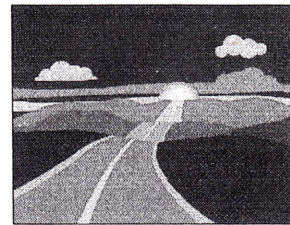


# Around the ridges and a bit beyond



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## *Ridgelands Wedding*



*Leanne and Phillip*

Who would have thought it would rain in Ridgelands at the end of June (the dry season). The June wedding between Phillip Chippendale and Leanne Harding was planned for Saturday 23 June. The ceremony was to be held on the well prepared lawn at Phil's property, and the reception was to be held at Ridgelands Hall. Well, the much needed rain and freezing cold temperatures began the week before the wedding. Our hopes were high for the sunshine to appear late in the week in time to dry the manicured lawn for the ceremony, but the weather forecasters said the rain and cold weather was set to continue until after the wedding. The day before the wedding, the decision was made to put plan B into action. Plan B was to hold the wedding ceremony at Ridgelands Hall. This meant telephoning all the guests to notify change of venue, re-arranging the reception set up and preparing the ceremony set up at the Hall, rehearsing the timing for the music and then planning who was to set the tables back into the positions for the reception set up. Our wonderful guests gave a hand and the scene change happened so quickly while the bridal party posed for photos, there was absolutely no disruption.

Memories are made on such an important day and photos and videos taken have created many memorable moments. Genie Hawke, wedding photographer from Yepoon did a wonderful job under the conditions. Perhaps the most memorable moment captured on film was the bride and her father, Peter Harding arriving at Ridgelands Hall in her white bridal car decorated with ribbon and sporting muddy tyres and wheel rims to the tune of 'Chariots of Fire'. The bride complete with giggles and laughter emerged wearing a blue and white doona cover – feet poking out the bottom and the rest hitched up around her neck lifting her pristine wedding dress and train free from the mud. Her feet sported the latest fashion galoshes as she posed for the camera and made her way to the front verandah of Ridgelands Hall. The guests were all seated in the Hall waiting in anticipation, while the bride's helpers unwrapped the bride, strapped her bridal shoes on and proceeded towards the entrance to the Hall ready to begin the procession to the waiting groom – (whom I might add, had already demonstrated a slow motion run in the opposite direction to the tune of 'Chariots of Fire'). The bridal procession began to the music of Pachelbel's Canon in D Major, a beautiful wedding processional piece that, of course, brought tears to my eyes. As with most 'mother-of-the-brides' the tears just kept on flowing as I watched my only daughter and proud husband walk slowly up the red-carpeted aisle in Ridgelands Hall.

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Despite the weather, (for which we are always grateful for rain), the day went without a hitch, apart from Ted Tait, the wonderful celebrant, who got bogged in the carpark when he was leaving. It was nothing a good tow from a guest didn't fix. The speeches were very entertaining and the music allowed us all to dance the night away. The Ridgeland's CWA, led by Maree, catered for the wedding and the food was exceptional. Congratulations to the ladies for a very professionally prepared and served wedding banquet.

Leanne was attended by her bridesmaids, Rebecca McClure and Laurissa and Shannon Chippendale. Phil was attended by his groomsmen, Fred Thompson, James Chippendale and Alan Doyle.

Congratulations to the new Mr and Mrs Phillip and Leanne Chippendale. May your lives together long, happy and prosperous. God bless you both.

*Lynda Harding*  
214 Dalma Ridgeland's Road  
Ridgeland's

## Ridgeland's State School News

Welcome back for Term Three. Mr Byrne has been seconded to Woorabinda State School so I have the pleasure of being the Acting Principal at Ridgeland's State School once again.

A number of projects are in progress and we are fast running out of storage space. Hence the school is a little untidy at present. However the office refurbishment is half completed and we are waiting for the new carpet to be laid. This could take three weeks. The new prep/1/2 adventure playground and shade structure are now finished and students have commenced using the facility. There is still some landscaping to be done around this facility that will be completed through stages of our working bee.

Our P&C is on to the second stage of their working bee. If you drive past you can see that Stage One was completed by clearing and cleaning up the front of the school. Stage Two is this **Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> July starting at 8.00am**: they will be laying footpaths so anybody with tools that can help with concreting and edging are encouraged to attend.

Stage Three date to be advised: installing irrigation and planting gardens.

Stage Four date to be advised: laying of turf and edging.

A sausage sizzle will be operating throughout the day to help keep the energy levels of our workers up. All members of our community are encouraged to attend.

Last Thursday Ridgeland's State School competed in the District Sports Day at Bouldercombe State School. It was a great day for the School winning the Athletics Trophy and coming second overall to Bouldercombe. Congratulations to all students who competed.

**Mark this in your calendar, the Ridgeland's State School Country Fair will be held on the 25<sup>th</sup> August at the Alton Downs Polo Cross Grounds.**

Hope to see you all there.

Regards, Les Berryman Acting Principal  
Ridgeland's State School

## QISSN Experience 2007

On Saturday the 24<sup>th</sup> of July two teams from the Cathedral College flew to Brisbane to participate in the annual Queensland Independent Secondary Schools Netball Carnival, commonly known as QISSN. This is a carnival that has been running for 7 years in conjunction with the Rugby League Confraternity Shield. This includes teams from Brisbane, Toowoomba, Yeppoon, Rockhampton and other independent schools from around Queensland. TCC was lucky enough to enter two teams in this year's carnival; the B team TCC Aphro's; and the A team TCC Titians. Myself and Anna Reeve were both members of the TCC Titians.

Over the first two days both teams played a total of 8 games and at the end of these were placed in appropriate divisions. Wednesday was our day off and was enjoyed by all at the Queen Street Mall.

Thursday saw the start of the serious competition; all our games were exceptionally close with more than once a margin of 1 point deciding the triumphant team. Both teams showed great skill and team work and were lucky enough to make it to the grand final of their respective divisions. Particularly the Aphro's who had a close game in the semi-finals, narrowly winning an extra-time tiebreak to progress to the grand final. We played St Patrick's College, while the B's faced St Michaels College. After close games all around the B's were narrowly defeated, while the TCC Titans emerged victorious.

Anna Reeve was voted most valuable player from the A team, this was voted after every game by the opposing team, they nominated the player they thought was most crushing to their team. Anna certainly deserved this title.

After a little more shopping, both teams returned to Rockhampton on Saturday evening. A little tired but happy to be home. The trip was thoroughly enjoyed by all and many thanks must go to the teachers and parents who made the trip possible and gave their support throughout the week to both teams. The Cathedral College will be hosting the QISSN carnival next year in Rockhampton and we certainly hope next year will be as successful as this year.

Cassandra Stanke

**Congratulations**  
To  
Joyce Chippendale on her  
60<sup>th</sup> Birthday,  
celebrated with family and  
friends at the  
Alton Downs Hall  
on July 14<sup>th</sup>.



Congratulations Sandy on your  
great leadership as  
Captain of the TCC Titians.

### Jokes

Why do you need to take a cricket player with you when you go camping?

When is a baby like a basketball player?

Who can go as fast as a race horse?

1. To help pitch the tent.  
2. When it dribbles.  
3. The jockey.

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### Date Claimer

Ridgелands Country Fair  
Saturday, 25<sup>th</sup> August 2007

### Date Claimer

Ridgелands Hall  
Christmas Karaoke  
1<sup>st</sup> December, 2007  
Enquiries: 4934 5564

## MEETINGS

### Ridgелands Show Meeting

Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> August  
7.30 p.m.

### QCWA

Ridgелands Branch meets 9.30  
am 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday of month.

### Stitch and Chat Group

Meets 9.30 am  
2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of month.  
QCWA room.  
All welcome  
Phone: 4934 5120

### Dalma Rural Fire Brigade

**AGM**  
Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> August  
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We would like to wish  
them all the best for the  
future.

Don't move old boundary stones  
that your people set up long ago.  
Proverbs 22:28

## COOKERY CORNER.

### Scrambled Eggs with Bacon and Avocado

4 bacon rashers, trimmed

8 eggs

½ cup cream

4 slices bread, toasted

1 avocado, mashed

2 tomatoes, sliced

**Cook bacon for 3-4 minutes each side.**

**Remove from pan when browned and crisp.**

**Place bacon on plate and cover to keep warm.**

**Whisk together eggs and cream. Season to taste.**

**Add egg mixture to pan. Gently stir over low heat until set.**

**Spread avocado over toast and top with tomato, bacon and egg.**



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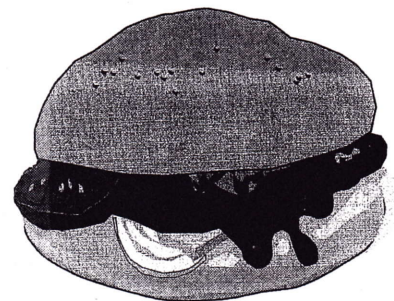
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### Council Comment

We are all waiting for D-Day. The first of August might be the horses' birthday but it will be the day that our fate is announced. We put in the best submission possible. The State Govt is warning all councils not to have the planned Local Govt Assoc referendum on the 18<sup>th</sup> August. Obviously they don't want to know the results as they realise it will not be in their favour.

The thing I fear most from the proposed amalgamation is the combined debt of our four councils which would be over \$100 Million – with Rockhampton tipped to be over \$70 Million by June 2008 and Livingstone between \$20 & 30 Million. We (Fitzroy Shire) have \$2 Million and Mt Morgan \$1 Million. I wonder if you noticed in the paper that all councils rated 'weak' by the Qld Treasury were actually a lot stronger than some businesses – one of them being Telstra. Obviously Mr Beattie told the Qld Treasury Corporation to raise the bar as high as possible to help his project.

Here's hoping and praying for the Fitzroy Shire to remain as it is, for the future.  
Kind Regards, Ellen Smith Deputy Mayor

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### Results from QLD Zone Polocrosse Titles held in Tansey.

Congratulations to Alton Downs Club Members and long time Coaches Alex Reid and Ian Stewart, members of the Capricornia Masters Mixed Team who won Runners-Up in the Masters Mixed Competition.

Danica O'Sullivan & Davina Roberts were members of the Capricornia Women's team that with the support of coaches Alex Reid & Paul O'Sullivan, our fearless team gave it all we had and didn't go down without a fight. We played top Queensland ladies teams which was a challenge in itself however our team bond was strong which got us through to give the opposition a run for their money.

Jock Purcell was a Capricornia Junior First team member, which had some close wins with some fancy racquet work from Jock securing some hard fought goals. Ooh to be the agile!

Alex Purcell and Zara O'Sullivan were members of the Capricornia Junior Second team which with the support of their coach took on the juniors from around Queensland to let them know that Capricornia were just warming up and to watch out later in the year at Queensland State Titles.

Well done to those who were selected to represent the Zone, everyone put in 110% playing and Capricornia's presentation was excellent the entire weekend, our Alton Downs representatives did the club proud. Whilst it was freezing overnight and I don't think my horse will forgive me for the ice that covered his rugs each morning, we all had a good time and learnt a lot from our experience.

Until next time  
Davina Roberts, Polocrosse Secretary Ph 49341119