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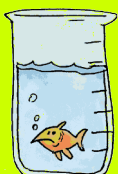
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**Lake
Boondooma
Current
Capacity
38.5%**

In the Rain Gauge

**At Proston
Post Office
Dec
118.7mm
Jan
1.8mm**

**2017 Total
743.8mm
2018 Total
752.9mm**



2019 Proston Show presents....

**SATURDAY
9 MARCH**

**Whipcracking
Competition
at 3.30pm
judged by**

The CrackUp Sisters



3 shows

11am

4pm

6pm

**"Crack-up" session
between 4pm and 6pm.**

Learn the art of Australian Whipcracking

The 'Royal' Proston Show is set to shine again this year on Friday 8th and Saturday 9th March with an impressive list of events and activities.

The Show events kick off early on Friday morning, with the acceptance of pavilion entries followed by judging. This year's theme for the pavilion is "Dragons". A People's Choice award sponsored by Proston CWA will be given for a special class where a child's toy dragon will be judged by popular vote. The CWA also sponsors prizes for the most points overall in the pavilion in both Senior and Junior sections.

A special annual Most Points cash prize is given to one section in turn, and this year it will be Photography, for both Senior and Junior exhibitors. The exhibitor with the most pavilion entries will also win a cash prize.

A new section has been included in the Pavilion displays, and

the contestants will feature displays illustrating an historical aspect of Proston district. Named for the late Gordon Buchanan, a special cash prize is being sponsored and awarded by the Proston Show Society. Please refer to the Schedule for full details.

Friday afternoon will feature judging of the Decorated Roosters, a Young Judges' competition for Trade Cattle, followed by the fun of the Young Farmers' Challenge. The evening will conclude with Sideshow Alley open for business and the Cattleowners' BBQ and Bar.

Saturday features all the traditional country show events: Prime and Stud Beef judging, Stud Beef Young Judges, Ute Show and Championship Dog Show. Horses will compete in ring events and the Stockhorse Challenge, the ever-popular Woodchop and Chainsaw competitions get under way and a full house is again expected in the Poultry Pavilion.

Entertainment this year will feature Rides'n'Slides and Dodge'ems, Mandy's Face Painting, Viv's Animal Farm and a Pet Parade. Show patrons are in for a special treat this year when the CrackUp Sisters entertain us with their zany fun. They will also be involved with the Whipcracking school and competition and we thank Kathy Duff for her major part in sponsoring this entertainment.

The Show will be officially opened by Mrs Kristy Frahm, CEO of BIEDO, at 1.30pm followed by a Grand Parade.

A wonderful display of fireworks will cap off Saturday evening followed by the licensed bar and live entertainment by Sim Richards.

The Show's own canteen and licensed Bar will operate for the duration of the Show.

Date Claimer: Easter Parade and Regatta in the Park Saturday 20 April 2019

Councillor Kathy's Comments



Cr Kathy Duff

I hope that everyone has had a good start to the year. I have a big wish list and one of them is to help get the Proston Men's shed built.

Recently I travelled to Gayndah with our new CEO, Mark Pitt, and some of the members of the Proston Men's Shed to have a look at the Gayndah shed. It is a very similar building to the one that the Proston men plan to erect.

It was great to have a look at what they are doing and one key activity is to give travellers a cup of tea and share a yarn. They said that the word has spread and it has become a real tourist attraction.

I think that the same thing can happen in Proston and not only will they continue to help and support local men but I think that they will also help to attract people to our community.

I can't wait to see their shed up and running.

Please feel free to contact me at any time. I am keen to hear your concerns and to work closely with you.

*** I can be contacted on 0437020705.**

Australia Day Celebrations



Pink Stumps Cricket Captains and award winners.



Some cricket action at the Proston Scouts.



Proston and district residents joined in a myriad of activities to proudly celebrate our national day.

Hivesville residents began the day with a BBQ breakfast in the park. The Proston Scouts hosted an afternoon ceremony which included flag-raising, cricket, damper and lamingtons. Several new members also signed on.

Then it was on to the lovely setting of Boondooma Homestead for an early evening ceremony followed by a BBQ and live music.

The following day, Sunday 27th, was Pink Stumps Day at the

Hivesville Market and it was a great example of the community coming together and having fun while raising money for a good cause. Cr Ros Heit's team scored 39 all out to defeat Cr Kathy Duff's team who only managed 32 all out, despite the pink team far outnumbering their opposition. Man of the Match was David Hunter who took an awesome catch whilst wicket-keeping. The Encouragement Award went to Garin Muirhead who battled through an injury and the Batsman Award was won by Bill Oberle for a couple of fine boundaries.

McGrath Foundation breast care nurse for the district, Sue Cox,

gratefully accepted \$300 which was the proceeds from the morning. All involved are keen for a re-match next year.



McGrath Foundation breast care nurse, Sue Cox with organiser of the Pink Stumps Cricket Day, Garin Muirhead. Congratulations on a wonderful event!

Kathy is our Local Achiever

Our hard-working community nurse, Kathy Crane, has been recognised in the South Burnett Regional Council 2019 Australia Day Awards. Kathy has been honoured with the Local Achiever Award for Hivesville/Proston for her leadership and involvement in many areas of our community. These include Tai Chi classes, a walking group, meditation group, Friends of Reinke Scrub, movie nights in Railway Park, Proston Round

Table events including the Regatta and Photo Competition and the Proston & District Heritage Assn. Kathy is always there to lend her support to other organisations and events in town too. She has led two very successful "Focus on You" events offering everyone information and encouragement to look after their health and lifestyle choices.

A project dear to Kathy's heart

is the creation of a labyrinth to enhance emotional and mental well-being in the community. She has been successful in obtaining a grant for this project and it is due to be completed this year.

Congratulations Kathy on this very well-deserved Award.

DID YOU KNOW?
Proston now has a Defibrillator in the main street. It is located in Jacaranda Tearooms and is available for emergency use.

Social Snippets



* Nice to see Beryl Coulson (on right) back in town and catching up with friends at Jacaranda Tearooms. Beryl recently celebrated her 90th Birthday and still has the same wonderful sense of humour and trademark laugh! From left - Jenny Moseling, Lyn Manthey, Beryl Leyden, Coralie Fox and Beryl Coulson.

* Margaret Westerman and David Hunter have almost recovered from their wonderful trip to the USA late last year. The trip was a celebration of David's 70th Birthday and he enjoyed many new experiences, including driving Route 66. David's daughter Tracey and her family shared the memorable trip with them.

DATE CLAIMER
SATURDAY 20 APRIL 2019
EASTER PARADE AND FUN
IN RAILWAY PARK
 PROSTON BRANCH
 DETAILED INFORMATION TO FOLLOW

SAVE THE DATE: MOONLIGHT
CINEMA in Railway Park, Proston
SATURDAY 6 APRIL

Get to Know a Local!

If you encounter a lady in Proston with a wide smile and hear a softly spoken Scottish accent, it will most likely be Marion Izatt, out and about enjoying life in the community.

Born in Scotland in 1938, Marion trained as a nurse in the Stirling Royal Infirmary and Bannockburn Fever Hospital. In her free time, she loved dancing, singing and acting on stage.

Marion and her late husband Jim were married for 57 years.

Name: Marion Izatt

Lived in Proston: 29 years

Occupation: Retired Nursing Sister

Favourite Pastime: QCWA activities, craft, reading, puzzles, music and social outings



Two lovely Proston ladies have started the year with 70th Birthday celebrations. Glenda McArdle (left) on the 1st January and Lyn Anderson (right) on the 7th January. Hope you enjoyed your celebrations ladies!

* Lyn Manthey enjoyed a much colder climate recently when she toured some of the Scandinavian countries. Lyn described snow sledding behind reindeers as a once-in-a-lifetime experience.

* A meeting to discuss the proposed Rail Trail between Murgon and Proston was well attended. The Mayor and several Councillors were in attendance to hear from those in favour of the proposal and also from those who shared their concerns. The Mayor gave encouragement that Council would support the application for a grant to undertake a feasibility study into the proposal.



A good crowd enjoyed browsing the stalls at the Christmas Shopping night on 8 December. NB Inspirations was popular with Christmas shoppers and many of them took the opportunity to catch up with friends at Jacaranda Tearooms.

Successful Christmas Carnival

The threat of rain didn't deter a good crowd from turning out to share some Christmas fun in the Community Hall. All the usual raffles, food, drinks and novelty stalls were available. Santa was a big hit with the 100 or so children present, when he handed out gifts kindly provided by the CWA ladies. Proston Men's Shed treated each child (and some adults as well!) to lolly bags and ice creams. It was lovely to see everyone talking and mingling and enjoying the spirit of the season.

Congratulations to all the community organisations who worked together to make it such a lovely night. It was a real country Christmas!

* Congratulations to David and Tracie Hoyland, who are the new owners of Proston Rural Supplies. We wish you all the best with your new venture. Previous owners Robyn and Darryl Grivell are enjoying a well-earned break.

* Proston Men's Shed are happy to report that they have negotiated a suitable site for their shed and have applied to the Council for a lease. The Shed will front Murphys Way and will share the Overnight Camp area. They are looking forward to an exciting time ahead as they fulfil their dream of having their own shed.

Favourite Food: Fish, Macaroni Cheese

Favourite Music: Classical orchestral & piano music

Favourite Sport: Lawn Bowls (in the past)

I can't live without: My family, my pussycat and my friends

My secret talent is: Nothing special

Best Quality: I am able to make people laugh and I love to give to others

Worst Quality: Intolerance of negative people and stupidity

Proston needs: Jobs and shops, Transport

What I like most about Proston: The people and the lifestyle



Dates for your Diary

Lake Boondooma Yellowbelly Fishing Comp 9 & 10 February

Mosaic Workshop 15 & 16 February

Proston Show 8 & 9 March

Hivesville Country Market Sunday 24 February & Sunday 24 March

Proston Golden Spurs Campdraft 22 to 24 March

Church Service Times:

Catholic 8am Mass every Saturday

South Burnett Ministries 9.30am every Sunday

Baptist 10am on the 2nd & 4th Sundays, 2pm Bible Study on the 3rd Sunday



It looks terrifying, but apparently it's loads of fun!
Some Australia Day action on beautiful Lake Boondooma.

A good crowd enjoyed camping, fishing and water sports in the beautiful lakeside setting across the long weekend.



Proston Bowls Club Social Bowls

Saturday 23 February

Names in by 2pm Sausage Sizzle after bowls.

All Welcome!

Flat sole shoes or thongs

Contact: John on 0427 454 900 or 41689596



Have you started building your boat?

Are you getting your crew in shape?

PROSTON REGATTA IN THE PARK is on again.

EASTER SATURDAY 20 APRIL

Don't miss this great day of community fun!

Those were the days.....



The current owner of the old Proston Uniting Church is wondering if you or your loved ones were married in the church?
If so, she is dedicating a wall to those who are willing to kindly share a photo of their special day.
Please contact Sonia McMahon on 0427 137 140 if you have a photo to contribute.

Focus On You Community Health Expo

Date: 21 February, 2019
Time: 5pm—9pm
Location: Murgon PCYC

THINK SAFETY Safety—Work, Home & Community



Guest Speaker
Mr Shane Webcke
Ambassador for Workplace Health & Safety

Sausage sizzle, lucky door prizes
Raffles will be available on the night.
Local trade displays, Kitchen Fire Simulation

Locally supported and run by local service providers, community members and groups and the hospital auxiliaries.
For more information please contact 0407 091 019.

Community Health night - Murgon PCYC - 21 February - Special Guest Shane Webcke - Free bus from Proston - Bookings essential - Contact Kathy Crane at the Health Clinic or phone 0407 091 019.



PROSTON GOLDEN SPURS CAMPDRAFT

22, 23 & 24 MARCH



SACRED SPACE STUDIO TO LET



Looking for a fully self contained studio to hire in Proston?

Excellent rates min 2 nights
Quiet area close to shops and pub
Perfect for couples romantic retreat
Contact 0427137140

Read "The Proston Post" online at www.prostononline.info or "Like" and "Follow" the Proston Connection Facebook page.

If you have an item or photograph that you think may be of interest to your community it can be left at either NB Inspirations or Jacaranda Tearooms or alternatively email it to grea6@bigpond.com for possible inclusion in the newsletter.