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August 2018

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Women's Wellness Day

Wednesday 8th of
August 2018

From 10am - 3pm
Leichhardt Centre
Miles

Featured Guest Speaker:

Dr Sharyn Donaldson

Sharyn is the principal doctor at St Andrew's Hospital's Diagnostic Breast Clinic, who also makes time as a general practitioner. She is CEO of Blush Cancer Care Inc and owner/manager of cafe, catering and cooking school The Sauce Kitchen.



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Some Great Photos of the
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Playing Rugby 7's at
Condamine on Sponsors
Day

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QGC Supports local veterinary business establish a Wildlife Rescue Service in Chinchilla



In response to strong community need and a desire to build and utilise local expertise, QGC has worked closely with Chinchilla Vet Services to set up and deliver a wildlife rescue and rehabilitation service.

The service, which opened 1st May, is the culmination of six months of work to ensure the local service has the appropriate infrastructure, resources and the required services to meet the level of care and support required under Queensland's Nature Conservation Act.

The intent in establishing this service locally was to build the skills in-house with a local vet, to help to increase the community's capacity for treating wildlife and to open up new networks and opportunities with other specialised wildlife sanctuaries and carers in and around the region.

QGC's Environment Team worked with Chinchilla Vet Services to identify any gaps in their services and capabilities – and we also helped to upskill local staff and provided wildlife handling training through a third-party provider.

QGC was proud of the work it has done with the Chinchilla Vet Service, which demonstrated the company's commitment to building capability and creating opportunities for local business in the region.

QGC's commitment included:

- Giving the vet service a purpose-built triage centre,
- Glass indoor and outdoor enclosures for reptiles,
- Bird recovery and flight aviaries,
- Macropod enclosures,
- A dedicated 4WD vehicle for emergency call outs and medical equipment and medicines.

Chinchilla Vet Services owner Kara Knudsen said the cost of setting up a facility, similar to the new centre was prohibitive without the support from QGC.

"You need specific wildlife training and the right recovery facilities for the many different species we will see, she said.

"QGC was very generous and paid for the relocation of all equipment to our premises.

"It is great for our business and our staff to be given the opportunity to deliver this service in locally in Chinchilla, while we have invested heavily in training staff ourselves, QGC have also been very generous in providing staff training in wildlife care.

"With our new set-up we have added capability to assist other organisations in the area to care for wildlife found on their properties, she said.



QGC Communities Fund – NOW OPEN

The QGC Communities Fund provides grants between \$10,000 and \$40,000 to community based organisations in the Western Downs and Gladstone Regional Council areas. The Fund is now open for applications and closes at 5pm, 31st August 2018.

Further information on eligibility requirements and submission details visit

www.shell.com.au/qgc-communities-fund or call 1800 030 443

CENTRELINK UPDATES

Child Care Subsidy Reminder!

Child Care Subsidy (CCS) and Additional Child Care Subsidy (ACCS) will replace the current child care fee assistance we offer. Complete a Child Care Subsidy assessment. This will help us check if you're eligible for the new Child Care Subsidy and work out how much your subsidy will be.

How to complete your Child Care Subsidy Assessment:

1. Sign in to your Centrelink online account through myGov
2. Select complete your Child Care Subsidy assessment task
3. Work through the steps. You'll need to give us new information and confirm your details in the prefilled sections

You will need to Provide:

1. An estimate of your family income for 2018-2019
2. Your and your partner's activity level
3. The school status of your child
4. Confirmation of your child's enrolment details
5. Confirm the information before you submit

It's important you do this as soon as possible. If you don't, you will have to pay your child care fees in full.

If you have any questions or queries that you need answered please book an appointment with one of the staff members at the Community Centre. Simply call 07 4627 2027 to book your appointment or come and visit us today! Our opening hours are 9:00am to 4:00pm Monday to Friday. We are located on Murilla street next to the Miles Newsagency.

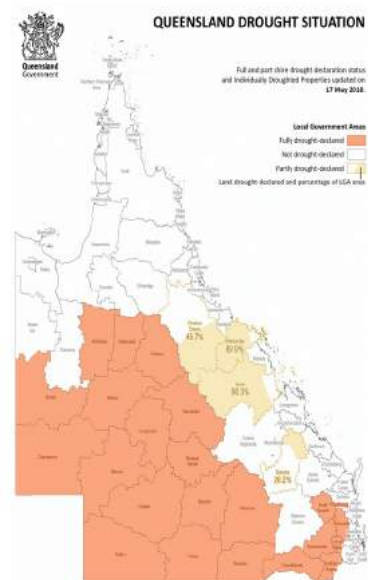
RURAL NEWS

Funding Available For Household Expenses

Murilla Community Centre has secured funds to assist Small Businesses, Primary Producers, Families and Individuals with household expenses of your choice. Please present your accounts for expenses such as Power, Phone, Rates, Food, Fuel, Medical, Pharmacy etc. **Fodder Funds are also available for Primary Producers. Please present your invoice/order & request applications form.** Applications will be assessed on an individual basis. Ph: (07) 4627 2027

Western Downs No Longer Drought Declared, - We have been advised to encourage Primary Producers to apply for Individual Droughted Property (IDP) Declaration to allow access to drought assistance.

Forms are available from the Murilla Community Centre,
Our contact number is (07) 4627 2027.
You can also phone: 132 523
or email: droughtdeclarations@daff.qld.gov.au



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NOONGA NOTES

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Multivendor Clearance Sale:

Noonga's Multivendor clearance sale will be held on the 4th of August. Please see the poster for details of commission and a list of some of the items for sale.

Seniors Day:

Once again Noonga will be hosting a seniors day celebration. Doors will open at 10.00 am and the day will conclude at 1.30 following lunch. There will be market stalls and a mega cent auction at \$2 a sheet. You only need to bring your memories of Noonga and enjoy the Noonga past to present reminiscences.

Noonga Two-Day Tennis Championships:

First weekend of September 1st and 2nd Saturday and Sunday. Open ladies and Mens singles knock out competition and A,B and C division for Ladies, Mens and Mixed Doubles. Stay tuned for further information

Junior Tennis

Payton Leahy took out the Tara Open ladies singles and was runner up with her good friend Darcy Hubbard from Chinchilla in the Ladies doubles. Payton is also currently ranked second in the Tennis Queensland Junior development series for girls under 15.

Junior tennis coaching with Bri Speed was a huge success on day three of the school holidays. Students were able to improve on the finer points of their game in addition to learning the techniques of scoring on paper.



Junior Football

Monty Hindman was selected in the Western Downs under 35 team which played in the rugby league carnival in Kingaroy over the holidays. The team played very well and came 4th in the competition. On the 21st July, Monty is off to Maroochydore for State Trials for Cross Country representing South West.



Visit from Injune Tourism

Noonga hall was the morning tea stop for the Injune Tourism group who undertook a tour of the region following the heritage trail. It was a brisk morning and the group welcomed a warm cuppa and cake. The brands display was of great interest and Brian Leahy gave a brief talk about the history of the district as well as his association with Noonga School and the Hall.

Jackson and Noonga Community Council Meeting

On the 18th of June, Mayor Tyson Golder and Councillors Jan Chambers and Geoff McMullen attended the Jackson and Noonga Community Council Meeting. The 3 R's (Rates, Rubbish and Roads) were discussed amongst other issues. If you would like a copy of the minutes, please contact Fiona Sinnamon. The community appreciated the input of the councillors and the Mayor in regards to the issues raised. The next meeting will be held in Jackson on Monday 24th of September.

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MILES POLICE UPDATE

Miles Police were honoured to be part of the enjoyment of this year's NAIDOC Week celebrations. The OIC Miles wishes to congratulate the participants and organisers for an event definitely worth remembering.

Miles and Condamine locals may have noticed the State Wide Traffic Task Force and Roadside Drug Testing Unit out in this area in the last few weeks. These units are instrumental in the detection and prevention of traffic offences, including drink and drug driving. The OIC Miles Police is disappointed to announce that these units have already detected a number of drug drivers in our area, and some Miles locals were charged with drug driving.

Miles Police would also like to alert all Condamine and Miles locals of Operation Wake-up that will be conducted at the end of July 2018 along our highways. This operation is part of a nationwide operation that will target road safety, and also Heavy Vehicles and heavy vehicle-related offences. Please ensure your car is roadworthy and your licence is up to date, as the likelihood of you being intercepted for a breath test and a licence check will be very high over that period.

Drink drivers are still a major thorn in the side of the OIC Miles. The Miles Police Division has experienced a marked increase in the detection of drink drivers from the smaller townships in the Miles area. Police would like to remind all drivers that drink driving is just stupid, regardless of where you decide to drink and drive, be it Miles, Condamine, Drillham or anywhere else. The OIC Miles would like to applaud the work of his staff in consistently targeting drink driving, especially as their continued work indicates that the message still has not reached some people's ears; if you drink, don't drive!



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WOMBATS, WATERMELONS AND WHITE GUMS



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Parklands on
the way for
Chinchilla*

Wombats, watermelons and white gums will become the star attractions of Chinchilla's brand new multi-million dollar Parklands, with completion expected for early 2019.

Spanning 4.2 hectares in the heart of town, the Parklands will celebrate the unique identity of Chinchilla: from the discovery of the 3.5-million-year-old mega-wombat *Diprotodon*, to the region's sweet connection to all things watermelon.

If you're planning a family fun day or a Sunday drive, make the Parklands your next stop. Uncover ancient artefacts hidden in the Megafauna Discovery Space; share Dreamtime stories in the Aboriginal yarning circle; explore Chinchilla's rich railway heritage; and

cool off in the Watermelon Water Play Area, Queensland's only water park west of the coastline.

Weekend activities will be sorted thanks to the new Amphitheatre, ideal for open-air festivals, events and performances with a generous event lawn able to accommodate 1,500 guests.

The Parkland's Botanic Gardens will be a showcase of the region's diverse flora, with iconic local species such as the Chinchilla White Gum and Silver Leafed Ironbark taking up roots throughout the space.

The Chinchilla Botanic Parklands is funded by the Queensland Government's Building Our Regions Fund in association with Western Downs Regional Council.

COUNCILLOR SPOTLIGHT

I am proud to say that 2018 has been a challenging but successful year for the Western Downs Regional Council.

We started off with some heavy storms over the Christmas period triggering an unplanned recovery activation from our 'on call' teams in clearing roads and ensuring our public areas were safe.

As part of Council's commitment to spending local we've broken larger tenders into smaller works packages and in this way have been able to award millions of dollars' worth of work to local businesses.

Creating positive working relationships with Council's suppliers within the region is the key to success for Council and our local businesses.

We are looking at innovative ways to make our money go further and a great example is a recent saving of more than \$300,000 on a bridge construction project by simply reviewing the design and reconstruction possibilities before committing to work 'because we have always done it this way'.

We've also implemented technology in our Construction, Fleet Management and Maintenance Management processes to improve the way we deliver services to the community.

We are moving our processes to more automated systems that allow us to save time and work more efficiently with the funds we have.

And the results speak for themselves, with our large construction program delivered \$3.7 million under budget.

After another great year I would also like to note my confidence in Council's recent Works Programs for 2018/19. I have personally inspected each project in this year's program and have observed the most thorough planning processes ever delivered by Council.

I look forward to this new financial year with confidence that our staff will continue to provide great services and solutions for our community.

Cr Greg Olm
Spokesperson for Works
and Technical Services



MARK IT ON THE CALENDAR

We're not all solar and sorghum on the Western Downs.

Whether it's camel racing in Tara, big skies and big voices in Jimbour or even watermelon skiing in Chinchilla, our region has a reputation for hosting iconic events.

Colour, culture and cuisine are on the cards for Dalby's annual Delicious and DeLIGHTful Festival, returning to George Anderson Park on Saturday 18 August. You can't miss this community favourite: grab a churro, be inspired by the multicultural fashion parade, and watch hundreds of floating lanterns light up the banks of Myall Creek once the sun sets.

Bearing a new name but still the same country charm, the Miles Back to the Bush Festival is a quintessential bush experience in the heart of the Western Downs. Spanning four days from Thursday 6 September at the renowned Miles Historical Village and Museum, experience days gone by with vintage car displays, bush poetry, collections tours and the glamorous Gala Ball on Friday night.

Find out more about our region's signature events by following Western Downs Queensland on Facebook and Instagram.



CELEBRATING OUR SENIORS

This August, we're saying thanks to our seniors in the Western Downs.

Join us for free Seniors Week celebrations right across the region:

Thursday 16 August

Dalby Morning Tea
TBA,
10.30am to 3pm

Tuesday 21 August

Miles Senior Games Leichhardt Centre,
10.30am to 3pm

Wednesday 22 August

Jandowae
TBA,
12pm–3pm

Wednesday 22 August

Tara 50's and Better Senior Morning Tea
Tara Memorial Hall, From 10am

Thursday 23 August

Wandoan Senior Games
Civic Centre,
10.30am to 3pm

Thursday 23 August

Chinchilla Seniors Expo TBA,
1pm to 4pm



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Greek Yogurt Breakfast Bar



Serves 6

Ingredients

- 1 1/2 Cups Plain Greek Yogurt
- 3 tbs Maple Syrup
- 1/2 Cup Blueberry Pecan Granola
- 1/2 Cup Blueberries
- 3 to 4 Strawberries - Sliced

Method

1. Line a baking sheet with parchment paper and set aside.
2. Mix Greek yogurt and syrup in a bowl until combined.
3. Pour onto prepared baking sheet and spread into a thin layer.
4. Top with Blueberry Pecan Granola, blueberries, and strawberries.
5. Cover the baking sheet with a piece of aluminum foil. Place in the freezer for two hours, or overnight, until the bar is fully frozen.
6. Slice into desired squares. Serve immediately and keep stored in the freezer in an airtight container or bag.

Cheesy Bean Subs



Makes 4

Ingredients

- 4 White Bread Rolls
- 1 x 220g Canned Baked Beans
- 2 Tablespoons Frozen Peas
- 1/4 cup Grated Cheddar

Method

1. Preheat oven to 180°C.
2. Use a small serrated knife to remove the tops from rolls, leaving a 1cm-wide border around the edges (do not cut all the way through).
3. Combine baked beans and peas in a small bowl.
4. Spoon the bean mixture into the bread rolls.
5. Place on a baking tray. Top with cheddar.
6. Bake for 10 minutes or until crisp and golden.

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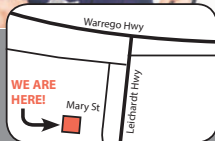
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Sudoku Answers

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'INSPIRATIONAL WOMEN'
Ladies High Tea



11am Tues 4 Sept 2018, Leichhardt Hall, Miles

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MILES BACK TO THE BUSH Festival

HIGH TEA GUEST: Anna Daniels!

As well as delivering news differently on *The Project*, an Australian news and current affairs television program, Anna loves to champion rural and regional Australia. *Her unique presenting style showcases country issues and characters with heart and humour.* And she's coming Back to the Bush this September to help us celebrate the inspirational women in our community.



Nominate now...

Our District's history is rich with tales of local inspirational women, in fact we have families who have generations of inspirational women.

Collect a nomination form from a local business or email info@backtothebushfestival.com.au for a copy to nominate a family of local inspirational women.

Thank you Westpac for supporting this event!



Possum Park

Free entry
 Open to the public
Saturday 8 September
 9am - 12pm

Drillham Spring Dance

Tickets at door



SATURDAY 1ST SEPTEMBER 2018

7pm Drillham Hall

COMPETITIVE DOG HIGH JUMP

@ the Main Event

**SATURDAY
 8TH SEPTEMBER**

This competition is a test of a dog's jumping ability as they are encouraged up and over a wall by their owners.

Competitors are usually working dogs, however the world record was set in 2016 by a suburban backyard Kelpie named Bailey.

Registration is just \$10/dog.

Register online via the festival webpage.



JOIN THE MILES BACK TO THE BUSH Festival EVENT CREW!

Our community is on show over the festival weekend as we celebrate all that we love about living in the bush. We really need your help to ensure every event runs smoothly so that our visitors remember well the time they went *Back to the Bush in Miles* and look forward to returning again in 2020.

Regardless of whether you can help out for a little or a lot, the success of the festival will be greatly improved with your help.

Call/text Rachel Kerwick (0427 545 902), Sharon Cruickshank (0447 910 000), George Moore (0437 536 990) or Jo Robertson (0416 155 046) if you're keen to join the crew.

Catch all the latest news at **WWW.BACKTOTHEBUSHFESTIVAL.COM.AU** or our Facebook page!



Come talk to the men (and women) about their magnificent flying machines!

Listen out and look up on Saturday afternoon as vintage aircraft buzz off the Festival Precinct. Then on Sunday from 11am, come along to the Miles Airport to see them up close and chat to the pilots who get to experience the thrill of flying them.



Did you know...

Our biannual Collections Tour is unique to our festival! That's right, there is nowhere else in Australia where you will be invited to visit the homes and backyards of local residents to share fascinating, quirky or vintage collections. They are that and more, and entry is free!

From teddy bears and dolls, to Debutante dresses and 1960s bikinis, tea cozies and china, Matchbox cars and hubcaps, old time implements and machines, Christmas ornaments, and an original Beef Eater's hat. Think you've seen it all before? Think again... that's just a snapshot.

A vintage horse and carriage taxi service is available to take you from venue to venue and a chicken and champagne luncheon will be provided at Jan Mullins' house (you'll be hard pressed to get cheaper meal & wheels... that's quite unique too).



So, you think you're tough... but are you bush tough?

This challenge will test mind, body and spirit as teams of four undertake a variety of physical and mental challenges to claim the title of the 2018 Toughest Buggers in the Bush!

2018 is the first of its kind... who will claim the cash and prizes?

Register your team online at www.backtothebushfestival.com.au or at the Festival Precinct Saturday 8 September.



BRING YOUR BEARD

How big is your bush?

Visit the Beard Garden at the Main Event on Saturday 8 September for some serious beard appreciation. Categories include...

- The Nurtured (natural, but groomed)
- The Big and Bushy (the ungroomed bush)
- The Craft Beard (freestyle or faux)
- The Mo (no chin hair)
- The Wannabeard (bumfluff or starter kit)

Prizes? But of course! We appreciate a good beard!

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Gala Ball

7 September 2018

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Dress: Formal - Black Tie

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Ladies High Tea

4 September
Leichhardt Hall
(Book at festival website)

Garden Tour & Dulacca Pub Lunch Bus Tour

6 September
(Book at Palmers Coaches)

Dinner Under the Stars & Radio Play Theatre

6 September
Miles Historical Village
& Museum
(Book at festival website)

Gas, Garden & Gallery Bus Tour

8 September
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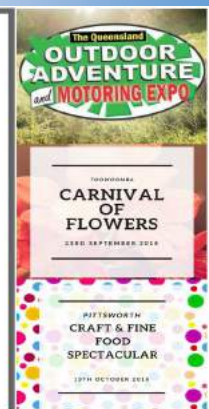


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Session times

Tuesday 7 August 2018

Miles	Wandoan
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August is a good time to clear out your gutters and downpipes – storm season is approaching!






Finish up your mulching and don't forget to feed flowers and winter vegetables with a liquid seaweed or other appropriate fertiliser. Also a complete fertiliser for your citrus to encourage flowering and promote fruit set. Complete planting any bare rooted deciduous trees, shrubs and vines and you can prune roses if you haven't already and any deciduous shrubs or trees to shape them up ready for spring foliage.

Vegetables – with chances of frost still possible it might be best to start your seed sowing in small pots in a warm protected area. Plant tomatoes, capsicums, eggplants, melons, cucumbers, okra and rosellas.



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The project is exploring the challenges agricultural producers face in installing solar generation assets on farm and their ability to feed excess energy back into the grid. The aim is to better align agricultural energy consumers and network business interests in relation to grid-connected solar on farm and identify possible future opportunities with the network distribution businesses for renewable energy projects through rural Queensland and NSW.

As part of the study, an online survey has been launched and field visits and focus group sessions are to be run in regional areas over the coming month to gather the views and experiences on on-farm solar installation from farmers and irrigators.

"All farmers and irrigators in New South Wales and Queensland can express their views on the barriers to affordable electricity by completing our online survey," Ms Brown says.

"This will help the researchers obtain a solid understanding of the range of energy issues farmers manage, and talk to producers who have installed on-farm solar generation assets or those thinking about doing so."

"We will also run small focus groups in regional areas, and these will complement a number of field visits. This combination will help us thoroughly understand the problems, and, importantly, devise practical and enduring solutions."

More details:

- Complete the survey: <https://goo.gl/forms/LLHcGirF2QiK9DrC2>
or call research partner Kriti Nagrath of the Institute for Sustainable Futures,
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3rd Sunday 6:30pm
4th Saturday 6:30pm
5th Sunday 8am Ecumenical
Service

Catholic Church - Condamine
2nd Sunday 11:00am
4th Sunday Liturgy

Crossroads Christian Outreach
64 Murilla St
Sunday Service 9:00am
Prayer Meeting 6:00pm
Ph: 0437 337 772

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

St Luke's Anglican Church
Cnr Dawson &
Constance Streets, Miles
Sundays 8:00am
Ecumenical Service
5th Sunday 8:00am
Ph: 4627 1190

Wandoan AOG
23 Royd St
10am Every Sunday
5th Sunday 10:30am
Wandoan Churches Together in
Cultural Centre
Ph 4627 3434

Catholic Church - Dulacca
1st Sunday 10:00am

Community Markets

St Luke's Markets
St Luke's Church
Dawson Street, Miles
Second Saturday of the month
8:30am - 12 noon
Contact 4627 1757

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

Chinchilla Markets
Chinchilla Information Centre
Warrego Highway
Third Sunday of the month
Starts early
Contact 0428 264 352



Noonga's Major Fundraiser Multi-Vendor Auction Saturday August 4th

@Noonga hall & Recreation grounds
22km North of Jackson on Jackson-Wandoan Rd,
Auction commencing @ 10am,

GST exempt, some items with reserves

Canteen, BBQ & bar operating on day.

NO Eftpos facilities available, Cash or Cheque with ID.

Some items listed with many more to mention:



Toyota Landcruiser 1984 model, FJ series, Petrol
130000km; XP Falcon ute 1963, runs well; Electric
saw NEW Ryobi 254mm deluxe compound mitre
benchtop saw; Box trailer; cattle scales; Fibreglass

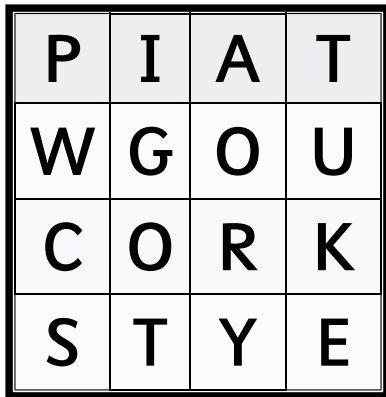


canopy for Nissan ute; 14ft Stessl Edge tracker with Suzuki 4ph motor on Ruhle
trailer; electric motor; dingy; electric heater; canvas canopy for Nissan ute;
Lindsyl hoist; Rotary Hoe; Patio chairs; padded/cloth patio seat; single swag;
three seater lounge; oil heater; camping sink; single sleeping bag; single bed
with mattress; various kitchen items; tools; pot plants; shuttles; fish tank
accessories; single egg shell magnetic mattress; single foam mattress; portable
clothes hanger; bed side tables; wooden baby cot & pram; metal display unit;
cane baskets; heater; Tupperware containers; 3 stools; ironing board; 2 x twin
tub washing machines; Honda CT 125 motorbike; Viking 42" cut ride on
mower; Everhot slow combustion stove; tennis court roller (no motor
attached); poultry; double bunk bed; Mobileco Buzz saw with BS motor;



Farm Animal Boggler Puzzle

How many words of 3 letters or more can you find using the letters below? Words are formed from adjoining letters. Letters must join in the proper sequence to spell a word and may join horizontally, vertically, or diagonally, to the left, right, or up-and-down. No letter square, however, may be used more than once within a single word. You may use plurals if available. Score 1 point for each 3 letter word, 2 points for 4 letter words, 3 points for 5 letter words and so on. Score an extra 2 points for every farm animal themed word that you make!



My points _____

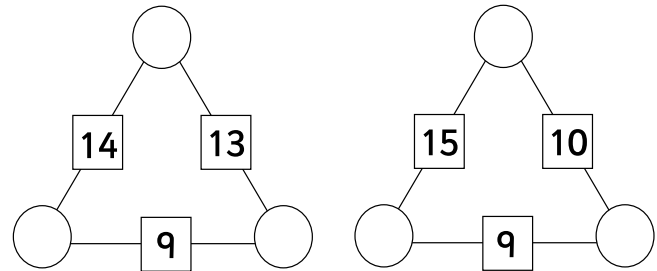
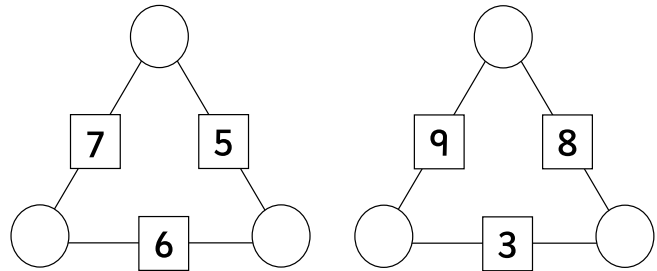
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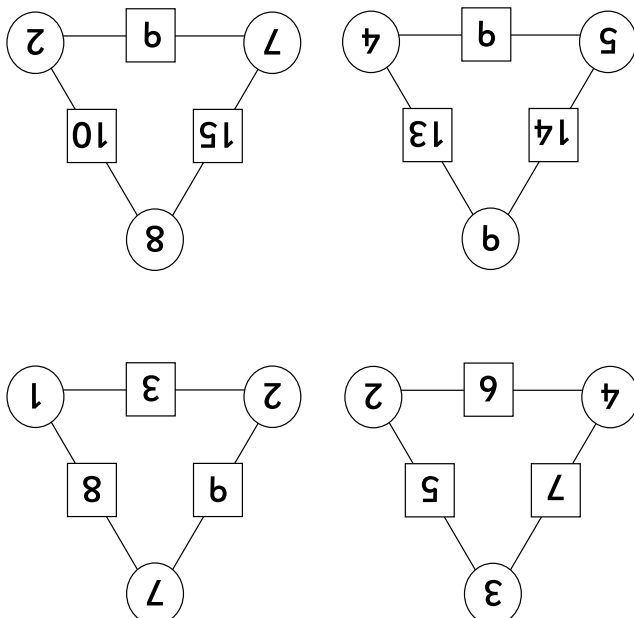
Arithmagons

The number in each square is equal to the sum of the numbers in the circles on either side.

Fill in the missing numbers.



Arithmagons Solution



Sudoku

	1				3	9	7
7			4		2		
		9	7	8			
					7		
1						7	
2		3				6	8
			9			4	2
			5				7
	9	6			4	3	

Sudoku Answers on Page 18



COMMUNITY CALENDAR

August

- 5th** Miles Show Society Working Bee 8am
- 8th** Women's Wellness Day
- 11th** Tara Be Brave Family Fun Day
St Lukes Markets
- 11th - 12th** Chinchilla Trail Ride
- 14th** Miles Hospital Auxillary Inc. Bingo in the Senior Citizens room at 9:30am

Hannaford Garden Club Meeting - Bernadine Paesler, "Koarlo" 2386 Kildonan Rd Yelarbon
- 17th - 19th** Westmar Campdraft
- 21st** Seniors Week - WDRC 9:30am
- 24th** Daffadil Day For Cancer - Faye Bidgood will have a stall near Ray White
- 30th** Show Society Meeting 7pm in the Walsh Pavilion
- 31st** Miles Hospital Auxillary Inc. Bingo in the Senior Citizens room at 9:30am

September

- 1st** Condamine Football Netball Carnival
- 2nd** Miles Show Society Working Bee 8am
- 6th** Murilla Garden Club Bus Tour - See page 24 for Garden Locations
- 6th - 9th** Miles Back to the Bush Festival
- 7th** Miles Back to the Bush Gala Ball: Feedlot to Fork
- 8th** St Lukes Marketsx
- 11th** Hannaford Garden Club Meeting - Norma & Brian Woodham, 1762 Tara-Kogan Rd, Tara
Miles Hospital Auxillary Inc. Bingo in the Senior Citizens room at 9:30am
- 15th** Condamine Cods 20 Year Reunion
Surat Races
Guluguba State School Mixed 6 a side Cricket Day
- 21st - 23rd** Mitchell Campdraft
- 22nd - 23rd** Taroom Historical Society - Taroom Museum 9am till 4pm
- 27th** Show Society Meeting 7pm in the Walsh Pavilion
- 28th** Miles Hospital Auxillary Inc. Bingo in the Senior Citizens room at 9:30am