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Note from the Editor

Well, here it is, our final edition for 2021. It has been a tough and challenging year on many levels. Even though those on the Fraser Coast have fared relatively well during Covid there has still been a flow on effect from lockdowns and border closures in other regions, with many events cancelled or postponed as acts could not travel. This obviously affects advertising sales, so it has been quite a stressful time.

I look forward to 2022 and feel a lot more confident about the future. With the borders reopening, life can get back to some form of normalcy with people able to travel more freely.

I would like to say a HUGE thank you to my writers who give up their time each month to write their respective articles. Your contribution is valued, and your articles add so much to my humble little mag.

Thank you to Leah Harvey for her wonderful fashion tips and tricks, Cate Akaveka for shedding light on some of the best reads, FCRC Mayor George Seymour for taking us on countless walks through history, Jule de Waard for keeping us up to speed with all things to do with our beautiful seniors and Stuart Taylor for his articles on sport and also about the real people within our community who overcome adversities and inspire others along the way.

On the magazine front, every day is a lesson, I am continually listening, learning, and adapting.

I couldn't do any of this without my gorgeous advertisers, especially those who have stuck with me for a long time and through difficult times. Kingston Estate, Real-Way Property Consultants, Maxine's Shoes, FX of Coffee, BeanBeat and St Mary's College Maryborough, I thank you!

Lastly, I would like to thank those who hang out for the magazine each month, quite often I end up handing them out straight from the boot of the car. Thank you for reading my magazine and for your words of encouragement and love.

Have a great Christmas and a safe and happy New Year. See you all right here in our February edition 2022.

Kim Parnell
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If you are wondering what is happening across the Fraser Coast for **Christmas, New Year's, or Australia Day** we have it covered. Check out our Gig Guide and Calendar of Events too!

Turn the page to catch up on all of the articles, events, and people that make our region so rich!



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A Walk Through HISTORY

By Fraser Coast Mayor George Seymour

The Mary Ann

It was recently announced by the State Government that 65 new trains would be built here on the Fraser Coast as part of a multi-billion-dollar contract. Maryborough has a very proud industrial heritage in the production of locomotives. Indeed, Queensland's very first steam train locomotive, the Mary Ann, was built here, by John Walker & Co, in 1873 for the timber firm owned by William Pettigrew and William Sim. It was so named because Pettigrew and Sim each had a daughter by that name.

I often ride the replica of this famous locomotive as it makes its way through Queens Park. This is a pleasant journey taking in the historic park, but for the more adventurous it is possible to head into the wilderness on the shores of Tin Can Bay to find the route upon which the original train carted timber.



William Pettigrew in 1875



The logs were rolled over these skids down to the boats



The Mary Ann on 30 June 1873

The peaceful inlet south of the boat ramp stretches into the hilly forests where valuable Kauri Pines would be felled to be taken by boat all the way back to the Pettigrew and Sim's sawmill at Dundathu.

To fully exploit the timber resource, a plan for a tramway between the shore and the tall stands of trees was planned in the early 1870s; the very first privately funded rail line in the young colony of Queensland.

The locomotive made a test run on wooden rails laid down near the foundry on Bowen Street on 30 June 1873. In scenes not that different to today's Queen's Park rides, the Maryborough Chronicle reported that "many of the inhabitants, both old and young, spent a pleasant hour in riding to and fro on the novel conveyance."

By October of 1873 the Mary Ann was in the wilderness amongst the timber near Tin Can Bay as thirty of Maryborough's leading citizens were entertained at the new railway line over two days.

The rails were cut from Spotted Gum whilst the sleepers were from Cypress Pine. Whilst a close inspection can locate some of these; they are largely gone from sight, but the path the line took can still be traced, and for much its length is still used as a firebreak.

Stepping out of my kayak onto the sandy shore at Poverty Point where the railway line met the boats, there is much evidence of this tranquil site's former industrial usage. Buried in the sand back into the vegetation and running parallel to each other down into the water are numerous logs of substantial size. It was over these timber skids that the logs were offloaded from the Mary Ann and rolled out into the inlet for rafting.

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"Celtic Illusion showcases a stellar cast of champion and internationally-acclaimed dancers, including performers from Riverdance and Lord of the Dance," said Anthony Street, Celtic Illusion's director, producer, choreographer, and lead dancer.

"Celtic Illusion has enjoyed huge success, regularly performing to sell-out audiences across Australia and New Zealand since the show premiered in 2011. But the biggest and most exciting achievement was signing a five-year contract with one of Canada's biggest promoters right when covid hit the world."

Celtic Illusion was three-quarters of its way through a tour of Canada when it was announced that international borders were closing, causing the show to pack up immediately and postpone the rest of their Canada tour.

"Covid really put the brakes on our plans. We were about to commence our biggest national tour of Australia in 2020, then again in 2021. However, I used that downtime to work on the show to bring it back bigger and better for our ten year anniversary tour this year."

Street is the creative mastermind behind Celtic Illusion and has an interesting story – not unlike that of Billy Elliot. When covid made its way to Australia, only essential workers were allowed to continue to work, and a new path was paved.

"I had recently got my truck license for my work as I am very hands-on behind the scenes, and that was an essential job. So, for the past year, I have been driving trucks around Victoria to pay the bills and be ready to get back into it once restrictions lifted."

Born and raised in Melbourne, Street usually lives a double life, getting his hands dirty as a demolition worker by day and lighting up the stage as lead dancer for the show by night.

Street grew up surrounded by motorbikes, racing cars, hunting and football before he first fell in love with Riverdance. With the assistance of his grandmother, he began secretly taking Irish dancing lessons. Today, he is a world-renowned dancer, recognized as the first Australian to perform the lead role in Michael Flatley's widely-acclaimed Lord of the Dance and responsible for the dance and magical sensation Celtic Illusion.

Audiences will witness some of the fastest tap dancing in the world combined with impossible magic, the only show of its kind in the world that combines these two artforms. Not to mention an incredible soundtrack composed by a stellar team including Angela Little, who co-composed Baz Luhrman's film Australia, as well as Steve Skinner, who has arranged and produced for artists such as Celine Dion, Stevie Wonder and the Broadway musical Rent."

Anticipated to be the family event of 2022, don't miss your opportunity to experience the magic of Celtic Illusion as it returns to Australian theatres reimagined with new Choreography, Costumes and Magic. The Reimagined tour features new spellbinding illusions and choreography alongside a musical score that will either make you cry or send shivers down your spine.

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Eagles experience confirmed for a revival in Maryborough

Showtime Australia has confirmed that Hotel California The Eagles Experience is bringing the timeless tunes of the Eagles to Maryborough! Preforming at Brolga Theatre and Convention Centre January 15, 2022, as part of their regional Australian tour.

The long-established show, which was on hiatus for the past few years, has been recently recast, redesigned and reinvigorated. After experiencing numerous set back's due to the COVID 19 pandemic, including rescheduling most of their shows from 2021, producers are now feeling more confident than ever that the show will be back up on Australian stages after its long-awaited return.

"We've all been saturated by digital music and media during the pandemic, and there is definitely a thirst for the realness and familiarity of older classic music now," says Producer Johnny Van Grinsven.

The impressive new international cast, which includes multi-talented young musicians from Australia, New Zealand, and South Africa, was carefully selected by Van Grinsven who aimed to, "Do proper justice to that incredible musicianship and the perfect harmonies that made The Eagles so iconic."

James Anderson as Glenn Frey
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Warren Vernon-Driscoll as Randy Meisner

Focusing on the music of The Eagles' 1976 album Hotel California, plus their other biggest hits from the 70s and 80s, fans will be treated to live performances of Desperado, Take It Easy, Tequila Sunrise, One of These Nights, Life in the Fast Lane, Heartache Tonight, New Kid in Town, Witchy Woman, Lyin' Eyes, Take It to the Limit and more.

Touring across Australia this Jan-April, the show will bring some long-overdue entertainment to non-metro areas of Australia when it visits 19 regional theatres across the country.

The music of The Eagles touched the hearts of a generation. If you enjoyed life in the fast lane in the 70s, or simply yearn for a night at the Hotel California, this captivating live concert is for you.

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Focusing on the Positives

Written by Kim Parnell

With former Prime Minister John Howard

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Dean requested that he share his story in his own words.

Epidermolysis Bullosa (EB) is a unique, multi-layered condition that affects each person differently and in varying degrees.

To put the condition in its most basic form, my skin doesn't have the same binding anchors to hold it together that the average person on the street would have. I still have the same layers of skin like everybody else, but the layers of skin will just sit and rub against each other, creating friction. This causes wounds to form underneath the surface. The condition affects the majority of my body in varying degrees.

Every part of your skin can be affected, even internally, as a skin membrane protects your internal organs. This can cause difficulty breathing and eating. Luckily, I only have it externally. The skin on my feet is incredibly fragile. I have no memory of walking barefoot on grass as the grass is like razor blades on my feet, so they are always protected.

I can exercise and manage to live what I class as a very high standard of life, protecting those weak areas and using the stronger parts to my advantage.

My daily routine involves getting up hours before any meetings or appointments and going through the process of checking every inch of my skin for blisters or discolouration. I have to tend to these as quickly as possible before they worsen with ointments, creams, and bandages. I will also have to perform minor operations on myself to keep infection away. This may all sound unpleasant to talk about, but this is normal to me.



The first time I lifted my record lift of 150kgs.



Celebrating my 40th birthday with my relatives in Las Vegas.

These days, my hands are becoming one of the worst affected areas because of the active lifestyle that I lead. For me typing on a computer keyboard would be more dangerous than lifting weights in the gym. Any repetitive motion, even picking up a glass the same way, will damage the skin.

EB is one of the worst diseases that the medical world has ever seen, the tagline within the EB community is #theworstdiseaseyouveeverheardof, and that is one hundred per cent accurate.

Kingaroy was where I was born, and I spent my childhood there. The community of Kingaroy helped look after me. It was such a great environment. I don't think I would have been alive if it wasn't for the community support.

When it came to school, I would sometimes have to get up in front of the classroom and explain my condition and that I wasn't to be feared. I would tell the other kids that if they shook my hand today, they wouldn't wake up tomorrow with skin like mine. People would comment, and kids can be cruel, but I would always try to turn it around and make light of the situation. Once they understood my skin, or understood they could not make fun of me, there wasn't really an issue with bullying.

The most challenging period in my life would have to be when I was thirteen to eighteen, which is compounded when living with EB. I can remember kids my age learning to drive a car and thinking about life outside of school, sneaking out and going to parties. All the usual growing up experiences are drastically different when living with any severe disability or illness. I can remember depression and challenges on the mental health side of things. I am fortunate that I have always had family support, though.

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Joanna Griggs, myself and Georgie Gardner

Anyone that spends time with me knows that I don't focus on the bad stuff. It's all about focusing on what I can do and focusing on my strengths and abilities rather than the negative.

During my teens and into early adulthood, those around me thought I would make a great motivational speaker. By that stage, I had done quite a few fundraising events for people with EB, so I was already sharing bits about my life, but I honestly thought there was nothing interesting about me or my life. I was still young and felt that I needed to get out and experience the world, have some adventures, and get some life experience under me. It wasn't until about the age of twenty-four that I seriously thought about it. Maybe I could inspire people of my age that were struggling with different issues to achieve their goals and dreams.

My first speech was in Kingaroy. Within twelve months, I was travelling around Australia and sharing my story. At the time, I was invited to become the first Ambassador for the Disability Employment industry.

Getting invited to Prime Minister John Howard's office was a highlight. I spent over half an hour with the Prime Minister. We talked about everything from our love of rugby league to the different challenges I faced in employment and the community. I am proud of the work that I did over those ten years for disability and employment. In 2018 I was incredibly honoured to be inducted as the youngest person in the Australian Hall of Fame.

Every presentation that I give is a hundred per cent unique to the situation and the audience. It is an honest look at my life, the journey that I have been through, the highs and the lows, and the keys that I have used to survive and achieve what I think is a pretty amazing journey. Hopefully, everybody in the audience will pick up something from the experience.

I believe we changed a lot of things positively for many disabled people, more mainstream employment, access to equipment that is needed to make it easier for a business to employ somebody with high needs, right through to more funding opportunities. The process is a little less daunting now, and there are a lot of fantastic disability employment agencies out there these days.

I am also into Powerlifting. I still can't believe I am still doing it to this day. I'm no longer lifting what I class as insane 150-kilo weights as the skin on my hands has deteriorated a little bit recently. But I am still lifting about 130 kilos these days.

I had always had a strong upper half from pulling myself around. The powerlifting thing came about after hanging out with a few footy mates. My mate, Brad Thorn, asked me to do a pushup, then another, then another.

Brad then suggested taking me to the gym when no one was around. A gym program was developed that would challenge any elite athlete. To be at an Olympic level and a world-class level is something that I never thought I'd ever be able to do when I still, at times, struggle to pick up a glass of water. That mental aspect enables me to push myself and have that trust to read what my body is telling me that gets me through.

These days I am based in Brisbane. I spend two thirds of my time in Brisbane and traveling all over Australia sharing my story and the rest of my time up here in Hervey Bay where I have my own little house. My older sister and my niece and nephew live in the area, so it was a great thing when the opportunity came to buy. That was ten years ago. I get the best of both worlds now.

If you would like to book motivational speaker Dean Clifford to speak at your event, contact Dean directly at www.deanclifford.com. Or to learn more about Epidermolysis Bullosa you can visit www.debra.org.au.



Shane Webcke and I



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THE NEXT ADVENTURE

Written by Kim Parnell

Thirty-one-year-old Geoffrey Bouvier may have only lived in Hervey Bay for five years, but his is a familiar face on the local restaurant scene, having worked front of house at many of our venues.

Born in Vertou, a small town in the northwest of France, Geoffrey spent much of his childhood watching his dad work. As a Pastry Chef, dad spent many hours in the kitchen perfecting his craft. He was also lucky enough to have a mum who loved to cook.

"Since I was very young, I knew that I wanted to follow in dad's footsteps. I never wanted to do anything else", Geoffrey said.

At around twenty years old, after a trip to Brooklyn in the US. Geoffrey decided to go to the South of France to expand his skills in hospitality as a chef and pastry chef. The experience was great, and a lot of life lessons were learnt along the way.

The decision to move to Australia was made in just two months. "I woke up one day and decided that I was going to leave France. At the time, I was working in a five-star hotel in a great position, but I just quit everything.

"The move to Australia was not scary at all. I was very excited. In France, we love Australia and think it is a great country. I remember leaving Paris to take my flight on my own, knowing very little English.

"When I arrived in Melbourne, I realised the airport had lost my baggage. So, I arrived in Australia with no English skills and no bags. But I didn't care, I was on an adventure, and it was one of the best feelings in my life", Geoffrey said.

After travelling around a bit, Geoffrey arrived in Hervey Bay after securing a job at front of house at former restaurant The Vineyard. Being front of house rather than in the kitchen was a great way to learn English, and he never went back to the kitchen.

After a tough time, he was finally granted his permanent visa and could finally look to the future with more certainty. "19XO was my first business and was a fantastic experience. I learnt a lot about myself and business", said Geoffrey.

After 19XO, Geoffrey decided to take a break from hospitality and the lifestyle that goes with it. Working at night and every weekend didn't leave much time to live life. After much thought, a new e-commerce business called 'You The Box' was launched. The business is based around premium gift boxes for businesses to purchase for any occasion. They make great corporate gifts for Christmas and birthdays and any other event you can think of.



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Geoffrey says, "We will have a big focus on Hervey Bay and have different boxes for different budgets. We can also work with the client to create a custom box.

"I am excited about this next venture and have had interest already. 2022 looks like it will be a good year".



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The Spirit of Christmas – Sweaty Santa Run



Photos by Dan Filmer 2019

For over 15 years the Fraser Coast Runners and Walkers Club have brought the spirit of Christmas to the Fraser Coast. Each year runners and walkers participate, while dressed in their best Santa gear. Their ultimate goal is to raise money for a local charity.

Written by Stuart Taylor



The very first Sweaty Santa run was in partnership with the local Salvation Army branch. Participants were encouraged to bring a present that could be handed on to someone in need. The runs would alternate each year between Ululah Park in Maryborough, and the Botanic Gardens in Hervey Bay.

While the run has recently been held exclusively at Ululah Park in Maryborough, participants from across the region travel for a day of fun, fitness, and friendship. In keeping with a spirit of giving, participants are encouraged to make an anonymous donation to help a charity or person in need. They have previously supported organisations like the Maryborough Animal Refuge. Another year they raised money to support a family in Kingaroy that suffered hard times due to drought.

Catherine Wood is the President of the Fraser Coast Runners and Walkers Club and believes that the Sweaty Santa run is great for the community. "The run is an opportunity to socialise and stay fit. It is a bit warm running in the Queensland sun wearing a Santa costume, but no one takes it too seriously. It is just for fun. People can come and place some money in an envelope to make a secret donation. There is no pressure".



The Fraser Coast Runners and Walkers Club has been established since the 1980's, with strong bonds built between its members. Catherine explains, "It is a friendly, smallish group and welcomes anyone with any level of fitness. You don't have to be a 20-minute 5-kilometre runner. We have members who will walk, and we have others who take it more seriously".

In previous years the Club held very popular running events in Hervey Bay and Maryborough. The Hervey Bay - Botanic Gardens to Riverheads race and The Maryborough - Tinana to Teddington race, were favourite events for many local runners. Catherine reflects, "They were great, but unfortunately public liability made it impossible for us to hold road running events".

Most running events are now held at the Ululah Park in Maryborough, including the Sweaty Santa run. The Club also partner with the Maryborough Masters Games to run a series of running and walking events during the annual October Games, which caters for athletes over the age of 30.

The close-knit Club was shocked and saddened earlier this year when one of their members died suddenly. Linda Blowers was an active and healthy member of the Club when she was diagnosed with cancer. Catherine remembers, "Linda was young, fit and active. She loved life. Within three weeks of receiving the news of her illness, she had died. It was terribly sad. So, this year the money raised from the Sweaty Santa run is being donated to the Cancer Council in honour of Linda".

While small in numbers, the Club's spirit is embedded into the fabric of the Fraser Coast community. It is this spirit that makes the Sweaty Santa run so meaningful, bringing people together to create a community. Renowned author, Taylor Caldwell captured this ideal perfectly, "I was never alone at all. And that, of course, is the message of Christmas. We are never alone. Not when the night is darkest, the wind coldest, the world seemingly most indifferent".

This year's Sweaty Santa run was held at Ululah Park in Maryborough on 28 November 2021. It included 10-kilometer, 5-kilometer and 2-kilometer events. The Club will take a break over Christmas, before their annual sign-on day at Ululah Park Maryborough on 6 February 2022.

If you would like to find out more information about the Fraser Coast Walkers and Runners Club, visit their Facebook page or email fcrwc@hotmail.com



Community Christmas Events

HERVEY BAY

Food & Groove Hervey Bay Tree Lighting
December 3/ 4pm – 9pm/ Seafront Oval, Pialba

Community Christmas Market
Dec 4/ 4pm – 7pm/ 184 Boat Harbour Drive, Pialba

Hervey Bay RSL Carols by Candlelight
December 11/ 6pm – 8pm/ Seafront Oval, Pialba

FCMA Xmas & New Year's Eve Celebration
December 18/ 4pm – 7pm/ Hervey Bay Neighbourhood Centre

MARYBOROUGH

Mary Christmas Street Party
Dec 10/ 5pm – 9pm/ Kent St, Maryborough

Carols in the Park, Maryborough
December 18/ 5pm – 8pm/ Queens Park

OTHER AREAS

Burrum Heads Community Carols
December 21/ 7pm – 8.30pm/ Burrum Heads Hall

Toogoom Christmas Twilight Fair & Carols
December 3/ 4pm – 8pm/ Toogoom Hall

Carols in the Country
December 4/ 3pm – 9pm/ Tiaro Rec Grounds

Bauple Community Christmas Party
December 12/ 5pm – 9pm/ Bauple Rec Grounds

Glenwood Christmas Party and Markets
December 18/ 4pm – 7pm/ Glenwood Park

The Hervey Bay RSL Carols by Candlelight is back

It will be no silent night at Seafront Oval on Saturday, December 11, when the Hervey Bay RSL Carols by Candlelight gets back on stage!

The free community event, hosted by the Hervey Bay Christian Ministers' Association, is set to bring about a little bit of sparkle that's desperately needed after a tumultuous year, especially as the event was cancelled in 2020 due to Covid-19 restrictions. This year's theme, Love in Action, will celebrate the behind-the-scenes work of emergency services and front-line staff over the past two years during the Coronavirus pandemic.

Proudly sponsored by the Hervey Bay RSL, the carols program will run from 6pm-8pm with both traditional and fun festive songs being performed by a combined community carols band and a visit from Santa.

With a strong focus on being Covid-safe, song books will go digital this year with the crowd able to access the program by scanning a QR Code.

Food vans will be available to buy from, however, families are also welcome to bring their own picnic dinner. Be sure to pack a picnic blanket or chair to sit on!

Glo Candles will be on sale at the event and all funds raised on the night will go towards supporting school-based programs organised by our local churches (Chaplaincy and Religious Instruction), local aid services and chaplaincy programs in Fraser Coast schools.

The event will conclude with a spectacular fireworks display at 8pm.

Entry is free.



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Information for members & guests.

Calendar of Events

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DECEMBER

NOV 26 – DEC 5

Infamous the Show

18+ Show

Next to Hervey Bay PCYC

www.infamous.net.au

THURS, DEC 2

Spearfishing Info Night

From 5.30pm

Fraser Coast Fishing & Camping

123 Lennox St, Maryborough

FRIDAY, DEC 3

Christmas Twilight Fair & Carols

From 4pm to 8pm

Toogoom Community Hall

FRI, DEC 3

Food & Groove Fridays

4-9pm

Free Entry

Seafront Oval

Hervey Bay

SATURDAY, DEC 4

Abundance Awakening VIP Experience

From 7.30am – 1.30pm

Beach House Hotel, Hervey Bay

SAT, DEC 4

Toni Robinson's The Greatest Show

Celebrating 45 years

Two performances 1.30pm & 6pm

Brolga Theatre & Convention Centre

www.brolga.ourfrasercoast.com.au

SAT, DEC 4

Made in Australia Presents – A Tribute to Classic Aussie Rock

7pm

Bucca Hotel

SAT, DEC 4

Carols in the Country

3pm – 9pm

Fair & Fireworks

Tiaro Rec Grounds

SATURDAY, DEC 4 – DEC 5

Hervey Bay – Cat Challenge

Hervey Bay Sailing Club

SUN, DEC 5

Fraser Coast Toy Run 2021

From 7am – 3pm

Hosted by Independent Riders

Australia Pty Ltd

Meet at the Brolga Theatre & Convention Centre

SUN, DEC 5

Sparks Dance Centre – DECADE

Shows 1pm & 6.30pm

Brolga Theatre & Convention Centre

www.brolga.ourfrasercoast.com.au

SUN, DEC 5

Sunday In The Park with the HBCM Rock Ensemble

From 11.30am

Hervey Bay City Musicians –

Scarness Park

TUE, DEC 7

Merry Christmas Luncheon

11am

Cost involved; bookings required

Madcota Community Hub

Find the event on Facebook

THURS, DEC 9

Howard Ukulele Christmas Concert

3.45pm

Evie's Music Lessons

Howard State School

THURS, DEC 9

Santa Sparring

6pm

Maryborough Martial Arts Academy

FRI, DEC 10

Mary Christmas 2021

5pm

Maryborough CBD Street Party

Maryborough City Hall

FRI, DEC 10

Hervey Bay Ladies Night

8pm

RAW MUSCLE

Beach House Hotel – Hervey Bay

DEC 10 – 12

\$12500 Xmas Bash Weekend

Event by NPL Wide Bay

The Bayswater Hotel, Hervey Bay

SAT, DEC 11 – DEC 12

Horse event - Summer Show

Southern Cross Xtreme Cowboy Racing

Maryborough Showgrounds & Equestrian Park

SAT, DEC 11

Interactive game - The Hervey Bay Ripper

9am

Hosted by CluedUp Games

(Cost involved)

Hervey Bay

SAT, DEC 11

Buddha Palm Cosmic Healing workshop

Hosted by Taoist "Temple of Golden Healing Light".

9am – 3pm

(Cost involved)

Bauple Woolooga Rd, Woolooga

SAT, DEC 11

Creedence Plays Bay Central Tavern

8pm

Book at Bay Central Tavern,

Hervey Bay

TUES, DEC 14 & THURS, DEC 16

Lantern Making Workshop

10am – 12pm

\$10

Gatakers Artspace, Maryborough

Book at www.gatakers.ourfrasercoast.com.au.

WED, DEC 15

Creative Glass Workshop with Glass Artist Jo Bone

1pm to 2.30pm

\$15

Gatakers Artspace, Maryborough

Book at www.gatakers.ourfrasercoast.com.au.

THURS, DEC 16

A Holly Christmas by Scott 'Buddy' Cameron

11am

Brolga Theatre & Convention Centre

Maryborough

FRI, DEC 17

Brolga Live @ Riverstage – Leonie Kingdom

6pm

Brolga Theatre & Convention Centre

Maryborough

FRI, DEC 17

Sip & Paint Session

Christmas clock painting special

Hosted by Gin & Gesso

7pm – 9pm

(Cost involved)

Kondari-Hotel, Hervey Bay

SAT, DEC 18

Let go of 2021 Art Therapy Day
9am
Inspired Creative Living Art Therapy
Sazzy's Art Shack

DEC 18 – JAN 8

Annual Ambulance Goods Wheel
Nightly from 7pm (except
Christmas Day)
Scariness Park, Hervey Bay ★

SUN, DEC 19

It's A Wonderful Life (1946)
From 10am
Paragon Theatre & Espresso Bar
Childers

SAT, DEC 25

Christmas Day

FRI, DEC 31

New Year's Eve on the Beach 2021
From 2pm – 8pm
Fireworks
Hosted by Torquay Beachside
Markets
Opposite the Torquay Hotel,
Hervey Bay ★

FRI, DEC 31

**New Year's Eve Event –
Fabulosity**
Drag Cabaret
6pm-10.30pm
Kondari-Hotel Hervey Bay ★

FRI, DEC 31

New Year's Eve – Maryborough
5pm – 9pm
Maryborough Sports Club ★

FRI, DEC 31

**Brolga Live @ Riverstage on New
Year's Eve**
6pm – Midnight
Brolga Theatre Riverstage ★

JANUARY 2022

FRI, JAN 7

Food & Groove Fridays
4-9pm
Free Entry
Seafront Oval
Hervey Bay ★

FRI, JAN 14 & 15

**Hervey Bay – Dreams Fleetwood
Mac and Stevie Nicks Show**
Hervey Bay RSL

SAT, JAN 15

**Hotel California The Eagles
Experience**
From 8pm
Brolga Theatre & Convention
Centre
www.brolga.ourfrasercoast.com.au

THURS, JAN 20

**School Holiday Paper Making
Workshop**
10am
\$10
Gatakers Artspace, Maryborough
Book at www.gatakers.ourfrasercoast.com.au

SAT, JAN 22

Prada Clutch's: All -drag revue
8pm
Brolga Theatre & Convention
Centre
www.brolga.ourfrasercoast.com.au ★

SUN, JAN 23

HBTC Race 4 21/22 – Aquathlon
10am
Hosted by Hervey Bay Triathlon
Club Inc
Ron Beaton Memorial Park
Hervey Bay

FRI, JAN 21

Exhibition Opening
6pm
Official opening of two new
exhibitions
Gatakers Artspace, Maryborough
www.gatakers.ourfrasercoast.com.au

SAT, JAN 22

**Artist in Conversation
With Leigh Camilleri**
10am
Gatakers Artspace, Maryborough
www.gatakers.ourfrasercoast.com.au

For a full list of Christmas events go
to page 15
School Holiday ideas are on page 30

*A full market list is on page 38. *A Gig Guide is on page 18 & 19

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December 2021/January 2022

HERVEY BAY

Hervey Bay RSL

DECEMBER

Fri 3, 11.30am, Trevor Judge
Fri 3, 6pm, Dust Duo
Sat 4, 8pm, Trainwrecks

Fri 10, 11.30am, Trevor Judge
Fri 10, 6pm, Dean Gray
Sat 11, 8pm, Uncle Arthur

Fri 17, 11.30am, Trevor Judge
Fri 17, 6pm, Frank Benn
Sat 18, 8pm, Red Betty

Fri 24, 11.30am, Trevor Judge
Fri 24, 6pm, Sam Maddison
Sun 26, 12pm, Trevor Judge

Fri 31, 11.30am, Trevor Judge
Fri 31, 8pm, Forbidden Road

JANUARY

Sat 1, 8pm, Clear Effect

Fri 7, 11.30am, Trevor Judge
Fri 7, 6pm, Sam Maddison
Sat 8, 8pm, Black Ink

Thurs 13, 11am, Quinn
Fri 14, 11.30am, Trevor Judge
Fri 14, 6pm, Doug Edwards
Sat 15, 8pm, Red Betty

Fri 21, 11.30am, Trevor Judge
Fri 21, 6pm, Pete Baker
Sat 22, 8pm, Bad Attitude

Wed 26, 12pm, One Sly Dog
Fri 28, 11.30am, Trevor Judge
Fri 28, 6pm, Frank Benn
Sat 29, 8pm, Forbidden Road

Sun 30, 12pm, Trevor Judge

The Beach House Hotel

DECEMBER

Fri 3, 9pm, Mr Blonde
Sat 4, 9pm, Kut Snake
Sun 5, 2pm, Darren Marlow

Fri 10, 9pm, Bobby Barnes & Mr Witt
Sat 11, 9pm, Red Betty
Sun 12, 2pm, Doug Edwards

Fri 17, 9pm, Tim Earle & Co
Sat 18, 9pm, Dogwood Crossing
Sun 19, 2pm, Shane Allsop

Fri 24, 7pm, Bird Bath
Sun 26, 2pm, Frank Benn
Sun 31, 9pm, Uncle Arthur

JANUARY

1st Jan, 9pm, Dogwood Crossing
2nd Jan, 2pm, Derek Smith

(January's entertainment TBA)

Hervey Bay Boat Club

Thu 2, 5.00pm, Neil Wenk
Fri 3, 5.30pm, Matt Phillips
Sat 4, 5.30pm, Brian Speirs
Sun 5, 3.30pm, Frank Benn

Tue 7, 12.00pm, Neil Wenk
Thu 9, 5.00pm, Neil Wenk
Fri 10, 5.30pm, Radio Star
Sat 11, 5.30pm, Andrew Copland
Sun 12, 2.00pm, Andrew Copland

Tue 14, 12.00pm, Neil Wenk
Thu 16, 5.00pm, Neil Wenk
Fri 17, 5.30pm, Matthew Barker
Sat 18, 5.30pm, Matthew Barker
Sun 19, 2.00pm, Darren Marlow

Tue 21, 12.00pm, Neil Wenk



Derek Smith - The Beach House Hotel

Thu 23, 5.00pm, Neil Wenk
Fri 24, 5.30pm, Neil Wenk
Sun 26, 2.00pm, Dean Gray

Tue 28, 12.00pm, Neil Wenk
Thu 30, 5.00pm, Neil Wenk
Fri 31, 5.00pm, Derek F Smith
Fri 31, 8.00pm, Brian Speirs
Fri 31, 8.00pm, Jazz Duo:
Vibeke Voller & Dan Papirany
- Fraser Room Jazz Night
(ticketed)

(January's entertainment TBA)

Bayswater Bar & Grill

DECEMBER

Thurs 2, 5pm, Aaron Westlake
Fri 3, 5pm, Sam Maddison
Sat 4, 5pm, Matt Phillips
Sun 5, 1pm, Matt Barker

Thurs 9, 5pm, Doug Edwards
Fri 10, 5pm, Bevan Spiers
Sat 11, 5pm, Aaron Westlake
Sun 12, 1pm, Frank Benn

Thurs 16, 5pm, Frank Benn
Fri 17, 5pm, Bobby Barnes
Sat 18, 5pm, Rick Manych
Sun 19, 1pm, Liana McKay

Thurs 23, 5pm, Matt Barker
Fri 24, 5pm, Frank Benn
Sun 26, 1pm, Doug Edwards

Thurs 30, 5pm, Rick Manych
Fri 31, 8pm, Black Ink

JANUARY

Sat 1, 5pm, One Sly Dog
Sun 2, 1pm, Sam Maddison

Thurs 6, 5pm, Frank Benn
Fri 7, 5pm, Bobby Barnes
Sat 8, 5pm - TBA
Sun 9, 1pm, Liana McKay

Thurs 13, 5pm, Ethan Jones
Fri 14, 5pm, One Sly Dog
Sat 15, 5pm, Doug Edwards
Sun 16, 1pm, Frank Benn

Thurs 20, 5pm, Aaron Westlake
Fri 21, 5pm, Phil Morgan
Sat 22, 5pm, Sam Maddison
Sun 23, 1pm, Bevan Spiers

Thurs 27, 5pm, Ricky Manych
Fri 28, 5pm, TBA
Sat 29, 5pm, Andrew Copland
Sun 30, 1pm, Rick K

A Cappella Bay Singers are seeking Music Director



We are a Sweet Adelines four-part harmony A Cappella Chorus seeking an experienced Music Director.

The chorus has a strong team culture and we continue to work together following the resignation of our Director.

We are a small chorus with lots of enthusiasm and commitment to singing within the Sweet Adelines structure.

To submit your expression of interest please contact the Management Team at:
managementteam@herveybaycappellabaysingers.org

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Live music

on the Fraser Coast

DECEMBER 2021/JANUARY 2022

The Clubhouse Hervey Bay

DECEMBER

Fri 3, 6pm, Frank Benn
Sat 4, 6pm, Pete Baker

Fri 10, 6pm, Rick Manych
Sat 11, 6pm, Dean Gray

Fri 17, 6pm, Sam Maddiosn
Sat 18, 6pm, Liana McKay

Fri 24, 6pm, One Sly Dog
Fri 31, 6pm, Doug Edwards

JANUARY

Sat 1, 6pm, Rick Manych

Fri 7, 6pm, Dean Gray
Sat 8, 6pm, Liana McKay

Fri 14, 6pm, Andrew Copland
Sat 15, 6pm, Frank Benn

Fri 21, 6pm, Quinn
Sat 22, 6pm, Ethan Jones

Fri 28, 6pm, Matt Phillips
Sat 29, 6pm, Sam Maddison

MARYBOROUGH

Maryborough Sports Club

DECEMBER

Fri 3, 7pm, Rockin Bodgies

Fri 10, 7pm, Barlight Duo
Sat 11, 7pm, Graeme Jensen

Sat 18, 7pm, Trevor Judge
Sun 19, 12pm, Christmas
Draws with Trevor Judge

Fri 24, 6pm, Brad Sorensen

Fri 31, 7:30pm, New Year's Eve
With Barlight Duo

JANUARY

Fri 7, 7pm, One 4 The Road

Fri 14, 7pm, Graeme Jensen

Fri 21, 7pm, Billy guy

Sat 29, 7pm, Maria
Whittaker
Sun 30, 12pm, End of
Month Draws with Maria
Whittaker

Maryborough RSL

DECEMBER

Fri 3, 7:30pm, Aaron
Westlake
Sat 4, 7:30pm, Red Betty

Fri 10, 7:30pm, Merlin Solo
Sat 11, 7:30pm, Clear Effect

Fri 17, 7:30pm, Dean Gray
Sat 18, 7:30pm, The
Whiskey Mountain Boys

Fri 24, No Entertainment,
Christmas Eve
Sat 25, Club Closed,
Christmas Day

Fri 31, 7:30pm, Bad
Attitude

JANUARY

Sat 1, 7:30pm, Clear Effect

Fri 7, 7:30pm, Nauts &
Lagers
Sat 8, 7:30pm, Abby Skye
& the Batman

Fri 14, 7:30pm, 2 EZ
Sat 15, 7:30pm, Bad
Attitude

Fri 21, 7:30pm, Shannon
Young
Sat 22, 7:30pm, Forbidden
Road

Fri 28, Derek F Smith
Sat 29, 7:30pm, Red Betty

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submit their own guides each
month, and are correct at the
time of print.*



On the local Music Scene with

SHANE ALLSOP

How long have you lived on the Fraser Coast? Tell us a little about your childhood?

I spent many years growing up here, but we also lived at other places such as Murphy's creek and Clifton near Toowoomba. We moved back to Hervey Bay when I was eleven. When I was seventeen, I left vowing I would never return because there wasn't much music-wise for me here then. When I was twenty-eight, I moved to Airlie beach and spent many years there. I have been back for four years.

How did you get into music?

I guess it started with my Mum being a singer/ guitarist, so growing up, I was around music from day one, which led to me becoming a muso. I played my first proper gig when I was around twelve and have never stopped.

Tell us a little about your teenage years?

I was fortunate to have parents who supported me in everything I wanted to do, I played rugby league for seagulls, and I loved it, but as I got older, music took over.

What genre of music do you play?

Well, I'm actually a drummer, and I love playing all styles, especially funk, dance rock and even reggae and, of course, anything heavy.

How much does music mean to you?

It means everything. I've played the drums for twenty-seven years, and I still love it. I've only played the guitar and sang for a couple of years, which has grown on me but still doesn't compare to playing the drums.

Tell us a little about your wife's illness and the effect that it has on a family?

My wife Brandi got diagnosed with stage three triple-negative breast cancer six months ago, and it has just been absolutely devastating and has turned our lives upside down.

If you had three wishes, either personally or professionally, for 2022, what would they be?

Just for my wife to get better and that my two boys Cody and Jack, are healthy and happy, that's all that really matters to me now.

**If anyone is in need of a muso for any kind of event,
please don't hesitate to email Shane at
shaneallsopmusic@gmail.com or msg him
on 0481 388 330.**

Fashion

WITH LEAH

The most wonderful time of the year!

Summer holidays are hot on our tails like a rat up a drainpipe, and what better way to get ready for the Christmas season then with a ripper gift guide. I've sourced some lovely fashion gift ideas from some of our wonderful local boutiques...



Photographer, Sarah Campbell -
Hat supplied by Hervey Bay Hat Co

1. A new pair of togs (swimmers). Look no further than from our very own swimwear designer Mirjeta Collective, located right here in Hervey Bay! Mirjeta offers a range of full piece and bikini style swimmers ready to take you from beach to bar. You can find these pieces on their website www.mirjetacollective.com.au.
2. A silk kaftan. Those lovely folks (Ashleigh and Kate Manley) have the most beautiful boutique stocking some stunning silk pieces. There's nothing more luxurious then wearing silk during the summer. You can see their range here www.luxeherveybay.com.
3. A new sundress. Pocket is the place to find a gorgy new frock for the summer! For those that haven't shopped at Pocket yet, you're in for a real treat. I suspect you'll probably walk out with more than just a sundress too! www.pockethb.com.
4. A new summer hat. The lovely Tracey at Hervey Bay Hat Co has you covered! Her little boutique is filled to the brim with all sorts of wonderful hats from fedoras to Akubra's, straw hats, caps and bucket hats - the options are endless! www.hbhc.com.au.
5. New earrings. What woman doesn't love another set of earrings?! My pal Carly at Luxe & Chaos hand makes the cutest earrings fit for any lobe! Check out her amazing work at www.luxeandchaos.com.
6. A maxi dress. Go Girl is the place to shop for that beautiful new maxi dress. They cater for a range of sizes and stock a wide range of colour palettes to suit everyone. www.gogirl.com.au.
7. And finally, nothing looks and feels better than a nice healthy glow on the skin. The Hervey Bay Glow offers a luxurious tanning experience right here in Hervey Bay. As they say, a good tan makes everything better! www.facebook.com/theherveybayglow.

The only thing left to do gals, is pop them on your Christmas lists! (Or just leave this article open on your partners nightstand!)

Before I sign off for the year, I just wanted to thank you all for your support! I have never been busier in all my 10 years of doing makeup and fashion than I have this past 18 months- so thank you for all your kindness and support. I really am very grateful x

Wishing you and your loved ones a beautiful Christmas season filled with joy and happiness. Leah xx

Want to hear more, feel free to reach out! I have a whole list for the lads too!

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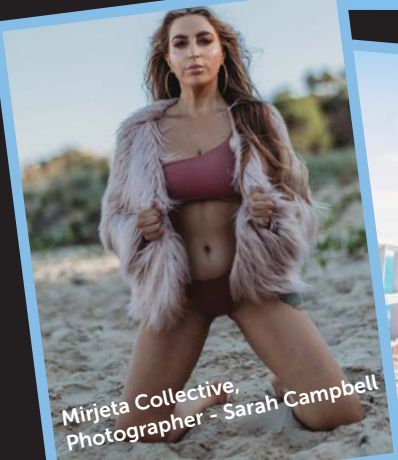
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Cate Akaveka

DELVE INTO Books

with Cate Akaveka

SUMMER READS

Love Stories by Trent Dalton

Trent Dalton sat on a street corner and asked passers-by to tell him a love story. The result is this compelling book – a perfect beach read.

Devotion by Hannah Kent

Set in the 1830's between Prussia and South Australia, Hannah Kent's much-awaited third novel is achingly beautiful. Impeccably researched, this is a tale of family, grief, trust, and humanity. This is one from lovers of literary fiction.

Windswept & Interesting: My Autobiography by Billy Connolly

This is Billy's life in his own words. Filled with joy and wisdom, this is the unforgettable story of a comedy legend.

Where the River Bends by Jane and Jimmy Barnes

Perfect for the family cook or rock enthusiast, this beautiful book features treasured recipes and stories gathered and shared around the Barnes family's kitchen table.

Costa's World by Cost Georgiadis

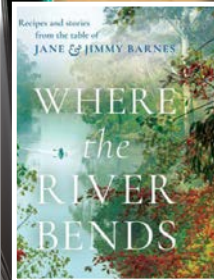
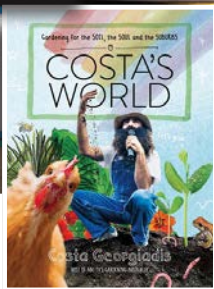
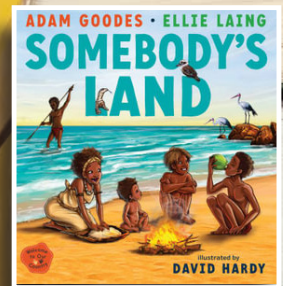
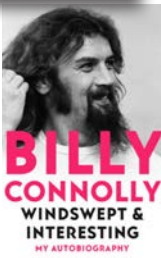
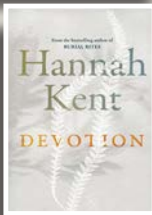
Bringing together all of Costa's gardening and sustainability knowledge, this is a book for the whole family that reflects Costa's philosophy and quirky sense of fun.

The Christmas Pig by J.K. Rowling and Jim Field (illustrator)

From one of the world's greatest storytellers, this is a heart-warming adventure tale about one child's love for his most treasured thing, and how far he will go to find it. Aimed at 8-12 year olds, this would make a great family read-aloud book for Christmas.

Somebody's Land by Adam Goodes, Ellie Laing and David Hardy (illustrator)

This picture book for young children is an invitation to connect with First Nations culture, to acknowledge the hurt of the past, and to join together as one community with a precious shared history as old as time.



SHELLEY BEACH IS THRIVING



It has been nearly seven years since I opened my little coffee shop, and businesses have come and gone in that time. There were many doubters as to whether I would even make it past the six-month mark. Hopefully, we have proven them wrong.

I want to try to get people to take another moment in their busy days to stop and see what we have built in Shelley Beach. It is a community of small businesses who support and look out for each other, from restaurants like Santini's traditional Italian, Mario and Isabella's Italian patisserie has some of the best pastries in town. Canadian style sports bar, The Bear, and our own little FX of Coffee. Then we have Roxy and Jess in Hey Posy, the amazing florists who have taken the art of floristry and turned it upside down, almost re-creating the wheel. We have some absolutely amazing places for people to stay with Andrew and Donna at Shelley Bay Resort, The Allegra Mecure, plus a multitude of apartments and caravan parks too numerous in this short article to mention, and for that, I apologise.

The point being every day, many people drive past Shelley Beach on their way to work or shopping in well-known popular suburbs like Torquay or Scarness. I would like to see the popular area of Shelley or Shelly Beach, depending on which sign you read, get officially recognised as a suburb and not just a beach, as we're not really Torquay, and we're definitely too far away from Urangan. So, George Seymour and Darren Everard, I reach out to you to firstly come up with one spelling for Shelly and secondly create a lot of happy people by recognising an area within Hervey Bay that has been recognised by the public for a very long time, Shelly Beach.

Finally, I would like to wish everyone a safe Xmas, with borders opening, this may be more important than we ever imagined. To paraphrase the wonderful words of Dewali, may the lights of Xmas illuminate your lives with Joy, health and maybe a little prosperity and may the cruelty and hatred towards others disappear forever.

May the FX of Coffee remain in your system throughout this festive season.

Springtime Birds and Blooms



When Artist Rebecca (Jane) Knowles puts a brush to canvas, you know she is about to create something quirky and unique, alive with vibrant, bold scenes and picture-book quality. There is a celebration in every creation. Whether the subject is a beach scene, a local event, or an animal, you know it will be one of a kind.

Rebecca Jane, as she is better known, and partner Matt Shirvington are well-known faces around the region, with their business 'Art by Rebecca Jane'. Especially on a Saturday morning at the Urangan Pier Park Markets. Their stall has grown from one marquee to three, with about thirteen tables laden with stock.

The dynamic duo met in Hervey Bay in 2014, not long after moving to the Fraser Coast. They met at the Hervey Bay Squash Club's Christmas party, and the rest, as they say, is history.

They have since teamed up, and Matt has learnt all about fine art printing to take Rebecca's creations to the next level. This means that prints of her paintings can now be placed on many different products, which has made the artwork more affordable and accessible.

Just as famous is Boss Cat Cherry, who stars regularly on Rebecca's Facebook page, everybody loves Cherry, but no one could love him more than proud parents Rebecca and Matt. He is the centre of their universe.

Digitizing the artwork is a laborious process that involves lots of proofing to ensure that all colours are as accurate as possible on the screen to the original painting at hand. Every piece has to be photographed, digitized, proofed, then test printed.

"Each medium used has a different texture, so we have to tweak to make the colours consistent. We may have to modify sizes and move things around to get all of the elements of the painting into the right size," said Matt.

"I get satisfaction out of watching a blank product come alive with Bec's beautiful artwork".

These two seem to be the perfect pair and complement each other well in business. Matt looks after all of the framing and printing, while Rebecca lets her full artistic creativity go to work.

Rebecca says, "Thanks to Matt, we have created useful products that are affordable for everyone. From journals, pencil cases, stubby coolers, wine coolers, bar mats, men's ties, Jigsaw puzzles and many other products.

"This is not just a hobby to us. It's our business. We work hard to try and make it succeed, and we are proud of where we are now. We've endeavoured to make as much locally, ourselves, or have it made right here in Australia, and we have succeeded".

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Love Lady Elliot Island



Rebecca Jane

Friendly Frog Vibes



On market day, Matt gets up at 3.15 am to begin preparing for the day. These are twelve-hour days. Matt says, "Our week is filled with creating new stock to go out to our various distributors, filling our many orders, and stocking up for the next market. We are always busy, but we wouldn't have it any other way".

Each piece of artwork can take hours, days, or weeks to complete, depending upon the size and detail. 'The Love Lady Elliot' map took over three hundred hours of painting time. Many hours of research is also undertaken for each project. Rebecca and Matt were invited to Lady Elliot Island for this project, which was wonderful as they both love spending time there.

"I always put my heart and soul into every single piece and add personal details for the customers to find", said Rebecca. "We have locals that tell us that my artwork makes them feel happy, and they thank me for brightening their day. These kinds of comments make me happy.

"The top sellers have been the tea towels as they absorb really well and also our coasters and wine cooler bags". Matt says, **"We only sell quality products that we are proud of. We are always creating new and exciting things".**

Local stockists include Pacific Whale Foundation, Goody's on the Beach, Lady Elliot Island, Torquay Post Office, and the Hervey Bay Visitor Information Centre. Stockists are also staggered in other towns and cities across Australia.

Rebecca and Matt are looking forward to a laid-back Christmas with family. Rebecca has German ancestry, so everyone will contribute to a German feast that will probably involve Nana's famous potato salad and sauerkraut. Both of them are looking forward to a short break. Rebecca says, "We would like to take this opportunity to thank our customers, stockists, family, and friends for your support. We wish you all a very happy and safe Christmas and new year".

You can find Matt and Rebecca at the Urangan Pier Park Markets on Saturday mornings from 7 am to 12 pm. The markets are located in a great spot looking straight down to the Urangan Pier. The markets have certainly grown over the years and are vibrant, busy markets.

**To find out more, visit www.artbyrebeccajane.com
Facebook.com/artbyrebeccajane and Instagram.com/art_by_rebecca_jane**

The Poppy Project



Last month I spent a wonderful afternoon at the Pialba Bowls Club learning about the 'Lest We Forget' – Poppy Project. Afternoon tea was laid out while the poppy making began. Amongst the guests were representatives from council, the Hervey Bay RSL, the Hervey Bay RSL Sub Branch and senior members of the Police Force. All were ready to get their hands dirty and to get creative.

Poppy Project Manager, Fluir-Louise Genevieve, an ex-service member of the Royal Australian Navy, is overseeing a project that will see the creation of 1,443 ceramic Flanders poppies displayed as part of a visual art installation that will appear as part of the Anzac Day service at the Light Horse Memorial, Freedom Park in Hervey Bay 2022. This number represents the total number of names listed on the Light Horse Memorial and the Pialba Cenotaph, with one additional purple poppy in honour of all service animals.

Fluir-Louise says, "In addition, eight local ladies in Hervey Bay - my 'Poppy Artists' - are very dedicated to the project and doing amazing work; each lady has made almost 200 poppies".

The poppies are hand sculpted but can be readily replicated by using templates and moulds.

The project honours all those who serve and the sacrifices they make. Each poppy stands approximately 35cm tall when planted. They will create an impressive display covering more than 50 square metres.

"The project also raises money for the Mates4Mates mental health programs through the sale of the poppies. The revenue raised is expected to be in excess of \$45,000, with the exception of 14 mounted poppies which are currently being sold for their numerical value within the collection. The majority of the poppies will be sold for \$25 each from the foyer of the RSL on Monday April 11, until sold out.



Martin Bamforth



Gayle Minniecon

Why did you decide to accept the invitation to this event?

Martin Bamforth – "I wouldn't miss it for the world. I have some great friends here, and it is great that we get to do this together".

Gayle Minniecon – "I saw an article and read about Mates4Mates, then purchased a mounted ceramic poppy. I have family members who have served, and sadly we have recently lost a family member.

Poppies are to be pre-purchased prior to the Anzac Day display and can be collected from April 26. Each poppy is one of a limited number, and as such, demand is expected to be significant. So on the first day of sale, only RSL members will be able to purchase these poppies.

Go to our Facebook page at - Lest We Forget – Hervey Bay Poppy Project to learn more about the project.



Huntingdale Central

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The Ambulance Goods Wheel Returns this year



For over 65 years, The Hervey Bay Local Ambulance Committee's Annual Ambulance Goods Wheel has been held on the Scarness foreshore over the Christmas holidays. Last year, due to Covid the wheel came to a halt. This year the wheel will return. The event will run from Saturday, December 18 through to January 8.

The evenings have become a tradition for many local families and holiday makers. The event is held nightly from 7pm, (Except Christmas Day).

A certain allocation of tickets are sold before the wheel is spun.

Tickets are just 50 cents each. All winning ticket holders get to choose their own prize from the huge range on display. Prizes may include toys, kitchen and homewares, small electrical items, camping, gardening, fishing and auto items, Manchester, skateboards, scooters, and pool toys and so much more. All prizes are sourced and purchased locally by the Hervey Bay LAC.

In previous years Santa has even made an appearance.

The Ambulance Goods Wheel could not run without support from local Service Clubs and groups, who volunteer their time to sell tickets over the three weeks the Wheel is held. In the past these have included the Rotary Clubs of Hervey Bay City and Hervey Bay Sunrise, Fraser Lions, View Club, Hervey Bay Lions, Zonta, Hervey Bay Councillors & Bendigo Bank.

Proceeds from the Goods Wheel supports Queensland Ambulance through the Local Ambulance Committee.

The LAC have planned to run as Covid safe an event as possible with a few changes this year, as follows:

- There will be no seating provided this year!
- All patrons are to bring their own chairs and/or picnic blankets etc.
- Hand sanitizer stations will be provided.
- QR Codes to register attendance
- Children are to stay with parents/guardians and not gather at the front of the stage area.
- A limited number of prize winners will be allowed on the stage at one time.

The Hervey Bay Ambulance Goods Wheel is the only one still running in Queensland! So come on down, bring your folding chairs and 50 cent pieces and join in the fun. If luck is on your side, you may just take home a prize or two.



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Banana Bender is hurtling towards 35 years

Mother and son Gay and Troy Ignatenko are the masterminds behind the successful Banana Bender store in Torquay. The store celebrates its 34th Birthday this year and has gone from strength to strength. One thing is evident – these two have energy and are fun to be around. They bounce off each other and seem to be in tune.

Over the years, they have seen many changes and watched their younger customers grow up and have their own children.

Gay says, "Our customers have got us through some tough times and stayed loyal. For this, we thank you".

Troy remembers racing to the shop after school in the late '80s to do the bins and vacuum the shop and says, "We are still here all these years later, offering the best range of resort swimwear and fashion in town. We love what we do".

Tell us a little about your business?

Banana Bender has been in operation in its current location since the '70s. My husband Val and I bought the shop in 1987. It was a souvenir shop then. We gradually introduced clothing, swimwear, shoes, hats and accessories, then over the years expanded our range to include Silks and Italian Linen.

What is the secret of your longevity?

The secret to longevity is to listen to the customers and tailor the shop to their needs. My son Troy and I also pride ourselves on the lovely staff we have had over the years. We are very friendly and give great customer service.



What was the most significant hardship in business that you overcame? And what lessons did you learn along the way?

I would say the G.F.C in 2008 was challenging, as were the QLD floods. It knocked retailing for six, and it took many years to recover from. The passing of my husband Val four years ago was a sad time for the family, but our son Troy stepped up, and that has been a blessing.

What does this milestone mean to you?

We feel very proud to be trading still and growing. Coming into our 35th year, it has taken a lot of sweat and tears over the years, but we are not afraid of hard work and thrive on it.

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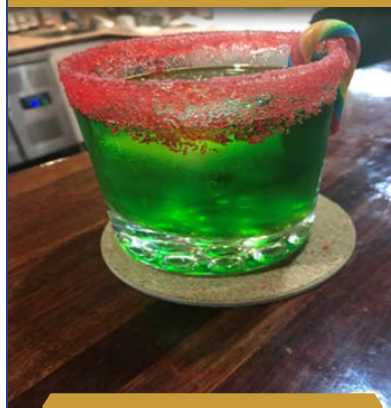
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School Holiday Fun for all ages at your library!

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Join the Summer Reading Club, uncover tales of mystery, intrigue, and discovery. Complete the challenges and go in the draw for some great prizes! Runs from 1 December 2021 to 31 January 2022.

Note: Bookings essential

Check here for bookings and updates:

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headspace Hervey Bay

Will have FREE school holiday activities for everyone.

Beach Days

Dec 13 – 11.30am – 1.30pm – Ernie Organ Park

Jan 21 – 12pm – 2pm – Skateside Park

Basketball

Dec 16 – 12.30pm – 2.30pm – Hervey Bay PCYC

Jan 19 – 12.30pm – 2.30pm – Hervey Bay PCYC

Skate Park Takeover

Jan 10 – 1pm – 3pm – Skateside Esplanade

Tie Dye and Screen Printing

Jan 11 – 1pm – 4pm – Red Cross Activity Space

Bowling

Jan 12 – 10am – Hervey Bay Ten Pin

Jan 17 – 10am – Hervey Bay Ten Pin

\Board Game Chillout

Jan 18 – 2pm – 4pm – Red Cross Activity Space

Timezone Takeover

Jan 14 – 11am – Timezone Hervey Bay

To find out more about any of these activities contact headspace Hervey Bay – 4303 2100, or head to their Facebook page.

Other places to visit –

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Gatakers Artspace

Light up Christmas and create your own magical cane and paper lantern

Tues, Dec 14 & Thurs, Dec 16

In this workshop you will create your own unique structure by bending and shaping the cane, followed by applying the paper to the outside ready for you to decorate and take home.

Once finished, you are invited to bring your lantern along to the Carols in the Park, in Maryborough on Saturday 18 December 2021 at 5pm.

No prior experience required.

Time: 10am to 12noon

Age group: 7-17 years

Cost: \$10

Bring: Make sure you come in comfortable old clothing, covered shoes, a hat and water bottle.

School Holiday paper making workshop

Thurs, Jan 20 – 10am

Create eco-friendly handmade sheets of paper using clean recycled materials with artist Zela Bissett.

In this two-hour hands-on workshop, you'll learn the art of paper-making. Create eco-friendly handmade paper using clean recycled materials to create one-of-a-kind textures and colours.

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Age group: 7 to 12 years

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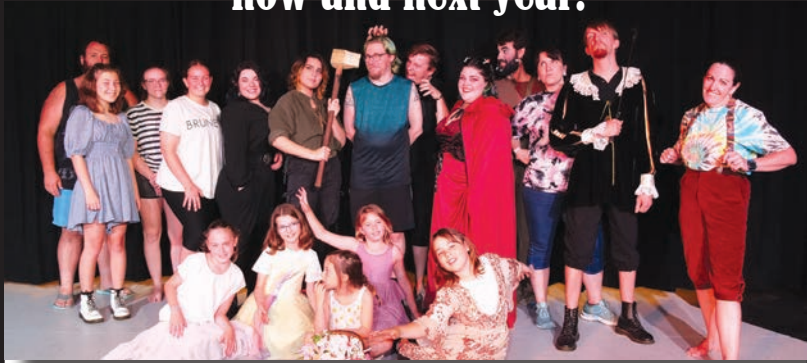
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The stage is RED red ready at Z-PAC for now and next year!



Z-PAC Theatre's current festive pantomime, Red Riding Hood is showing now until 12 December and is not to be missed! This funny yet dark and unique version of the original fairy tale will delight audiences of all ages.

The story is based on the classic, but set 40 years in the future with plenty of plot twists and intrigue. Featuring dramatic lighting, elaborate costumes and makeup, and high energy songs and dances the show promises an experience to remember.

Director Jeff Sweeney is excited to bring this version to life, "The show is family friendly, but our villains are genuinely scary so there's appeal to a wide age range."

He said there were plenty of aspects of traditional pantomimes in the show that audiences love such as the jokes and audience interaction.

As the Z-PAC Theatre Technical Director for the past seven years, Mr Sweeney has extensive experience designing lighting and soundscapes and this show pushes the boundaries of what is possible, "This show has one of the most complicated lighting designs we've had in Z-PAC over the past few years."

Red Riding Hood runs until 12 December with Friday night performances and matinee shows on Saturdays and Sundays at Z-PAC Theatre, 15 Zephyr St, Scarness.

Ticket prices are \$27.50 for adults, \$22 concession and \$16.50 for students. Book tickets at zpactheatre.com

Mark your calendar for 2022 as Z-PAC Theatre has announced an exciting and diverse line up of shows, including a gripping drama; a hilarious comedy; a pop culture show; an 'out of the box' show and a young adult show.

Theatre Sports will also be offered for any adult wanting to be in a shorter run show.

SHOW	DIRECTED BY	DATE
ROUGH	Jonathan Dunn	March 4-20
LONG GONE LONESOME COWGIRLS	Marjolijn Dudgeon	April 29-May 15
PUFFS	Tim Holstein	July 1-17
PRIDE AND PREJUDICE	Theresa Saunders	September 9-25
DRY ROT	Roger Jennings	November 18-December 3

Visit zpactheatre.com or follow us on socials for information about upcoming events and shows.

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Weaving stories with paint



Butchulla Artist Joel Barney is a talented self-taught artist from Hervey Bay and has just completed a painting in partnership with headspace in Maryborough to help represent the local Butchulla community. headspace is hoping that when people enter the centre, they will know that they are accepted and in a safe place. The painting will also help to strengthen the relationship between Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander organisations and headspace.

Joel started painting in 2015 and soon developed his own style of Aboriginal art that is based on his people's stories. His mentors from other tribes taught him how to use paint to express himself. His paintings are colourful and each one weaves its own story.

Joel says, "Painting wasn't a talent that I was born with. If I can create something like this, young people can teach themselves anything too".

About the painting "Country, by the River".

Joel -

I painted this a little different to how I would paint a scene in Hervey Bay as I noticed the colours of the bushland and the water are different.

I tried to keep the exact shape of the Mary River. Then I thought I would do both sides country. The dots represent people on the country. This painting represents how I see Butchulla country in Maryborough, the diversity, the colours, and the community. I have tried to represent these elements in this painting. The people in the painting are my cousins, my family. The lungfish represents the need for constant reminding to take care of the endangered species in the river and not to overfish as we have very specific laws on this.

The painting is painted with acrylic paints and took many hours of work to complete it is sealed with gold and opal dust. I hope that this painting will show our youth that there is beauty everywhere. And that the symbolism of the artwork will resonate with those that walk through the door and help people to feel inspired and to feel better about themselves.



Two Crazy Kayakers take on the Challenge

Support crazy kayakers Mike Grounds (72) and Daniel Turner (46) in their quest to raise \$10,000 for RACQ LifeFlight Rescue by paddling 75kms from Tin Can Bay to Hervey Bay continuously!

In January, two crazy kayakers are taking on the challenge to continuously kayak from Tin Can Bay to Hervey Bay, approximately 75km – in a day, to raise funds on behalf of an essential non-profit rapid-response airlift service for RACQ LifeFlight Rescue. LifeFlight helps treat and save lives within Queensland every day and relies on community support and donations to continue their life-saving services to Queenslanders.

The Duo will be paddling through the Great Sandy Strait, separating mainland Queensland from the world heritage listed K'gari, Fraser Island. This region forms part of the Great Sandy Marine Park and is noted for migratory bird roosting sites.

If you are interested in finding out more about the paddle, find the event on Facebook at Great Sandy Strait Paddle 2022 or email sandystraitpaddle@gmail.com.

Donate now: mycause.com.au.

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Have a safe, healthy, and happy Christmas

Written by **Juls de Waard**

Another year is coming to an end and ohhh what a year it has been!

The country and the world are starting to reopen just in time for families and friends to come together.

The next month will be a busy one with the sharing of gifts, love and well wishes. It will be a joyous occasion, especially for those who will have the chance to re-unite with loved ones that they haven't had a chance to visit for a while.

Please remember though that we still need to follow COVID Safe practices whether we are vaccinated or not.

For many this can also be a lonely time as many services close their doors - so please be mindful of your neighbours, and even people you meet when you are out and about, that something as simple as a smile can make their day - and it is one of the cheapest gifts you can share.

Below is a list of festive-season closing dates for some of our local seniors' services so you can plan when you are going to re-join activities in 2022.

Australian Pensioners and Superannuants League (APSL)
Call 4124 8532

Halcro Street Community Centre:
Closed 17 December to 17 January, in an emergency call 0421 859 966

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To end the year, I thought that I would share a piece of poetry written by a lovely lady - Sandra Bibby

What's in a name?

Every Christmas I sit on a tree
Acting as if I'm full of Glee,
When deep down, all I want is a name
For the lack of this, no-one is to blame
Nevertheless, my yearning goes on
My happiness is only a con
I would love to have a name of my own
That's all I want, no crown or throne
I sit on the tree in all my glory
Acting the part, like in the story
When you pick a name, you can't be choosy
Some names suit an angel and others, a floosy
If I could choose a name, what would it be?
Maybe there's not one to suit poor little me
So, the best, I'm convinced, is the Christmas fairy
The kids love this name, as it's not too scary

Wishing everyone a safe, healthy, and happy Christmas and hope to see you out and about enjoying all that the Fraser Coast has to offer in 2022.

If you would like to find out more, please call the Seniors in Focus project on 4194 2441.

Juls de Waard – 4194 2441

Written by Juls de Waard
Senior Liaison Officer – Seniors in Focus
Fraser Coast Regional Council





Australia Day is about taking a step back and reflecting on our history, it is also about respecting the stories of those around us and celebrating our great nation. People from all around the world, and from all walks of life now proudly call Australia home. Let's stand side by side on this day and celebrate together. Kim.

Australia Day at the Hervey Bay Historical Village & Museum, is always a great day out for the whole family, and 2022 will be no exception on January 26.

While planning for the event was still underway at the writing of this article all the old favourites will be there.

Some of the activities on the day

- Have a go at log sawing and then watch it being branded.
- Help make a 10 metre Sisal rope which will then be auctioned off.
- See how the old-time wood tools were used.
- There will also be Children's games and Billy Carts.
- Whip Making demonstration.
- See what School was like 100 years ago.
- Make your own souvenir rope.
- See the Spinners and Weavers in action.
- Check out the vintage cars on display
- See the 9th Battalion Ceremonial Guard in uniform.
- Tractor rides for the kids
- 1903 Oldsmobile Replica Rides

The entire event is run by volunteers who give up their time so that the visitors can have an enjoyable day out.

Time: 9.30am – 3pm.
Entry: \$2 adults, kids are free.



Council's citizenship and awards ceremonies will be held at the Brolga Theatre in Maryborough on Wednesday 26 January.

The Citizenship Ceremony will start at 9am and be followed by the presentation of Australia Day Awards at 10am.

Everyone is welcome.

"Australia Day is a day to reflect, respect and celebrate the Australian spirit and the best of this country – our mateship, our sense of community and our resilience," Fraser Coast Mayor George Seymour said.

"I look forward to presenting the annual Australia Day Awards to local residents and groups who have made outstanding contributions to the Fraser Coast community and welcoming our newest citizens."

For all of the Australia Day Events, have a look on the What's On Fraser Coast Facebook page or on our website www.whatsonfrasercoast.com.au.



The Best of 2021

The best of 2021 in pictures



Steamfesta



Anzac Day



Whale Watching -
Tasman Venture 2021



FraserPop
Pop Culture



The 3 Legends - Jade Hurley, Dinah Lee
and Normie Rowe



Lee Kernaghan - Bush To Bay Music
Festival



Carmel Murdoch aka Mary
Poppins is surprised with a
wonderful photo display at
The Story bank



FCRC Mayor George Seymour welcomes
Jetstar - back on the Fraser Coast after
nearly 12 years

Social Snaps

Out and About on the Fraser Coast!



Melbourne Cup celebrations

at the Beach House Hotel

Photo Credit – Kim Parnell



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Melbourne Cup celebrations

at The Hervey Bay Boat Club

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Fraser Coast Markets

MARYBOROUGH

Maryborough Markets

Adelaide and Ellena St, Maryborough
Every Thursday - 7am to 12pm

MARYBOROUGH

Maryborough Sunday Mixed Markets

Maryborough Hockey Association
Cnr Neptune & Woodstock St
Every 2nd & 4th Sunday of the month
7am

HERVEY BAY

Torquay Beachside Markets

Opposite the Torquay Hotel
Every Saturday
7am to 1pm

HERVEY BAY

Koala Markets - Kruger Court

Every 2nd & 4th Sunday
6am to noon

HERVEY BAY

Nikenbah Markets

Hervey Bay Animal Refuge
Nikenbah-Dundowran Rd, Nikenbah
1st, 3rd and 5th Sunday of the month
6am to 12 noon

HERVEY BAY

Urangan Pier Park Markets

Pier Park, Urangan, (in front of Jetty)
Every Wednesday & Saturday
7am to 1pm

OTHER AREAS

Glenwood Community Markets

Pepper Rd
3rd Saturday of the month
7am - noon

OTHER AREAS

Brooweena Markets

Historical Village, Smith Crescent
4th Sunday every 3rd month
8am to noon

OTHER AREAS

Burrum Heads Markets Corner of
Burrum Heads Rd & Howard St
2nd Saturday of the Month
7am - 11.30am

OTHER AREAS

Howard Country Markets
Howard Community Centre,
Steley St, Howard
1st Saturday of the month
7am to 12 noon

OTHER AREAS

Bauple Markets - Band Hall Road
4th Saturday of the month
7am - noon

OTHER AREAS

Torbanlea Markets
6.30am - 12pm
Torbanlea Racetrack
3rd Sat of each month
Email: torbanleamarkets@outlook.com

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DISCLAIMER: Markets subject to change due to COVID-19, school
holidays, public holidays and weather conditions.

Tide Times

December 2021

Time	m	Time	m
1 0606 3.39 WE 1808 3.51		16 0038 0.85 TH 1313 1.22 1901 3.02	
2 0033 0.57 TH 1311 0.84 1858 3.52		17 0114 0.79 FR 1356 1.16 1939 3.00	
3 0118 0.42 FR 1405 0.75 1948 3.49		18 0147 0.76 SA 1436 1.12 2015 2.97	
4 0202 0.35 SA 1501 0.71 ● 2038 3.40		19 0221 0.75 SU 1515 1.11 ○ 2046 2.93	
5 0246 0.34 SU 1559 0.72 2129 3.28		20 0253 0.77 MO 1554 1.13 2117 2.90	
6 0330 0.42 MO 1657 0.78 2221 3.13		21 0325 0.82 TU 1630 1.16 2149 2.86	
7 0414 0.57 TU 1753 0.87 2316 2.98		22 0357 0.89 WE 1708 1.20 2225 2.83	
8 0500 0.78 WE 1848 0.98		23 0431 0.98 TH 1746 1.23 2305 2.78	
9 0015 2.86 TH 1250 3.50 1943 1.08		24 0510 1.10 FR 1830 1.25 2354 2.74	
10 0118 2.78 FR 1353 3.34 2039 1.13		25 0556 1.24 SA 1918 1.25	
11 0227 2.77 SA 1455 3.23 ● 2136 1.13		26 0054 2.71 SU 1337 3.28 2011 1.21	
12 0336 2.84 SU 1553 3.16 2230 1.08		27 0206 2.75 MO 1437 3.26 ● 2109 1.12	
13 0441 2.99 MO 1647 3.11 2317 1.00		28 0322 2.88 TU 1537 3.25 2208 0.99	
14 0536 3.18 TU 1736 3.08		29 0435 3.11 WE 1637 3.25 2306 0.84	
15 0000 0.92 WE 1229 1.29 1820 3.05		30 0542 3.39 TH 1738 3.25	
		31 0001 0.69 FR 0639 3.68 1300 1.01 1838 3.26	

January 2022

Time	m	Time	m
1 0054 0.56 SA 1401 0.88 1936 3.27		16 0127 0.90 SU 1424 1.17 2002 2.92	
2 0145 0.47 SU 1500 0.77 2030 3.28		17 0204 0.83 MO 1501 1.11 2035 2.96	
3 0232 0.42 MO 1555 0.71 ● 2122 3.28		18 0239 0.78 TU 1538 1.08 ○ 2108 3.01	
4 0319 0.44 TU 1645 0.72 2213 3.24		19 0314 0.76 WE 1613 1.05 2141 3.05	
5 0404 0.53 WE 1733 0.78 2301 3.17		20 0347 0.77 TH 1646 1.04 2216 3.06	
6 0449 0.70 TH 1818 0.88 2350 3.09		21 0422 0.83 FR 1721 1.04 2255 3.06	
7 0534 0.92 FR 1901 1.00		22 0459 0.93 SA 1758 1.05 2337 3.03	
8 0041 2.99 SA 1303 3.36 1947 1.11		23 0538 1.09 SU 1837 1.08	
9 0138 2.91 SU 1357 3.15 2037 1.19		24 0027 2.99 MO 1254 3.34 1924 1.11	
10 0242 2.88 MO 1455 2.97 ● 2130 1.22		25 0128 2.97 TU 1354 3.19 ● 2020 1.12	
11 0352 2.93 TU 1556 2.85 2227 1.20		26 0242 3.00 WE 1500 3.06 2126 1.10	
12 0500 3.06 WE 1657 2.79 2318 1.14		27 0404 3.13 TH 1610 2.99 2234 1.02	
13 0555 3.24 TH 1754 2.79		28 0525 3.36 FR 1723 2.99 2340 0.89	
14 0005 1.06 FR 0641 3.41 1843 2.82		29 0630 3.64 SA 1832 3.08	
15 0047 0.97 SA 1344 1.26 1925 2.87		30 0041 0.74 SU 1400 0.90 1932 3.20	
		31 0135 0.60 MO 0811 4.07 1452 0.75 2025 3.31	

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Datum of Predictions is Lowest Astronomical Tide

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