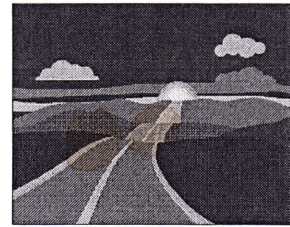


AROUND THE RIDGES

and a bit beyond



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A community and school newsletter.

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Guess how old Grandma is...

One evening a grandson was talking to his grandmother about current events. The grandson asked his grandmother what she thought about shootings at school, the computer age and just things in general. The Grandmother replied, "Well let me think a minute. I was born before television, penicillin, polio shots, frozen foods, Xerox, contact lenses, Frisbees and the pill.

There were no credit cards, laser beams or ball point pens. Man had not invented pantyhose, air conditioners, dishwashers, clothes dryers, the clothes were hung out to dry in the fresh air and man had not yet walked on the moon.

Your Grandfather and I got married first and then lived together. Every family had a father and a mother. Until I was 25, I called every man older than I, "Sir" and after I turned 25 I still called policeman and every man with a title "Sir".

We were before gay rights, computer dating, dual careers, day care centres and group therapy. Our lives were governed by the Ten Commandment, good judgement and common sense.

We were taught to know the difference between right and wrong and to stand up and take responsibility for our actions. Serving your country was a privilege, living in this country was a bigger privilege.

We thought fast foods were what people ate during Lent. Having a meaningful relationship meant getting along with your cousins. Draft dodgers were people who closed their front doors when the evening breeze started.

Time sharing meant time that the family spent together in the evenings and at weekends – not purchasing condominiums.

We never heard of FM radios, tape decks, CDs, electric typewriters, yoghurt, or guys wearing earrings. We listened to the Big Bands, Jack Benny and the Prime Minister's speeches on our radios. And I don't remember any kid blowing his brains out from listening to Tommy Dorsey.

If you saw anything with "Made in Japan" on it, it was junk. The term "Making out" referred to how you did in your school exams. Pizza Hut, MacDonaldis and instant coffee were unheard of.

In my day, "grass" was mowed, "coke" was a cold drink, "pot" was something your mother cooked in and "rock music" was your grandmother's lullaby.

"Aids" were helpers in the Principal's office, "chip" meant a piece of wood, "hardware" was found in a hardware shop and "software" wasn't even a word.

And we were the last generation to actually believe that a lady needed a husband to have a baby. No wonder people call us old and confused and say there is a generation gap. How old do you think I am?

Grandma is only 58!

2006 - 07 Community Business Directory Release.

With this newsletter is the new CBD to keep by your phone. Block Ads with the business card abbreviated are included in the Newsletter each month to give our advertisers more coverage. We urge everyone to support our advertisers because their support enables us to publish the newsletter and support the school.

We are in need of sponsors for our monthly newsletter. Sponsorship costs \$50 and includes a front page advertisement and a business card ad within the newsletter.

Sponsorship pays for the newsletter to be posted.

Articles about our locals, the local area, club and organisation reports, birthdays or anything of interest is always welcome. Please note the cut off date for articles is the 15th of the month.

Ridgelands School News

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Semester 2 for Ridgelands School started "on the run" with our athletics carnival in the first week. The school sports day was held on Thursday 13 July. Congratulations to Jordan Thompson (Boys) and Tayla Stanke (Girls) for winning the champion athlete trophies. We all had a great day and gave a special thanks to Judy Gimm and her band of helpers for preparing a great lunch and afternoon tea for all. The champion athlete and ballgames trophies were presented by Ms Kate Perrin-Dunne and Mr Mark Stanke representing the P & C Association, and the Frankish Family Trophy for the overall Sports Champions was presented by Mrs Iris Frankish. The athletics trophy was won by Dragons; the ballgames trophy by Unicorns and the overall Sports Champion (Frankish family) Trophy by Dragons.

Our Redback Award parade for term 2 was held on Monday 19 June. Our school captains Emma Stanke and Bridie Weier made the presentations. Congratulations to the following awardees for term 2: Luke Ruddick, Bradley Mestrez, Daniel Bahnish, Jessie O'Sullivan, Roark Christensen and Pagen Simpson-Moss.

Students attended the CWA International Day at the Ridgelands Hall where they observed how to make a basket from palm leaves and received their prizes for the projects completed earlier in the year. Congratulations to the following who received prizes: Pre/1- Jade Spencer and Elly Frankish; 2/3 – Peta Mestrez and Lorraine Hallam; 4/5 – Melinda Lovell and Hannah Foxwell; 6/7 project sheet – Bridie Weier and Hannah Barlow; 6/7 computer project – Brodie Christensen.

Recently students were involved in a "Science Day" at the school, presented by Dr Peter Eastwell from *Science Time Education*. They attended sessions titled, *Air: Invisible yet so Effective*, and *Science: The Thrill of Discovery* as well as some "hands on" activities done in pairs. It was an excellent learning experience for all involved and we have already invited him back for a day next year.

Over the holidays the old demountable building was removed. I would like to congratulate the successful tenderers, Mark and Michelle Shepherd, on the great job they have done, on the successful removal and the cleaning up of the site.

Our school website is now accessible on the internet at www.ridgelands.eq.edu.au where you can access the latest newsletter, calendar of events and other information about the school. Visitors to the site will require "Acrobat" to open the newsletter.

I would like to remind you all that the Ridgelands School application for "Outside School Hours Care Places" has been approved for up to 30 places.

We are currently working with the Department of Communities to finalise approvals for Child Care Benefit, the buildings and the programme. We hope to get started by Term 4 this year. If anyone is interested in accessing this service this year or next year please contact the school on 49345518 for more information.

We are currently taking enrolments for Prep for 2007. Prep kits can be collected from the office along with enrolment forms.

Regards, Mick Byrne

Cauliflower is nothing but cabbage with a college education. Mark Twain

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Garden Party & Fashion Parade.

The Ridgeland Branch of the Nationals are having a Garden Party and Fashion Parade at "Derry Dale"

South Yaamba, on Sunday 10th September at 1.30 pm.

Afternoon Tea, Lucky Door, Raffle, Multi Draw.

Admission: Adults - \$8 each or \$15 couple. Primary students - \$5.

RSVP by 1st September

Phone: Pam 49 34 1166 or Pat 49 33 3706

MORINISH LANDCARE GROUP Inc.

The group has been very active on the weeds front. Morinish Landcare has been working with Wycarba Landcare, putting together projects on various weeds. The groups have submitted projects with Fitzroy and Coastal Catchments that will be assessed in August. These nasties need everyone's attention, be it on big properties or one hectare holdings. A weed is a problem wherever it is. The group will be meeting at "Marble Ridges" on 9th August, 2006 at 9.30 a.m.. The guest speaker will be **Christian Smith** (FBA) speaking on satellite imagery.

Feel free to turn up.

Contact Jeff Mills on 49373539 A/H.

Tips on Weed Control

Prevention is the most effective method of weed control. If you see a new plant you do not recognise, get it identified immediately. Pulling out weeds in low numbers can prevent a weed from establishing. Be sure the weed is properly identified before it is removed.

Some tips to keep your backyard, farm, local bushland and waterways weed free:

Get to know the local weeds in your area.

- Be aware that weed seeds are transported on vehicles, trailers, clothing, shoes, in soil and in pet fur and hair.
- Always stick to designated tracks when walking, horseriding, driving, riding pushbikes or motorbikes through natural areas.
- Dispose of weeds that are already seeding or readily able to reproduce vegetatively by placing them in a black plastic bag, sealing it and "baking it" in the sun for a couple of weeks prior to placing in the bin.
- Compost or dispose of other garden and green waste in council green waste collections or by carefully transporting it to your council's green waste tip. NEVER dump garden waste over the back fence or in the bushland.
- Always cover trailers when transporting plant material to prevent seeds and other live plant material falling off.
- Consider carefully what plants you buy for ponds and aquariums.
- Never dump aquarium water or contents down drains or into waterways.
- Imported plants, bulbs and seed including those ordered over the internet or through mail order must be cleared before coming into the country. Check the Australian Quarantine and Inspection Service website before ordering plant material.

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Ridgelands Show News

Congratulations to Kirsty Fossett who was named Miss Central Queensland Showgirl for 2006. Kirsty represented the Ridgelands Show at the Central Queensland sub-chamber judging in Mackay. Kirsty will now represent Central Queensland in the state finals in Brisbane in August.

Best of luck, Kirsty.

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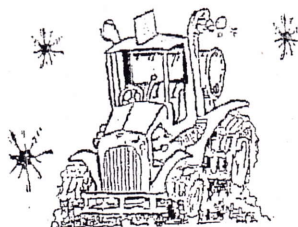
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Saturday 26th AUG 2006

Racing starts at 3pm



MUD RACING AT ITS BEST

- **AT Kabra Motor Spots Park (behind Kabra Hotel)**
- **Entrance off Scrubby Creek Rd**
- **Bring your own chairs**
- **No esky's please**
- **New bar trackside**
- **New food eatery**
- **New car park**
- **No parking on mound**

Alcohol is a very necessary article...It makes life bearable to millions of people who could not endure their existence if they were quite sober. It enables Parliament to do things at eleven at night that no sane person would do at eleven in the morning.

George Bernard Shaw

WHAT'S ON

Rhee Tae Kwon Do

At Alton Downs
Polocrosse
and Sports Club
Tuesday nights, 6.30pm
49223737

ALBUM MAKING CLASSES

Aug 1st 9am – 2.30pm
North Rocky Bowls Club
\$10 workshop fee
Free tea and coffee

Aug 7th Monday
9 am – 3 pm
Dalma School Library
\$10 workshop fee
Morning & afternoon tea
provided
Bring your own lunch.

Sep 5th Tuesday
9 am – 2.30 pm
North Rocky Bowls Club
\$10 workshop fee
Free tea & coffee

Sept 24th Sunday
9 am – 5 pm
Venue to be advised

Sept 25th Monday
9 am – 3 pm
Dalma School Library
\$10 workshop fee
Morning & afternoon tea
provided
Bring your own lunch.

Bookings are essential.
Feel free to come and see
what we do or have a look
at our products
Please contact Margo
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Out of chaos comes order.
Anonymous

**Greening Australia
Queensland &
Livingstone Shire
Council** Present:
“Sustainable Solutions for
Water and Energy Use” at
the second
ECOLIVING EXPO
at Yeppoon Showgrounds
on 27th August, 2006.
Phone: 49 237542

**Brothers Australian
Football Club**
Teams from Auskick (age
5 & up) through to U/17
grades Training at
Victoria Park,
Rockhampton
Tuesday & Thursday 5pm
Contact Barry Morrison
49341993 or 0408055047

Ridgелands State School Country Fair

Saturday August 26th
1pm
Alton Downs Polocrosse
Grounds
*Rides 1pm to 5pm -
King Flyer, Lost World,
Jumbo Slide
Unlimited Ride Band \$16
(Pre-Paid)
Barbecue, Bar until late
Multi Draw Raffle
Bottle and Plant Stalls
Trash & Treasure
Market Stalls*

COUNTRY FAIR POETRY COMPETITION

Poetry competition to be held at
Country Fair.

Recite your own written poetry.

Entry: \$2.00

Prize: \$50.00

NOTICES

Thank you to all those
who supported our
school by attending the
jewellery party and to
Michelle Shepherd for
organising the evening.

For Sale

2 wheel wooden
horse buggy with
harness.
Phone 49 341 548
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MEETINGS

**Ridgелands Show
Meeting**
09. 08. 2006,
7.30pm
Visitors welcome

QCWA

Ridgелands Branch meets
9.30 am 1st Wednesday of
month.

Stitch and Chat Group

Meets 9.30am
2nd & 4th Tuesday of
month. QCWA room
All welcome
Phone: 49345120

Ridgелands P&C Meeting

Next meeting
Tuesday 8th August ,
7.30 pm.
Phone: 49 345 518

Ridgелands Tennis Club Inc.

Invites nominations for
Club Championships to be
held from 9.00am Sunday
6th August (and 13th if
required)
All welcome.
Nominations by Thursday
3rd August with Rob 49
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Campdraft Results 2006.

Open

1. Wally Rea - Jessica
 2. Wally Rea - Carlo
 3. David Howard - Norris
 4. Rob Jenkinson - Joelene
 5. Wally Rea - Pay Day
 6. Trevor Pullen - LK
 7. Wally Rea - Barbie
 8. Adam Loaden - Major
- Cut Out Wally Rea - Pay

Novice

1. Wally Rea - Dr Fill
 2. Rob Jenkinson - Nikita
 3. Julie Terry - Grizzly
 4. Graeme Acton - Rabbi
 5. Wally Rea - Barbie
 6. Barney Davidson - Zena
 7. Kim Hamilton - Socks
 8. Brian Coyne - Roxanne
- Cut out Wally Rea - Dr Fill

Restricted.

1. Don Williams - Acrobat
2. Trevor Pullen - LK
3. Trevor Pullen - Hanging to Dry
4. Wally Rea - Carlo
5. Graeme Acton - Swift
6. Marty Frame - Whistle

Cut Out Adrian Loader

Maiden

1. Wally Rea - Dr Fill
2. Sue Symes - Covers
3. Keith Willaimson - Battlers Toy
4. Graeme Acton - Corella
5. Sherilee Hoch - Ash
6. Trevor Humble - Little Miss
7. Dan Cogill - Molly Maloney
8. Lachlan Mace - Grace
8. Colin Hock

Ladies

1. Sue Symes - Lets Boogie
2. Julie Terry - Grizzly
3. Emma Nolan - Mandela
4. Julie Terry - Looks Awake
5. Emma Nolan - Mitch

Juvenile

1. Luke Prinsen - Blue
 2. Trent Jenkinson - Aria Kool E Bars
 3. Sophie Starr - Mikkaela
 4. John Boon - Iddy Biddy Chips
 5. Renae Terry - Faye
- Cut out Luke Prinsen - Blue

Junior

1. Katie Marsden
2. Teah Beak
3. Andrew Coyne - Flash Oak
4. Sam Terry
5. Abe Graham

COOKERY CORNER

PUMPKIN AND POTATO SOUP

½ butternut pumpkin

3 medium potatoes

½ medium sweet potato

1 small onion

3-4 cups water

3 teaspoons chicken stock powder

½ cup thickened cream

salt and pepper

Dice all vegetables and place in a saucepan.

Add water and chicken stock powder.

Place on stove and cook until soft.

Blend vegetables until smooth.

Add cream and season to taste.

Makes about 12 cups of thick soup.

Proverb

When you are full,
you even hate honey.
When you are hungry,
even what is bitter tastes sweet.
Proverbs 27.7

Alton Downs Pony Club

Results

for Parkhurst Gymkhana
on 2nd July, 2006.

Under 7 Ridden

Joshua Hunt 2nd overall

7 & Under 9 yrs

Kiah Barney 1st overall

9 yrs & under 11 yrs

Lachlan Hunt 4th Overall

Matthew Stanke 2nd Overall

11 yrs & under 13 yrs

Emma Stanke 1st overall

13 yrs & under 15 yrs

Sara Stanke 2nd overall

15 yrs & under 17 yrs

Kyle Stanke 4th overall

The Club also won the
highest points trophy
against all the other Clubs.

jokes

Why did the strawberry need a lawyer?

Why didn't the duck eat his soup?

What's a hedgehog's favourite food?

Pickled onions.
He couldn't find his quackers.
Because it was in a jam.

BULLS, BRONCS n BARRELS

SATURDAY 12 AUGUST 2006

START 5.30 PM

GATES OPEN 4:00 PM

ALTON DOWNS POLOCROSSE GROUNDS

CRCA AFFILIATED



- \$1000 Open Bull Ride
- \$ 500 Rookie Bull Ride
- \$ 300 Junior Bull Ride
- \$ 500 Saddle Bronc Ride
- \$ 300 Bare Back Ride
- \$ 500 Ladies Barrel Race
- \$ 100 Junior Barrel Race
- Little Britches Barrel Race
- Poddy Ride

Spannagle Bros Bull Fighting Clowns

Music till late

CRCA Central Entries

49271916

Further information

Graham Iker 4934 1135

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Alton Downs Polocrosse Carnival

Saturday 12 and Sunday 13 August

Contact 49341124 / 49341396



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Association Incorporated

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our

**Springtime
Barbecue and Fancy
Dress**



9th September 2006

6.30pm start

- *Karaoke
- *Raffles
- *Licensed bar
- *Prizes for best boy and girl
costumes (under 8 years
8-12 years)
- *Lots of fun to be had by everyone

