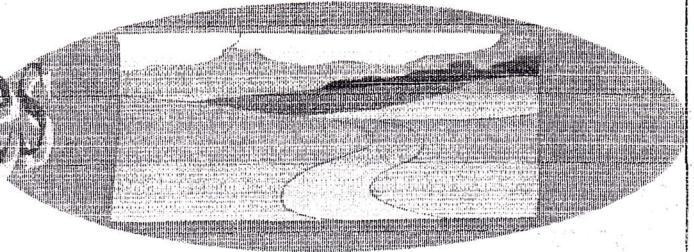


Around the Ridges

and a bit beyond



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Welcome to our new look School and community Newsletter. We wish to thank Mr. John Mouritz (former Principal of the RSS) for his vision in initially producing a school and community newsletter. We gratefully thank all those who have worked on the Tuesday's Newsletter over many years before the task became too overwhelming. Our thanks to Mr. Mick Byrne (present principal of the RSS) for giving the community the opportunity to express their support for a newsletter through a public meeting in March 2003. With 17 people in attendance and 4 apologies, a committee was formed to investigate the possibilities and costing of a newsletter. A proposal was put to the April P&C meeting and passed that a sub-committee to the P&C be formed.

THE NEWSLETTER, "AROUND THE RIDGES AND A BIT BEYOND" WILL BE TRIALED TILL THE END OF 2003.

A Community Business Directory will be published half yearly for a cost of \$40 per business card ad. This money will go towards producing the newsletter.

All information is to be submitted by the 15th of each month please.

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We must concentrate on keeping costs down while providing a worthwhile newsletter for our community. Support from all the community, however small, is vital to the success of this project. To those who have indicated that they are prepared to pay a contribution for receiving the newsletter we ask if you could please forward your contribution to Mrs. Pat Watts, 459 Dalma Rd or to the RSS care of "Around the Ridges", Dalma Rd, Ridglands 4702 as soon as possible. Ideas on how to run the newsletter are not set in concrete and the committee welcomes any suggestions on the operation and content. We would like to encourage any budding reporters to submit small articles of interest on a social event, favourite recipe, history to be included when possible.

Special thanks to all those families, community groups & businesses who have enthusiastically contributed to the first "Around the Ridges and a bit beyond".

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Ridgелands State School

On behalf of the Ridgелands State School I would like to thank and congratulate the "Around the Ridges" committee for their enthusiasm and hard work to get this important project from an idea to reality in such a short time, as well as the Ridgелands P&C and other community members for their strong support. It is a great community effort.

Ridgелands School has had an interesting year so far. We farewelled Ms Coldwell (Yr 5/6) who was transferred to Blackwater, and Ms Paddison (3/4) who was on a contract, at the end of last year. We welcomed in Ms Sandra Whiting to 5/6 and, after our enrolments were confirmed at 104, were pleased to welcome back Ms Julie Paddison to 3/4 when she was appointed as our fifth teacher.

Students have recently participated in a number of events including the Ridgелands Show. Reports from some of our intrepid student reporters are included in this newsletter.

SCHOOLWORK RESULTS – Ridgелands Show

ARTWORK

Preschool

1st K. Dodds
2nd J. Leisegang
3rd S. Thompson

Grade 2

1st T. Stanke
2nd L. Hunt
3rd D. Bahnisch

Grade 4

1st M. Rosenberg
2nd B. Weier
3rd F. Witt

Grade 6

1st J. Fossett
2nd A. Reeve
3rd L. Dodds

Grade 1

1st G. Morrison
2nd C-A. O'Halloran
3rd S. Barlow

Grade 3

1st M. Reeve
2nd H. Lawton
3rd J. Marsh

Grade 5

1st S. Torrissi
2nd K. Whitehead
3rd R. Barlow

Grade 7

1st J. Morrison
2nd K. Thompson
3rd J. Chippendale

HANDWRITING

Grade 1

1st S. Barlow
2nd C. Christensen
3rd C-A. O'Halloran

Grade 2

1st M. Lovell
2nd T. Stanke
3rd C. Duff

Grade 4

1st F. Witt
2nd A. Brazier
3rd L. Ruddick, B. Cunningham

Grade 6

1st J. Ward
2nd S. Ruddick
3rd Kim Shepherd

Grade 3

1st T. Munro
2nd J. O'Sullivan
3rd H. Barlow

Grade 5

1st B. Cunningham
2nd C. Hopkins
3rd N. Pierce

Grade 7

1st J. Morrison
2nd K. West
3rd H. Connor

This week our summer inter-school sport fixtures conclude. Teeball and softball final rounds are yet to be played, but our two cricket teams will play off for the final at Ridgелands this week (Fri 20 Jun). Next term students play soccer, netball and tennis.

Mark your calendars for the 30 August this year, "Ridgелands State School Spring Fair". See you all there.

Regards

Mick Byrne
Acting Principal

Dalma State School

Dalma State School Show Results
@ Ridgелands School

Handwriting- 1st Brodie Cunningham, 3rd Britany Cunningham 3rd Hayley Connor Handi-craft-1st Hayley Connor (Teddy Bear) Decorated Mug, 3rd Sara Stanke

Show Results @ Rockhampton Show

Bottle of Dried Foods 1st Sara Stanke, 3rd Brett Estreich Handicraft-1st Brittany Cunningham (Mug)

*Dalma SS also received a **Special Achievement Award***

T-ball Congratulations to Dalma SS Tee-ball team who had all the children of the school in their team and made it to the Final without a loss. Good Luck on Friday, June 20

Silver Circle The Dalma SS P&C are currently running a Silver Circle. Congratulations to Ashlee Cooper, who won the first week (June 14). All winners will be notified in person or by telephone asap

Capricorn Highway Cluster Dalma, Stanwell, Westwood and Gogango SS are working together to plan their Units of work for the students of all 4 schools. Some of the Units so far have been "consumerism", "Our Local Area" and Dangerous Creatures. The Students have done some very exciting work, including making TV commercials, creating a claymation and completing the projects with a partner from another school (through email and telephone). The next Unit of work will be "Our Solar System".

What's on:

Alton Downs Hall

Old Time Dance...28th June 2003 - Man In Black
7:30pm

Social Bowling Night...5th July - 7pm

Alton Downs Polocrosse & Sports Club

Rhee-Tae-Kwan-Do...Tuesday nights- 6.30pm

Contact: Raelee 49223737

Hoy, Mini Cent Sale & BBQ...26th July - 6pm

Trivia Night...16th August

Contact: Ann 49345534

Dalma Recreation Club

Bring your own, Hot Dish Night. Cards &
Tennis...28th June

Rockhampton & District Motocross Club

Next meeting...13th July - free entry at six mile
raceway. Contact: Mark Hutton 49332392

Ridgeland District Rodeo & Show Ass. Inc

Annual Campdraft...13th & 14th September -
A.C.A affiliated. For programs & nomination
forms contact Kevin Watts- 49345543 or Cathie
Murphy - 49345110.

Alton Downs Polocrosse & Sports Club

A successful Polocrosse Carnival &
Bullarama was held on the weekend of the
14th & 15th June.

Bullarama

Open Bull Ride Heath Simpson

Rookie Bull Ride Cody Ford

Jr Bull Ride Ben Seeds

Polocross Sub Jr.

Jr B runner up Skilled Blue D. O'Sullivan

Winners Skilled White K. Reeve J. Williams A Ballantyne

competitors Z. O'Sullivan, L. Hamelink, J. Purell

6 Sr. (who played in junior comp)

Jr A Runners up Skilled Gold K. Kerr N. Lindley L. Dodds

Winners Bauhinia L. Taylor, B Finn, C Pagden, 6 Junior A comp B

Bram C. House, S Pagden, C. Hamelink C. O'Sullivan M. Taylor. Best

& Fairest Jr for weekend Brendan Finn

C Grade runners up Nebo & St Lawrence Winners Eidsvold I Best

and Fairest Ken Hamlick

B Grade Runners up Calliope I Winners Bauhinia Best & Fairest

Michelle Taylor

A Grade runners up Alton Downs I Winners Rocky I Best and Fairest

Craig Reid



Making Memories with Margo

Where do you store your photos now?

Have you thought of protecting and preserving your photos in photo safe albums and products? These albums can be passed down for generations to come and can preserve your past history. Come along to see my workshops and display. I have a collection of photo safe albums, mounting products and easy to use album making tools that will help you create safe and meaningful scrapbook photo albums. I can offer you beginner classes and workshops as well as whatever supplies you may need. I hold monthly workshops at Dalma State School Library as well as in Rockhampton at the North Rocky Bowls Club. My workshop dates are Dalma Monday 23rd June at 9 am and Monday 28th July 9 am and North Rocky Bowls Club Saturday 19th July 2-5 pm and 6-9pm



Friday night August 8th 6:30 - 9:30 Cost of workshops

or beginners class \$10. National Scrapbooking Day is Saturday

August 23rd at the Gracemere Community Hall. All welcome.

Bookings are essential. If you would like some more information

please phone Margo on 07 49 345958

RIDGELANDS SHOW REPORT:

By Jack Ward, year 6 RSS

On Saturday the 31/05/03 at 8:30 am the Ridgeland Show was opened for another year. From 7am to 8am cakes, biscuits, fruits, vegetables, fish, crayfish, birds and chickens came to be judged for competitions. At 8.30 am the gates were opened and people were all over the showgrounds.

There were horse sports, handwriting and art. People had entered a fashion show and photography competition. There were toys, jewellery, sports gear, clothes and food for sale. There were games and rides for entertainment and a fashion show later in the day. Birds, fish, horses and cows were for sale and cold drinks were available from the canteen. The temperature was high and there weren't any clouds. Later on in the day the grand parade took place. All the horses and cow winners walked proudly from the one hundred-metre mark on the racecourse. After that the Ridgeland State School Singing Choir sang and signed 'Advance Australia Fair' and 'Hey Baby' for a nice effect on the crowd.

In the end everybody enjoyed the Ridgeland Show for 2003 and most of the people will come back next year. This is the end of the day and my report is now finished. THE END.

Ridgeland Show: Another successful Ridgeland Show was held on the 31/05/03. Cutting, a first for the show, was well patronised along with 15 classes for Dexter Cattle, which was well supported. The amount of school work was at least double to previous years, indicating our resident's enthusiasm for displaying their skill. I would like to thank all members, volunteers, judges, helpers and patrons in making the day the success it was. Out next show is dated 5/06/04
Regards Rob Bishop.
Next meeting 9/07/03, 7.30pm.
Agenda to discuss 2003 Show.
Visitors welcome

Support Alton Downs Scout Group
Purchase a calico shopping/carry bag \$4
Contact L. Chippendale 49345120

General Information about "Around the Ridges and a bit beyond" Newsletter

Let our sponsors know you learnt about them through "Around the Ridges".

- Free: School and community notices, birthdays, anniversaries, lost & found.
- Donations please for classifieds
- Business card size ads: Cost \$7 - but are subject to space and maybe reduced to text.
- Newsletter sponsorship available for \$50 this includes your ad & editorial
- Place your ad in the next biannual business directory.

We would like to stress that payment *must* accompany advertisement.

MEETING NOTICES

- ✚ QCWA Ridgeland Branch meets 9.30am, 1st Wednesday of the month
- ✚ Stitch and Chat group meets 9.30am, 2nd & 4th Tuesday of the month. QCWA room, all welcome. Ph: 49345120
- ✚ Ridgeland Show Meeting 9/07/03, 7.30pm
- ✚ Morinish Landcare 13/08/03

BEV'S GARDEN SHOP

in the centre of Wandal have fresh flowers available on order. Beautiful plants and palms, herbs and seedlings and garden supplies. *Gifts and garden ornaments, chemical free bags of charcoal.*

18 Wandal Road, Ph: 49271077

Congratulation & Celebrations

Emily Ellrott, turned 21 on the 6/6. Family and friends visited her in Darwin where she is now living.

Congratulations to Nathan Kime on celebrating his 21st Birthday on the 18th June

Congratulations to John and Kerrie Malcolm on the birth of their twin daughters, Nicole Marie Carol & Sandra Louise Ruth, on the 16th May 2003. Sisters for Vivian.

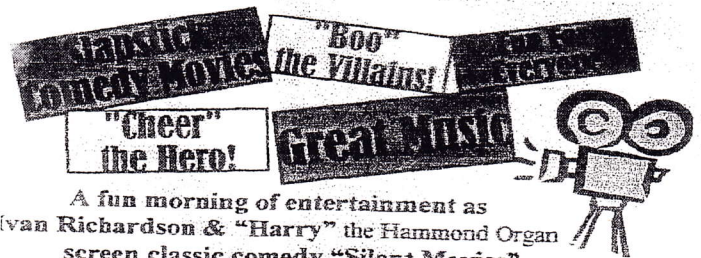
Wanted:

- Ironing done at my home- please phone Margaret Lewis on 49 341090
- Turn your unwanted goods into cash - any type of valuable items. To arrange collection phone Reg 49 213005.
- People to help on newsletter, typists, editor
- Year 3/4 class are organising a bargain store for the School Spring Fair. We are needing donations of pre-loved clothing, furniture, books and nick-nacks. Please see Mrs. Paddison for further information

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A fun morning of entertainment as Ivan Richardson & "Harry" the Hammond Organ screen classic comedy "Silent Movies".

FRIDAY 11th July -

9.30am - Morning Tea - 10.00am - Show

BAPTIST TABERNACLE

650 Norman Rd North Rockhampton

Admission: **Just \$5 .00 - Includes morning tea**
Tickets available at the door

See the one and only
"Charlie Chaplin" in
"The Pawn Shop"

and straight-faced comedian
"Buster Keaton" in
"Neighbors"

Enjoy an exhilarating array of Organ Solo's
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Group Bookings & Enquiries: 4926 9669



Construction Conundrums in the Class of 5/6 at Ridgeland



This term 5/6 are investigating construction. One of their tasks for the term is to build a model playground with three 'working' simple machines, such as a see-saw, swing and flying fox. Students also write a design brief about their playground, describing its features and any safety considerations. This topic involves all parts of the curriculum, including SOSE, Science, Technology, Mapping, Art, Health English and Mathematics. In learning about construction so far this term, students have built strong squares using bracing and built towers according to building regulations. We have looked at levers and pulleys, and completed activities in distances, estimation area, perimeter, centimetres, metres and kilometres. Students have measured the perimeter of the school. Students have also investigated the changes in Australian housing over the past two hundred years and contributed to a timeline. Anyone in the community who would like to talk to the students about construction, simple machines or playgrounds would be welcome.

Class teacher: Sandra Whiting

Morinish Landcare Group Land wise Competition Ridgeland Show Winners

Preschool:	Year 2	Year 4:	Year 6
1st Shardaii Thompson	1st Melinda Lovell	1st Francis Witt	1st Anna Reeve
2nd Mackie Weier	2nd Tayla Stanke	2nd Luke Ruddick	2nd Jacqueline Fossett
3rd Mikayla Munro	3rd Stephen White	3rd Brendan Hall	3rd Stephanie Ruddick
Year 1:	Year 3:	Year 5	Year 7:
1st Tessa Harney	1st Tiarna Munro	1st Shannyn Torrasi	1st Kelsie West
2nd Sara Barlow	2nd Hanna Barlow	2nd Nathan Thompson	2nd Luke Stanke
3rd Conner Christensen	3rd Jessie O'Sullivan	3rd Casey Hopkins	3rd Dayne Ladbrook

At my School Ridgeland, we recycle many things including aluminium cans, plastic bottles, paper, cardboard, and glass bottles. All the students, their parents and the community get involved in recycling and depositing recyclable materials at our recycling depots throughout the community.

In the past, outside the school and at the rubbish depot, there used to be too much waste for the rubbish truck to collect every month. Since we have been recycling we have been able to reduce the amount of landfill waste. Now, instead of the recyclable items going into landfill, they go into Rocky Recycles to be reused. The School also benefits from recycling as we are paid for the amount of materials that we recycle. The P&C Committee then purchase items that they consider the school needs for the benefit of the students.

We recycle to keep the environment healthy and clean and to reduce the amount of waste deposited into landfill dumps. This waste is then used to create new recyclable items that we can use again, e.g. paper, envelopes, cardboard and lots more. I feel it is very important that everyone helps save the environment and the wildlife that lives in it. Be Clean to Stay Green!

By Kelsie West, Year 7 RSS



Water is Great

Water is fluid that everyone needs to survive

A good drink that you can add other fluids to is water

To keep the water clean you can try not to litter and put rubbish in the bins.

Everyone likes to play and drinks water.

Roughly over half of the world is water.

If there is no water, nothing would survive
So just be thankful that you have glorious water.



Good and great is the water that we live with
Rotten people come and litter and do other things that are not good for water
Everything around lakes, swamps, rivers and creeks are healthy and strong because of our water

Anonymous people come and go from other countries just to see Australia's clean and refreshing water

The salty water is home to lots of animals.
By Anna Reeve, Year 6 RSS

The Good, the Bad, the Ugly

WE NEED YOUR HELP!

PLEASE COMPLETE THIS FORM.
DROP IT INTO THE BOX AT SCHOOL AND RECEIVE A
FREE TICKET IN THIS YEAR'S LG AIR CONDITIONER TO
BE DRAWN AT THE SPRING FAIR.

Please complete this survey on the last Easter Fair to ensure the Spring Fair is bigger and better than ever.
Remember all money raised is used to improve the school facilities for your children.

Name (optional).....

1. What did you like the best about last year's Easter Fair?

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2. What did you like the least about last year's fair?

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3. Would you prefer the fair to be held day or night?

4. What new activities would you like to be introduced?

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5. Suggest a name for the school fair.

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