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Melbourne Cup Edition

STORY PIPER ZUINO

his month features the biggest race of the year for our horse racing fans. It is also a great excuse to get dressed up, head out for a beautiful lunch and catch up with friends. Check out these venues for some of the best places around town to watch the big race. The best part is...there's still time to book. Giddy up!

ASPLEY HORNETS

Don your best frock and fascinator for the Aspley Hornets Melbourne Cup Event. Aspley Hornets Marketing Admin Maddy Young said they like to go all out for the Melbourne Cup!

"We have over 15 raffle prizes to be won (money raised will go to the Leukemia Foundation), sweeps, live entertainment, fashions on the field, plus a glass of sparkling on arrival and a three-course meal," she said.

This is the Melbourne Cup event to attend for those wanting to show off their best spring racing outfit with a Best Dressed Women's, Best Dressed Men's and Best Fascinator/Hat competition.

"Before the big race, our staff will pick out attendees from the crowd, who will all get up and do a little strut down our runway, and we vote on best dressed by applause," Maddy said.

"The atmosphere on the day is amazing, everyone is dressed up, we decorate the club, and spirits are high."

The Aspley Hornets Melbourne Cup will take

place on Tuesday, 7 November from 11am-3pm. For more information and to book, visit www.stickytickets.com.au/ifwop/melbourne_ cup.aspx

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If you're willing to make the drive into the city, why not book to attend Babylon's Melbourne Cup event? With one of the best views in Brisbane (in my opinion) Babylon is Riverside's newest hotspot and for the first time, they are celebrating the Melbourne Cup. With prizes for best dressed, live entertainment, sweeps and delicious food and drinks, this is one of the best spots to watch the race.

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Back-to-Back Triumph for Bottlemart Boondall

STORY ALYSSA MACKAY PHOTO JOHN PIRES PHOTOGRAPHY

ocal business, Bottlemart Boondall at Sue's Korner, has been named the Best Detached Bottleshop in Queensland for the second year running.

The liquor store, part of The Full Moon Hotel on Bramble Bay, accepted the award at the Queensland Hotel Association (QHA) Awards for Excellence in June.

Group Retail Manager of the Full Moon Hotel Bottlemart, Scott Strathearn, said winning the award for the second consecutive year was a moment of immense pride for the entire team.

"It underscores the power of a cooperative workplace and the impact of positive customer engagement," Scott said. "We are grateful to work alongside our retail banner group 'Bottlemart' (Liquor Marketing Group Qld), who support us in providing an exceptional shopping experience that our patrons can rely on.

"Our primary focus is on motivating, educating and creating a positive working environment for our fantastic team with strong leadership led by store manager, Kim and 2IC, Graeme."

In addition to the Sue's Korner venue, the Full Moon Hotel operates Bottlemarts at the Full Moon Hotel Drive Thru, Sandgate Road and Ibis Central.

Scott said the win for Bottlemart Boondall would benefit all the local businesses at Sue's Korner, due to the attention and increased foot traffic it would bring to the area. "As patrons celebrate our success, they naturally explore the neighbouring shops, creating a domino effect of visibility and potential business for everyone," he said. "The award serves as a collective win, drawing more customers to the entire precinct, fostering a sense of community, and contributing to the overall success and vibrancy of Sue's Korner Boondall."

Bottlemart Boondall will now have the opportunity to contest the Australian Hotels Association Awards for Excellence, which will take place this month at a gala event in Adelaide.

Scott said they were thrilled to participate in the national awards, where they would be competing against notable contenders from across Australia.

"While we'll be up against experienced operators, our confidence lies in our consistent approach, focusing on the client experience, range and service," he said. "Our aim is to challenge the previous winner, Cellarbrations Devonport in Tassie, and vie for the top spot. The criteria touchstones include décor, design, staff and service, stock offering, presentation and layout. We look forward to representing North Brisbane at the Australian finals."











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Chermside AMUA Marks 100 Years of Service

STORY ALYSSA MACKAY Photo John Pires Photography

he Anglican Mothers Union Australia (AMUA) of the All Saints Anglican Church in Chermside recently commemorated their 100th anniversary.

The Chermside branch of the AMUA, which was established in April 1923, marked this significant milestone by embarking on a special project to provide a Red Bench within the community to raise awareness of domestic violence.

Margaret Coombs, president of the Chermside AMUA, said the initiative aligned with the vision of the Mothers Union, which "is of a world where God's love is shown through loving, respectful and flourishing relationships".

"To this end, the aim and purpose is to demonstrate the Christian faith in action by the transformation of communities worldwide through the nurture of family in its many forms," Margaret said.

"Through the sponsorship of the Red Rose Foundation, which exists to bring about an ending to domestic violence in our society, we have now installed a Red Bench outside of our Parish Office, where our Parish Pantry is open three days a week for the community to access fresh fruit and vegetables, bread and food parcels.

"At our 100-year celebratory service held on Sunday, 24 September, the bench was blessed by our priest, Father Daniel and has now been set in place. May it be a witness to those who come, of the solidarity we share with all victims of domestic violence."

Families of past members were invited to attend the celebratory service. A highlight of the event was a 100-year cake, specially made and decorated by Fay Nolan, and cut by Joy Mann, who has been part of the AMUA for more than 50 years.

"All who attended were most appreciative of the opportunity to recall the stories of years past and to give thanks for all that has been achieved," Margaret said. "There was much memorabilia to stimulate many stories of the myriad of events that had occurred over the years.

"From the archives, we read that the first president was Mrs Campling, wife of the then priest, who would collect guest speakers from the Chermside Tram terminus in a sulky and later a car. It is recorded that members paid one shilling for annual subs and helped to pay off church debts and to install electricity."

The Mothers Union was founded in 1876 by Mary Sumner. The organisation is now present in 84 countries.

The AMUA Chermside meets at All Saints' Anglican Church, 501 Hamilton Road, Chermside on the fourth Wednesday of each month at 10am. For more information, call the Parish office on 3359 2062 between 9am to 1pm, Tuesday to Friday.



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TEEN ENTREPRENEUR TURNS HOBBY INTO CAR DETAILING BUSINESS

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et, a 17-year-old Padua College student and player for the Aspley Hornets, has transformed his car washing hobby into a business venture.

As the CEO of Collars Up Car Detailing, Jet is now servicing the North Brisbane area.

He said he had been contemplating various business ideas for many years.

"I started car washing with mates and realised the enjoyment I got from it, but also the potential as a business," Jet said. "I didn't want to keep working a regular job and took the risk to start my own business even though I knew it would be hard to manage with school and footy."

Jet kickstarted his enterprise by going door-todoor in the local area, introducing himself and offering his car washing services. Over time, he educated himself on all aspects of car detailing and expanded his offerings to include three premium detailing packages: bronze, gold and platinum, catering to all car sizes.

"I love putting passion and pride into my work and I found that car detailing helps me easily display the pride in my work," he said. "Additionally, I love 4WDs so any chance of detailing a 4WD, it's a pleasure." Despite his busy schedule, Jet said he faced additional challenges when starting his business, particularly dealing with scams from individuals posing as car detailers.

"I have been trying to educate the community on what to look out for so that we can see over the scams," he said. "Make sure the business has an ABN linked to their trading name. Ask if they are fully insured and who their insurer is. Look out for posts on social media that feature left-hand drive photos or ask for your zip code (this indicates they are from overseas). Never give payment details and try to pay in cash and ask for a receipt."

Jet said the community feedback he'd received so far has been very positive and supportive.

"I've had the likes of Dave Guyatt, a popular Carseldine resident and Tracey Price, who is running for Lord Mayor -- both really have helped promote my business," he said. "I'm always open to feedback so I can improve my services and grow the business.

"My goals for the future are to hire staff and expand Collars Up to offer even more services."

For more information, search for Collars Up Car Detailing on Facebook and Instagram, or send Jet a text message on 0406 840 916.

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Devoted Grandfather honoured with Local Hero Award

STORY ALYSSA MACKAY PHOTO JOHN PIRES PHOTOGRAPHY

ohn Bigmore, a volunteer at Wesley Mission Queensland - Hummingbird House, has been announced as the 2023 Westfield Local Hero for Chermside.

Westfield awarded a community grant of \$20,000 to Hummingbird House, a hospice for children with life-limiting conditions, to support their ongoing positive work within the community.

John said he was "absolutely shocked" to win.

"The three finalists were all standing together and when they announced my name I was gobsmacked," he said.

An experienced landscape gardener, John volunteers his time maintaining the gardens at the hospice. He recently refurbished the timber furniture, barbecue area and gazebo.

"I'm in the process of reinvigorating a garden that's up on the rooftop, ripping stuff out, pruning and a general tidy-up, and eventually replanting with new things," he said.

John holds a special connection to the rooftop garden because he spent precious moments there with his granddaughter, Kyleesha, who resided at Hummingbird House before her passing.

"She had her second birthday and within a couple of days was diagnosed with ATRT, (a condition involving) brain and spinal cancerous tumours," John said.

When it became apparent that treatment wasn't helping Kyleesha, her family shifted their focus

toward providing her with the best quality of life possible.

"When it came time that it was looking close to the end, we had been referred to Hummingbird House, so I got in touch and I said I think we need to come in," John said. "We went there and got greeted by these amazing staff and that's where we stayed for about the next month until she passed.

"They are just a fantastic group of people from the cleaners right through to the nursing staff, front of house, management, leadership groups and fundraising.

"While I was there, I said I can see the amazing work you do and I want to give back, can I volunteer? I've been there probably 15 to 18 months now and I love it."

Hummingbird House will use the community grant to invest in additional nursing services.

"I'd like to thank Westfield for their continual support of all charity organisations and community groups through Local Heroes, and the ongoing work of Hummingbird House and what they do for families," John said.

The other Local Hero finalists were Guy Mauger from Guide Dogs Queensland and Compassion 4 Community founder, Olive Volavola.



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NORTHSIDE WIZARDS STRIKE GOLD IN U12 BOYS STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS



STORY ALYSSA MACKAY

he Northside Wizards U12 boys teams have been celebrating their major achievements at the Basketball Queensland U12 State Championships.

The U12.1 boys team took home the gold in the Premier League, while the U12.3 boys team secured the silver in League 3.

Northside Wizards U12 Boys Assistant Coach, Cassandra Parker, highlighted three specific highlights from the championships, which were held in September at the Northside Indoor Sports Centre in Zillmere.

"The first is obviously winning the Basketball Queensland U12 Boys Division One State Championships, and the second is closely followed by one of our players being named MVP of the game," Cassandra said.

"The third would be our last round-robin game against North Gold Coast Seahawks, whom we won against only weeks prior in the SQJBC (South Queensland Junior Basketball Competition) U12 Boys Premier League grand final. In my three seasons coaching in a representative team, an U12 boys team winning both coveted competitions is not something that happens regularly for our



teams down in the south-east corner and to be part of that winning team was a truly memorable experience."

Cassandra said winning the competitions was exciting for everyone involved, including the parents.

"They too have been through this entire experience with the boys, watching every game," she said. "For our Wizards boys in particular, to win two competitions back-to-back was pure elation. Some tears were shed just from being in the moment but mostly pure joy because they can see their hard work, grit and determination pay off.

"Recognition absolutely needs to be made to CJ Massingale, the Head Coach of the team. His dedication to basketball is credit for the team's victories this season. That is not to take credit away from the boys as they are the ones on the court, but without a knowledgeable head coach, it can be different results each week. I have taken away a lot coaching under him this season and to him, I am thankful for the experience."

As there is no national competition for the U12 age group, the boys will either return to play another season of U12s or move on to the next representative season of U14s.



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Burnie Brae's Xmas Market

STORY PANAYIOTA

S o much love and warmth comes from the hearts of those who make handmade and homemade items that it truly inspires the Christmas Spirit.

And when these beautiful souls gather together to openly share their wares, we end up with a Christmas Market at Burnie Brae.

"This year's Christmas Market is our second and we have more than 40 artisan stalls," said Erin Bettridge, Senior Marketing Advisor at Burnie Brae. "It's so exciting to see what this year will bring. Last year, we had over 500 come through our doors."

On the day, there will be live entertainment, free face painting. Cafe Connect will be open for tasty treats and a drink cart too.

"Our Christmas Market makes Christmas shopping easy. Smallholders come from our local community, as well as Burnie Brae members," said Bettridge. "And don't forget the Christmas raffle!"

Burnie Brae's reputation speaks for itself as it offers community services for people 18 years and older.

"We provide services to each person as they are ready for them," said Bettridge. "I like that we're here at every stage of a person's journey."

Burnie Brae is a not-for-profit membership organisation whose doors are open to everyone. Aside from service/assistance dogs, no pets are permitted.

We welcome new members and for future events, keep an eye out on www.burniebrae.org. au.

Burnie Brae Xmas Market 60 Kuran Street, Chermside Saturday 25 November Time: 8.00am to 12noon FREE Entry

Kerbside Collection Returns to Local Streets

STORY ALYSSA MACKAY

t's time to start spring cleaning because Brisbane City Council's kerbside collection service is back again next month.

Lord Mayor Adrian Schrinner said the release of the 2023-24 kerbside collection schedule would help residents plan for the service and potentially avoid having to pay to take items to a Council resource recovery centre.

"Kerbside collection provides a safe and free way to discard large items, helping residents keep their homes clean while also reducing illegal dumping," Cr Schrinner said.

Residents will be able to put out large items like fridges, baths, sporting equipment, mattresses and furniture. Unacceptable items include batteries, bean bags, bricks, car parts and tyres, gas bottles, glass, garden waste and liquids, such as paint.

Cr Schrinner encouraged residents to also consider whether items could be donated or recycled rather than discarded.

"These could include donating items to friends, family, a local charity or recycling eligible items at one of Council's four recovery centres," he said.

For residents of Wavell Heights, you should have your items ready for collection from 6 November.

Those living in Kedron and Stafford should have their items ready for collection by 13 November.

Chermside and Carseldine residents will need to have their items ready to be picked up by 20 November.

Collection begins in Aspley on 27 November.

For more information visit www.brisbane.qld.gov.au and search 'kerbside large item collection service' or download the free Brisbane Bin and Recycling app.



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DESIGNER FINDS DISCOUNTED AT SALVO'S TWILIGHT MARKET

Camille (Store Manager)

STORY ALYSSA MACKAY PHOTO JOHN PIRES PHOTOGRAPHY

G et ready to shop 'til you drop because the Stafford Salvation Army is hosting its first-ever Twilight Market this month.

The event promises great deals on designer items, entertainment and the chance to support a worthy cause.

Camille Kaukereit, the store's manager, said the Twilight Market aimed to engage more community members and raise awareness of the support and activities available at the Stafford Salvation Army.

"During my short time at the Salvation Army, I've come to realise the impact of the various programs and initiatives on offer to the community," Camille said.

"In addition to this, we also have an amazing Family Store, which offers some of the most current styles and brands of quality clothing at affordable prices."

At the event, the Family Store will be offering a 50 per cent discount on every item, including books, toys, clothing, homewares, pictures, electronics, jewellery and accessories.

Another main attraction will be the designer tent, featuring brand-name items from labels such as Sass and Bide, Sasha Drake, Camilla, Carla Zampatti, Calvin Klein, Aje, Bec and Bridge, Alice McCall, Zimmermann, Elk and more.

Camille said the Stafford Salvation Army was known for providing designer items at a fraction

of their original cost.

"The designer tent will be located just outside the store and will not only have current styles ranging in all sizes covering men's, women's and children's wear, but we will also have a variety of accessories to go with the outfits," she said.

"Lita, one of the long-term store volunteers, and myself will be available for styling advice if needed."

The market will also feature live entertainment, artisan stalls and food trucks.

"As we want to start engaging more with our local community, we have offered local artisan stallholders the chance to showcase their crafty talents of woodworking, upcycling of jewellery, clothes design, homewares and much more," Camille said.

The Salvation Army brass band will perform at 6pm, and local musician Russell Hung will be playing covers and showcasing his original music in the afternoon.

All funds raised will support the Salvation Army Stafford in providing charitable services for the local community, including food banks, vouchers and crisis accommodation.

Parking will be available on-site and in the back car park at Stafford City.

For more information follow Stafford Salvos Family Store on Facebook.

The Salvation Army Stafford Twilight Market Friday, 10 November, 4.30pm The Salvation Army 32-54 Hayward Street, Stafford.

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WITH JIMMY SULLIVAN MP

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Government announced we will invest \$2.3

A contractor has been appointed for the construction of a new acute services building, expanded adult and paediatric emergency departments and 94 new beds, including paediatric. Building works have commenced on the new multistorey car park

that will provide approximately 1,500 car parking spaces and end-of-trip facilities, including storage for 90 bikes, toilets, showers, and lockers for staff.

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WITH ANIKA Wells MP

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health needs of our growing community.

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WITH BART Mellish MP

campus.

The Health Minister and I also toured the recently completed expansion of six additional short-stay unit beds in the Emergency Department. After speaking with staff and patients, I could see that this project is already making a real difference. These additional beds mean less delays for patients waiting to be admitted into the hospital.

The additional beds are just the start of our over \$360 million Prince Charles expansion project. With construction set to begin in mid-2024, our local hospital will receive a new dedicated acute services building, expanded adult and paediatric emergency department and 94 new beds. Once completed it will be the second largest children's health service in Queensland.

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n 11 November 1918, the guns of the Western Front fell silent after four years of continuous warfare. With their armies retreating and close to collapse, German leaders



signed an Armistice, bringing to an end the First World War. As a mark of respect to those who have died and suffered, Australians are encouraged to pause at 11am to observe one minute's silence and remember those who died or suffered for Australia's cause in all wars and armed conflicts.

WITH CR FIONA HAMMOND

On 11 November at 11am, we will pause to remember all of

the men and women of the Australian Defence Force who have made the ultimate sacrifice.

We will remember them. Lest we forget.

If you would like to read more on the Origins of Remembrance Day, please go to www.awm. gov.au/commemoration/remembrance-day/ traditions

While the transition to the new Councillor is underway, please remember that the ward office is still operating to address residents' concerns. Please feel free to pop in, call 3407 0707 on Monday to Friday between 8.30am and 4.45pm, or email marchant.ward@bcc.qld.gov.au. If the issue is urgent, or outside of these times, please call the Brisbane City Council's Customer Contact Centre on 3408 8888 (open 24 hours).

Please keep your eye on the December issue for the first column by the new Councillor.





Remembrance Day BY SHEENEZ MENEZES

Yr 5 Poetry Comp winner 2017

Let's we Forget.

The call for heroes was sent around.

Australian boys were adventure bound,

From the moment they landed on Anzac cove,

For peace and happiness, they all strove.

They could hear their hearts beat as the sand touched their feet.

The trenches were cold; some soldiers were gone,

The gunfire was heard from dusk till dawn,

They never gave up, they fought for us all.

They saw their friends and comrades fall.

Today on Remembrance Day we remember those who fought in war,

The brave men and women who gave freedom to all,

Australians forever say ...

Lest We Forget

LOCAL KIDS CRAFTING HOPE FOR KIDS IN NEED





STORY ALYSSA MACKAY

raigslea State High School students have been supporting a local charity organisation that helps kids in need, through their participation in a Global Citizenship project.

The U12.1 boys team took home the gold in the Premier League, while the U12.3 boys team secured the silver in League 3.

Northside Wizards U12 Boys Assistant Coach, Cassandra Parker, highlighted three specific highlights from the championships, which were held in September at the Northside Indoor Sports Centre in Zillmere.

As part of the project, the students have been handcrafting alphabet books and pencil cases to donate to Care Kits for Kids Qld, a nonprofit organisation that provides free care kits to children facing crises like homelessness, domestic violence, disaster and poverty.

Teacher, Michelle Drake, said the project was an opportunity for students to flex their creative skills and give back to the local community.

"At Craigslea, we hope that when our students leave us, they not only have a high-quality education but that they are aware of and empathetic to local, global and cultural issues, they can positively engage with and value the perspective of a variety of people, and can take action for the collective wellbeing," Michelle said.

A group of year 10 students have been dedicating their time to handcrafting pencil cases, personalising each with a handwritten note. Year 12 students have repurposed leftover fabric to create the alphabet books, promoting sustainability by using materials that would otherwise contribute to landfill.

"Each page was made and designed by a student, reflecting their individuality with all the pages coming together to represent them as a group; as a result, students created a sustainable resource for a child in need," Michelle said.

"We hope that this book can brighten their day by providing an opportunity to learn from other students, but mainly to know that their local community cares about them and wants to provide support for them."

Year 12 student Meg Wright said the project offered an opportunity to strengthen the bond between the school and the local community.

"These books serve as a powerful tool for interactive learning experiences for young children," Meg said. "It was a wonderful opportunity to give back to the community and spend time with friends making these worthy items."

Year 12 student Morgan Davidson said the books were a free educational resource to help kids learn the English alphabet.

"It is lovely that we can help kids in need by crafting these items," Morgan said. "It is rewarding; I strongly encourage others to make contributions too."

To support Care Kits for Kids Qld Inc visit carekitsforkidsqld.org.au

GARDENING COLUMN



Organic Gardening in November

STORY SALLY EBERHARDT PHOTO LUISELLA PLANETA

ime to Get Waterwise!

With predictions of an El Nino weather system, we can't count on normal summer rains this year. And if the dry persists, councils will likely bring in water restrictions.

Regardless, a waterwise garden will serve you, and the environment, very well.

Let's start with the choice of plants. Cacti and succulents are wonderful, and many natives, especially from arid zones, are water efficient and drought tolerant.

Organic matter helps soil hold water more effectively. Dig in natural composts eg animal manure, worm castings or mushroom compost. For a no-dig garden or pot plant top up, use a thick layer of organic matter covered by mulch.

Mulch itself reduces water evaporation by up to 70%. Sugarcane mulch is cheap and easy to use but for pots consider more attractive solutions such as glass pebbles.

Re-wetting agents can reduce your watering by up to 50% by allowing water to soak into soil instead of running off the surface.

Water crystals added to soil or potting mix form a clear water holding jelly that waters plants over a period.

Lastly, healthy plants are more drought tolerant so keep up the organic fertiliser eg liquid seaweed.

Now enjoy your waterwise garden!

Emergency

EXPANSION UNDERWAY AT THE PRINCE CHARLES HOSPITAL

Dr Andrew Spiller, Director Emergency, The Prince Charles Hospital

STORY ALYSSA MACKAY PHOTO JOHN PIRES PHOTOGRAPHY

he short-stay unit within the emergency department at The Prince Charles Hospital has recently undergone a significant expansion.

The unit opened six additional beds in September, thanks to \$1 million in funding from the Department of Health's Patient Flow Intensive Program Initiative (PFLIP).

Tami Photinos, Executive Director at The Prince Charles Hospital, said the hospital was home to one of the busiest Emergency Departments in Queensland.

"We have already seen close to 85 thousand presentations this year, with 21 per cent of those admitted to the short-stay unit," Ms Photinos said. "This expansion will support our management of the increasing demand of emergency service now, and into the future."

The short-stay unit is designed for patients needing extra monitoring, without requiring hospital admission. The unit caters to various conditions such as mild concussions or short-term IV antibiotic treatments.

With the addition of the six new treatment spaces, the total number of beds in the short-stay unit now stands at 16.

Member for Aspley, Bart Mellish, said the expansion was much needed and thanked everyone for the work they had done to make it happen.

"The additional beds means more beds and less delays for patients waiting to be admitted into hospital," Mr Mellish said.

Member for Stafford, Jimmy Sullivan said the region was growing, with many people relocating to live in Queensland.

"This expansion will go a long way in helping us meet the current and future demand, alongside the \$360 million TPCH expansion already underway," Mr Sullivan said.

In June, the State Government announced The Prince Charles Hospital had secured \$360 million in funding for expansions to the emergency department, construction of a new acute services building and the installation of more than 90 new beds.

The expansion is set to deliver satellite medical imaging, pharmacy and pathology services, and 54 extra treatment spaces in the new emergency department and is expected to be completed in 2027.

To accommodate the rising number of people accessing the hospital, construction of a new 1500-space multi-storey car park is also currently underway. This development is expected to be completed by late next year.



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CHERMSIDE CONNECT

STORY ALYSSA MACKAY

NEW QUILTING GROUP ON THE NORTHSIDE

A new satellite group of the Brisbane Modern Quilt Guild (an active member of the International Modern Quilt Guild) called the Northie Girls meets on the fourth Saturday of each month (except December) at the Chermside Library. Their sew-meets run from 9am to 12pm. Those keen to participate are invited to attend the meeting or visit Brisbane Modern Quilt Guild on Facebook for more information.

FREE KINDY IN 2024

Local early learning centres like Goodstart Early Learning Aspley have been spreading the word about the Queensland Government Free Kindy program. The program, which commences from 1 January 2024, provides eligible-aged children who attend a government-approved program with 15 hours of free kindergarten per week (600 hours a year). For more information visit www.qld.gov. au/FreeKindy

CARSELDINE CHRISTMAS TWILIGHT MARKETS

Prepare for the holiday season by filling those stockings with goodies from the muchanticipated Carseldine Christmas Twilight Markets. The event returns to 133 Dorville Road on Saturday, 18 November, promising an array of entertainment, artisanal handmade gifts, kid's activities, gourmet eats and drinks, and the opportunity to snap a selfie with Santa. The festivities kick off at 4pm and continue until 10pm. Entry is \$3 and ample free parking is available.

NEW GLUTEN FREE BAKERY

The popular franchise specialising in glutenfree, nut-free and dairy-free baked goods, Gluten Free 4 U, is expanding its reach with the opening of four new locations nationwide. Among these new additions is the Chermside store, which is set to open its doors on Saturday, 11 November. You can find them at 2/724 Gympie Road for a wide range of allergen-free treats. Keep up-todate by visiting GlutenFree4u Chermside on Facebook.

THE HOME COLLECTIVE

The Home Collective will have their Christmas Market in Wavell Heights on Sunday 12 November. With gift ideas starting from \$5 it's a great place to pick up teacher gifts, secret Santa or a little something for yourself! The market will be open from 8am til 12pm and is located at 175 Edinburgh Castle Road, Wavell Heights.

WATER PARK SEASON

Water park season is here and with school holidays fast approaching, it's a great time to schedule a trip to the Chermside Aquatic Centre. Brisbane's largest water park on Hamilton Road is now open from 10am to 5pm on Saturdays, Sundays, school holidays and public holidays. Experience the thrill of the Jungle Adventure, Floom of Doom, The Serpent and the Shotgun slides, along with the enjoyable Lilly Pads and kid's area. There's something for everyone, regardless of age. Pre Book your ticket online at chermsidepool. com.au/

AUSLAN SANTA PHOTOS

Families with children who are deaf and hard of hearing may like to visit an Auslan Santa this Christmas season. Auslan Santa will be available for photos at Westfield Chermside on Wednesday, 15 November, and Friday, 1 December and Friday, 8 December from 3.30pm to 6.30pm. Sessions are limited. A small booking fee applies. To schedule a session visit www.santasvips.com.au

LEADERSHIP PODCAST

A group of Year 6 students attending Our Lady of the Angels' School at Wavell Heights have been making a podcast series with the theme 'Lessons in Life from Leaders'. The students have interviewed notable special guests, including Senator Anthony Chisholm, Jimmy Sullivan MP, Australian rugby union player Charlotte Caslick, Channel 7 reporter Anna McGraw, and former professional rugby league footballer Matt Ballin. Keep an eye on the school's Facebook page to find out when the podcast will be published.

TRIVIA AND TREATS

Mark your calendars for a fun-filled evening at the Zillmere Eagles Football Club's annual trivia night on Saturday, 11 November. Compete for some big prizes, while enjoying the licensed bar and a delicious menu provided by Bad Boys Doughnuts (or BYO snacks). Doors open at 6pm with trivia commencing at 7pm. Teams are \$10pp with a maximum of eight people per team. To register contact Alana Fitzgerald on 0411 476 404.

LADIES AUXILIARY CHRISTMAS STALL

On Wednesday 29 November, the Kedron-Wavell Ladies Auxiliary are holding their annual Christmas stall. Head down to Kedron-Wavell from 10am to find great gift ideas for Christmas. There will be home made cakes, jams, pickles, jewellery, Christmas decorations and much more, all made by the members and as a not-for-profit all proceeds go to supporting charities. This year the recipients of the money raised will include Ronald McDonald House, Hummingbird House, Food Harvest, Young Care and Children's Cancer charity.

Would you like to contribute to Chermside Connect?

Community event coming up? Or is there something you're talking about on social media, at the school gate or at the local café? Email Alyssa to be included in the next edition of Chermside Connect: admin@3bmedia.com.au





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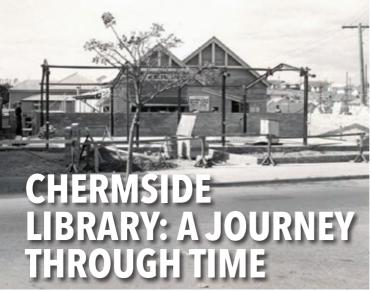
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Chermside Library under construction 1957 | Photo: Chermside Districts Historical Society

HISTORY CHERMSIDE

STORY JULIA LEWIS

estled along Gympie Road, the story of Chermside Library begins in 1957 with the construction of its iconic roofline, a glimpse of the promising literary haven it would soon become.

Back then, it was estimated that funding the acquisition of new books and staff for the inaugural year would set the council back £1,500. Interestingly, it was the School of Arts that proposed the council take on the assets and liabilities of this budding cultural hub.

Before Chermside Library, the School of Arts Hall had occupied the very same spot. It was relocated to make way for progress but remained a silent witness to the passing decades until the 1980s. Chermside Library itself later embarked on a journey, finding a new home on Hamilton Road, where it underwent two significant renovations.

Fast forward to today, and where the library once thrived, you'll now find a restaurant and a vibrant spice shop - a testament to the evolving landscape of Chermside. In September 1952, Brisbane City Council took a momentous step, inaugurating its ninth municipal library for adults. By June 1952, the council's seven municipal libraries had already circulated a staggering 689,800 books in just one year, setting the stage for Chermside's eventual success. To put this into perspective, the City of Sydney Public Library system managed 584,475 book rentals during the same period.

Chermside Library's address remained constant until January 1997, when a new library sprouted adjacent to the Kedron-

Wavell RSL. Eventually, the original building found a new purpose, sold in November 1997. This library endured until 2015 when it was temporarily relocated to Gympie Road. Plans to demolish the 1997 building took shape in 2014, paving the way for its transformation.

The new Chermside Library, now located at 375 Hamilton Road, emerged as a stunning transformation. Spanning 2,970 square metres, it proudly serves as both a library and an office space for the BCC North Regional Business Centre and Marchant Ward Office, offering a total of 221 car parking spaces and 61 bicycle spaces. Indeed, it has come a long way since its modest inception in 1957, a testament to the enduring spirit of Chermside's literary journey.



Chermside Library 1958 | Photo: Mapping Brisbane History



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NOVEMBER What's On.

O1 WEDNESDAY

MICHAEL WHITMORE AT SOUNDBITES Kedron-Wavell 11am

Kedron-Wavell 11am



$\mathbf{03}$ friday

KT MAREE IN BRAVO BREWHOUSE Kedron-Wavell 6pm

LINDA STREET Geebung RSL 7pm

DJ COLIN IN BARVO BREWHOUSE Kedron-Wavell 9pm



O4 SATURDAY

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CHRIS MCLAREN IN BRAVO BREWHOUSE Kedron-Wavell 6pm

CRAIG SHAW Geebung RSL 7pm

BRAD DJ IN BRAVO BREWHOUSE Kedron-Wavell 9pm

O5 SUNDAY

CHRIS STEVENSON AT THE SHACK Kedron-Wavell 2pm

ROB ROSENLUND Geebung RSL 5pm

O7 TUESDAY

TRIVIA TUESDAY'S

Aspley Hornets 7pm Quiz Meisters Trivia every Tuesday night from 7pm in the Hornets Premiers Bar! Free entry, club vouchers, beer jugs and pizzas to be won!

O8 WEDNESDAY

MARCO AT SOUNDBITES

Kedron-Wavell 11am

10 FRIDAY

AL GIBSON AT BRAVO BREWHOUSE Kedron-Wavell 6pm

TREVOR WHITE Geebung RSL 7pm

DJ BITZA AT BRAVO BREWHOUSE Kedron-Wavell 9pm

11 SATURDAY

CHANDLER JAY AT BRAVO BREWHOUSE Kedron-Wavell 6pm

WES TAYLOR Geebung RSL 7pm

DJ JOHNNY B Kedron-Wavell 9pm

12 SUNDAY

MARCO AT THE SHACK



Kedron-Wavell 2pm TERRINA Geebung RSL 5pm

14 TUESDAY

TRIVIA TUESDAY'S

Aspley Hornets 7pm Quiz Meisters Trivia every Tuesday night from 7pm in the Hornets Premiers Bar! Free entry, club vouchers, beer jugs and pizzas to be won!

15 WEDNESDAY

BILLY GUY AT SOUNDBITES

Kedron-Wavell 11am

17 FRIDAY

CASEY WATT IN BRAVO BREWHOUSE

Kedron-Wavell 6pm



PAUL PREDEBON Geebung RSL 7pm

DJ OLUROOTS AT BRAVO BREWHOUSE Kedron-Wavell 9pm

18 SATURDAY

MIKE WHITMORE Geebung RSL 7pm

BRAD DJ IN BRAVO BREWHOUSE Kedron-Wayell 9pm

19 SUNDAY

TERRY STEWART Geebung RSL 5pm

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$\mathbf{24}$ tuesday

TRIVIA TUESDAY'S

Aspley Hornets 7pm Quiz Meisters Trivia every Tuesday night from 7pm in the Hornets Premiers Bar! Free entry, club vouchers, beer jugs and pizzas to be won!

$\mathbf{22}$ wednesday

DAVE GRAY AT SOUNDBITES

Kedron-Wavell 11am



TYRONE NOONAN IN BRAVO BREWHOUSE Kedron-Wavell 6pm

DARRIN LEIGH Geebung RSL 7pm

DJ BITZA AT BRAVO BREWHOUSE Kedron-Wavell 9pm

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BRETT WHITMORE IN BRAVO BREWHOUSE Kedron-Wavell 6pm

DAVID J Geebung RSL 7pm

BRAD DJ IN BRAVO BREWHOUSE Kedron-Wavell 9pm



$\mathbf{26}$ sunday

RYAN HURRICANE AT THE SHACK Kedron-Wavell 2pm

TOBY TYLER Geebung RSL 5pm

$\mathbf{28}$ tuesday

TRIVIA TUESDAY'S

Aspley Hornets 7pm Quiz Meisters Trivia every Tuesday night from 7pm in the Hornets Premiers Bar! Free entry, club vouchers, beer jugs and pizzas to be won!

29 WEDNESDAY

CHRIS BENT AT SOUNDBITES Kedron-Wavell 11am







Strike Force Five Podcast Review

STORY BY NICK ALLFORD

Are talk show hosts really funny?

hile most of them are sharp and witty, they are also often backed up by a team of around 20 writers, researchers and fact checkers. So, when the writer's strike in the US hit, they were left without a show or a job. Instead of wallowing in self-pity, watching TV and eating cereal all day, five late night hosts decided to start a podcast - John Oliver, Seth Meyers, Stephen Colbert, Jimmy Kimmel and Jimmy Fallon. While it won't win any points for diversity, it is for good cause, as all money raised from the podcast, advertising and merchandising goes to support the writers.

The question is, when you have too many cooks, who is actually going to make the meal? Well, they tend to take it in turns to host/talk over each other, with varying degrees of success.

Now that the strike is done (kind of) they've packed it in and returned to their day (night) jobs leaving us with 12 episodes of banter between mates to enjoy. The last episode also features some of the more interesting material, focusing on their trepidation of returning back to work.

BRAD'S BUSINESS TIPS

How much a bad hire can cost you.

t can be a soul-destroying experience for a business owner. You are desperate to find someone to grow your business or replace an existing team member who has left and you end up hiring a dud.

I have a rule for my clients, hire slowly, even if it means you have some short term pain until you



get the right person, it will be worth it in the long term,

Because if you do not get the right person, studies can show, it will cost you anywhere between 50% and 100% of that person's annual wage if you get it wrong.

WITH BRAD Flynn

When you consider the

recruitment costs for advertising, lost time for the owner and other team members in reviewing resumes, interviewing, and training, the cost to managers for having deal with issues related to the bad hire and the impact on the rest of the team, you can see that the stats quoted above can become a reality.

To avoid this happening, you must be super clear on the attitude, knowledge and skills the ideal person must have. Make a list and don't hire unless someone meets 80% of your required criteria.

Scan QR code for help hiring the right people.



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LINDA MEETS NEW FURRY-EARED COMPANION

STORY ALYSSA MACKAY

hermside resident Linda Hough is celebrating a new addition to her life - a Hearing Assistance Dog named Fitzy.

Fitzy is a trained dog from Australian Lions Hearing Dogs (ALHD) and has found a loving home with Linda, thanks to the support of the Lions Club of Brisbane Inner North.

Linda said she was very excited when she met the Jack Russell terrier.

"Fitzy is my best mate," Linda said. "He alerts me when the phone rings and shows me where it is. He lets me know when someone is at the door. He lets me know when the oven timer sounds. He is trained to alert me to the smoke alarm."

ALHD, established in 1980, has placed more than 650 dogs with Australians who are deaf or hard of hearing. Each dog undergoes extensive training, which costs ALHD just under \$40,000. However, the dogs are provided to recipients free of charge.

Linda, whose hearing was permanently impaired

following a virus several years ago, applied for a Hearing Assistance Dog in November 2021 and received approval from ALHD in April 2022.

Fitzy recently finished his 12-week training period, which involved follow-up visits from members of the Lions Club of Brisbane Inner North.

"After Fitzy arrived in Chermside (from Adelaide) he and I have been supported by the wonderful dog-loving volunteers from our local Lions Club," Linda said. "Three times per week 'sound testing' has been conducted. These people are all wonderful and the visits have been very enjoyable."

Last month, Fitzy had his final assessments, where he successfully demonstrated correct behaviour at the supermarket, on public transport and in a café or restaurant.

As an officially accredited Hearing Assistance Dog, Fitzy will be presented with his graduation collar this month.

Lions Club of Brisbane Inner North member Debbie Williams said the members involved in the project had thoroughly enjoyed their interactions with both Fitzy and Linda and could see how valuable the ALHD program was for people with hearing loss.

"Fitzy adds to Linda's quality of life and they have developed a strong bond in just 12 weeks that is a joy to see," Debbie said.

To learn more about Australian Lions Hearing Dogs visit lionshearingdogs.com.au

> Fitzy and Linda with the team at Lions Club Brisbane Inner North



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her duties send her to an anomalous wormhole linked to a Kree revolutionary.

Main Cast: Brie Larson, Seo-joon Park, Samuel L. Jackson, Teyonah Parris, Zawe Ashton, Iman Vellani Genre: Action, Adventure, Sci-Fi Release Date: 09 November 2023 Rating: CTC



HUNGER GAMES: THE BALLAD OF SONGBIRDS & SNAKES

Years before he would become the tyrannical President of Panem, 18-year-old Coriolanus Snow is the last hope for his fading lineage, a once-proud family that has fallen from grace in a post-war Capitol. With the 10th annual Hunger Games fast

approaching, the young Snow is alarmed when he is assigned to mentor Lucy Gray Baird, the girl tribute from impoverished District 12.

Main Cast: Peter Dinklage, Viola Davis, Jason Schwartzman, Tom Blyth, Rachel Zegler, Josh Andrés Rivera, Hunter Schafer Genre: Action, Adventure, Drama, Sci-Fi Release Date: 16 November 2023 Rating: CTC



NAPOLEON

Napoleon is a spectacle-filled action epic that details the checkered rise and fall of the iconic French Emperor Napoleon Bonaparte, played by Oscar®-winner Joaquin Phoenix. Against a stunning backdrop of large-scale

filmmaking orchestrated by legendary director Ridley Scott, the film captures Bonaparte's relentless journey to power through the prism of his addictive, volatile relationship with his one true love, Josephine.

Main Cast: Vanessa Kirby, Tahar Rahim, Joaquin Phoenix, Ludivine Sagnier, Ian McNeice, Ben Miles Genre: Action, Biography, Drama, History, War Release Date: 23 November 2023 Rating: CTC



TROLLS BAND TOGETHER

After two films of true friendship and relentless flirting, Poppy and Branch are now officially, finally, a couple (#broppy)! As they grow closer, Poppy discovers that Branch has a secret past. He was once part of her favorite boyband phenomenon, BroZone,

with his four brothers: Floyd, John Dory, Spruce and Clay. BroZone disbanded when Branch was still a baby, as did the family, and Branch hasn't seen his brothers since.

Main Cast: Christopher Mintz-Plasse, Justin Timberlake, Anna Kendrick, Kunal Nayyar, Daveed Diggs, Kenan Thompson, Troye Sivan, Eric André, Kid Cudi Genre: Adventure, Animation, Comedy, Family Release Date: 30 November 2023 Rating: CTC



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BEYOND CHERMSIDE

Valley Fiesta Set to Ignite Brisbane's Nightlife

STORY ALYSSA MACKAY PHOTO CAT SORENSON

Brisbane's biggest annual party, Valley Fiesta, returns this month for another unforgettable celebration of live music.

Major headline and local acts will take centre stage in Chinatown Mall and Brunswick Street Mall in Fortitude Valley for the free, two-day event.

Lord Mayor Adrian Schrinner said Valley Fiesta, presented by Brisbane City Council and produced by QMusic, was a cornerstone of Brisbane's music and arts scene.

"For more than 25 years, Valley Fiesta has been captivating audiences and contributing to our incredible local music scene," Cr Schrinner said.

"The festival's two jam-packed days will provide an incredible platform for local artists to strut their stuff while bringing more free and affordable activities to our entertainment precincts."

The festival kicks off with the family-friendly King Street Food Fiesta on Friday, 3 November, where some of Brisbane's favourite emerging artists, including QUBE Effect Lord Mayor's Live Event Award winner Lucy Korts, will perform on the outdoor stage.

Lucy said she was looking forward to being part of an incredible line-up with so many talented artists.

"It's always surreal to see your name beside others who you admire so much," Lucy said. "I can't wait to share my music and stories with new ears."

She said the audience could expect "excitement and vulnerability" as well as "a little heartbreak and a lot of love" from her performance.



Lucy Korts

"I'm so keen to play for everybody attending and I hope you all love the sounds that I make," she said.

The King Street Food Fiesta will also feature performances from Kuzco and Taitu'uga, as well as roving entertainment and a variety of popup dining options from King Street restaurants.

The party continues on Saturday, 4 November with a massive line-up of musicians on the main stage in the Chinatown Mall. Acts include Brisbane-based musicians like Mallrat and Hatchie, and Melbourne-based psychedelic jazz fusion group, Mildlife, along with First Beige and Ixaras.

The Brunswick Street Mall stage will feature Skeleten, Miss Kaninna, Party Dozen, Middle Name Dance Band, Selve and JayBird Byrne.

Other fiesta experiences include the Hidden Lanes Bar Trail with local bars offering special deals and DJ performances from the likes of David Versace and El Delpha.

Visit www.qmusic.com.au/programs/valley-fiesta-lineup for the full program and set lists.

Valley Fiesta 2023 Friday, 3 November, 5-9pm King Street, Bowen Hills Saturday, 4 November, 3.30-10pm Chinatown Mall, Fortitude Valley (Main Stage) Brunswick Street Mall, Fortitude Valley (Mall Stage)



APPLE SLICE

his recipe was given to me by a lovely elderly lady. It never lasts very long with my grandchildren! You can make it using peaches or cherries. If you decide to use cherries, substitute the butter cake mix for chocolate cake mix. It is especially good at Christmas.

Recipe with thanks to Judith Peake, Kedron-Wavell Women's Auxiliary

INGREDIENTS

1 packet Butter Cake mix 34 cup coconut 125gr melted butter 1 large or 2 small tins of pie apples 300ml sour cream

METHOD

Grease and line a slice tin (25cm x 30cm).

Drain the apples and slice any thick and chunky pieces into thinner slices.

Mix coconut, cake mix and melted butter in a bowl then press into the slice tin.

Smooth the top with the base of a glass and bake in a 180 degree preheated oven for about 15-20 minutes. It should be browned. Cool.

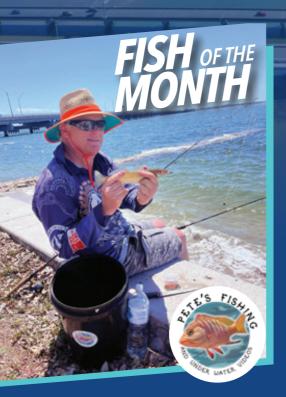
Meanwhile place reserved apple and sour cream in a bowl and mix. Spread evenly over the cooled base. Sprinkle it with nutmeg or coconut and cook for another 20 minutes. When cooled, cut into slices and enjoy!



The Kedron-Wavell Women's Auxiliary meet at Kedron-Wavell each Thursday at 10am

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Summer Whiting - Sillago ciliata

Summer Whiting, sometimes known as Beach, Sand or Blue Nose Whiting are in my list of top five fish to eat. Luckily we have an abundance of these tasty fish right on our doorstep and you don't even need a boat to get a feed.

Blood worms or beach worms are a favourite bait of most whiting fishermen locally but I have been finding earthworms are just as effective. Small peeled prawns, pipis and freshly pumped yabbies are great bait too. Using a number 4 long shank hook, about 30cm of leader, a swivel and a small running sinker with light line they are great fun to catch.

Most of the Whiting I catch are only in very shallow water, mainly knee deep to waist deep so our local beaches and sand flats are perfect. The sandy flats at Scarborough, the little beaches all the way along Redcliffe waterfront, Clontarf beaches, Brighton and Sandgate foreshores are all excellent spots at certain times of the tide. I like an incoming tide over the flats, not a lot of wind and using two rods as they usually seem to turn up a few at a time as they are cruising around looking for food.

A size limit of 23cm and a bag limit of 30 in Queensland lets you take home quite a feed. They grow to just over 50cm but a 30cm fish is considered quite the catch.

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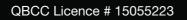


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