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Barcoo Shire Community Newsletter

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After a two year break, the Barcoo Big Bash has staged a worthy comeback in Stonehenge. After such a memorable day, there are many people to thank.

All the sponsors who were on board since 2018—Stonehenge Hotel, Batt Power, Gum Creek Grazing, Champion Contracting and Barcoo Shire Council plus Stonehenge Action Group and the Oates Family.

A special mention must go to the team of workers who designed, built and constructed the Nathan Oates Memorial Oval sign and plaque in preparation for the weekend. The official opening was certainly a special occasion for all those who were there.

Thanks also to the helpers, volunteers and spectators who all contributed to a successful day of cricket. Also cheers to Moose's Camp Oven Cooking for the awesome dinner and to the sponsors who supported the dinner meal.

We can't forget the ABC Western Queensland team who are compiling a story on our great event. We'll let everyone know when it's set to hit the media.

Finally thank you to all the players who have kept the spirit of the Barcoo Big Bash going. Oatesy certainly would've been proud to see everyone enjoying a great day.

Whilst it's not about winning or losing, the 2019 winners of the Barcoo Big Bash were the Jundah Thunder who won both of their games convincingly. Windorah followed in 2nd place and Stonehenge rounded out the competition in 3rd place.

A highlight was the awarding of the new Nathan Oates Memorial Sportsmanship Award—given to a player who shows exceptional team spirit throughout the day. Congratulations to Brian Dayes of Windorah.

We look forward to seeing you all again in 2020. If you've got any suggestions for next year, feel free to get in touch with Ingrid Miller.



Barcoo Big Bash



Barcoo Big Bash







Worthy winner Brian Dayes—winner of the Nathan Oates Memorial Sportsmanship Award



Message From The Mayor

Dear Barcoo Shire Residents,

It is with sad hearts we hear of the passing of two wonderful Ladies and matriarchs of Barcoo Shire and the Outback

The passing of Jundah and Barcoo Shire's eldest citizen, Mrs Kath Millar and long-time resident of Clifton Station Windorah and Barcoo Shire, Mrs Jean Groves - has left a terribly empty hole in our lives and their respective communities. But these lovely ladies leave us with some wonderfully warm and indelible memories of their friendship and contributions and fine cooking on us in our collective communities and as individuals.

Kath Millar lived all of her 91 years in Jundah and surrounds, where she was known and loved by everyone. Kath was married to Pat, and spent much of her time caring for her brother Johnny and his children. Which that care was reciprocated in her later years, by her niece Donna Rivers until her passing. There would not be many of us in Barcoo Shire and visitors to Barcoo Shire who would not have received some of Kath's wonderful cooking and delightful company. Kath's pumpkin fruit cakes were well sort after and gratefully received, and it was always a treat to call in to see her and Johnny. Kath used to have the Barcoo Shire CEOs on speed dial, and was always dropping off a cake or scones to them, or making sure that they were going to the pub on Friday nights – of which they were always appreciative for. It was sure wonderful to see Kath at the recent Jundah Races, and for her to receive a sash and a bunch of beautiful flowers from the Jundah Race Club in appreciation of her patronage over many years.

Jean Groves spent nearly 40 years at Clifton with her husband Bill, where they raised their four children Ian, Ross, Robert and Lachlan. Jean and Bill retired to Toowoomba in 1988 where they lived until the call of the west had them move to Longreach in 2010. Mrs Groves was a wonderful cook and host and hard worker for whichever the community she lived in. From a very young age, I remember it was always a treat to go to Clifton, as the biscuits and cakes were very plentiful, and the more you ate the happier she seemed. Both Bill and Jean could always put things in perspective, and there are many people who were recipients of their generosity and advice. The Groves family and the Tully family and my family were neighbours for 65 years, which has just recently and sadly come to an end as Ross and Wendy move to, hopefully, greener pastures at Boonah.

Both Kath Millar and Jean Groves and families gave a lot to the betterment of Barcoo Shire, with members of both families serving on Barcoo Shire Council. Kath's brother Johnny was a councillor when I joined Barcoo Shire Council in 1994 under Peter Douglas as mayor, and Ross and Ian and Ian's wife Julie served as councillors and mayor. While the business of council was always just as serious back then, it always seemed a lighter time and a time when we had more time to prepare and care for our communities – instead of the fast bustle of the electronic age of bombardment from emails. I am always grateful for the people you meet along the way, and was always pleased to hear the stories from those older and wiser than me.

We wish the families and friends of Kath Millar and Jean Groves our sincerest condolences on their passing, and we pass on that we will be forever grateful to these lovely ladies for sharing parts of their lives with us – the world is a lesser place without them both.

Anyone who attended the recent Jundah Races would agree that this event was a great success. This year's Jundah Racers was just a great day out, with many present and past Barcoo Shire residents in attendance, as well as some delightful visitors. The Jundah Race Club and their volunteers who helped make the day a success should be justly proud of the organisation's carrying out of the only race day left in the shire.

While numbers might have been described as down a bit, there was no shortage of good racing, a great atmosphere, beautiful food, cool drinks and fun and enjoyment by everyone on the racecourse. The racecourse was prepared beautifully by the club and its volunteers and the track was in the best condition I have seen - and thankfully with no horses or jockeys injured on the day. The racecourse amenities catered well for the needs of the owners and trainers, bookies and spectating crowd, and I am sure the free entry and evening meal was gratefully received by all.

Message From The Mayor

When you put the Jundah Races in perspective, the day was at the end of a very busy central west social calendar, and was competing with other public and private events, so when you think of these various situations, the day's attendance numbers were possibly better than might have been expected.

As residents are aware, the spring and summer storm season is heading our way as the weather warms up and becomes our normal hot summer temperatures. As this change of seasons occurs, the risk of events such as severe thunder storms, strong and intense winds, hail, flooded and boggy roads increases. And as the summer sets in we have the added risk prolonged heatwave, and hopefully general rains both locally and in the general catchments - and a good flood down our creeks and rivers.

At this time of year Council joins the Queensland State Government and other councils around the state in the Get Ready Queensland campaign.

Get Ready Queensland is about building our resilience to deal with the extreme weather and natural disasters that are part of living in our state. Its aim is to make Queensland the nation's most disaster resilient state.

Resilience is about more than just good preparation or effective responding. It is about accepting that extreme weather is part of living in Queensland, and preparing to handle it accordingly.

The above said, it is timely that Council remind everyone about taking responsibility for your own safety and resilience in times of potential disruption from weather events or disastrous situations.

Little things like cleaning up your yard(s) from long grass and rubbish can protect people and property from vermin, snakes and fire. Securing objects that could become airborne during a storm could have an enormous positive outcome for overall safety of the community if a severe event happened to take place in town or on a property or camp site.

Having a personal and family safety kit on hand with some basic supplies is recommended, so we have a good element of self-reliance in case people and communities and properties are cut off for an extended period. Items such as emergency drinking water, a battery operated AM radio with spare batteries, an up-to-date first aid kit, making sure you have an alternative way of charging a mobile phone, tablet or computer or smart phone (i.e. car charger or solar), supplies of non-perishable foods that would last for at least a week, a list of emergency contact numbers, put in place a way of cooking and boiling water if there is no electricity for an extended period are just some personal safety provisions that will help if there is a disaster situation or roads are cut due to flood or extended rains.

Properties and camps should take some further mitigation measures so there is a greater level of safety and resilience. This would include measures such as: holding additional fuel supplies for vehicles and generators, service and check both emergency and standalone generators, make sure you know your neighbours and their contact details and notify Barcoo Shire Council of your contact details if you are new to the district (this is really important as we have had a number of properties change hands this year and new families to the area), making sure you have additional redundancy for water supplies (spare pump that can be plumbed in quickly if there is no power or the normal pump site is flooded or the drinking water is fed by a pressure pump), making sure there is a site close to the house where a helicopter could land if an evacuation or resupply is necessary, grade airstrips if possible, having a serviceable UHF radio and know the public repeater(s) and number(s) closest to your property house and locations around the property, notify the local Primary Health Clinics' (PHC) Directors-of-Nursing (DON) if you or there are people residing on your property who have a medical condition or there are 'at risk' persons residing on the property (elderly, disabled or a medical condition) – so the appropriate response can be coordinated for these persons if the property is isolated for any reason.

Message From The Mayor

Barcoo Shire Council staff member and Workplace Health and Safety Officer, Mr David Ross has been coordinating the recording of property locations and basic geography of assets like access roads, airstrips, yards camps etc..., equipment that could be used for emergency situations, details of residents and contact details. Having this information onhand will enable Barcoo Shire Council and emergency services to get to you and your family and staff in times of emergency as quickly as possible, or deploy resupply of goods in a situation where the property becomes isolated for an extended length of time.

If you have not been contacted by Dave Ross in the past about this safety initiative, or are new to Barcoo Shire, please contact Dave Ross on Ph: 07 4658 6900 or david.ross@barcoo.qld.gov.au to have your property or camp details recorded into our and 000 Emergency services systems' data bases.

Let us hope for a good wet summer season, with a handy flood down all the rivers and creeks to relieve this relentless drought and water shortage in most areas of Queensland and New South Wales.

Warm regards,

Bruce Scott



SEPTEMBER 27, 28, 29TH

2019

JUNDAH'S HORSE & BIKE SPORTS WKND



TIM PITMAN MEMORIAL NOVICE WINING TEAM THE FILLIES AND TIM'S FAMILY

Photo credita: Mary Mathemas, Roxy Weston & Daryl Comar

JAKE MCWHIRTER & JIM HANCOCK WERE THE BEST BULL FIGHTERS



MC AND ENTERTAINMENT BY **NEV AND DEB -OUTBACK** SOUND AND VISUAL WAS SPOT ON



Team Penning is back in Jundah!

Firstly, Thank-you to everyone far and wide who made this weekend happen, All the back ground support volunteers for months leading up, the excellent local sponsors who dig deep to keep the event rolling and every single competitor who made tracks to get here.

We were so very grateful of the massive turn out and hope our weekend will get better every year. How good is it that Team Penning is back! It was held Friday night with 18 teams nominating to compete...WOW. Everyone enjoyed themselves and there were lots of people having a good go who have never tried it before-what we LOVE to see.

Thank you to the Stonehenge rodeo club for helping us out with Collars, all the crew in the yards and Bruce and Ann Rayment from Connemara for the excellent stock.

The Winners were: ist-Masvale Team 2nd-Shoe-B Doo Corey Ferguson Joe Curtain

John Kuhn Stobban Maunsell Lawrence Monize Laura Axsentiff Taylor Montze

3rd-The Drovers Lawrence Monize Jack Carrington



JUNDAH COMMUNITY BRONCO BRANDING AND TEAM PENNING ASSOCIATION INC.

SEPTEMBER 27, 28, 29TH 2019

















Bronco Branding

Singles 1st-East Macs 2nd-Herb's Team

3rd-SilverLeaf

Doubles

1st-East Mac's

2nd-SilverLeaf

3rd-Instructors

Rodeo

Poddy

1st-Jaiden Gorringe

2nd-Kip Smith

3rd-Bridie Miller

Saddle Bronc

1st-Jim Hancock

2nd-Izayah Gilby

Bullock

1st-Cameron Holley

Station Buckjump 1st-Dean Hurley 2nd-Sally Mallay Bull Ride-No Scores



Horse Gymkana-Leading Riders

Opens-Lawrence Monize

Horse Gymkhana-Encouragement

13-16-Jack Pitman 9-12-Louise O'Neil





Tim Pitman Memorial Novice The Fillies

Bike Gymkana-Leading Riders

Ladies-Leonie Gilby Mens-Boof Matheson

13-16-lack Elmes

9-12-Koby Geiger

8&Under-Tallis McKnight

Bike Gymkana-Encouragement

13-16-Jaiden Gorringe 9-12-Jasmine McLurcan 8&Under-Harry Geiger

Open-Doreen Pitman 13-16-Ty Lasker

8&Under-Piper Cooke

9-12-Lilly Miller

8&Under-James Repine

Open Wheel Stand-Johnnie Crick ~Shane Rayment Memorial Double Barrel-Boof Matheson

QGAP Notices

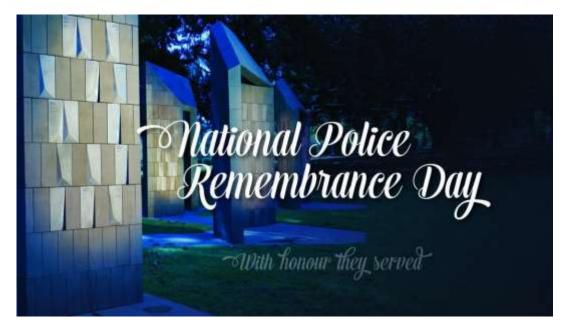
National Police Remembrance Day 2019

Friday September 27 observed thirty years of National Police Remembrance Day where Police officers across Australia paused to reflect and remember those who have died in the line of duty or died whilst on duty. The day acknowledges the risks associated with the job and what stepping into the uniform and serving the community represents.

Officers from within the Barcoo Shire and Longreach region held a vigil on Thursday 26 September to remember Constable Nathaniel Roberts of Windorah Police station who died in 135 years ago near Connemarra Station whilst on duty. We also remembered the 147 Queensland Police Officers who gave their life serving their state.

National Police Remembrance Day not only honours those who have lost their lives in the line of duty but also recognises the commitment, dedication and bravery of all past, present and future police officers.





QGAP Notices



Barcoo Shire residents are urged to Lock it or Lose it – Is your vehicle secure?

Officers are encouraging motorists to ensure they secure their vehicles to prevent opportunistic property crime and car thefts in the Barcoo Shire. The Lock it or Lose it campaign aims to educate and remind members of the community and visitors to secure their homes and lock their vehicles and remove any valuables before leaving their car unattended.

The campaign aims at educating people to not leave valuable items in the car if they are leaving it unattended, or at least keep the items out of sight to discourage property theft.

Police continue to discover vehicles that have been left unattended with windows down, keys in the ignition, spare car keys in the vehicle and valuables in plain view.

'Lock-it or Lose-it messages' left by police on vehicle windshields will serve as a reminder to motorists that many crimes against property are the result of a criminal making use of an opportunity.

Failure to secure your vehicle or remove the key from the ignition could result in a \$53 on-the-spot fine under the Transport Operations (Road Use Management—Road Rules) Regulation 2009.

- Driver failed to switch off engine before leaving vehicle
- Driver failed to remove ignition key with no-one 16 years or older remaining in vehicle
- Driver failed to lock the vehicle after leaving vehicle

For more details please contact your local Police Station.

Jundah	4652 5115
Windorah	4652 5122
Yaraka	4657 5525

Are your firearms secure?

Given the influx of people passing through the South West Qld, it is timely to remind firearms holders of their responsibility to ensure the security of firearms. Section 60 of the Weapons Act 1990 outlines a person who possesses a firearm must take all reasonable precautions to ensure; its safe storage, that it is not stolen or lost and that it does not come into the possession of a person who is not authorised to possess the firearm.

Penalties of up to a \$10 000 fine or 2 years imprisonment apply under section 60 of the Weapons Act 1990. A conviction for a weapons offence is a disqualifying offence for holding a firearm for 5 years.

The following information outlines the minimum requirements for safe storage as outlined in the Weapons Regulation 2016.

- The container must be of rigid structure made of either solid steel or solid timber. Rigid structure refers to
 the strength of the container and the use of reasonable force to the sides or top of the container should not
 result in deflections of the panel of the container. The term solid, requires that the container panels are
 continuous (ie without venting holes or perforation).
- The container must be either steel or solid timber (chipboard, mdf and particle board are not compliant). If the container weighs less than 150kgs, it must be securely fixed to the frame or floor of a permanent building.
- The container must have a sturdy combination lock, keyed lock keyed padlock.
- The container must be locked other than to access it
- Firearms must be unloaded, and the bolt removed or action broken for storage.
- Ammunition must be stored separately in a secured container

For any issues please contact either Weapons Licence Branch on (07) 30157777 or your local Police Station.

Jundah	
Windorah	4652 5122
Yaraka	

Notices

Weapons Licensing (07) 3015 7777

A PERSON WHO POSSESSES A FIREARM MUST TAKE ALL REASONABLE PRECAUTIONS TO ENSURE:

YOUR RESPONSIBILITIES

its safe storage; and

That it is not stolen or lost; and

Safeguard your firearms



Category A, B and C firearms storage egislative requirements for

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That it does not come into the possession of a person who is not authorised to possess the firearm.

minimum requirements for safe storage of firearms. For Category A, B and C firearms: Section 94 of the Weapons Regulation 2016 (Qld) provides

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- Rigid structure refers to the strength of the container container should not result in deflections of the panel or and the use of reasonable force to the sides or top of the
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- The container must be either steel (aluminium/alloys particle board, MDF and plaster board are not compliant or structural and marine ply are compliant. Chipboard, are not compliant) or solid timber. Species of timber
- If the container used for storing these firearms weighs less than 150kg, it must be securely fixed to the frame or floor of a permanent building:
- The container must have a sturdy combination lock, keyed lock or keyed padlock;
- remove/replace firearms; and The container must be locked other than for the time to
- Firearms must be unloaded and the bolt must be removed or and can be stored with the firearm. action broken for storage. The bolt is a major component part and is subject to same storage requirements as the firearm

2003 [Qid]) ammunition (Section 85 and 86 of the Explosives Regulations for example a gun safe with a internal secured area for the area that is separate from the container that holds the firearms; Ammunition must be stored in a secure container or secured

For emergencies or life threatening situations

Triple Zero (000)

Crime Stoppers 1800 333 000

Category D, H or R firearms storage Legislative requirements for

requirements for safe keeping of Category D, H and R firearms Section 94 of the Weapons Regulation 2016 provides minimum

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Be bolted to the frame or floor of a permanent building:

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- The container must be locked other than for the time to remove/replace firearm; and
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accordance with Sections 39 to 43 of the Weapons Regulation firearms for all licensees), the firearms must be stored in If more than 30 firearms are stored at the one premises (total



http://www.police.qld.gov.au/programs/ requirements when firearms are being Regulation 2016 sets out the storage Sections 88-92 of the Weapons storage/invehicles.htm transported on vehicles. weaponsLicensing/licenceApplication/ these requirements are summanised at

weaponsLicensing for more information Visit www.police.qld.gov.au

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ensure the firearm is kept safely, is not **DO** take all reasonable precautions to

possession of an unauthorised person lost or stolen and does not come into the



DO store your firearm in a compliant locked container when not being used or

DO store any ammunition for your

firearm in a separate locked container

- DON'T leave power tools or other implements nearby which could be used
- DON'T leave a firearm lying around, loaded or unattended

DON'T leave the keys to your firearms safe in a place that is easily accessible by intruders

DON'T locate the safe where it can be e.g. unlocked garage or shed accessed easily or in sight of intruders

to break into the safe

PROTECTING

reasonable precautions to ensure: A person who possesses a firearm must take all

- Its safe storage
- That it is not stolen or lost
- That it does not come into the possession of a person who is not authorised to possess the

offence for holding a firearms licence for 5 years. A conviction for a weapons offence is a disqualifying

Weapons Licensing (07) 30157777

OUR COMMUNITY

Weapons Act 1990 (Qld) imprisonment apply under Section 60 of the Penalties of up to a \$10,000 fine or 2 years

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SAFETY COMES FIRST

New Faces

Meet our new CEO & Director of Corporate Services

Paul Hockings, CEO

Paul comes to Barcoo Shire Council following an extensive and varied career across local government, community relations, mining and agribusiness, with 29 years in rural and remote Australia.

Paul is a CPA qualified General Manager who has been a finance consultant in Western Queensland. His most recent employee role was at Longreach Regional Council where he was the Director of Corporate Services responsible for financial management, commercial services, town planning, land and leasing, local laws and rural lands management, IT, payroll, creditors, rates, debtors and procurement.

Paul enjoys walking, fitness and sporting activities. Paul's family includes Michelle who has also taken on a records position with Council together with their 3 children, Makaela (studying medicine in Hobart), Darcie (studying business law in Brisbane) and Thomas (Downlands College in Toowoomba).



Blake Repine, Director of Corporate Services

Blake Repine started with Barcoo Shire Council in July 2019 bringing several years' experience as a senior executive and non-executive director in medium to large enterprises, across multiple industries, operating nationally and internationally. Blake's background includes experience in strategic and operational planning and development, financial and performance management, governance, marketing, human resources, risk management



Blake's qualifications include a Certificate IV in Training and Assessment, Diploma in Work Health and Safety, Diploma in Security and Risk Management, Bachelor of Science, Master of Management and Leadership, an MBA, and a Certificate in Disruptive Strategy from Harvard. Blake is a Member of the Australian Institute of Company Directors (AICD) and a graduate of the Company Directors Course, a Fellow with the Institute of Managers and Leaders Australia and New Zealand (IML), and a Certified Professional with the Australian Human Resources Institute (AHRI). He is also a Director of the Central West Hospital & Health Service, host of the Strategy, Leadership and Impact podcast, a Level 3 (National) Weightlifting Coach and a Queensland Weightlifting Association State Referee.

Blake relocated to Jundah with his wife Shannon and son James so they can enjoy the family oriented lifestyle of Western Queensland.

Community Notices

So You Want To Be A Councillor?

19/11/19

18:00

Jundah Town Hall

Subject training with Jim Grassick for councillors & those wishing to run in the next election

Please see following two pages for more information on the 2020 election

Newsletter Contributions

Please ensure all contributions for the November newsletter are sent to stonehengeinfo@barcoo.qld.gov.au
by Tuesday 26th November

Thank you!

Barcoo Shire Christmas Closures

The Jundah administration office, and the Jundah, Stonehenge and Windorah Information Centres and libraries will be closed over the Christmas and New Year period from close of business Friday 20th December 2019 until Monday 6th January 2020





Community Notices

New mental health service— Windorah

Dr Stephen Huntsman, a consultant psychiatrist with Queensland Health, will be visiting Windorah every four weeks from Longreach, in a joint initiative funded by the federal government. Dr Huntsman will be accompanied by mental health staff from Central West Hospital and Health Service.

Dr Huntsman will also visitBoulia, Bedourie and Birdsville.

Dr Huntsman has experience in a wide range of psychiatric disorders. He has particular expertise in diagnosis of mental health problems and prescription of medication when necessary.

It is hoped that regular visits will allow more personal face-to-face contact, which will supplement the video telehealth services already available with mental health services, which are based in Longreach.

Video consultations to mental health are currently provided from the Boulia Health Clinic, or alternatively can be conducted from the Zoom facility at Boulia Shire Council.

Mental health services provide as an additional level of service to the counselling and psychological support currently provided by the Rural Flying Doctor Service. This service is being provided for patients in need of more specialised treatment.

The mental health service can be contacted for potential referrals or appointments on (07) 4652 7951 on Monday to Friday between 8.00am and 4.30pm.

Barcoo Shire Christmas Lights Competition

Christmas 2019 is fast approaching and once again the Barcoo Shire Council will be supporting the Christmas Lights Competition.

Its time to start thinking about how you will decorate your premises or for those in the rural sector, your turnoff!

Date Claimer - Grant Writing Workshop

If your interested in helping your community through grant writing, an opportunity to learn the in's and out's of what are now complex application processes, then please circle your calendar for the 19th November. DCQ and Barcoo Shire Council are partnering together to hold the workshop which will be held in Jundah.

A flyer will be coming out shortly with all the details.

To ensure you don't miss out please call the Jundah Information Centre on 46586941 to register.

MEETING NOTICE

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING JUNDAH GOLF CLUB INC

Time: 10AM

Venue: Jundah Golf Club

Date: 3rd November 2019

New members welcome.

So you want to be a councillor in 2020?

Queensland's 77 councils need mayors and councillors that reflect the diversity of our communities.

By becoming a councillor, or even just running for election, you can make a positive difference to your local community.

Compulsory candidate training

All candidates for the March 2020 election need to complete free online training. Alternatively, you may be able to access a free face-to-face training session in your area. Get the training done early so you know all your campaign obligations.













To find out more, visit www.dlgrma.qld.gov.au/candidates, search online 'So you want to be a councillor?' or phone 13 74 68.



Department of Local Government, Racing and Multicultural Affairs

So you want to be a councillor?

Queensland's 77 local councils need mayors and councillors that reflect the diversity of our communities. Local government elections are held every four years, with by-elections sometimes held if an elected position becomes vacant.

By becoming a councillor, or even just running for election, you can make a positive difference to your local community.

This fact sheet provides information as a guide for anyone interested in becoming a mayor or councilior, including:

- eligibility to be a councillor
- skills councillors require and what the job involves
- nomination requirements If you are eligible and decide to nominate.



Are you eligible?

To be qualified to become a councillor you must meet the criteria as set out in the Local Government Act 2009:

- Australian citizen (Note: an Australian citizen who holds dual citizenship with another country is eligible to nominate for local government elections)
- 18 years old or older
- live in the local government area e.g. Redland City Council
- enrolled on the Queensland electoral roll.

You may be excluded from being a councillor if you:

- have been convicted of an electoral or Integrity offence
- are an undischarged bankrupt
- hold a high-office government position e.g.
 Member of Parliament or Judge.

if you are in any doubt on your eligibility to be a councillor or require additional information you should seek independent legal advice.

digrma.qld.gov.au/candidates





PROPOSED BARCOO SHIRE PLANNING SCHEME OPEN FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

Barcoo Shire Council is pleased to advise that the proposed new Barcoo Shire Planning Scheme is now on public display. The community and stakeholders are encouraged to review the document and invited to provide feedback.

The purpose of the proposed planning scheme is to shape and manage development in the Barcoo Shire over the next 10-20 years.

The proposed planning scheme can be viewed:

- online at http://www.barcoo.qld.gov.au/environment-planning/town-planning-scheme
- In person at the office of Barcoo Shire Council at 6 Perkins Streets, Jundah and customer service counters at Stratford Street, Stonehenge or 7 Maryborough Street, Windorah.

Interested parties may also purchase a copy of the document in addition to inspection.

Any person can make a written submission about any aspect of the proposed planning scheme during the public consultation period. The public consultation period is from Friday, 1 November 2019 up to and including Friday, 20 December 2019.

Submissions must be made in writing or by email. Properly made submissions must:

- state the name and residential or business address of each submitter; and
- state the grounds of the submission, and the facts and circumstances relied on to support the grounds;
 and
- · state one postal or electronic address for service relating to the submission for all submitters; and
- be signed by each person making the submission, however signatures are not required for email (electronic) submissions; and
- Be made to Barcoo Shire Council and be received on or before Friday, 20 December 2019.

Submissions can be lodged as follows:

- By email to shire@barcoo.qld.gov.au
- By post to PO Box 14, Jundah QLD 4736
- In person at the office of Barcoo Shire Council at 6 Perkins Streets, Jundah.

For more information about the proposed planning scheme, contact Kate Lipke on (07) 49242916, visit council's website www.barcoo.qld.gov.au or email shire@barcoo.qld.gov.au

Paul Hockings Chief Executive Officer BARCOO SHIRE COUNCIL PO BOX 14 JUNDAH QLD 4736

Halloween Fudge

Ingredients

- 14 oz. sweetened condensed milk
- · food coloring
- 1 1/2 cup semisweet chocolate chips
- 1/2 cup white chocolate chips
- 2 Tablespoon butter
- 2 teaspoon vanilla

Instructions





- Open the can of condensed milk and pour about 4 oz of milk into a measuring cup.
- Color the 4 oz of milk with 12 drops of yellow food coloring and 5 drops of red and mix until you get orange.
- Put foil in a 6 x 6 or 8 x 8 square pan to make it easy to dump the fudge out when it is finished. Cover the entire pan with foil, including the sides.
- Melt the semisweet chocolate chips in the microwave for 30 seconds at a time, stirring after each 30 second interval until the chips are completely melted.
- Stir in the condensed milk that is still in the can (not the orange milk) to the melted chocolate chips.
- Cut the butter into small pieces and add about 1 1/2 T. to the melted chips. Microwave for 30-45 seconds until the butter is melted and stir.
- Add 1 1/2 t. of vanilla and stir until smooth. Pour the mixture into the prepared pan.
- Now, you need to work quickly and repeat the process with the white chocolate chips.
- Melt the white chocolate chips for 30 seconds at a time in the microwave, stirring until completely melted.
- 10. Stir in the orange condensed milk to the melted white chocolate chips.
- 11. Add the remaining 1/2 T. of butter to the melted chips. Microwave for 30-45 seconds until the butter is melted and stir.
- 12. Add the remaining 1/2 t. of vanilla and stir until smooth.
- Pour the orange mixture onto of the chocolate and mix with the edge of a knife to swirl the colors.
- 14. Chill for 2 hours before cuttting.

