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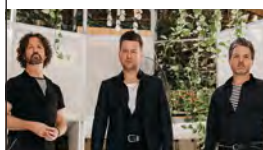
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From the Mayor's chair

'LOGAN IS READY TO LAUNCH'

I would like to start by saying a big thank you for choosing me as your new Mayor.

I am incredibly grateful for the opportunity to represent and serve our community.

The Council you voted in at the recent elections has the right combination of experience, enthusiasm and fresh ideas.

All 13 of us want the best for our city. We want Logan to live up to its potential and to have the great reputation we know it deserves.

We also know it will take hard work to get there.

The need for hard work was one thing that I did not shy away from in my campaign.

It's what I promised to do every day – and it's what I am asking of you.

I am calling on all of us, everyone, to dig deep and work together for Logan.

Through hard work, we harness the best of our city, protecting what we love and transforming the areas that still need work.

I believe that together we can achieve great things for our city and our community.

They won't all happen overnight, but when they do, it'll make you even more proud to say you're from Logan.

One of the reasons Logan's future is so bright is because we are officially the fastest growing city in Queensland.

That brings amazing opportunities, but it also brings challenges.

My promise to all 377,000 Logan residents is that I will be open and transparent with you on this journey.

To me, communication and leadership go hand in hand.

Great leaders listen to their community and are there when you need them – and that is the kind of Mayor that I will be.

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I will fly the flag for our city wherever I go to make sure people know why Logan is an amazing place to live and what they're missing out on if they're not local.

Our community spirit is what sets us apart, and it is why people who live in Logan love it.

A few weeks ago, I was out in Logan Village and a young bloke called Mark stopped to chat as he was putting out his bins.

He told me he's never been interested in politics before, but seeing the buzz around this election, now he's excited to get involved.

Like me, and like you, Mark wants to see a brighter future for Logan.

People like Mark are one of the reasons I won't be chained to my desk – I will be out in the community hearing from residents and looking for opportunities to bring here to Logan.

To many of us, that means improving Logan's reputation.

But changing how people think and speak about Logan isn't just about making us feel good.

It has real impacts on our city – and it brings investment, jobs and opportunity.

We are the youngest, most diverse and fastest growing city in the state, so let's harness our strengths.

Together, we'll build a brighter future for Logan – a city that's ready to launch.

— Mayor Jon Raven



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Wraparound cover photo

Pictured front: Rizka Krisnandika
Pictured back: Audi Krisnandika
Location: Croix Croissant, Hillcrest

Photographer: Travis Cottrell,
of Fullframe Photographics

Logan City Council acknowledges the Traditional Custodians of the land, pays respect to Elders past, present and emerging and extends that respect to all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples in the City of Logan. Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples are advised that images of people who may now be deceased may appear in this magazine.

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Passion for pastries

with croissant craftsmanship



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from everywhere – if
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Audi Krisnandika
with his colourful
array of croissants

Double-beef burgers, salmon crolls and cheesecakes are now varieties of creative croissants in a new Hillcrest bakery that has customers from all over South East Queensland queuing out the door.

Whether it's cruffins, crookies, cronuts or crolls, the new Croix Croissant bakery and cafe is making life sweeter for locals and tourists alike with delectable twists to the traditional buttery treat.

The owners, husband-and-wife team Audi and Rizka Krisnandika, are taking traditional croissants to a whole new level of tastebud temptation to put Logan on the foodie map.

It's the latest quality bakery to open in Logan, and the couple is proud to be drawing in new customers to visit the city. They are also pleased to be bringing international trends to the area, by recreating the latest treats on social media around the world.

'If something goes viral in Paris, people want to try it in Logan so that's what we try to bring,' Rizka says. 'We take inspiration from everywhere – if it's doable, why not? – we like to experiment.'

The couple's Indonesian heritage has also influenced some menu items, such as a green croissant enhanced with pandan – a South-East Asian plant with a mild, earthy vanilla flavour – which, as Rizka explains, is part of sharing the couple's food culture with locals. Another was a Mi Goreng croissant that was a huge hit in their Melbourne store, which they opened 18 months ago in Flemington.

When the pair moved to Queensland with their 3 young sons to be closer to family, they decided to open their second store at the Middle Road Village Shopping Centre in Hillcrest – now a must-visit location for flaky pastry fans.

'Growth here is way faster than Melbourne, which is surprising. We have people from the Gold Coast and around Brisbane coming all the way to Logan to try our pastries, which feels amazing – they say it's worth the drive because they are overwhelmed by the choice,' Rizka says.

The hand-rolled croissants are created during a traditional 3-day process, with 15 to 20 varieties on offer daily, totalling around 2,000 each week.

'We have the classic crème brûlée croissant, the double-beef burger croll with cheese and burger sauce is really popular, and the lemon cheesecake cruffin is a best-seller,' Rizka says.

'The crookie has also just taken off world-



Must-visit Logan bakeries

- > Bake It, Underwood
- > Big Mama's Bake House, Meadowbrook
- > Chouette, Underwood
- > Hamid Bakery, Woodridge
- > Logan Village Family Favourites Country Bakery, Logan Village
- > Sana Bakery, Logan Central
- > Sooo Sweet, Slacks Creek
- > Taua's NZ Bakehouse, Slacks Creek

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wide, starting in Paris, and it is a real favourite with the kids.'

For the uninitiated in baked goods terminology, Rizka explains that a cruffin is a mixture of a croissant and muffin, a croll is a croissant and roll combo, and a crookie is a croissant with cookie dough inside and on top.

The recipes are by Audi, who was studying commercial cookery when he met Rizka, then an accountant. 'We got married and then I realised I liked cooking far more than accounting so I also did a cooking course,' Rizka laughs.

They began manufacturing tempeh and ran a cafe until COVID-19 lockdowns, followed by home deliveries of doughnuts and croissants.

Audi, who grew up loving croissants due to his extended family living in France for 5 years, then perfected the croissant recipe and the couple realised a croissant café was their shared passion.

MORE INFO

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[Croix Croissant Brisbane](#)



The new Logan City Council. Front, from left: Cr Teresa Lane, Cr Karen Murphy, Deputy Mayor Scott Bannan, Mayor Jon Raven, Cr Lisa Bradley, Cr Mindy Russell. Back, from left: Cr Tony Hall, Cr Miriam Stemp, Cr Tim Frazer, Cr Nathan St Ledger, Cr Paul Jackson, Cr Jacob Heremaia, Cr Natalie Willcocks.

Meet your new Logan City Council

City of Logan's new Mayor and Councillors began their 2024 to 2028 term in April, with many taking on roles for Council committees and local government groups.

Mayor Jon Raven:

Chair of Local Disaster Management Group; LCC representative for Local Government Association of Queensland (LGAQ), Australian Local Government Association (ALGA), and Council of Mayors South East Queensland (CoMSEQ).

Cr Lisa Bradley, Division 1:

Deputy Chair of City Governance Committee, Deputy Chair of Special Budget Committee; LCC representative for Road Safety and Active Transport Advisory Group, and CoMSEQ Resilient Rivers.

Cr Teresa Lane, Division 2:

Deputy Chair of Local Disaster Management Group.

Cr Mindy Russell, Division 3:

Deputy Chair of City Lifestyle Committee, Deputy Chair of City Planning, Economic Development and Environment Committee; LCC representative for Australian Local Government Women's Association, and LGAQ.

Cr Nathan St Ledger, Division 4:

Deputy Chair of City Infrastructure Committee.

Cr Paul Jackson, Division 5:

Deputy Chair of City Governance Committee, Deputy Chair of Special Budget Committee; LCC representative for CoMSEQ Resilient Rivers.

Cr Tony Hall, Division 6:

Chair of City Lifestyle Committee, member of the Audit and Risk Committee.

Cr Tim Frazer, Division 7

Cr Jacob Heremaia, Division 8:

Member of Audit and Risk Committee; LCC representative for ALGA.

Deputy Mayor Scott Bannan,

Division 9: Chair of City Infrastructure Committee; LCC representative for Southern Regional Roads and Transport Group.

Cr Miriam Stemp, Division 10:

Chair of City Planning, Economic Development and Environment Committee; Chairperson of Road Safety and Active Transport Advisory Group; LCC representative for CoMSEQ Waste Working Group.

Cr Natalie Willcocks, Division 11:

LCC representative for CoMSEQ, Leveraging 2032 Working Group, Australian Local Government Women's Association, and LGAQ.

Cr Karen Murphy, Division 12:

Chair of City Governance Committee, Chair of Special Budget Committee.

Lights, camera, Logan!

In a first for Logan, a new film festival is about to raise the curtain on local filmmakers and celebrate their diverse stories.

This September, Underdog Film Fest is set to become the launching pad for Logan's emerging filmmakers and film students to premiere their creative talents.

Film Fest participants will have the opportunity to develop filmmaking skills at group workshops and gain industry connections – all in their own backyard.

According to talented filmmaker and Film Fest judge, Lark Lee, the event will be a coup for Logan's fledgling film industry.

'I'm excited to see what Logan filmmakers are doing and I really want to help them grow,' Lark says.

'Everyone on the team has been working really, really hard to create a base for young filmmakers.'

'Who knows, the next famous director could be born in Logan.'

The judging panel – which includes other notable figures such as Sally Terare, a First Nations artist and consultant – embodies the festival's ideals of inclusivity and accessibility.

Lark, a Korean-Australian mother based in Springwood, has been enjoying a boom in film projects after receiving funding in 2021.

With support from the Queensland Government and Logan City Council, she was able to create the first short version of *Street No. 4*, a horror film inspired by supernatural Korean mythology within an Australian setting.

'The short film attracted serious interest and I'm quite happy with the response,' she says.

'Funding from Council was so helpful – without the grant, the quality wouldn't have been as good as it was.'

Street No. 4 has since accumulated rave reviews and awards on the international film festival route and is set to be made into a feature film in the near future.

Her latest project, *Mother's Table*, depicts multigenerational relationships within Asian families and was recently streamed on SBS On Demand.

As part of SBS and Screen Australia's Digital Originals Initiative, Lark is also working on a new drama series, *Little Korea*, about Korean migrant stories.

One of the Underdog Film Fest founders, Ali Strachan, is delighted by the calibre of the judging panel and Logan's potential to play more of a starring role in the film world.

'The festival is about providing a bridge between local film practitioners and the bigger industry, because this is something we've been lacking in Logan,' Ali says.

'Our vision is to create accessible pathways into this booming industry to build the local film sector.'

The event is supported by the Queensland Government via the Gambling Community Benefit Fund, Screen Queensland and Logan City Council's Community Event funding.

MORE INFO

 lccqld.com/underdog

Film Fest entries are due by 1 July, 2024 for the following categories:

- > Best Documentary Short Film
- > Best Narrative Short Film
- > Best LGBTQIA+ Film
- > Best Multicultural Short Film
- > Best First Nations Film
- > Best Animation Short
- > Best 'Made in Logan' Short Film
- > The Underdog Award
- > People's Choice

Finalists and winners will be screened at the festival on 21 September, 2024.

Filmmaker and judge Lark Lee

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The best of **LOGAN**

Double the leader

Loganlea State High School students have the double bonus of twin sisters for their 2024 school captains this year.

Marsden sisters Gabrielle and Sheikinah Kibaja have been chosen as Year 12 school captains and are becoming proud role models, especially for students of African heritage – including their 3 younger siblings.

‘We are Congolese and hadn’t really seen a lot of people from our background as school leaders over the years, so we were like “let’s try and increase the diversity and show these kids that they can be leaders too”,’ Gabrielle says.

‘For us being African, we see a lot of students are scared of a leadership role, so we want to change that.’

Their principal, Brenton Farleigh, says the girls have exceptional leadership qualities.

‘Gabrielle demonstrates remarkable academic prowess, consistently achieving outstanding results and exercising leadership through her strong intellect,’ Mr Farleigh says.

‘Sheikinah’s leadership style is characterised by warmth, approachability, and an innate ability to uplift those in her presence, fostering a positive environment where individuals feel valued and empowered.’

Both favour maths and science and wish to study allied health or nursing at university.

‘With my background of a heart health issue, I want to give back something to help people,’ Sheikinah says.

Gabrielle says the captain roles – which they share with students Alicia Bailey and Gabrielle Blanckensee – are growing their confidence and self-belief. ‘But it’s more about showing people they can do this too,’ she says.



From left: Loganlea SHS captains Gabrielle and Sheikinah Kibaja.



Citizen of the Year
Margaret Harvey

Volunteering is second nature to Margaret Harvey, 83, of Kingston – a long-time Rosies volunteer named Logan’s 2024 Citizen of the Year.

Following in her parents’ footsteps, Margaret has given countless hours fundraising and establishing outreach initiatives to support those experiencing homelessness, social isolation and loneliness.

She hopes to pass this mindset on to the next generation, beginning with her grandchildren.

‘One of my favourite moments was with my beautiful granddaughters, when I took them out with me during Christmas time to see Rosies and how it worked,’ Margaret says.

‘They could see how lucky they were with a good family, warm bed and plenty of food – not everyone has that. It gave them the insight that not everyone is as well off as them and that they can be of help.’

Saving a life is a rare occurrence for most – especially when the rescuers are children.

At ages 4 and 6, brothers Tegh and Rabbi Viridi are already among those rare few, by saving another 4-year-old from drowning in a swimming pool during a Gold Coast holiday.

Their instinct to help the boy out of the water was recently celebrated when Save A Mate swimming safety identity Laurie Lawrence handed the boys Kids Alive medals at Logan Swim School – where the brothers take lessons.

Their mother, Simran Viridi, says the rescue was ‘a heart-stopping moment!’

‘Yet seeing how promptly Rabbi and Tegh responded fills me with immense pride,’ she says.



From left:
Rescuers
Rabbi and
Tegh Viridi.

MORE INFO

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SwimSchool](http://lccqld.com/SwimSchool)



Defying expectations AND GRAVITY

His teacher said it couldn't be done, yet 13-year-old Rodney Young successfully built an oscilloscope for his science project.

The instrument is used to design basic electronic systems, and Rodney continued to meet naysayers throughout his life – even as he failed courses in high school and dropped out of university.

However, he always believed he'd end up being an entrepreneur – and this tenacity is how Rodney built his successful business developing solutions for the likes of Boeing Defence Australia.

Rodney is now the managing director of Kingston-based company Masters & Young, a designer and manufacturer of world-class electronic products and devices.

The company specialises in designing and assembling electronics that require complex engineering for use in difficult environments such as underground mines, space and military battlefields.

'We've launched rockets to test hypersonic equipment in South Australia,' Rodney says.

'We built all the electronics – even the people at Woomera were astounded that it was done by a little "small" firm in Woodridge.

'We often get the opportunity to tell other states that our gear is Australian and Logan-made.'

It all began in 1997 when Rodney co-founded the company with Scott Masters and \$1000 in credit.

'One of our employees knew a customer had a problem and I was able to solve it quickly, which got us a job that financed the company,' Rodney says.

Typical of successful entrepreneurs, Rodney has always had a penchant for problem-solving.

'I've always been tinkering, always been good with my hands, always had a workshop to work in and always wanted to play with science-y things,' he says.

Rodney hopes to instill the same love of learning in the next generation of young entrepreneurs.

'We often get high school students wondering if they should drop out of school. I say "all you've got to do is pass commerce, English, science, and be nice to your teacher – then you'll get to grow up and do things".


'It's about getting people excited not just about science, but the can-do and how to get there.'

He cites an example of recently taking 15 staff to an electronics show in Melbourne. 'No engineers, no gods, but the real people who do the soldering, so they can learn more about the industry,' Rodney says.

'Most firms bring their CEOs and CFOs, but we bring the most important people.'

The company's Chief of Operations, Warren Hobbs, says they are blessed with a team of highly-skilled engineers and technicians who really love the work they do.

MORE INFO

 masters-young.com.au

The Masters & Young hypersonic equipment being tested in South Australia.



Success is brewing in Eagleby

Like its award-winning lagers, Eagleby's Perentie Brewing Co. is rising to the top in Queensland's beer scene.

After just 2 months up and running, the emerging brewery – which can churn out one million litres of beer per year – scooped 8 medals at the Royal Queensland Beer Awards on 29 February.

Owner Kenton Campbell, best known as the founder of Zarraffa's Coffee, says the accolades were a pleasant surprise.

'What doesn't surprise me is that we were in with a chance from the beginning, as everything we do is at a high level,' Kenton says.

'We followed the philosophy that if you have the best equipment, ingredients and team, you have a very good chance of producing something that is top-notch and that's what we've been able to do.'

His venture into the industry has been years in the making.

As a beer buff with a predilection for German lagers and Japanese beers, Kenton's goal was to create a beverage of quality that balanced tradition with modern technique.

He turned to one of the best for guidance – Burleigh Brewing's brew master, Brennan Fielding.

'Lagers are the most complicated types of beers to produce, but it was the most uncomplicated decision for me to produce them because it's just such a good beer,' Kenton says.

His personal favourite is the Pure Crisp – which claimed the coveted Champion Lager gong in the Awards – which he keeps in kegs at home.

'We gather the best authentic ingredients from around the world, where these sorts of beers have been around for hundreds of years, and follow a cold ferment, 4-week traditional lager brewing process, which then gets filtered and poured into our tanks,' Kenton says.

'After that it gets kegged, canned or poured straight into your glass at Perentie Brewing Co.'

The brewery, in Distillery Road Market Precinct, has been fizzing with activity from visitors near and far.


'This is what I always dreamed about with this project – seeing a sea of people coming together and having a good time with friends and family,' Kenton says.

'The local community has always been supportive and I thank them for that.'

'In time, this place will be "the place" in South East Queensland, because what we're creating is world-class and it's so great to see our Logan locals and beyond visiting us.'

'We have music, cold brews and markets – there's something for everyone.'

MORE INFO

 perentiebrewing.co

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We gather the best authentic ingredients from around the world

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Founder Kenton Campbell at his new brewery.





WA band Eskimo Joe will bring an acoustic twist to Logan Entertainment Centre. From left: Stuart MacLeod, Kav Temperley and Joel Quartermain.

Acoustic tour for Eskimo Joe fans

‘Stripped back and bareboned’ and even a little exposed, is what Eskimo Joe will deliver on its national acoustic tour that includes Logan.

Joel Quartermain – one third of the much-loved WA alternative rock trio – is endearingly honest when describing the difference in delivering an acoustic set.

‘Walking on for an acoustic show leaves you a bit exposed and a bit vulnerable, but it comes down to the delivery and relying on the strengths of the songs,’ Joel says.

‘An acoustic tour takes a lot of preparation – this show is completely different to how we normally play with a full rock band as part of this big machine making all this sound.’

Yet an acoustic set is familiar territory for Joel, who plays guitar, keyboards and drums, Kav Temperley as vocalist and bass guitarist, and Stuart MacLeod on lead guitar.

‘We write songs with acoustic guitars rather than in a jam room at a billion decibels,’ Joel says. They also played with a 48-piece orchestra in 2018 at Sydney Opera House.

‘This tour gives us a chance to rebirth the songs in a completely different guise so there’s a bit more creativity involved. It’s going to be an all-encompassing look back at our catalogue and rearranged in a different way,’ he says.

‘There’s that real value in nostalgia at the moment. People are going to those shows to celebrate songs that were big moments in their life – people tend to romanticise the past.’

That leads Joel to mention Eskimo Joe’s new song *The First Time*, with the music video fast becoming a fan favourite for highlights from past videos such as the band kidnapping themselves for *Black Fingernails*, *Red Wine*.

‘When you dig into the lyrical content of *The First Time* it talks about an old relationship,’ Joel says.

‘But that can be a feeling of nostalgia you can really apply to anything.’

They have also just celebrated 20 years since their hit *From The Sea*. ‘It’s a big achievement, but it really reminds us of how long we’ve been friends, we are still in a band, and people still appreciate us playing shows.’ They play at Logan Entertainment Centre on 31 May.

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Out and about in **LOGAN**

MAY

Men's Shed

📅 27 May, 6:30 am

📍 Greenbank RSL Men's Shed,
3/15 Corporate Place, Hillcrest

To improve the wellbeing and health of members, all men are welcome to stop by for a chat, tinker with tools and work on meaningful projects at their own pace in a safe space.

Eskimo Joe

📅 31 May, 7:30 pm

📍 Logan Entertainment Centre

Have your black fingernails and red wine ready to prepare for an enchanting evening with Australian rock legends Eskimo Joe, as they embark on a national acoustic tour supported by Dan Sultan.

MORE EVENTS

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JUNE

Logan Eco Action Festival

📅 2 June, 9 am

📍 Griffith University Logan Campus
Attend demonstrations and workshops about sustainability.

Kids Club

📅 4 June, 3:15 pm

📍 Jimboomba Library

Robots, art, craft, coding and more, ages 5 to 11 (with parent/caregiver).

Marsden SHS Band

📅 21 June, 6:30 pm

📍 Butterbox Theatre

Free concert by the school's Music Excellence Program students.

Starry Night Outdoor Cinema

📅 29 June, 5:30 pm

📍 San Damiano College Oval

Bring a chair or picnic blanket for *Sonic the Hedgehog 2*, and it's free.

A Taste of Ireland

📅 30 June, 7:30 pm

📍 Logan Entertainment Centre

An unforgettable night of Irish dancing, music and storytelling.

JULY

2024 Logan NAIDOC Celebration

📅 9 July, 9 am

📍 Kingston Butter Factory
Cultural Precinct

NAIDOC allows a time for the nation to reflect on this country's rich Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander history before recorded time and up to today. Logan's NAIDOC event is a cultural immersion not to be missed.

Chatty Cafe

📅 17 July, 10 am

📍 Luv a Coffee and other cafes

Seniors and carers are welcome to meet, chat and make new friends over a cup of coffee.

Butterbox Beats

📅 19 July, 6:30 pm

📍 Kingston Butter Factory
Cultural Precinct

Explore Milky Way Market's line-up of food trucks and stalls, and enjoy a live performance by country-pop act Chloe Styler and Band.



NAIDOC Week is 7 to 14 July

Exploring the historic local haunts

When the night falls on Logan, a Jimboomba family ventures out to connect with its spiritual side.

Mother Elise, her daughters Kahlia and Tiana and son Brady, have all taken on an unexpected role of hosting ghost tours around Logan's historic locations.

The family began the unusual hobby several years ago by visiting haunted sites around Australia to satisfy their own curiosity about all things ghostly.

They soon learned many others wanted similar experiences, when launching their business last year.

Called Transcendental Paranormal, the business has quickly grown to now run tours every couple of weeks.

With each event now being solidly booked ahead, and waiting lists forming for up to 60 people, the family has also welcomed a like-minded assistant, Josie.

'We've had many things happen – seeing a figure walking back and forth in a dance hall, hearing things, shirts being grabbed – when we visit places



The Transcendental Paranormal team in Maclean Cemetery, which dates back to 1871. From left: Assistant Josie, with sisters Kahlia, Tiana and mum Elise.

like a historical village or museum, or local cemeteries with lots of history,' Tiana says.

'People have felt things like a little girl's energy in a child's room, and our specialised equipment has gone crazy,' she says.

'Then we have had messages coming through that she was murdered there, but we can't find any historical information confirming that because it doesn't go back that far into the 1800s when she was alive.'

Tiana says their tour guests enjoy

using the unusual equipment on offer during the 3-hour events, ranging from communications devices called 'spirit boxes', to heat signature metres and electromagnetic field readers.

'We also have dowsing rods similar to what water diviners use. When you ask questions, a spirit can move them to answer "yes" or "no".'

'Some people don't believe in this and we respect their opinions, but ask in turn that they respect our beliefs.'

MORE INFO

[Transcendental Paranormal](#)



Mayes Cottage Museum

Free guided tours are held on Saturdays at 11 am and 1 pm, or by demand on Thursdays and Fridays with the last tour at 2:45 pm.

FREE ENTRY

- 📍 20 Mawarra Street, Kingston
- 📅 Open Thursday to Saturday
Closed on Public Holidays
- 🕒 10:30 am to 4 pm

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Animals help students reach their potential

To support students with complex needs, a school in Carbrook has turned to a curriculum that includes student wellbeing, individualised education and a timid Palomino pony named Daisy.

A group of animals – including horses, dogs, chickens and a pig – play an important part at Carbrook Animal Assisted Learning Centre, a special assistance secondary school for students who were previously disengaged from education.

The school operates based on the understanding that students who live with a disability or different socio-emotional needs often struggle to fit in at school, leading to disengagement.

According to Principal Anna Borneman, many students have never realised their full potential.

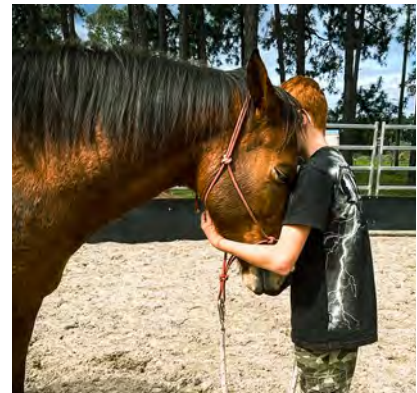
'When students feel safe and have a sense of belonging in the school environment, learning really takes off and happens,' she says.

Darani Cumming, an equestrian coach and the centre's Animal Assisted Learning Program Coordinator, says students can learn vital skills such as self-confidence and emotional regulation from animals like horses.

'As herd animals, horses are great models because they help students learn things about themselves, how community works and what it means to be trustworthy and safe,' she says.

'Horses can pick up on your energy – the way you move, the way you speak, even your posture.

'We focus on teaching the students how to be kind, firm and confident leaders when taking care of the animals.'



A Carbrook student nuzzling with a horse.

A good example of this is Daisy – more skittish than the other horses – who requires students to practise being calm around her.

The school's 84 per cent student attendance rate indicates that previously disengaged students are benefiting from the school's unique approach to education and the animal-human connection.

MORE INFO

 carbrookcentre.qld.edu.au



Friday 31 May, 7:30 pm

Prepare for an intimate rendezvous with Australian rock legends **Eskimo Joe** as they embark on a national acoustic tour, gracing the stages of Australia's most beautiful theatres.

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Cr Lisa Bradley (right) and students (from left) Samantha Staples, Max Tancredi and Sofia Staples are looking forward to the anniversary party for Springwood Road State School.

School celebrates its half-century history

Springwood Road State School opened in January 1974 against the backdrop of the Brisbane floods – but its sodden beginning has not proven to be a detriment over the past 50 years.

The floods delayed the school's opening by a week, causing some equipment, paper and supplies in storage to go under water, and creating large muddy areas and a bare oval.

But all that is history, with the school about to hit the half-century mark later this year.

The state school's P&C Association president, Brendan Manttan, says the community will be able to join together on

Saturday, 7 September, to mark the milestone.

'We're in the early stages of planning, but there'll be lots of fun activities, food, school tours and memorabilia,' Brendan says.

Division 1 Councillor Lisa Bradley says the celebrations will create great memories for past and present students.

'So many people have walked through the front gate over the past 50 years as parents, teachers and students, and there are so many stories to share,' Cr Bradley says.

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Better paths and connections for Springwood

Improved intersections and safer streets for active and healthy lifestyles are on the way in Springwood as 3 important projects take shape.

Fitzgerald Avenue is being revitalised through a \$3.1 million streetscaping project, which includes trees and shelters, a wider footpath and removing a median strip to create more space for cyclists and pedestrians.

Access to all businesses in the work zone – between Cinderella Drive and Rochedale Road – is being maintained.

Division 1 Councillor Lisa Bradley says the streetscaping will bring a new vibrancy to the shopping and business precinct.

'It will unlock opportunities to close the street for events as well as encouraging outdoor and night-time dining in the new-look space,' Cr Bradley says.

The project is funded by the Australian Government's Local Roads and Community Infrastructure Program and Logan City Council, including Division 1 Local Infrastructure Program funding.

Meanwhile, a new shared pathway will link with existing bikeways branching off Cinderella Drive to connect with public transport, shops and Springwood Park.

The Cinderella Drive Shared Path Upgrade project is supported by the Queensland Government's Cycle Network Local Government Grants Program.

Intersections are also being improved with upgraded traffic signals at Cinderella Drive and Dennis Road, and Barbaralla Drive and Dennis Road.

Also, a new turning lane at the intersection of Onak Crescent and Dennis Road will improve traffic flow.

MORE INFO
Iccqld.com/fitzgerald-ave
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Free activities will include face painting at this year's local NAIDOC Family Fun Day, set for 9 July.

Mark your calendar for NAIDOC Day fun

The City of Logan will celebrate the rich and diverse cultures of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Australians with a free community event in July.

Division 2 Councillor Teresa Lane and Logan Elders are inviting everyone to attend the local celebrations for NAIDOC Week (7-14 July) on Tuesday, 9 July.

'This year's theme is Keep the Fire Burning! Blak, Loud & Proud and no one does that better, louder or prouder than the City of Logan,' Cr Lane says.

'The free event will feature entertainment, food and rides, all thanks to the work of Logan Elders and local not-for-profit groups and businesses.'

Attendees can also join a flag-raising ceremony, didgeridoo workshop and a damper-making competition.

'Our Logan Elders do an outstanding job of providing a great experience for anyone wanting to come and celebrate NAIDOC Day,' Cr Lane says.

The NAIDOC 2024 Family Fun Day is at the Kingston Butter Factory Cultural Precinct, 270 Jacaranda Ave, Kingston, on Tuesday, 9 July, from 9 am (gates open 8:30 am).

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Improving community connections

Forty-three kilograms of sausages, 700 sticks of fairy floss, 450 snow cones and 1,200 Easter eggs.

They're the numbers of note from a fabulous community event at Woodridge's Ewing Park on Easter Saturday.

Division 2 Councillor Teresa Lane says more than 1,000 people of all ages enjoyed the event.

'Local parents, carers and grandparents really embraced the opportunity for a fun outing without the worry of affordability,' Cr Lane says.

'Families were treated to free train rides with the Logan Model Train Engineers Club, a petting zoo, pony rides and face painting.

'We really do live in a wonderful community.'

The event was hosted by the LC5 Woodridge Neighbourhood Watch Group, with support from local businesses, Mayor Jon Raven, Cr Lane, Federal Member for Rankin and Treasurer Jim Chalmers, and State Member for Woodridge and Treasurer Cameron Dick.



Ruby Kaden, 8, had a great time at the Easter picnic in Woodridge's Ewing Park.



Cr Mindy Russell and fellow Epilepsy Action Australia national ambassador, former Mabel Park teacher Luke Eisenhuth, at the Illuminating Hope Gala in Sydney.

Take time to visit Timothy Park

Families have a new place to play in Slacks Creek with bright play equipment and park infrastructure installed at Timothy Park.

The Park Road playground features a flying fox, 2-bay swing, climbing structure and a flower rocker.

Division 3 Councillor Mindy Russell says there is fresh sand and soft-fall rubber ground coverings to ensure ample safe areas for young children.

'To me, this gorgeous playground was a no-brainer worth investing in for kids living nearby and school students to enjoy,' Cr Russell says.

'When I got to consult local families, they provided excellent ideas. Logan children are the best at designing play spaces near their homes.'

Street parking is available and the park can be accessed via the popular Slacks Track bicycle and pedestrian pathway.

Local faces spreading epilepsy awareness

With one per cent of the Australian population living with epilepsy, 2 well-known faces from Division 3 are helping break down any stigma surrounding the condition.

Division 3 Councillor Mindy Russell and former Mabel Park State High School teacher Luke Eisenhuth are national ambassadors for Epilepsy Action Australia.

Luke, who became an ambassador in 2019, had a rare form of epilepsy in childhood and was not expected to achieve speech, but went on to defy the odds.

Cr Russell, who also lives with epilepsy, was recently announced as the organisation's newest ambassador at its 2024 Illuminating Hope Gala in Sydney.

The national event helped raise awareness and funds for people living with epilepsy and their families.

Cr Russell says she accepted the

ambassadorship with the goal to raise awareness of the condition and challenge assumptions about living and working with epilepsy.

'Epilepsy is a disorder with a certain stigma, but I hope to be part of addressing and overcoming it,' Cr Russell says.

'Epilepsy can be a life-changing diagnosis, but, with the right support, it doesn't have to mean the end of your personal or professional goals.

'I also want to encourage people with epilepsy to seek out the information readily available through organisations like Epilepsy Action Australia, to help them navigate this complex condition.

'Knowledge is power and it can help eliminate avoidable risks, and allow people to live their best possible lives,' she says.

MORE INFO
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Cr Mindy Russell in the upgraded Timothy Park.

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Image: Hermannsburg Potters Collaborative, *Antala-iperra / Weather* 2022, terracotta and underglazes. 55 x 39 x 39cm. Courtesy of Hermannsburg Potters. Image credit Sara Maiorino

Clay on Country was curated by Jo Foster and Neridah Stockley and is toured by Artback NT, with the support of Creative Australia, and Visions of Australia.



ALSO IN THE EXHIBITION

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Cr Nathan St Ledger (left) with Man Up facilitator Jared Waaka (front) and participants (back from left) Matthew Hart, David Henderson, Kyle Schmerse, Jordan Dewar and Chance Roberts.

Upgrade improves state school safety

Pedestrian safety and traffic flow have been improved outside Logan Village State School.

Sections of Storey Road and Manuka Road are now widened as part of recent upgrade works, including new stormwater infrastructure and kerbing.

There is also new parking in front of the school, and cars can now park on both sides of Storey Road.

The upgrade also included the construction of a new footpath along Storey Road between the school drop-off zone and Manuka Road. A wider path then extends from the drop-off zone to North Street.

Division 4 Councillor Nathan St Ledger says the upgrades will help ease pressure on local families during school drop-off and pick-up times.

'Importantly, wider footpaths will improve safety for students, teachers and pedestrians, while additional parking will be welcomed by parents and other drivers,' Cr St Ledger says.

The project was funded through the Queensland Government's South East Queensland Community Stimulus Program, in association with Logan City Council.

MORE INFO

lccqld.com/upgrade-StoreyRd

Man Up for mental health

The Maori phrase of 'Tu Tangata' has a simple meaning in the English language – 'Stand Tall'.

As the slogan of local mental health organisation Man Up, the phrase is designed to help men face their futures with confidence.

Man Up, launched in New Zealand in 2015, is a 10-week course during which participants discuss topics such as drug and alcohol addiction, anger and forgiveness.

Men aged 18 and over can take part in the Man Up program, which operates at locations across the City of Logan.

The Yarrabilba group, led by Jared Waaka, meets at 6:30 pm every Thursday at The Buzz community centre in Yarrabilba.

Jared – a former participant – says Man Up meetings are a safe place for men to open up.

'Each week is a different topic. It's about unpacking all the stuff you might have been brought up with... (and) sharing whatever is holding you back,' Jared says.

A key focus of the group is supporting fathers through the challenges of family life.

'The power is in the home, so (the idea is) if you heal the man, you heal the family,' Jared says.

Division 4 Councillor Nathan St Ledger says groups like Man Up are vital to the health of local communities.

'Man Up and similar groups are supporting those who might be struggling, or just looking to connect with like-minded people,' Cr St Ledger says.

'This is what the City of Logan is built on – people helping other people.'

The Buzz, operated by YMCA, is at 65 Basalt Drive, Yarrabilba. Council's website has details on Man Up and other local men's groups. See the link below.

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Cr Nathan St Ledger outside Logan Village State School during the construction works.

The Makos' territory gets safety upgrade

A fresh focus on safety around Queensland's biggest school is underway with an intersection upgrade.

The upgrade at the intersection of Chambers Flat Road and Muchow Road is outside Marsden State High School.

Marsden SHS, the home of the Makos, is booming.

Enrolments at the state's largest school have increased by 8 per cent over the past 2 years to take the school population to more than 4,000 students.

Division 5 Councillor Paul Jackson says the massive enrolment figure underscores the importance of road safety in the area.

'Council's upgrade to the intersection outside the school will boost safety for students, pedestrians and bike riders, as well as help improve traffic flow for motorists,' Cr Jackson says.

The works include new traffic signals for the left-hand turning lane from Muchow Road into Chambers Flat Road, while pedestrian ramps and walkways and existing concrete islands have been upgraded.

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Cr Paul Jackson with Anika Barrett on Cool Under Fire at Park Ridge Pony Club.

Pony club has the jump on cross-country course

Park Ridge Pony Club members are jumping for joy over a restored feature at their home ground in Judith Park, Crestmead.

A challenging multi-level log-based jump has been constructed by Logan City Council on a cross-country course being developed by the club.

The new jump is on a section of the course that was impacted by Logan Water laying critical pipeline infrastructure to service growing nearby suburbs.

Club secretary Angela McGillivray says interest in equestrian cross-country competition is booming.

'Riders and their horses have to go as fast as they can and many find this type of competition a lot of fun,' Angela says.

The new jump has multiple levels that requires competitors and their mounts to jump up to an elevated flat surface and then get across another stack of logs to get back down.

Park Ridge Pony Club formed in 1969 and moved to Judith Park in 1979.

Angela says it now has more than 40 members of all ages who compete in cross-country, showjumping and dressage.

Division 5 Councillor Paul Jackson says equestrian sports and recreation are an important part of the Logan lifestyle.

'Many of our suburbs include rural areas where some families have kept horses for many generations,' Cr Jackson says.

'Equestrian sports are one of the few where men and women compete together and they are also part of the Olympics and Paralympics.

'It would be terrific if we had someone competing in the 2032 Games in Brisbane who once honed their riding skills at Judith Park in Crestmead.'

Angela's pride and joy is a gelding she calls Ponga. Now 7 years old, the former racehorse competes as Cool Under Fire.

Angela no longer rides competitively due to injury, but young club members Anika Barrett and Emily Wonka share Ponga to compete in cross-country, showjumping and hacking.

'I get a thrill out of watching them all compete,' she says.

Park Ridge Pony Club welcomes new members.

MORE INFO

[Park Ridge Pony Club](#)

Local artworks brighten hospital rooms

Patients and visitors of the newly opened Logan Hospital expansion can admire some of the City of Logan's best features, thanks to 15 paintings created by members of the Logan Artists Association (LAA).

LAA president Di Flack says it was an honour to receive the commission from Metro South Health's Logan Hospital Expansion team.

'The artists each took on a theme which was inspired by their connections to the local community years of living in Logan,' Di says.

The canvas paintings have references to the city's history, flora and fauna, cultural diversity and landmarks.

The artists, including Noel Rogers, Colleen Lloyd, Kristy Flynn, Lyn Gawne and Jamie Brown, recently toured the new wards to see their works take pride of place.



Mayor Jon Raven (centre) and Cr Tony Hall (right) with the artists and paintings for Logan Hospital.

Di says they were 'thrilled' to help brighten the new corridors and rooms.

The Association, based at Loganlea, was able to purchase paint and canvases for the commission with funding from Logan City Council's Division 6 Community Benefit Fund.

Division 6 Councillor Tony Hall says he was pleased to support the project.

'It's not always pleasant to be a patient or a visitor to hospital, but these wonderful paintings will certainly provide some comfort,' Cr Hall says.

The vertical expansion is part of the Logan Hospital expansion stage 1.

MORE INFO

loganartists.com

Milestone for community transport service

When Ann Langley set up a support group for multiple sclerosis in the Logan area in 1992, she set the wheels in motion for one of the city's – and Australia's – greatest success stories.



From left: TransitCare Chairman Peter Emery, CEO Terry O'Toole, Cr Miriam Stemp, Cr Tony Hall and TransitCare Director Scott Dorries celebrating the organisation's 30th anniversary.

The volunteer group became Logan and Albert North Disability Services (LANDS) in 1994, and is now known as TransitCare – Australia's largest community transport provider.

TransitCare now travels more than 2 million kilometres each year to support 270,000 people statewide – all from its Loganlea base.

The organisation provides social support and home-care services to elderly, socially isolated and young people with disabilities.

CEO Terry O'Toole says they help clients maintain independence and stay connected to their communities.

'I would like to think that Ann would be extremely proud of today's TransitCare for upholding the values

of providing the best service possible to our clients,' Terry says.

'Our community has trusted us every day for the past 30 years – to look after them, get them to appointments or the shops, visit family and friends or attend one of our social support trips.

'We now employ almost 180 people and have 80 vehicles servicing Logan, Redland, Brisbane South, Mt Tamborine, Cairns, Gold Coast, Charters Towers, Ingham, Townsville and surrounding areas.'

Division 6 Councillor Tony Hall says the distinct lime branding makes their vehicles stand out on local roads.

'TransitCare is an icon in our city and so many people live better lives due to the genuine care shown to them by the staff and volunteers,' Cr Hall says.

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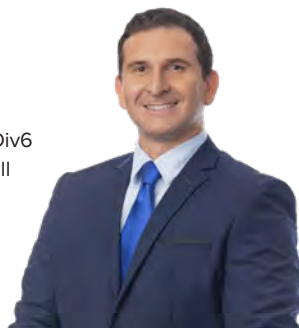
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BIG VOICES: CHILDREN'S ART MATTERS

Children's art is powerful. This free exhibition presents artworks that give voice to Woodridge State School students' knowledge and experience of their world. Bring your family and pick up the Kids Art Activity Trail booklet too.

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Revving-up for neighbourhood safety

Community spirit is alive and well among the residents of Forestdale.

Neighbourhood Watch Area Co-ordinator Lynn Whittingham says the group, which has operated since 1990, was a focal point for the community to share information and support each other.

‘We work together in partnership to look after 900 properties in the area and update residents on any matters of interest through our Facebook page,’ Lynn says.

Regular meetings are held with Queensland Police Service Logan Crime Prevention Unit representatives to network and keep abreast of community safety-related matters.

The organisation has a long tradition of engaging with the community and hosting regular annual events such as a Santa train, a motor show and a Christmas event.



From left: Cr Tim Frazer, resident Brian Moffatt with his 1962 EK Holden station wagon that featured in a local car show, and Forestdale Neighbourhood Watch Area Co-ordinator Lynn Whittingham.

Division 7 Councillor Tim Frazer encourages local residents to join the community group and support its work.

‘Neighbourhood Watch is one way for residents to come together to protect their quality of life,’ Cr Frazer says.

‘There is power in having a collective voice and people supporting each other,’ he says.

MORE INFO

- forestdalenhw.com.au
- Facebook: ForestdaleNHW

Coloured benches prompt greater understanding

A new conversation starter on domestic violence is set to be unveiled in Boronia Heights. A pink metal bench featuring 3 butterflies and footprints will be installed in Middle Park in late May.

It will honour Queensland-based charity Small Steps for Hannah and remember the lives of Hannah Clarke and her children Aaliyah, Laianah and Trey.

Division 7 is already home to 4 special benches. They are in Forest Glen Park at Browns Plains, Hillcrest’s Silvertop Park, outside Logan West Community Centre in Hillcrest, and at Sweetgum Park in Hillcrest.

The benches build on a movement that began in 2015 in Nova Scotia, Canada. Purple benches were installed in honour of domestic and family violence victim Barb Ballie.

Division 7 Councillor Tim Frazer hopes the colourful benches will generate positive change within the community and start valuable conversations.

‘All too often domestic violence is hidden behind closed doors so hopefully these benches will encourage people to reach out and assist anyone they think may be in a vulnerable situation,’ Cr Frazer says.



Cr Tim Frazer at the unveiling of the Centre Against Sexual Violence (Logan) bench in Hillcrest’s Sweetgum Park, with (from left) Aimee, Sarah, Julia, Marisol, Rhiannon and Rachel (whose surnames are withheld on request).

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Traffic lights to improve safety

Plans are being finalised for the upgrading of a busy intersection in Park Ridge, including the installation of traffic lights.

The upgrade will improve safety at the intersection of Park Ridge Road with Clarke Road to the north and Lindenthal Road to the south.

The upgrade project will be delivered by Logan City Council with support from the Australian Government's Black Spot Program, which aims to reduce risk of crashes at locations where they have occurred, or are at risk of happening.

Currently, motorists wanting to enter Park Ridge Road from either Clarke or Lindenthal roads are faced by stop signs and required to give way in all directions.

Division 8 Councillor Jacob Heremaia says there has been a steady rise in traffic volumes through the 4-way intersection because of considerable population growth and development in Park Ridge and surrounding areas.

'We've worked together as a community for this upgrade. It is fantastic to see funding allocated and I'm looking forward to seeing construction begin,' Cr Heremaia says.

The project will include a signalised pedestrian crossing, the installation of traffic lights, and green-painted bicycle lanes will be added on the approaches to Park Ridge Road.

Work is expected to begin mid-2024.

MORE INFO

lccqld.com/intersection-ParkRidge



Traffic lights will be welcomed at the intersection of Park Ridge, Clarke and Lindenthal roads (pictured in this artist's impression).



Plenty of play areas are on offer at Logan Reserve's new Sweetfern Park.

More park space for Logan Reserve

A new open space in Willow Logan Reserve Estate has been added to the City of Logan's extensive network of parks.

Division 8 Councillor Jacob Heremaia says Sweetfern Park is one of the newest locations on the list of almost 980 parks and reserves managed by Logan City Council.

The new 2-hectare park, bordered by Loganview Road North, Sweetfern Drive and Logan Reserve Road, includes a multipurpose court, open kick-about space, play and exercise equipment, seating, shelters and bins.

Cr Heremaia encourages the community to visit the park as it offers local residents an ideal way to spend time outdoors.

'The park's versatility means it caters for all ages, which makes it a great place for families to spend time together,' Cr Heremaia says.

Community meeting invitation



Councillor Heremaia invites the community to a meeting to have a say on local issues and opportunities. The meeting is on Wednesday, 4 September from 6 pm to 7 pm at Logan Metro Sports Centre (357 Browns Plains Road, Crestmead). There is free parking and light refreshments will be served.

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New facilities steer sports clubs to greater goals

Two Division 9 sports clubs have scored big by securing funding for facility upgrades.

New changerooms with toilets, showers, a large storage space and ramp access will be built at the Jimboomba United Football Club's Kurrajong Park home ground.

Also, the Mustangs Brothers Rugby League Football Club in Kenny Road at Chambers Flat will receive a field lighting upgrade.

Both clubs have received grant funding from the Queensland Government's Minor Infrastructure and Inclusive Facilities Funding.

The projects have also received funding from Logan City Council's Sport and Recreation Facilities Program.

Deputy Mayor and Division 9 Councillor Scott Bannan says Council

is thrilled to be giving both clubs, and their members, a leg up.

'These great local clubs go above and beyond to make sport possible for everyone, but they can't do it alone,' Cr Bannan says.

'With construction and maintenance costs rising, our local clubs need all the help they can get to ensure their facilities and their infrastructure continues to meet the needs of their members.

'I'm stoked that both Council and the Queensland Government have come to the party to deliver for our mighty Mustangs and Jimboomba United teams.

'I'm looking forward to seeing both clubs back out in force enjoying these new facilities once the upgrades are complete.'

Mundoolun Road set for smoother ride

Repairs to the Mundoolun Road surface are complete.

Rectification works were required between East Street and Monmouth Court, and from John Collins Drive to Collins Creek Road, after recent road resurfacing in the area failed.

A contractor that was engaged by Logan City Council had completed a major upgrade to 4.5 km of Mundoolun Road last year.

Soon after completion of the upgrade in December 2023, Council became aware that defects were appearing in the new road surface, which included potholes that had formed.





Council worked closely with the contractor to find a permanent solution to address the deterioration of the road surface.

Motorists are now benefitting from the new asphalt pavement.

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(Centre) Deputy Mayor Cr Scott Bannan with (left) Jimboomba United Football Club Vice-President Craig Carpenter and (right) Club President Roger Addison.



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Cr Miriam Stemp (far right) with (from left) Jaden Dennis, his mum Tanya and friend and fellow MYCoolEVENTS organiser Gina Chapman.

More reasons to visit Alexander Clark Park

Popular Alexander Clark Park at Loganholme just keeps on getting better.

Work has started on Stage 3 of the \$6.34 million upgrade of the park after Stages 1 and 2 opened with a well-attended family fun day last December.

The latest project includes a sealed 35-space car park, extended pathways and a new park entry statement. There will also be additional seating, new landscaping, and general and recycling rubbish bins.

Division 10 Councillor Miriam Stemp says extensive planning has ensured the upgrade complements the natural environment within Alexander Clark Park, including koala habitat.

‘We are creating a very special place where families can have a fun, free day out while enjoying new park facilities and pathways that make the most of the surrounding native bushland and river views,’ Cr Stemp says.



Cr Miriam Stemp looking over the latest upgrades at Alexander Clark Park.

Everyone gets their own shot at being cool

Tanah Merah mum Tanya Dennis loves that her 21-year-old son is socialising, dancing, bowling and making new friends.

But the difference to many mums in the same situation is that her son Jaden has high-level disabilities, is non-verbal and uses a wheelchair.

The loving bond between the pair, and their shared determination for Jaden to build an interesting life for himself after he left school, resulted in the creation of an amazing community-based program in 2021 called MYCoolEVENTS.

The program coordinates regular events and outings for those with a disability to mingle and have fun in public spaces that are safe and controlled to meet their many needs.

Events include dances, drumming sessions, painting, free movies, writing e-books and disco ten-pin bowling. Participants attend with family members and/or support workers.

‘Having a high-level disability does not mean you have to miss out,’ is Jaden’s message on the program’s website. ‘Groove to your own beat, sing out loud, move the way you want. Be yourself. You are epic.’

Funded solely on donations and grants, MYCoolEVENTS has grown to have up to 40 people attending recent events.

‘I am doing this through the eyes of my son by extending invitations to others like him who may want to be part of his world,’ Tanya says.

‘Our children are very fragile and too vulnerable to go to a lot of public spaces but by bringing them together in a safe space where every element has been considered and checked, allows them to have fun, connect with each other and make new friends.’

Division 10 Councillor Miriam Stemp says Tanya and Jaden have been inspirational in creating MYCoolEVENTS.

‘I always enjoy attending their events and seeing the joy on the faces of everyone involved,’ Cr Stemp says.

‘If you would like to find out more about MYCoolEVENTS, please reach out to Tanya.’

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‘Mane’ arena funding for riding club

Equestrian enthusiasts are celebrating news of funding for new facilities at North Maclean.

Members of the Park Ridge Active Riding Group (PRARG) will have more opportunities to train and compete thanks to a new \$520,000 arena planned for Skerman Park.

PRARG President Kay Paulsen says the arena has been on the club’s wish-list for a long time. ‘It’s exciting times ahead,’ Kay says.

The facility will be jointly funded by the Queensland Government’s Minor Infrastructure and Inclusive Facilities Funding and Logan City Council, including \$50,000 from the Division 11 Local Infrastructure Program.

PRARG members participate in clinics and competitions for dressage, show jumping and hack.



Cr Natalie Willcocks (right) celebrates news of equestrian arena funding, with (from left) Logan MP Linus Power, rider Harvey Besley with Borderview Supporo, and PRARG President Kay Paulsen.

Division 11 Councillor Natalie Willcocks says the new sun and weather-proof facility is a welcome boost for PRARG.

‘The club has a proud history spanning more than 40 years, and Kay has been a quiet achiever for much of that time,’ Cr Willcocks says.

‘The committee has been determined to get this arena for many years, and

I’m so pleased it’s going to happen.’

Skerman Park is on Olson Road, North Maclean. PRARG membership is open to riders aged 14 and older.

MORE INFO

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Colville Park’s cute new wombat rocker where real wildlife also hops by.

Greenbank child’s play among the marsupials

A little brown wombat has his work cut out for him at Greenbank’s Colville Park.

The cute children’s rocker is among new play features installed at the park, to the delight of local families who live in the Harvest Rise development.

The new playground also includes a 3-bay swing set featuring a flat swing, a toddler swing and a wide basket swing.

Children can also go ‘shopping’ in the park, at a new corner store play panel.

Division 11 Councillor Natalie Willcocks says the fun additions have made the park more appealing for local families.

‘It’s great to encourage our young kids to enjoy themselves outdoors through this project,’ Cr Willcocks says.

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Court celebrations for Twin Rivers croquet

Dreams of delivering a local boost to the sport of croquet are now becoming a reality for Eagleby's Twin Rivers Community Mallet Sports Club.

Croquet is sometimes described as a cross between golf, lawn bowls, snooker and chess.

Mallets are used to hit balls through small square-topped hoops, with some plays becoming extremely tactical. It can be played by people of all ages.

The sport has been quietly growing in the City of Logan and is now poised for an exciting boom in popularity following the opening of 2 new competition lawns at the club's Bedford Park headquarters.

The new courts complement 2 existing courts, while the facility also includes a site for a future clubhouse.

Construction of the new courts was co-funded by Logan City Council, the Division 12 Local Infrastructure Program and a grant through the Queensland Government's Active Game Day program.

Division 12 Councillor Karen Murphy says the additional courts will help create an even stronger connection between the club and the local community.

'Since being founded in 2010, the Twin Rivers Community Mallet Sports Club has led the way in making their sport available to people of all ages,' Cr Murphy says.

'These new courts will allow the club and its members to continue to boost local interest in croquet and do our community proud in competition at all levels.'

Club President Maia McGhee says the additional courts will allow Twin Rivers

to host competitions with other clubs and expand their social play program.

'Having 4 courts is a dream come true for our club,' Maia says.

State Member for Macalister, Melissa McMahon MP, says encouraging people of all ages to get more involved in activities funded by Active Game Day grants is an investment in the future health and well-being of the community.

'These new courts in the heart of Eagleby provide an ideal local opportunity to get involved in a healthy outdoor activity, while also meeting new friends within our community,' she says.

MORE INFO

twinriverscroquetclub.org

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Cr Karen Murphy (right) tries the new courts in Eagleby with Twin Rivers Community Mallet Sports Club President Maia McGhee.



Cr Karen Murphy (right) in the Courtyard Cafe with Your Lifestyle Centre CEO Megan Zwart.

Coffee, cake and friendship

The new Courtyard Cafe at Your Lifestyle Centre in Beenleigh has quickly become a must-do destination.

The cafe, which was officially opened by Division 12 Councillor Karen Murphy in early March, is located at the rear of the centre at 20 Alamein Street. It is open from 9 am to 1 pm, Monday to Friday.

The menu includes a range of teas and coffees, fresh and toasted sandwiches, hot and cold savouries, biscuits, cakes, milkshakes and juices.

The cafe's \$8 coffee and cake deal is popular, while takeaway meals are also available.

Cr Murphy says the benefits of the new cafe go well beyond the tasty offerings on the menu.

'The cafe is a great place to meet friends and make new ones,' Cr Murphy says.

Your Lifestyle Centre Chief Executive Officer Megan Zwart says the new cafe complements the many other offerings at the centre.

These include excursions, entertainment, hairdressing and activities such as bingo, indoor bowls and line dancing.

'There truly is something for everyone,' Megan says.

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