred and tender. Cool slightly. Use a serrated knife to cut down side of corn to release kernels.
- 3) Combine the black beans and salsa in a medium saucepan over medium heat. Cook, stirring occasionally, for 5 mins or until heated through.
- 4) Use a sharp knife to cut a slit lengthways in top of each sweet potato (don't cut all the way through). Gently squeeze base of each potato to open slightly. Use a fork to mash flesh slightly.
- 5) Spoon the bean mixture over each sweet potato. Top with cabbage and corn kernels. Sprinkle with coriander leaves. Serve with the avocado dip.

Photo and recipe courtesy of taste.com.au.



Pride festival first of its kind for the Gladstone Region

SAVE THE DATE! RAINBOW ON THE REEF. **THE GLADSTONE REGION'S LGBTQIA+ ORGANISATION, HAS ANNOUNCED THEIR INAUGURAL PRIDE FESTIVAL WILL TAKE** PLACE FROM JUNE 10 TO 12 THIS YEAR.

The event will be a celebration of pride unlike anything seen before in the region, with the exciting festival program codesigned using feedback from a community survey.

Rainbow on the Reef President Heather Richards said the survey, launched May last year, received over 200 responses from across Queensland.

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These results were collated and reviewed at an event planning session in October, which the wider community was invited to participate in.

"The survey reached a really diverse range of community members, and the responses have provided clear directions for our team to work with," Heather said.

"The event planning is continuing with regular community meetings held, where we collaborate to co-design and deliver each element of the festival.

"It really will be for our community, by our community!"

Heather said Rainbow on the Reef also recently launched their first Sponsorship Prospectus, available to organisations and businesses who wish to explore opportunities to support the Pride 2022 Festival.

"We have come together to help nurture a culture of pride in identity and diversity for the Gladstone Region and beyond," Heather said.

"We invite organisations and businesses that share these values to review our prospectus, and explore opportunities to support the event through sponsorship to help bring our community's vision to life."

The Rainbow on the Reef Board is also inviting LGBTQIA+ community members, their friends, families, and allies to come along to their community meetings.

"We would love for some additional volunteers to come on board. There are opportunities to suit any level of commitment and skill set," Heather said.

"It is a great opportunity to be part of something big and meaningful for our community."

The three-day Rainbow on the Reef Pride Festival 2022 will launch on June 10, and promises to accelerate and celebrate pride across the weekend.

"Save the date, and follow us on Instagram or Facebook. We have some big announcements coming up that we are very excited to share," Heather said.

For more information email rainbowonthereef@gmail.com.



IT HAS BEEN A HECTIC BUT SUCCESSFUL START TO THE SUMMER CRICKET SEASON FOR MANY OF GLADSTONE'S MOST TALENTED JUNIORS.

Traditionally November and December has both Club (Central Queensland and Infernos) and School (Capricornia) Representative Carnivals for boys and girls pathways, with teams spread as north as Townsville and south as Ipswich.

This year Gladstone had an impressive number of players being rewarded with a CQ, Infernos or Capricornia cap, with 19 of our most promising girls and boys playing their part in respective rep teams that had some good results for the region.

Capricornia School Sports competed in carnivals for 12 Years and Under in Boys, played in Bundaberg, and Girls, in Maroochydore, as well as Girls 13 to 15 Years, in Ipswich.

All played across November with the 13 to 15's Girls Team being runner up, the 12's Boys Team finishing third, and the 12's Girls Team coming fifth.

There are 12 regions that compete from all over Queensland, including six from the south-east, so these results are fantastic for Capricornia.

We also witnessed a rare achievement for Gladstone with Fraser Judd from Tannum Sands High School/ BITS Cricket Club gaining selection in the Boys 12 Years Qld State Side.

Fraser is only the fourth boy to be selected from BITS Cricket Club for a Queensland School Boys team, and he was also Captain of the Capricornia side, and was awarded the Team MVP.

Unfortunately, due to wet weather in Toowoomba, the 13 to 15 Year Boys Carnival has been postponed until mid-January.

The end of the school term in December was the start for CQ and Inferno teams, traveling to carnivals in Townsville, Home Hill, Mackay, Bundaberg and Brisbane.

The Under 14 Centurion and Under 12 Development teams were both Premiers in their respective carnivals in Townsville and Mackay, with some fantastic cricket being played throughout the week against teams from Mackay/Whitsunday, North Queensland, and Cricket Far North.



Our Under 13 and Under 12 Centurion teams both finished Runners Up at Home Hill and Mackay, while the Girls Under 13 Centurion Team came away with third, as did the Under 15 Boys Team with all playing in a four team North Qld Alliance Carnival.

The Under 16 CQ Seamers played in the state-wide Bulls Masters Youth Cup, held in Bundaberg, and the boys finished fifth, while the Girls Under 15 Infernos, players drawn from CQ and Mackay, played in a six team carnival in Brisbane where they finished fifth.

Mahli Rea from BITS Cricket Club was given the honour of being Infernos' Captain.

It's a great endorsement of the quality of Gladstone's Junior Cricketers, and with the start of the 2022 Rep season back in February with the CQ 20/20 Carnivals, we could see more players being awarded a baggy Maroon in the near future!

by BITS Cricket Club's Nev Judd



GRAND FINALS WRAP UP

GLADSTONE TOUCH ASSOCIATION (GTA) HELD SUCCESSFUL GRAND-FINALS ACROSS 15 GRADES IN EARLY DECEMBER, WITH SOME GREAT GAMES ENJOYED BY ONE OF THE LARGEST CROWDS SEEN FOR MANY SEASONS.

The Mixed Division One Grand Final, played between MHPS Steelers and Patrick Jewelers, was an epic free-flowing match with Steelers coming away with a close 11 – 10 win. Ageless Matty Baker was pivotal in setting up the Steelers attack, and was well supported by Carly Hill and Dylan Lawson who received the Best-on-Ground awards.

The Women's Division One Grand Final was contested between SportsPower Gladstone and Rebels.

SportsPower went into the game as minor premiers and favorites, but were pushed all the way by Rebels, with SportsPower eventual winners 3 – 1.

The class of Georgia Muir, who was Best-on-Ground, proved to be the difference between the two teams.

Men's Division One was another closely contested game with Rebels holding off Oaka Construction for a 7 – 5 victory. The Rebels team played a very tight structured game which proved too much for Oaka in the end.

Best-on-Ground went to Jack Neucom who was involved in setting up all Oaka's tries.

GTA President David Woodward said he was very happy with how both the season and Grand Final night went.

"I'd like to thank the Gladstone touch community for their support," he said. "This season we had very close Grand Finals, a

bumper crowd, and the most players we had for 10 seasons.

"Next season will only be bigger and better."

Team registration for the 2022 Season 1 is open now, with the season due to kick off on February 7.

To keep up-to-date with the latest local touch news follow the Gladstone Touch Association Inc on Facebook.



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Men's Division 1 - Rebels 7 def Oaka Construction 5 Ladies' Division 1 - SportsPower Gladstone 3 def Rebels 1 Masters - Rebels 7 def Bulldogs 6 Men's Division 2 - Speed 3 11 def Ballhogz 8 Ladies' Division 2 - Don't Touch 6 def Redbacks 4 Men's Division 3 - Newprint 10 def IndoBois 4 Men's Division 4 - Mal's Muppets 7 def Methane Maulers 6 Men's Division 5 - Bandits 7 def Calliope Krabs 4

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Division 1 - MHPS Steelers 11 def Patrick Jewellers 10 Division 2 - Camels 10 def Butcher Bergers 6 Division 3 - Wu Tag 12 def Grumpies 3 Division 4 - Redbacks 7 def Frostbite 6 Division 5 - Newprint HRG 6 def Central Electrical 4 Division 6 - Hit M Up 13 def Win or Booze 6 Division 7 - Wobbels 10 def Saints Maroon 7



New Coach announced

CENTRAL FOOTBALL CLUB HAS ANNOUNCED THE APPOINTMENT OF DAVE LONGDEN AS THE PREMIER LEAGUE MEN'S COACH FOR 2022.

An experienced coach, player and Central FC Life Member, Dave is looking to build on last year's successful season.

He is also taking on the coaching duties of CFC's highly talented Women's Team from Marty Emerson.

CFC Men's training kicked off on January 11, and will take place on Tuesdays and Thursdays between 6:30 and 8pm.

Women's training is due to start on January 17, and will run on Mondays and Wednesdays from 6 to 7:30pm.

Training is held at Brian Niven Park, 45 Gladstone Benaraby Road, Toolooa, all welcome.

For more information contact CFC Senior Registrar Lee Butcher on 0452 335 216.

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