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# A note from the Editor

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**C**hristmas is almost here and all of us at the Redcliffe Guide are looking forward to celebrating the festive season with family and good friends.

This is also a great time to reflect on the last twelve months, the achievements, the challenges faced and overcome, the highlights and the things we are grateful for.

We hope you've enjoyed the stories and events the Redcliffe Guide has shared with you in 2023 and we thank you for your support over the last twelve months.

We are very much looking forward to sharing more local stories and bringing you more great local events in 2024.

There is an amazing team that brings the Redcliffe Guide to you each month. Our writers, photographers, advertising sales, distributors, and graphic design artists will all be taking a well deserved break and there will be no January edition of the Redcliffe Guide. Follow us on Facebook and join up to our newsletter for local stories and events over this time!

And the Redcliffe Guide will be back in stands from 1 February! Until then, happy reading - and a very Merry Christmas and prosperous 2024 from us all at the Redcliffe Guide!

Jodie

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## WHAT'S HOT AROUND TOWN



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### **D**o you love the songs of Redcliffe's favourite musical sons - The Bee Gees?

The Redcliffe Leagues Club invites you to the most realistic tribute to the Bee Gees in the world - the UK Bee Geez, live and free, on Friday, 8 December.

This British-born band have impressed audiences in many countries with how they not only sound like the Gibb brothers but have their look, mannerisms and humour down pat as well.

Let the romantic ballads and disco beats take you back to a time of platform boots and perfect harmonies. Enjoy the Bee Gee's greatest hits over 40 years including You Should Be Dancing, If I Can't Have You, Emotion, and more.

*Tribute show starts at 8.30pm.*

### STORY **SALLY EBERHARDT**

#### **L**ike to see 2023 out with a BANG?

Redcliffe Markets New Year's Eve Party brings you family fun to kiss 2023 goodbye in style without blowing the budget on Sunday, 31 December from 5pm to 10pm.

With not one but TWO spectacular fireworks displays and lots more free entertainment for kids of all ages, by the sea at The Esplanade at Redcliffe is the place to be. Soak up the festive atmosphere of the markets and indulge in some of the best gourmet eats in the region. Browse the pop-up market stalls for local handmade treasures and trinkets galore and adventure into sideshow alley for all sorts of games to test your skill or luck.

Live bands and musicians will get the party started with plenty of toe-tapping tunes to shake and shimmy to. What a fabulous, family-friendly way to usher in the New Year.

*Fireworks displays start at 7pm and 9pm.*



### **D**oes the sound of a Big Band stir your soul?

Don't miss The Australian Army Band Christmas show at Redcliffe Entertainment Centre on Tuesday, 12 December.

Hark to the silver sound of strings and the rousing brass section as the highly polished band plays a diverse mix of Christmas songs. From classic yuletide carols to contemporary pop songs, from reverent to cheeky, explore the many emotions of the festive season with this talented turnout.

*Show starts at 11am. Bookings are required - tickets are \$29.00. To book go to [www.whatsonmoretonbay.com/events/the-australian-army-band-christmas-show](http://www.whatsonmoretonbay.com/events/the-australian-army-band-christmas-show)*



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## Trash Fashion Art Exhibition Spotlights Beach Pollution

STORY **ALYSSA MACKAY**

**A** touring exhibition that has been capturing attention with its message about marine life conservation is about to make waves in Redcliffe.

Starting this month at the Redcliffe Museum, Beach Couture: A Haute Mess is a collection of wearable art made from rubbish collected from beaches and oceans by artist, Marina DeBris.

Marina said she hoped her artwork would convey a sense of urgency to viewers about the ever-growing problem of beach and ocean pollution.

"Also, that they see the magnitude of it, realising I am just one person collecting in very specific locations," she said.

"Of course, the ultimate goal is that the public acts on this by changing habits and/or becoming involved with local groups, politicians, or starts their own grassroots section."

The exhibition features two photo series with American model and actress Hannah Kat Jones wearing some of Marina's outfits, which tell the story of society's addiction to plastics, particularly single-use plastics.

There will also be a display called 'Artefacts from the Anthropocene', offering a glimpse into what a future archaeological dig could reveal.

Marina has been actively collecting waste from beaches since 1999 when she returned to the US from Bondi Beach. Most of the rubbish in Beach Couture: A Haute Mess was collected from Sydney's eastern suburbs beaches, with some earlier works using rubbish from Venice and Playa Del Rey beaches in Los Angeles.

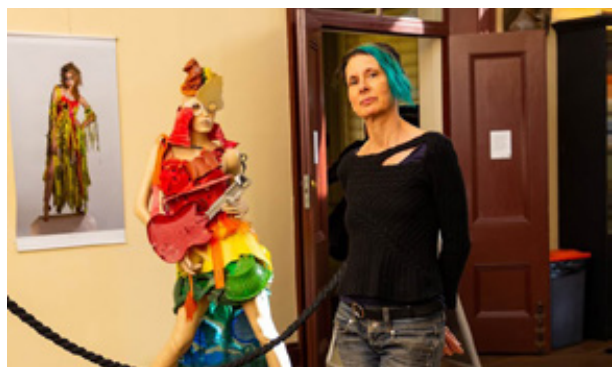
Marina said she collected rubbish daily, which had given her a good grasp of the specific issues surrounding ocean pollution.

"I also am acutely aware of other environmental issues," she said. "I try to make pieces using those items specifically and often try to merge it with other issues, usually in the title.

"Pandemia was created during COVID when I was constantly picking up face masks – I still am! I also noted how the single-use coffee cups had expanded out of control, as well as the breeding of dogs. The piece is made up of over 900 face masks (I have many, many more), coffee cup lids and even a toy stuffed dog, all found on the beach."

To kick off the exhibition, Marina will give an opening floor talk on Saturday, 2 December from 10am to 11am. The exhibition runs until Sunday, 18 February.

**Beach Couture: A Haute Mess**  
**Saturday, 2 December - Sunday, 18 February**  
**(Opening hours: Wed-Fri, 10am-4pm;**  
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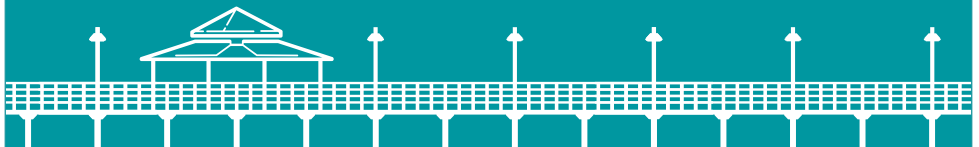
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# GET READY TO ROCK WITH THE LIVES AND TIMES OF LED ZEPPELIN

Zepplin

STORY **ALYSSA MACKAY**

**D**on't miss the chance to secure tickets for **Zepplin, the Australian Led Zeppelin Show, the perfect Christmas gift for any devoted Led Zepplin fan.**

Their world-first stage production, *The Lives and Times of Led Zeppelin* is all set to electrify the Redcliffe Entertainment Centre in February.

General manager of Livewire Touring Australia, Larry Attard, said the show was an interactive journey that showed both the humorous side of rock and the struggles faced by the band.

"It gives people a good insight into the real rock world," Larry said. "Great for young aspiring musicians to see, or just the inquisitive. It's a real education and we encourage people to take their families."

The two-hour show rockumentary combines rare footage, photos and previously untold stories with live performances by tribute band, Zepplin.

Larry said he got the idea for the show after he retired from performing in the ACDC tribute show, *ACCA DACCA*, and wanted a new project in a managerial role.

"I thought Led Zeppelin would be worth a try with the same recipe – that is, telling their stories and performing their songs," he said. "And boy, Led Zeppelin have got some stories as well as epic songs. The result gives you chills."

Larry's son, Jesse Attard performs the vocals of frontman Robert Plant in Zepplin, alongside Dean Blackborough as Jimmy Page, bass player and Redcliffe local Ian 'Squirry' Graham as John Paul Jones, and Mick Bianco as drummer, John Bonham.

Larry said Zepplin's sound was so authentic that Facebook mistook their 60-second teaser for the real band.

"Facebook promptly took it down citing copyright infringement because you can't use the real artist behind your ad," he said. "It took me a whole day of convincing that it was actually my band performing the song."

He added he was excited to return to the Redcliffe Entertainment Centre, where he previously performed the ACDC show.

"Redcliffe audiences hold their own as fantastic people to perform to," he said.

"Our promise to Redcliffe – you will leave the theatre at the end of the night elated and overwhelmed. Zepplin: *The Lives and Times* is like nothing you've ever seen or heard before."

*Tickets start at \$55 (excluding booking fee). To book go to [www.redcliffeentertainmentcentre.com.au/Events/Zepplin](http://www.redcliffeentertainmentcentre.com.au/Events/Zepplin)*

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**THE FLOORING SHOP**



STORY **PATRICIA HIGGINS**  
 PHOTO **PETER STOOP PHOTOGRAPHY**

**T**aking out a group award for outstanding acting in their first time competing at the Junior Theatre Festival Australia, Rothwell-based dance group Red Music and Dance have huge smiles all around.

The sixteen students, who ranged in age from 8 to seventeen, performed Disney's High School Musical Jr pieces in Newcastle during October and were judged by a panel of visiting international Broadway and West End artists.

Melissa Mataic, Studio Owner and Director at Red Music and Dance said the team was elated at the win, especially after having no expectations going in as a first-time experience.

"Our aim was to learn as much as we could and connect with other students and studios from around Australia, so to receive an award on top of these two amazing outcomes was incredible," Ms Mataic said.

The opportunity to meet celebrity Rob Mills, who rose to fame as an Australian Idol finalist and has starred in major productions like Wicked, Hairspray, and Jesus Christ Superstar, was a particular highlight of the event, according to Ms Mataic.

"The team loved seeing Rob – he is very down

to earth and giving of his time and energy, which impressed us all," she said.

According to Junior Theatre Festival (JTF) co-producer Shane Bransdon, each of the student participants also had the unique opportunity to receive tips from some of the world's best producers, directors and writers.

Ms Mataic said the team spent six months preparing overall and that it was a process that involved a great deal of personal growth.

"Students learn about the important skills of resilience, communication and teamwork, and through this, develop confidence and connection," she said.

"These skills are worth so much, not only in the workplace or in school, but they are what we all need to live out our dreams in life."

The studio is opening its doors for a week of free classes from Monday, 4 December to Friday, 8 December.

Operating under an open-door policy, you can connect with the team at Red Music and Dance anytime via their socials, or email [learn@redmusiccentre.com.au](mailto:learn@redmusiccentre.com.au) for a free trial.

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### HISTORY REDCLIFFE

STORY **PATTIE TANCRED**

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**"Christmas is again upon us, with Christmas stories and Christmas cards, Christmas merrymaking and Christmas boxes, Christmas gladness and Christmas goodwill." So wrote the Brisbane Courier on Christmas Day in 1886, which shows that, in its essentials, Christmas never really changes. Although today on the Redcliffe Peninsula we celebrate a little differently - Christmas lights, Christmas twilight markets and public carol concerts - the sentiments remain the same.**

The biggest difference between now and then, though, is population. A sleepy little place for most of the year – the population in 1895 was about 700, increasing to only a little over 1100 by 1912 – during the summer holiday season, Redcliffe attracted thousands of visitors. Not the most vibrant spot for most of the year – the Queensland Figaro going so far as to say in 1882 that "Redcliffe would soon disappear from the face of the map" were it not for its popularity as a summer watering place – during the Christmas and New Year period, it throbbled with life.

Crowds flocked in, by steamer from Brisbane – the boats made several trips a day during high season – or by train and "motor launch" via Sandgate. Later, those with stamina undertook the journey by car, a very long trip before the

advent of the Hornibrook Highway in 1932. Many of those who came by boat were "day trippers" but others, having got to Redcliffe, wanted to make a vacation of it, leading to the eternal high season dilemma: where were they to stay?

Every newspaper report about the summer holiday period for the first 50 or so years of Redcliffe's settlement remarked on the dearth of accommodation. There were some boarding houses, a few hotels and the odd private home for rent but the lack of available lodgings meant that most of the visitors camped. Indeed, in 1891 there were so many "camping parties" that "Humpybong earned itself the name of canvas town".

Notwithstanding weather and mosquitos (other perennial summer newspaper topics) these tent-dwellers celebrated enthusiastically. With bonfires, parties, festive decorations "of evergreens and bunting" (yes, even in tents) and fireworks, they "appeared to enjoy themselves right merrily". Even so, as the Moreton Mail related in 1889, "with all the pleasure-making of Boxing Day, there was not a single case of intoxication to be seen" – another significant point of difference between Christmas then and Christmas now.

Whatever form festive merrymaking takes this Christmas, let us hope that Redcliffe is a haven of "Christmas gladness and Christmas goodwill".





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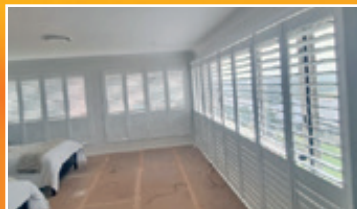
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# CROQUET PROMISES A SMASHING GOOD TIME

STORY **PATRICIA HIGGINS**  
PHOTO **PETE JOHNSON**

**F**or those who have wanted to try croquet, there's perhaps no better moment than the present to delve into this game and all it has to offer - at a well-appointed and well-known local location.

The Eildon Croquet Club in Woody Point welcomes both casual players and those who prefer a more intense gameplay, bringing together people from all walks of life to enjoy a uniquely strategic pastime.

According to Wade Hart, the Eildon Croquet Club's publicity representative, croquet combines elements of many people's favourite pastimes and, unexpectedly for such a relaxed activity, delivers an exhilarating rush.

"It's got the ball-whacking action of golf, the lawn-lounging vibe of bowls, the manicured lawn of tennis, and the tactical twists of chess," Mr Hart said.

Mr Hart said that croquet has a wide appeal, regardless of whether a person was a childhood cricket player or prefers mahjong and bridge, with players ranging from those aged in their twenties to active 75-year-olds.

Additionally, top players flock to the Woody Point location to take on local champions

during National and State tournaments. Mr Hart said that in contrast to certain stereotypes of the game as being extremely calm, croquet "blends ruthless cunning and technical skill into one dangerously fun lawn game."

That's not to say that relaxation and extra perks aren't available for those who seek them, with the weekly Wine Down Wednesdays on the veranda ideal for sipping drinks and snacking as the sun sets over Bramble Bay.

"The club celebrates life's simple pleasures – the sound of shared laughter, the taste of good food, and the communal joy," Mr Hart said.

The Eildon Croquet Club is a budget-friendly option for a unique celebratory venue, with catering being BYO and the club providing entertainment – in the form of croquet fun, of course.

According to Mr Hart, getting started in croquet requires only comfortable flat shoes, a hat, and a smile.

Newcomers are invited to attend on Tuesdays at 3pm to receive a friendly introduction to gameplay basics.

*For more information about Eildon Croquet Club visit the website at [www.eildoncroquet.com.au/home/](http://www.eildoncroquet.com.au/home/) and follow on Facebook.*

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# BOATING FOR BREAST CANCER

STORY **PATRICIA HIGGINS**

PHOTO **PETE JOHNSON**

**D**ragon boating and breast cancer may seem like unrelated subjects, but a local association has linked this sport and leisure activity with being able to offer support to breast cancer survivors.

The Redcliffe Pink Snapdragons are a boating group that regularly paddles out from Talobilla Park, behind the PCYC in the Redcliffe region.

According to team member Sonia Anger, the founder, Jayne Coe, got the inspiration for the endeavour after reading a magazine article about the advantages of paddling for those affected by breast cancer.

"It was set up in 2005 by Jayne (who was going through breast cancer treatment at the time and unfortunately had a recurrence and passed away in 2016) to provide support, friendship, compassion and inspiration to other survivors," Ms Anger said.

According to teammate Fran Heales, age and fitness levels are no barrier to getting involved as a part of the dragon boating team, with the social component coming first.

"After paddling we go to breakfast and share stories – whether it is about a breast cancer journey or what a member has on his or her mind and we enjoy a good laugh," Ms Heales said. However, for those who are more competitively minded, there are plenty of

opportunities to race at regional, national, and international regattas.

"This year some of us competed in New Zealand and the next international regatta is in France in 2026," Ms Anger said.

Both team members expressed an appreciation for the peaceful ambience of Moreton Bay's waterways.

According to Ms Heales, the reverent aspect of being out on the water does, at times, involve paying respect to paddlers who have passed away.

"We scatter flower petals on the water followed by a minute of silence, then paddle in a circle while doing a tap drill," she said.

"Participating in this ceremony with fellow paddlers gives us all a special connection that we cherish to this day."

The Redcliffe Pink Snapdragons would like to invite anybody who has been touched by breast cancer to join them for a 'Come and Try Social Paddle', with all equipment and morning tea provided.

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# ACOUSTIC CELEBRATION OF BILLY JOEL'S ICONIC HITS

STORY **ALYSSA MACKAY**

**F**ans of Billy Joel will be in for a treat when Jimmy Mann visits Redcliffe to perform a special acoustic tribute to the legendary singer-songwriter.

The show, titled Celebrating the Music of Billy Joel, will take place at the Redcliffe Entertainment Centre on Friday, 9 February.

Jimmy said he was 19 when he first saw Billy Joel sing *Just the Way You Are* on television. "It was such an amazing song and performance from this guy," Jimmy said. "Incredible songwriter, singer, artist, musician, great piano player – all that stuff really changed my musical life.

"He has a way of writing that draws you close

to your own personal experiences, as many songwriters do, but for me, Billy's music just captured it all."

Jimmy began playing the piano accordion at the age of eight, later transitioning to the piano and studying classical, blues and jazz fusion. He took professional singing lessons in his twenties and has since performed in many shows, including the Elton John/Billy Joel tribute show *Rocket Man v Piano Man*.

For this performance, he will be playing the grand piano alongside his good friend, Andrew Williams on acoustic guitar and backing vocals.

"I have added the acoustic guitar because I love the fullness and rhythmic value it adds to the sound, while still keeping everything in

the acoustic domain," Jimmy said.

The audience can expect to hear renditions of classics like *Scenes from an Italian Restaurant*, *New York State of Mind* and *You May Be Right*.

Jimmy said he also added a few songs he hadn't performed live before, including *And So It Goes*, *Vienna*, and *Don't Ask Me Why*.

"I have always wanted to portray them in a more free, open fashion, bringing a new kind of meaning to these particular songs," he said. "They really lend themselves to this acoustic format."

Celebrating the Music of Billy Joel will also feature visual elements, including pictures and videos projected onto the theatre screen.

Jimmy said he and Andrew were both looking forward to performing in Redcliffe.

"I have family that live in the area and most of my grandkids have grown up here so it will be great to have all the family along," he said.

Tickets are \$49pp (excluding booking fee). To book go to [www.redcliffeentertainmentcentre.com.au/Events/Jimmy-Mann](http://www.redcliffeentertainmentcentre.com.au/Events/Jimmy-Mann)

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## CHAMELEON: HOLLYWOOD CON QUEEN

STORY **NICK ALLFORD**

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Although, when someone has a dream, there's often someone else who's willing to take advantage of them, and that's the premise of Chameleon: Hollywood Con Queen.

The hosts talk directly with the aspiring actors and anyone else you usually see in the end credits of a movie, those on the lowest rungs of the Hollywood ladder, who were told they'd been hired on the next blockbuster movie, only to find out that there is no movie and the money they'd paid in advance was gone. The podcast expertly hunts down as many of the 1,000 people who've been duped by the scammer as possible, spanning several years and multiple countries.

What kept me listening was the motivation. Yes, hundreds of people were defrauded of money totalling around \$1,500,000 but there's a strange, unsettling aspect to the story. The lengths that the fraudster went to manipulate people and tear apart their lives are excessive and bizarre.

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# Positioning and price rise.

**H**ave your kids ever come up to you and asked you to close your eyes because they have a big surprise for you. They then proceed to grab you by the hand and lead you to what they are busting to show you.

Do you close your eyes though? Or do you peek a bit?



WITH **BRAD**  
**FLYNN**

I would always peek because if not I could be led into a wall by my excited child, not that they wanted to do that but they just don't understand the implications of their actions.

Dealing with new clients can be just the same. We race off to serve or supply them without remembering this is all new to them. Whilst we may be clear on the transaction and what will happen, they may not be.

If my child had laid out the steps to me before they began to lead me to the surprise, I may have been a little more confident in keeping my eyes closed.

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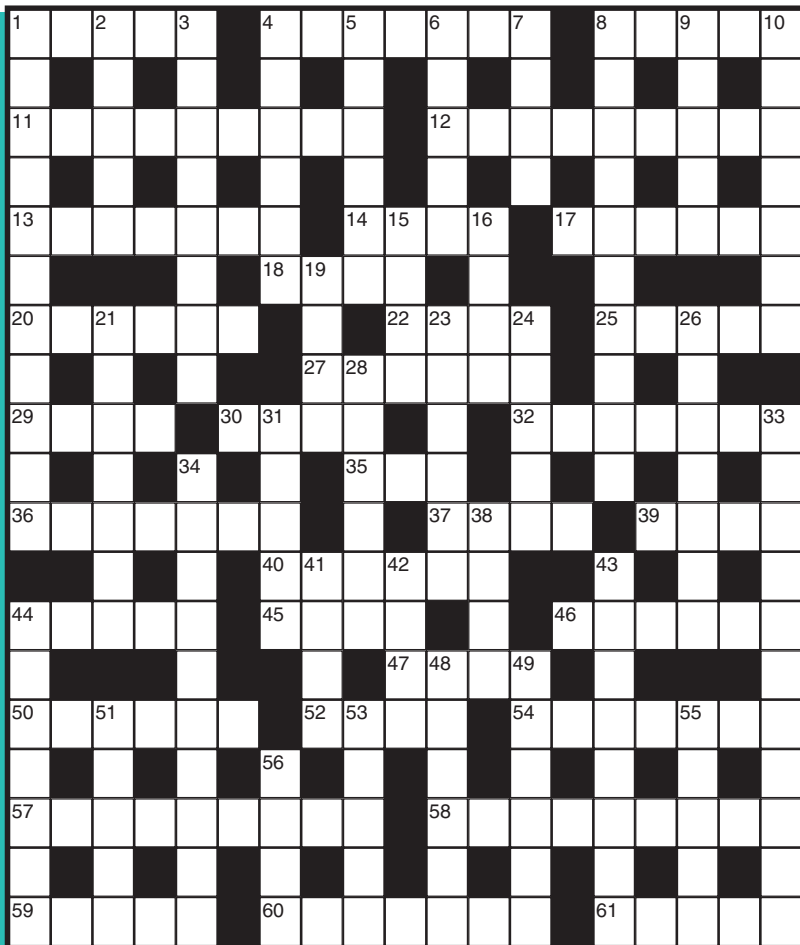
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# THE BIG ONE CROSSWORD



## ACROSS

- 1 Indian string instrument
- 4 Cubism painter
- 8 Norwegian
- 11 Digger
- 12 Freed
- 13 Stencil
- 14 Fitted with shoes
- 17 Castrated sheep
- 18 Small measurement (coll)
- 20 Metal; US coin
- 22 Poet
- 25 Harnessed together
- 27 Sign
- 29 Flock of larks
- 30 Useless plant
- 32 Simple wind instrument

- 35 University teacher
- 36 Mouth abscess
- 37 Dutch navigator, \_\_\_\_ Tasman
- 39 Carbonise
- 40 Spacecraft series
- 44 Painter of Water Lilies
- 45 Trend
- 46 Eats heartily (coll) (4,2)
- 47 Congeals
- 50 Opt for
- 52 Covering of certain seeds
- 54 Sugar in milk
- 57 Poor dive (coll) (5,4)
- 58 Children's home
- 59 Fault
- 60 Prejudice
- 61 Pamphlet

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- 1 Bed-roll (8,3)
- 2 Unspoken
- 3 Critic
- 4 Virile
- 5 Italian operatic tenor
- 6 Volley of gunfire
- 7 Globes
- 8 Gardener
- 9 Disgorge
- 10 Lasted
- 15 Centres
- 16 Desperate
- 19 Expect
- 21 Palaeolithic human
- 23 Unkeyed (music)
- 24 Male honey-bee

- 26 Chess pieces
- 28 Eccentric person (3,3)
- 31 Acclaim
- 33 Deal
- 34 Seer or prophet
- 38 Footwear
- 41 White part of oranges
- 42 Inferior
- 43 Aeroplane
- 44 Ghastly
- 48 Supplement (3,3)
- 49 Wet or muddy
- 51 Starer
- 53 Unfasten
- 55 Japanese part
- 56 Disclose secrets

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# BLUEWATER GARDEN'S MORNING TEAS ARE MARVELLOUS



STORY **PATRICIA HIGGINS**  
PHOTO **PETE JOHNSON**

**A** weekly free morning tea that's so much more, Bluewater Square's regular community events at Bluewater Gardens bring great company, connection and creativity in a beautiful shared space.

The Redcliffe-based shopping complex opened Bluewater Gardens in August, which has functioned as both a spot for small events and a shopper's sanctuary, complete with a 'boutique library' (shoppers are encouraged to bring a book and take a book in order to replenish the shelves).

According to Bluewater Square Centre Manager, Katherine Hann, introducing some free and low-cost events has proven to be a great way to bring people together through shared experiences.

"Overall, we can see interactive activities like trivia, cupcake decorating and painting or craft activities are the most popular," Ms Hann said.

"The best thing is when we see people doing something they've never done before, for example, older gents rolling up their sleeves and decorating cakes, young children dancing around to music, or people painting a scene they might never have thought they'd be able to do so well."

Because the events have been so popular, the team behind Bluewater Gardens has been building up the calendar to include several events every week.

"We're establishing a 'Read, Watch, Listen' club to meet monthly on a Tuesday, a knitting club, and a game day — to name just a few," Ms Hann said.

According to Ms Hann, that's in addition to Bluewater Garden's regular Friday morning tea trivia and a series of regular low-cost and free craft-type activities that occur throughout the year.

"Over the school holidays we'll work with our friends at Pinot and Picasso to offer

low-cost craft and interactive workshops for adults, but also children (who may enjoy making shadow boxes, slime and more)," she said.

Ms Hann said that because the events are so popular, registrations are recommended but that organisers do try to accommodate walk-ins where they can.

Those who are interested should follow Bluewater Square Shopping Centre on Facebook (the Bluewater Square Facebook page posts current and upcoming events) and Instagram, and visit online at [www.bluewatersquare.com.au/weekly-morning-tea/](http://www.bluewatersquare.com.au/weekly-morning-tea/) to register for morning teas.

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# LOCAL ORGANISATION FOSTERING CARE

STORY **PATRICIA HIGGINS**

**T**here are no two foster families or children exactly alike, and local out-of-home-care provider Life Without Barriers plays a crucial role in providing a variety of placement options to suit the individual requirements of children in care.

The organisation exists to deliver key services that enable people to embrace choice and control over the services they need, with one of those services being kinship and foster care for children who, for whatever reason, cannot live at home.

According to Amy Donnelly, Carer Recruitment and Engagement Coordinator for the Brisbane/Moreton Bay region, there is a growing need for locally-based foster carers who are able to provide stable living arrangements for children and young people in need.

"This would ensure children who are from this region coming into care do not need to leave their local support networks and community," Amy said.

One half of a local foster caregiving couple, whose identity is withheld to protect their privacy, said that giving a child a stable home (in this case, a person with a life-long disability)

is one of the most fulfilling aspects of the responsibility.

"This child has taught us so much about patience and unconditional love, and it has been so amazing being there through all his accomplishments," she said.

Having had their own children and wanting to offer other children the same opportunity to have a loving home, this individual and her partner are grateful that they made the initial decision to reach out to Life Without Barriers.

"We were guided through the process of becoming foster carers, and were required to complete specialised training that was designed to help develop skills to look after a child who had experienced trauma," she said.

"Life Without Barriers also offers a 24-hour after-hours support service that we can access if needed."

The organisation is actively seeking all types of foster carers in the Brisbane/Moreton Bay region.

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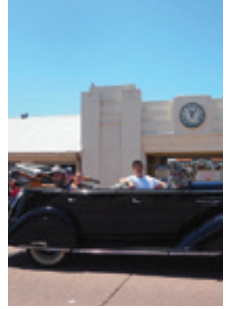
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# NEW TECH OPPORTUNITY ANNOUNCED FOR AUSTRALIAN TRADE COLLEGE NORTH BRISBANE

STORY **KELLY WALKER**

**T**here's something exciting happening in 2024 at the Australian Trade College North Brisbane! In an exciting first, the renowned trade college, commonly referred to as ATCNB, has partnered with Amazon Web Services (AWS) to offer students a head start into vital emerging careers in technology.

Brett Kavanagh, College Principal, explained what this new partnership will mean for students. "I am extremely excited that we are the first school in Australia to embed AWS Certifications into our Certificate III Information Technology course," he said. "This will truly equip students for a career in the digital world."

The pilot program will begin in February 2024 and aligns with ATCNB's mission to provide work-integrated learning for its students in an entrepreneurial and practical hands-on trade training environment. "Our senior secondary school program is not only meaningful and rewarding, but allows students to get a head start on their career in a safe and supportive learning environment," said Brett. "The college's learning approach has proven successful with 96% of year 12 graduates now in paid employment."

This innovative partnership with AWS will

piggyback on the school's already successful model by offering in-person learning, virtual laboratories, as well as industry work placements. "Our school's unique model combines two days of practical hands-on training in our onsite training facilities, with three days of classroom learning," Brett said. "This, in addition to having access to our extensive industry placement program, means that students can get a head-start on future career opportunities."

For students who are looking for an educational pathway that incorporates practical experience, Brett encourages them to explore what ATCNB has on offer. "With the current skills shortage, and a nationwide target of creating 1.2 million tech jobs by 2030, as set by the Australian Government, demand for tech talent is only going to grow," Brett said. "Embedding the AWS Cloud Practitioner course into the Certificate III in Information Technology represents a huge opportunity for young people contemplating tech careers, and gives them the confidence that their specialist skills will be in high demand."

Australian Trade College North Brisbane is hosting their next school holiday Try A Trade Day on 7 December. *To learn more about the school, or to book a campus tour, visit [www.tradecollege.com.au](http://www.tradecollege.com.au) or call (07) 3880 4331.*

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# A WORD FROM OUR REPRESENTATIVES

**A**s 2023 draws to a close I want to acknowledge the pressure households have been under throughout the year. The



WITH **YVETTE D'ATH MP**

**Palaszczuk Government this year announced more than \$8 billion to tackle cost-of-living. You should have started to receive the first installments of the \$550 electricity rebates or \$1072 for Queenslanders with a seniors, veterans or concession card.**

We have much to look forward to in 2024 with the introduction of free kindy starting in January for all Queensland kids. In 2024 we will also see the completion of the Sutton Street housing development with 82 new homes for over 55's. The building has been designed to meet the needs of older people and support a healthy and active lifestyle. I am also pleased that the property will have a live-in caretaker and will support 90 construction jobs.

I look forward to continuing to work hard for residents to get the best outcomes for Redcliffe in 2024. I hope you get the chance to relax and spend time with loved ones over this festive season.

**C**hristmas and New Year's are no doubt one of my favourite times of the year. It is a special time to reflect on all the blessings we can be grateful for.



WITH **LUKE HOWARTH MP**

For me, it is also a time to cherish and be grateful for the gift of relationships that are dear, whether near or far. Through the Christmas carols, endless wrapping paper, and treasured moments around the Christmas tree, this time of year certainly is a festive and busy time of year.

It is also a time to celebrate with the community. To find out what is happening in your local area, make sure to check out the many Christmas celebrations with fun for the whole family at [www.visitmoretonbayregion.com.au/whats-on/categories/all-events](http://www.visitmoretonbayregion.com.au/whats-on/categories/all-events)

**T**his year has flown by and I'd like to wish all residents and their families a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year for 2024.



WITH **CR KARL WINCHESTER**

As we approach a new calendar year, I wanted to highlight some projects which will commence. They're aimed at adding more value to the things we love about our Peninsula, particularly our heritage, natural environment and outdoor spaces.

In Coruscadden Park, beside the Redcliffe Museum,

Council will be carrying out the construction of a History Walk. A project which showcases the history of the Peninsula and was initiated by History Redcliffe and local Rotarians.

Bells Beach Clontarf will have showers installed, which will be great for swimmers and others enjoying an active waterside lifestyle at Bramble Bay. We will also be installing shady shelters at Clontarf Beach, opposite the 'Drowned Rat' Coffee Shop.

We're also constructing new pathways at Cascade Street, Kippa-Ring, Downs Street, Redcliffe and Ella Street, Redcliffe.

These are just a few highlighted projects, but will collectively improve accessibility and liveability on the Redcliffe Peninsula.

A highlight for me every year at this time is receiving all the entries for my Christmas Card competition from local school students. We had so many brilliant entries this year, it was hard to choose the highlights. So be sure to check your mailboxes to see our winning entries as my annual Christmas card hits your mailboxes in December.

It has been another full year and it has been my privilege to serve as your local Federal MP for another year. As we approach the holiday season, I pray you find time to reflect and celebrate all that you were blessed with in 2023 and have some time to be refreshed as we step into 2024.

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# FIREWORKS

**A** long, dangerous summer appears to be on our weather horizon. Early bushfires in rural Queensland have destroyed thousands of hectares of bush and grassland, at least 50 dwellings and a similar number of outbuildings and sheds. Two deaths resulted from the fires. This does not include countless livestock and native wildlife that perished.



WITH **RICHARD LANCASTER**

Bans on the use of potentially fire-causing equipment and open fires were enacted in various jurisdictions, but strangely no such ban on the use of fireworks. We are still merrily firing off rockets and other forms of fireworks with little consideration for the fire-creating potential this brief

and expensive form of entertainment brings. And now the Christmas and New Year season is fast approaching, with fireworks featuring prominently.

In the United States, an estimated 20,000 fires resulted from the use of fireworks in 2018. These fires caused several deaths and nearly 50 serious injuries as well as property damage worth over US\$100 million.

In 2018, the Northern Territory sanctioned the ignition of 370 tonnes of fireworks so that 40 years of self-government could be celebrated. The result of this fireworks fiasco was over 700 emergency phone calls, some of which reported numerous grass fires causing property damage and 27 injuries. In New Zealand, the then Prime Minister Jacinta Ardern expressed concern in 2018 over two major fires caused by firework displays.

Queensland's Explosives Act 1999 bans the unauthorised use of fireworks, with heavy penalties of fines of over \$50,000 and six months imprisonment imposed on unlicensed users. Nevertheless, many pet owners and zoos remain unhappy about events which include noisy fireworks. Animals or birds, wild or tame, become petrified at the sound of fireworks. Some countries are now using silent fireworks. Germany has banned individual New Year's Eve fireworks displays after pressure from animal liberationists and

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environmentalists and other European Union countries appear to be about to follow suit, as fireworks also contain poisonous toxins. The annual cost of public fireworks displays Australia-wide is estimated at around \$20 million. Sydney's 2022/23 New Year celebrations were \$6.5 million. Whilst spectacular, it was all over in half an hour. Without being a killjoy, is it not time to examine why we enjoy seeing our money going up in smoke and in the process, hurting our birds and animals?



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## EMPLOYING SENIORS/ RETIREES

**In the October issue of the Redcliffe Guide, the Chamber Chat article encouraged seniors to contact the writer, who has been actively seeking interest from employers who would be prepared to take on retirees/seniors on a part-time or full-time basis. So far, the interest from seniors looking for work has been enormous. There has also been some interest from businesses, however, there are still potential employers out there who would embrace this program.**

Retirees are an untapped resource who offer extensive experience and a desire to earn a steady income without being demanding. They can be wonderful mentors and trainers for younger employees. They can manage and guide other employees who do not have experience in the industry or dealing with people and, as stated earlier, seniors are generally very reliable.

Among those who have sent me their work history/CVs are people who have long-term experience in the following areas:

- Nursing, healthcare, medical administration and reception, disability assistance
- Law and associated office administration
- Interior decorating
- Building industry office work
- Teaching
- Cabinet making
- Telephone technician
- Event planning and management
- Radio broadcasting
- Finance, accounts receivable and payable, office accounting
- Financial analysis
- Hospitality

All have varying levels of knowledge of Microsoft.

Should any business owners or senior managers be interested in providing part-time or full-time employment for experienced seniors, please contact the writer at [kendunn1949@gmail.com](mailto:kendunn1949@gmail.com) or 0406 967 687.

The chamber wishes all of the readers a very happy Christmas and a prosperous 2024.

We believe that through the support of the local business sector, there will be good times ahead. Our principal sponsor is The Lewis Land Group through the Mon Komo and Belvedere Hotels and we thank them for their generous support.



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## GOOD MENTAL HEALTH

### Home Alone for the Holidays

**B**eing alone over the holidays can be difficult, but you do not have to be lonely. There are many ways to thrive and find joy through the holiday season.



WITH **TANYA FISHER**

Here are some suggestions to move well through the break:

- Stay connected. Reach out to people via phone calls, video chats, or social media.
- Treat yourself. Pamper yourself and enjoy some self-care time. You can cook, bake treats, watch a movie, binge a whole series, read or listen to music. Do what makes you feel content.
- Volunteer. You can really make a difference for others and find a real sense of purpose by helping others. The Breakfast Club Redcliffe Inc. and Encircle Redcliffe Neighbourhood Centre often need volunteers to pack hampers, deliver food and do other jobs during this time.

• Learn something new. You can use this time to explore your curiosity and expand your skills with an online course, or use the time to reflect and create a plan with actions and outcomes you would like to achieve during the new year.

• Seek support. If you feel overwhelmed or need someone to talk to, you are not alone. You can reach out to a professional counsellor, like me, to understand the many feelings loneliness and isolation create.

If you would like to talk further about being alone over the holidays, please contact me on 0487 844 603. You can also call Lifeline on 13 11 14 as they offer 24/7 support right through the break.

Being alone over the holidays can be an opportunity to reset and enjoy your own company. Remember, there is no 'proper' way to spend the break, it is completely up to you!

I hope you have a safe holiday season and find true mental wellbeing during 2024.

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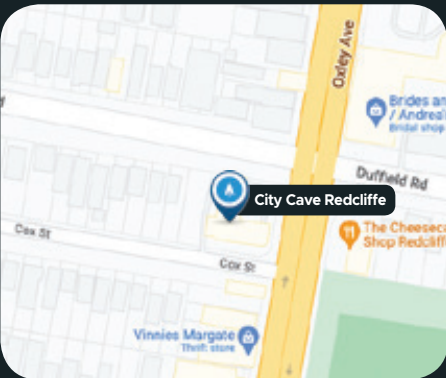


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## Scarborough Boat Harbour Draft Master Plan Open for Consultation

### **C**ommunity and stakeholder consultation has officially begun for the Scarborough Boat Harbour Draft Master Plan.

The Scarborough Boat Harbour plays a significant role in the social, cultural, and economic landscape of the Redcliffe Peninsula and Moreton Bay.

The finalised master plan will serve as a decision-making and implementation tool to guide and protect future developments at the harbour.

The Department of Transport and Main Roads conducted a detailed and collaborative master planning project in 2021, which included contributions from various community and stakeholder groups.

These early engagements have provided insights that have been utilised in the creation of the draft master plan.

Transport and Main Roads Minister Mark Bailey said the Scarborough Boat Harbour Draft Master Plan would help establish a long-term vision for the harbour.

"In doing so, it will provide safe and efficient access to Queensland waters, promote activities that are commercially and

environmentally sustainable, support the maritime industry, generate local employment and tourism, and improve the harbour's appeal for the community and visitors," Mr Bailey said.

"I strongly encourage community members and stakeholder groups to provide feedback on the draft plan.

"This will help inform the final master plan and ensure a variety of voices are heard."

Member for Redcliffe Yvette D'Ath also welcomed the consultation on the Scarborough Boat Harbour Draft Master Plan.

"This is an important step in planning for the future of the Redcliffe Peninsula and I look forward to working through the feedback," she said.

The public consultation period opened last month and will remain open until 11 December 2023.

*Those interested in providing feedback can visit the website [www.tmr.qld.gov.au/ScarboroughBoatHarbour](http://www.tmr.qld.gov.au/ScarboroughBoatHarbour)*

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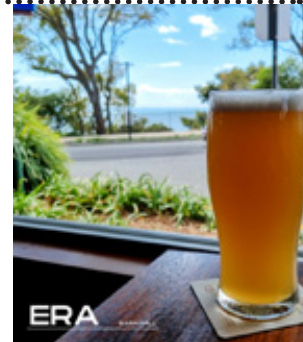
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## DECEMBER What's On.

### 01 FRIDAY

#### 🎵 FORTUNATO

Redcliffe Leagues Club 11am

#### 🎵 JAKE & THE CADILLACS

Bramble Bay Bowls Club 7pm

#### 🎵 B-ROCKED

Redcliffe Leagues Club 7pm

#### 🎵 JUST JAMMIN

Moreton Bay Boat Club 7pm

#### 🎵 DJ FRIYAY

ERA BAR & GRILL 7pm - 11:30pm

Join our FriYay Night DJs and dance the night away. Free entry.

### 02 SATURDAY

#### ★ RED CROSS CHICKS' FUNDRAISER

Red Cross Hall 8am

#### 🔨 EXHIBITION OPENING: BEACH COUTURE

Redcliffe Museum 10am - 12pm

Join exhibiting artist, Marina DeBris, for a floor talk at the Beach Couture: A Haute Mess exhibition opening day event. The exhibition is a collection of wearable art pieces made of trash collected from beaches and oceans. Attendees will be intrigued and challenged as Marina speaks to the motivation and inspiration behind the designs of her artworks.

#### 🔨 FRESH & FOREVER XMAS WREATH PARTY

Reid's Place, Scarborough 10am - 5pm

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wreath. To book <https://www.reidsplace.com.au/event/fresh-forever-christmas-wreath-workshop-high-tea/>

### **📌 EXHIBITION - BEACH COUTURE**

Redcliffe Museum 10am - 3pm  
2 Dec 2023 - 18 Feb 2024. Plastic pollution has become ubiquitous in our oceans and on our shores. Beach Couture is a collection of wearable pieces made of trash collected from beaches and oceans. It makes visible, in a grotesquely amusing fashion, what is often overlooked - but shouldn't be. The works highlight a growing problem - and provoke action. A exhibition from artist Marina DeBris.

### **🎵 SOUNDS OF SATURDAY**

ERA BAR & GRILL 4pm

### **🎵 POCO LOCO TRIO**

Redcliffe Leagues Club 7pm

### **🎵 CHERRY RED**

Bramble Bay Bowls Club 7pm

## 03 SUNDAY

### **🎵 CHEYNE STARKIE**

Bramble Bay Bowls Club 1:30pm

### **🎵 HELD TO RANSOM**

Moreton Bay Boat Club 2:30pm

### **🎵 ACOUSTIC SUNDAY**

ERA BAR & GRILL 3pm

### **★ REDCLIFFE PENINSULA CHRISTMAS CAROL**

Nathan Road Sports Complex 5pm

## 05 TUESDAY

### **🎵 MICHAEL WHITMORE**

Redcliffe Leagues Club 11am

### **🎵 SCARLETT GUNNER**

Moreton Bay Boat Club 7pm

## 06 WEDNESDAY

### **🎵 TOBY TYLER**

Redcliffe Leagues Club 11am

### **📌 MUSICAL BINGO**

Bramble Bay Bowls Club 7pm - 9pm

## 07 THURSDAY

### **🎵 DARRIN LEIGH**

Redcliffe Leagues Club 11am

### **🎵 AL GIBSON**

Redcliffe Leagues Club 5pm

### **🎵 ROSIES KARAOKE**

Bramble Bay Bowls Club 6:30pm

## 08 FRIDAY

### **📌 BEHIND THE SEAMS: VINTAGE SWIMWEAR**

Redcliffe Museum 10:30am - 11:30am

Take a sneak peek behind the seams of the fabulous vintage swimwear from City of Moreton Bay's fashion collection. Discover the history of the bikini and how swimsuit fashion has changed through the decades. Get hands-on with a white glove experience.

### **🎵 FORTUNATO**

Redcliffe Leagues Club 11am

### **🎵 THE RAVEN**

Bramble Bay Bowls Club 7pm

### **🎵 ME & JODIE LEE**

Moreton Bay Boat Club 7pm

### **🎵 DJ PETER**

Redcliffe Leagues Club 7pm

### **📌 DJ FRIYAY**

ERA BAR & GRILL 7pm - 11:30pm

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### **🎵 UK BEE GEEZ (TRIBUTE NIGHT)**

Redcliffe Leagues Club 8:30pm

## 09 SATURDAY

### **🎵 SOUNDS OF SATURDAY**

ERA BAR & GRILL 4pm

### **🎵 EARLY ONSET**

Bramble Bay Bowls Club 7pm

### **🎵 BROWN SUGA**

Redcliffe Leagues Club 7pm

### **🎵 SANDY TOES**

Moreton Bay Boat Club 7:30pm

## 10 SUNDAY

### 🎵 NATE DANIELS

Bramble Bay Bowls Club 1:30pm

### 🎵 FRESH & FOREVER XMAS WREATH PARTY

Reid's Place, 377 Scarborough Road, Scarborough  
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\$145 per guest. Join us for a vintage high tea & Christmas wreath "fresh and forever" workshop. All materials: fresh, dried flowers & wreaths are provided along with instructions and assistance from Florelle – a local, professional florist. To book: <https://www.reidsplace.com.au/event/fresh-forever-christmas-wreath-workshop-high-tea-party>

### 🎵 THE JONESES

Moreton Bay Boat Club 2:30pm

### 🎵 ACOUSTIC SUNDAY

ERA BAR & GRILL 3pm

## 12 TUESDAY

### 🎵 MICHAEL WHITMORE

Redcliffe Leagues Club 11am

### 🎵 AUSTRALIAN ARMY BAND CHRISTMAS SHOW

Redcliffe Entertainment Centre 11am  
Tickets \$29

## 13 WEDNESDAY

### 🎵 TOBY TYLER

Redcliffe Leagues Club 11am

### 🎵 MUSICAL BINGO

Bramble Bay Bowls Club 7pm - 9pm

## 14 THURSDAY

### 🎵 DAVE GRAY

Redcliffe Leagues Club 11am

### 🎵 TOM ROBERTS

Redcliffe Leagues Club 5pm

### 🎵 ROSIES KARAOKE

Bramble Bay Bowls Club 6:30pm

## 15 FRIDAY

### 🎵 FORTUNATO

Redcliffe Leagues Club 11am

### 🎵 DARLINGTON STRIPES

Redcliffe Leagues Club 7pm

### 🎵 DJ FRIYAY

ERA BAR & GRILL 7pm - 11:30pm  
Join our FriYay Night DJs and dance the night away. Free entry.

### 🎵 DOWN311

Moreton Bay Boat Club 7pm

### 🎵 RIFF RAFF

Bramble Bay Bowls Club 7pm

### 🎵 ELVIS: ONE NIGHT IN VEGAS

Redcliffe Entertainment Centre 7:30pm  
7.30pm Friday & 2pm Saturday | Adult \$79.90,  
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## 16 SATURDAY

### 🎵 SOUNDS OF SATURDAY

ERA BAR & GRILL 4pm

### 🎵 COUNTERFEIT HEROES

Redcliffe Leagues Club 7pm

### 🎵 RHYTHM RATZ

Bramble Bay Bowls Club 7pm

### 🎵 ELVIS: ONE NIGHT IN VEGAS

Redcliffe Entertainment Centre 7:30pm  
7.30pm Friday & 2pm Saturday | Adult \$79.90,  
Conc \$74.90, Child \$49.90, Group (10+) \$69.90

## 17 SUNDAY

### 🎵 OPEN MIC

Bramble Bay Bowls Club 1:30pm

### 🎵 BRENDAN SCHICK

Moreton Bay Boat Club 2:30pm

### 🎵 ACOUSTIC SUNDAY

ERA BAR & GRILL 3pm

## 19 TUESDAY

### 🎵 ROSE POWELL

Redcliffe Leagues Club 11am

## 20 WEDNESDAY

### 🎵 **TOBY TYLER**

Redcliffe Leagues Club 11am

### 🎵 **MUSICAL BINGO**

Bramble Bay Bowls Club 7pm - 9pm

## 21 THURSDAY

### 🎵 **BILLY GUY**

Redcliffe Leagues Club 11am

### 🎵 **JESS IRVINE**

Redcliffe Leagues Club 5pm

### 🎵 **ROSIES KARAOKE**

Bramble Bay Bowls Club 6:30pm

## 22 FRIDAY

### 🎵 **FORTUNATO**

Redcliffe Leagues Club 11am

### 🎵 **HARVEST DUO**

Moreton Bay Boat Club 5pm

### 🎵 **MR. Q**

Bramble Bay Bowls Club 7pm

### 🎵 **SONIC BOOMERS**

Redcliffe Leagues Club 7pm

## 23 SATURDAY

### 🎵 **THE LONESOME CROWS**

Bramble Bay Bowls Club 1:30pm

### 🎵 **JAM JAH**

Redcliffe Leagues Club 7pm

## 24 SUNDAY

### 🎵 **RICHARD WATERSON**

Moreton Bay Boat Club 7pm

## 26 TUESDAY

### 🎵 **CATHY DRUMMOND**

Redcliffe Leagues Club 11am

## 27 WEDNESDAY

### 🎵 **TOBY TYLER**

Redcliffe Leagues Club 11am

### 🎵 **MUSICAL BINGO**

Bramble Bay Bowls Club 7pm - 9pm

## 28 THURSDAY

### 🎵 **MARCO**

Redcliffe Leagues Club 11am

### 🎵 **COUNTRY BOYS**

Redcliffe Leagues Club 6pm

### 🎵 **ROSIES KARAOKE**

Bramble Bay Bowls Club 6:30pm

## 29 FRIDAY

### 🎵 **FORTUNATO**

Redcliffe Leagues Club 11am

### 🎵 **ROSIES 80'S PARTY NIGHT**

Bramble Bay Bowls Club 7pm

### 🎵 **ALICE STREET BAND**

Moreton Bay Boat Club 7pm

### 🎵 **THE ALIENS**

Redcliffe Leagues Club 7:30pm

## 30 SATURDAY

### 🎵 **GROUSE DUO**

Bramble Bay Bowls Club 7pm

### 🎵 **FAT CHANCE**

Redcliffe Leagues Club 7pm

## 31 SUNDAY

### 🎵 **DJ PETER**

Redcliffe Leagues Club 7pm

### 🎵 **RICHARD WATERSON**

Moreton Bay Boat Club 7pm

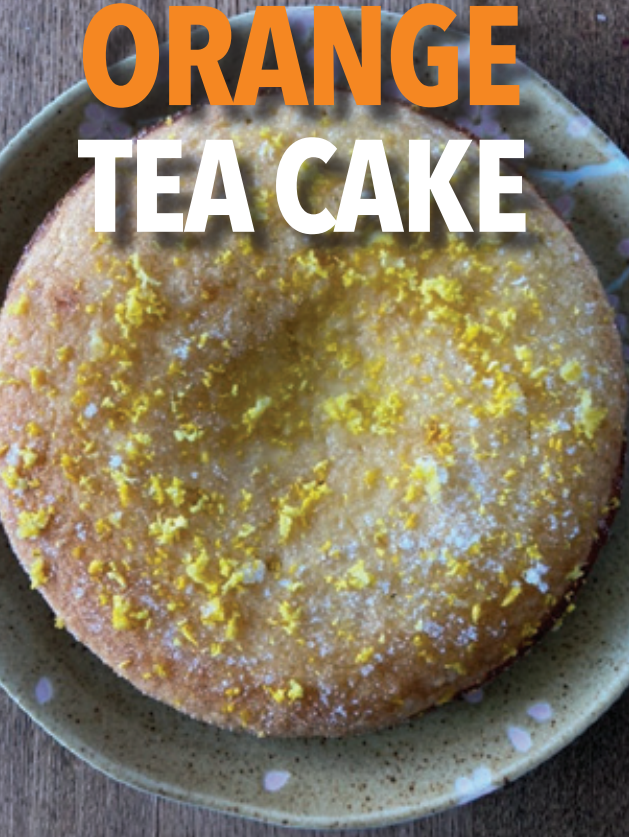
### 🎵 **AUSSIE AUSSIE AUSSIE**

Bramble Bay Bowls Club 7pm

### 🎵 **COUNTERFEIT HEROES**

Redcliffe Leagues Club 9pm

# ORANGE TEA CAKE



Recipe from Akemi Dunne.



**A**kemi moved to Redcliffe Peninsula back in 2019 and read a newspaper article regarding CWA Clontarf branch. She has been an active member since 2021.

"This recipe is from the original 1959 QCWA cookery book. I took it to the last meeting and it was enjoyed by everyone."

## INGREDIENTS

15g butter  
1 egg  
1 cup self raising flour  
½ cup caster sugar  
Juice and rind of one orange

## FOR THE TOPPING

15-25g butter  
1 teaspoon of grated orange rind  
5-10g caster sugar

## METHOD

With an electric mixer, beat the butter and sugar until light and fluffy. Add the egg and beat well.

Next add the orange juice and grated rind. Lastly add the sifted flour.

Put the mixture in a greased and lined 20cm cake tin. Bake for 15 minutes.

Turn out of tin and immediately spread butter on top of the cake and then sprinkle with a mixture of sugar and grated orange rind.

Enjoy!



*The Clontarf branch of the QCWA hold meetings on the 2nd Wednesday of each month 9.30am, every 2nd & 4th Thursday 9am and indoor bowls every Monday morning 9.30am held at the QCWA Clontarf Hall, Cnr Victoria Ave & Georgina Street, Woody Point.*

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## MOVIE REVIEW

# UPROAR

STORY @WATCHITWOMBAT

### **C**an Rugby cause an uproar?

'Uproar' is set during South Africa's tumultuous rugby tour of New Zealand in 1981. Why should a rugby tour be a problem? Well, with thirteen years left to go before apartheid ends, protests were still underway across the world against racial segregation in South Africa - most prominently in New Zealand.

In this semi-autobiographical story of co-writer and director Paul Middleditch's life, a young Māori named Josh discovers his passion for acting. With a white English Mum and Māori father, Josh, played by Julian Dennison is torn between these two worlds, never feeling like he belongs in either. Not only feeling out of place as the only non-white boy in school, but also longing to perform on stage when his family wants him to perform on the rugby pitch.

This is a political film, but not in a preachy way. Similarities are clearly made between

apartheid and the Māori struggle with racism and their loss of land. The divide is showcased by the way the characters are treated and the restrictions imposed on them, rather than a lecture about how racism is obviously a bad thing.

Despite the sensitive topics on display there's plenty of laughs to lighten the mood, with Minnie Driver's dry, yet witty performance as Josh's single parent mother and Rhys Darby playing his loveable teacher - who owns every scene he's in.

Like any period piece, authenticity is key, and Uproar feels like a time capsule.

From the authentic (and awesome) 80's clothing to the toe tapping soundtrack, it will transport us older moviegoers to our youth. The story however is timeless, as unfortunately, similar problems that are still evident today.

It's an insightful and thought provoking film that offers an interesting perspective on our recent history, through the eyes of Josh. Making you wonder what he's willing to risk to help his family, his community and start his own journey. If you're a sucker for a true story with political undertones, a dash of humour and a lot of heart, then Uproar is for you.

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## ORGANIC GARDENING IN DECEMBER & JANUARY

STORY **SALLY EBERHARDT**  
PHOTO **ELIAS FROM PIXABAY**

**T**his time of year can be super busy leading up to Christmas and then we switch to holiday mode for a well-earned break.

Your garden is your oasis of calm at any time. Gardening is such a mindful hobby - it helps us live in the moment and reminds us to practise gratitude. Nothing lifts one's spirits like hearing bees buzz, seeing fresh new growth or smelling fragrant blossoms.

Make time in your garden part of your self-care routine. While nurturing your plants you will also be nurturing your mind, body and soul. Now that's a beautiful win/win.

If you are going away over December or January (lucky you!) consider how you are going to keep your beautiful plants alive. Last month we spoke of mulching and water crystals but if you will be away for more than a week then have a house-sitter or friendly neighbour water your plants as needed.

For indoor plants place them in a few centimetres of water in the bathtub or laundry sink while you are away.

It's too hot for planting so just enjoy your precious green happy space. Have a wonderful festive season and a safe, healthy and prosperous New Year in 2024.

## OVER 50'S HEALTH

### UNDERSTANDING OSTEOPENIA



WITH **JAN ROESCH**

**O**steopenia often flies under the radar but deserves our attention, especially if you want a healthy, active lifestyle. As a strength coach, I've witnessed the transformative power of strength training, which extends beyond our muscles. It also builds and maintains strong, resilient bones.

Osteopenia means a lower bone density than normal but not as severe as osteoporosis. It is a warning sign that our bones may be losing density faster than they can rebuild, risking fractures as we age.

Strength training can help fight against osteopenia. Weight-bearing exercises, such as squats, deadlifts, and lunges, stimulate bone growth and help maintain bone density. When we lift weights, our bones have an "adaptive response" becoming denser and stronger.

A balanced diet with essential nutrients is equally crucial. Calcium is the building block of bone tissue, and vitamin D helps your body absorb and use calcium efficiently. Combine this with plenty of leafy greens, nuts, and lean proteins for a bone-boosting nutritional punch.

Adequate sleep, stress management, and avoiding smoking and alcohol consumption are essential lifestyle factors to keep bones healthy.

Osteopenia is a wake-up call, reminding us to take our bone health seriously. As a strength coach, I encourage you to embrace strength training and make smart dietary choices to safeguard your bones. Remember, it's never too early to start, but it can be too late to wait. A strong body begins with strong bones, and they're worth the investment.

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# A PAINTING OF REMEMBRANCE

STORY **PATRICIA HIGGINS**

**A** local artist has been commissioned to paint a homage to the tragic deaths of two young police officers and the subsequent symbolic blue lighting of Brisbane's Story Bridge.

In December last year, two Queensland Police Service constables, Rachel McCrow and Matthew Arnold, were ambushed and murdered while investigating a routine missing persons enquiry at Wieambilla, a small community in the Western Downs, 270 kilometres north west of Brisbane.

For Judy Lawrence, who had once worked as a nurse in a hospital located near Wieambilla, this incident affected her deeply, and she was motivated to search for an artist in the Redcliffe area who could paint a picture of the bridge in memory of the police officers.

"This story struck a chord with me, as the two officers sent to this location had not been in the police force for very long," Ms Lawrence said.

"With more experience in an urban setting, the outcome may have been different."

According to Joel Vanderduys, the artist behind Art by Joel, he found the content of the text he initially received from Ms Lawrence to be "an interesting and touching request." "I'm an acrylic artist who focuses mainly on pet portraits," he said.

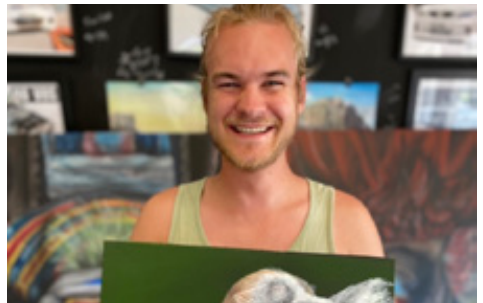
"However, this was a painting that I felt needed to be made. I gave Judy a quote and she sent a photo of the Story Bridge lit up in blue for the police officers who tragically lost their lives that day, and I got to work."

Now that the painting is finished, Ms Lawrence is intent on "not only showcasing a local artist's work, but also to help to keep the memory of these two young officers alive."

Mr Vanderduys reiterates this point, emphasising his focus on "using my art to really make an impact and help someone who needs it."

Several of the artist's other pieces are able to be viewed at local Moreton Bay hospitality establishments The Drowned Rat Cafe and Brew Buggy Cafe.

Follow Art By Joel on Instagram by searching 'artbyjoel' or follow the artist on Facebook at Artbyjoel.



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# ANOTHER REDCLIFFE SUCCESS

## LOCAL FACES

**I**n the late 1980s, a recently graduated student from Clontarf Beach State High School named Donald Meij, anxious to earn money while studying to be a high school teacher, worked part-time as a pizza delivery driver for Silvio's Dial-a-Pizza in Redcliffe. The pizza industry so attracted him that he stopped his teaching studies and became the manager of Silvio's Pizza.

In 1996, he opened his first Domino's store in Caboolture and after five years, he owned 17 stores. Working hard, he progressed and ultimately became the pizza chain's operations director.

Silvio bought the Domino's franchise and became the new chain's CEO in 2002. In 2005, under his direction, Domino's became Australia's first publicly-listed pizza chain on the Australian Stock Exchange.

The company, under his management, now has over 3800 stores in Australia, New Zealand, Japan, Taiwan, Malaysia, Singapore, Cambodia, Germany, Denmark, Belgium, France, Luxembourg, Monaco and the Netherlands.

It is the biggest Domino's business in the world outside the United States. In the 2020/21 financial year, the group's net profit was listed as in excess of \$150 million.

Don's awards are numerous, starting with the Pizza International Manager of the Year in 1996, progressing through to Outstanding Leadership in Domino's World Network in 2004 and the Top 10 List of CEOs in 2013, to being inducted into The Queensland Business Leaders Hall of Fame in 2018.

In 2022, Don Meij celebrated 35 years with Domino's, which is the market leader in almost all of the 14 countries it operates in.





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BY **JULIA LEWIS**

## **SUTTONS BEACH PAVILION ARCHITECTURAL DESIGN COMPETITION**

City of Moreton Bay has announced the launch of the Suttons Beach Pavilion architectural design competition. Expressions of interest are now open to practising architects and architectural companies nationally, as well as international architects who partner with a lead architect in Australia. All competitors are invited to first register to participate in the competition. Registrations will be reviewed and competitors notified once their eligibility has been verified. Interested parties can register until mid-December 2023 at [www.citylab.com.au/projects/suttonsbeachpavilion](http://www.citylab.com.au/projects/suttonsbeachpavilion). For more information visit [www.moretonbay.qld.gov.au/](http://www.moretonbay.qld.gov.au/)

## **REDCLIFFE LIBRARY INVITES FAMILIES WITH NEURODIVERGENT CHILDREN TO SENSORY SANTA**

Create memories this Christmas with a family photo with Santa using your own camera. While everyone is welcome, this activity especially welcomes families with neurodivergent children to this low-sensory session. Book into a 15-minute time slot. There will be three families per time slot. One booking per family. For more information including how to book contact Redcliffe Library on 3883 5745. FREE | Sunday, 17 December | 9am-11am | Redcliffe Library, 476 Oxley Avenue, Redcliffe.

## **ENGAGE AS A "CITIZEN SCIENTIST" THROUGH COASTSNAP**

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erosion. Local stations include Scarborough Beach - Northern Groyne, Queens Beach North - Scarborough, Queens Beach - Scarborough, Redcliffe Jetty, Suttons Beach - Surf Life Saving Club.

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STORY **ALYSSA MACKAY**

Jack Sim offers regular crime and ghost tours in Brisbane

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Crime Tours Australia offers regular walking tours of the city centre, making them a popular choice for Christmas get-togethers and a unique experience for family and friends visiting over the holiday season.

Director of Crime Tours Australia and Historic Australia, Jack Sim, said the Bloody Brisbane CBD Crime Tour focused on some of the most dreadful crimes in the River City.

"Myself and my guides tell you the facts surrounding these infamous crimes and complement our stories with historic photos and images," Jack said.

"My aim is to reveal forgotten or lost information you will not find in a Google search. My research is largely from documents, newspaper articles, archives and real people connected to the cases.

"On the Bloody Brisbane CBD Tour, we explain Brisbane's convict origins – 200 years ago next year, which is a surprise to most people. Brisbane is older than Melbourne. People are fascinated by the disappearance of Marjorie Norval in 1938 and become quite willing to offer up their theories. Customers are horrified that an execution was carried out on Queen

Street."

Jack, who was born and grew up in Brisbane, said he had always been fascinated with tragedies, crime and storytelling.

"The Whiskey Au Go Go nightclub bombing in Fortitude Valley was an event which changed Brisbane and I grew up in the era of that crime and those involved in it making daily headlines," he said. "I decided that I wanted to share Brisbane's criminal history with locals and visitors and Brisbane Crime Tours/Crime Tours Australia was the result."

Crime Tours Australia also offers the Bloody Brisbane Coach Crime Tour, which takes visitors to suburban crime scenes, and Brisbane Ghost Tours, which lets them explore the city's haunted locations.

There is also the Moonlight State Fortitude Valley Crime tour, which runs on Saturdays at 4.30pm, and visits the site of the Whiskey Au Go Go.

"It is very popular as it reveals the sordid underbelly of this part of Brisbane in the 1970s and 1980s," Jack said.

The Bloody Brisbane CBD Crime Tour runs Tuesday to Saturday nights at 7.30pm. Private tours are also available.

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## FISH OF THE MONTH



## Australian Lungfish *Neoceratodus forsteri*

While this amazing fish is listed as a protected and vulnerable species, I see them quite often while fishing North Pine Dam and the upper reaches of the Brisbane River. They are called lungfish due to their ability to breathe air using a single lung when the water is very low or devoid of oxygen.

Brown to green and an orange belly, with large scales, a flat head, flipper-like fins and a broad eel-like tail they are quite an unusual looking Aussie native. Found only in south east and central Queensland lungfish can grow to more than 1.5 metres and weigh up to 40 kilograms.

Fossil records indicate that the Queensland lungfish has existed in Australia for at least 100 million years, making it a living fossil and one of the oldest living vertebrate genera on the planet.

Around this time of year if you sit quietly when it's calm in the morning at Bullockys Rest on North Pine Dam, you can see them breaking the surface and when they come to the surface for a breath, you can hear the intake and exhalation of air.

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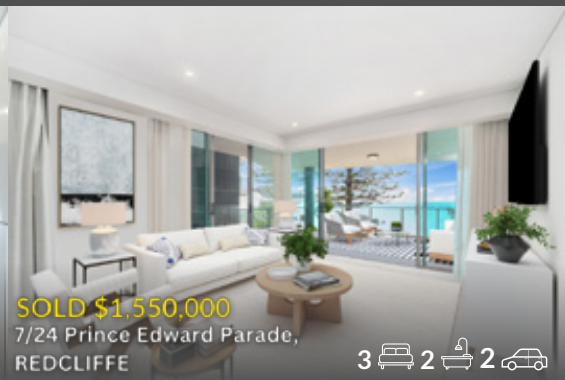
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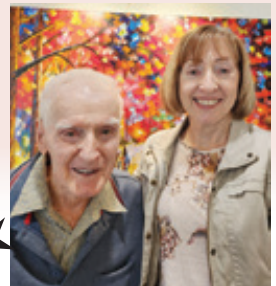
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