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MOZART'S MUSIC GOES THE DISTANCE

Story *Alyssa Mackay*

An ensemble of emerging professional musicians will be turning the spotlight onto some of Mozart's finest concertos this month.

Five soloists from Cadenza Chamber Players will take centre stage at the Sandgate Town Hall to play A Mozart Concerto Marathon.

Artistic director and chief conductor Lucas D. Lynch said the concert was something he had been wanting to do for years.

"In classical concerts you have one, maximum two, concertos," Lucas said. "I wanted to design this whole concert built on just concertos because they are versatile and unique, and offer so much charm.

"Mozart wrote many concertos for different instruments and they are breathtaking. You just can't go wrong with Mozart."

A Mozart Concerto Marathon will feature four concertos, with solo musicians playing their instruments accompanied by an orchestra. Lucas will perform Mozart's Piano Concerto No.12. A harp and flute concerto will be played by Jaclyn Miles and Jess Hall, with Niamh Bennett set to perform a clarinet concerto. Mozart's Horn

Below L to R: Daniel Sherson (horn), Jess Hall (flute), Lucas D Lynch (conductor), Niamh Bennett (clarinet), Jaclyn Miles (harp)

Concerto No.2 will be performed by Daniel Sherson.

"Highlighting these four concertos offers the audience a great insight into this genius composer," Lucas said.

Cadenza Chamber Players are freelance musicians based in South-East Queensland, ranging from five to 30 players, depending on the project.

Lucas said he was passionate about giving members of the ensemble a soloist moment.

"Everyone is equally talented and virtuosic, and I'm vehement to showcase their talent," he said.

"It's important for emerging professional musicians, most who have graduated from tertiary institutions, to have the opportunity to play with an orchestra as a soloist."

The ensemble formed in 2017 and started off playing shows at the Sandgate Town Hall.

"I think we always come back to our roots, and Sandgate is our roots," Lucas said.

"The people are amazing in Sandgate. The venue there is to die for. There's a gorgeous piano and the acoustics are breathtaking. I don't think it could be more exquisite."

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25 Years and Still Grooving

Story *Aleasha Bliss*

The New Groove Jazz Ensemble is celebrating 25 years of big band at Sandgate Town Hall this month. The afternoon event will showcase new music in the style of Big Band jazz and will have you boogying the day away.

The ensemble consists of 20 instrumentalists and vocalists ranging in age from early 20s to mid

90s, and has a regular fortnightly concert at the Sandgate Town Hall – a popular Sunday activity for many local fans.

New Groove Jazz Ensemble pianist Sacha Hughes said she had been in the band for five years and was excited for the 25 year celebration.

"It's a really enjoyable afternoon," Sacha said. "It's live music. It's wonderful to support local musicians in the area, and it's just a really fun afternoon."

"We largely centre around jazz, swing, and lots of classic Big Band tunes. Lots of Ella Fitzgerald, Count Basie – all of those kinds of classics."

"We do some modern things as well and are inspired by all of the Michael Bublé and Harry Connick Jr-type charts also."

Sacha said that although COVID had created many challenges for the band last year, it had been very rewarding performing again and having the community support all of the group's latest concerts.

"We have been playing in the local community for a long time and are trying to keep that live music and that Big Band swing-era live for the local community to enjoy," Sacha said.

"Every concert has got new music; we don't play the same chart in a year, so we've got a really high turnover of music with some great songs for people to come and listen to."

"We also have lots of people who like to come and dance at the concert, which we love, so we really encourage people who like to dance to come along."

Tickets for the celebration are \$10 per person and must be purchased online due to COVID restrictions. There will be no walk-ins allowed on the day, and contact tracing details will be recorded.

You can purchase your tickets or discover more information by visiting www.newgroove.com.au

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BUSINESS IS BLOOMING

Story **Brooke Jacobson**
Photo **Bruce Redman**

Business is positively blooming at Wallflower with the popular local florist opening up a second location. Owner Renae Handy said despite a COVID-related drop in some aspects of their business, the past 12 months had proved to be “pretty busy”.

“We do lots of weddings and events, so with that shut-down we took a hit, but we were still so busy sending flowers all over Brisbane,” she said.

“People couldn’t get out and celebrate with each other, so they were sending flowers as a way of connecting.

“And plants too, with people working from home they wanted to make their home more beautiful and we couldn’t keep up with demand for indoor plants.”

Wallflower’s original shop had become too small, and the business expanded into new premises on Braun Street, Deagon.

“We had really outgrown our little shop in Sandgate, we were bursting at the seams,” she said.

“I had a vision in my mind of a big shed, with open beams, although initially I wasn’t looking for something quite this big. But I fell in love with it.”

The former antique store underwent a huge renovation, removing the ceiling and adding in skylights and air-conditioning, as well as some new walls and a paint job.

“We loved it because it’s on the main road, there’s heaps of parking out the front and out the back, we have our greenhouse on the side,” Renae said.



Renae Handy

“I really didn’t want people to forget the store that had been here, so to keep some of that feeling from the antique store, I kept the floors the same and I have a few of their pieces like lamps and plates around our shop.”

The new shop has everything locals know and love about Wallflower – plants and flowers, as well as gifts and candles made by Brisbane artists – just on a bigger scale.

Renae added she had been “feeling the love” from the 4017 community. “So many people have come in and said thank you for making Deagon a more exciting suburb and that just makes me so happy,” she said.

“If there’s anything I’m passionate about, it’s the Sandgate and beside community; I could talk about it all day.”

Wallflower’s new location will become the main store, while the original shop will remain – for now – as a “mini version” of Renae’s vision.

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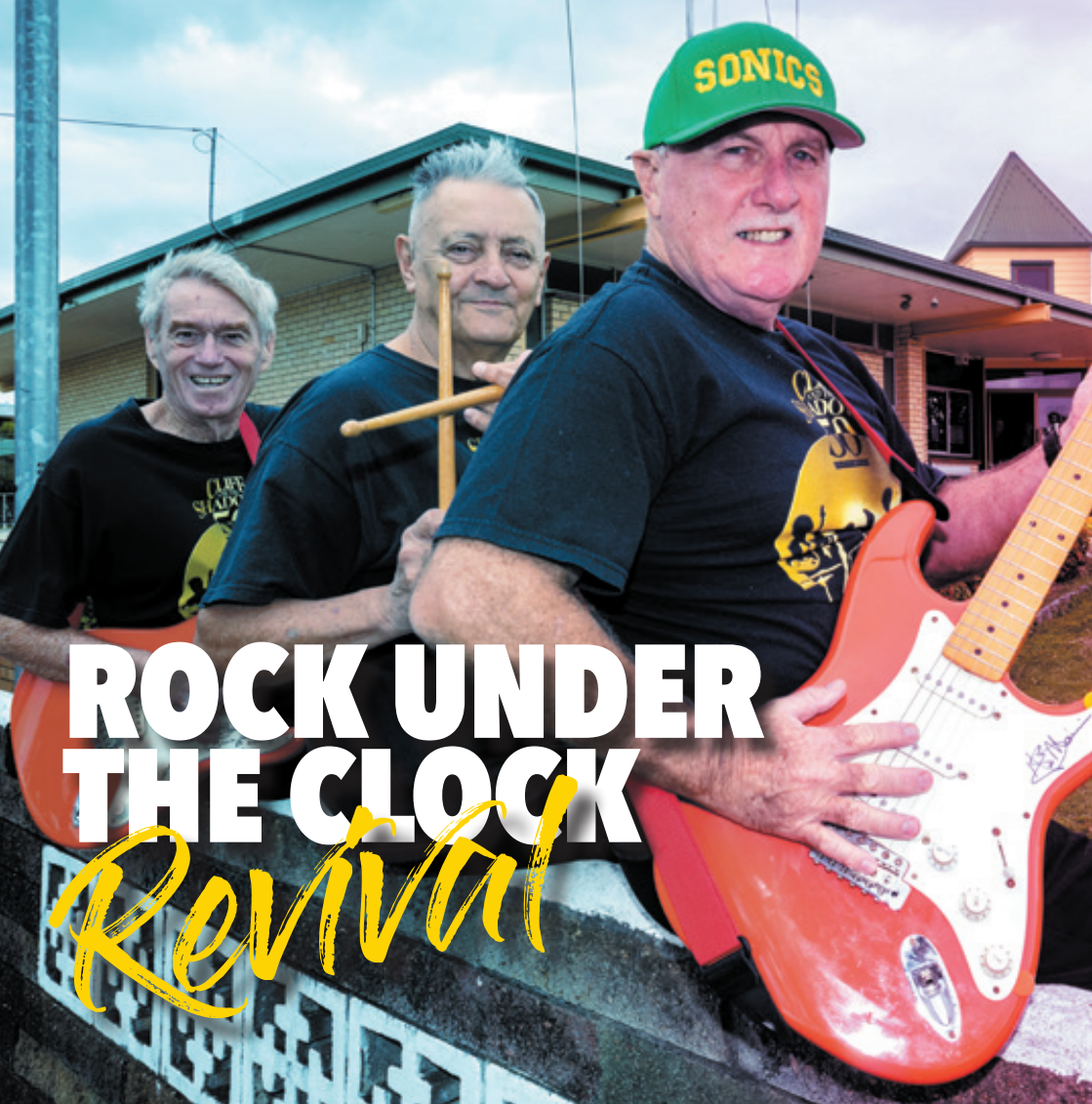
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ROCK UNDER THE CLOCK

Revival

Story Linda Read
Photo Bruce Redman

Put your glad rags on and get ready to rock – 4017's iconic Rock Under the Clock is back, bigger and better than ever.

After 'rockdown' in 2020, this key event on the region's rock'n'roll calendar has a new venue for 2021 – The Sandgate Bowls Club – moving from its original home at the Sandgate Town Hall because of attendance restrictions.

While the venue may have changed, the tunes certainly have not. Renowned rock'n'roll band The Sonics, led by vocalist Jim Hansen, will entertain the crowd with late 1950s and 1960s music from Australia, the USA, and the UK.

Rod Kippen, Robin Werda,
Garry McDonald



"The emphasis on this particular event is rock'n'roll revival," said Sonics guitarist Rod Kippen, who said the music appealed to a wide group of people.

// *We do get a lot of younger people that like rock'n'roll dancing, and the older generation just want to relive this nostalgic time," he said.*

The Sonics originated back in 1961, when four Sandgate teenagers from the same class at Sandgate High School got together. They adopted the Sandgate Town Hall as their preferred venue, playing at dances under the banner Rock Under the Clock.

Sixty years later, The Sonics are still going strong with those four original band members – Rod Kippen (guitar), Garry McDonald (guitar), Bob Blight (bass guitar), and Robin Werda (drums) – now joined by vocalist Jim Hansen, songstress Nicky Steel, and Annette Smith on keyboard.

The band reincarnated the Rock Under the Clock theme – named in reverence to the first rock'n'roll record, The Comets' Rock Around The Clock – in 2014, with two events held every year since then (except in 2020) at the town hall.

As has been the case in previous years, all proceeds from the night will go to the Sandgate PCYC's youth development programs. The event has raised more than \$80,000 in the last seven years.

Rod said the new venue promised to be the perfect alternative to host this year's event, which draws a crowd from across the south-east.

"The bowls club is bigger than the town hall so we can have more people attend," he said. "We're able to observe social distancing at the same time and put in place all of the necessary COVID protocols."

There will be a supper service, a fully licensed bar, and coffee and tea available. Bookings are essential. For more information and to purchase your ticket, visit www.trybooking.com/729079

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Bagpipers Campbell, Ray, and Raymond wait to take part in the Anzac Day March 2021. After no march last year, the 9am march this year was again attended by hundreds of participants from community groups and local schools.



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Ryan Northey

LOOK OUT FOR BLUENOSE BETTY

Sandgate will soon welcome a new bar and restaurant – Bluenose Betty – right in the heart of town.

Story Aleasha Bliss Photo Bruce Redman

Bluenose Betty will offer an upmarket yet casual dining experience with a full bar offering craft beers, wine, and cocktails. The bar will be replacing Sam's Wine Bar and will have a beer garden and a relaxed atmosphere, so patrons can chill out and forget their worries after a hard day.

Bluenose Betty manager Ryan Northey is no amateur in the bar and restaurant business – he runs four of his father's venues that are in Teneriffe and Coffs Harbour.

"Bluenose Betty is a nice, relaxed, social bar and restaurant lounge," Ryan said. "It will have a very relaxed kind of atmosphere.

"You can come as whoever you are - if you feel like wearing a T-shirt and a pair of shorts, that's fine, but if you want to dress up, that works too.

"We have a beer garden out the back, and our food is a very social experience – it's not pub grub, not fine dining, and not finicky tapas – it's share-style comfort food that's done well."

Ryan said once open, the venue would plan to have regular live music to add to the comfortable and stress-free vibe it aims to bring.

"We love being part of a community and Sandgate has always been a place that appealed to me," Ryan said. "I love the fact that it's close to the water, it's away from the central Brisbane proper, and is its own community that draws in others around it.

"We were out here over weekends and spotted this building and knew this is what we were after. We had to take advantage of this beautiful building – it's a really beautiful, old historic building that the owner's done a beautiful job renovating. It just needs the place to come alive and have a soul put back into it."

Ryan said Bluenose Betty would be very similar to the Teneriffe restaurant and bar, Streetcorner Jimmy, and was excited to bring something different to the area.

"I don't see Bluenose Betty as competition in the community," Ryan said. "I see it as something that will completely complement what's already here. There are some great little craft beer bars if you like, which have that great little personality to them, and then you have got the pubs.

"We kind of feel like we fit the middle ground between them all – just a nice and relaxed, upmarket bar."

Keep up to date with Bluenose Betty here:
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► July: Umberto Clerici (cello) and Daniel de Borah (piano)

Shakespeare once implied that music is the food of love. You'll have the opportunity to 'feel the love' when Umberto Clerici and Daniel de Borah perform works from the romantic era of the 1800s.

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As for dear Frederic Chopin, did you know his famous Minute Waltz was originally called The Waltz of the Little Dog? After a little dog, of course. Meanwhile, back at the town hall, Umberto and Daniel will also play Fred's own take on Cello Sonata and Song Without Words.

Apparently, both Mendelssohn and Chopin met once and spent their time discussing music and playing piano. Mendelssohn is reported to have said it was a very agreeable day. Perhaps their brain circuits were in sync.

Whether you come from your head or your heart though, spending an evening immersed in the greatest music of that era is a no brainer. Catch you in July.

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AUSSIE-STYLE NOAH'S ARK

Story **Aleasha Bliss** Photo **Bruce Redman**

Experience Noah's Ark as you have never seen it before. Noah is a completely original musical written by Bracken Ridge local Phil Halpin and performed by Jafa performance group.

The Noah musical focuses on climate change and is set in drought-stricken rural Australia with strong messages for the audience about looking after our country.

Noah cast member Chrissie O'Dea is excited to be playing God in the musical and said the modern take would appeal to a wide audience.

"Noah touches on global warming and God comes down to speak to Noah – who owns the local pub in the local town – and tells him it's going to flood," Chrissie said. "And he needs to build a boat. The town's got to try to convince God that they are worth saving.

"It's a slight twist to the usual Noah, and having a female God is very powerful. The fact that it's set in a Queensland country community in drought, I think it's very topical as well.

"I think it's really exciting that it's been written by local Phil Halpin. He has done an amazing job writing not only the story but also the music. I am so proud of what he has achieved because it's fantastic."

The musical will run for 90 minutes without an intermission. Chrissie said the production had 12 lead characters, 15-20 chorus members and five band members.

"Jafa is a community theatre group that was originally attached to the St. Joseph's Catholic Church at Bracken Ridge, and has been going for about 20 years now," Chrissie said. "We do a production every other year, usually, and are very community focused. We often involve the school community and many of the older people within the area."

Chrissie said it was great to be a part of Jafa and she was looking forward to welcoming the audience to the show on opening night.

"It's not really the story of Noah at all," Chrissie said. "The basics are there with the ark and the animals, but other than that it's totally a modern take that will surprise the audience."

Tickets are priced between \$10 and \$15, with 200 seats available per show and they can be purchased at: www.trybooking.com/BQPBS

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The new playground on the Sandgate foreshore at the end of Fifth Avenue will be named Peebo and Dagwood Place.

Story Brooke Jacobson

Sandgate's favourite clowning duo Peebo and Dagwood hold a special place in the hearts of many in the community, and now the pair will have a piece of the 4017 named after them.

Council's new playground on the Sandgate foreshore, at the end of Fifth Avenue, will officially be named Peebo and Dagwood Place, after Peter 'Peebo' and David 'Dagwood' Bissell.

It's been just over 12 months since Peebo's death, and according to Deagon Ward councillor Jared Cassidy, there couldn't be a more fitting tribute.

"Originally after Peter passed, there were quite a few people who wanted to erect a statue and I was on board with that," Jared said.

"But during COVID, that plan was put on hold and then David came to me and said he had seen the new playground being built and maybe it could be named after him and his brother – I thought it was a brilliant idea."

Jared launched an online petition, which gathered 2200 signatures in just one week, of which about 1000 came from outside Brisbane city.

"There were people from the Gold Coast who signed the petition because they remembered

the clowns visiting their children in hospital," he said. "I think this just shows how broad their reach was."

According to Jared, Peebo's daughter Millie was particularly excited about the playground being named after her dad and uncle.

"David said she was happy to be able to have somewhere to go to sit and remember her dad, and it will be a place filled with laughter and happy families, which is what Peebo and Dagwood were all about," Jared said.

"I've been in this job for six years and I've seen a lot of positive things happen in this community, but nothing has unified people like this playground naming.

"After such a tough year last year, to have something so positive is really quite nourishing for all of us."

A statement posted on the official Peebo and Dagwood Facebook page said the announcement about the playground naming was "exciting news". Dagwood also announced that his niece, Millie, would be clowning around with him in an official capacity at the Lilley Welcoming the Babies event.

The playground will have an official opening on a date yet to be set.

Conversations

Story Nick Allford

// We'd kick the back door in and there was only two or three bouncers, so they could only catch a few of us," said Jimmy Barnes on attending a Tina Turner concert.

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It doesn't aim to sensationalise or expose the interviewee, and true to its title, it's purely a conversation. It may sound less exciting, but actually makes for a more comfortable, natural, and ultimately more interesting listen. That's not to say that hard topics aren't tackled and dissected. Richard and Sarah make their guests feel at ease, in turn making them share more than you might expect.

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A WORD FROM OUR REPRESENTATIVES

Cr Jared Cassidy



Applications have now closed for stallholders at the Einbunpin Festival, to be held on Sunday, 25 July. However, there is still time for entertainers to submit an expression of interest to perform at the festival. The period

closes on 25 June so be quick. The organising committee have been working hard to ensure this year's festival is bigger and better than ever. With last year's festival having to be cancelled due to COVID, it will be great to get the local community back together again to enjoy a fun-filled, family day out. There will be plenty to do like the Mullet Toss, Egg and Spoon races, entertainment on three separate stages, stalls galore, and a few new additions – rock climbing wall, jumping castle, and giant slide.

The draft Sandgate District Neighbourhood plan has entered its next stage of community consultation. This period runs from 10 May to 21 June, 2021. The most significant change in this draft is a proposal for five storeys in the Lagoon Street Precinct. I strongly encourage residents to visit the Brisbane City Council website and look at the proposed changes and let Council know if you support or oppose any of the proposed changes.

Cr Sandy Landers



One of the most frequent requests I've received since becoming a councillor has been for more dog off-leash areas, particularly in Bracken Ridge. I have secured the funding for works to begin on a new sizeable dog off-leash

park at the Telegraph Road sport and recreation precinct, to the south of the netball courts. The new off-leash area will have a dedicated area for both small and large dogs, as well as shelters in each section. It will also be complemented

Stirling Hinchliffe MP



The Premier's Reading Challenge (PRC) for Prep to Year 9 began on Monday, 10 May and will end on Friday, 27 August.

Last year, Sandgate kids joined 905 schools and 318 centres making up 161000 Queensland

children and students who combined to read 2.23 million books.

This year is the PRC's 16th anniversary and with schools being interrupted last year due to COVID-19, we are excited about this year being bigger and better than ever.

Students can read books from the school library, home or listen to an audio book and access the wide range of resources on the Premier's Reading Challenge website.

It is not too late to register. All students who complete the PRC will receive a Certificate of Achievement signed by the Premier.

One of my personal favourite children's books is Mem Fox's *I Am Australian Too*. It shows kids the variety of places Australians come from.

Here is a rhyme about my own Australian story:

My ancestors came from Yorkshire, a place that's broad and green.

Now I call Sandgate home, with the bluest bay I've ever seen.

by a new toilet block that will be installed over the coming months to service the precinct, in particular the netball courts.

Another exciting addition is the installation of shade over the fitness equipment in Barrett Street Reserve, Bracken Ridge. Being a very popular park for exercise, residents can now enjoy spectacular views while working out at any time of the day. All of these new facilities in the Bracken Ridge Ward have stemmed from feedback and suggestions put forward by local residents. As always, if you have an idea or feedback on how we can make the Bracken Ridge Ward an even better place to live, please don't hesitate to contact me.



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A WORD FROM OUR REPRESENTATIVES

Anika Wells MP



The Powering Communities Program is now open to expressions of interest from not-for-profit community organisations across the federal electorate of Lilley.

Grants of between \$5000 and \$12,000 are available

for projects that improve energy efficiency practices and technologies and reduce power bills.

Examples of eligible projects include the purchase and installation of rooftop solar PV systems, the purchase and installation of batteries to connect to a new or existing PV system, replacement of air conditioners, installation of solar hot water,

upgrade lighting, purchase of induction cooktops or new refrigeration equipment.

The Powering Communities Program will provide grant funding up to 100 per cent of eligible project costs.

Please note that educational facilities and related entities such as P&C Associations are not eligible to apply for this grants program.

The deadline for expressions of interest is Friday, 18 June, at 5pm.

After all expressions of interest have been finalised, the Lilley community consultation panel will nominate a priority list of eligible organisations.

Please contact my office for further details on 3266 8244 or email Anika.Wells.MP@aph.gov.au

CRIME NEWS

Last month, there were six burglaries in Sandgate. The offenders in these instances looked for easy access to homes with windows or doors not locked and took the opportunity to steal multiple property items with ease.

You might ask how these people could gain access to your home whilst being undetected.

A suggestion might be to look at how you use your security in your home.

Senior Constable Victoria Christensen recommends people take a fresh look at their home security. Introducing small steps to layer and strengthen current home security could see offenders not being given any opportunity to thief from you when you are at work, and could save you being a victim or repeat victim of crime. Using security screens, with the key to lock at all times, not only ensures the

maximum amount of security for that door, but will also provide some peace of mind over your surroundings with power and control, instead of after the robbery when you are feeling powerless in this same situation.

Think about your home design; if you are out the back, is there clear vision to see the front door? Best practice recommends that security doors get key locked at all times, even while you are at home.

Senior Constable Christensen said, "Put the key somewhere away from the obvious places for anyone to find, and in a place handy for all the family to become aware of so there is no disruption to the safe practices that you are keeping."



Senior Constable
Victoria Christensen

Data Source: www.police.qld.gov.au/maps-and-statistics

125 Offences

20 APR 2021 – 19 MAY 2021

4 Traffic & Related Offences
4 Assault
3 Other Theft (excl. Unlawful Entry)
2 Fraud
1 Good Order Offences
1 Drug Offences
1 Other Property Damage
1 Other Offences Against the Person

17

9 Other Theft (excl. Unlawful Entry)
8 Drug Offences
5 Traffic & Related Offences
3 Unlawful Entry
2 Fraud
2 Unlawful Use of Motor Vehicle
2 Other Property Damage
2 Assault
1 Good Order Offences
1 Weapons Act Offences
1 Arson

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5 Other Theft (excl. Unlawful Entry)
3 Unlawful Entry
2 Good Order Offences 2 Drug Offences
2 Other Offences Against the Person
1 Drug Offences
1 Assault

14

33 Other Theft (excl. Unlawful Entry)
7 Good Order Offences
6 Drug Offences
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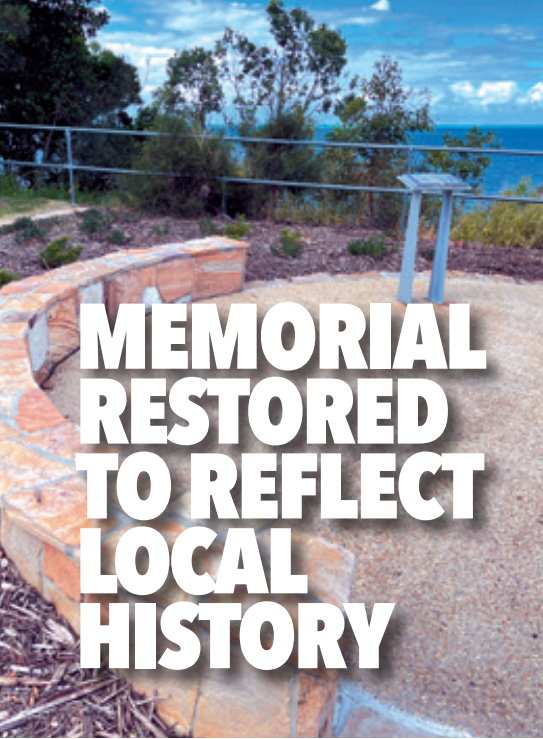
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MEMORIAL RESTORED TO REFLECT LOCAL HISTORY



Story *Alyssa Mackay*

Restoration works have been undertaken to update the John Oxley Memorial at Shorncliffe, with further upgrade works expected to provide shade for visitors as well as information about the history of the area.

The memorial was installed by Council at the top of Allpass Parade in 2003 following a proposal made by Keep Sandgate Beautiful Association

(KSBA) to commemorate Oxley's stopover at the location on his way to the Brisbane River.

Refurbishment of the memorial began in February 2021, and included cleaning the sandstone walls and access paths, constructing new gardens, replacing seating, and updating the book, which contains an excerpt from Oxley's diary about his arrival in Shorncliffe.

Councillor Jared Cassidy said he had been working with KSBA for a number of years now on this project.

"Ultimately, what we would like to see is a much more interesting and informative memorial that teaches people both about John Oxley and his journey around Brisbane and Moreton Bay, but also our Aboriginal history before settlement," Jared said.

In 1823, Governor Brisbane gave instructions to the Surveyor General, John Oxley, to assess what is now known as Bowen, Gladstone, and Moreton Bay as potential locations for a new convict settlement.

While in Quandamooka (Moreton Bay), Oxley came across three ticket-of-leave convicts, Thomas Pamphlett, John Finnegan, and Richard Parsons, who had become shipwrecked on Mulgumpin (Moreton Island).

These men would likely have perished had they not been cared for by the Quandamooka people, who gave them food, shelter, and medical treatment for many months.

Pamphlett and Finnegan showed Oxley how to find Maiwar (the Brisbane River). Part of Oxley's journey involved camping overnight at what is now Cabbage Tree Creek at Shorncliffe, near to where the memorial is situated.

Jared said the next stages of the upgrade would include more shade, seating, and interpretative storyboards telling the history of the local area.

"I think with these improvements and upgrades this whole area will become a great space for local schools, community groups, and locals to enjoy and learn a bit about where we live," Jared said.

"Funding for the next stages will be sought in the coming financial year."

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This Is Not Your Nanna's Bingo

Story Jodie Woodward

Balls OUT Bingo is bingo with a twist. Hosted by the award-winning cabaret drag performer, Candy Surprise, you can expect a night of entertainment and prizes.

Balls OUT Bingo coordinator Jan Thwaites said it was all about having fun and not taking things too seriously.

"The format for playing bingo may be the same, but the entertainment Candy Surprise brings to the night is different each time," she said.

Held at venues right across Brisbane, Balls OUT Bingo will now feature at The Brighton Hotel monthly.

"We really enjoy audience participation, so we have naughty bingo call backs, impromptu dancing and singing, and last but not least, we have a ball boy who is enticed to take off his

clothes on certain numbers called. There's always lots of fun and laughter.

"One of the highlights is seeing the excitement on people's faces when they realise they can interact, join in the show, and that this is a night like no other. There's so much going on in the world at the moment and I think people are just looking to laugh."

The show contains coarse language and sexual references, so it's strictly adults only. Bookings are essential. For more information, go to Balls OUT Bingo Brisbane and The Brighton Hotel Facebook pages.

Balls OUT Bingo
Thursday, 24 June
7pm-9.30pm
The Brighton Hotel
196 Brighton Terrace
Brighton



Candy Surprise

WHAT'S *Hot* AROUND TOWN



Story Nadia Chapman

Looking for a relaxing Saturday sesh? Acoustic singer-songwriter George Hodges will take the stage this month to give the audience what they want.

Performing at EclecTea on Saturday, 12 June, George will craft an amazing set full of acoustic soul-reggae.

EclecTea owner Kara Rigg said all of George's gigs were phenomenal and he was a staff favourite.

"He's been performing with us every quarter since we reopened and he's a fabulous surf-loving local singer, creating acoustic beachy tunes," she said.

Kara said that George crafted a more unique musical experience by using different artistic looping techniques.

"He also usually performs barefoot, which is quirky yet grounding, as he plays away on our little turfed platform."

George Hodges will play from 5-8pm.



The 'mermaid trip-hop dub' duo Sky Eater are coming back to Sandgate with a multi-instrumental set-up that will create the perfect soul and jazz entertainment for your evening.

Playing at the Cardigan Bar on Saturday, 26 June, Sky Eater will mesmerise audiences with their elegant take on soul music.

The duo is often described as a modern-day Sade, with powerfully vulnerable lyrics – and a mix of saxophone and dubbed bass.

Sky Eater released their first debut EP in January 2019, when they went on tour around Australia and parts of New Zealand.

Locals can expect this powerhouse duo to shake things up at the Cardi, and is a performance not to be missed.

Sky Eater will perform from 7-10pm.

Solo artist Cheyne Starkie will take to the stage for a soothing acoustic set this month.

Performing at the Queensland Cruising Yacht Club on Sunday, 6 June, for the club's Sunday Sounds session, Cheyne will captivate and relax the audience.

Primarily focusing on a blend of alternative folk, Cheyne has mastered his craft over 15 years, with extensive tours with bands such as Hemingway and the Starktones.

Cheyne also released his first debut single in early 2020, and had a successful launch at that.

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ECLECTEA 4PM

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🎵 **DAYS OF EMBER**

SANDGATE POST OFFICE HOTEL 7PM

🎵 **DJ DOLLYPOP**

PHOENIX BAR & LOUNGE 8PM

🎵 **BENJAM DUO**

FULL MOON HOTEL 8PM

05 SATURDAY

🎵 **ELLA JONES**

ECLECTEA 4PM

★ **FOLK ROOTS AND BRANCHES** P.42

SANDGATE TOWN HALL 7:30PM



🎵 **NICOLE CANAWAY**

CARDIGAN BAR 7:30PM

🎵 **TOM ROBERTS DUO**

FULL MOON HOTEL 8PM

🎵 **ALEX CROOK**

PHOENIX BAR & LOUNGE 8PM



06 SUNDAY

🎵 **NATE DANIELS**

SANDGATE POST OFFICE HOTEL 1PM

🎵 **SUNDAY SOUNDS** - CHEYNE STARKIE
QUEENSLAND CRUISING YACHT CLUB 2PM

🎵 **SCARLETT GUNNER DUO**

FULL MOON HOTEL 2PM

🎵 **TUNES ON THE TURF - OPEN MIC**

ECLECTEA 3PM

🎵 **WILKO**

PHOENIX BAR & LOUNGE 3PM

🎵 **PARROTS ON PATROL:**

LAMPREYS & CHLOE

CARDIGAN BAR 3PM

11 FRIDAY



🎵 OASIS MAK

ECLECTEA 4PM

🎵 DJ GALLEON

PHOENIX BAR & LOUNGE 6PM

🎵 DANNY JAZZ

CARDIGAN BAR 7PM

🎵 MONTANA

FULL MOON HOTEL 8PM

12 SATURDAY

🏹 SANDGATE VILLAGE MARKET

EINBUNPIN LAGOON,
SANDGATE 8AM - 12PM

🎵 BLARNEY STONE

CARDIGAN BAR 3PM

🎵 GEORGE HODGES

ECLECTEA 4PM

🎵 MOONSHINE BLUE

CARDIGAN BAR 7:30PM

🎵 DJ DOLLYPOP

PHOENIX BAR & LOUNGE 8PM

🎵 RIVER CITY SLING

FULL MOON HOTEL 8PM

13 SUNDAY

🎵 NEIL BAIN

SANDGATE POST OFFICE HOTEL 1PM

🎵 SUNDAY SOUNDS - FIGTREEJAM

QUEENSLAND CRUISING YACHT CLUB 2PM

🎵 BEN STEWART DUO

FULL MOON HOTEL 2PM

🎵 WILKO

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🎵 TUNES ON THE TURF - OPEN MIC

ECLECTEA 3PM

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18 FRIDAY



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🎵 **DJ BOOGIESHOES**
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🎵 **PERCY ROBINSON DUO**
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19 SATURDAY

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🎵 **ROCK UNDER THE CLOCK "REVIVAL"**
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🎵 **C & C**
FULL MOON HOTEL 8PM

🎵 **DJ DOLLYPOP**
PHOENIX BAR & LOUNGE 8PM

20 SUNDAY

🎵 **BELLA PATON**
SANDGATE POST OFFICE HOTEL 1PM

🎵 **MONTANA**
FULL MOON HOTEL 2PM

🎵 **SUNDAY SOUNDS - 2MOROS**
QUEENSLAND CRUISING YACHT CLUB 2PM

🎵 **WILKO**
PHOENIX BAR & LOUNGE 3PM

🎵 **TUNES ON THE TURF - OPEN MIC**
ECLECTEA 3PM

24 THURSDAY

🎵 **OPEN MIC NIGHT AT QCYC**
QUEENSLAND CRUISING YACHT CLUB 7PM

25 FRIDAY



🎵 **OASIS MAK**
ECLECTEA 4PM

FULL MOON
RISE TIME 5.26PM



🎵 **DJ GALLEON**
PHOENIX BAR & LOUNGE 6PM

🎵 **PETE CULLEN & MIC G**
FULL MOON HOTEL 8PM

26 SATURDAY

📍 SANDGATE VILLAGE MARKET

EINBUNPIN LAGOON, 70 BRIGHTON ROAD SANDGATE 4017 8AM - 12PM

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📍 SANDGATE VILLAGE MARKET

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ECLECTEA 4PM

🎵 SKYEATER

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PHOENIX BAR & LOUNGE 8PM

🎵 DAN FERGUSON DUO

FULL MOON HOTEL 8PM

27 SUNDAY

🎵 DANNY MOSE

SANDGATE POST OFFICE HOTEL 2PM

🎵 SUNDAY SOUNDS - BELIEVERBAND

QUEENSLAND CRUISING YACHT CLUB 2PM

🎵 WILKO DUO

FULL MOON HOTEL 2PM

🎵 TUNES ON THE TURF - OPEN MIC

ECLECTEA 3PM

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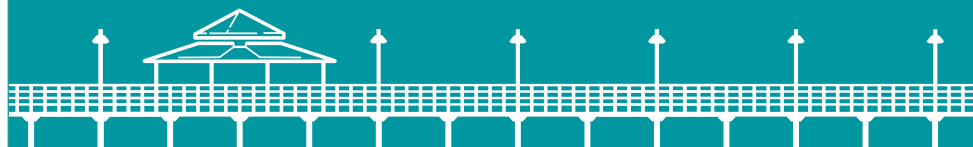
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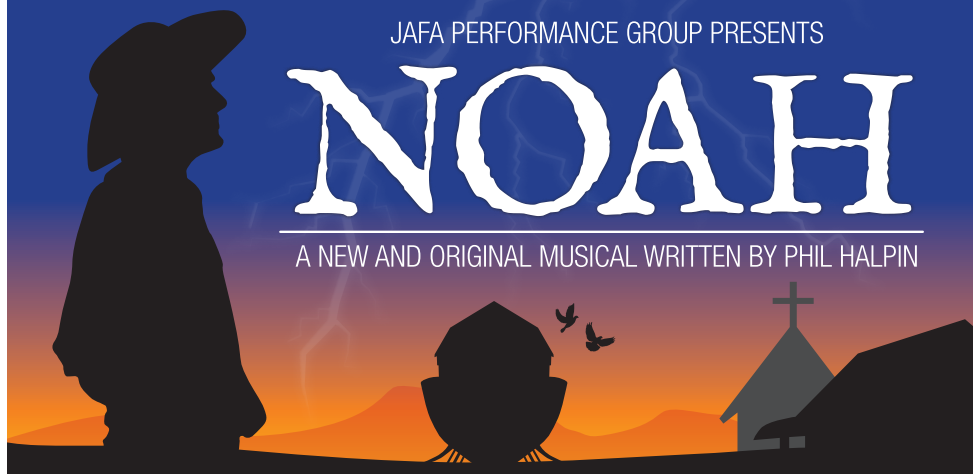
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Specialty Coffee House

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227 Rainbow St, Sandgate

Café

3269 6970

THE WITCHIN' KITCHEN

Feature: Welcome to The Witchin' Kitchen. Owned and run by two local sisters, one an experienced chef, the other a final-year Naturopathy student. Our food is a celebration of delicious and nourishing wholefoods, that are seasonally and ethically sourced and carefully crafted into dishes to delight. Wednesday – Sunday, 7am – 1:30pm, closed Mondays and Tuesdays.



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3261 6102

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Feature: Three Wise Monkeys Café is a local family-owned Café serving fresh and flavourful meals and Brisbane's favourite Campos coffee.

Come visit us for our well-renowned burgers and grab one of our delicious bubble teas on the way.

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121 Brighton Rd, Sandgate

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3869 3631

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HAVE YOUR SAY ON THE DRAFT SANDGATE DISTRICT NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN



Council is encouraging locals to have their say on the draft Sandgate District Neighbourhood Plan and help shape the future of the growing bayside precinct.

City Planning chair Krista Adams said the draft Sandgate District Neighbourhood Plan had been informed by intensive community consultation, including nearly 700 responses.

"The north-eastern bayside community has been incredibly passionate about protecting the character and heritage of their neighbourhood," Krista said. "The changes we've made in the latest draft plan reflect this and will ensure any new development retains the current look and feel of the area."

"Changes to the plan show we're listening to the community and following State Government review, including reducing the maximum building height from six to four storeys in the Sandgate Centre, except for the Lagoon Street sub-precinct which allows for a maximum building height of five storeys.

"Low-impact industry zoning around Connaught Street will be retained to support local employment and drive business opportunities, and the community has told us they do not want developments of up to three storeys around the Deagon train station, which will no longer be included in the plan.

"We're also strengthening character and heritage measures in the area, with proposals to protect heritage, pre-1911 buildings, character properties, and streetscapes in Sandgate, Shorncliffe and Deagon."

Feedback on the draft plan is now open until midnight on Monday, 21 June, 2021 and will help inform the final Sandgate District Neighbourhood Plan.

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Lifetime Love of Trains Keeps Neil on Track

Story **Alyssa Mackay** Photo **Bruce Redman**

Neil MacKenzie has been sharing his passion for locomotives with the Bracken Ridge community for decades.

Neil, who turns 95 this year, was instrumental in the design and construction of the train track in McPherson Park, and contributed several of his own handmade trains to the Bracken Ridge Central Lions Club Train Days.

A retired mechanical draftsman, Neil said he had been building trains for years, including one-eighth-sized steam locomotives, which worked just like real steam locomotives.

"You put coal into the fire box, which heats up the water in the boilers to create steam, which then powers the pistons and tows the wagons around the track," Neil said.

Bracken Ridge Central Lions Club member and former club president Neil O'Sullivan said Neil MacKenzie provided his expertise in the laying of the five inch, 800-metre track when it was established in 1995.

"He had the plan for where the track went and was instrumental in getting the bends and turns right," Mr O'Sullivan said. "He fabricated the points to direct the trains into stations and lay-bys. He also organised the trains and manpower to run the trains on the day."

A self-confessed 'train-nut', Neil MacKenzie credits his achievements to concentration.

"If you concentrate and stay with the job, you get an internal reward," he said. "When you finally pull the regulator and the thing moves, there's your reward. It's inside. No money. It's an inside achievement."

Neil now resides in a nursing home in Clontarf, but attended almost every train day up until the beginning of 2020. As one of the founders of the railway, the MacKenzie Line is named in Neil's honour.

This year sees the Lions Club celebrating 25 years of train days, a monthly event which has raised thousands of dollars for charities and provided entertainment to generations of children.

Mr O'Sullivan said the train days would not have been possible without the contribution of Neil MacKenzie.

"I can honestly say that if it wasn't for the efforts of Neil MacKenzie, the train days would never have eventuated."

And what does Neil MacKenzie enjoy most about the train days?

"Meeting fellow train-nuts like me."

Bracken Ridge Central Lions Club Train Day
Sunday, 27 June, 9am-2pm
McPherson Park
Denham Street, Bracken Ridge



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Backyard Bonanza is Back and Seeking Stallholders

Story *Alyssa Mackay*

A favourite day out for the whole family returns to Bracken Ridge this year and here's how you can be part of it.

Backyard Bonanza (BYB) will be held at McPherson Park on Sunday, 24 October, and event organisers the Bracken Ridge Lions Club is currently seeking applications from stallholders.

Club president Louise Gordon said they were looking for all different types of stalls.

"Food vendors, craft stalls, community stalls, and all the other great stalls you normally find at a market," Louise said.

The festival is a great opportunity for stallholders to showcase what they have to offer, with crowds of more than 5000 expected on the day.

Bracken Ridge Ward Councillor Sandy Landers said that with last year's BYB cancelled due to COVID, this year's festival would be even more special.

"It brings together our community to celebrate all that is great in our local area," Sandy said.

"For almost 20 years, the Bracken Ridge Lions Club has been organising this event to coincide with their monthly train day and this year's event looks to be better than ever."

Festival-goers will enjoy a day of free activities for the whole family, live entertainment, delicious food, and of course, miniature steam train rides.

Interested stallholders can email brackenridgebyb@gmail.com for an application.

**Backyard Bonanza
Sunday, 24 October
McPherson Park
Denham Street, Bracken Ridge**



GRANTS: THE FREE MONEY YOU NEED

Grants – what are they and why would I need one?

Well, if you're in business, have a not-for-profit or a community group, then this is money that you can access and is available to those who meet the criteria. Grants aren't loans, and as long as you spend them on what you document in the application and acquit them by the deadline, the money is all yours. Sometimes matching the funding is required and the percentage is different depending on the funding.

According to marketing and communications expert Robyn Baker, there are "billions of dollars" in grants in Australia. "We are seeing a huge injection of funding to assist everyone right from the smallest of charities to the largest of corporation," Robyn said.

Funding grants are available for things such as energy needs, equipment upgrades, manufacturing, tourism, events, innovation, mental health, websites, marketing, and even employment. Small community and sporting groups access funding for field improvements, facilities, and equipment such as lighting and kitchen fit-outs.

Savvy business owners have known about this and accessed grants for a very long time.

Many in business would have heard about and possibly received funding from the State Government's Adaption Grant last year to assist them to stay open and operating. As part of the recovery bounce-back there have been further grants of this type, such as the \$50,000 business growth grant that opened in May. There is more to come here from State Government in the form of \$5,000 for basic needs for small businesses that opens 31 May, and \$15,000 for boosting businesses that opens in July. These are to assist the smaller businesses who might have missed out or just need a small amount to change up their way of business and re-engage customers through things such as websites and marketing.

All levels of government, along with philanthropic organisations offer funding. One such exciting grant, backed by SpaceX, Cisco and NetVault, is the Project Halo grant that will award one lucky Australian regional school a \$100,000 Information Technology internet package.

"The funding is there, you just have to apply," Robyn said.

To find out more about the State Government's small business grants, visit www.business.qld.gov.au/starting-business/advice-support/grants/schedule.

**You can contact Robyn
at www.busyconnecting.com**

Musical Maestros in the Making

Story Aleasha Bliss

St Paul's School annual Solo Competition finals will be held at Sandgate Town Hall this month, and will showcase the school's finest musicians as they compete for the top places in their age categories.

St Paul's School head of extra-curricular music Kellee Green said the competition was a diverse program of beautiful music that had something for everyone's tastes.

"These events are always lovely," Kellee said. "I know they inspire me as a teacher because I feel like we're leaving the legacy of music in Australia in good hands. It's a great opportunity to see them do something really incredible."

The finals will be adjudicated by the conductor of the Queensland Youth Symphony, Simon Hewitt, who will award first, second, and third places in year and instrument groups.

"I am astounded by how talented they are," Kellee said. "Even though I hear them in ensembles, when you get to hear them on their own, it's really exciting and it's the one opportunity through the year that they get to do a solo performance in front of a lot of people."

At only \$5 per ticket, this is a cost-effective evening out to hear the talents of the young ones in the community. Tickets must be pre-booked here:

www.stpaulsmusic.com.au/event/2021-solo-competition-final/

2021 Solo Competition
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THE SHIPWRECK THAT GAVE RISE TO SANDGATE

Sandgate pier c1910

Story *Hellen White*

On 7 April, 1852, the barque *Thomas King* was shipwrecked in the Torres Strait. Strangely, this led to the establishment of Sandgate, 1500 miles away.

The survivors – Captain Walker, the only passenger; Dr Hyslop, the second mate; and three seamen – made their way down the coast in a small boat, which they abandoned near Wide Bay and continued on foot. Along the way, they were attacked by Aborigines. Only two of the men, Captain Walker and Seaman Sherry, made it to Cabbage Tree Creek, where they hid in the marshes until they could get to the Moreton Bay settlement. Had they been able to get assistance, the others would probably have survived.

They lobbied and in 1853, Sandgate was declared a village. At that time, it was still part of New South Wales, until separation in 1859.

The first land sold in November 1853. Among the first to purchase land in the district was John Dowse. Unfortunately, an attack on him by an indigenous group put a stop to further land sales on the sea front until 1858. In 1861, a bridge was built over Cabbage Tree Creek, making travel between Sandgate and Brisbane possible.

The settlement grew rapidly and on 29 April, 1880, Sandgate was declared a town. Until then,

it had been part of the Nundah Shire. In 1882, the railway opened other travel possibilities between the township and Roma Street in the city. Land for a school was put aside in 1871, but the school was not opened until 1874. Classes began the year before in the Baptist chapel.

By 1906, Sandgate was a bustling township. Many visitors came to fish, go boating, or listen to the town band playing in the kiosk in Moora Park. Holiday makers came in droves and Sandgate quickly developed a reputation as a wonderful seaside resort. The town boasted a town hall, imposing post and telegraph office (which today is the Post Office Hotel), library, school for the arts, courthouse, and two convalescent homes.

Electricity took over from gas for lighting the town in 1924. At that time, there were over 7000 people living in the town.

At the beginning of WW2, a Sandgate RAAF station was established and accepted recruits and provided basic training such as marching, bayonet and rifle drill, plus aircraft identification. A rifle range and an observation post were placed on a nearby farm.

And so this glorious history grew from an inglorious shipwreck.

With thanks to the Sandgate Historical Society and Museum.



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Paws For a Cuppa

The RSPCA has been providing hope and shelter to animals in need for well over a century. This month, the organisation is throwing a morning tea in Sandgate as part of an effort to raise awareness in our communities about the many animals they continue to help, and exactly how they do it.

RSPCA Queensland philanthropy specialist Aileen McGregor Lowndes said all local residents were welcome to come along and hear first-hand from an RSPCA inspector about the work they

do. There will also be a representative speaking about what happens at the Dakabin shelter – the closest to the 4017 area.

"We'll also share some of the business and program innovations that have had to occur due to COVID-19 and how this has helped to transform your local RSPCA to be better positioned to support animals in need in your community," Aileen said.

"It's a very low-key opportunity for people to ask questions about the services that we provide in the area.

"We at RSPCA know that we could not do the work we do without your support. Please join us for morning tea to hear more about the animals that needed rescuing, treating, and rehabilitating in your local area."

For more information call Aileen McGregor Lowndes on 0439 954 111 or 3426 9937.

RSPCA Morning Tea
Thursday, June 3, 2021, 10am-11.30am
Sandgate Town Hall

BRAMBLE Bites

Story **Brooke Jacobson**

LIGHT IT UP

Deagon Ward councillor Jared Cassidy has announced funding for upgrades to Brighton's Decker Park.

"With the foreshore basketball court proving a popular community facility, I've worked hard to secure funding for the installation of proper lighting at the park," he said.

"With a planned eight new overhead lights on the court, local players will be able to enjoy the space for even longer."

Lighting will also be installed at the Decker Park dog park area. Cr Cassidy signed off on the design and installation of the lighting through the Suburban Enhancement Fund.

In other parts of the ward, footpath upgrades have been announced for Roghan Road in Taigum, with road resurfacing almost complete in Wakefield Street, Sandgate, and on Beams Road to Church Road in Zillmere.

SENIORS STAYING HEALTHY

Tai Chi classes for seniors are now on offer at Lower Moora Park in Shorncliffe on Wednesdays from 9.30am to 10.30am.

There's also a second class at the Brighton Wellness Hub, on the corner of 19th Ave and the Hornibrook Hwy, on Friday mornings from 8.30am.

The classes are \$5 each and are offered as part of Brisbane City Council's Active and Healthy Program.

For more information, please call Jan on 0414 569 492 or visit www.livingchi.com.au

OUR BEAUTIFUL BEACHES

If you're looking to discover more about the Sandgate foreshore, why not take part in one of Laurie's Beach Walks. Sponsored by

Keep Sandgate Beautiful Inc, the walks take about two hours to explore the tidal flats of the area. Learn about soldier crabs, stingray feeding grounds, shell house worms, moon snails, and more. Guides will meet you at the picnic area at the southern end of Flinders Parade, opposite the former Baptist Church. Please wear shoes that can get wet, although preferably not thongs.

For inquiries about the next beach walk date and to secure your place, call 0401 327 095.

FILM BUFFS WANTED

The Sandgate Cinema Club is looking for some enthusiastic people with a passion for film to join their committee.

If you can spare an hour or so before a screening and about 20 minutes after, and you love the movies, they want to hear from you.

Search Facebook for the Sandgate Cinema Club or email sandgatecinemaclubinfo@gmail.com.

CRIME STOPPERS NEED YOU

Crime Stoppers Metro North volunteers committee have set up a new Facebook page. If you'd like to join as a volunteer, email MetroNorth@csql.com.au or check out the new page at www.facebook.com/groups/csqvolbenth. The group aims to support greater community safety on the north side of Brisbane.

CAN YOU HELP SANDBAG?

As the weather cools down, SANDBAG is in need of donations. If you can spare long life milk, juice poppers, tins of baked beans or spaghetti, two-minute noodles, instant soups, or flavoured milk, please drop them into the centre at 153 Rainbow Street, Sandgate, between 9am and 5pm.

Would you like to contribute to Bramble Bites?

Is there something happening in the 4017 community you'd like to share? What are you talking about on social media or at the school gate? Email Brooke to be included in the next Bramble Bites at: bites@sandgateguide.com.au

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Mini Expo @ The Hub

The Brighton Wellness Hub is hosting a Mini Expo on Friday, 25 June, to help the community understand more about healthy bladder and bowel habits. There will be information presentations, market stalls, and nutrition and food demonstrations. A Tai Chi class will run from 8.30am-9.30am for \$5pp, as well as a free trial class by Bean 2 Yoga from 12.00pm-12.30pm. The expo is on from 8.30am-12.30pm and is free to attend. For more information contact Katie on ph. 3631 7568 or email: COH-Engagement@health.qld.gov.au

Squash Club Trivia Night

Sandgate Squash Club is hosting its annual fundraising trivia night on Saturday, 5 June, from 5.00pm-10.00pm. This event is open to members, as well as the whole community. The \$25 ticket price includes dinner and dessert, as well as a fun night of trivia. For more information and to reserve your seat or book a table, email: sandgatesquashclub@gmail.com

Bracken Ridge Toastmasters

The Bracken Ridge Toastmasters are a unique and encouraging community group of aspiring storytellers and leaders. The group aims to provide a supportive and positive learning experience where members are empowered to develop communication and leadership skills. The group meets on the second, fourth, and fifth Thursday of the month in the Bracken Ridge Library. Arrive by 6.30pm for a 7.00pm start. For more information ph. 5498 3224 or email: csandl20@bigpond.com. Next Meetings: 10 and 24 June, 7.00pm-9.00pm.

Car Meet

Everyone is welcome to come to the first Double Clutch Crew Car Meet being held at Connect Baptist Church Carpark, 21 Braun Street, Deagon on Saturday, 12 June, from 7.00pm-9.30pm. For more information search for the event on Facebook.



HOUSE PRICES SOARING IN SANDGATE

Story *Alyssa Mackay*

The demand for property in the 4017 suburbs is reaching new heights as locals compete with an increasing number of people from interstate who wish to call the area home.

With 30,000 people moving to Queensland from interstate in 2020, the 4017 area has seen a housing boom and a jump in median house prices. The biggest rise has been in Sandgate, which recorded a 16.58 per cent median increase between April 2020 and March 2021, according to realestate.com.au.

Aarthi, who has been the owner of Sandgate Real Estate for 15 years, said that people had been investing more money into property.

"I think the lack of travel has made people invest in their homes and want to move into bigger homes," Aarthi said. "Also, interest rates being so low is giving buyers more confidence.

"We have got a lot of interstate buyers that can't go anywhere and Queensland is the mecca of where to be. The 4017 area has everything. It's close to the city, close to the foreshore, there's more and more restaurants and shops opening up. We have got a really good, close-knit community. We are definitely becoming seen as a cool, coastal town."

With plenty of appeal for buyers in suburbs like Sandgate, Brighton, Shorncliffe, Deagon, and Bracken Ridge, properties are selling fast. Aarthi said Shorncliffe listings in particular were going very quickly.

"Shorncliffe is such a tightly held market. Nothing ever comes up, so when it does, it gets snapped up," she said. "Brighton, Deagon, and Bracken Ridge are definitely more affordable, so I find the listings are evenly spread.

"I am fortunate enough that I get a good roll-around of listings, but I do know that they are selling so quickly that there is a shortage of listings. I've definitely got more buyers than listings at the moment."

So what can buyers do to secure their dream home in this booming property market? Aarthi said it was important to be prepared.

"For buyers, have your finances in order and know what you can go to, especially in an auction. Have auction terms ready to go, otherwise you will miss out every time."

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Chicken frames are the best for bait if checking your pots regularly, but I like fish frames if soaking them overnight.

A quick rundown of gear lets you legally use four crab pots per person, making sure they are labeled and marked correctly according to current Queensland Fisheries rules. Some good deals at our local tackle shops can be had by buying four crab pots at a time, with rope and floats.

Unfortunately, in this day and age due to people stealing crabs and pots, my preferred method

is to check my pots every hour or so and move them if not catching anything, making sure I keep them in sight at all times. You would be surprised how brazen some people are.

Blue swimmer crabs must be a minimum of 11.5 cm and only males can be kept. They make a mean Thai chilli stir-fry!

Peter Hansler is a local fish enthusiast who promotes and educates about our native fish and responsible angling via his website rainbowrunner.ausfish.com.au. If you have a question for Peter you can reach him via email at phansler@hotmail.com.





IT'S SHOW TIME

Story Aleasha Bliss

The 72nd annual Redcliffe Show is back for 2021 and is set to impress with new entertainment and a revamped program.

The leadership of the much-loved local event has had huge changes with a new president, vice-president, and secretary – bringing fresh new ideas to the show.

The Redcliffe Show secretary Vanessa McIntyre said she was excited about the reinvigoration of this year's show and welcomes the community to see the spectacular entertainment on offer.

"For the first time we have a dinosaur park for the kids – the dinosaurs will be roaming and set to excite all the ages," Vanessa said. "We have a man being shot out of a cannon, a high wire act, a reptile park, and a brand new animal nursery."

Between 12pm and 4pm Sunday afternoon, the Kgari Kelpie stud dog high jump will be held, and visitors are welcome to bring their pups to have a go.

"Our other entertainment is going to be the wheel of death," Vanessa said. "And we've got a high wire motocross and the Aussie FMX stunt bikes that are coming as well."

The main feature is the fireworks on both Friday and Saturday evenings, with bags of lollies being thrown out to the kids.

All the entertainment and events Redcliffe Show is known for will still be happening, but Vanessa advises everyone to check out the new website for program details as there have been changes to scheduling and days.

The horse jumping, cattle and poultry judging, woodchopping, dog show, and Professor Wallace puppet show are all popular events that are back for 2021.

"Other changes for this year is that our poultry is only on Saturday," Vanessa said. "Our pig races will also be at a different time – 12pm-4pm on Friday – they have always been very well supported and attended."

"We are here because we have a passion for the Redcliffe Show, and being involved and providing back to the community."

To check out all the details of the Redcliffe show and to book tickets, visit: www.redcliffeshow.com

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Story Jenn Carrington

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Horses feature in the jam-packed daily program at the farm, including pony rides and lessons for the kids, and one to two-hour trail rides for the older riders. Two of Ray's daughters compete in polo events and can often be seen practising with their horses out in the paddocks.

Just 90 minutes from Brisbane, Bestbrook Farmstay is nestled in the picturesque Great Dividing Range and has been offering up traditional country hospitality since 2004. Ray said he came to the 500-acre farm to retire, but for the last 18 years he has never worked so hard in his life.

"It is no longer a working farm for profit, but indeed a working farm in that we do have cattle that we milk daily, and animals that we feed and care for," he said.

A father of seven, the self-proclaimed primary producer said the whole family was involved in running the farm, which has 142-beds, plus a restaurant and function centre in addition to the sprawling accommodation.

Ray said the most rewarding aspect of working the farm was when school children came for camps and trips. "When we ask the kids where milk comes from and they reply 'Coles aisle 5', we get great enjoyment physically showing them that milk comes from a cow," he said.

"Guests start their day with animal feeding, then pony rides and trails, followed by billy tea and damper in the stables, then we pop them onto the wagon for a ride, and stop to learn whip

cracking and boomerang throwing. Then we end the day with drinks on the verandah."

Being open seven days a week, there's no rest for the wicked," Ray said.

Bestbrook Farmstay suits holiday makers, campers, and families, and aside from the village bunkhouse, there are also facilities to accommodate weddings, special events, and school camps. You can dine in at the on-site restaurant and have a beer at Ray's Bar, and if you're lucky, get a tour of Ray's Secret Treasures, an eclectic mix of farm relics and memorabilia.

With the cooler months approaching, the idea of sitting around the camp fire and listening to stories are memories to be made that will last a lifetime. Ray said that he and wife Elise really wanted to provide guests with memories that will last long after they have gone home. "We want everyone who comes here to have fun and feel part of the family," he said.

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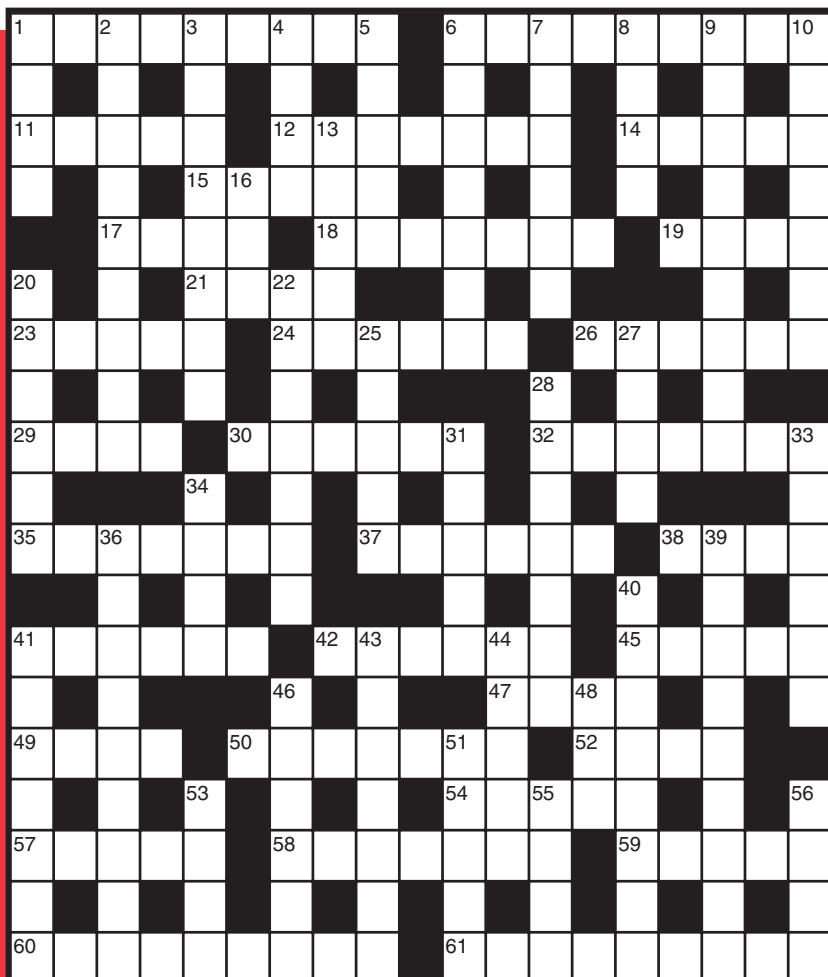


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- 29 Brews
- 30 Repaired

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- 37 Property
- 38 Comply
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- 7 Three times
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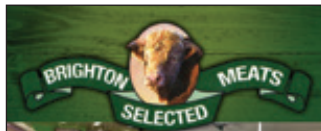
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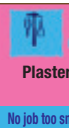
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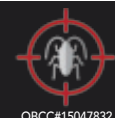


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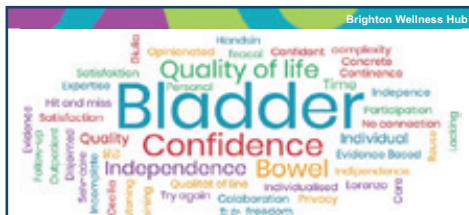


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