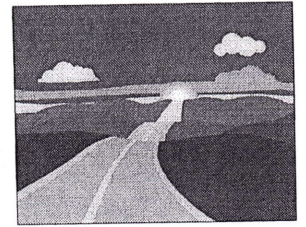


Around the ridges and a bit beyond



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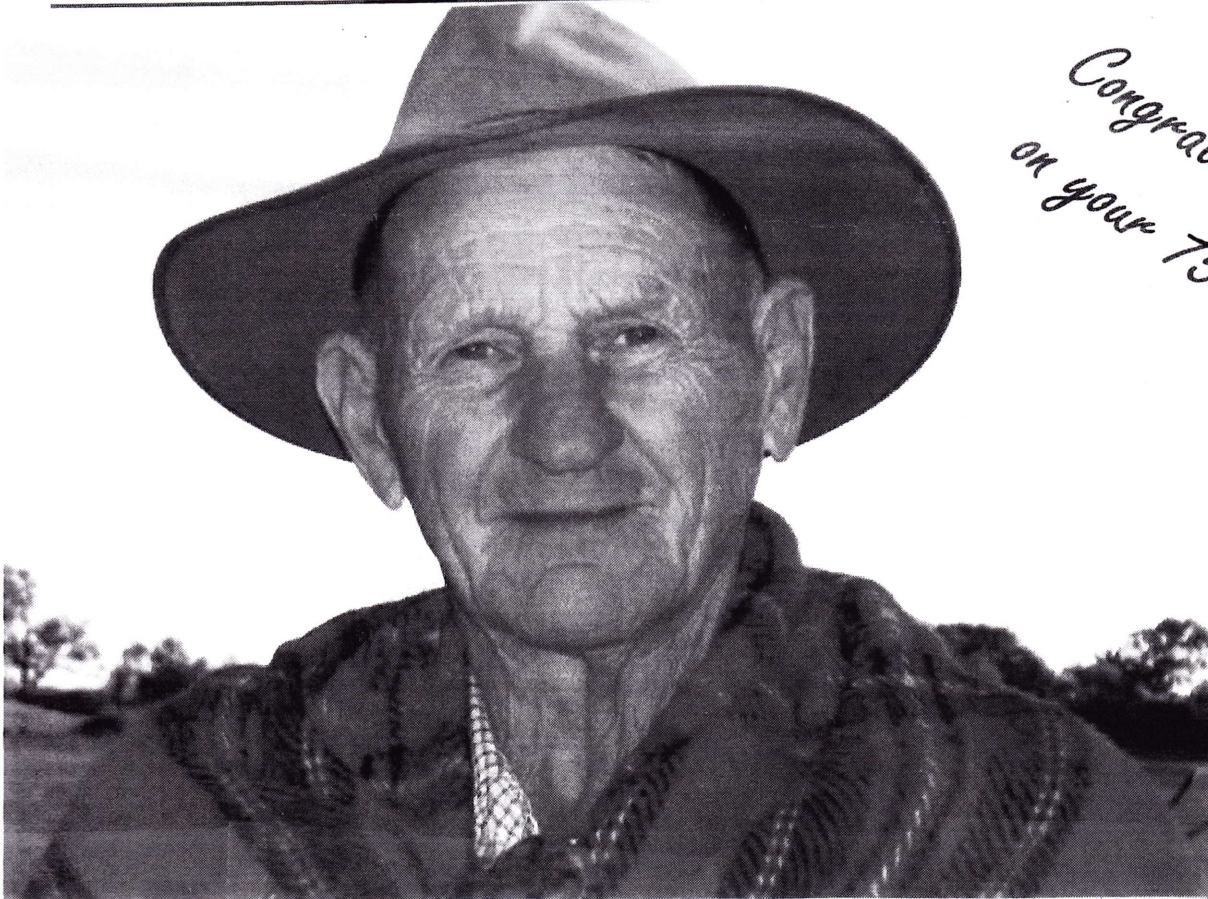
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*Congratulations Jack
on your 75th Birthday.*

The Queensland Bush

As recited by Jack Bush

I love the grand tranquillity of living in the QLD
Bush,
Away from the rat-race of the city push,
Far from the concrete jungles.
Here nature reigns supreme,
To the city dwellers it's just a dream.
I sit in such a world of happiness, tranquillity
and calm
All creatures can co exist without fear or harm
I'm in seventh heaven for there is no city crush
I just love living in the QLD bush.
On my verandah I sit and watch the rising sun,
Which seems to tell a waking world a new day
has begun.

The birds bathe in the gully just down the track,
There's bowerbirds, parrots, wrens and magpies too
The kookaburra in the old gum tree is laughing
with delight
And just beyond the fence the horses graze in
the morning light
And there, along the soakage trench on the lush
green grass
A kangaroo and joey pick and watch the horses
pass.
Even Toby doesn't scare them as he goes for a
jog,
That is quite surprising for Toby is my dog.
He is not aggressive there is no malice in his
heart
He has been everybody's friend right from the
very start.

Ridgelands School News

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New Students

We would like to welcome our new Prep student Lachlan Winkelmann, Year Six Student Chenai Boucher and Year Five student Gypsy Sweeney and their families to the Ridgelands State School Community.

Prep Enrolments

We are currently looking at numbers for our Prep class in 2009. At the moment we have unofficially about five students. If you know of any eligible children in the area who have not yet enrolled, please ask their parents to contact the school.

Fun Run

The school Fun Run will be held next Tuesday 19th August commencing at 9:15am. All community members are invited to attend and support your children.

Gymkhana

Sunday 17th August our school competed in the Annual Interschool Gymkhana. We won the march past for the sixth year in a row and won the Overall points on the day. Congratulations to Mrs Paddison and the team and all of the parents that were up bright and early to get them ready.

Rugby League Grand Final

Our 12/13 Yrs Rugby League Team played against the Hall State School in the Rocky Primary Schools Competition last Friday and won the game by 16 to 8. Congratulations to the team and a big thank you to all of our supporters.

Country Fair

The Ridgelands State School Country Fair will be held on the 23rd August. There will be stalls open and lots of entertainment. Starts at 1.00P.M. and goes on through dinner.

We hope to see the community come and support this event.

Yours in Education
Les Berryman, Acting Principal

Ridgelands Show News.

The Show has received a grant of \$8,589.00 from the Gambling Community Benefit Fund to upgrade the show jumps area which is used by other equestrian clubs as well.

Leanne Funch, our Rural Ambassador for Central Queensland, competed at the Exhibition.

A combined Auction and Barbecue, run jointly by Ridgelands Show and Rodeo Committee will be held at Ridgelands Show Grounds on 11th October 2008 in aid of the Helicopter Rescue Service, commencing at 6 pm. Your donation to the auction will be appreciated.

**Phone Rob White 4934 5146
Rob Bishop 4934 5135**

Rockhampton Regional Library News.

Get the jump on Madagascar – Qld CWA Country of study (2009)

There are some wonderful resources online that can assist you in creating a terrific project as part of the annual Queensland CWA Country of study. With International officers on the hunt for information pertaining to Madagascar, the 2009 country of study, why not check out the free e-resources available via the Rockhampton Regional Council Library portal.

Newsbank is a free full text newspaper database of hundreds of national and international newspapers and newswires. There are 21 newspapers from Africa alone, which can be accessed easily and simply at the library or in the comfort of your own home via an internet enabled computer. **Newsbank** covers events, schools. Politics, government policies, cultural activities, local companies, state industries and people in the community and is a useful resource for all students of all ages.

The State Library of Queensland also has a link to great websites to support the CWA country of study and these can be accessed via **Netlinks** at www.slq.qld.gov.au

Log on to the Rockhampton Regional Council website for more information about library resources at www.rockhamptonregion.qld.gov.au

****Remember that internet and wordprocessing access is free for library members with print costs of 20c per page.*

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*Mount Morgan Library ph 49381169

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Ridgeland State School Equestrian News

The Ridgeland State School has been offering equestrian activities for students to participate in for over 8 years. This year the team has consisted of over fourteen riders varying from Prep to year 7 students.

Over the years the uniform has developed as riders/parents/staff have continued to raise money to continually improve the quality of horse and rider presentation. As a result of the combined efforts from riders, parents and staff the Ridgeland State School Equestrian Team once again won the Primary March Past Trophy at the recent Horseland Interschool Gymkhana. This is the sixth year in a row that the trophy has been housed in the Ridgeland school office.

Ridgeland State School also won the Highest Points for riders competing well against all Primary Schools. This was certainly a great achievement for all riders who have made their parents and school proud. All individual results have been attached in this newsletter. It is also worthy to note that over half of our school riders have not competed in this year's Pony Club competitions as they are not members. Therefore our school would like to thank the Alton Downs Pony Club for offering riders this opportunity to compete in this large competition. There were over 150 riders competing in the competition.

HORSELAND INTERSCHOOL CHALLENGE 2008
 HOSTED BY ALTON DOWNS PONY CLUB
 17th AUGUST

ALTON DOWNS PONY CLUB ANNUAL
 GYMKHANA 2008

HORSELAND March Past Primary – Ridgелands
 HORSELAND March Past Secondary – The Cathedral College
 HORSELAND Highest Points Primary – Ridgелands
 HORSELAND Highest Points Secondary – Rockhampton High

Overall Results

Overall Places

- Preps – 1. Rudy Stanke – Ridgелands
 2. Kasey Bean – Ridgелands
 3. Emma Johnson – Bouldercombe
- Grade 1 1. Darcie Ouston – Capricorn School Distant
 Education
 2. Grace Beak – The Hall
 3. Leah McBride – Bouldercombe
- Grade 2 1. Thomas Smith – St Marys
 2. Georgia Davies – The Caves
 3. Molly Hartley – The Hall
- Grade 3 1. Ashleigh Morgan - Waraburra
 2. Emily Lang – St Anthony’s
 3. Elle Frankish – Ridgелands
- Grade 4 1. Brooke Wallace – St Paul’s
 2. Tayla Savage – The Hall
 3. Hannah Evans – Waraburra
- Grade 5 1. Jasmine Ritter – Rockhampton Grammar
 2. Amy Bean – Ridgелands
 3. Daniel Stanke – Ridgелands
- Grade 6 1. Kiah Barney – Ridgелands
 2. Sarah Morgan – Waraburra
 3. Elyce Smith – St Marys
- Grade 7 1. Matthew Stanke – Ridgелands
 2. Lachlan Hunt – Ridgелands
 3. Brad Crawford – St Anthonys
- Grade 8 1. Taylor Wark – The Cathedral College
 2. Rheanon Preston – Rockhampton High
 3. Jessica Newsome – The Cathedral College
- Grade 9 1. Tara Dziewicki – Rockhampton Grammar
 2. Emma Stanke – The Cathedral College
 3. Karly Morgan – Rockhampton High
- Grade 10 1. Stacey-Anne Evans – Rockhampton High
 2. Kerri Roberts – Rockhampton Girls Grammar
 3. Andrew Hunt – The Cathedral College
- Grade 11 1. Scott Spreadborough – Rockhampton High
 2. Rachael Smith – Rockhampton High
 3. Sarah Stanke – The Cathedral College
- Grade 12 1. Hayley Jensen – Emmaus College
 2. Kelee Brooks – Emmaus College
 3. Kelsie West – Rockhampton High

Under 7 Led

- 1st Kasey Bean – Alton Downs
 2nd Grace Beak - Balmoral
 3rd Brodie Donaldson – Crompton Park
 4th Bradley Barnes - Balmoral

Under 7

- 1st Georgia Davies – The Caves
 2nd Darcie Ouston – Fitzroy River
 3rd Tayla Wallace - Gracemere

7-9

- 1st Thomas Smith - Balmoral
 2nd Ashleigh Morgan – Alton Downs
 3rd Amber Patteson – Alton Downs
 4th Pagen Simpson – Alton Downs

9-11

- 1st Kiah Barney – Alton Downs
 2nd Elly Smith - Balmoral
 3rd Jasmine Ritter - Balmoral
 4th Nicholas Walsh – Balmoral

11-13

- 1st Sarah Morgan – Alton Downs
 2nd Zoey Hayward – Fitzroy River
 3rd Ben Anderson – Alton Downs
 4th Matthew Moffett - Gracemere

13-15

- 1st Jordon Wood - Balmoral
 2nd Tara Dziewicki – The Caves
 3rd Karly Morgan – Alton Downs
 4th Madison Rosenberg – Fitzroy River

15-17

- 1st Scott Spreadborough – Alton Downs
 2nd Harley Wildman - Balmoral
 3rd Leah Morgan – Alton Downs
 4th Seneya Thomas – Parkhurst

27-26

- 1st Emma Frankish - Gracemere
 2nd Kelee Brooks – Crompton Park
 3rd Rachel Weber - Parkhurst
 4th Karen Robinson - Balmoral

Seniors

- 1st Janelle Richards - Yeppoon
 2nd Rob Anderson-Alton Downs
 3rd Glen Beezley - Parkhurst
 4th Linda McMaster-Alton Downs

Jokes

Why did the sports fan spend a long time in the bathroom?

What is small round and giggles?

What do you call a retired vegetable?

- 1.He liked to watch the toilet bowl.
 2.A tickled onion.
 3.A has-bean.

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Alton Downs Pony News

The Alton Downs Pony Club would like to thank the Sponsor's for the rugs that were kindly donated to the winners of each age group for the day.

Trevor Simpson – G J Gardiner Homes Yeppoon, All Out Landscapes and Irrigation – Alton Downs, Yeppoon Paint and Panel, Trevor Barney Wanna Bobcat and Truck Hire, Graeme Salmond of Saddle World for the donation of rugs for the fastest Barrel Alton Downs riders only being won by Under 13 – Kiah Barney, 13 – 26 – Scott Spreadborough

Their sponsorship was greatly appreciated.

We would also like to thank Horseland, Graeme Ika – Delrosa Partnership Alton Downs, Kerry and Natalie Tamblyn – Equesage, Echmidna Embroidery, Wandal News, Rocky Feed and Seed, Jax's Tyre Fitters – Wandal, Emro Products.

We had a very good week end with very few mishaps on Saturday we had 65 riders and on Sunday at the Interschool we had 151 riders with Primary and Secondary Schools. Alton Downs Pony Club would like to thank all who helped on the week end.


Where Did It Come From?

Prior to the Norman invasion the word "silly" meant something like devout, or deeply religious, or close to god. It was a word reserved for monks or priests or prophets and the like. The word began to evolve and its meaning changed from "touched by god" to just plain "touched" to, well, "silly."

"mad as a hatter" comes from the fact that hatters (milliners is the correct word) used mercury to stiffen the brims of hats and the constant exposure to mercury (another heavy metal) sends you mad/crazy.

Think about it:

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WHAT'S ON

Alton Downs Hall Association Inc.

A dance will be held at the Alton Downs Hall on the following date:
29th November, 2008.

Commencing at 7.30pm.
Man in Black will supply the music. There will be a raffle and novelty prizes. Supper will be served.

For more information please phone 49345120.

Dance will also be held on: 20th September, 2008, Commencing at 7.30pm
Music by **Two Can.**

Raffles, novelty prizes and supper.

Date Claimer. Ridgelands Hall Assoc. Inc.

Licensed Christmas Karaoke

In aid of Ridgelands Hall Funds.

Saturday 6th December commencing 6.30pm at the Ridgelands Hall.

Spit pig, roast beef and vegetables.

All Welcome

Alton Downs Hall Committee

Sid Hoare is the booking officer for Community Hall. Ph 4934 1147

If Sid is not available, phone Tom Hoare 4934 1493 or

Joyce Chippendale on 4934 5120 to open the Hall.

Indoor Bowls at Alton Downs Hall

Saturday once a month
Phone Ena on 4934 1416 for exact dates.

NOTICES

For Hire.

Chairs for hire for functions. Contact the Ridgelands State School P&C.

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2 years old

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Make plans by seeking advice;
if you wage war, obtain guidance.

Proverbs 20:18

MEETINGS

QCWA

Ridgelands 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

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Show Meeting

AGM

Wednesday

September 10th

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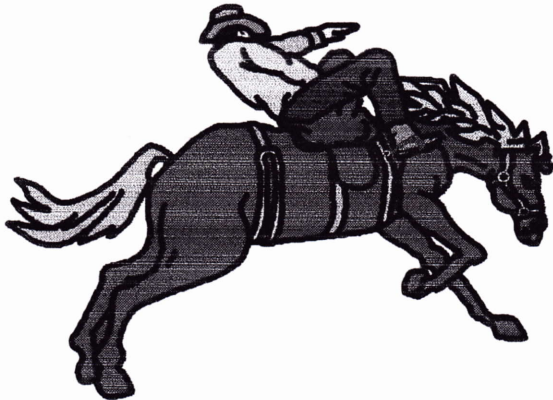
9 am on Sunday 7th September.

All Welcome and please join us
for Morning afterwards.

Saturday 20 SEPTEMBER 2008

Alton Downs Polocrosse Grounds

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**CRCA Central Entries
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Open Bull Ride

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- **Junior Bull Ride**
- **Saddle Bronc Ride**
- **Bare Back Ride**
- **Ladies Barrel Race**
- **Junior Barrel Race**
- **Little Britches Barrel Race**
- **Poddy Ride U14**

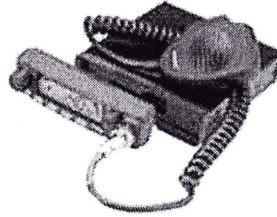
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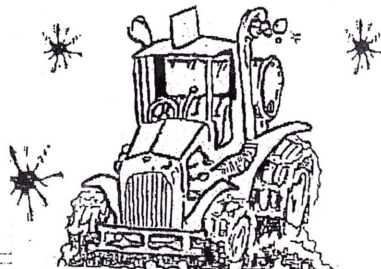
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Saturday 6th September 2008

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RECIPE CORNER.

Pumpkin & Yoghurt Scones

3 cups self-raising flour

½ teaspoon mixed spice

60g butter, chopped

340g vanilla yoghurt

1 cup cold mashed pumpkin

2 tablespoons brown sugar

extra yoghurt and honey, to serve

Preheat oven to 220°C.

Lightly grease a scone tray.

Sift flour and spice together into a large bowl.

Add butter, rub in using fingertips.

Stir in yoghurt, pumpkin and sugar.

Using a knife, mix quickly to a soft dough.

Turn onto a floured surface and knead lightly.

Press out to form a round about 2cm thick.

Cut into 16 rounds. Place together on tray.

Bake for 12-15 minutes or until scones sound hollow when tapped. Cool on a wire rack.

Serve with yoghurt and honey.