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Barcoo Shire War Memorial Park—Jundah

Residents and visitors alike in Jundah, Stonehenge and Windorah attended the services in each of the communities to remember those who fought for our country, fought for our freedom. Men and Women who sacrificed their lives in service to their country were also remembered.

The ceremonies in each of the towns paid tribute to all current and former members of the Australian Defence Force, those who paid the ultimate sacrifice, the injured and ill. Also to those who have returned home but now live with the horrific memories of the battles fought.

The school children from each of the schools, Windorah, Jundah and Stonehenge although only young , stood proudly and took part in the individual services.

Thanks to our school children for taking part in the Marches across the communities. The dedication you gave to your March and the participation in readings brought a tear to the eye of many, as we all reflected on the meaning of ANZAC.

With our shire numbers dwindling it was great to see so many attending the services . It is hoped that we can all come together again to celebrate and remember the end of World War I, 100 years ago on the 11th November 2018.

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ANZAC—Windorah

ANZAC Day was gazetted as a public holiday in New Zealand in 1920, followed by Australia confirming that ANZAC Day would be observed on the 25th of April each year.

The 25th of April 2018 was the 97th year of publicly remembering our service men and women past and present, marking the first major military action fought by Australian and New Zealand forces during the First World War, and the 103rd year since the allied expedition to capture Gallipoli in 1915.

Windorah paid their respects to our servicemen and women past and present with our annual Dawn Service and Morning Service, with Captain Jack Francis, Australian Regular Army and Lieutenant Nicole Francis, Royal Australian Navy in attendance. Many thanks to them both in assisting Windorah Community in marking this day with us.

It was also great to see our past serviceman Mr Terry Crowson back with us, and ex-serviceman Bob McNeil making the trip again with his bugle, as The Last Post and Reveille wouldn't be the same without him, and to lay wreaths at the graves of our WW1 Veterans interred at Windorah Cemetery.

Windorah's Dawn Service saw 30 people attending, and the Morning Service had about 50 in attendance, led by SC Rob Edwards and comprising of currently serving, returned servicemen, Windorah State School and LSODE students and staff, SES and RFS volunteer members, RAFS ladies and community members and visitors, who all did a great job of marching while battling the flies.

Mayor Bruce Scott's welcome and address entailed a poignant reminder of what the tradition of ANZAC Day is all about, and the remembrance of our Service men and women past and present, during Australia and New Zealand's inclusion and sacrifice in WW1 and WWII, various UN campaigns, and in times of turmoil.

Thank you to the Barcoo Shire Council for the donation of ice blocks and drinks to go with our morning tea, and thank you to all who provided a plate to share.

ANZAC Day in our far flung communities holds a great importance too many, as small towns saw people that the whole town knew, go to war, and in many cases, never to return. Our returned service men are no longer with us, but are far from forgotten, and their spirit lives on with member of our communities and families, those who have returned from various campaigns and those who continue to serve to this day. The day brings our communities together in remembrance and acknowledgement of our nation's people who are willing to make the sacrifice for us all, and also carries on the old ANZAC tradition of mateship and comradery. Least of all with a game of Two Up, which was hosted by the Western Star Hotel.



Family connections, Mr Ross Ward, Lieutenant Nicole Francis, Royal Australian Navy, Ex Serviceman Mr Terry Crowson and Captain Jack Francis, Australian Regular Army



Koby Geiger, winner of the ANZAC award .

ANZAC—Windorah



Above left: Lieutenant Nicole Francis, Royal Australian Navy providing the Address at the morning ANZAC service in Windorah.

Above: Ex Serviceman Bob McNeil returned to Windorah again this year to accompany the two ANZAC services on his bugle.

Left: Lieutenant Nicole Francis, Royal Australian Navy & Captain Jack Francis, Australian Regular Army, lead the ANZAC day March in Windorah.

Lieutenant Nicole Francis Royal Australian Navy and Captain Jack Francis, Australian Regular Army



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Barcoo Shire Community Drought Event Funding



In association with the department of Communities and the Remote Area Planning and development Board (RAPAD), Council is pleased to announce another \$75,000 for assistance in holding/providing a range of Community Events and activities that contribute to connectedness, social well-being and increased access to support services.

It should be noted that this round of funding is only for events and activities. Funding cannot be used to purchase equipment or to build any assets. All funding is open to registered not for profit/ incorporated clubs or organisations only.

This is a great chance to give a helping hand to our current calendar of events.

Barcoo Shire Community Drought Event Funding. Apply Now! Due Date 14/05/2018.

Create an Event

The event must contribute to connectedness, social wellbeing and awareness of support services.

Apply

Contact Barcoo Shire Council outlining your event and objectives.

Stage your event Enjoy your function or event.

Acquittal

Complete the acquittal form, outlining the expenses, the target audience, and outcomes.

For further information contact Kerri Pidgeon Barcoo Shire Council 46586910.

Michael Parker Chief Executive Officer 19th April 2018

Important Reminder

Expressions of Interest are closing soon!



EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST Pest Exclusion or Cluster Fencing

The Barcoo Shire Council seeks expressions of interest from landholders interested in building Pest Exclusion/ Cluster fences where the Barcoo Shire Council would borrow the money and the landholder would pay the amount back to the council through their rates over a 10/20year time frame.

Information required:-Approximate length of fence. If a Cluster number of properties inside the Cluster.

For further information contact Peter Pidgeon Rural lands officer ASAP on 0459028596 or via email: peterp@barcoo.qld.gov.au.

Michael Parker Chief Executive Officer

Barcoo Shire Council Sport and Rec Plan town meetings

Facilitated town hall meetings with Councillors attending will be held to prioritise sport facilities needs so all those with an interest in the future of sport and (active) recreation are advised to come and have their say.

Dates are as follows:

May 1 Windorah Town hall 6 -7.30pm

May 2 Stonehenge Town Hall 6.30 - 8pm

May 3 Jundah Town Hall 6 - 7.30pm

Hope to see you there. For more information please contact Chris Capel on 0447 589424 or by email on capel@tpg.com.au

Visit Barcoo App Launched

DATE: 24 April 2018



MEDIA RELEASE

For visitors 'on the go': Barcoo Shire Council launches new app

The Barcoo Shire was quick to take advantage of the improvements to telecommunications in the region, with the launch of a new free mobile app for travellers and visitors.

The Visit Barcoo App includes everything that visitors need to know when travelling in the Barcoo Shire region. It is easy to navigate and includes local self-guided tours, historical sites and points-of-interest, and places to stay and eat, along with a comprehensive guide to all of the Shire's unique local attractions.

Mayor of Barcoo Shire, Cr Bruce Scott said "the Visit Barcoo App will enable visitors and tourists to find the best camping spot to spend a few nights, know where to go to grab a cold drink or a bite to eat, or spend the day traversing our beautiful Shire seeing the pristine untouched waterways, vast floodplains, rolling desert sand dunes and craggy rugged escarpments on a self-guided driving tour - and all at your own leisurely pace".

With mobile reception now available across vast areas of the Barcoo Shire, visitors can now easily access their travel information on the go. And for those areas where mobile reception is not available - once the Visit Barcoo App is downloaded, it will operate anywhere using your smart devices' inbuilt GPS – just make sure your location services are switched on.

Cr Scott said "the Barcoo Shire's considerable investment in optic fibre and mobile telephony has enabled the Shire to progress with this technology to support the many tourists who visit our region each year. In this dayand-age people like to be able to access information quickly and conveniently, and the launch of this new app makes this entirely possible with the push of a button".

The Visit Barcoo App can be downloaded for free from your favourite app store to ISO or Android devices - all you need is a smart phone or smart device to participate and play - simply search for Barcoo Shire and download. For further assistance, visit the Jundah, Stonehenge or Windorah Information Centers where the friendly staff can assist you with downloading the app.

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For further media information contact: Ingrid Miller, Community Information Officer Email: <u>stonehengeinfo@barcoo.qld.gov.au</u> Phone: (07) 4658 5857

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Visit Barcoo App now launched



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HANDY TIPS FOR HANDY MEN

Helpful Tips from Beau Morris, NWRH Physiotherapist

PAIN! Back, neck, shoulder, hip, knee, ankle, and the list goes on. Pain can strike anywhere at any time when your job involves physical activity such as heavy lifting and demanding repetitive movements.

Here are a few tips to help reduce the strain on your body and keep you moving better for longer!



- Wear your tool belt with the weight around your back
- Pop a pillow or rolled towel behind your back when driving.
- Grab a mate to help lighten a load.
- Use a chair or stool when possible.
- Modify your environment to make things easier.
- Use lifting devices when you can.



It is important to look after your body. So if you experience any pain or discomfort while performing any type of physical activity, it is recommended you seek advice from a doctor or a Physiotherapist to discuss these concerns.

If you have any questions or concerns, please call NWRH on (07) 4652 7100 to speak to your local Physiotherapist. NWRH offers a wide range of allied health professionals who service communities across Central West Queensland. To obtain a referral or book an appointment please contact your local medical practice or health clinic.





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Jundah State School News

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Swimming Carnival

The Barcoo Shire swimming carnival was held on Friday. Congratulations to the students for a wonderful day and the sportsmanship displayed. Congratulations to the P&C for the amazing spread of food for the day. Thanks to all the schools for participating and making the day such an enjoyable carnival. Thank you to all the people who contributed and helped on the day, it was greatly appreciated. Thanks also to the Barcoo Shire Council for their sponsorship and continued support of the schools.





Barcoo Shire Swimming Results:

P – 2 Minor Junior Girl Champion	Bindi Geiger (Windorah SS)
P – 2 Minor Junior Boy Champion	Charlie Kidd (Windorah SS)
Years 3 & 4 Junior Girl Champion	Polly Lampard (Windorah SS)
Years 3 & 4 Junior Boy Champion	Harry Allen (Stonehenge SS)
Years 5 & 6 Senior Girl Champion	Louise O'Neil (Jundah SS)
Years 5 & 6 Senior Boy Champion	Brodie Pidgeon (Stonehenge SS)

Barcoo Shire Swimming Trophy Winner:

Stonehenge State School

Queensland Bull Masters Regional Tour

The Barcoo Shire Council invited Jundah State School students and staff to be a part of the Queensland Bull Masters tour of the region when they visited Jundah on Tuesday 24th April 2018. Michael Kasprowicz and Luke Feldman, both right arm fast bowlers from Queensland, were the Queensland Bull Masters representatives visiting Jundah and they held a cricket clinic with the students. This was a very enjoyable session with skills being taught, practiced and then implemented in a game of cricket.

ANZAC

Jundah State School marched and participated in the mid-morning ANZAC ceremony. The students read the poem "Not a Hero" and laid a wreath. In class the day before they had been writing about what ANZAC

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meant to them.

Term 2 is an 11 week term, with much happening. We welcome Miss Leslie Byrnes to our staff. We also welcome Jess and Zoe. The multi-age English persuasive program that was developed in Longreach is being implemented. The Outback Advantage Principals and cluster teachers will be at Windorah State School on Thursday 26th April and Jundah State School on Friday 27th April for Instructional Rounds. The welcome BBQ will be held on Friday 27th April 2018.

NAPLAN is in week 5. As a result of the STEM workshop that Mrs Hughes and Mrs Volker attended last year, a university lecturer will be visiting Jundah State School in Week 6 to work with staff on the Australian Curriculum digital technologies.

Under 8's week is the following week and the theme is children exploring language and culture.

The Central Queensland Principals Conference is being held in Longreach this year on Tuesday 29th and Wednesday 30th May 2018.

The Barcoo Shire sports day, hosted by the Jundah State School, will be held on Friday 15th June 2018. Windorah Sports Camp will be in week 11, Monday 25th to Friday 29th June 2018.

Last term the students attended swimming lessons with Caroline Taylor from Longreach each fortnight. The students showed improvement with each lesson and enjoyed being in the pool on the really hot days.

Mrs Volker attended a four day workshop in Longreach with the Principals of the Outback Advantage and the Curriculum Advisors to develop a viable small schools program for multi-age classrooms. The days were very productive, with an English unit for next term being drafted. A plan for the Maths was also worked on and next term Science will be the learning area that programs will be developed for.

Miss Roisin attended a Maths workshop and discovered many innovative ideas to introduce into our Maths program. She also attended a workshop on different learning styles.

Mrs Volker attended the Kindy conference and rediscovered the value of play and learning through play. The Kindy program continues to have many advantages. The Kindy times changed to the morning sessions, with all day Thursday staying the same and the students adapting to the change.

The students enjoyed the water slides on a Friday afternoon, finding many innovative ways to slide and enjoy the wet play.

We look forward to another term of learning.



Chris Volker

Photo from 2008—Garrick Street entrance

Jundah Community Bronco Branding & Team Penning Association Incorporated

A general meeting is to be held at the Jundah Racecourse on Saturday 5th May 2018 at 5.00pm followed by a sausage sizzle.

New members are welcome, please come along and help organise future events for the Committee.

If you have any enquiries please contact:

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Lachlan Millar's visit to Windorah

On the 26th of April, Lachlan Miller MP, Member for Gregory called into Windorah for a cuppa and a chat with Windorah constituents, after visiting with Jundah constituents earlier in the day.

Lachlan has been travelling throughout the Electoral District of Gregory, to meet up with community members to obtain feedback and to provide a general update on policies, such as infrastructure and opportunities in the bush and to source any concerns for the people in the District.

It has always been good to see Lachlan over these past few years, and, as voters, it is up to us to provide feedback to our elected members in order to progress the many opportunities in the bush, and to support our communities into the future. It was great to see a representation of our business holders, community members and also health, education and police professionals attending.

Photo: Lachlan Millar MP, Peta Geiger, George Gorringe, Carolyn Gorringe, Trudy Gorringe.

1080 Ground Baiting

It is time once again for the Barcoo Shire council ground baiting program to fit around the same time as the neighbouring shires aerial baiting programs.

Council has a quantity of meat available for landholders to use or you can bring your own meat along. Please let me know when you or your group wants to bait and what meat you need

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Children's Lunch Box Recipes

These single-serve bacon and pea frittatas will be a hit at lunchtime. Cook them the night before and pack them into lunch boxes the next morning for a protein-packed playground meal.

Mini Bacon and Pea Frittatas

Ingredients

olive oil spray 2 rashers bacon, finely sliced 1/2 cup (80g) frozen peas 1 tbsp mint, chopped 4 eggs 40g feta cheese

Method

Preheat oven to 180° C (160° C fan-forced). Spray 6 holes of a 1/2 cup muffin tin with olive oil spray.

Cook bacon over medium heat in a non-stick frypan for 4 minutes or until browned. Remove from heat, add peas and mint and stir to combine. Season well. Spoon mixture into prepared muffin tin.

Beat eggs. Spoon into muffin tin over bacon mixture. Dot the tops with crumbled feta.

Bake for 12-14 minutes until cooked through and lightly golden.



These savoury vegetable pikelets are full of hidden veggies that the kids won't see. They are perfect for toddlers and can also be popped into lunch boxes.

Vegetable Pikelets Ingredients

2 cups wholemeal self-raising flour
2 cups raw vegetables, chopped finely
2 eggs, lightly beaten
1 cup tasty cheese, grated
1 1/2 cups milk
salt and pepper
50g butter (for frying)
Cream cheese with some chives to serve

Method

In a bowl, whisk all ingredients except for butter together.

Heat a little butter in a frying pan. Using quarter cup measures, fry each pikelet until golden and turn. Serve warm with cream cheese spread on top.

Notes

- This recipe makes 12 pikelets.
- For this recipe I used grated carrot, cauliflower, broccoli and shallots. You can just use whatever veggies you have on hand.
- Don't forget to season these well. They really need the flavour!
- You can use low-fat milk and low-fat tasty cheese if you want to lower the fat content.



Using a BBQ chicken from the supermarket makes these yummy chicken parcels super quick and easy to make. They're delicious when dipped in tomato sauce.

Chicken Parcels Ingredients

cup jasmine rice
 BBQ chicken, diced
 cup cream
 250g bacon, diced and cooked
 cup tasty cheese, grated
 Salt and pepper
 sheets pre-rolled shortcrust pastry
 egg, lightly beaten

Method

Cook rice as per directions on packet. Preheat oven to 200°C. In a large bowl add rice, diced chicken, cream, bacon, cheese, salt and pepper and mix well. Cut the pastry sheets in half, diagonally. Spoon mixture evenly onto each pastry half, and then brush edges with egg and press together into a triangle shape. Flute edges if desired.

Brush each parcel with egg and cut slits with a knife. Cook for 15-20 minutes until golden brown.



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