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LOCAL TENNIS IS ACE — ARE YOU GAME?

As January's Australian Open throws the spotlight on tennis, now's a great time to pick up a racquet and be part of the action. And the good news is you don't need to be a tennis pro to enjoy the game! Wynnum Tennis Club is the place to be if you're looking to make friends, get fit, and become an integral part of a community.

Like so many clubs in the bayside, Wynnum Tennis unites people of all ages and backgrounds to enjoy sport's social and physical benefits.

If you're seeking social connection without physical exertion, there are plenty of options with groups like Quota, Rotary, and our local Men's Shed keen to welcome new members.

We look forward to sharing more good news from clubs, groups and people in the bayside this year and celebrating their achievements. Here's to embracing all the opportunities 2024 has for us! Find out more about local tennis at wynnumtennis.com, and check out page 8.

Pictured: Ben Waugh, Trevor Carter and Tyrone Smart on the court at Wynnum Tennis Club.

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WYNNUM'S OWN CHRIS WOOD TAKES HOME BARTONS/BMD PRO-AM TITLE

The 44th annual Bartons/BMD Pro-Am with a prize purse of \$40,000 returned to the Wynnum Golf Club with home-club local Chris Wood taking home the Pro-Am title – after almost 20 years since he joined the club as a pre-junior.

The Pro-Am was established in 1979 at Wynnum Golf Club by Paul King together with Australia's largest privately owned civil contractor, the BMD Group, and one of the largest family owned dealerships in Queensland, Bartons.

Holding the title of Australia's richest one-day Pro-Am for 15 years, the event brought together a field of over 70 professionals and 138 amateurs including greats of Australian golf such as Ian Baker-Finch, Rod Pampling, Terry Price and Michael Ferguson. It also saw VIP sporting legends Allan Border, Leigh Matthews, Jonathan Thurston, Gorden Tallis, and Jon Sieben OAM in attendance.

Chris Wood's winning formula saw him channel his home-course knowledge to secure the title, finishing one-stroke clear of Gold Coaster Dillon Hart with a round of 7-under 62.

Speaking to his win on the day, the Wynnum local said it was an honour to represent his local club at the event, so much so he delayed his Golf Australia Australian Open preparations to play on the day.

"It was a pretty easy decision. Being a Wynnum boy, I wanted to come back and represent the club and see a lot of familiar faces. It was definitely the right decision to make at the end of the day," Mr Wood said.

Bartons' Managing Director, Mark Beitz, said it provided a valuable opportunity to connect with the local community while supporting professional golf.

"It's always a fantastic day for our sponsors to get the opportunity to play with professional golfers on the PGA Pro-Am circuit.

"We pride ourselves on the rich history of our event on the bayside and we are committed to the continuation of holding the title of Australia's richest one day Pro-Am," Mr Beitz said.

Patron of Wynnum Golf Club and the BMD Group's founder and Chairman, Mick Power AM, was honoured on the day with Honorary Lifetime PGA Membership for his investment and service to the golf industry and in particular PGA Professionals.

"It was a privilege to receive the Honorary Lifetime Membership from the PGA. I was introduced to golf by my dad and it's a game which is close to my heart and I am truly honoured by the recognition," Mr Power said.



Mick Power AM with Chris Wood and Bartons' Managing Director, Mark Beitz. Photo: Supplied.

"The tournament wouldn't be possible without the dedication of our loyal sponsors. Our event was founded on relationships, and this tournament wouldn't be possible without our loyal sponsors, some of whom have been with us from the very beginning," Mr Power said.

The annual Bartons/BMD Pro-Am grows year-on-year and will celebrate its 45th year in 2024.

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CHANGES UNDERWAY TO LINDUM STATION

FROM JOAN PEASE MP, MEMBER FOR LYTTON

Lindum Train Station is receiving a full accessibility upgrade during 2024. This is wonderful news for the community and commuters, making Lindum Station safer and fully accessible to commuters and all users of the station.

To ensure the safety of commuters Lindum Station will close, temporarily, from 22 January 2024. It is scheduled to reopen in October.

Key information regarding Lindum Train Station:

- Closed to commuters from 22 January 2024 to October 2024
- All trains will run express through the station
- Reduced car parking
- Alternative Transport Plan will be in place from 22 January 2024
- Shuttle service 229 will run between Lindum Station and Wynnum North Station
- Visit translink.com.au, MyTranslink App or telephone 13 12 30 for further details

Valuable feedback, gathered through recent community surveys, has played a crucial role in shaping the alternative transport options that are being put in place to meet your travel needs during the closure. We appreciate your input, and rest assured that your preferences have guided the decision-making.

To assist the community during the closure, a dedicated shuttle bus service will operate between Lindum and Wynnum North stations. The shuttle, numbered 229, will run at intervals of 10 to 15 minutes during peak hours (7 am to 9 am and 3 pm to 4 pm on weekdays), with additional services supporting school start and finish times. Outside of peak hours, the route will connect with arriving trains at Wynnum North station. It's important to note that all route 229 services will be fully accessible.



Photo: Supplied.

For those driving to Lindum station to access the shuttle service, limited parking will be available. Station parking will be designated specifically for commuters catching the 229 shuttle. No train services will stop at Lindum Station. Additionally, Wynnum North and Hemmant stations, both in close proximity to Lindum station, will remain open and accessible throughout the upgrade.

Detailed timetable information for the shuttle service will be made available shortly. You can plan your travel efficiently by downloading the MyTranslink app, visiting translink.com.au, or by calling 13 12 30 once the information is released.



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THE BONNER UPDATE

ROSS VASTA MP FEDERAL MEMBER FOR BONNER



HAPPY NEW YEAR

Happy New Year everyone! The beginning of a new calendar is a great time for reflection and planning.

2023 was a big year – from calling for compulsory Financial Literacy to be taught in schools, to fighting for my ‘Tunnel Vision’ project; stopping the early-turn flight path option by Airservices Australia over Wynnum-Manly and the Bayside; and pushing for cost-of-living relief from this Labor Government.

And 2024 is set to be even bigger!

My team and I are already planning some great events throughout the year, so make sure you keep your eyes peeled. I want to hear your view, on the issues impacting you. From infrastructure to local environment projects, Moreton Island to Rochedale, every perspective counts!

If you have any concerns or questions, please do not hesitate to contact me on 3893 3488 or to email me at ross.vasta.mp@aph.gov.au

Here’s to meeting more Bonner locals and continuing to represent your priorities in Canberra!

FINANCIAL LITERACY IN SCHOOLS

January is such an exciting time of year for students! The rush of new teachers, fresh classmates, and more challenging content... I know my boys are looking forward to seeing their mates at school and getting back on the basketball court. Thank you to all our teachers who do such a wonderful job educating and nurturing our kids.

As the school year approaches, I am reminded of how positive habits and lessons learnt in younger years help create a better future for our children. That is why I am still fighting to have Financial Literacy included in our national curriculum. It is our responsibility to ensure that the next generation is equipped with the skills they need to confidently make smart personal financial decisions to benefit them and their future.

I will be continuing my ‘Financial Literacy in Schools Tour’ and fighting to have these basic life skills taught in all classrooms.



WIN A MEAT TRAY FOR AUSTRALIA DAY

What kind of grill does a spider BBQ on? A Weber.

While I’m not immune to a good Dad joke, I know quality meat is no laughing matter. We all know there’s nothing better than summer days spent with friends and family.

And that’s why I want to help make Australia Day even better with a spread of delicious meat from a local Bayside Butcher!

This year, three lucky locals will be eating extra well on the 26th, with a Meat Tray on me! Whether you’re cooking on a Weber, camp stove, gas or charcoal grill, take your feast to the next level and enjoy!

To enter the draw, head to my website, fill in your details, and tell me, ‘Your favourite thing to do on Australia Day,’ or scan the QR Code.

Good luck, and I can’t wait to read your responses! Entries close at 5pm, Tuesday the 23rd of January.

JOAN PEASE'S COMMUNITY UPDATE

STATE MEMBER FOR LYTTON



HAPPY NEW YEAR BAYSIDERS!

Happy New Year Lytton! Welcome to 2024 – a year that promises to be full of milestones, progress and achievements for our Bayside.

As always, I am here to serve you as your State Member for Lytton. If you have any questions, concerns or require assistance, my office is open from 8am – 4pm, Monday to Friday.

You can get in contact by calling 3395 1100, or by emailing my office at lytton@parliament.qld.gov.au. I wish you all the best for the year ahead and I look forward to seeing you in my travels around the Bayside!

WYNNUM CUP SWIMMING CARNIVAL

At the end of December, I was delighted to attend the Wynnum Cup Swimming Carnival and donate a raffle prize. The Carnival was hosted at Wynnum State School pool by the Wynnum Wahoos, with our Bayside swimming clubs competing in a show of incredible community spirit.



I was absolutely blown away by the brilliant show of talent on the day. Even better, I am advised that we had 231 personal bests and 9 pool records!

Congratulations to all the swimmers, and to the Wynnum Wahoos for hosting the Carnival.

LINDUM STATION ACCESSIBILITY UPGRADE

Baysiders, the Lindum Station Accessibility Upgrade is full steam ahead. From 22 January 2024, the station will close to the public to build new platforms, a new footbridge with lift access and many other outstanding accessibility features.



To ensure the needs of customers are met, Queensland Rail and the Department of Transport and Main Roads have developed an Alternative Transport Plan.

Shuttle Bus 229 will operate between Lindum and Wynnum North stations, with a stop at North Road opposite Iona College. The fully accessible Shuttle will operate every 10-15 minutes during peak periods (7-9 AM and 3-4 PM on weekdays), and in-line with train arrivals at Wynnum North Station during off-peak periods.

Customers can also utilise the existing Bus Route 224 from Sibley Road, and Wynnum North and Hemmant Stations will also continue operations during the upgrade.

Stay ahead by downloading the MyTranslink app, visiting translink.com.au, or calling 13 12 30 for more information.

THE PEASE PODCAST

On this month's episode of the Pease Podcast, I talk with a true Lytton local legend: Mali Hannun.



Mali is an incredible local entrepreneur and businesswoman. She is the founder owner of two Bayside businesses: Cedar and Pine Bar on Bay Terrace and the Little Cedar Store on Glenora Street. She is a trailblazer who pioneered the vibrant hospitality scene on our Bayside.

I talk with Mali about her professional experiences, her business journey, and the wonderful venues that Mali operates.

Baysiders can stream my podcast on Spotify, Apple Podcasts and YouTube. Simply search for 'The Pease Podcast'.



SCHOOL WATCH

It's really important that as a Bayside community, we keep watch on our schools over the holidays.

Our schools have a range of protection measures already in place, including monitored intruder detection, CCTV and surveillance by police, Protective Services, and private security firms, however it's the eyes and ears of locals that can prevent instances of crime from occurring in the first place.

If you see or hear anything at our schools these holidays that appears suspicious, you can call the School Watch number on 13 17 88. As always, if you see a crime in progress, call Triple Zero (000).

Together, we can ensure that all students can come back to safe learning environments when they return to school in the new year.

AIRSERVICES AUSTRALIA NOISE ACTION PLAN UPDATE

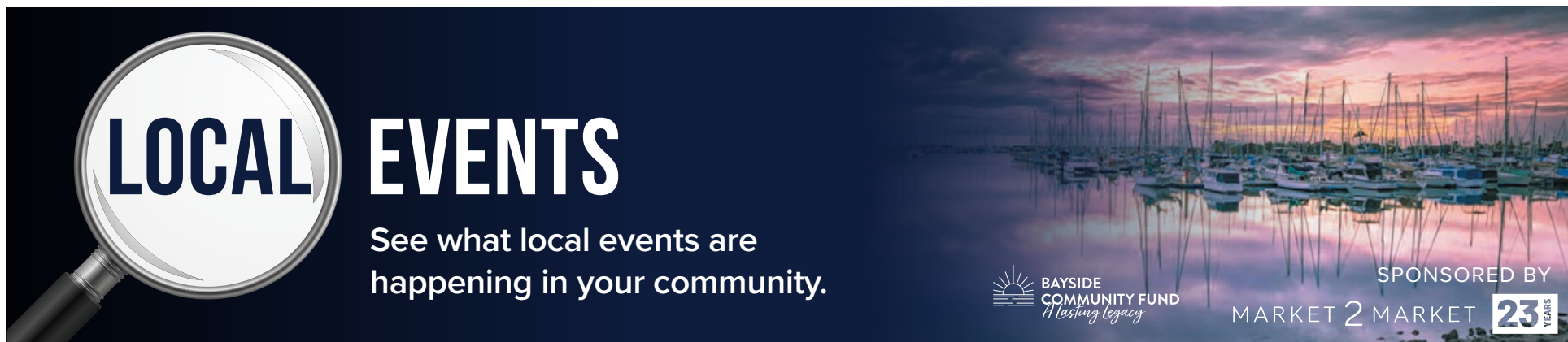
Airservices Australia have released Phase 3 of design options for the Noise Action Plan for Brisbane. In this Phase, there have been several changes. This includes preventing non-jet aircraft departures between 5am and 6am from the new runway, and a new requirement for all non-jet over land departures from the legacy runway to track back over the airport/industrial land and continue their climb over water.



For more information or to provide feedback, please visit the AirServices Australia website.

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If you're looking for something to do locally, check out The Community Leader's What's On page here and online.

BAYSIDE VEHICLE RESTORERS CLUB'S AUSTRALIA DAY RALLY



Friday January 26, 6:00am to 12:00pm
 Ormiston State School, entry via Dundas and Wellington Streets, Ormiston
Rally from Ormiston to Wynnum

Car lovers, strap yourselves in for a treat! Classic and historic vehicles will have their chance to shine at Bayside Vehicle Restorers' annual Australia Day rally. Previous years have seen more than 500 vehicles, including cars, trucks and motorbikes, participate in the rally. At around 10:30am, vehicles will travel to Wynnum from Ormiston, leaving via Wellington Street, so come along and see this super-shiny yearly spectacle in motion.

STAND-UP PADDLE BOARDING



January 9, from 8:00am to 9:00am
 Bayside Park, Manly

If you've seen the happy souls stand-up paddle boarding around Manly Harbour, and wondered if it's something you could try, here's your chance. During this one-hour session, you'll learn the basics of stand-up paddle boarding. Bookings available at scsurfschools.com.au.

HOPS & HARMONY BAYSIDE SING ALONG



Thursday January 25 from 6:00pm, Bayside Events Centre, 70 Edith Street, Wynnum

Join us for an unforgettable event as we celebrate Australian music at the Bayside Sing Along – a function that'll have you singing, swaying, and embracing the spirit of the land Down Under. In partnership with Hops and Harmony and Jabba Entertainment, the evening promises a fun-filled sing-along of classic Aussie tunes, from iconic rock anthems to timeless folk melodies. And the best part is you, the audience, get to be part of the show! Raise a toast and raise your voice, kick back in your best thongs, and immerse yourself in an evening of toe-tapping tunes and good old Aussie camaraderie! Book your tickets on Oztix or contact functions@smithamevents.com.au.

PINK VS GAGA TRIBUTE SHOW



Saturday January 13, doors open 7:30pm, show at 8:00pm
 Wynnum Manly Leagues Club, Wondall Road, Manly West

Dubbed as the "ultimate tribute show", this two-and-a-half hour rock vs pop show features electrifying live performances of everyone's favourite Pink and Lady Gaga songs, plus numerous glittering costume changes and heaps of energy! Gather your friends and get ready to dance the night away! Pre-register by scanning the QR code and following the instructions.

LOCAL CLUB PROFILE: WYNNUM TENNIS ASSOCIATION

Feel like a hit of tennis? What better time than now, with all the top world players in Brisbane for the annual Brisbane International? What better place than our lovely tennis centre situated at Kitchener Park?

Wynnum Tennis Association is one of Queensland's largest not-for-profit member-based community tennis clubs. It has a growing reputation for participation, junior development, professional coaching, and competitions. It provides outstanding opportunities for tennis players at all levels, from those who enjoy a social hit to those with an avid passion for the sport.

The club offers a range of member services and fantastic facilities, including eight synthetic grass courts and two plexipave courts (all floodlit), a large clubhouse with a function room, a licensed bar, food preparation facilities and a balcony area, all available for hire. There is also a canteen and pro shop to meet the needs of all players.

To book a court or enquire about club programs, you can contact Malpass Tennis at info@malpasstennis.com.au or visit their website at www.malpasstennis.com.au to book a court online. You can also see what's on at the club and get in touch through the Facebook page "Wynnum Tennis" and Instagram page "wynnumtennis".

The club welcomes all new members.



Sienna Tran with Ben Waugh at Wynnum Tennis courts.

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Local Area Update

COUNCILLOR FOR WYNNUM MANLY



Australia Day Community Breakfast 2024

The Wynnum Manly Australia Day Community Breakfast will return to George Clayton Park in 2024.



Head down on Friday, 26 January, from 7am for a fair dinkum bonza morning, with a free breakfast, sausage sizzle, entertainment, and children's activities available to the community.

The Community Breakfast will also host the Scope Colouring In Competition, supported by Wynnum Manly Leagues Club, and the Scope Australia Day Award.

The colouring in competition is open to children up to 12 years old. Wynnum Manly residents should have already received the colouring in sheet in their letterbox, but you can also pick up a copy from my office.

The Australia Day Award recognises community members over the age of 18 who perform important volunteer work in the area. You can send your nominations via email to merrilyn.oneill@bigpond.com or via mail to The Scope Club of Wynnum Inc, P.O. Box 184, Wynnum Qld 4178. Please include a brief history of the nominee and details of their community activities. Nominations close on 17 January.

This event wouldn't be possible without the Wynnum Manly Leagues Club, Rotary Club of Wynnum and Manly, Scope Club of Wynnum, Quota Club of Wynnum, Wynnum Scouts, Wynnum Vikings AFL Club, Bayside United Football Club, and Army Cadets.

Berrima Street Petition

I frequently receive requests regarding the need for a pedestrian crossing along Berrima Street. The current lack of a designated pedestrian crossing on Berrima Street is a safety hazard for pedestrians and a huge barrier for people with mobility concern.



The latter issue became especially clear to me when I took part in the Rotary Club of Wynnum's wheelchair challenge.

With Wynnum's current and expected population growth, the need for strategic pathways is more important now than ever.

I have started a petition calling for a pedestrian crossing in Berrima Street that I will present to Brisbane City Council in the new year. Please support this petition by visiting <https://actionnetwork.org/petitions/pedestrian-crossing-at-berrima-st-wynnum> or scanning the QR code.

Mud Flat Toys



I recently had the pleasure of meeting with Mud Flat Toys, a 100% volunteer-run organisation that makes wooden toys. The toys are either donated to charity or sold and the profits donated to local groups like BABI Youth and Family Services and Silky Oaks Children's Have.

What sets this group apart is not just their commitment to altruism but also their dedication to inclusivity. Housed in a fully wheelchair-accessible warehouse, Mud Flat Toys welcomes participants from the National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS) to join their volunteer ranks.

For those inspired to contribute, whether through time, financial support, or donations of materials like wood, tools, and nails, Mud Flat Toys extends a warm invitation. For more details on how to get involved, please contact them at 0428 404 541.



Men's Shed Survey

The good news for the Wynnum Manly District Men's Shed is that membership is on the rise. But this means that they need more space.

The Men's Shed have a proposal for a new shed on the northern green of the former Wynnum Bowls Club site along the Esplanade, behind their existing shed. The all-purpose shelter will champion inclusivity, with custom-designed workbenches and spaces to accommodate people with mobility issues.

The specifications outline a 30M x 12M shed with a 3M-wide awning, designed to cover 180sqm. Aesthetically, the 'Colonial Type' façade will blend in with the existing environment.

Please take five minutes to visit my website and answer a one-question survey - <https://sarawhitmee.com/mens-shed-construction/>.

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MAGGIE'S MATES

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Name: My name is Lollie.

Suburb: Alexandra Hills.

How long have you lived here? I was adopted from the RSPCA at Dakabin on August 13, 2023.

What's your favourite local walk? Valentine Park is close to my house, and I go there most days if I am not checking out other parks in the Redlands.

Your most treasured toy? Any toy that is not easily destructible as I am a five-year-old Jack Russell that likes a challenge.

Your favourite food? Any food (preferably chicken) and lots of it, please. Plus treats which benefit my teeth (Mum told me I had to say that).

Your worst habit: I did try to venture out alone, but my father was in hot pursuit. My parents have worked out my escape route so no more unescorted walks for me. Sad but true.

What's your favourite local hangout? I am new to the area so on my list of local hangouts to visit are: Koala Tavern, Bacchus Brewery, The Bush Pantry, The Bay View Café on Russell Island, and Cleveland Bayside Club.

Your best doggo friends? I don't really have a bestie, however I have introduced myself under the fence to my wonderful neighbour, Loki. Spot slept over. Archer, Sebastian, and Lila said "hello" on my walk.

Any funny or embarrassing stories you'd like to share? When the parents attended my 'Meet and Greet' RSPCA appointment, I said "hello" but really did not pay them much attention at all. Now I just have to show my appreciation and love daily. I just needed a little time and patience on the parents' part.

What do people love most about you? My adorable face, and the way my tail wags a lot since I was adopted into my fur-ever home after being found wandering the streets and surrendered to the RSPCA. People smile at me and I like to smile back to brighten their day.

The first few minutes in a life-threatening situation are critical. Would you know what to do? Wynnum Seventh-day Adventist Church is running a Knowledge of First Aid Course

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- Stroke

Dates: Monday 12 & Monday 19 February 2024

Time: 7pm - 9pm

Venue: Wynnum Seventh-Day Adventist Church Hall, 25 Sunflower Street, Wynnum
Cost: Free (if donations are received they will be given to the Queensland Institute of Medical Research)

Bookings are essential as classes will be limited to 20 participants.

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MISS MAGGIE OF MANLY



ALL ABOUT HEAT STROKE IN DOGS AND CATS

BY DR NICKY THOMAS, WYNNUM MANLY VETERINARY HOSPITAL

Heat stroke is a common emergency in dogs and cats. Our furry friends cannot regulate their heat in the same way we do – they only have sweat glands in their paws and nose so evaporative cooling is limited. Environmental conditions such as high temperature and humidity and breed related conformation issues such as thick/long coats and short noses pre-dispose dogs and cats to developing heat stroke.



Cats do not usually pant so open-mouthed breathing may be an indicator of heat stroke in a cat. Cats may also show increased grooming as they try to cool their bodies.

TREATMENT OF HEAT STROKE

First aid for heat stroke includes:

- Remove your pet from the hot area
- Thoroughly wet their body with a hose (avoiding the face as pets may aspirate water when panting) and use a fan to help with evaporative cooling
- Wet the surface which the pet is on
- Offer water
- DO NOT USE ICE BATHS as this may cause pets to cool too rapidly and result in blood vessels constricting which will reduce the ability to cool themselves

PREVENTION

Prevention is the key to ensuring pets stay safe particularly in the hot summer months.

- Do not leave pets confined in a car or small space with poor ventilation



- Avoid exercising your pet in the heat of the day
- Do not walk dogs on hot surfaces – if the footpath/road is too hot for you to comfortably hold your hand on it will burn your pet
- Ensure pets have access to plentiful water and a source of shade at all times

If you are concerned that your pet is suffering from heat stroke it is important to seek veterinary attention as soon as possible.

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WYNNUM'S NEWEST FUNCTION VENUE LAUNCHES IN STYLE

Wynnum CBD's vibrant collection of food and entertainment venues recently welcomed a new establishment, wowing guests with its glam fit-out and stellar service.

Nestled in the heart of Wynnum on Bay Terrace, the newly launched Lou Lou Room is an exciting function venue by the bay and the perfect backdrop for memorable events.

Guests recently partied into the night at Lou Lou's launch, enjoying fine food and drinks with live music and great company.



Photos: Supplied.



Lord Mayor Adrian Schrinner

Local Updates





\$2 Summer Dips Underway

Right now, entry to Council's 22 pools has been reduced to only \$2. Whether you're a regular lap swimmer or a family that loves taking the kids for a dip on those hot summer days, slashing pool prices will help residents have fun, stay active, and save.

The \$2 entry applies to everyone, both children and adults. Pop in to the Manly Pool now until 29 February 2024 to make the most of keeping cool this summer.



Bay Terrace & Chestnut Street, Wynnum

A couple of months ago, we completed an upgrade to the intersection of Bay Terrace and Chestnut Street in Wynnum.

This is a notorious blackspot intersection with a number of recorded crashes at the site. I was pleased to fund the project in this year's budget which will improve safety for motorists, and pedestrians alike.



Update on Wynnum Wading Pool Playground

Late last year, we consulted with the community on what they would like to see as part of our upgrade to the Wynnum Wading Pool Playground. A concept design was released which included new play spaces, bridges, boulders, and new boardwalk amongst other things. We are currently reviewing all of the feedback received, and will be in a position to release the final plan mid-next year.

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THAT'S A WRAP! WYNNUM FRINGE'S SPECTACULAR ARTS EXTRAVAGANZA

FROM WYNNUM FRINGE

Did you visit Wynnum Fringe in 2023? What. A. Festival!

For three incredible weeks, from November 15 until December 3, big-name artists and local talent took over the beautiful bayside and solidified our reputation as a global arts destination.

Almost 30,000 people visited the Fringe Garden at George Clayton Park in Wynnum, and there were over 200 performances of the most incredible live music, theatre, circus, cabaret, comedy, family events and more.

There are too many amazing shows and events to mention, but some highlights included; incredible live music including Diesel, Rai Thistlethwayte, Sarah McLeod, Tania Doko, Robert Forster from The Go-Betweens and Chocolate Starfish performing Meatloaf's full Bat Out of Hell album in their only Queensland date; epic laughs with a comedy lineup that included Jimeoin, Wil Anderson, Dave Thornton, Geraldine Hickey and the return of the Wynnum Fringe Comedy Gala.

This year saw the introduction of Mini Fringe, the mini-festival within Wynnum Fringe for families, including Bluey and Bingo, magic and circus shows, Ferris wheel rides, petting zoos, face painting, bubbles, Puppypalooza and so much more.

We celebrated all the colours of the rainbow with the inaugural Bay Pride on Sunday, November 26 – over 5,000 people came along to our family-friendly march from Wynnum Jetty to the Fringe Garden.

Australia's most famous legs, Rhonda Burchmore, made her Wynnum debut with the premiere of the new Australian Spiegel tent show, Rhonda's After Party, with some of the best circus performers in the world, including Mario Queen of The Circus, Helen Cassidy, Pricasso, 'Bath Boy' Stephen Williams and co.

We made the world record books with the largest gathering of people singing *The Wynnum Takes it All*, our Community Choir event presented in partnership with ABC Brisbane.

The legendary Daryl Braithwaite and the incomparable Marcia Hines headlined our closing day concert, Rock the Bay, a summer love cocktail of rock, pop, funk, soul, and disco.

Thanks for supporting Wynnum Fringe! We'll be back in 2024. To keep updated with all the latest news and happenings, sign-up to the Wynnum Fringe email newsletter at wynnumfringe.com.



TIPS FOR A HEALTHY AND HAPPY NEW YEAR

BY DR REBECCA LEVY, MANLY VILLAGE MEDICAL

It's 2024! Now is the ideal time to refocus on your health. With so many recent celebrations, a lot of good habits may have slidden, and it's time to renew healthy lifestyle choices.



My tips for the new year:

1. Set realistic goals for yourself – goals define our priorities and make them more achievable. However, if the goals are vague (like “be fitter”) or aspirational (like “lose 10 kg in two weeks”), it can set you up for disappointment. Talk with your doctor about what goals you want to achieve.
2. Eliminate the word “diet”! What leads to healthy and sustainable weight loss (if that's what you're aiming for), is long-term lifestyle changes. Crash diets may lead to rapid weight loss in the first few weeks but they are not helpful in the long term and will “confuse” your body so it holds onto fat stores. You may have tried a range of diets before with little success, or you may not know where to start (or you do, but can't generate the motivation to do it) – in any of these scenarios, talking with a dietitian about what suits your lifestyle, can make all the difference.
3. Keep hydrated – and not with alcohol or coffee! Water intake is especially important when the weather is hot, and helps you feel fuller so you're less likely to over-indulge. Alcohol and caffeinated drinks dehydrate you, and add to your calorie (“sugar”) intake.
4. Start or stick to an enjoyable exercise program. Using energy actually generates energy, and this improves better sleep, metabolism, mental health, blood pressure, balance – it's the all-rounder! If you have trouble finding an exercise that fits in with your lifestyle or physical limitations, see an exercise physiologist for a tailored program.



5. Don't ignore your mental health – this time of year is not easy for a lot of people, and pretending everything is ok doesn't work in the long run. It's ok to not be ok. Tell family and friends if you're not up to doing something – pace yourself. If you're concerned about your mental health, please see your GP – we can offer more than you think, and it might just be the stepping stone you need to make major life changes for good.

Happy New Year, everyone!



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DANCE AND THEATRE FACTORY STUDENTS ACHIEVE THEIR DREAMS

FROM THE DANCE AND THEATRE FACTORY

The path to stardom is a challenging one, requiring dedication and hard work. However, when aspirations become a reality, it makes all the effort worth it. Two highly skilled and industrious students of the Dance and Theatre Factory (TDTF) have recently achieved success in the professional performing arts industry.

Eva Rose McMurray (13) has landed her first professional contract to perform the leading role in 'Mia Muddle – A Forest Tale' at the Brisbane Entertainment and Convention Centre in January 2024. Alessia Monteverde (12) was named the Arts Person of the Year 2023 Runner-up at the recent Bright Star awards.

The Dance and Theatre Factory is dedicated to preparing its students for the future of the performing arts industry. It offers training, information, and performance opportunities to help its students further develop their skills, confidence, and personality. In 2023, TDTF staged seven musicals and showcases, including 'Frozen Jr,' 'Chicago,' 'The Addams Family,' 'Seussical Jr,' and 'Aladdin Jr.' With each show, students had the chance to hone their technical skills and further develop their performance style.

TDTF caters to students of all ages, ranging from two years of age to adults. Whether you are aspiring to reach for the stars or just want to have fun, there are suitable classes on offer alongside performance opportunities. Classes in dance include jazz, tap, ballet, contemporary, lyrical, hip hop, and acrobatics, as well as acting, drama, and singing. TDTF also provides qualifications and training packages tailored to aspiring professional performers.

The year 2024 kicks off with a summer holiday workshop and production of 'Newsies Jr,' running from January 11 to 20. To inquire about classes or training packages for 2024, visit danceandtheatrefactory.com.au.



Eva Rose McMurray (left) and Alessia Monteverde. Photos: Supplied.

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ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATORS RECEIVE \$100K FUNDING BOOST

Hundreds more school students will soon be visiting the Port of Brisbane following a \$100,000 funding boost for its bayside-based education partners.

Eco-educational organisations, Tangalooma EcoMarines and the Moreton Bay Environment Education Centre (MBEEC), have each received \$50,000 to support their port education tour programs.

MBEEC Principal, Dianne Ayleward, said the organisation looked forward to supporting increased numbers of students engaging in port tours, bird watching at the purpose-built Shorebird Roost, and engaging with the passionate and dedicated Environmental Managers.

“The MBEEC team and our visiting schools want to shout out to the Port of Brisbane and acknowledge their integral part in making our Senior Geography – Port of Brisbane Land Cover Transformations Program – the success it is,” said Dianne.

“MBEEC are fortunate to have authentic support and input by the Port of Brisbane through face-to-face interaction with their Environmental Managers, as well as access to a suite of their monitoring data, to take student learning and engagement to a whole new level.

“The extraordinary Environmental Advisory team at the Port of Brisbane provide invaluable information to our visiting students on impacts and management strategies directly relating to land cover transformations – world-class initiatives supporting learning and engagement at MBEEC.”

Just last month, 150 excited Year 3 students from the Islamic College of Brisbane explored the Port’s dedicated shorebird roost at Fisherman Islands, learning firsthand about the local migratory and shorebird population in Moreton Bay. It’s hoped the extra funding will bring even more students to learn about the unique environment and the Port’s environmental management programs in place to protect it.



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The Port’s Community Relations Manager, Ed Harwood, said that 24 educational groups from across south-east Queensland brought almost 550 students to visit the Port during 2022/23.

“Our port tour program got off to a great re-start in 2023 and we hope this extra funding will bring

even more students out to learn about the Port and its very special natural environment in 2024,” he said.

The Port also runs tours for the general public, community and industry groups.

Hi, I'm Bel

I'm a local business owner of Little Gnome Bookshop, fundraiser for Variety QLD, DJ at many of our local schools and passionate member of our Bayside. It's this deep connection I feel toward so many of you in the Bayside community that has spurred me on to run for Brisbane City Council in the 2024 election.

As your councillor, I will fight for a vibrant, connected and affordable Bayside. I will build more community hubs and public spaces, encourage small business opportunities and help us grow in a more connected way - all the while making sure we stay accessible to all walks and wheels of life.

Let's make it possible in 2024! Follow me on Facebook @Bel Ellis - The Greens.

Stay awesome, stay kind! Cheers, Bel

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MANLY HARBOUR VILLAGE RINGS IN 2024 WITH FESTIVE CHEER

FROM THE MANLY HARBOUR VILLAGE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

As we bid farewell to a joyful December, the Manly Harbour Village Chamber of Commerce is delighted to reflect on the immense success of our Christmas Lights Competition, which illuminated our community with warmth and festive spirit. We extend our heartfelt congratulations to the winners and participants who made our streets, harbour and precinct twinkle with holiday magic.

The New Year has arrived, and with it, a renewed sense of optimism and excitement for our business community. We are committed to fostering a positive business attitude as we continue to support our local enterprises and attract visitors to our beautiful area.

In the coming months, our vibrant community will come alive with a series of monthly social events, including the return of free Movies in the Park and our weekend markets. Our quarterly business breakfasts will also provide valuable opportunities for networking and growth.

The Manly Harbour Village Chamber of Commerce remains steadfast in its mission to promote activities that bring visitors to our area, ensuring mutual benefits for both business operators and our cherished community. We invite you to join us in making 2024 a year filled with success, growth, and community spirit.

Stay tuned for updates on our website as we embark on another exciting year of opportunities and celebrations. Together, let's make 2024 a year of shared success.



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INSIGHTS INTO ACCESSIBILITY: ROTARY WYNNUM'S WHEELCHAIR CHALLENGE

FROM THE ROTARY CLUB OF WYNNUM AND MANLY

Friday 1 December 2023 saw six able-bodied people take up the challenge to be in wheelchairs for the Rotary Wynnum Wheelchair Challenge. The objective was to highlight the daily challenges faced by those in wheelchairs in and around the Wynnum CBD.

Representatives from local, state and federal governments, Ham Bros, Raine and Horne, and club members took part. They were ably supported by six support staff, whose role was to ensure their safety.

The teams were as follows:

Jockey	Representing
Joan Pease MP	Electoral district of Lytton
Sara Whitmee	BCC Wynnum Manly Ward
Andrew Hurst	Rotary Club of Wynnum and Manly
Bradán Sonnendecker	Federal seat of Bonner
Bernie Neylan	Ham Bros
Byron Freeborn	Raine and Horne Wynnum

Each person was given a set of tasks to complete in the Wynnum area. Purchases procured from Coles and Woolworths were donated to St Pete's Pantry. Representatives from Brisbane City Council's

accessibility unit, Rotarians, and other local citizens with mobility issues attended. Spinal Life Australia, and Raine and Horne's Byron Freeborn provided sponsorship.

Some of the main revelations were:

- Challenging intersection ramps with lips that are dangerous.
- Wheelchair pedestrians in designated crossings ignored by drivers.
- Few people gave way on the footpath to people in wheelchairs.
- People don't address the person in the wheelchair directly; they address the person standing.
- Traffic lights and pedestrian lights change from green back to red too quickly.
- Construction site pavement closures/interruptions cause access issues.
- Opening doors is challenging.
- Issues accessing businesses with steps at their entrances.
- Lack of accessible street parking.
- Lack of pedestrian crossings on Bay Terrace north of Charlotte Street.
- No pedestrian crossing in busy Berrima Street.
- Wheelchair users feel very vulnerable.



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Wheelchair participants with conveners Bill and Geraldine Simpson and Spinal Life Australia (sponsor) Bevan Kersley.

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FROM M DANCE

Which local dance teacher recently celebrated 70 years of teaching the art of dance to the local community? The answer is the one and only Mrs Jan Hope!

If she looks familiar to you, and you have ever learned dance in Wynnum, Hemmant, or Birkdale, then chances are you were taught by Mrs Hope.

After a very successful career dancing at the Theatre Royal and at the Railway Hotel (behind some big names such as the Bee Gees), Mrs Hope opened her own studio at Hemmant before moving to the Old Town Hall in Wynnum, and only moving again to the Buffalo Hall when the town hall was being demolished to build the Leisure Centre.

Many of Mrs Hope's past students have gone on to enjoy successful careers of their own in the Netherlands Ballet, in shows such as 42nd Street, Boy from Oz, Singin' in the Rain and Chicago, as well as hosting TV shows, modelling careers and some even opening successful dance studios of their own.

Mrs Hope's studio has always supported the local community by competing in the Wynnum Manly Eisteddfod every year since its inception, and her students performed at local events and nursing homes in the area.

A dance teacher and studio rarely gets to celebrate such a fantastic achievement and so many student success stories.

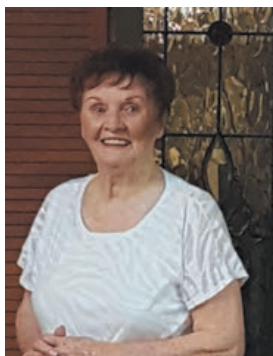


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CYRIL, DELMAY AND THE COMBINE HARVESTER...

He's had the John Deere 9750 combine harvester for a long, long time, but 59-year-old bachelor farmer Cyril Evans is prepared to give it to a woman of "breeding age" who will marry him. So says the ad that he's run in Queensland Country Life – and that's what kicks off a chain of events that resemble mediaeval warfare in a small-town rural setting. Mixing intrigue, passion, subterfuge, and internecine warfare over land ownership, *Farmer Will Swap Combine Harvester for a Wife* is, in all, a wonderfully funny play from the masterly pen of Hugh O'Brien.



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Cyril and Delmay were in love but things got complicated because of his mother and attempted empire-building so Cyril put the ad in the paper and several women – and a man – turn up but not everything is the way it seems to be so things get more complicated but the combine harvester gets repaired and there was a baby ...

Really, the best thing you can do is come to see the show. It's a beautifully written comedy with a strong undercurrent of a serious social issue. Produced by MATES, it opens at Redland Museum on 26 January; for more information ring the Museum on 3286 3494 or go to <https://www.redlandmuseum.org.au/whats-on/events/>.





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FROM GOODHEW ELECTRICAL AND SOLAR

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Real estate market highlights: 2023

BY BYRON FREEBORN, RAINE & HORNE WYNNUM

As we round off the calendar year and lean into 2024, let's take look back at the year's highlights and some of the trends that influenced some of the purchasing decisions throughout the year.

We've seen a selection of people purchase their first homes, upgrade from their current home, relocate from either inter-state or from other parts of the state, all the while getting familiar with their new surroundings; joining groups or clubs, visiting the cafes and restaurants, which has helped our food/entertainment scene develop.

A shift this year has been an increasing familiarity with higher interest rates and the required adjustments to budgeting and lifestyle choices. There had been a shift to some extent of the type of dwelling being purchased, from an entry-level house to a townhouse, a house with a water view to one that doesn't (but is still walking distance to the esplanade), or from a modern/renovated home to one that's fit for purpose, with renovation will

plans for the future. Properties with bay views have still been in great demand – the budget is there, and the desire. There has also been the geographical adjustment – from Manly to Manly West, or Wynnum to Yarrabilba – particularly with the additional enticement of the increase in first home buyers' grants.

Decisions have been pending from some of the potential investment crew, certainly not all, but as most property owners have seen a gain in the value of their home, paid down the loan and now have a reasonable level of equity, so the next step is to convert the home to an investment. This prompts the question: do you wait for interest rates to cool off before you purchase and lock in the interest rate? The conundrum there is, while we wait for interest rates to (possibly) come down, is the property of interest likely to grow in value, stripping any possible savings from a lower interest rate?

As for the number of potential buyers in the market, the energy is good, partly due to an increase in values since

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the 2021 bull run, with little pullback in demand and enthusiasm in early/mid-2022. Purchasing a property is a personal event, and a financially significant one at that. If you're ready to buy, you've done your homework, and you're staying within your budget, it's time to move forward.

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Body corporate reforms strike the right balance

FROM THE REAL ESTATE INSTITUTE OF QUEENSLAND

The Real Estate Institute of Queensland (REIQ) is commending changes to a number of contentious body corporate matters that were previously placed in the “too hard basket”, and have now been brought into line with modern community expectations.

The Body Corporate and Community Management and Other Legislation Amendment Act 2023 was passed by the Queensland Government, overhauling several Acts that regulate community title schemes in Queensland.

In summary, the body corporate changes will:

- Allow body corporates to make by-laws to prohibit smoking (including vapes) in outdoor areas and communal areas of strata communities,
- Prevent body corporates from making by-laws with blanket pet bans in community title schemes, and introduce a mechanism for pet approvals,
- Clarify and enhance the ability for body corporates to tow vehicles from common property in a timely manner, and
- Reduce consensus for scheme termination from unanimous to 75% of lot owners in limited circumstances.

REIQ CEO Antonia Mercorella said the reforms would help modernise apartment and unit living.

“The REIQ certainly supports the viewpoint that quiet enjoyment of people’s homes is a right that should be upheld and not restricted as much as possible,” Ms Mercorella said.

“However, we recognise that due to the nature of sharing a title and being in close quarters, there needs to be laws that govern

communities with clarity and necessary protections to keep everyone within them safe.

“As our population grows, living in apartments and units is becoming more common place, and it’s important to ensure our laws keep pace with changing community standards and expectations, and are balanced so that this lifestyle remains attractive in our state.”

Ms Mercorella said the ability for body corporates to self-regulate and potentially prohibit smoking in outdoor areas such as balconies, courtyards, patios and verandas had attracted a high level of debate.

“When moving into a unit or apartment complex, people generally go in eyes-wide-open and understand that there are certain limits that apply to common use areas,” she said.

“However, many of us agree that ‘my home is my castle’ and that you should be able to live the life you want to live when you’re in the boundaries of your own home.

“Of course, the challenge comes with the fact that when you live in an apartment or a unit, your activity can also have an impact on others who live very close by – which is the case with smoke drift and second-hand smoke risk.”

She said legislative reform to prevent body corporates from banning pets, except in specific circumstances, had been another controversial topic in body corporate schemes.

“Historically it’s not uncommon to see body corporate bylaws with a blanket pet prohibition that says ‘no pets allowed’, and time and time again we have seen those bans being overturned,” Ms Mercorella said.

“We know pets are an extension of our families

in many cases and the mental health benefits of having pets has been widely reported, so this reform will come as welcome news to many.

“However, it’s the REIQ’s view that there’s a missed opportunity to align this legislation to the Residential Tenancies and Rooming Accommodation Act regarding the timeframe for a decision in relation to a pet request – any inconsistency will likely impact lot owners that rent their properties on the residential rental housing market.”

In relation to allowing body corporates to tow motor vehicles if parked in contravention of a by-law, she said the REIQ expects this will be welcomed if there’s sufficient notice.

“This reform addresses situations such as visitor parking being monopolised by the same lot owners or their guests, when the benefit is meant to be enjoyed by all,” she said.

“Our view is that stakeholders should be educated about what signage should be erected and what information should be provided to lot owners about parking and towing by-laws, liability for the cost of same and particularly, with respect to third party guests.”

She said the most controversial change was to allow the termination of a community titles scheme for economic reasons, after providing a termination plan and following a prescribed timeframe, with 75% of lot owners voting for the motion.

“This scheme termination reform, which was raised at the Housing Summit, is limited to specific circumstances with ageing or rundown buildings that will become unviable within five years, and there are rigorous statutory hoops

to jump through to satisfy this,” she said.

“From our perspective, it was particularly important to see adequate consumer protection measures included for vulnerable people, such as options for recourse, and compensation for lot owners as well as for parties with contractual interests in the scheme.”

In addition, changes have also been made to the Land Sales Act 1984 impacting the operation of sunset clauses in off-the-plan land sale contracts to:

- Limit when property developers can invoke sunset clauses in contracts for the sale of land to specific situations, including requiring buyer’s consent.

“It is our view that the proposed provisions, albeit offering strong consumer protection, may lack consideration for the commercial challenges faced by developers in providing housing,” Ms Mercorella said.

“We appreciate that in what has been an unprecedented, extraordinary market period, that there have been some reports of developers pulling the pin on developments and leaving buyers to start again.

“However, our concern is that this now legislates an outlier issue which is not prevalent or evident in today’s market now that we’ve returned to ‘normality’, and under normal circumstances these clauses are needed for developers to avoid bankruptcy on unfeasible projects.”

She added, “As peak body, the REIQ is committed to developing resources and training for the real estate sector to ensure they are supported and prepared for the changes.”

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BY ROSS FARLEY, BAYSIDE RESIDENT

When I was in high school, smoking was socially acceptable, and many teachers smoked, but they were not permitted to smoke in the classroom.

One of my teachers regularly smoked in class and the principal would try to catch him in the act by walking along the hallway and looking into the classroom. However, the principal used to make a distinctive sound shuffling his feet on the concrete floor, so we always knew when he was coming. When the teacher heard shuffling shoes, he would stub out his cigarette in his fingers and drop it in his trouser pocket. No one said anything but he would smile at us, and we would all smile back. The principal would look in the room and perhaps say "hello", but we all knew what was really going on.

On one occasion the teacher failed to extinguish his cigarette before dropping it in his pocket. Soon smoke started rising and the teacher started slapping his leg to put the cigarette out. By then the principal was gone, the teacher had an embarrassing hole in his pants and everyone, including the teacher, had a good laugh.



LOCAL POETRY

MEALS ON WHEELS

BY GEOFF SMILEY

They are always at home
to receive a meal and time;
always kind, always
with old-time grace.
After their going
will there still,
be gentleness?

The men tug at the
heartstrings,
Stranded and grieving
in their loneliness.
One had a lathe
on his lounge table;
unused for years.

Women are more resilient.
They have family photos
everywhere,
confirming connection.
There are more of them.

On arrival, I meet
abandoned walkers,
ramps, deafness
and gratefulness.

I place the hot meal down,
(any space in the chaos);
our hands touch
and I compare

the impact of the years.
Wondering, though our
time
is similar, about the
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OUR LOST INSTITUTIONS: WYNNUM CENTRAL STATE SCHOOL

FROM THE WYNNUM MANLY HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Queensland became a colony in 1859. Brisbane pioneer investors were buying land along the foreshores from 1860, and the train line from Brisbane to Cleveland opened through the bayside in 1889. The permanent population was increasing, and it was declared that a “provisional school is needed for Wynnum”.

In 1892, local residents applied to the Secretary for Public Instruction in Brisbane for a provisional school to be built at Wynnum. The application was rejected.

In June 1894, 75 children between the ages of six and 14 lived in the Wynnum area. A building committee was formed, and Mr Falkiner, the secretary, submitted a second application. Again, rejection, as Lytton School was already in the vicinity.

One month later, in July 1894, Mr Falkiner renewed the application.

The reply came: “If the Lytton School (built in 1882) is in the wrong place, it might be moved to a central site. There is no sense in building a new school in Wynnum and leaving the Lytton School (near the quarry in Wynnum North Road) standing empty.”

The Works Department were keen to relocate Lytton School, for £350, rather than build a new State School in Wynnum for £655.

Building a school required funds from the local community to purchase a suitable site. The Ladies Committee of the Wynnum Divisional Board were ardent fundraisers running bazaars and concerts. When £65 had been raised, land was purchased in Charlotte through to Florence Street, and the first one-roomed school building was constructed in 1895.

February 24, 1896, was the opening day of the new Wynnum State School, four years after the original application. Mr Frederick Henry Clarke was the Head Teacher for the first 10 years. Emma Snelling was the first of the 89 children to enrol. By the end of June 1896, 127 children were enrolled.

The early school registers included the occupation of the children’s parents. This listing provides a valuable indication of the type of settlement in Wynnum at that time – tradesmen, shopkeepers, military, service, farmers, and fishermen.

On August 6, 1910, the school changed its name from Wynnum State School to Wynnum Central State School. The Lytton School had been moved to Tingal Hill, in Tingal Road and renamed Wynnum North State School.

In March 1918, the grounds in front of the school on Charlotte Street were developed as a memorial for soldiers who served in WWI. This area was to be a grand entrance to the school. A six-foot granite memorial, with drinking faucets and a fish pond (which became a sand pit) was built. Framed by camphor laurels, this courtyard remained the school’s primary focus until the 1950s.

The 1930s saw the Depression years. Many children arrived at school shoeless and were fed at the soup kitchen by the railway line on Edith Street. Diphtheria, mumps, measles and whooping cough were rife.

In 1935, a decision was made to build a high school in the Wynnum area, where pupils progressed from Wynnum Central State School to Grade 6. When it opened in 1941, the new Wynnum High and Intermediate School had few facilities. Pupils returned to study Domestic Science and Manual Arts at Wynnum Central State School.



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The 1940s were the War years. A shortage of teachers resulted in half-day education. Air raid shelters were dug on the Florence Street side of the school boundary. War Identification Discs, either necklets or bracelets, were worn. Each child donned a brown cloak for an air raid drill and had a rubber peg to put into their mouths in case a bomb was dropped.

The War was over. There was new hope and the Baby Boom. The first Parents and Citizens Association was formed on February 11, 1944. The meeting was sponsored by the Head Teacher, Mr Derrington, and 11 parents attended.

In August 1944, the Parents and Citizens Association applied for a new building. Progress was slow, and in February 1945, the Association approached Mr WM Gunn MLA to see if plans for a new building could be drawn, and part of the building started to relieve congestion in the infant classes. Mr Gunn had already approached the Minister for Public Instruction, but he agreed to have another try. Due to his persistence, approval was given on March 15, 1945, to prepare and plan a school with 17 rooms and a preliminary cost of six rooms for infant classes.

On November 2, 1946, the foundation stone was laid, and on March 5, 1947, building of the new school commenced. This building provided employment for local tradespeople and generally boosted the economy. There was a sense of enthusiasm in Wynnum’s close-knit community.

The first phase was completed on December 24, 1948, and the building officially opened on February 5, 1949 by the Hon H A Bruce MLA, Minister for Public Instruction, assisted by Mr W M Gunn MLA, Member for Wynnum Manly. Daily attendance in January 1949 averaged 633 students, less than in the 1930s, but now only catering for grades 1 to 5 as Wynnum Intermediate and High School had been opened in 1941.

The second phase of the building was completed and opened in 1953. The School Association convinced the Department to retain the original timber buildings, and they remained until they were demolished in 2015 after Wynnum Central State School had closed.

LORD MAYOR CELEBRATES 50 YEARS OF BRISBANE COAST GUARD WITH VOLUNTEERS

BY HARVEY SHORE

Over a hundred past and present Coast Guard volunteers from the Manly Flotilla crowded into the Balmoral Room at Brisbane's City Hall to celebrate the 50th Anniversary of Brisbane Coast Guard.

They ranged from two of the original Founding Fathers – Lamberto Macchion and Brian Shanks – to Michael Watkin, the Sergeant at Arms in Queensland Parliament, to several of the latest recruits.

Adrian Schrunner, the Lord Mayor of Brisbane, heaped praise on Manly's Coast Guard volunteers for their magnificent record of service and rescue work, noting that thousands of boaties had been rescued and hundreds of lives saved by them over the years. He also mentioned several members by name, including Wynnum's Steve Creevey, who has earned two National Bravery Awards during his time as a local Coast Guard volunteer.

The Lord Mayor said people like Steve made him proud to be Patron of the Flotilla.

Allan Tennent, Coast Guard's Deputy National Commodore, presented a special plaque to the Flotilla for its 50 years of outstanding community service.

Manly volunteer Rick Holder organised commemorative notebooks, to go with the commemorative pens and special 'History of Brisbane Coast Guard' which he produced for every guest, and Mara Basanovic, the CEO of Volunteering Queensland, came along to present guests with a special 'V for Volunteering' pin, designed by the man who created the Qantas logo.

Overall, the Coast Guard volunteers reported enjoying an excellent evening, embellished with a great collegial buzz which left everyone smiling!



L to R: Colleen Silvester with CEO of Volunteering Queensland Mara Basanovic, Lord Mayor Adrian Schrunner and Deputy National Commodore Allan Tennent at the Civic Reception. Photo: Supplied.



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LOCAL BAND PROFILE: MAMA JUJU & THE JAM TARTS

Band nostalgia has been the flavour of recent years; the *Silver Chair* memoir, *Midnight Oil's* final concert, the Beatles' *Now and Then* release – but on a somewhat smaller stage a local women's quartet is celebrating its tenth anniversary year.

Mama Juju & the Jam Tarts have been rocking since 2014 with their encyclopaedic mix of Celtic, rock, blues, folk and country. Even more impressive than their musical repertoire is the range of instruments these women can play. The setup, which could be an eclectic tour of the orchestra, includes guitars, bass, drums, harmonica, a genuine 1980s keytar, ukuleles, flute and piccolo. All four band members sing so four-part harmonies are a natural and everyone gets a chance to shine with lead vocals. Front woman Julie Minto – Mama Juju – jokes that playing in a group of multi-instrumentalists has its moments.

“Sometimes we forget who's playing which instrument and one of us has to do a quick swap. Having lots of instruments on stage means that quick access to them can sometimes be a challenge. I've found the best place to store my harmonicas is to stuff them down my bra and just rummage around for the right one as needed.”

Julie and Vicky Macdonald, who write the group's original songs, started playing together 24 years ago in Irish band Thornlands which took them to many local and interstate festivals.



In 2014 Cath McCourt, was recruited by Julie from BUMs (*Brisbane Ukulele Musicians*), and along with Vicky, the trio Mama Juju & The Jam Tarts was born. (Mama Juju is a name Julie carried over from a jazz duo she played in.) Another group Julie jammed with introduced her to Trish Rodwell who became the Jam Tarts drummer. The newly-formed quartet did local gigs with no real plans for continuing as an entity but growing popularity – and increasing demand as a party dance band since the addition of Trish's driving drum rhythms – saw *Mama Juju & The Jam Tarts* become an established part of the Bayside music scene.

There were a few changes to the line-up; Cath McCourt moved on but still comes back for the occasional guest spot and Connie Di Dato joined the permanent lineup in 2016.

Each of the band members has a long association with music. Julie grew up in a musical family.

“My three older sisters all sang and played instruments, Mum was into musical theatre and played piano, so we all grew up listening to Gilbert and Sullivan, *The Sound of Music* and stuff like that,” she says. “Dad played bag pipes. He'd given that up by the time I came along but I remember him singing the occasional Scottish folk song.”

Julie progressed to choir and musical theatre in high school, wrote songs and performed in various bands playing guitar, bass guitar, harmonica and ukulele.



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Vicky, with classical training in guitar, flute, voice and music arrangement, has played and sung in community orchestras, theatre productions, jazz ensembles, bush bands and folk groups and is Music Director for the Coral Chorale on Macleay Island. Vicky is also a teacher and composer, writing for such varied genres as experimental theatre music and fun songs for children.

“I am lucky to have so many musical influences – when song-writing, I find ideas often burst full-blown into my mind, and can be any genre – traditional, country, ballad, swing, jazz, blues, music theatre, silly kids' songs or quirky pieces.” Vicki plays flute, piccolo, keytar, guitar, bass and ukulele – it's been said that given time, she could probably get a decent tune out of a brick.

Trish's burning desire to play drums in her primary school marching band was initially blocked by prevailing gender attitudes. “I was told ‘boys play the drums, girls play the fife,’ she says. But you can't keep a born drummer down and at fifteen Trish got her first drum kit. Two years later she got her first car – a two-door Toyota Corolla – and the bass drum took pride of place in the passenger seat; “That's the only place that it would fit!”

As well as singing and playing tenor guitar, harmonica and ukulele, Trish can play pretty well any percussion instrument she's presented with, including washboard, lagerphone, cajon, congas, bongos, djembe, shakers – and tin kettles. (She could probably get a rhythm out of Vicky's brick.)

Connie is a rock'n'roll devotee who took up guitar as a teenager. “I went to TAFE as a mature age student in 1999 and met other musicians, gained confidence in my musical ability and started a duo,” she says. “Later I joined a few bands, including originals band Cosmic Honey which is when I met Julie. I got hooked on performing live and joined The Jam Tarts in 2016; I love the musical versatility and the friendship in the band, it's really good fun.”

Connie sings and plays guitar, bass guitar, drums, harmonica and solid body electric ukulele (all the band members play ukulele) and is currently exploring the potential of the violin as well as recording a CD of her original songs.

There are plenty of opportunities to enjoy the Mama Juju & Jam Tarts' magic. As well as being musos for hire they play gigs at the Pub Paradise – Macleay Island Hotel and at the Manly Deck. You can track them down through their Facebook or at <https://www.mamajujuandthejamtarts.com/>

BAYSIDE COMMUNITY FUND YEAR IN REVIEW



FROM THE BAYSIDE COMMUNITY FUND COMMITTEE

On behalf of the Bayside Community Fund committee, we would like to provide the community with a wrap-up of our activities in 2023 and acknowledge community groups and businesses that continue to support the Fund's development.

BAYSIDE COMMUNITY FUND EVENTS

May 2023: Pups in the Park

Pups in the Park was a barking success! Held at the Wynnum Bugs' grounds in May 2023, we saw over 2,000 people enjoy a great day out with their pups. We look forward to hosting another Pups in the Park event in 2024.

Bayside Community Awards

The Bayside Community Awards was launched to recognise and support community groups, small businesses and charities in the bayside area. We had over 9,700 votes and 14 category winners. The next awards night will be on November 7, 2024.

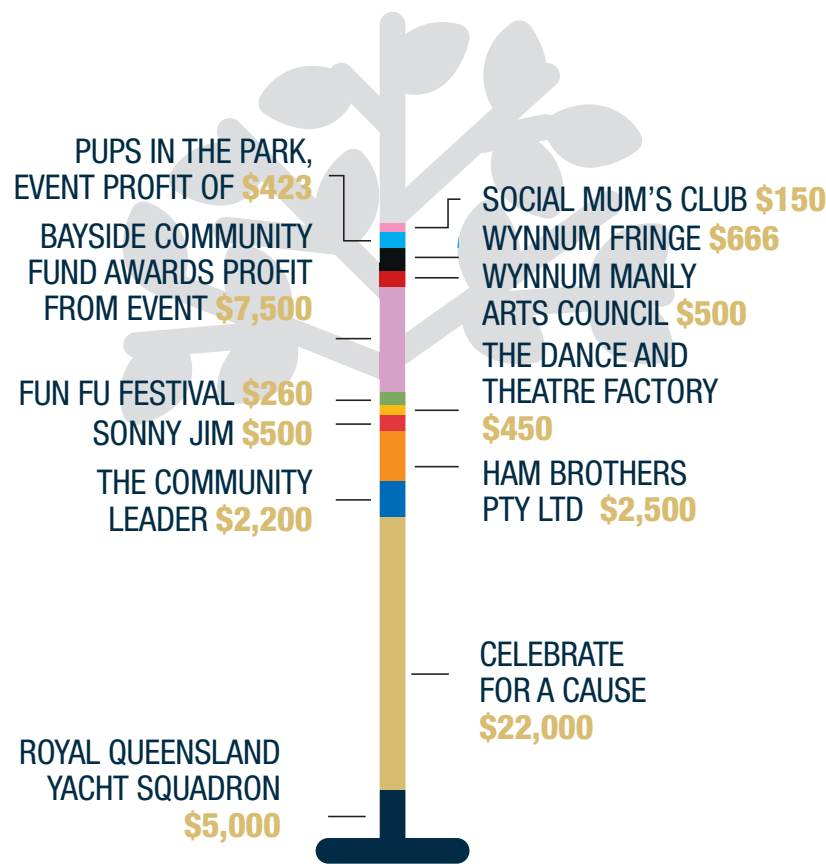
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We want to thank our donors, all the committee and volunteers who were involved with our events this year, along with our community partners, including Wynnum Bugs, Guide Dogs Qld, Wynnum Arts Council, Joan Pease MP, The Small Business Lawyer, and groups including Celebrate for a Cause, Wynnum Fringe, and the Fun Fu Festival who generously donated money from ticket sales.

ABOUT THE FUND

The Bayside Community Fund (BCF) is a perpetual benefit fund built by bayside locals to create funding opportunities for a better future for the bayside area. Every dollar donated is invested and the income from the investments is directed back to the community groups and non-profit organisations in the bayside area, which is defined by the boundaries of the Lytton electorate. From grants to support sports, arts, environmental and cultural initiatives to aiding vulnerable persons and groups, the BCF represents a grassroots funding source that channels financial assistance directly to those in need.

Donating to the BCF is an investment in the betterment of the bayside community forever.



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HAPPY NEW YEAR AND HAPPY FISHING!

BY SPERO KARTANOS

Happy New Year to all our readers, and happy and healthy and good fishing in 2024. How time flies!

During the school holidays and the Christmas break, there's nothing better than spending time on the water in Moreton Bay with the family. Thousands of boats will be out with the families catching a fresh fish for the table. The bay has so many fishing options, from the fun of catching whiting to the tiger squid. Prime fishing spots in January will be around the shallows from the Chain Banks, the Rous Channel, the western side of Moreton Island, and Amity Banks.

The tiger squid season will get better as the water clears after storms and heavy rains, and in large tides, they should also front up at Green Island. At the moment, they're in the weed banks at the Small Boat Channel and all through the Rous and Amity Banks. The weed banks at Moreton Island will produce plenty of squid, especially an hour

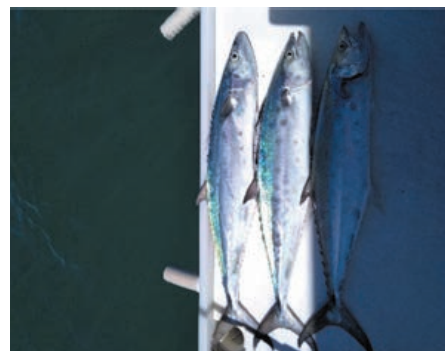
each side of the tide and at dawn and dusk.

Snapper and squire and some really nice sweetlip will be around this time of year at Mud Island and the Lazaret Gutter at Peel Island, St Helena and Green Island, but for me, the best thing will be getting plenty of whitebait at Peel and Green Islands at night. Whitebait is one of our favourite foods to eat, and all you need to catch these tasty critters is a butterfly net and a light at the back of the boat at night. If you need a good bait net on a long cane, you can order or get one from Water Tower Bait and Tackle.

If all things line up in the universe, the spotty mackerel should start entering the bay in January. They are so nice to eat and so much fun to catch. Use a chrome slug and a spinning rod, and just cast and retrieve where you see them chopping up the water. I use the 34-gram chrome slugs; there



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is no need to spend lots of money on them. Water Tower Bait and Tackle carry my chrome slugs, which don't break the bank if you lose a few.

With all the extra boat traffic, be aware and keep a good eye on the weather. It's always better to cancel or postpone a fishing trip than put your friends or family in danger.



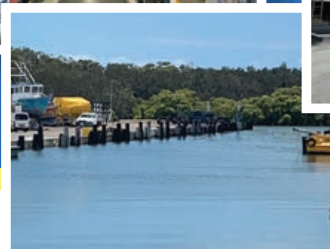
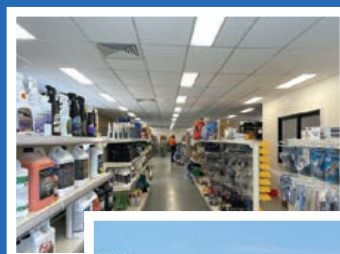
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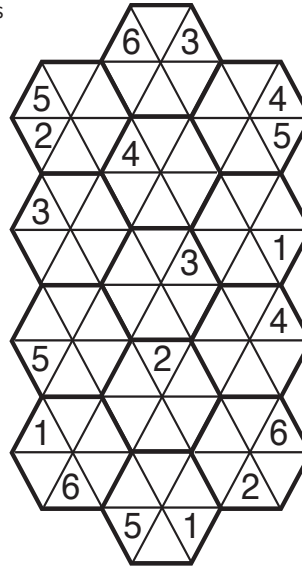
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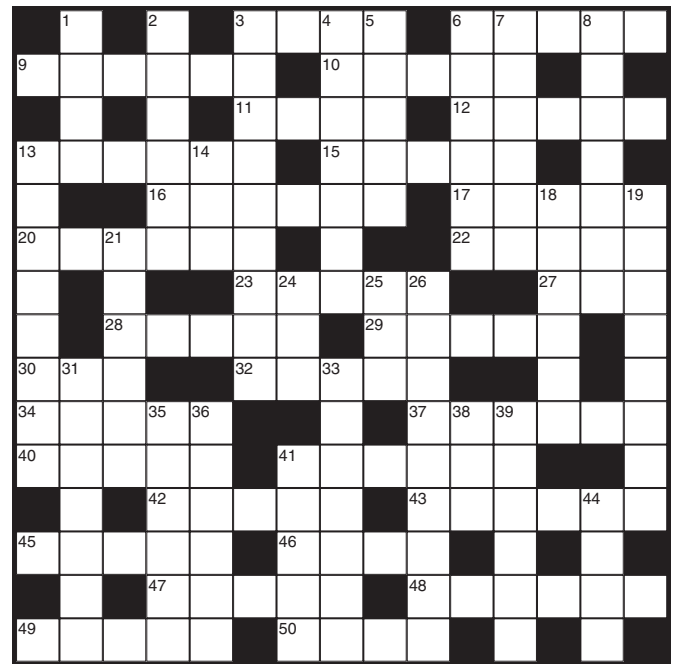
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Quick Workout

Fit the numbers 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6 into the hexagons so that where the hexagons touch, the numbers will be the same. No number is repeated in any hexagon.



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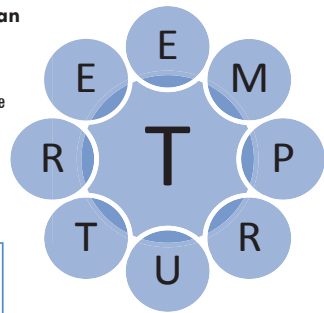


Focus

An All Australian Word Game

- * Each word must contain the centre 'Focus' letter and each letter may be used only once
- * Each word must be four letters or more
- * Find at least one nine letter word
- * No swear words
- * No verb forms or plurals ending in 's'
- * No proper nouns and no hyphenated words

TODAY'S Good: 13 words
FOCUS Very good: 23 words
 Excellent: 33 words



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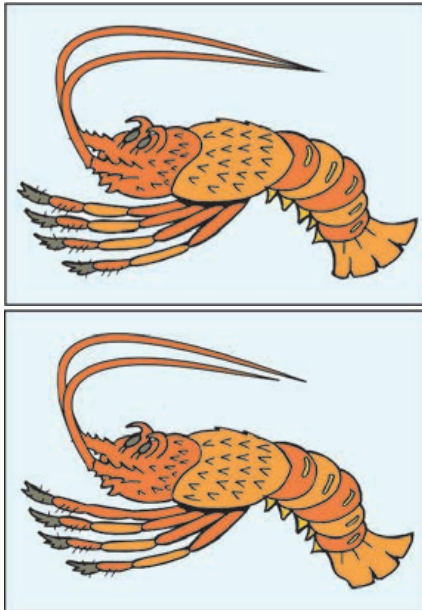
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- 6 Corolla leaf
- 9 Malignant substance
- 10 Evil spirit
- 11 Implement
- 12 Patient and uncomplaining
- 13 Soup
- 15 Man's name
- 16 Buccaneer
- 17 Send money
- 20 Sea nymphs
- 22 French river
- 23 Church office bearer
- 27 Japanese monetary unit
- 28 Food dressing
- 29 Parts of speech
- 30 Obtain
- 32 Held principle

DOWN

- 1 Sport
- 2 Leak out
- 3 Cross, as lines
- 4 Taken as one's own
- 5 Confused fight
- 6 Puzzling questions

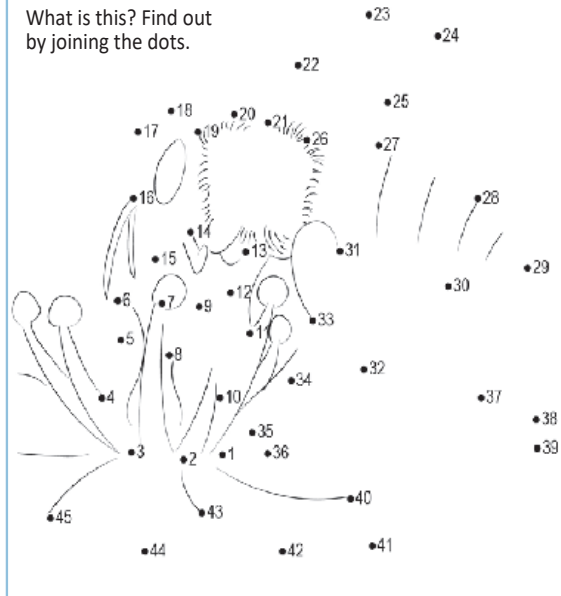
- 7 Meal course
- 8 Silly
- 13 Portions of a writing
- 14 Spirit
- 18 Failed to hit
- 19 Offered
- 21 Corroded
- 24 Sheltered side
- 25 First woman
- 26 Withdrew from enemy
- 31 Highest mountain
- 33 Closest
- 35 Inherent character
- 36 Made harsh sound while sleeping
- 38 Do wrong
- 39 Found fault constantly
- 41 Prison rooms
- 44 Therefore

Spot the 5 Differences



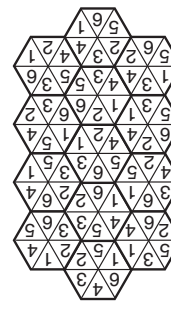
Join the Dots

What is this? Find out by joining the dots.



Solutions

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SPOT THE 5 DIFFERENCES: Antennae shorter, segment missing from leg, extra spike on back, missing hair from leg.

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INGREDIENTS

- 8 -10 lamb chops
- 3 cloves garlic, minced
- 1/4 cup fresh mint leaves, finely chopped
- 1/4 cup fresh rosemary leaves, finely chopped
- 1/4 cup olive oil
- 2 tablespoons red wine vinegar
- 1 tablespoon Dijon mustard
- Salt and pepper, to taste
- Lemon wedges and rosemary sprigs to serve

METHOD

1. Whip up your marinade

In a small bowl, whisk together the garlic, mint, rosemary, olive oil, red wine vinegar, and Dijon mustard. Season with salt and pepper, and your marinade is ready for the lamb.

2. Massage your chops!

Place the lamb chops in a shallow dish or a ziplock bag. Pour the marinade over the lamb and massage it into the meat so it's coated all over. Cover the dish with plastic wrap or seal the bag and refrigerate for at least two hours (or overnight if you're organised) to let the flavours infuse.

3. Fire up the barbie

Preheat your BBQ to a medium-high heat.

4. Get ready to grill

Remove your lamb chops from the marinade and shake off any excess (keep the marinade for basting while your lamb is cooking). Place the chops on the barbecue and grill for around four to five minutes, turning halfway if you like your meat medium-rare (recommended) or longer if you want it well done. During the last minute of grilling, brush the lamb chops with the leftover marinade, giving the meat a delicious glaze.

5. Take a break

Your lamb chops are now done, but they need to rest for a few minutes. Take them off the grill and cover them with tin foil.

6. It's time to eat

A squeeze of lemon over your chops will add an extra zing, and you can even garnish with more freshly chopped mint and rosemary.



AUSTRALIAN YOUTH WATER POLO CHAMPIONSHIPS RETURN TO BRISBANE

The Australian Youth Water Polo Championships will make an exciting return to Brisbane from 5 to 16 January 2024. Brisbane helped launch the event in 2019; in 2024, 210 teams and 3,000 competitors, aged 12 to 18 years old, are expected to take part. The Australian Youth Water Polo Championships is the largest water polo Club competition in the Southern Hemisphere and this year's event is the biggest ever.

AYWPC's Acting CEO, Tim Welsford, says Championships engender unity amongst the teams.

"The Australian Youth Water Polo Championships began as a way to unite the junior water polo community in Australia, and have done so ever since the first event was held in Brisbane in 2019. The event remains a fantastic way to bring teams and clubs together in a tournament environment and promote the sport of water polo.

"Keen water polo players from all over Australia and the world are attracted to the event, with hundreds competing from U12 through to U18. While they all come from different teams and backgrounds, the one thing they all have in common is their love for the sport."

The age groups used to be run separately over different locations, but this event draws together all the competitors, who will come from across Australia, NZ and even the USA. It's not just the competitors who will feel the adrenalin rush; Tim says that water polo is a wonderful experience for spectators.

"Water Polo is a fantastic spectator sport, known for its competitive play and close games. At the Australian Youth Water Polo Championships there is seating available for all matches, with the crowd known to be quite loud during an especially competitive rivalry match or finals game," he says. "As an added attraction, both the Ord Minnett Aussie Sharks and Aussie Stingers (senior national teams) will be playing a three test match series to headline the event."

As well as providing young competitors with the opportunity to compete across a wide peer group, AYWPC brings to light some first-class talent.



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"Our teams compete at the Australian Youth Water Polo Championships for a variety of reasons. For some, the event gives them their first insight into major, national-level competition, while for others, this event acts as a great opportunity to continue improving their skills in the pursuit of selection to the National Age Group Program. Regardless, all teams attend the Australian Youth Water Polo Championships for the camaraderie and positive environment the event is known for."

For more information about the Australian Youth Water Polo Championships check the website <https://www.waterpoloaustralia.com.au/wpa-events/aywpc/>. Ticket sales for the Ord Minnett Sharks and Stingers tickets: <https://www.trybooking.com/events/landing/1105209>

BETTER ORAL HEALTH – COULD IT BE YOUR NEW YEAR’S RESOLUTION FOR 2024?

FROM DENTAL ON CAMBRIDGE

We all know the New Year adage of “New Year, New You”; as much as this works for many people, we believe persistence pays! Consistently keeping your six-monthly routine dental examination and clean can save you time and money and support your goal of better oral health.

We know going to the dentist can be difficult for some people, or even seem like a waste of time when you’re in and out, and we don’t need to see you again for six months – but this is the key – prevention! Coming six-monthly for 30 minutes versus not coming at all for 12 months could mean the difference between catching some decay early and needing a small filling, or missing it for 12 months, and now you’re looking at an expensive solution like a crown, root canal therapy, or even an extraction.

We’d like to encourage everyone in the community to think about their oral health as an investment; six-monthly routine examinations and cleans are one part, but the other is good oral hygiene habits that are just as important!

Here are a few to consider adding to your daily routine:

- Brushing with a soft brush or an electric toothbrush twice daily for a minimum of two minutes, using a good quality toothpaste that contains fluoride.
- Floss your teeth – DAILY! Yes, we know your gums bleed, but did you know that is because you have plaque and tartar under there that makes the teeth bleed? Flossing daily will actually help to stop your gums from bleeding! Don’t believe us? Give it a try for two weeks and see for yourself! It also helps keep bad breath at bay.
- Tongue scraper – yep, you heard that right – a tongue scraper will help to keep your tongue healthy and removes all that build up from your tongue which also helps prevent bad breath. You’d be surprised how much you can literally scrape off each day.



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