



# Barcoo Shire Community Newsletter

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## Remembrance Day In Windorah

Windorah residents took the time to remember the end of World War 1, Armistice Day, on Sunday 11 November 2018. Interred in the Windorah cemetery are two World War 1 soldiers, Sergeant Joseph (Percival) Conlan MM and Private Colin Oliver Reed. These two men returned to Australia 100 years ago and made a life in the Barcoo Shire district and whose sacrifice and contribution we honour.

Born in Windorah in the winter of 1897, Percy Conlan like many of his contemporaries grew up to be a stockman. As a 19-year-old he enlisted as a Private in Charleville and was deployed to the Western Front. While fighting in Ypres he received a gunshot wound in his left side in October 1917. After his recovery he was promoted to Lance Corporal and then to Corporal then up to Sergeant.

On the 18th of September 1918 he was honoured with a Military Medal for conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty at Le Verquier - when he led his platoon to take Dean trench and with great determination and skill captured 40 enemy during the Last Hundred Days campaign.

The next day he was shot again in battle this time in the right ear, again he survived.

Once discharged from the Australian Imperial Forces he returned to the Channel Country and resumed his life as a stockman. He was working on Hammond Downs with his mate of many years "Did" Morgan...the two had even served on the Western Front together. According to the Western Star Newspaper on 24th December 1921 his mate "Did" Morgan with a rifle in his hand asked –



**Returned Servicemen, Mr Terry Crowson, Sergeant Major (retired) Ian Haycock & Mr Bob McNeil**

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"Where will you have it, Perce?"

Conlan replied, "Right on the curl, Did."

Thereupon Morgan is alleged to have fired, the bullet entering Conlan's head exactly in the centre of the forehead.

A bystander exclaimed, "...he's killed."

Conlan, however, said, "No, I'm far from dead yet," and walked towards the house, then staggered and fell.

Astonishingly after 11 days in the Jundah hospital he survived. But Dr Ross could not remove the bullet, and after being sent to Longreach and then Rockhampton for x-ray, it was found the bullet had broken in two, with one fragment lodging behind his eye the other in the back of his skull.

The newspaper reported he was looking none the worse for the accident. While physically he now had a third scar from a bullet wound, we cannot know what scars he carried inside - and within less than a year at 25 years old - he took his own life at Cooper's Creek Crossing - and is resting here with us.

The lasting impact of war presented very differently in the life of Colin Reed.

Born in Hawker in South Australia into a working class family - who as soon as he could - started a trade and trained as a saddler. At 17 years old... and with 2 brothers on active service in France... he persuaded his mother to sign the necessary papers for him to join them on the Western Front.

On his 19th birthday he was severely wounded and became the first of the soldiers to be returned to his home town. Unfortunately, he could not settle post his active service, and didn't stay in South Australia long. With economic conditions being tough he mounted a horse, and without telling a soul rode north and never returned.

He joined his brother Cameron at Arrabury Station, and after working at many stations - eventually settled in a tin hut on the outskirts of Windorah - where he worked as a saddler, mended clocks and did odd jobs.

People who knew him said he developed an obsession with photography and capturing pictures of the crumbling relics of bush culture. He would also ride his bicycle for miles around the area, and railing against Germans, the Catholic Church, rising prices and his self-imposed isolation.

Colin never married, and while he had no children of his own, he cared greatly for the children of Windorah. In his later years, he was shown a great amount of warmth and kindness by local publican, Mrs Nancy Geiger - who cooked and cared for him. Sadly, he died in the Charleville Base Hospital on ANZAC Day 1984 aged 87 years.



*Returned Serviceman and ex Windorah local, standing with a photograph of himself when he was serving, which now hangs in the Windorah Community Centre*



*Rose Conlan, who visited Windorah with her Father, Laurance and her son, Ely to pay tribute to their family member Sergeant Percy Conlan MM, who is interred in the Windorah cemetery, gave the Remembrance Day address*



## Remembrance Day In Windorah

The Remembrance Day Ceremony was attended by 68 residents and visitors who wanted to not only remember, but to say thank you to those who fought, those who lost their lives in battle, those who came home and in a lot of cases fought a whole new battle and to those currently serving. These brave men and women have enabled us all to have the freedom and security we now all enjoy.

Mayor Bruce Scott, worked with the families of Sergeant Percy Conlan and Private Colin Reed to obtain a history and background of the men. Barcoo Shire Council had two brass plaques struck to be placed at the graves of the two soldiers, to recognise their contribution as servicemen in World War I. Then Sergeant Major (retired) Ian Haycock stepped in and organised for replica medals to be cast, photos and history to be mounted in frames to be displayed at the Windorah Community Centre. The same information was etched onto plates which will be displayed in the community in the near future. The Windorah Development Board funded these plates and display items on behalf of the community. Sgt Major (retired) Ian Haycock travelled to Windorah for the ceremony and very capably acted as Master of Ceremonies for the event.

Windorah also has two very special returned servicemen who return every year for ANZAC day. Terry Crowson, former Windorah resident always helps with the ANZAC ceremony and this year he made the trip back from the Sunshine Coast to be a part of this special day. Travelling with Terry for both ANZAC day and for Remembrance Day was Mr Bob McNeil. Bob plays the bugle at these ceremonies for us, his talent at producing excellent renditions of The Rouse, Reveille, and the Last Post make the ceremonies even more poignant.

Many community members took part in the ceremony, Daitonah Gorringer from Windorah State School read the poem "We shall keep the faith" beautifully and Bindi Geiger from Windorah State School laid a wreath. Senior Constable Robert Edwards also recited a poem "For the Fallen" and laid a wreath representing Qld Police. Wreaths were laid by other community members representing those currently serving, returned servicemen and women, health, emergency services, the Conlan and Reed family.

Windorah welcomed the Conlan family, Laurence, Rose and Eli, to the community to help remember their family member Sergeant Percy Conlan. Rose provided the address at the ceremony, detailing some history about the two soldiers that sleep in our cemetery and gave the attendees a lot to think about, including the sacrifice made by all those who protect our country and how returned servicemen and women coped with civilian life, after experiencing the horrors of war.



**Top: Laurance Conlan lays a wreath on Remembrance Day.**

**Bottom: Windorah local Patrick Collins lays a wreath in memory of all those who served in any war.**

## Remembrance Day In Windorah

During the ceremony two brass plaques which have been placed at the foot of the graves of Sergeant Conlan MM and Private Reed, were unveiled. Mr Laurence Conlan spoke about Percy and Mr Ross Ward conveyed the sentiments of the Reed family to those in attendance.

The ceremony concluded with the ringing of the bell by Bindi Geiger and Charlie Kidd from the Windorah State School. 100 years ago, church bells across Europe rang out to signal the end of the war, and this bell ringing was reminiscent of that event in history.

Windorah Development Board recognised the need for lighting at the Windorah Cemetery, especially for the Dawn Service on ANZAC day and to light up our two soldier's place of rest. The Windorah Development Board commenced applying for funding for this lighting, but as they were not eligible to apply, the application was handed over the Barcoo Shire Council. The Council was successful in obtaining funding through the Memorial Enhancement Project. Solar lighting has been installed at the Windorah Cemetery thanks to this funding source and Barcoo Shire Council. The launch of this project was held after the Remembrance Day Ceremony.

After all the official programme was finished at the cemetery, attendees were invited to the Windorah Community Centre to enjoy a delicious lunch prepared by the Windorah Development Board. After lunch the two framed photos/medals organised by Sgt Major (retired) Ian Haycock were unveiled by the Conlan family and by Terry Crowson for the Reed family. Ian also presented a framed replica of the medals/photo of Sergeant Percy Conlan to the Conlan family.

Returned serviceman Bob McNeil donated two prints to be displayed at the Windorah Community Centre. Bob took the time to explain the significance of these prints and the community was very grateful for this kind gesture.

Windorah local, Patrick Collins, whose father served as a Rat of Tobruk, donated a framed handwritten poem that was written to a soldier in the Second World War. This interesting piece of history will also be displayed at the Windorah Community Centre.

The Windorah community are very thankful to those servicemen and women who fought to protect our freedom and to those currently serving.

***We will remember them.***

***Top Right: Mayor Bruce Scott addressing the Remembrance Day ceremony participants.***

***Middle: Daitonah Gorringer of Windorah State School read her poem beautifully on Remembrance Day.***

***Bottom: Display of the Roll of Honour and other memorabilia now displayed at the Windorah Community Centre.***





# Remembrance Day In Stonehenge



***Stonehenge State School students Brodie Pidgeon and Rory Miller laying poppies with the wreaths***



***Remembrance Day Service***



***We were joined by staff from the over the horizon radar site on Remembrance Day***



***Corey Kempthorne and Sue Pratt***



***Leslie Byrnes and Sue Pratt***



***Dianne Pidgeon laying a wreath***



# Remembrance Day In Jundah



*Jundah State School Students with Doreen Pitman*



*Bridie Reid laying a wreath*



*Remembrance Day Service*



*Briony Pitman & Georgie Ferguson laying wreaths*



*Hunter Bateman laying a wreath with Ronnie Rayment*



*Sergeant Glenn Arrol with Constable Peter Reid*

# Melbourne Cup Day In Jundah

The Jundah Hall welcomed a soiree of fancy dressed ladies and gents on Tuesday, November 6 for Melbourne Cup day. Patrons were treated to a free glass of champagne and nibbles on arrival and were seated in the beautifully decorated (and air-conditioned) supper room.

The Jundah P & C hosted the Calcutta, and Kenny Griffiths and the champagne, did a fantastic job at loosening a few purse strings to make the big race just a little bit competitive. A huge thank you and congratulations must go to all those involved in bringing the Calcutta together and organising the sweeps.

Lunch was on the house, and involved a lovely spread of salads, cold meats and fruit platters. A few lucky diners scored their choice of chocolates or champagne simply from their seat selection. The attendees grazed the table slowly, with lunch concluding just before the nation stopping race was broadcast. Shane Buckley did a fantastic job at organising and preparing the screening. It definitely beat crowding around a small television to see where your hard-earned dollars were going (or coming from!).

Following the big race, a race of slightly higher stakes was run. Prizes included chocolates and Zooper Doopers, and the jockeys were eager to claim their winnings. A slightly suspicious falling dice brought a little more entertainment to the proceedings. To bide time before the evening's activities, young and slightly older took to the stage to belt out a bit of karaoke. All the classics were sung, and it was lovely to see everyone enjoying themselves. The day was incredibly jam-packed and wound down with the screening of Hotel Transylvania 3 and a barbecue dinner. Several people commented on what a fabulous venue the hall was for showing movies.

The Jundah Progress Association would sincerely like to thank all those that helped throughout the organisation and completion of the event. We would also like to acknowledge the Community Drought Funding, RAPAD and the Barcoo Shire Council, as the funding received made this event possible. We really hope that everyone who attended enjoyed themselves, and we look forward a bigger and better day next year!





# Mobile Phone Distraction

**Mobile phone and distraction.** Information obtained from CARRS -Q (Centre for Accident Research & Road Safety – Queensland)

## The facts

Driver distraction is one of the main causes of road crashes, accounting for approximately 1 in 4 car crashes.<sup>1</sup>

Using a mobile phone while driving (especially texting), is highly distracting.

A person using a hand-held or hands-free mobile phone while driving is four times more likely to have a serious crash resulting in hospital attendance.<sup>5</sup>

## The prevalence of mobile phone use

A 2011 Government survey<sup>6</sup> found that 93% of Australian drivers owned a mobile phone and, of these drivers, 59% reported using their mobile phone while driving, with 31% of drivers reading, and 14% sending, text messages while driving. In addition, the study found that only 28% of drivers surveyed reported using a hands-free kit indicating that a large amount of mobile phone use while driving is conducted on hand-held mobiles.

In Australia, young adults have the highest level of general mobile phone use, with the age groups of 18 to 24 years and 25 to 39 years reporting the highest percentages of 94% and 91%, respectively.<sup>7</sup> These age groups are also more likely to use a mobile phone while driving than older drivers, with 3 out of 5 Australian drivers aged between 18 and 24 years reporting that they had sent or received a text while driving, compared with 1 in 3 drivers aged over 25 years.<sup>8</sup> Mobile phone use, and particularly texting while driving, represents an increased safety risk for young drivers.

Despite legislative bans, between 39%<sup>9</sup> and 73%<sup>10</sup> of Australian drivers report using a hand-held mobile phone at some time while driving.

A Queensland University of Technology (QUT) survey of nearly 800 Queensland drivers found that: 77% reported using their mobile phone for any purpose while driving; 40% of the sample doing so on a daily basis (either hands-free or hand-held); 25% of drivers reported using their hand-held mobile phone to answer calls on a daily basis;

20% of drivers reported doing so to make a call;

27% to read a text message; and

14% to send a text message.<sup>4</sup>

Using a mobile phone whilst driving increases your risk of a crash four-fold, irrespective of whether a hands-free kit is used.





# RAFS Playgroup Stonehenge

On Tuesday 20th November the Longreach Remote Area Family Services held a two hour playgroup at Stonehenge State School. It was the first playgroup they have held here in Stonehenge and hopefully it will become a regular occurrence. The children who attended had a lovely time and the newly finished turf at Stonehenge State School was a perfect place to hold the playgroup.



*Left: Holly Steedman, Bella Batt & Gracie Batt  
Above: Summer Steedman, Olivia Batt, Bella Batt, Hunter Bateman & Charley Bateman with Steph Batt, Briony Pitman & RAFS playgroup co-ordinator Emma Hall*



*Above: Olivia Batt & Summer Steedman*



# Stonehenge State School News

Over the last few weeks, the students have been focused on developing ability in music, dance and swimming at the Bedourie Splash 'n' Arts camp and Composed in Barcoo program. The students from Stonehenge SS, Jundah SS, Windorah SS and Birdsville SS all travelled to Bedourie to join their students in a week of music, dance, lifesaving and swimming. Lead by learning area specific coaches, the students developed movement skills in dance, identified rhythm, pitch, form and expression in music, practiced their swimming strokes in swimming and learnt how to perform water rescues in lifesaving. It was a fantastic week that culminated in a dance and music performance from the students. Additionally, our senior student, Brodie, achieved the requirements of a Bronze Star pool lifeguard and will take this qualification into secondary school next year.

The week following camp, the students in the Barcoo Shire were joined by the previous Stonehenge SS principal, Mark Taylor and his team from Queensland Opera to practice a song developed collaboratively with Sara Storer. Sara joined the students in some webcam session over the internet and listened to the students as they shared what it means to live in the Outback. Sara took these ideas and created a song called Barcoowee.

Accompanied by the wonderful voices and musical talent of Irena, Jason and Nick from Queensland Opera, the students from Windorah, Jundah and Stonehenge met to learn the song. This weekend Sara Storer travelled to Longreach to rehearse and perform with the students at the QANTAS museum. It was a great night with Rory Miller & Brodie Pidgeon from Stonehenge State School attending.

Finally, as the term draws to a close, students will be completing a range of assessment for each of their learning areas. This term in English, the students have been working on poetry. For their assessment they have been asked to discuss familiar and unfamiliar poems, ask and clarify questions about language and sound devices used in poetry, write a poem using poetic form and adapt a poem from an established poet. The boys have been very engaged in the unit and I believe their results will reflect positively on their learning throughout the term. Here is a sample of students' work:

## Stonehenge

We all live in Stonehenge and we think it's great!  
We love our community, especially our good old mates.

We all go to Stonehenge State School,  
Where the gadgets are really cool.

The pub is a common stopover where the people  
drink and play pool.

When the rock holes fill with water and every-  
thing is flowing,

The track get very muddy and getting there is  
hard going.

Go to the pub and ask the cook,  
Where to go and take a look  
or put your name in the Address Book.

The Crusher, Hammond, Tarcombe, Glenroy, Mt.  
Marlow and Warbreccan,  
Mustering, branding and checking waters in the  
footsteps of a previous man.

These names are the places where we live and  
call home.

You don't get any reception, you need a satellite  
phone

And maybe one day we'll take over when we're  
fully grown.

## Lunch On The Lawn

Lunch On The Lawn will be on Friday 7th December of week 9, the last day of term. As usual there will be a BBQ lunch at around 12pm followed by after school beverages. Food and drinks will be provided. Spread the word, everyone is welcome!







# Seafood Raffle

*Win \$100 of seafood*

*Crab, Prawns etc.*

*\$2 per ticket*

*All proceeds to Stonehenge State School P&C*

*Drawn Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> December at Stonehenge Christmas Tree*

*Contact Corey Kempthorne Stonehenge State School for tickets*

*4658 5916*



*Seafood kindly donated by Allwild Seafood Truck*



STONEHENGE STATE SCHOOL P&C ASSOCIATION PRESENTS

# STONEHENGE CHRISTMAS TREE

PLUS STONEHENGE STATE SCHOOL  
AWARDS & GRADUATION

**SATURDAY 8TH DECEMBER 2018**

STONEHENGE HALL - 6PM

Santa for the kids!

Bar operating

Dinner courtesy of Longreach Rotary

*Come along & join in with  
the fun, food & festivities*

Please RSVP for catering purposes.

More info | Stonehenge State School 4658 5916





# Community

## Silversmithing Workshop

Jundah

Date: December 8<sup>th</sup> & 9<sup>th</sup>

Commencing: 8:30am

Venue: Jundah Shire Hall

Cost: \$25 per day

This workshop is an initiative of the Jundah Progress Association and funded through the RADF program. To register please phone Doreen Pitman on 07 46586930 (w) or 07 46586157 (a/h) or you can email Doreen on [paradise4736@gmail.com](mailto:paradise4736@gmail.com)



## Jundah Social Sports Club Christmas Raffle

The Jundah Social Sports Club is raffling a Engel Combo Digital Platinum Series Fridge/Freezer valued at \$1380 and will be drawn on the 21<sup>st</sup> December. Please support your local sports club. Tickets are just \$5.00 for a chance to win this fantastic combo unit. Just the thing to take with you on your Christmas adventures. Raffle tickets can be purchased at each of the Visitor Information Centres, Jundah Post Office and General Store.



## Carols by Candlelight

Saturday 15th December

To be held in the Barcoo Shire War Memorial Park, Jundah

Commencing 7:30pm

Please bring a plate to share and BYO

Everyone welcome.....the more the merrier



# Community



## COMMUNITY NOTICE RADF FUNDING – 2018-19 ROUND ONE NOW OPEN

The Regional Arts Development Fund is a partnership between the Queensland Government and the Barcoo Shire Council to support local arts and culture in regional Queensland.

RADF promotes the role and value of arts, culture and heritage as key drivers of diverse and inclusive communities and strong regions. RADF invests in local arts and cultural priorities, as determined by local communities, across Queensland.

### ROUND ONE - IMPORTANT DATES

Round One Opens – **1st November 2018**

Round One Closes – **31st December 2018**

Application Assessments – **January 2018**

Council Approval, Community notification and payment – by **31st January General Meeting 2018**

### RADF FUNDING OBJECTIVES

Provide public value for Queensland communities

Build local cultural capacity, cultural innovation and community pride

Deliver Queensland Government's objectives for the community

### APPLY FOR FUNDING

To obtain application forms\*\* or for further information, please contact the RADF Liaison Officer, Doreen Pitman on (07) 4658 6941 or email [doreenp@barcoo.qld.gov.au](mailto:doreenp@barcoo.qld.gov.au)

\*\* RADF Guidelines, Application Forms and Acquittal details can also be downloaded from the Council website <http://www.barcoo.qld.gov.au/community-services/grants-and-funding/regional-arts-development-fund-radf>

Michael Parker  
Chief Executive Officer



## COMMUNITY NOTICE: Christmas Lights Competition 2018

The Barcoo Shire Council invites residents in Jundah, Stonehenge and Windorah, including Shire properties to participate in the Christmas Lights Competition for 2018. Get into the festive mood and light up your town or decorate your sign post.

### Categories in each town are:

- Best Commercial Display
- Best Residential Display

### Category for Shire properties:

- Best Turn Off theme

Property owners will need to nominate their turn off for the competition. This can be done by emailing or phoning the Jundah Information Centre on [jundahinfo@barcoo.qld.gov.au](mailto:jundahinfo@barcoo.qld.gov.au) or 4658 6930 prior to judging week)

Judging will take place during the week commencing Monday 17th December 2018.

Michael Parker  
Chief Executive Officer  
29<sup>th</sup> October 2018

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Stay up to date  
with the latest  
news!





# Community



## COMMUNITY NOTICE:

### 2019 Australia Day

#### Award Nominations

Barcoo Shire Council in conjunction with the Australia Day Council, will be recognising outstanding contributions to the local community by presentation of Awards on Australia Day 2018.

All citizens and organisations are encouraged to support the Awards by considering nomination of suitable persons, this includes children.

Nominations can be in any of the following, categories:

- Citizen of the Year
- Young Citizen of the Year
- Community Event of the Year
- Volunteer of the Year
- Senior Sports Award
- Junior Sports Award
- Cultural Award

For further information please phone 46586930 or to obtain a nomination form, email [barcoo-info@barcoo.qld.gov.au](mailto:barcoo-info@barcoo.qld.gov.au); contact your nearest Visitor Information Centre or download the form from [www.barcoo.qld.gov.au](http://www.barcoo.qld.gov.au)

All nominations should be marked "Barcoo Shire Australia Day Nominations" and can be forwarded via post- PO Box 14, Jundah 4736, email: [ceo@barcoo.qld.gov.au](mailto:ceo@barcoo.qld.gov.au) prior to 5:00pm Monday 7<sup>th</sup> January 2019.

Michael Parker  
Chief Executive Officer  
16/11/18



## COMMUNITY NOTICE:

### Barcoo Shire Bursary

The Barcoo Shire is investing in its future by continuing to run the bursary program to help its residents realise their potential.

The bursary program is an initiative of the Barcoo Shire Council to assist members of our community to access and excel in education and training, which without assistance, would be difficult or unachievable. Through this program, the Shire hopes to provide educational opportunities for residents of all ages and in so doing enhance the skills available in rural and remote areas, and our profile, as a community which develops and nurtures excellence.

The council is seeking applications from interested residents within the Shire who would like to commence study or training in 2019.

To obtain an application form or seek further details, please contact Doreen Pitman on 4658 6930 or email [doreenp@barcoo.qld.gov.au](mailto:doreenp@barcoo.qld.gov.au).

Applications close **Monday 7<sup>th</sup> January 2019**.

Michael Parker  
Chief Executive Officer  
16/11/18

## Jundah State School

### Christmas Tree & Concert

Venue: Jundah Shire Hall

Date: 2nd November 2018

Time: 6:30pm

Everyone Welcome

# Social Media—Barcoo Shire

## ***Are you on Facebook or Instagram?***

Make sure you share your photos & posts from our beautiful shire to the Visit Barcoo pages on both Facebook and Instagram. Use the hashtags of #visitbarcoo, #Windorah #Jundah #Stonehenge #barcooway and any other tag that you think will attract likes, shares and views to our pages.



Also using the @visitbarcoo on Facebook and Instagram will let us and your followers know you have mentioned us and we will get more hits that way also.

If you have an event, an interesting fact or a great photo that you would like the world to see, send them through to your relevant Visitor Information Centre at

[windorahinfo@barcoo.qld.gov.au](mailto:windorahinfo@barcoo.qld.gov.au)

[jundahinfo@barcoo.qld.gov.au](mailto:jundahinfo@barcoo.qld.gov.au)

[stonehengeinfo@barcoo.qld.gov.au](mailto:stonehengeinfo@barcoo.qld.gov.au) and we will put them up on our facebook page and Instagram and get your event a much wider audience.

## ***Barcoo App***



Don't forget we also have the Barcoo App for you to download on your phone. Just search Barcoo Shire in the app store and it's a free touring app for the shire. Tell your friends and family when they visit to download the app before they get here, so they don't miss out on all the wonderful attractions in the shire.

***Remember, the more we share, like and post, the more people will see our amazing landscapes, businesses, experiences and lifestyle, which could bring more visitors, job seekers etc to our shire, which in turn boosts our economy and provides opportunities for residents of our shire.***

**So go ahead, jump online, like our social media pages, share with your friends and family and get us out there!**

*Everyone Welcome to*  
**Christmas Mass in Jundah**



**Sunday, 16 December**

**10.30 am**

*in* **St Peter's Catholic Church**



# The Dental Truck

## serving rural Qld and NSW

Dr Jalal Khan and staff of 'The Dental Truck' are excited be providing mobile dental services to your community.

### **As seen on ABC News:**

Visit our website [thedentalstation.com.au](http://thedentalstation.com.au) to see ABC News' coverage of our service

### **What services will we provide?**

The Dental Truck will be offering all the general dental services which include: general checkups/cleans, fillings, dentures, crowns and bridges, extractions, teeth whitening, root canal therapy, orthodontic treatment.

The Federal government's Child Dental Benefit Schedule will also be available to eligible children.

### **When is our first visit to Windorah?**

Tuesday 11th December

### **How can you make an appointment?**

We prefer all appointment enquiries to be made using our website.

[bit.ly/trucknp](http://bit.ly/trucknp)

Alternatively you may call us on

**0400 473 441** or email us at [truck@thedentalstation.com.au](mailto:truck@thedentalstation.com.au)

Please like our Facebook page to receive regular updates about our future visits:

[facebook.com/thedentaltruck](https://facebook.com/thedentaltruck)



# Christmas recipe

## Classic Rum Balls

### Ingredients;

- 250g packet shortbread
- 105g (1+1/4 cups) desiccated coconut
- 35g (1/3 cup) cocoa powder
- 395g can sweetened condensed milk
- 60ml (1/4 cup) dark rum
- 375g packet dark choc melts, melted
- shredded coconut (or extra desiccated coconut), to decorate



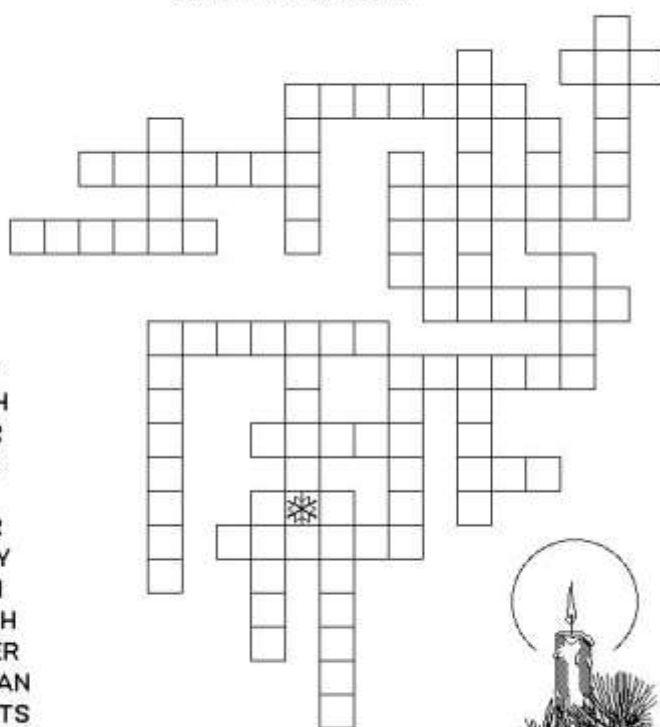
### Method;

- ◆ Place the shortbread biscuits in the bowl of a food processor and process until they are finely crushed. Transfer the crushed biscuit to a large bowl.
- ◆ - Add desiccated coconut and cocoa. Still until well combined. Add the condensed milk and rum. Stir until well combined. Place in the fridge for 30 minutes to firm up slightly.
- ◆ Roll level tablespoons of the mixture into balls. Place, in a single layer, on a tray lined with baking paper. Place in the fridge for 30 minutes to firm up slightly.
- ◆ Use a fork to dip the balls, 1 at a time, in chocolate. Return to tray. Sprinkle with shredded coconut. Set aside for 5 minutes. Store the rum balls, covered, in the fridge.

## Christmas Crossword

Make all the words fit into this crossword.  
Each word is only used once.

- ELF
- TOY
- GIFT
- BELL
- TREE
- STAR
- SANTA
- COMET
- CUPID
- VIXEN
- CANDY
- FROSTY
- WREATH
- DASHER
- DONNER
- SLEIGH
- DANCER
- CHIMNEY
- BLITZEN
- RUDOLPH
- PRANCER
- SNOWMAN
- PRESENTS
- REINDEER



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## Merry Christmas WORD SEARCH



See how many of these words you can find in the puzzle. The words can be forward, backward or diagonal.

- |              |                |               |             |
|--------------|----------------|---------------|-------------|
| 1. Merry     | 5. Friends     | 9. Candy      | 13. Holiday |
| 2. Christmas | 6. Gifts       | 10. Giving    | 14. Music   |
| 3. Vacation  | 7. Decorations | 11. Ornaments | 15. Lights  |
| 4. Family    | 8. Shopping    | 12. Santa     | 16. Carols  |