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Reminder!

Drought Funding is still available for household expenses. Please present your accounts for expenses such as Phone, Rates, Food, Household Water, Fuel, Medical, Pharmacy etc.
Applicants will be assessed on an individual basis.
We are unable to cover bills that have already been paid.
Contact the Murilla Community Centre: 4627 2027 or

Fox & Rynne Accountants Pty Ltd

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Wednesday 9:00am - 12:00noon Friday 2:00pm - 5:00pm

Profits fund St Vincent de Paul Society services and programs.

Optometrist Lincoln Wagner

Ph: 07 4627 2027

Visiting the Murilla Community Centre

Wednesday 8th April 2020

Consultations Bulk Billed

Free Retinal Photos





Rural and Regional Enterprise Scholarships Program Rural Aid is always looking for ways to assist our Aussie farmers. That is why we want to bring to your attention the Rural and Regional Enterprise Scholarships Program, worth up to \$18,000 per student, available from the Federal Government.

The scholarships are open to students from regional and remote areas of Australia and will support up to 1100 undergraduate, postgraduate and Vocational Register for Assistance Education and Training (VET) students to undertake with Rural Aid a tertiary course. Open to all fields of study, the scholarships are for Certificate IV to PhD courses. Scholarship recipients may receive total scholarship

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funding up to \$18,000, based on course length and type of study or training. A further \$500 is available to scholarship recipients to support an internship. For more information on the benefits a scholarship offers you, visit https://www.qtac.edu.au/rres-program/benefits

If you have children or know others who have children and could benefit from the scholarship, please share this link with them - https://www.qtac.edu.au/rres-program/benefits.

Need to chat?

Rural Aid has its own rural community experienced counsellors who are ready to take your private and confidential call to help you through any challenges you may be facing. As this drought endures and you experience other natural disasters – such as flood and fire – if you just want a chat, please call any of our counsellors. You can contact our in-office team by calling 1300 327 624 and ask for the counselling team or call them direct through the numbers listed on our website.

Women and Leadership Australia Scholarships

Enhance your career in 2020 with a farming and agriculture sector female leader's scholarship. Partial scholarships of \$2,000 - \$5,000 are available for our career building leadership courses. Courses are available for women at all management levels. Register your interest by Friday 15th of May.

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Community Grants Writer, Kate Bradley

Local not-for-profit organisations, Traditional Owner groups and community groups that are looking for information about funding opportunities and/or advice about preparing grant applications can access local support from Kate Bradley, Community Grants Writer. This free service, which is delivered by the Murilla Community Centre, is available to groups across the Western Downs region.

For more information, contact Kate at mccmgrants@bigpond.com and book an appointment to meet during an upcoming Community Day:

Dalby –Thursday 23 April, Tuesday 16 June Chinchilla - Monday 20 April, Friday 15 May Miles - Tuesday 28 April, Thursday 21 May Tara - Wednesday 29 April, Thursday 28 May

Wandoan - Tuesday 19 May

Brother MFC-9330 CDW Printer for sale. \$200.00 Please contact Chris or Missy on 07 4627 2027







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Do you have your own Medicare card yet?

If you're 15 or older you can get your own Medicare card. It's a good idea to have one of your own. Getting your Medicare card

You can get a Medicare card when you enrol in Medicare.

If you were born in Australia, you're probably already enrolled. And if you're on your parent's Médicare card, you're definitely enrolled. That means gétting your own card is very simple. Go into a service centre and ask for your own card. Complete an application form to copy or transfer from one Medicare card to another.

You will need to provide 1 piece of identification, such as a:

- student ID card
- passport
- birth certificate or birth extract.

You'll also have to provide your bank account details. That way, any Medicare rebate you get goes into your account.

If, for some reason, you're not enrolled in Medicare, take your Medicare enrolment form and supporting documents to a service centre.

Using your Medicare card

Having your own card can bring you many benefits, like:

- a range of medical services
- care as a public patient in a public hospital
- cheaper medicines at a pharmacy under the Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme.

You need to take your Medicare card with you to access health services.

You can also use a digital copy of your Medicare card. To use the digital version, you need to:

- sign in to the Express Plus Medicare app
- select the Card tab on the home screen.

If you can't claim at the doctors, you can use the app to claim your Medicare benefit.

Replacing your Medicare card

Medicare cards are valid for 5 years. You will be sent a new card before your old one expires. If your

address has changed, let Medicare know so it isn't sent to the wrong place. It's important to keep your card safe. If you've lost your card or it's been damaged, you need to tell them straight away. You can also request a new Medicare card through myGov if you registered for Medicare Online services or through the Express Plus Medicare app.

Change of circumstances if you get a Centrelink payment

It's important to tell Centrelink if your circumstances change, so you can get the right Centrelink

You need to tell Centrelink if there are changes to:

- your personal and contact details
- your bank details
- your relationship status, for example if you become partnered or separated
- care arrangements for anyone in your care, including your children
- your work status
- your study, including any changes to your study load
- your gender identity gender updates are optional
- your accommodation details use the accommodation details form to do this
- your living arrangements if you're single and start sharing your accommodation with anyone outside your family who's 16 or older - use the relationship details form to do this.

Government services—closer than you think

At the Murilla Community Centre we can help you with Centrelink, Medicare and other government programs and services. We're an Australian Government Department of Human Services Agent. Using our computers, you can log in to your myGov account and do your business on the spot. If you don't have a myGov account, we'll help you to set one up.

There are phones for you to access phone self service or speak to a department service officer. If you'd rather use your mobile phone or tablet, we've got free Wi-Fi available 24/7. You don't need a password so you can get online straight away. You can also use the Wi-Fi to download and install the Express Plus mobile apps. We can help you set up your digital services if you're not sure what to do.

You can also lodge forms, get your identity documents certified and pick up brochures.

So next time you need to do some government business, drop in and see us or call 07 4627 2027 to make an appointment.

We're open Monday - Friday from 9:00am to 4:00pm at 73A Murilla St, Miles - next to the Newsagent.



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MILES POLICE UPDATE

The first half of March 2020 was a busy period for the officers and staff of the Miles Police Station. Police have undertaken successful tactical action concerning drug using and supplying in the Miles Police Division. This was only possible because of intelligence provided by members of the public. Dangerous drugs, especially methamphetamine (Ice) is rife in all country towns and Miles, Condamine and Drillham are no exceptions. Please continue providing police with information, so that drug users and suppliers can be disrupted.

There has also been a series of sneak break and enter offences in Miles. These crimes were committed by opportunistic thieves who snuck into dwellings that had their doors unlocked. The sneaky criminals then helped themselves to things like wallets, mobile phones, handbags and all its contents. All while the occupants of the house were fast asleep. Please prevent yourself from

becoming a statistic, and do make it difficult for thieves to have success at your house.

Recently Miles experienced a serious crash in the main street that caused the passenger of a motorcycle to suffer life-changing injuries. Miles also experienced a fatal crash on a gravel road outside of town. In this instance a promising young life was lost. These incidents showed how quickly lives can be changed, or taken away, whilst driving. Driving a motor vehicle is one of the most dangerous things we do on a daily basis.

Please be aware of the fatal Five -

1. Don't drive drunk or intoxicated by drugs,

2. Do wear a seatbelt,

3. Don't drive distracted – put that mobile phone away when you drive,

4. Don't speed, and please drive to the conditions,

5. Don't drive tired - driving whilst fatigued takes too many lives; take a break and refresh.

Murilla Community Centre Bus

The Murilla Community Bus is transport facilitated by the Murilla Community Centre.

Transport from Miles to Toowoomba or Dalby including stops when requested in Chinchilla and Dalby.

This bus assists members of the community who are unable to drive, do not have a vehicle, do not have family or friends to assist with transport and therefore cannot access local Miles businesses as well as non urgent medical appointments in Dalby or Toowoomba. Two buses are equipped with wheelchair lifters.

these appointments can include X-rays or other tests, specialists appointments and/or hospital appointments.

Transport is avaliable the 2nd Tuesday and 4th Thursday of each month (departure times will depend on the time of the first appointment). See bus timetable below for an outline of all dates for 2020.

Ask your referring doctor for a Patient Travel Subsidy form (PTS) to receive a rebate on the cost of travel, lowering the cost to under \$20.00.

Please contact the Murilla Community Centre on 07 4627 2027 for bookings or information.

Commu	Community Centre Toowoomba Bus Timetable 2020									
January		February		March		April				
Tuesday	14	Tuesday 11		Tuesday	10	Tuesday	14			
Thursday	23	Thursday 27		Thursday	26	Thursday	23			
May		June		July		August				
Tuesday	12	Tuesday	9	Tuesday 14		Tuesday	11			
Thursday	28	Thursday	25	Thursday	23	Thursday	27			
September		October		November		December				
Tuesday	8	Tuesday	13	Tuesday 10		Tuesday	8			
Thursday	24	Thursday	22	Thursday	26	Thursday	24			

Positions Vacant!

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Educators are needed in the Dulacca / Drillham / Taroom / Chinchilla / Wandoan / Miles & Roma areas.

Family Day Care Educators are people who:

- Are passionate about working with children;
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- Can develop a friendly, trusting relationship with the families and the coordination unit
- Want to earn an income while working from home;

Please apply to:

Coordinator, Murilla Family Day Care Scheme, 73 Murilla Street, Miles Q 4415

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POSITION VACANT

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Miles

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- general public relations duties at front desk
- administrative duties including mail, answering phones, data collection, data entry
- excellent communication skills

Casual position - three days per week.

Forward Letter of Application/Resume to:

Cecily Brockhurst, Murilla Community Centre.

Phone 0746 272027

Email: mccm@bigpond.com



POSITION VACANT

Murilla Community Centre Inc - Long Day Care Centre/Outside School Hours Care Miles QLD

LEAD EDUCATOR/SUPPORT EDUCATOR

Ideally, employees should possess a Diploma - Children's Services or be studying same. Consideration will be given to those with a Certificate III in Children's Services (who are willing to study a Diploma)

The position will be on average 3 days per week.

Forward an Expression of Interest with resume and covering letter to:

Cecily Brockhurst
Murilla Community Centre Inc
73a Murilla Street
MILES Qld 4415
Ph: 4627 2027

PII. 4027 2027

Email: mccm@bigpond.com





84th Annual Tara Show Saturday 7th March 2020

Circus Magic









The 84th Annual Tara Show was held on Saturday 7th March, 2020, with a theme of 'Circus Magic'.

The rain on Friday helped settle the dust – and raise the spirits of all who attended. It was so good to see the showgrounds looking so green (thanks to the WDRC for all the extra mowing)!

It was a great day out for families with lots to see and do, including:

- Petting Zoo and pony rides
- Face painting (thanks to origin)
- Circus Challenge activities
- Magician
- Roustabout Challenge
- Crosscut Saw
- Chainsaw racing
- Dog Jump
- Fireworks (thanks to QGC)

After a challenging dry year it was great to see the Pavilion full of arts, crafts, flowers and cooking. Many thanks to all the local schools who got involved with the theme.

Also there was good representation in the Poultry, Stud Cattle and Sheep, and the prime lambs were of great quality.

A huge 3 rings of horse events were very well supported with competitors coming from far and wide to take home the ribbons and trophies.

The committee would like to thank our generous trophy donors, sponsors, showgirls, and volunteers. Your support of the show every year is greatly appreciated and we look forward to another great show next year.

Kylie Fourie

Tara Show Society Secretary

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Queensland Women's Week - Turn Your Creative Hobby into a Thriving Small Business!

Murilla Community Centre was fortunate to secure funding for the three Community Centres across the Western Downs regional Council area, Chinchilla, Tara & Miles.

In celebration of International Womens Week 2020, Julia Spicer of Engage & Create Consulting was engaged to do a presentation to interested ladies about "Turning Your Creative Hobby into a Thriving Business." This 2 hour session helped women begin to uncover a newfound clarity, purpose, confidence and passion to create their ideal business and life, on their own terms - as well as the connections, mindset shifts & tools to keep them there. The attendees leadership styles

well as the connections, mindset shifts & tools to keep them there. The attendees leadership styles were disussed and how this can be used in family, business and community roles. Sixteen women attended the empowering Miles session with all attendees reporting back with positive responses. Most ladies were asking to extend the session as they were very keen to continue the discussion as well as take advantage of the excellent networking opportunity. The guest speaker Julia Spicer (prev. Telford) is a vibrant rural woman. Founder of two regional businesses based in Goondiwindi, Qld - Engage & Create Consulting and the Goondiwindi Business Hub; Julia's mission is to contribute to the vibrancy and viability of rural and regional Australia by helping businesses grow. Through strategic planning, coaching and online courses; Julia does just that. With the company of her husband Tony & a menagerie of animals both large and small, Julia's passion may be spread far and wide but her home truly is where her heart is.

Thank-You to Department of Communities and Julia Spicer for this fantastic opportunity to celebrate

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our diverse community of strong women.













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PITCH CHALLENGE 2020



The Pitch Challenge is a friendly, shark tank style competition proudly supported by Shell's QGC business.

Entrants pitch their idea for a new product, service or business to a panel of judges for a chance to share in over \$30,000 prize money.

Emily Beutel from Miles was a semi finalist in the Best Business Growth Idea category.

Emily channels her passion for creating beautiful spaces into local events, both as a volunteer committee member and through her small business, Emily Beutel Weddings and Events.

She plans to grow her business by introducing large scale florals for weddings and pitched this idea to the judges.

"Pitching my idea at the semi finals was exhausting, but the process was such great experience." said Emily.

"It was helpful to have feedback from the judges, and I'm looking forward to working with the Business Navigator team to grow the business from a part time to full time role in the future."

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The Biggest Morning Tea – Hosted by the Murilla Garden GroupThis year sees the Murilla Garden Group hosting the regions' 30th Biggest Morning tea. Throughout the past 30 years, local community members and businesses have contributed to raising funds for

Tea in the Miles area was held in the gardens of Joan and Don Brownlie of Fairymeadow Road. Whilst the event has been held within many local gardens from Miles, Condamine and Dulacca; nostalgically, this year the event will return to Fairymeadow Road, where Suzie and Ian Geldard of "Riverside" have kindy offered to host the event. This year's 30th Biggest Morning Tea is shaping up to be a fantastic morning. There are many sponsors that have come on board to support this worthy cause. Thank you to our major sponsors of the event. These include: Condamine Bell Campdraft Committee, Panda Pearls, The Creek

Café, Merlo Coffee, Origin & QGC. There will be over \$5000 worth of prizes, and some of these include a beautiful painting by local artist Kylie Drury, a generous gourmet basket donated by Ros and Campbell Brownlie, and a beautiful plant. Steve Moore has generously been hand crafting steel garden sculptures over the past 30 years and has kindly donated one for this year's event. The "shadiest hat" will also be rewarded! Featuring at this year's event will be a plant stall, cake stall, Merlo Coffee and a large cent auction. So, bring your coins, shady hat and grab your friends to support this wonderful cause. Every cent raised will be donated directly to the

Cancer Council.

Time: 9:30am - 12:30 Date: Thursday 14th May 2020 Where: "Riverside" 766 FairyMeadow Rd, Miles.











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Murilla Fish Stocking Association

Murilla Fish Stocking Assoc is very pleased to announce that at the AGM the current committee was returned. We will be busy again this year raising money to purchase more fingerlings that stock the Dogwood Creek and its tributaries.

Due to the drought, fingerlings were not supplied in the past 2 years. With the Gill and Miles Weirs now full we have placed a large order for the end of December 2020.

Our club was very fortunate to receive a donation of assets from ORIGIN. Picture is of Origin staff Dan and Cody delivering goods to Ray Ross of Murilla Fish Stocking Assoc. We were also fortunate to receive a monetary grant from ORIGIN to buy fingerlings that will go towards the December fingerling purchase.

Murilla Fish Stocking has been active now for 25

years and is still going strong. To date we have put in approximately 277 000 yellowbelly, 10 500 Cod and 105 000 silverperch fingerlings. Our meetings are held on the first Tuesday of every month at the Community Centre in Miles. For further information on our club we can be contacted on 0427276243 or murillafishstocking@ gmail.com or find us on the Web. Murilla Fish Stocking Assoc.



Murilla Community Centre Incorporated wishes to express our appreciation for the very kind donation of goods that were distributed from Origin with the de-commissioning of the Origin Camp. Book-Cases were welcomed by volunteers at our Second-Hand Bookshop as well as at Murilla Long Day Care & Kindergarten.

Pot Plant Stands - Murilla Community Centre & Murilla Long Day Care Centre & Kindergarten

Linen & Towels - St Lukes Markets

Out-Door Table & Chairs – Murilla Long Day Care Centre & Kindergarten Thank-you so much Origin these items have been very well received and are already in use.

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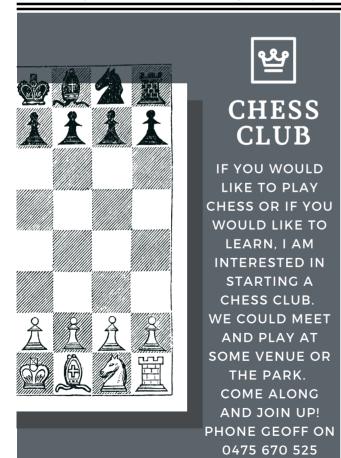
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- 6. Downloading apps: Beware when downloading apps, some look very official but could be malicious and designed to steal your personal information, including passwords. Do your research so you understand what the app will be accessing.
- 7. Fake shipping notifications: These can have attachments or links to sites that will download malware onto your computer to steal your identity and passwords. Contact the carrier directly to confirm shipping information.
- 8. Online shopping apps: When using these apps, make sure you have installed the latest software and updates. Criminals use weaknesses in software to attack your devices and steal your personal information.
- 9. Using public Wi-Fi networks: Avoid sending or receiving valuable information when connected to public W-Fi networks. Scammers often target insecure networks.
- 10. Socialising online: Online forums are a great way to stay in touch during the Christmas period, but you never know who is watching. Be careful about the personal information you share online and who you allow to see it.
- 11. Two-Factor authentication: Use two-factor authentication whenever possible. This extra security makes it harder for scammers to access your online accounts by pretending to be you.
- 12. Scammers don't take holidays: Most of us take holidays around Christmas, but scammers don't. Stay alert and if something looks suspicious, don't click, don't reply and report it.





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NEWS FROM MILES HIGH...

Welcome back for 2020, another great year planned. Before we move onto our news for 2020, I would like to congratulate the graduating class of 2019 on achieving great results:

- Again like the last three years Miles SHS has 100% of our Year 12 students receiving a Queensland Certificate of Education or Queensland Certificate of Individual Achievement. Exceeding State and Regional Targets.
- 99% of our students graduated attaining a completed Vocational Certificate I, II or III.
- ♦ 8 x Year 12 students worked towards an OP score. All 8 received an OP range of 6 -15.
- Every students who applied for a university position received an offer in the first round.
- Those not pursuing a university program have successfully pursued their career pathways.

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This year we will have no Parade, no Dawn Service and no drinks or Two Up at the RSL.

That doesn't mean we won't remember them.

Place an Australian Flag, a Poppy, or a sprig of Rosemary on your letterbox.

Let our Diggers know

We will remember them



ANZAC DAY 2020



PLEASE SHARE TO **GET WORD OUT!**

If you know of anyone in our community who has done really well at their chosen sport, charity work or a personal interest, please let us know! We can congratulate or thank them publicly and show how proud you and the community are of them. We also encourage people to advise us of local community events so we can assist with getting the word out to the community with FREE or low cost advertising. If you have photos of past events or activities within our community we would love to publish them for you. Please ensure they are your own photos, not anyone else's and the people are willing to have their photo published.

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Thank-you to Helen Thomas

On Tuesday the 17th of April, a farewell and thank-vou was extended to Helen Thomas for her many years of dedication to the Miles Chamber of Commerce and the Miles community. Helen has worked tirelessly as an active volunteer at countless community events, bettering the community in many ways. Helen, we thank you for the time and effort you have put into your volunteering, you will be dearly missed. We wish you and your family all the best in your next endeavours.

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Miles Devils at the Kirstin Albeck Memorial 9 a side Rugby League Tournament





















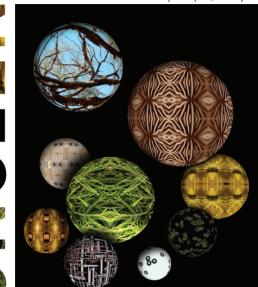
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Friday 3 April, 6.30pm



Hidden Worlds (detail), donna davis, 2017, pigment print onto fine art rag. Image courtesy of the artist.

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PUBLIC PROGRAMS

Saturday 4 April 2020

Explore the intersection of art and science with artist Donna Davis and scientist Dr Sapphire McMullan-Fischer. In programs for children and adults, Dr Sapphire will take participants on a walk along Dogwood Creek to check out the local flora and Donna will help participants use what they collect in a printmaking project back in the studio. All materials supplied.

Participants bring hats, water and sunscreen.

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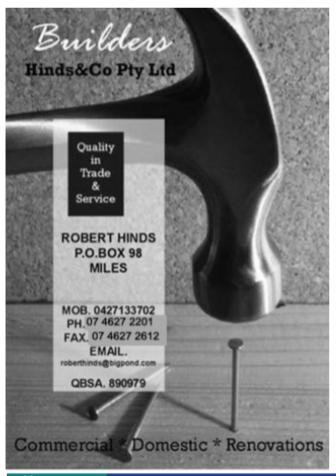


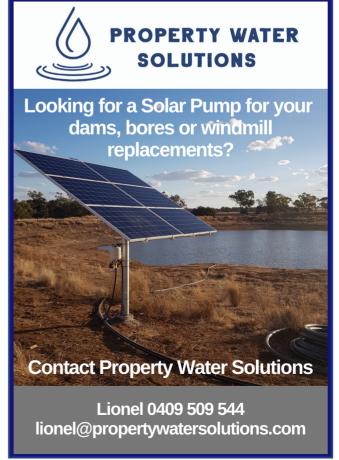


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'Unseen' is supported by the Queensland Government through Arts Queensland. Donna Davis is supported by the Visual Arts and Craft Strategy, an initiative of the Australian, state and territory governments'. This project is also supported by the Queensland Herbarium, centre for research and information on Queensland ecosystems, plants and fungi.





The Miles Devils Rugby League Club travelled to Roma on Saturday 7th March, where they competed in the annual Kirstin Albeck Memorial 9 a side Rugby League tournament. The Miles boys played 3 games and were successful winning 2 games. The team consisted of a mix of experience, youth and rookies. 4 Under 18 players got their first taste of 9's Rugby League and 2 players had only

ever played around half a dozen games between them.

The first game was against the Jandowae Fish Hooks. As is the case with every first game of the season the boys were a little slow out of the blocks, but soon started to get it together both in Attack and Defence. With Veteran front rowers Grant Presnell and Tom Williams, and pocket rocket Angus Rayner carting the ball up and some good defence from rookie Mitchell Cooper, players like Lewis Hall and Ryan Rayner had a lot of freedom to run at will. The final Score being 14-4 to the Devils. The team suffered with injuries to Christian Vagg and Darcy Brown who were unable to take

any further part in the tournament. Man of the Match in this game was Angus Rayner.

With injuries in the first game, the second game against the Drought Breakers (Mitchell) saw the A Grade Debut of Substitute Bluey Smith. Bluey has only taken up playing Rugby League in the last 12 months and will be a vital cog in the Miles Devils wheel for many years to come. Ryan Rayner was playing like a man possessed in this game and was rewarded with 2 tries. The highlight of this game was when under 18's dynamo Harry Myers ran onto a ball out wide to score in the corner a typical flying wingers try. The boys were starting to gel together and form good combinations and with a wall of defence limited their oppositions chances of breaking through. Young guns Harry Turner and Zach Tattam were holding their own in amongst bigger and more experienced opposition. The final score line 27-4 to the Devils with Ryan Rayner judged the Man of the Match. The Roma Echidna's were always going to be tough for Miles Devils who were starting to tire in the third game. The injury toll meant the boys didn't have as many reserves to use and it was starting to show. However, the Devils dug deep and it was only a try against the run of play that saw the Echidna's take a 7-0 lead to the half time break. After some brilliant solo work by Harry Turner resulting in a try beside the posts, Lewis Hall kicked the conversion and the score was a very tense 7-6. This was to be the score for much of the second half as both teams threw everything at each other. Miles came very close to scoring only to see a change in possession with 30 seconds left on the clock and the Echidna's winger sprint away to put the icing on the cake. Final Score 14-6 to the Roma Echidna's. Man of the Match was Lewis Hall.

Overall it was a good day for the Miles Devils. A club that only 6 months ago was wondering where they were heading. It has been a credit to the players to get themselves back up off the canvas and come together to see the Club's future looking a lot brighter. Players like Brodie Barr, Josh Moore, Brently Leahy and Travis Hahn worked tirelessly all day, and will no doubt be regulars in First Grade for season 2020. The 9's tournament was a great experience for them, and they will be back next

year to have another crack.

The next games for the Miles Club will be the Terry Charles Memorial Shield in Tara on 21st March. Both Under 18's and A Grade will be playing. The Club would like to encourage all supporters to come along and cheer these young men on.

The Miles Senior Rugby League can be followed on Facebook.

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EISHING CHUB NIEWS

Welcome all to our April fishing club update.

There has been plenty of reports of good quantities off fish being caught around the region.

Jodie & Josh seem to be out at every opportunity with plenty of bragging photos being sent in. Yellow belly and Jew seem to be the main targets and the railway bridge in Miles is a hot spot with

the railway workers all cashing in.

Rob and Ned have proven that sling shot fishing from the top deck at Swags works a treat with a

nice Carp being hauled up the hill. Had to see it to believe it but it definitely happened. Our monthly club trip was held at Gil Weir on 15th February with Kev & Kirsty Steinberg taking the reins. Our newly appointed club chef Rob Bishop cooked up a camp oven feast fit for a king topping off the night with BBQ roasted bananas with chocolate and marshmallows.

31 people fished Gil Weir with return competitors Deon and Annika Matthee making the trip from Brisbane for the comp. It was great to see them again and shared their vast knowledge of carp

fishing again.

Our first Dogwood Murray Cod was caught by Zac Marxen at the Weir which was a great surprise.

Winners for the Yellow Belly Blitz were

Seniors Largest Jew Chris Graham Largest Yellow Belly Travis Tattam

Largest Carp Deon Matthee Largest Jew Juniors Brax Graham Largest Yellow Belly Zac Marxen

Largest Carp Annika Matthee

The Miles Condamine Fishing Club held their monthly meeting on 4th March with a great turn out and new committee members being elected. We welcome Steve Osborne, Rob Bishop, Robbie

Smith, Tamara Nolan and Kim Beames to the committee.

The club expects to reach 80 members this season and our club competitions are growing in popularity with our camp oven cook ups and activities for the kids. It is great to see new members from Roma, Chinchilla, Dulacca and Wandoan all coming on board recently.

Upcoming competitions will be held at Glebe Weir on 18th & 19th April chasing Red Claw and a Mother's Day comp on the 9th & 10th May with a breakfast on the Sunday morning.

Follow the Miles Condamine Facebook page or join up to be kept in the loop of future events

Peter Delaforce, Club President



















NOONGA'S AMERICAN TENNIS TOURNAMENT

Saturday April 4th



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a BBQ dinner on sale from 5.30pm.

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For more information: Many Leahy, Secretary

46276358 or email: woodlende+14@gmail.com



NOONGANOTES

Noonga has had a big couple of weekends! Saturday February 29th saw Noonga host the first ever In-court Day/night Cricket Comp, which saw 6 teams compete for the title of Winners!

It was Brendan Leahy's local team that crossed the line in first position. A wonderful day was had by all, and a big thanks must go to the young guns from Surat Rats who put the effort in to travel to Noonga to support our small community. Big thanks goes to Barry & Sheryl Sinnamon for all their hard work and organising for this fun event.

Then the following Saturday March 7th; Noonga held it's first ever Women's Day. Noonga received funding to host a Qld women's day event. The day went off well after a sceptical wet day the afternoon before, but clear sky's and a great crowd of 85 women and teenage girls arrived to receive a complimentry morning tea & lunch which Drillham P & C were hired to cater for. 14 high quality markets stalls and two professional services were on hand to deliver much pampering. Sharna from Just You Beauty Miles, treated her clients to express manicures and facial tinting, while Janita from House of Relaxation Roma, spoilt her clients to ten minute massages. The day was to promote small rural businesses and farmers wives who resorted to making products and selling them at markets to generate family income that had been heavily effected by the drought, also promoting cultural diversity and social interaction for our rural women in isolated areas like Noonga. The guests were treated to a very informative and heart touching address by Guest Speaker Mrs. Benita Bensch from Moonie, who told her story of being a farmers wife, a mum to four very young boys, a business woman and a newly acclaimed Author of her new book! There was not a sound or voice to be heard when Benita spoke, her story touched everyone's heart. Palmers coaches provided bus transport from Miles picking up guests all through the small townships along the way. Thank you to everyone involved to bring this event to fruition is was truely a great success! Thank you to our Noonga men, Brian Leahy, Kevin Godfrey, Brendan Leahy & Tony Hindman for assisting on the day to give our Noonga ladies the day off!



















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ACKSON OTTINGS

With so much rain happening lately, the last social event to the Dulacca Pub for dinner on Sunday, the 23rd of February was a small but enjoyable event. Those who could attend had a good time. We would like to thank the Dulacca Pub for their

hospitality.

Our next social event is a BBQ on Sunday the 29th of March at 5:00pm. Inspector Mark Saunders, Area Director, Rural Fire Service, Roma will be in attendance to meet Jackson locals and provide general information on fire permits, safety plans etc. Please contact Trish Sedgwick on 0427 709

611 if attending

An attempt was made to be involved in Clean Up Australia Day on Sunday the 1st of March, but unfortunatly due to the recent rain and boggy conditions, only a small number of locals were available so not much was achieved. Thank-you to Origin for allowing us to borrow some hi viz vests which we may need to use again if we attempt to clean our district at a later, drier time.

Jackson residents attended the Meet and Greet with

the candidates for the Maranoa Regional Council elections in Yuleba, organised by Karan Hibbs from the Yuleba Development Group on Monday the 9th of March. This was a great opportunity to listen to the candidates and ask questions. Good luck to all candidates in this election.



Trish Sedgwick ready to clean up Jackson

Upcoming events are:

Sunday the 29th of March

5:00pm BBQ \$5.00 burgers - All are welcome. Please contact Trish on 0427 709 611 if attending. Inspector Mark Saunders, Area Director, Rural Fire Service from Roma will be in attendance

Saturday the 25th of April

ANZAC Day The hall will be open following a short service at the memorial. Please bring a plate to share

Monday the 11th of May

Jackson and Noonga Community meeting Jackson Hall 10:00am Bring a plate for morning tea at 9:30am

Sunday the 31st of May

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50th Anniversary - 2021

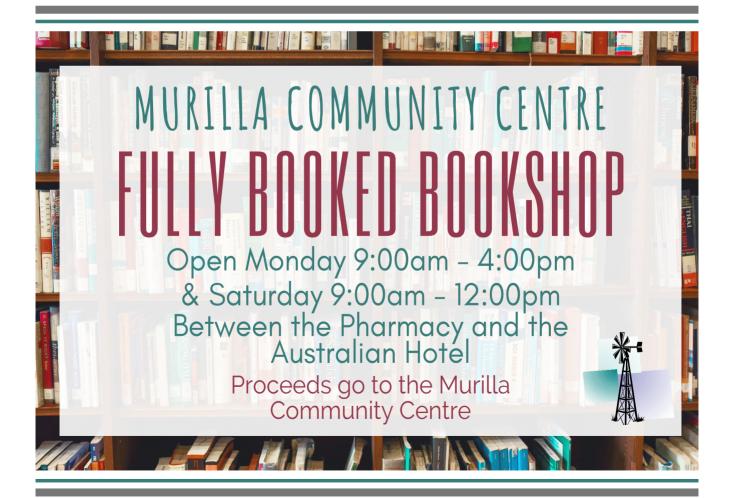
We are gearing up for the 50th Anniversary here at the Village. Our committee members and volunteers are already in the process of researching past historical events and planning the agenda to ensure a fantastic event in 2021.

Currently our volunteers are working very hard compiling lists of past Committee members, volunteers and village members. If you were previously involved with the Historical Village either in a volunteer or committee/member capacity, we would really appreciate hearing from you to enable us to add your name to our lists.

We would love to get the community involved so if anyone has any old photos that have relevance to the Historical Village over the years, we would love you to share them with us.

Pop up and see us if you'd like to be involved!







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Charles Richard Johnston was born in Westdale New South Wales on 2nd April 1937 in his parent's cottage to Thomas and Eileen Johnston. Charlie was the sixth born after Thomas, Jo, Ross, Rita and Mervyn, followed by three sisters, Olive, Merle and Dot. Charlie attended Westdale Primary School and completed Year 9 at the Tamworth High School before leaving to start working on local farms and getting his truck license. Charlie and his older brother Ross moved up to Queensland in his teens and he started working at Mt. Owen in Mitchell as head stockman. This was the beginning of his life as a Queenslander.

Charlie worked on a few properties in the same area. It was at "Eurella Station" where he met his life long partner Marcia in 1965. Charlie and Marcia tied the knot a year later in January 1966 and last month celebrated 54 years married. The first born child Robert was born in September 1966, followed by daughter Debra in 1968 and the mistake child, Daryl came along four years later to

complete the family.

Charlie's working life as a contract fencer brought him to Miles where they purchased their first home in 1972 which remains the family home to this day. Charlie's jobs included managing properties and working on farms until he got the job at the Wheat Board where he worked until his retirement. Following retirement, he worked part-time for David and Adrienne McDonald on their property. During his time in Miles he joined several Clubs including the Pony Club, Memorial Club, Show Society, Race Club and Football Club. He was the first life member of the Pony Club and became life member at each of the other clubs. Charlie was a committed and passionate member of all the Clubs he joined, and his tireless efforts were rewarded with an Australia Day Citizen of the Year Award in 1999. Many of his weekends were spent either working on cutting fence posts, playing polocrosse, attending Pony Club, travelling to gymkhanas and in his later years attending all home games at the Devils football grounds. He was often the first one on the supporters' bus to the final's games with his blue, black and white footy jumper.

Charlie bought himself a caravan and twice travelled around Australia, but these trips had to work around the Miles Show each time because he couldn't miss any working bees or Show Days. Charlie was diagnosed with Hodgkinson's Lymphoma in 2008 following a lump on his groin. He began chemo and radium treatment which was successful, and he remained active till the next hiccup in 2016 where he had a series of mini strokes. Again, he bounced back but the last few years he had several cancers removed from his face and neck. A year later Charlie began radiotherapy treatment

in Toowoomba and he and Marcia stayed there for a few months.

Last year Charlie was given the bad news that the cancer was incurable and there was no more the doctors could do but he battled on and took it in his stride, continuing his working bees at the show

grounds. He loved the morning teas that Adrienne would diligently cook.

Charlie sadly passed away peacefully on Wednesday morning the 19th of February. He will be fondly remembered as:

Volunteer, Horseman, Fencer, Teacher, Husband, Father, Grandfather, Great Grandfather, Brother, Uncle, and a great friend to many.





Congratulations to the Miles and District Show Society Inc. 50's Board Winners!

Board 1 - Wendy Hay

Board 2 - Lance Krause

Thank-you to all supporters.



APRIL 2020

COMMUNITY UPDATE



Leading researchers and scientists went on the road travelling to Chinchilla for the World Science Festival Queensland recently. Chinchilla Cultural Centre was transformed into a hub of science activities and talks from some of Australia's leading science experts, as part of the City of Science program.

Queensland Museum Network CEO Dr Jim Thompson said the program provided locals with a unique opportunity to connect with science.

The landmark festival was even bigger in 2020 and continues to grow from strength to strength since 2016 giving communities the chance to get hands on with STEM experiences.

Shell's QGC business are proud to be the Community Partner for the Festival, which demonstrated the possibilities that science can offer.





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UPCOMING EVENTS

3 & 4th April Wandoan Show

16th April Wandoan Health Auxiliary — Driver Training 30th April Surat Basin Energy Awards, Dalby

22nd & 23rd May Chinchilla Show

MURITA GARDEN GROUPHIPS & HRICKS

THIS MONTHS "STAR" PLANT: SALVIA

Salvia comes from the Latin salvare, a reference to the plant's ability to heal and has become a popular natural antiseptic and mouth wash for sore throats and gum disorders! Sage wine was administered as a soothing tonic for body and mind and sage beer was notoriously intoxicating. (I'd love to hear if anyone has tried this!)

With over 500 varieties to choose from, with classifications of annual, biennial, perennial and herbaceous shrub, there is a salvia for every garden. From edible sages to shrubs up to three metres tall, these magnificent plants will flower for you from spring through to autumn.

Plant them en masse for a gorgeous cottage garden display, or try them in pots around your verandah or pool. They love a good sunny position and well drained soil. Dead head flowers for annuals and perennials while the larger shrubby types can be cut right back in autumn to produce new growth. They come in flamboyant red – try Salvia splendens; blue; cream; white; hot pink – all contrasting well with the species characteristic greyish-green foliage.

If you keep bees, Salvia officinalis will provide a perfect food source!



Plant your annuals if you haven't already. They are such easy, cheerful ways to brighten up pockets of your garden or for hanging baskets and pots. Keep planting spring bulbs like freesia, babiana and cyrtanthus.

Even though the blazing heat of summer is in our rear view, it is still warm enough for new plants to establish before winter. It is an opportune time to divide perennials like agapanthus, daylilies, dietes, liriope and ornamental grasses.

Cut back geraniums and pelargoniums if they look a bit leggy. Leave the autumn and winter flowering perennials such as chrysanthemums, break them up in late spring when they cease growing.

VEGETABLES:

Finally, a key time to get that vegetable patch cracking along! Try tomatoes, capsicums, eggplants, lettuce, radish, beetroot, silverbeet, beans, cucumber, zucchini, cabbage, broccoli, turnip, onion and garlic.

Images: Top - Salvia, Middle - Petunias in hanging basket, Bottom - Liriope.







To plant a garden is to believe in tomorrow – Audrey Hepburn.

Upcoming Garden Meetings and Member Markets

Janice and Maurice Thomson, "Dunkery", 44445 Leichhardt Highway, Tara Thursday 23 April (25km south of Condamine). 9:30am start.

The Biggest Morning Tea and the 30th Celebration of the Murilla Garden Group

Thursday 14th May Susie and Ian Geldard, "Riverside", 766 Fairymeadow Road, Miles. 9:30am start.

Tanya & Tim Raleigh, "Merivale", 78 Devon Court Road, Drillham



Community Update

April 2020

The combination of Origin's 'recharge' stand and our fabulous face painter created some great 'good energy' at the Tara Show last month, especially with younger members of the community.

A beautiful sunny day helped encourage visitors and there were plenty of activities for everyone to find something of interest. It was also a good opportunity for community members to review our activities and meet members of the extended Origin Energy team.

Tara Emergency Services Cadets helped with our set up and pull down - an inspired offer from the Tara Show Society, and one that was very welcomed. They were a great help and made the job much quicker, so thank you!

It was also lovely to have so many of our landholders and community contacts join us in Chinchilla at our Origin/APPEA International Women's Day morning tea. Key note speaker, Dr Catherine Ball was inspirational and shared her passion for drone technology, encouraging everyone to continually learn and be inspired by future opportunities.

We really enjoy helping educate our community. In March we also partnered with the Queensland Minerals and Energy Academy to help students from Miles and Chinchilla High Schools understand the importance of digital technologies and artificial intelligence within the resources sector.

The students created voice enabled chatbot's that can be deployed on a smart assistant. The chatbot is similar to technology used at Origin to help collect and record real-time data and provided an opportunity for students to use problem solving skills, team work and collaboration.

We are also proud to have supported the Saints Weightlifting Club as they hosted the Queensland Masters competition as part of the Oly in the Outback Open on 14/15 March. 'Good Energy' was displayed by everyone who competed!

On the activity side Origin intends to trial the use of several beam pumps during 2020 at a site south of the Miles airport. These are a type of reciprocating rod pump and are recognised by their 'horse head' design. We'll let you know more about this as the trial gets closer

During March we undertook the drilling of two wells north-east of Miles and the re-drill of one of our 2019 DP007 wells. A number of other wells will be drilled in a larger field-wide development package scheduled for Q2/Q3 2020. As always, these dates are indicative.

Finally, we are hopeful that the Seismic team will be passing through at the right time and can bring their truck to the Miles and Chinchilla shows to share it's capabilities. It's a great asset and people always find it interesting to talk to the Seismic team.

Have a wonderful Easter!

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MYAFI-PARK BOTANIC GARDEN UPDATE

What a difference a month can make!

Myall Park Botanic Garden at Glenmorgan was looking more like a plant graveyard than a botanic garden in January but now that the life giving rains have arrived, all looks quite different. There is a green tinge over the ground and beneath the trees.

The plants that were struggling now have lots of fresh new growth and some dead sticks have decided to give life another chance and now wear brave new shoots of green.

Perhaps most amazing of all are the wide variety of wild flowers which are flowering when just a few centimetres tall. Their seed has been lying dormant in the soil for a very long time and the plants are now flourishing and quickly producing flowers and seeds to bank against future unknown climatic conditions.

In places the small fern, Cheilanthes distans, is growing so prolifically that it is hard to find a place to step without crushing them, as one walks through the Garden.

Now is the time to take note of the plants which survived the drought as they are ideal specimens to plant in new gardens. In general Eremophilas have done very well.

Many grevilleas are still strong, while others have succumbed but of the naturally occurring hybrid grevilleas Merinda Gordon is a stand-out performer. Come and check it out!







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Rare Opportunity For The Savvy Buyer

- Modern designed duplex
- Currently tenanted at \$150 per week
- Furnished and selling furnished
- Two bedrooms with a two way ensuite
- Main bathroom and two separate toilets
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- Sliding glass door leads to small outdoor landing
 Single lock up garage and off street parking

FOR SALE - \$99,000

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Contact: Julie Morris 0407 536 473

jmorris@gdlrural.com.au

Property ID: 21567853



MILES | QLD



Lifestyle, Income, Perfect Combination

- Great location approximately 8 kilometres from Miles
- Consisting of 45.45 hectares (112.26 acres) freehold
- Mix of timber country and some cleared
- Perfect place to start and build your dreams
- Watered from two dams and power nearby
- School bus stops at front gate
- Bitumen frontage under 3 kilometres from Highway
- Bonus of income from gas well

FOR SALE - \$185,000

Address: Lot 25 Myall Park Road, Miles QLD

Contact: Julie Morris 0407 536 473

jmorris@gdlrural.com.au

Property ID: 10647416



MILES | QLD



Commercial Potential

- 10 hectares (24.7 acres) vacant lifestyle block
- Only 2 minutes from the Miles town centre
- Bitumen road frontage, gravel road to cleared area
- Some cleared areas with some light scattered timber
- Fully fenced around perimeter with small dam
- Great base for a company with council approval
- Fantastic position for a business wanting to set up in Miles

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RECIPES

Cheesy Garlic Hot Cross Buns

Makes 12 Servings | 30 min prep | 25 min cook

Ingredients

3 1/3 cups white bread flour, plus extra to dust 1 1/2 teaspoons salt

7g sachet dry yeast

2 teaspoons dried Italian herbs

1 teaspoon caster sugar

1 cup grated cheddar

1 1/4 cups lukewarm water

2 tablespoons extra virgin olive oil

40g butter

3 garlic cloves, crushed

2 tablespoons finely grated parmesan

Flour Paste

1/2 cup white bread flour 1/3 cup water

Method

- Place flour, salt, yeast, herbs, sugar and half the cheddar in a large bowl. Make a well in the centre. Combine lukewarm water and oil in a jug. Add to well. Stir to form a soft dough. Turn dough out onto a lightly floured surface. Knead dough for 5 minutes or until smooth. Divide dough into 12 equal-sized pieces. Roll into balls.
- 2. Grease a 4cm-deep, 23cm (base) 27cm (top) round ovenproof frying pan. Place dough balls in prepared pan. Cover pan with a clean tea towel. Stand in a warm place for 45 minutes or until dough has risen slightly.
- 3. Meanwhile, preheat oven to 220C/200C fanforced.
- Make Flour paste: Mix flour and water together in a small bowl until smooth, adding 1 tablespoon water if paste is too thick. Spoon into a small snap-lock bag.
- 5. Place butter and garlic in a small bowl. Microwave on MEDIUM (50%) for 30 seconds or until melted. Brush dough balls with garlic butter. Snip off 1 corner from snap-lock bag. Pipe flour paste over the top of each dough ball to form a cross. Sprinkle with parmesan and remaining cheddar. Bake for 25 minutes or until buns are golden and sound hollow when tapped. Serve warm.



Cornflake Chocolate Nests

Makes 18 Servings | 45 min prep | 5 min cook

Ingredients

50g butter, chopped 100g milk chocolate, chopped 50g dark chocolate, chopped 2 tablespoons golden syrup 2 cups (80g) cornflakes 1/2 cup (40g) shredded coconut 18 mini Èaster eggs

Method

- 1. Line 18 holes of two 1½-tbs (30ml) mini muffin pans with paper cases. Place the butter, combined chocolate and golden syrup in a saucepan over low heat. Cook, stirring, for 5 mins or until the butter and chocolate melt and the mixture is smooth.
- Combine the cornflakes and coconut in a bowl. Add the chocolate mixture and stir to combine.
- 3. Divide evenly among the prepared pans. Top each with a chocolate egg. Place in the fridge for 30 mins to set.



Easter Bunny Milkshakes

Makes 2 Servings | 5 min prep

Inaredients

2 hollow chocolate bunnies, foil intact Milk shake or smoothie, to serve Whipped cream, to serve Coles 100s and 1000s, to serve

Method

- Peel a little foil away from the top of each chocolate bunny. Use a clean, hot sharp knife to
- remove the top of the bunny ears on an angle. Fill each chocolate bunny with your favourite milkshake or smoothie blend. Top with whipped cream and 100's and 1000's. Serve immediately.

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Miles Country Music
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Miles Show Society Meeting

Last Thursday of each month meeting at the Miles Showgrounds Contact 4627 1234

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THURSDAYS 3:30PM AT THE MILES STATE HIGH SCHOOL TRADE CENTRE

Mens Shed only - Saturdays



Everyone is welcome!



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Williams Clinic 4627 1214

AROUND OUR

Community Markets

St Luke's Markets

St Luke's Church Dawson Street, Miles Second Saturday of the month (Changed for Easter Saturday) 8:30am - 12 noon Contact 0419779686

Taroom Markets

Leichhardt Park, Taroom Second Sunday of the month 8:00am - 12 noon Ade 0427596417 Heady 0428273025

Chinchilla Markets

Chinchilla Showgrounds Gaske Lane Third Sunday of the month Starts early Contact 0428 264 352

Catholic Church - Condamine

2nd Sunday 11:00am 4th Sunday Liturgy

Catholic Church - Dulacca

1st Sunday 10:00am

Catholic Church - Miles

Cnr Dawson & Edith Streets, Miles 1st Sunday 8:00am 2nd Saturday 6:30pm 3rd Sunday 6:30pm 4th Saturday 6:30pm 5th Sunday 8:00am Ecumenical Service

Crossroads Christian Outreach

64 Murilla Street, Miles

Ph: 0437 337 772

Church Services

Lutheran Church - Miles

1st-4th Saturday 5:00pm (HC) 5th Sunday 8:00am Ecumenical Service Contact Jean Austin or Pastor Mark

Ph: 4627 2322 or 4662 7175

Presbyterian Church - Miles

Cnr Murilla & Dawson Streets, Miles Sundays 9:00am Sunday School 10:30am Ph: 4627 1180

Presbyterian Church - Wandoan

Moore Street Sundays 9:00am Contact Rev Laurie Peake Ph: 0438 274 157

St Luke's Anglican Church

Cnr Dawson & Constance Streets, Miles Every Sunday 8:00am 5th Sunday 8:00am Ecumenical Service

Ph: 4627 1190

Tara Community Church

Sunday Service 9:00am Ph: 4669 4336

The Gums Church

3rd Sunday 9:30am Ph: 4669 4336

Wandoan AOG

23 Royd Street 10:00am Every Sunday 5th Sunday 10:30am Wandoan Churches Together in Cultural Centre

Ph 4627 3434

Sunday Service 9:00am Prayer Meeting 6:00pm

J. Kerwick Electrical

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Donations to Murilla Community Centre Incorporated are welcome and of course are Tax Deductible!

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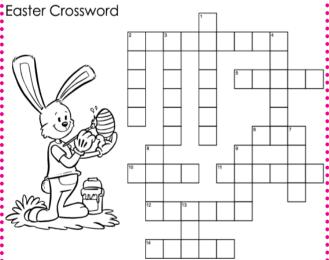
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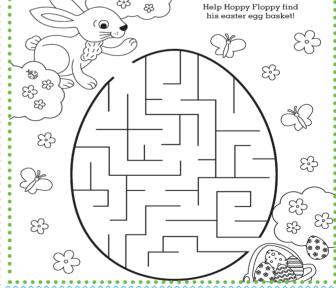
We want to hear from you! If you know of anyone in the community who has done really well at their chosen sport, charity work or a personal interest, of an upcoming event, photos or stories! Please let us know! Email mccmcd@bigpond.com or contact Kelly at the Murilla Community Centre on 4627 2027

SMOKO WRITES



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 2 A mother duck keeps a close eye on her
 5 Easter's month.
- 6 Which came first, the chicken or the
- 10 A mother cow gives milk to her.
- 11 Easter is always on this day of the week.
 12 Carry your Easter Eggs in a _____.
- 14 The Easter ____ hops around the world and delivers presents.

- 1 April showers bring May ____.
 2 Cows give milk for ____ products.
 3 A mother hen watches over her baby
 4 Easter's season.

- 7 A baby ___ is called a kid. 8 A baby sheep is called a ___. 9 In the backyard, the kids are having an Easter Egg warms the earth and brings light to the world.

Sudoku Answers Medium

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COMMUNITY CATHENIDAR

Please note: To help prevent the spread of COVID-19, the Australian Health Protection Principal Committee is placing limits on organised gatherings and visits to vulnerable groups. Therefore, these events are subject to change.

April 4th

St Lukes Markets - Miles, 8:00am - 11:30am Noonga's American Tennis Tournament - Noonga Tennis Courts at 9:30am

Miles Show Society Working Bee - 8:00am Mitchel Golf Club Carnival 5th

Miles Golf Club - Stroke Monthly Mugs (putting)

10th

Good Friday Miles Golf Club - Stroke 12th

Easter Sunday

Miles Show Society Working Bee - 8:00am

13th Easter Monday

14th

Miles Hospital Auxiliary Inc. Bingo - Senior Citizens room at 9:15am Mental Wellness Meeting - Respite Room, Murilla Community Centre at 11:00am 16th

Bookfest - Leichhardt Centre at 9:00am 18th

19th

20th

Bookfest - Leichhardt Centre at 9:00am
Condamine Bell Gymkhana & Family Sports Day - Condamine Rodeo Grounds
Miles Condamine Fishing Club Inc. - Glebe Weir Red Claw Competition
Dulacca Hotel - Chinese All You Can Eat
Miles Golf Club - Miles Golf Club Opening Day
Miles Show Society Working Bee - 8:00am
Miles Condamine Fishing Club Inc. - Glebe Weir Red Claw Competition
Kate Bradley, Community Grants Writer - Chinchilla
Kate Bradley, Community Grants Writer - Dalby
Murilla Garden Group Meeting - Janice and Maurice Thomson "Dunkery", 44445 Leichhardt Hwy at 9.30am
Miles Hospital Auxiliary Inc. Bingo - Senior Citizens room at 9:15am
Miles Hospital Auxiliary Meeting/AGM - 2:00pm
Anzac Day 23rd

24th

25th

Dulacca 6-a-side Cricket - Dulacca Sports Club Miles Golf Club - Anzac Day Stroke/Golfocial (Social Ambrose/Social Golf Day) 26th

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May

Riverina Wandoan Cup Race Day 2020 - Wandoan Showgrounds 2nd

Miles Show Society Working Bee - 8:00am Miles Golf Club - Stroke Monthly Mugs (putting) 3rd

4th Labour Dav Taroom Show

9th

St Lukes Markets - Miles, 8:00am - 11:30am Miles Condamine Fishing Club Inc. - Dogwood Miles Mother's Day Competition Mother's Day Classic Fun Run, Miles (Virtual Run Only)

10th

Miles Golf Club - Stroke Mother's Day BBQ to share salad/dessert
Miles Show Society Working Bee - 8:00am
Miles Condamine Fishing Club Inc. - Dogwood Miles Mother's Day Competition
Miles Hospital Auxiliary Inc. Bingo - Senior Citizens room at 9:15am
Murilla Biggest Morning Tea - Susie and Ian Geldard "Riverside", 766 Fairymeadow Rd, Miles at 9:30am
Kate Bradley, Community Grants Writer - Chinchilla 12th 14th 15th

Dulacca Hotel - Southern American All You Can Eat 16th

Miles From Anywhere Auto Show & Shine Car Competition and Poultry Judging 17th

Miles Golf Club - Foursomes Championships
Miles Show Society Working Bee - 8:00am
Miles Show - Show Entries in Pavilion
Miles Show Holiday

19th

Kate Bradley, Community Grants Writer - Wandoan
Mental Wellness Meeting - Respite Room, Murilla Community Centre at 11:00am
Kate Bradley, Community Grants Writer - Murilla Community Centre, Miles
Miles Golf Club - Stroke
Kate Bradley, Community Grants Writer - Tara
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24th

Miles Hospital Auxiliary Inc. Bingo - Senior Citizens room at 9:15am
Miles Hospital Auxiliary Meeting - 2:00pm
Wandoan Polocrosse Carnival feat. Intermediate & Junior Comp - 92 Roche Creek Rd at 8:00am 30th

Dulacca Hotel - AndersonLane performs lives

31st Miles Golf Club - Social Ambrose/Stroke

18th

29th