

MESSAGE FROM THE MAYOR



The recent Westech Field Days were a resounding success with the event receiving extremely positive support, reviews and coverage. Congratulations to Westech Committee President John Chandler and all of the numerous committee members and volunteers who worked so tirelessly to pull off a massive event for the region. It was a great setting to announce the winners of our Get Gardening Competition and to all those who tend their gardens with care and devotion, thank you. It allows all of our communities to be presented in the best condition possible and presents a welcoming and pleasant atmosphere for visitors.



Drone image of the Muttaborra Campdraft.

Muttaborra was recently the centre of attention with a special day coinciding with the annual Campdraft event which itself saw a large number of competitors and families travel to town for. The official opening of the recently fitted out Muttaborrasaurus Interpretation Centre saw a massive turnout of both visitors and

locals to celebrate the occasion. It was a delightful morning with several stories being shared of the concept and construction of the centre as well as the science behind the scenes.

This year our community engagement will take a slightly different form with a session located in a rural area and in each town. Future editions of the Gazette will have the locations but dates for the sessions area as follows:

Monday 8 November 2021: Barcaldine
Wednesday 10 November 2021: Muttaborra
Monday 15 November 2021: Alpha
Tuesday 16 November 2021: Jericho
Wednesday 17 November 2021: Aramac

Should you or a community group you represent have any issues you would like to discuss with council or matters to raise in relation to next year's budget, then please come along and have a chat to your councillors and senior council staff. We will commence our budget planning in early November so any input you have will be timely with respect to consideration and potential inclusion.

I have written and spoken before about the potential for severe bushfires this spring and summer. As of 12.01 am Friday 24 September there will be a total fire ban in place for the entire Barcaldine Regional Council area until 12.00pm on Thursday 7 October when the ban will be reviewed. Please observe this with caution as both lives and livelihoods are at stake from an errant spark, even in the most well intentioned of circumstances. If in doubt please contact your local administration office or local rural fire service on 07 4651 1190 for assistance.

Until next time.

Sean Dillon
Mayor

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OVERVIEW OF COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY 15 SEPTEMBER 2021

- **Tender – Flood Damage Package 1:** Council accepted the tender from Michael Horman Transport Pty Ltd for the completion of Flood Damage Package 1 works for an amount of \$447,846.74 (excluding GST).
- **Tender – Flood Damage Package 3:** Council accepted the tender from Oma Contracting Pty Ltd for the completion of Flood Damage Package 3 works for an amount of \$446,081.66 (excluding GST).
- **Qld Climate Resilient Council:** Council accepted the invitation to join the Queensland Climate Resilient Council Program.
- **Procurement Policy Review:** Council approved the amended Procurement Policy.
- **Plant Replacement – Graders:** Council accepted the quote from Hastings Deering for the supply and delivery of two Caterpillar 140-14A motor graders for a net price after trade of \$473,200 (excluding GST).
- **Plant Replacement – Roller:** Council accepted the quote from Hastings Deering for the supply and delivery of one Caterpillar CW34 roller for \$200,500 (excluding GST).
- **Plant Replacement – 4WD Utility:** Council accepted the quote from Mt Isa Isuzu for the supply and delivery of one 4WD dual cab tray back utility for a net price after trade of \$41,545 (excluding GST).
- **Building Our Regions Funding Program:** Council agreed to apply for funding under the Building Our Regions Program for the upgrade to the Aramac Sewerage Treatment Plant.
- **Muttaborra Community Development Association (MCDA):** Council agreed:
 - a) For MCDA to place a plywood dinosaur cut out at the Muttaborra Interpretation Centre
 - b) To support the MCDA in their grant application for a shade structure over the shallow end of the Muttaborra Aquatic Centre and
 - c) For the Chief Executive Officer to respond to the requests regarding the Union Camp, Street beautification and the Muttaborra brochures.
- **Accountancy Services 2022:** Council accepted the quote of \$8,500 from Walsh Accounting to provide end of year accountancy services.

- **Barcaldine Showground Camping Policy:** Council reviewed the Barcaldine Showground Camping Policy and amended clause 5.9 to: “The Showground will be closed to the travelling public for camping from 1 December to 31 January each financial year”.

For full Council minutes or to watch the video of the meeting, please visit www.barcaldinerc.qld.gov.au.

GENERAL MEETING DATES

Upcoming dates for the General Meetings of Council:

- Tuesday 19 October 2021
- Tuesday 9 November 2021
- Tuesday 7 December 2021

All meetings are scheduled to start at 8.30am and will be held at the Barcaldine Council Chambers.

Due to the current social distancing requirements, public attendance is not permitted at these meetings. The minutes will be available as soon as possible afterwards and video recordings of the meeting will also be available on Council's website.



NOTICE TO RATEPAYERS

All property owners within Barcaldine Regional Council are advised that Rates Notices for the period 1 July 2021 to 31 December 2021 were issued on Monday 13 September 2021. Notices were issued to the last advised address on Council records and it is the responsibility of the owner to advise Council of any change of address in writing. If any owner has not received their Rates Notice they should contact the Alpha Administration Office on 07 4985 1166.

To receive the discount, payment must be received in Council's bank account by 4.30pm on Monday 25 October 2021.

VIBRANT GARDENS ARE ON FULL DISPLAY IN THE BARCALDINE REGION

The vibrant gardens across the Barcaldine region were on full display with the annual Get Gardening Competition.

Cr Beccy Plumb announced the winners of the 2021 Get Gardening Competition on Wednesday 8 September 2021 during Westech Field Days.

Cr Plumb said "I admire all the gardeners in the Barcaldine Regional Council, they are among the happiest community people, very passionate about what they do and adding to the beautification of our towns. Thank you for this and I hope we can mentor some more residents to join and be part of beautifying our towns."

The best regional garden was won by David and Elaine Harvey of Barcaldine. The judges, Jenny Muir and Lynette Davison of Blackall said "The garden has quietly reached maturity over the years and is now a 'no frills' garden of quality and structure. This garden has a freshness not often found in mature gardens due to adequate watering and sensible pruning.

"Hundreds of petunia plants and seedlings have been planted along the fence line and encased in log gardens on the footpath. This is a brilliant, attention-worthy, element to the garden. Therefore, even before visitors to this garden have entered the main gate, they are already filled with admiration for this wonderful space.

"Congratulations Mr and Mrs Harvey on your magnificent garden."

2021 GET GARDENING COMPETITION AWARD RECIPIENTS

CLASS 1: BEST REGIONAL GARDEN

Regional winner: David and Elaine Harvey, Barcaldine

CLASS 2: BEST TOWN GARDEN

Jericho winner: Suzanne Swift and Shane Ross
Barcaldine winner: David and Elaine Harvey
Barcaldine runner up: Lionel and Marg Walsh
Aramac winner: Helen Bain
Muttaborra winner: Sharmaine and Tyrel Spence
Muttaborra runner up: Pearl Langdon

CLASS 3: BEST RURAL GARDEN

Regional winner: Glenn and Emma Price
Regional runner up: Vicki Revett

CLASS 4: BEST EDIBLE GARDEN

Regional winner: Michael and Christine Waugh
Regional runner up: Muttaborra State School

CLASS 5: BEST SENIORS GARDEN

Jericho winner: Gladly Gifford
Barcaldine winner: Lionel and Marg Walsh
Barcaldine runner up: Pat Ogden
Aramac winner: Helen Bain
Muttaborra winner: Pearl Langdon

CLASS 6: BEST NON-RESIDENTIAL GARDEN

Regional winner: Manning Place
Regional runner up: Aramac PHC

CLASS 7: BEST FRONT GARDEN/FOOTPATH

Alpha winner: Vicki Revett
Jericho winner: Gladly Gifford
Jericho runner up: Suzanne Swift and Shane Ross
Barcaldine winner: Pat Ogden
Barcaldine runner up: Lionel and Marg Walsh
Aramac winner: Helen Bain
Aramac runner up: Jack Yourell
Muttaborra winner: Sharmaine and Tyrel Spence

CLASS 8: BEST FIRST TIME ENTRY

Regional winner: Aramac PHC
Regional runner up: Vicki Revett





2022 AUSTRALIA DAY COMMUNITY EVENTS

Council is seeking expressions of interest from community groups in our five communities to host the 2022 Australia Day events. Australia Day is Wednesday 26 January 2022. However, we welcome community groups to submit any events or activities that may be planned from Saturday 22 to Wednesday 26 January 2022.

The official announcement of the 2022 Australia Day Awards will be on the evening of Tuesday 25 January 2022.

Expressions of interest close at 12.00pm on Friday 8 October 2021. Please send your proposal to PO Box 191, Barcaldine QLD 4725 or email council@barc.qld.gov.au.

If you have any queries please do not hesitate to contact the Community Engagement Coordinator, Angela Waugh on 07 4651 5612 or email events@barc.qld.gov.au.



The Healing Circle on the Eastmere Road is an ancient sacred healing circle which is connected to six others in the world. The others are located in Japan, Tibet, Madagascar, Peru, Turkey and the United States of America.



MUTTABURRASAUROS INTERPRETATION CENTRE OFFICIAL OPENING

The Muttaborrasaurus Interpretation Centre official opening was held on Saturday 11 September 2021. A great crowd rolled out for the much anticipated event. After years of planning and months of continuous development, the community of Muttaborra is proud to add this spectacular interpretation centre to the things to see and do within the community. Open 7 days a week, 24 hours a day.

This building and internal fit out was developed with the support of the Queensland Government in association with Barcaldine Regional Council.



TREE OF KNOWLEDGE MEMORIAL LIGHTS

The tree has had a few lighting changes this month:

- Yellow/Gold for Childhood Cancer Awareness Month
- Blue/Green for Westech

The lights will be changed in October for the following causes:

- Purple/Green – Mental Health Week 9-17 October
- Pink – Pinktober – Breast Cancer Awareness Month

If you would like to change the lights for a cause or an event, please contact the Barcaldine Administration Office.

60 & BETTER CORNER

October is Seniors Month in Queensland. Seniors Month aims to:

- improve community attitudes towards older people and ageing
- facilitate community participation and activity by older people, including those from Indigenous and culturally and linguistically diverse backgrounds
- enhance community connections and inter-generational relationships

To fit with this theme, Barcaldine Elder Olympics are being held on Friday 1 October (International Day of Older Persons) at the Barcaldine Tennis Club. Everyone over 60 years is invited to compete in the different events and everyone is welcome to join us for the day.

The day starts at 9.30am with morning tea. A short welcome will precede the games at 10.00am. Games such as toss the bean bag, pass the footy, quoits, toss the boot and ten pin bowling will be on the programme.

Lunch will be at 12.30pm followed by some more games and presentation.

The Barcaldine 60 & Better Program acknowledges its auspice, Barcaldine Regional Council, Queensland Department of Seniors, Disability Services and Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Partnerships, the funding body, and western Queensland Primary Health Network for supporting the event.

Any queries please contact Coordinator Jean Williams on 07 4651 2354.

ALPHA AND JERICHO WORKS UPDATE

The Road Crews are currently working on the 2019/20 flood damage restoration works on the:

- Islay Plains Road
- Tumber Road

The Capricorn Highway between Alpha and Emerald has major Main Roads works in progress and there are some detours put in place.

The Alpha-Tambo Road is currently having gravel resheeting and maintenance grading works occurring on it.

The project on the Clermont-Alpha Road is nearly finalised with all signage currently being installed.

If you are travelling on any of these roads please follow the directions of traffic controllers and signage on sites and drive to road conditions. We thank you for your patience as the works are carried out.



THE GLOBE VIEWING TOWER

This project is progressing well, the contractors have commenced with the steel screening work.

WORK EXPERIENCE STUDENTS

From Monday 20 September to Friday 24 September 2021, Council partnered with the Aramac State School to support work experience students in years 9 and 10. Three students entered the workforce alongside our staff. One in the Administration Office, one with the plumber, carpenter, Garden Gang and one with our Roads Foremen. They all did an outstanding job and completed all that was asked of them.



DR ARRATTA HOSPITAL MUSEUM AND A.A. CASSIMATIS STORE

The 2021 tourist season has been super busy in the township of Muttaborra. Council's Tour Guide does an outstanding job and receives great reviews daily.



BEAUTIFICATION PROJECT IN OAK STREET

The hard work of our gardeners has paid off with the mass of colourful petunias on display in the new garden bed in Oak Street.

BARCALDINE SWIMMING POOL COMPLEX

The Barcaldine Swimming Pool opened on Monday 13 September 2021 for the 2021/2022 Season.

Opening hours are:

- Monday, Tuesday and Thursday: 6.00am to 9.00am and 2.00pm to 7.00pm
- Wednesday: 6.00am to 9.00am and 2.00pm to 5.30pm
- Friday: 6.00am to 9.00am and 2.00pm to 6.00pm
- Saturday and Sunday: 2.00pm to 6.00pm

Daily entry fees to be paid to the pool lessee upon entry.

Children aged 10 years and under must be supervised by an adult aged 18 years and over.

If you have any queries please contact Pool Lessee Geoff Rafter on 07 4651 1146 during opening hours.



NEW GARDEN BEDS

Garden beds have been established at the new amenities block at the Aramac Showground/Caravan Park. As a part of the town beautification project, new garden beds will continue to pop up around the community in the coming months, with a number of trees planned to be planted at the showground. Once Tourist season eases, a 'green up' of the Caravan Park camping area is also planned.



BARCALDINE WOOL WAGON SHED

Thanks to Council Staff for their hard work and assistance in completing the Shed to house the donated Wool Wagon. The Wagon looks great in its new home and is well displayed for everyone to enjoy the excellent restoration work by the O'Dell Family. A special mention to Noel and Shannon at the Barcaldine Tyre Centre for their assistance in transporting the wagon to its new home.

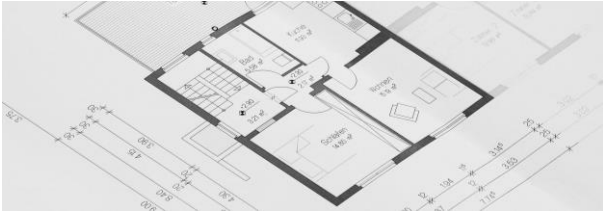


WATERING HOURS

With the onset of the warmer weather Council reminds residents of the permitted watering times:

- Sprinklers, unattended hoses, soaker hoses, drip system or automatic watering systems - must not be used between 10.00am and 3.00pm daily.

Only commercial premises, schools, community clubs or churches with a water permit and Council can water outside these hours. Application forms are available from any Local Council Administration Office.



BUILDING WORK

It has been brought to Council's attention that residents are performing building work without the necessary development approvals. A reminder that if you are looking at any of the following building works on your property, either in town or in a rural area, a development permit is required:

- New Dwelling / transportable dwelling or building / relocation of a dwelling or building
- Demolition of a building or removal of a building
- Shed / carport / garage
- Deck / patio / roofed structure
- Extensions / renovations / Re-stumping
- Shipping container / Ablution unit / demountable structure / storage shed
- Fence (2.0metres or higher)
- Commercial grade – Flag pole / mast / antenna e.g. phone company
- Commercial or industrial buildings
- Retaining or free standing wall
- Swimming pool / spa

Development approval can be sought from Council or by engaging a Private Building Certifier.

Failure to obtain the mandatory approvals may result in Notices being issued against the property. Failure to comply with these notices may result in legal action being taken.

A reminder to have the Development Approval prior to commencement of building work as failure to do so will result in a 30% Post Construction Fee being applied.

If you have any queries please do not hesitate to contact Council's appointed Building Certifiers Jason Burger or Mark Slater on 07 4651 5177.

ANNUAL RENEWAL OF LICENCES

Licences are due for annual renewal by 31 October 2021. This applies to those who currently hold a Licence for a Food Business, Footpath Dining or Operation of a Caravan Park. Renewal notices were issued to the last advised postal address.

To renew your Licence, simply check over the notice, note any detail changes (if required), sign and then return to Council along with the relevant renewal application fee. Fees are Food – \$159; Footpath Dining – \$27 or Caravan Park – \$107.

For Food Business Licence holders, the Licence must be renewed by 31 October or it will expire. If the food business continues to operate, the Food Business Licence may be restored by 30 November 2021 with the Restoration Fee of \$213 by 30 November 2021. If the Licence is not fully restored by 30 November 2021 and the food business continues to operate, the Licensee will be required to submit a new Application for Food Business Licence to Council and the application fee of \$265.

If you have not received your renewal notice please contact the Barcaldine Administration Office on 07 4651 5600.

STRATEGIC 1080 GROUND BAITING CAMPAIGN

As per Council's decision to adopt a user pays system for 1080 Baiting in 2021-2022, the following fees will apply.

| 1080 Baiting Costs – Coordinated Ground Bait Campaign – October 2021 | |
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| Flat Rate Participation Fee (Per Property) | \$81.35 |
| 1080 Baited Meat – Council supplied | \$6.80/kg |
| Manufactured Baits | \$3.00 each |
| 1080 Baiting Costs – Single Baiting Outside Of Coordinated Ground Baiting Campaign | |
| Hourly rate for Rural Lands Officer | \$56.35/hr |
| Per Kilometre Rate for Travel | \$0.54/km |
| Manufactured Baits | \$3.00 each |
| 1080 Baited Meat – Council supplied | \$6.80/kg |



WATER SAVING TIP

Use a broom instead of a hose to clean patios, sidewalks and driveways and save 13500 litres per year



POOLS AND SPAS – POOL SAFETY LAWS

With warmer weather just around the corner Council would like to remind residents of the Laws relating to Pools and Spas.

Swimming pools should be fun. However, drowning is one of the leading causes of death in Queensland for children under the age of five years old. Supervising young children and teaching them to swim at a young age can save lives. Effective pool fencing also helps to keep young children safe. This is why pool safety laws were introduced.

There is now one pool safety standard, the Queensland Development Code Mandatory Part 3.4.

What the pool safety laws mean for me?

Under Queensland's swimming pool safety laws:

- a pool safety certificate, issued by a licensed pool safety inspector, is required when selling, buying or leasing a property with a pool (pool safety certificates are valid for one year for a shared pool and two years for a non-shared pool)
- the pool safety standard applies to all pools associated with houses, units, hotels, motels, backpacker hostels, caravan parks, mobile van parks and other forms of short-term accommodation
- the pool safety standard applies to indoor pools as well as outdoor pools
- all swimming pools have to be included on the state-based pool safety register
- safety barriers are mandatory for all pools and spas including portable pools that can potentially hold water to a depth of 300 millimetres or more.

If part of a building is within the pool fence perimeter, it must also be compliant with current standards for pool barriers which can be found on the QBCC website www.qbcc.qld.gov.au. This includes buildings such as living areas, games rooms, sheds, toilet facilities and change rooms which may be located within the pool area, these structures must not provide a thoroughfare into the pool enclosure from outside.

Pool safety forms

A pool safety certificate (form 23) is required in Queensland when selling or leasing a property with a regulated pool. The owner must complete Form 36 Notice of no pool safety certificate when selling or entering into an accommodation agreement (e.g. lease, hotel stay) for a premises with a regulated pool if a pool safety certificate is not in effect for the pool. This form only needs to be completed once, unless the required information changes after the form is completed. This form cannot be used for an accommodation agreement for a premises with a non-shared pool (e.g. house).

Note: Barcaldine Regional Council can arrange a Swimming Pool Compliance Inspection. Simply complete the application form and lodge with Council along with the application fee. Application forms are available from local Council Administration Offices or on the Council website.

Development Approval for Pools and Spas

If any resident is installing a pool or spa or carrying out modifications to an existing pool fence Development Approval is required (for some cases Building and Plumbing) before the pool or spa lands at your property and a Form 17 pool Inspection Certificate is issued prior to filling the pool with water. Customers can lodge their application with Council for Certification or arrange through a Private Certifier. Notices can be issued against the property for failing to hold the relevant Development Approval, further penalties may apply including a 30% Post Construction Fee (Council).

PROCUREMENT POLICY

Council shall support local business and industry by procuring goods and services locally within the Barcaldine Regional Council area where possible. At the September Council Meeting, the weightings were adjusted to the following:

| Value of Goods or Services | Category | New Weighting |
|----------------------------|----------|---------------|
| \$0 - \$20,000 | Cat 1 | 15% |
| \$20,001 - \$200,000 | Cat 1 | 8% |
| \$200,001 - \$1,000,000 | Cat 1 | 4% |
| \$1,000,001 or greater | Cat 1 | 0% |
| Any value contract | Cat 0 | 0% |

2022 BARCALDINE TREE OF KNOWLEDGE FESTIVAL

The 2022 Barcaldine Tree of Knowledge Festival will be held from Friday 29 April to Monday 2 May 2022. The organising committee is calling for expressions of interest for local community groups, clubs or organisations to host events specifically on the evenings of Friday 29 April 2022 and Saturday 30 April 2022. However, we welcome applications from a community group, club or organisation if they would like to host an event during the long weekend.

Expressions of Interest close at 12.00pm on Friday 8 October 2021. Please send your proposal to Angela Waugh, Community Engagement Coordinator, at events@barc.qld.gov.au including your proposed date, times and venue.

A program for the festival will be created based on the submitted expressions of interest.

If you have any queries please do not hesitate to contact Angela on 07 4651 5612.



FESTIVAL OF SMALL HALLS

Festival of Small Halls rolls into Alpha on Wednesday 20 October 2021 with Darren Hanlon and Kelly Brouhaha.

Kelly Brouhaha's a South Australian Award-Winning Songwriter, who is one of those artists whose unique style simply cannot be put into a box. From big blues to soulful country, it is music that is real and raw and vulnerable.

After years of touring the far-flung corners of Australia and the greater world, Gympie-based songsmith Darren Hanlon has carved a sacred place in the hearts of many who cross his path with his candid and charming music and storytelling.

Tickets are priced at:

Full Admission – \$20.00 per person

Concession Admission (Pension) – \$10.00 per person

Child Admission (ages 17 and under) – \$5.00 per person – must be accompanied by an adult.

Get your tickets at <https://bit.ly/2VYkekS>.

Doors open at 6.00pm with the show starting at 6.30pm.

PLANT HIRE OF GENERATOR

Council has a 3-phase generator (with 10 and 15 amp points available) for hire for community events with bookings taken on a first in first served basis. A booking form must be completed and lodged with Council 48 hours prior to the hire date along with a Bond of \$500 and a hire fee of \$288 per day (Bond and hire fee applies to all hirers). Conditions do apply and bookings can be made through the Barcaldine Administration Office.

CHECK IN QLD APP NOW MANDATORY AT COUNCIL FACILITIES

Those wishing to access Barcaldine Regional Council's facilities and venues must check in via the Queensland Government's Check In Qld app.

The mandatory ruling was announced in July for several new sectors, including supermarkets, beauty and personal care services and venues that attract large crowds.

Public-facing government services have also been included.

To keep community members COVID Safe, Barcaldine Regional Council is using the Check In Qld app at all venues including libraries, visitor information centres, customer service centres, pools, depots, galleries etc.

For those who do not have a phone to access the app, a record of information will be taken manually by Council staff.

The Check In Qld app is a contactless, free, secure and convenient way for people to sign in to a local business or venue. The app allows you to check in to participating businesses without having to enter your details each time. It protects your personal information with data stored by the Queensland Government and is only used for contact tracing if needed.



REGIONAL EVENTS

Below is a snapshot of upcoming events in our region. For a full list, please visit Council's website.

- Friday 15 October 2021: Barcaldine Arts Council - Opening night of the Art Exhibition at The Galilee Gallery.
- Saturday 16 to Saturday 23 October 2021: Barcaldine Arts Council - Art Exhibition - Daily exhibition at The Galilee Gallery.
- Saturday 16 October 2021: Barcaldine Campdraft Rodeo at the Barcaldine Showground.
- Wednesday 20 October 2021: Festival of Small Halls at the Alpha Town Hall commencing at 6.00pm.
- Friday 22 October 2021: Loud Shirt Day at the Aramac Administration Office commencing at 7.00am.
- Saturday 23 October 2021: Rugby League Special Match Day at the Barcaldine Showground.
- Saturday 23 October 2021: Alpha District Tourism & Development Association - Bingo at the Alpha Town Hall commencing at 9.00am.
- Sunday 24 October 2021: Barcaldine Rifle Club - Shoot at the Barcaldine Rifle Club commencing at 8.30am.
- Saturday 6 November 2021: Alpha Show Society - Beef Dinner at the Alpha Showground.
- Wednesday 10 November: arTour and Barcaldine Regional Council - Bigger and Blacker: Steven Oliver's Life in Cabaret at the Muttaborra Memorial Hall commencing at 7.00pm.
- Thursday 11 November 2021: arTour and Barcaldine Regional Council - Bigger and Blacker: Steven Oliver's Life in Cabaret at the Aramac Town Hall commencing at 7.00pm



LONG DRIVE FOR DROUGHT

A convoy of 30 land cruisers for the Long Drive for Drought Charity stopped in and stayed the night in Jericho on Monday 30 August 2021. Thank you to the locals for catering and making the group feel welcome to the town.

The Long Drive for Drought Charity partners with the Drought Angels to help raise much needed funds to support farmers and families in drought stricken communities. The goal was to raise \$80k, which they achieved. Congratulations to the group.

LOUD SHIRT DAY

This year, Loud Shirt Day will be celebrated on Friday 22 October 2021 region wide. At 7.00am, be sure to come down to the front lawn of the Aramac Administration Office and enjoy a BBQ breakfast. Prizes for the best dressed will be awarded as well as an auction, raffles, a cake stall and so much more.

ARAMAC AND MUTTABURRA EVENTS

Barcaldine Regional Council is proud to support events in our region and the most recent events in Aramac and Muttaborra were a great success.

The Muttaborra Campdraft drew crowds from far and wide to participate in the three-day event. Everyone who attended is already counting down until the 2022 event.

The Ballyneety Rodeo and Campdraft was also held recently. The Campdraft events were held on Friday and Saturday, followed by the Rodeo events on Sunday. After being postponed in previous years, it was great to see locals and visitors show their support and attend the event.

Congratulation to everyone who participated and of course, the committees involved, all volunteers, spectators and the sponsors. Without you, events like these would not go ahead.