

Around the Ridges

and a bit beyond



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Moving House but not quite 'monster moves'

Duncan and Shelly Chisholm decided to move a proud Rockhampton house rather than build a new home on their property in South Yaamba. Dr Learmonth had sold his home on the corner of Spencer and Jessie Streets in Rockhampton to Mercy Health Services some years ago. They now wanted to extend their hospital and were happy to sell the large home to Duncan and Shelley. Duncan and Shelley obtained the necessary council approval and looked for removalists. The Chisholm's contacted Lammi Bros from Gracemere who were able to undertake the job. The house was cut into 5 pieces (including the garage) which were removed, very early in the morning and were delivered, with a police escort, to South Yaamba. The house was carefully cut along the walls and floorboards to minimise damage. One section per week was removed and delivered. Only a few trees had to be pruned back to allow the building to pass along the road. Lammi Bros placed the house on new stumps; two steps lower than it had originally been built. Shelley said it was a very smooth process without even a tile broken in the ensuite. Due to the care in the cutting the house has been rejoined and you would not know it had been cut into sections. The restumping had levelled the floors, which had begun to sag and has helped to restore the condition of the house. Dr Learmonth had enclosed some of the verandas for bedrooms and the Chisholms have kept these rooms as they still have a lovely front veranda and some side veranda areas. They love the high ceiling and huge old timber doors and the large windows. The tongue and groove in some of the walls is half the normal size and the floorboards also are very wide timbers. The family moved in at Easter 2009 and the renovation work still continues and will continue for some time, as anyone with an older home will understand. They have been looking at colours to paint the outside and now think they may make it Latte with a White trim. Shelley said she did not know if Dr Learmonth had a name for the house and said they were thinking about naming it 'Findhorn', which is the area in Scotland where Duncan's family had come from. The family love the old home and are pleased to have kept a piece of Rockhampton history alive for the future. Thank you to Shelley for this information. J Fry.

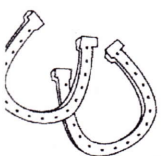
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Rockhampton Regional Council Information.

They will be undertaking general maintenance works in the areas of Mornish and Glenroy through to November 2010. Other events:

Council events for the month of September:

- 2nd** - Wombat Stew at the Pilbeam Theatre 6.30pm
5th - Encore 2010 at the Pilbeam Theatre 2.00pm
10-11th - High School Musical Junior at the Pilbeam Theatre 7.00pm
12th - Heritage Village Markets at the Heritage Village 8.00am to 1.30pm
12th - Peace Train - The Cat Stevens Story at the Pilbeam Theatre at 7.30pm
18th - Halpern and Johnson at the Pilbeam Theatre 7.30pm
19th - Bell Park Markets at Bell Park 8.00am to 12.00pm
21st-23rd - School Holiday Activities at the Heritage Village 10.00am to 12.00pm
23rd - 2nd October - Dance Festival at the Pilbeam Theatre 9.00am, 1.30pm and 6.30pm daily
24th - Raks Rhythms Gala Dinner at Customs House 6.00pm
24th - Twilight Movie - Tale of Despereaux at the Big Dam Mt Morgan at 7.00pm
25th - Drum and Dance Workshops at the Walter Reid Cultural Centre - Check website for times and costs www.raksinrockhampton.weebly.com
26th - Raks and Crafts Market at the Walter Reid Cultural Centre 9.00am till 1.00pm
28th - 30th - School Holiday Activities at the Heritage Village 10.00am till 12.00pm

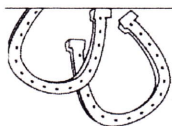
Garden Tips

Roses: If you have a little bit of milk left over in a bottle of milk then fill it with water and then spray that over your roses. It'll prevent black spot. I don't know why but it seems to work!

A solution to **dog burying her bones** in the pot plants:
The dog had taken a fancy to burying her bones in the garden pots so I have arched mesh - you could use chicken wire over the pots and the dog has stopped burying her bones there. The plants grow through the wire and it's a win-win situation. One last thing - the dog now buries her bones in an unusable part of the garden or just leaves them on the lawn. At least I can pick them up!

Congratulations CAMERON MILNER

Cameron ran 2nd in the Open Rope & Tie event at the Mt Isa Rodeo. He also competed at Longreach for 1st Steer Ride, 2nd in Breakaway . At Richmond 1st open Rope & Tie and 1st Steer Ride, and at Cloncurry 1st Steer Ride, 2nd Breakaway and 4th Rope and Tie - Well Done.





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Ridgелands QCWA

The Ridgелands branch held its AGM on 26th July in the CWA rooms. There was a good attendance of members and visitors including Mayor Brad Carter and Councillor Cherie Rutherford. The meeting was chaired by the State Vice President Northern region, Maureen Hanrahan. Election of Officers was as follows: branch President: Hilary Chippendale. Vice President Merle Smith and Kay Milner, Secretary Joyce Chippendale, treasurer Geraldine baker and International Officer Ann Jepsen. Members held a sausage sizzle at Bunnings on Sunday 8th August which was very successful. 9 members will be attending the Divisional International Day on the 18th August at Koongal QCWA hall.

Morinish Landcare Group – all welcome

The Morinish Landcare Group will be having a meeting on September 8th at Mary's Paddock "Melrose", commencing with morning tea at 9:30 for a 10:00 start. One of the speakers will be Paul Jones from DEEDI, he will be covering a range of topics:

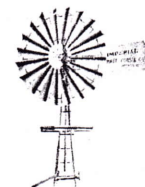
1. Comparison Grazing Trials Results (these were held in throughout Northern Queensland including Mill's "Melrose".)
2. Cell Grazing; Rotational Grazing and Set Grazing
3. Grazing Land Management Best Practice
4. Wet Season Spelling

As we will be out in the paddock please come prepared- catering for yourself - bring a cup, thermos, chair, morning tea and lunch.

District Reunion

Any older settlers from the Daima, Ridgелands, Aiton Downs, Morinish, Garnant, Calmorin districts are invited to a picnic lunch at Ridgелands Hall, 2nd October, 11:00am til late. All welcome. Please phone 49 345125 for further information.





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Jokes

What do you call a box of parrot food?
Polly Filla

What do you call a thing with 22 legs, 11 heads and 2 wings
A football team

Magic Words for you to add to your daily conversation

ANGLEWITCH (n.) is neither a bent out of shape, black caped crone with a pointy hat, nor is it bat out of hell on a bad hair day. If truth be told, an **anglewitch** is an obsolete word meaning a worm that is used as a lure or bait to catch a fish. (wonderful!)

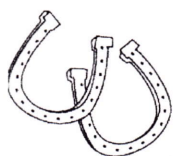
CRUCIVERBALISM (n.) One might suppose that **cruciverablism** refers to the ability to murder the King's English with great ease or perhaps the skilful art of using one's razor-sharp tongue to gore a grumbling grammarian. These attempts though they may be close to the mark...but experts would say, "they've all missed by a country mile!" The meaning of "**cruciverbalism**" is the art of crossword compilation or being a fan of crossword puzzles.
http://www.squidoo.com/weird_words#module3362158

Recipe Corner - Tomato Feta Scones

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|---------------------------|---------------------------|
| 3 cups self-raising flour | fresh thyme |
| 1 tblsp cater sugar | 400g can crushed tomatoes |
| ¼ tsp salt | 150g feta, crumbled |
| 25g cold butter, chopped | 2tsps milk |
| 1 tblsp finely chopped | Butter, to serve |

1. Sift flour, sugar and salt into a bowl. Add butter. Use fingertips to rub butter into flour mixture. Make a well in centre. Add thyme, tomatoes and 100g of feta. Gently stir mixture until it's almost combined.
2. Turn out onto a lightly floured surface. Knead until mixture comes together.
3. Pat out dough until 2cm thick. Using 6cm round cutter, dip in flour then cut out 16 rounds. Repeat process until all dough is used. Place rounds 3cm apart on two lightly greased oven trays. Bush tops with milk, sprinkle with feta.
4. Cook in 240 C oven for 12 minutes

Thanks to Dell Smith for this recipe



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10th September, 2010

Bullride

7pm Under Lights

Free Entry To Bullride

Rocky Rush Campdraft/Challenge

At

Ridgeland's Rodeo Grounds

11th September, 2010

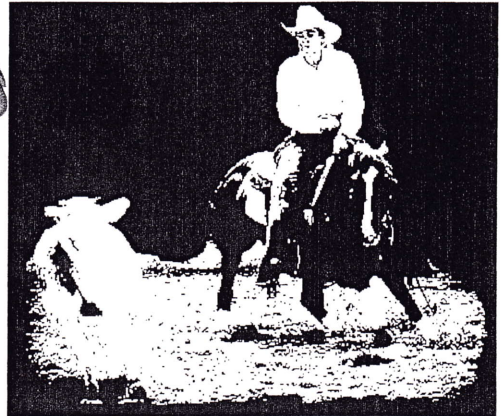
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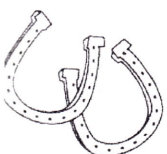
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Meetings

Rural Fire Brigade Meetings:

Alton Downs

15th September
7pm at Hall to discuss fire levy followed by AGM.

Dalma:

15th September
7.30pm - AGM and General meeting. The Brigade would appreciate the attendance of any persons with an interest in the future welfare of the Dalma Brigade. Unfortunately our active membership is very low. We would welcome your support.

QCWA

Ridgelands Branch meetings held on the 1st Wednesday every month, starting at 9:30am.

Ridgelands and District Sporting and Agricultural Ass. Inc.

AGM 8th September, 7:30pm at Ridgelands Showgrounds

Stitch and Chat Group

Meets on the 2nd & 4th Tuesday of every month starting at 9:30am. QWCA room, all welcome
Ph 49 345145

Events

Indoor Bowls

Held **2nd Saturday** of every month at Alton Downs Hall. All welcome

Camp Quality Monthly Markets & Car Boot Sale

Held 1st Saturday of every month at Conaghan Park, Gracemere from 8:00am-12:00pm
Vacancies exist for new stall holders.
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Community Notices

Alton Downs Hall Committee

To book community hall please contact Booking Officer, Sid Hoare on 49 341147.

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Chair Hire

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

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Date Claimer

Ridgelands Hall
Christmas Karaoke – 20.11.10

Barn Service

Sunday 5th September
9am at John & Jenny Reeve's 42 Boys Rd Alton Downs for St Luke's Wandal Parish
all welcome

Birthdays

Jack Bush
Leonie Thompson
Alysha Fossett

Celebrations

Best Wishes to Letisha Franken and Nigel Carbery on their upcoming marriage on the 18th September.

