

Division 5 News

Cr Paul Jackson



Cyclone response did our community proud

Howdy neighbours! After decades of leading local community organisations, it has been my experience that blokes working together to help someone out is the best therapy I know for men.

And neighbours helping neighbours is the best therapy I know for a local community.

This was evident as Division 5 residents prepared for Tropical Cyclone Alfred in early March, and again in the cleanup afterwards.

From checking in on each other and helping prepare emergency kits, to shovelling sand and dragging sandbags at the self-serve stations, residents went beyond looking out for themselves and their property to going the extra mile for others.

With more than 250,000 sandbags collected by residents across the city, the sandbagging stations became a place of great connection where old acquaintances were reconnected and strangers became friends.

Likewise in the cleanup, residents offered their trailers and utes to help people in their street. Offering spare space in wheelie bins also became points of practical neighbourliness.

One of the new friends I made along the way was Steve 'Bung' Taylor.

After we collected the post-storm green waste from his place at Waterford West, he paid it forward by spending the next several days collecting sandbags from residents who didn't have a means of disposing of them.

I'd like to recognise Mayor Jon Raven for his leadership of the Logan Disaster Management team and his calm and clear communication throughout the severe weather event.

Thanks also go to Councillor Teresa Lane who was our point person for Councillors to report and receive information throughout the storm and stay connected with our communities.

Council staff and the Local Disaster Management team worked extreme hours for several days under difficult conditions to keep the city connected to the information and resources it needed.

If you ever need a helping hand, I encourage you to reach out to me or come to one of my upcoming Division 5 Community Forums.



Cr Paul Jackson (left) and his new friend 'Bung' Taylor, of Waterford West.

Local contacts:

Logan City Council and Logan Water (24 hrs): **3412 3412**

For a life-threatening emergency: **000**, For other police matters: **131 444**

If you require assistance from the SES: **132 500**

Animal Ambulance: **1300 264 625**

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Mayor's message



I hope you had a safe and happy Easter.

Can you believe it's been just over a year since your Councillors and I were elected?

It's been an incredibly busy time and the recent public holidays were a good chance to reflect on what's been achieved.

Some great news for Logan is that our new 9-court Indoor Sports Centre will start construction later this year and is due to be finished by 2028. This is a \$140m project funded jointly by the Queensland and Australian Governments and has been identified as a potential event venue at the 2032 Olympic and Paralympic Games.

We also recently completed an \$80 million upgrade of Loganlea Road.

This project, which included widening the road to 3 lanes in both directions and adding infrastructure, was funded with the support of Jim Chalmers MP as part of the 2022 Federal Election.

Council is now in the middle of finalising the upcoming budget. Your Councillors are focused on finding savings and improving efficiencies across all areas. But just like you, Council is struggling with significant increases in costs for the city – particularly fuel, electricity, insurances and construction.

We're also working on a community consultation project called Transform Logan. During my election campaign, locals said they wanted their Mayor to focus on better long-term planning and an ambitious vision for our city.

This community reference panel has 50 representatives looking at what the next 50 years looks like for Logan. They will share their ideas later in the year.

I'll share some more information on my social media soon about how you can have your say on the city's future as well.

Mayor Jon Raven
City of Logan

It's giddy-up for booming Park Ridge Pony Club

I couldn't be happier to share with you the exciting news that the Park Ridge Pony Club is experiencing a welcome revival with membership numbers on the rise over the last 12 months.

Earlier this year, I dropped in on the club to get a carriage tour of their grounds and hear about their future plans for Judith Park.

It's a pleasure to support the hard work of the volunteer committee through Council funding that will see an upgrade to the arena lighting along with a new cross-country course.

These improvements will enhance the club's facilities and further increase levels of participation for locals who love horses and enjoy being around like-minded people.

I can't wait to see the next generation of horse riders from Division 5, and neighbouring areas, who will benefit from increased opportunities to train at Judith Park and be at their best to compete locally, nationally, and internationally.

Find out more by visiting them at 117 Judith Street, Crestmead, check out their Facebook page or contact them on 0422 603 465.



Cr Paul Jackson catches a ride at the Park Ridge Pony Club.

Support Fatality Free Friday

You're invited to join local police and myself to learn more about Fatality Free Friday on Tuesday, 27 May from 12 pm to 2 pm at Crest Bean Cafe in Waratah Drive at Crestmead.

This event aims to raise awareness about road safety and encourage safe driving practices, not just on Fatality Free Friday (30 May), but every day of the year.

Save the Date Community meetings

Division 5 residents are invited to attend our upcoming community meetings at PCYC Crestmead, all beginning at 6 pm:

- **Friday, 2 May**
- **Friday, 1 August**
- **Friday, 7 November**

Scan the QR code for the latest Division 5 news on my Facebook page.





Cr Paul Jackson shaved his hair, beard and eyebrows for charity with help from Dante Savaiinaea, from Faded Kingz Barbershop at Marsden.

Supporting the Greatest Shave campaign

It was an honour to participate in this year's World's Greatest Shave with my fellow Councillors Nathan St Ledger, Scott Bannan and Tim Frazer.

More than 30 donors contributed to my campaign which helped us raise a collective total of \$8,500.

Learning more about the work that the Leukaemia Foundation does to fight blood cancer gave me an opportunity to connect with Division 5 residents impacted by this disease.

I met with Sandra (surname withheld on request) to hear her story after being diagnosed earlier this year. She has lived in Marsden for 34 years and has served our community in various ways including at Marsden State School and Logan Hospital.

With more than 150,000 Australians currently fighting blood cancer, Sandra's story is all too common.

Your donations will help the Leukaemia Foundation achieve

its goal of eliminating death by blood cancer by 2035.

The great shave took place at Windaroo Golf Club where Dante Savaiinaea from Faded Kingz Barbershop at Marsden helped remove our locks.

I had originally only planned to shave my head and beard but after being offered \$500 to lose an eyebrow, I then had to frantically find another donor to shave the other one.

I sincerely thank all those residents who made a donation with special thanks going to Brett Peatey from A1 Kitchens and Bathrooms in Browns Plains and Bob Pillay from Cornerstone Law Offices (who sponsored my eyebrows) along with Anthony Mansour from Upnode IT Solutions in Mundoolun and a significant donation from 'Anonymous'.

The Leukaemia Foundation is leading the way in the fight against this hidden disease. I thank you all for also being part of the solution!



There was plenty of teamwork on display at the World's Greatest Shave event in March to support the Leukaemia Foundation. ABOVE: Cr Paul Jackson shows off his new look with fellow shaved Councillors (from left) Tim Frazer, Nathan St Ledger and Scott Bannan. BELOW: Celebrating support for a worthy cause were (from left) Mayor Jon Raven, Mayoress Ali Raven, Cr Tim Frazer, Cr Nathan St Ledger, Deputy Mayor Scott Bannan, Cr Paul Jackson, Cr Karen Murphy and Cr Tony Hall.



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