

# Around the Ridges

and a bit beyond

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Around the Ridges and a bit beyond is a community and school newsletter.

The newsletter is produced monthly, and is funded through sponsorship and advertising.

If you wish to contribute to the newsletter, please send all material in by the 15th of every month.

Advertising for special events must be submitted two months in advance.

Do you have an exciting story to tell?

We want to hear them!!!! Please send your story, as you are a valued part of our community and this newsletter.

## Wild dog baiting now easier.

Member for Mirani Ted Malone said he was very pleased that the LNP government has made it possible for graziers to better manage the problem of wild dogs by enabling them to now source animals from their own properties for baiting purposes.

The State Food Production Queensland is working closely with the Minister for Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry John McVeigh and AgForce recognises the importance of managing the wild dog population and now supports landholders accessing suitable meat from their own properties for this purpose. "This means landholders can source animals from their own property for baiting programs, either individually or collectively".

Landholders can obtain bait from the Council, or use animals culled from their own properties, including cattle, horses, sheep, goats, camels and wild game.

"Under these arrangements, animals that are butchered on-property can be taken to baiting stations where the meat will be injected with 1080." Once the poison has been added, the landholder may take the bait meat back to their property for their own use or use the bait in a collective baiting program across theirs and neighbouring properties.

"This is a very clear distinction between the activities of baiting and commercial meat production and processing. It is therefore important that bait meat is clearly identified as containing 1080 so there is no risk of it being used for human consumption.

More information can be obtained through regional Queensland Wild Dog Offensive Group (QDOG) representatives.

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## MEETING NOTICE

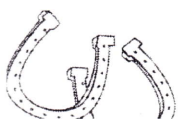
**The Dalma Rural Fire Brigade** will be holding their AGM followed by a Public Meeting to discuss the Fire Levy.

**When:** 23<sup>rd</sup> September 2012

**Where:** Dalma Hall

**Time:** 4.00 p.m.

We would appreciate the attendance of any persons within Dalma Brigade area. The meetings will be followed with a BYO BBQ so please know you are welcome to join us. Any questions call Narelle on 0409 340385. N J Hinz (Secretary)





### RECIPE CORNER

#### BEAN GOULASH

- Ingredients:
- 3 cups spiral pasta
  - 2 tablespoons olive oil
  - 2 zucchini, cut into diagonal slices
  - 1 medium onion, finely diced
  - 1 clove garlic, crushed
  - 4 tablespoons tomato paste
  - 1x400 can red kidney beans
  - 1x310 can creamed corn
  - Salt and pepper

Method:

Place pasta in saucepan of boiling water. Boil until pasta is just cooked. Drain and set aside. Heat olive oil in a large frying-pan. Add garlic and onion and cook for approximately 3 minutes. Add zucchini and continue to cook until zucchini is lightly browned. Add tomato paste, creamed corn and kidney beans. Allow to gently simmer for 5 minutes. Add pasta to pan and stir through bean goulash. Season with salt and pepper to taste.

**Thank You** – The Around the Ridges and A Bit Beyond community newsletter committee would like to sincerely thank Ena Sinclair for folding the newsletters every month with the help of her granddaughter. Ena has now moved to town and we miss her help. All the best for your new life in town.

#### HOME REMEDIES FOR HICCUPS

Hiccups can come at the most inconvenient times and when you're in public, you might need to use some very subtle methods to control the hiccupping. Some 'cures' involve gentle pressure; others, a glass of water. Do whatever works for you. Here are a couple of suggestions:

1. Press the palm of your hand with the thumb of your other hand – the harder, the better. Alternatively, you can squeeze the ball of your left thumb between the thumb and forefinger of the right. The discomfort is a distraction that affects your nervous system and may put an end to the hiccups.
2. Cup your hands over your nose and mouth, but continue breathing normally. You'll get hiccup relief from the extra dose of carbon dioxide.
3. The sharp surprise of something sour can make lips pucker and beat the hiccups. Cut a slice of lemon and suck on it.

Taken from the Reader's Digest 1801 Home Remedies.

## Engine Centre Rockhampton

**Danny McNamara**

Ph: 4934 1473 **Mob: 0438 341 473**

22 Sheehan Rd – Alton Downs.

Servicing all Cars, 4WD, Trucks and Tractors.



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Suzy McNamara  
Ph 49 333309

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Ray White Rural  
Geoff McNamara  
Ph 49 333309

**Toni's Tempting Treats**  
Homecooking for all  
your requirements  
Ph 49 345636

**Tyres**  
Robo's Tyreworks  
Wandal  
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motor marine etc.  
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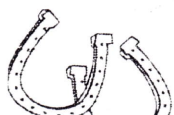
**Cabinet Maker**  
Timber Merchant  
N Watkins  
Ph 49 341243

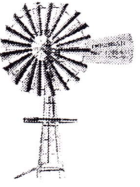
**Earth Moving**  
Truck, Bobcat ++  
Greg Thompson  
Ph 0407 156 662

**Mechanical Repairs &  
RWC**  
Cliff Munro  
Ph 49 224882

#### House Wanted

Wanted house to rent in Ridgeland/Alton Downs area.  
Phone Olivia on 0427 789483.



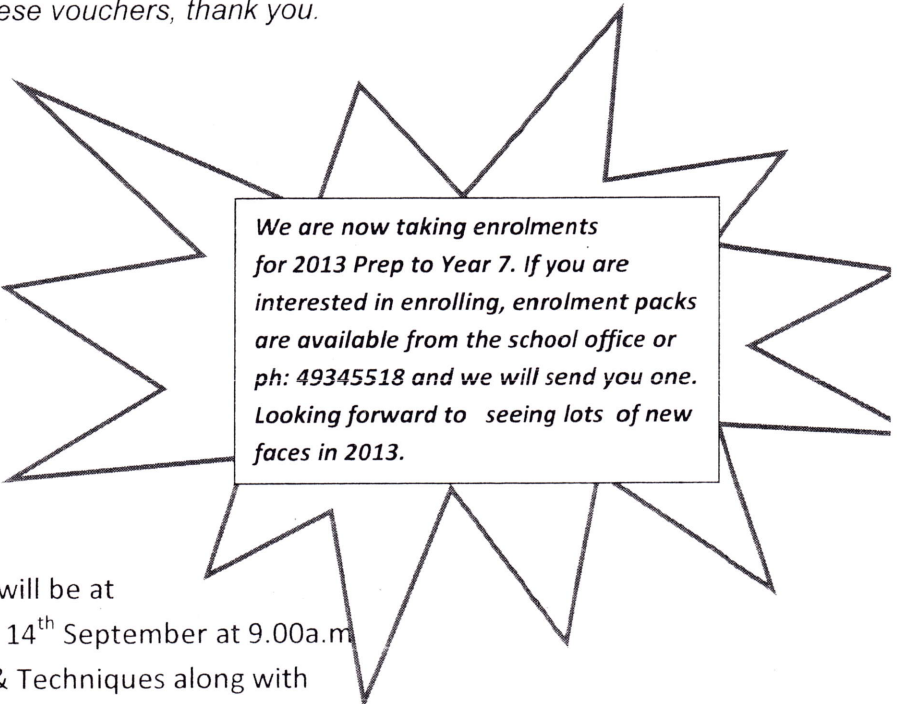


Ridgeland's State School News

*Congratulations to the 5/6/7 students who competed at the CQ Junior Robotics competition. It was great to see the way students planned, built, programmed and persevered through difficult circumstances. The standard of competition was very high with students gaining some insight into the higher levels of robotics competition through watching the robots of other students. We are proud to announce that our 5 teams placed 1st to 5th in the competition.*

*The year 5/6/7 students attended the Small Schools Activity day at Rockhampton State High School on Tuesday. Students got a taste of high school routine with lessons in Technology, Science, P.E., Agriculture, Art and Drama. The students were also able to mix with peers from other small schools to assist in making friendships once they move on to high school.*

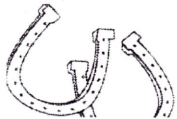
*Once again we would like to thank the community in supporting our school in collecting Woolworth's Earn & Learn Stickers, Coles Sport for Schools Vouchers and Pauls Collect-a-caps. Pictured below is our school holding our brand new sports equipment that all of you have made possible by collecting these vouchers, thank you.*



*We are now taking enrolments for 2013 Prep to Year 7. If you are interested in enrolling, enrolment packs are available from the school office or ph: 49345518 and we will send you one. Looking forward to seeing lots of new faces in 2013.*

Quilters World

Pauline Rogers 'The Gadget Queen' will be at the CWA rooms – Ridgeland's on the 14<sup>th</sup> September at 9.00a.m. Pauline will be demonstrating Tool & Techniques along with Lectures on Patchwork & Quilting. The day is made up of two lectures. Lecture 1 – **Mark designs with ease.** Learn a brilliant way to mark designs onto fabric. **Marking tools Dilemmas.** Pauline has the perfect answer – so you'll always have the best tool at hand no matter what the task or colour of fabric you use. Other topics covered in this session are Machine Quilting made easy, Needle turn Applique, creating ruffled flowers and bias makers. Lecture 2 – Quilt as you go. You can do it all yourself and feel that sense of accomplishment after you learn these two different techniques and no hand sewing. **Blanket stitch appliqué** without using visioefix. **Chenille** adds the perfect touch of interest and softness to quilts, garments and more. It's amazing what you can create with this technique. Cost for one lecture (3 hrs with break) with 7-10 participants \$7.00 per person. Cost for both lectures (4 ½ hours with break) 7 – 10 participants \$14.00 per person. For more information, please contact Dell Smith on 4934 5145.





# What's happening this month?

## Meetings

### QCWA

Ridgelands Branch meetings held on the 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday every month, starting at 9.30 a.m.

### Stitch and Chat Group

Meets on the 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of every month starting at 9:30am.

QCWA room, all welcome  
Ph 49 345145

### Fitzroy Northern Area Rate Payers Asscn

Meetings are held quarterly, commencing at 7.30 p.m. Next meeting is 5<sup>th</sup> November at Ridgelands Hall. The Fitzroy Northern area rate payers asscn. covers the areas of Pink Lilly, Alton Downs, Ridgelands, Morinish, Dalma, South Yaamba, Glenroy and Garnant.

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### The Ridelands & District Sporting & Agricultural Asscn Inc

Annual general meeting will be held on the 12<sup>th</sup> September at 7.30p.m. at the Ridgelands Showgrounds.

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### GIVE AWAY

Blue cattle pup  
Phone 4934 5135

## Auction/Fundraiser

Ridgelands & District Sporting & Agricultural Asscn Inc will be holding a BBQ/Auction on the 15<sup>th</sup> September at 6.30 p.m. A percentage of the Money raised will be donated to Breast Cancer. Everyone welcome.

## Events

### Indoor Bowls

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

## Community Notices

### Alton Downs Hall Committee

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

Alternatively call,  
T Hoare 49 34 1493  
J Chippendaie 49 345120

### Chair Hire

Contact the Ridgelands State School P&C to hire chairs for functions.  
Ph 4934 5518

### DATE CLAIMER

Ridgelands Hall Christmas Karaoke, Saturday, November 24<sup>th</sup> 2012  
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## Celebrations



Happy Birthday to everyone who is having a birthday.

Leonie Thompson  
Jack Bush  
Jeff Estreich  
Karen Munro

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## Condolences

Our sincere sympathy goes to Beryl Harvey and family on the recent loss of Bob. Our thoughts are with you.

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## Get Well Soon

We would like to wish Therese Bloomfield a speedy recovery from her recent operation. All the best.

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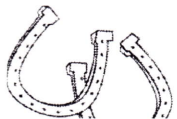


## Congratulations

Adam and Katie Bull on the arrival of Noah Jo Evan – 17<sup>th</sup> July. Brother for Georgia.

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Congratulations to Gary & Emma Dendle on the birth of Fletcher Stephen. Born 8<sup>th</sup> August.



# RIDGELANDS STATE SCHOOL

**FAIRY  
FLOSS  
ON A  
STICK**

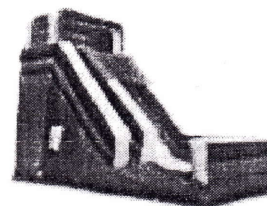
## COUNTRY FAIR

*Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> August*

**2012**

*Starting at 2.30pm until Late*

*In the School Grounds*



*BIGGER AND BETTER THAN EVER WITH LOTS OF ENTERTAINMENT*

### Stalls include:

White Elephant  
Plants  
Show Bags  
Fruit/Vegies  
Jewellery  
Cakes/Confectionery  
Soap/Candles  
Scarves  
Craft  
Linen


### Entertainment:

Afternoon Tea  
Multi Draw Raffle  
Rides  
Baby Animal Display  
Vintage Car Display  
Fashion Parade  
Kiddies Corner  
Auction  
BBQ Tea  
Musical Item

Mechanical Bull Competition

Bar & Entertainment Until Late

Pre-paid wristbands for unlimited rides \$22 or \$25 on the Day



# RIDE, SLIDE, JUMP WRISTBANDS

## **Ridgelands Country Fair**

Saturday, 25th August 2012

**BUY YOUR PRE-PAID  
WRISTBAND TODAY!  
ONLY \$22**

Deal is only for children 12 years & under ONLY

**Operating between 2:30pm—6:30pm**

Purchase wristbands prior to the event for \$22 at Ridgelands School or at the Ridgelands Country Fair (25/8/12) for \$25.

Possession of a wristband entitles children to unlimited access to the jumping castle and inflatable jumbo slide between 2:30pm—6:30pm. Students will also have access to the Mechanical Bucking Bull ride between 5pm—6pm.

Please note this time is separate to the 'Mechanical Bucking Bull' competition - refer to attached flyer for details.

Older children (over twelve years) can purchase slide tickets for \$2 per slide or 3 slides for \$5 on the day.

Access to jumping castle and bull ride between 2:30pm—6:30pm will not be permitted without wristbands.



# RIDGELANDS COUNTRY FAIR

Saturday, 25th August 2012

Competition Starts: 6:30pm

# Bucking Bull Competition

\$7 per class entry

\$2 discount if nomination/s received before 24-8-12

**EVENTS**

Class 1—Under 8's

Class 2—9 to 13 years

Class 3—14 to 18 years

Class 4—19 to 30 years

Class 5—Golden Oldies (over 30 yrs)

Class 6—Cowgirls (ladies 14 yrs to open)

Class 7—Calcutta (open to all ages)



## WHERE?

Ridgelands State School  
 43 Dalma / Ridgelands Road  
 RIDGELANDS QLD 4702  
 Telephone: (07) 49345518



## \$\$\$ PRIZE MONEY \$\$\$

- Class 1—1st \$25, 2nd \$15, 3rd \$10 Sponsor: Thinkwater
- Class 2—1st \$25, 2nd \$15, 3rd \$10 Sponsor: Wandal Need & Feed
- Class 3—1st \$25, 2nd \$15, 3rd \$10 Sponsor: G & M Estreich Bobcat & Truck Hire
- Class 4—1st \$50, 2nd \$30, 3rd \$20 Sponsor: Montrose Mining
- Class 5—1st \$50, 2nd \$30, 3rd \$20 Sponsor: Greg Thompson Earthmoving
- Class 6—1st \$50, 2nd \$30, 3rd \$20 Sponsor: Mark & Judy Stanke
- Class 7—1st \$80, 2nd \$60, 3rd \$40, 4th \$20 Sponsor: Montrose Mining

**TROPHIES** for 1st place for every class  
 Kindly created and made by Andrew Hunt

ALSO Prizes for: *Best Dressed Rider* *Lucky Rider*  
*Spectacular Dismount*

# Nomination & Agreement Form

MECHANICAL BUCKING BULL COMPETITION

Rider: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

**Entry Fee -** 1. **\$5 per class** if completed nomination, indemnity form and entry fee is received by Friday 24th August 2012. Please post your entries or deliver to:

*Ridgeland State School, 43 Dalma / Ridgeland Road, RIDGELANDS QLD 4702*

2. Nominations received on Saturday (25/8/12) will be **\$7 per class**.

**Nomination-** Class No: \_\_\_\_\_ Class Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Entry Cost: \_\_\_\_\_

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TOTAL ENCLOSED: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

## **Entry Rules – ALL PARTICIPANTS RIDE AT THEIR OWN RISK**

1. People with any illness, current or previous medical condition or any condition (including pregnancy) which impairs their ability to cope with the demands of the activity cannot use this equipment.
2. Riders can nominate to compete in appropriate age / gender classes more than once.
3. Riders can also nominate for Class 7 'Calcutta' **BUT** only one entry per rider for the Calcutta will be accepted.
4. Every entry fee will entitle the rider to a ride which includes an initial short warm up and continues into the class competition ride.
5. Please note if you pay prior to the event and you are unable to attend, nominations will not be refunded.
6. If there is less than a total of 6 entries in any rider's nominated class (class 1 to 6 only), only 1<sup>st</sup> place prize money will be awarded. The remaining prize money will be kept as a donation. All prize money (1<sup>st</sup> to 4<sup>th</sup>) will be awarded for Class 7 'Calcutta'.
7. Riders who are deemed intoxicated or unable to walk in a straight line due to excessive alcohol consumption will be denied their ride by the organising committee.

## **Judging -**

1. Riders will be judged on three components including time, riding style and entertainment value. Judge's decision is final.

## **Hazards & Risks –**

1. The rotation and bucking movement of the Mechanical Bull which will cause you to fall off of the Bull in an uncontrollable manner;
2. The changing condition of the equipment used during bull riding, the ground surface, and the speed and movement of the bull;
3. Inclement weather, lighting, variances and extremes of wind, weather and temperature;
4. My sense of balance, physical condition, ability to ride and hold on or follow directions;
5. The presence of insects and flying life forms;
6. Equipment failure or operator error;
7. Heat or sun related injuries or illnesses, including sunburn, sun stroke or dehydration;
8. Fatigue, chill and / or reaction time and increased risk of an accident.

I (name) \_\_\_\_\_ do hereby affirm and acknowledge that I have been fully informed of the inherent hazards and risks associated with the Mechanical Bucking Bull riding activities to which I am about to engage (Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> August, 2012), including but not limited to the list above (Hazards & Risks). I take full responsibility for any injuries or accident that may occur. It shall be the condition of entry that as a competitor I will hold the association blameless and indemnified against legal action arising from such accident.

I hereby declare that I am of legal age and am competent to sign this Nomination and Agreement or, if not, that my parent or legal guardian shall sign on my behalf and that my parent or legal guardian is in complete understanding and concurrence with this Agreement.

**I have read this Agreement, understand it, and I agree to be bound by it.**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Adult Participant

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name of Adult Participant (Please Print)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Parent or Guardian if participant is a Minor, and by their signature, they on my behalf release all claims that both they and I have.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name of Parent of Guardian (Please Print)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name of Minor (Please Print)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date