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## PENINSULA MOTORFEST

### Gratitude on Wheels

Story Sally Eberhardt

ome along to a car show by the sea – the Peninsula Motorfest is a fun family day out featuring live music, food stalls, market stalls, kids entertainment, and a vast and varied array of shiny vehicles to admire.

Motorfest organiser and local business owner Aarash Almassi, of Almassi Light and Heavy Mechanical, said this event was his way of thanking the people of the area for making it a wonderful part of the world in which to live.

"Being of Middle Eastern heritage and Australianborn, I appreciate how this country has been so good to me and my family," Aarash said. "We want to give back with this community event."

Making the event affordable is very important to Aarash, so nothing on the menu at the food stalls is over \$10 and none of the children's rides are more than \$8. And of course, it's free to admire the beautiful vehicles.

"This free show has something for everyone and I invite people from all walks of life to attend and enjoy all we offer," he said. "We provide a free barbeque meal and have plenty of prizes and giveaways, making it a very welcoming and exciting environment. My family work on the barbeque and they love what they do.

"We will feature some of the best cars from South-East Queensland, including many from our own Peninsula. There will be classic cars, hot rods, old school muscle cars, modern V8s, motorbikes and more.

"We have come a long way from our first show when 13 cars turned up at our Clontarf business premises. The number of cars has increased at every event, so we have moved to a much bigger space and again have a worthy charity onboard."

The Motorfest supports Redcliffe Opportunities for People's Enhancement (R.O.P.E. Inc), which provide choices and opportunities for people living with an intellectual disability, enabling them to reach their full potential.

For further information search Facebook for Peninsula Motorfest.

Pack a hat, put on sunscreen, and bring your friends and family out for a delightful day, courtesy of the gratitude of Aarash Almassi and his team.

Peninsula Motorfest Saturday, 20 March, 11am-5pm Pelican Park Hornibrook Esplanade, Clontarf



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### Story Jodie Woodward

here are few upsides to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic. But it has led to the availability of a professional team and cast for Redcliffe Musical Theatre's production of Jersey Boys.

Thomas Armstrong-Robley, who is directing the production and playing the role of Tommy DeVito, said the highlight of the show was the people involved – international touring artists, non-professional performers, and musicians who have played the Queensland Performing Arts Centre (QPAC) production of Jersey Boys and other major musicals.

"To have professional artists and musicians bringing a musical of this calibre to the Moreton Bay region is very exciting, and it means you can see a QPAC-calibre show at a fraction of the cost," Thomas said.

"There's a team that ordinarily wouldn't have come together. But, due to an ongoing global pandemic, they have found themselves working alongside this incredible group of artists and musicians [who otherwise would be touring and playing for major professional musicals]. It truly is a perfect storm of creative energy that is gathering over the Moreton Bay region."

Redcliffe Musical Theatre president Madeleine Johns said this production should have been the Queensland community theatre premiere, but thanks to COVID-19 the July 2020 season was moved, with a Gold Coast production just beating them to the premiere post.

"We are still the Greater Brisbane premiere of Jersey Boys for community theatre, which is an incredible milestone – with only two other companies producing Jersey Boys in Queensland this year," she said.

For those who've seen Jersey Boys before, this production is a total redesign of the original Broadway and West End productions. The set, costumes and supporting cast tracks have all been custom built for this show, allowing the cast to take total ownership over it.

"It's the same music and story you love, but in a completely different package, rather than a recreation of something done before," Thomas said.

"The Jersey Boys can't hang around long, and you're not going to want to miss this show. There are over two dozen massive hits and it's a show that will have you laughing, crying, singing and dancing all night long."

For info, visit www.redcliffemusicaltheatre.com

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## **Local Author Shares Secrets** to Selling Books

Story Sally Eberhardt



hether you have already published a book or are still writing what you hope to be the next Harry Potter series, one hard truth stands writing a book is often easier than selling a book.

With that in mind, local author and publicist Renee Bugden is giving a talk about free marketing and using social media to sell your book.

Renee is author of The Magpie's Call under her pen name Renee Hollands. She said this presentation was for indie authors or anyone wanting to selfpromote their work.

"COVID was actually a great time for books and for social media," Renee said. "More people joined social media during lockdown, and more people used online shopping - many for the first time during 2020.

This means authors now have a better chance of being seen online with more people being comfortable buying online."

Participants will learn the five most-used social media platforms and what content to post, as well as offline ways to get your book out there. Discover ways you can use free marketing techniques to turn your self-published book into a best-seller.

This presentation is free; however, bookings are essential. Find out more via www.moretonbay.qld. gov.au/libraries and search by the event name.

Free Marketing and Social Media for Indie Authors Saturday, 6 March, 1.30pm-2.30pm **Redcliffe Library** 476 Oxley Avenue, Redcliffe

### **Sparkling Wines of** the World

Sunny's Margate Beach will host a Sparkling Wines of the World event with Samantha Faircloth from Sip With Sam. This lunchtime event will have guests tasting sparkling wines from all over the world, with nibbles to match each glass. Tickets are \$65. For more info, please call Sunny's Margate Beach on ph. 3448 3400 or email hello@ sunnysmargatebeach.com.au.

Saturday, 13 March, 12-2pm. 1 McCulloch Ave, Margate Margate

### Great Strides for CF

Great Strides Redcliffe is back and bigger than ever to celebrate Cystic Fibrosis Queensland's 60th anniversary.

Get involved as an individual or as a team to take on the 5km fun run/walk and enjoy a community family festival at the foreshore. There will be activities for everyone including a barbeque, a warm up coach, yoga, massage, lawn games, face painting, kids entertainment, music, raffles and more.

Youth Park, Suttons Beach Park Sunday, 14 March, 3.30pm-7pm

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## Oktoberfest Reinvented for March

Story Aleasha Bliss

xperience the fun of Oktoberfest at Redcliffe - in March. The much-loved German-inspired a makeover, and to honour the missed celebration of 2020, Marchtoberfest was born.

Marchtoberfest is being hosted by Redcliffe company Beam Entertainment and is set to be a memorable day filled with live entertainment, games, competitions and of course, German beer with all of the traditional bites.

It will be a foodies delight as the event will definitely satisfy your schnitz fix, and with sauerkraut, bratwurst, pork knuckle and pretzels - to name a few of the popular dishes on offer - all that is left to do is select the right beer to wash it all down.

The adults-only event will be held in the Webb Hall at the Redcliffe showgrounds and costs \$26.70 per ticket. The hall will be transformed into an authentically decorated beer hall consisting of tables to share your German treats and listen to the German musical entertainment, while participating in stein-holding and schnitzeleating contests.

Beam Entertainment event manager Craig Miley said this was a genuinely German event with a

German band, menu, drinks, decorations and competitions, with a local flavour.

"The brewer is local," Craig said. "The caterer is local, the band is local, a whole gamut of things are local. While it is a German cultural event, it is an entirely locally produced festival."

The festivities will include a competition for the best Ms Marchtoberfest and Mr Marchtoberfest, so get your dirndls and lederhosen prepared to set the theme for the day and maybe take out the top prize.

"You betcha we are dressing up for this," Craig said. "The staff will all be decked out in lederhosen and dirndls and we can't wait."

"There's genuine excitement out there for this. When was the last time you saw an Oktoberfest event in Redcliffe? We are putting on this event in March in the lead-up to the even bigger event in October."

Craig said that half of the tickets sold out when they were released, and he was already predicting great success. "I'm very excited to be creating this event," he said. "It smells, it looks, it feels and tastes exactly like Oktoberfest."

You can get your tickets for Marchtoberfest at visitredcliffegld.com.au/marchtoberfestredcliffe-2021/

Marchtoberfest Saturday 20 March, 11:30am-9pm Webb Hall **Redcliffe Showgrounds** Scarborough Road, Redcliffe





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## CLASSES FOR EVERY WOMAN

Story Sally Eberhardt

ellydance! The very word conjures thoughts of colourful costumes, exotic and mysterious women. locations. Imagine forgetting your cares and getting comfortable with your body as you move to the sensual dance rhythms.

Soul Dance School of Romany and Middle Eastern Dance offers classes that teach bellydancing movements in a safe, supportive, and fun atmosphere. A healthy body image and higher self-esteem are natural by-products of bellydancing, according to Soul Dance founder and artistic director Margaret Cunningham.

"Women of all ages and body shapes enjoy this beautiful, and largely misunderstood, dance form," Margaret said.

"Bellydancing enhances how women feel about themselves and connects women with each other and the wider community when we perform at events and festivals."

Classes have been available at Chermside and Petrie for some time, and now, by popular demand, Soul Dance is at last teaching bellydance in Redcliffe.

Emily Pazouki, one of the main teachers, recently became the only bellydancer in Australia to win an international competition in Egypt, the home of bellydance.

Emily said that she came to Soul Dance at the age of 11 after her parents divorced and she had been diagnosed with depression and anxiety.

"The family atmosphere at Soul Dance provided me with a supportive and empowering community that helped me learn to love and accept myself," Emily said.

"I've learned through the great diversity of women at Soul Dance that all women's bodies are capable of achieving beauty and that size, age and shape have nothing to do with it.

"Soul Dance also supports devoted students right through to professional level if they want. In 2019, I travelled to Egypt to study and compete and became the first dancer in Australia to win at the famous Nile Group Festival.

"Dancing for me isn't about the movement. It's about connection - connection to my body, my soul, my audience, the music and culture of the Middle East, and to my fellow dance sisters."

Classes start in early March. For more information and to book, search 'Beginners Bellydance Classes' on Facebook or email info@souldance. com.au

Classes are very popular - book now to avoid disappointment.

**Beginners Bellydance Classes** Tuesday and Thursday: 7pm-8pm Redcliffe (location disclosed on booking)



### Story **Patricia Higgins** Photo **Bruce Redman**

ith spectacular action figures, colourful trading cards and epic storylines that come to life with hand-drawn and computerised animation, pop culture and anime is a movement that has swept the globe.

Local businesses in the Redcliffe Peninsula region are supplying a range of products and services inspired by characters in comics and other forms of popular culture, such as Pokemon and Yugioh.

The owner of Tempest Collectables in Redcliffe, Michael Brinckman, said he intended on growing a very large community for anime.

"We're Redcliffe's home of anime and trading card games and the official tournament store for Yugioh," Michael said.

"We have grown the card playing community from just four players to around 10 players on a Saturday."

In Margate at Rose Rabbit Tattoo, there's a strong demand for anything pop culture and anime by way of inked designs.

Owner Casey Charlton said he got lots of requests for tattoo designs that are influenced by Dragon Ball Z and Pokemon in particular. "Pop culture and anime are becoming a very big thing in tattooing", Casey said.

For some people, their love of anime and collectibles goes beyond a hobby, becoming more of a lifestyle.

"Getting your favourite anime character tattooed on your body – it shows how dedicated some of these fans are," Casey said.

"It's becoming more mainstream and Netflix has meant that we have anime from countries we normally would never have heard of."

Whether it's in assisting a customer to get that favourite toy for a grandchild, or it's in creating a highly detailed pop culture inspired tattoo, both businesses have a mission to cater to the local community.

"Card games are good for kids who are socially awkward, and they are a great way to make friends," Michael said.

"Anime is something that's quite large; people don't realise it – personally, I love the fact that it's something that someone has drawn, which comes to life."

You can visit Tempest Collectables at 1/132 Sutton St, Redcliffe. Rose Rabbit Tattoo is located at 34 Baynes St, Margate – phone 3419 0874 for enquiries.

### Wearable Art Earring Workshop

Join Jennis Ardern for a ladies night class that will teach you everything you need to know to create gorgeous leather earrings that are their own work of art. Beginners and makers alike are welcome. Bring your friends for this fun evening. Tickets are \$79 - includes supplies and nibbles. BYO drinks. This is an 18+ event.

Artscool Studio, 1D 65-67 Snook St. Clontarf Friday, 5 March, 7pm-9pm jennisardern.com

### Special Olympics SEQ

The Special Olympics Queensland (SEQ Clubs) State Games will be held over four weekends in March primarily within the Moreton Bay Region and local club Moreton North have over 60 athletes nominated for various sports. The community is invited to come and watch athletes compete. Sports to be held on the Peninsula are: Football at Redcliffe PCYC - 27 March; Tennis at Redcliffe Tennis – 20 and 21 March; Open Water Swimming at Suttons Beach - date to be confirmed.

To find out more, contact MoretonNorth. secretary@specialolympics.com.au

### IWD High Tea

Join the QCWA and QPS to celebrate women's achievements, raise awareness, forge relationships and collaboration. Guest speaker will be Melissa Redsell, founding director and CEO of charity, A Brave Life, and live music from Steve McLoughlin.

QCWA Redcliffe Hall, 189 Redcliffe Pde, Redcliffe. Saturday, 13 March, 2pm-5pm

For bookings and information, search International Women's Day High Tea on Facebook. Cost: \$25

### Clean Up Australia Day

There are multiple clean up events around the Peninsula, from Scarborough to Clontarf and everywhere in between.

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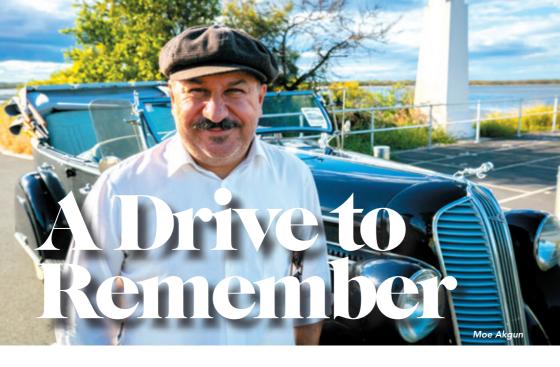
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### Story Eve Vickerson Photo Bruce Redman

joy ride in this machine makes it feel like you'll spy a glamorous Hollywood starlet or a bank-robbing gangster just around the next corner.

The midnight blue 1937 Dodge convertible, Clyde, is named after one half of the infamous gangster duo from the same era.

Clyde's owner Moe Akgun said that it was his love of vintage cars that inspired him to start local business, Roaring Twenties Vintage Car Hire.

"I enjoy doing it because I want other people to enjoy our vehicles," Moe said.

"It's lots of fun. All of our cars are very easily noticed by people. They get lots of waves and smiles."

Wearing a white shirt with braces and a newsboystyle cap as he drives, Moe said that the job was not without its hazards.

"I used to have a fedora hat but that blew off," Moe said.

For someone who originally loved muscle cars from the 1960s and '70s, it's been an interesting ride for Moe.

"I was into muscle cars until I met my partner, Samantha," he said. "We went to the world's biggest art deco festival in Napier, New Zealand.

"From that day onwards I was in love with the vintage art deco style and the vintage cars as well. That, and also watching movies like The Great Gatsby. It really is glamorous."

Moe said that one of the most memorable tours he had ever done was for a couple celebrating their 60th wedding anniversary.

"It was a surprise," he said. "The whole family got together and booked one of our cars. They [the couple] had no idea what was going on. They were shocked!"

These days, you can spot Moe taking people for a spin on bayside tours either in the convertible or in his other ride, Capone, a 1936 Chrysler Airstream.

"Last year we realised that it's such a lovely relaxing drive up to Scarborough from Sandgate, that other people might like it too," Moe said.

"It's for anyone who wants something different to do. It really is an enjoyable experience."

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## 2021 - A Bumper Year for Small Business

e must acknowledge that 2020 was not great for some businesses. Losing a business or struggling is never easy but is part of the risk we all take when we go into business, regardless of circumstances.

We also must recognise that 2020 for many businesses has been their best year ever, and of course there are a bunch of businesses between these extremes, as there always is. So why will 2021 be a bumper year for small businesses on the Peninsula?

With the various restrictions in 2020, the Redcliffe Peninsula was rediscovered by the greater Brisbane population. 'A day by the bay' has never been more popular on weekends and public holidays.

With amazing drawcards like the Redcliffe Markets (with flow-on benefits to our retailers on the main street and surrounds), Aquasplash for the kids, a walk down Bee Gees way, or a swim in the lagoon, followed by a meal at one of our many outstanding cafés or restaurants, why wouldn't families want to spend a day in our Peninsula paradise?

The announcement made last year by the State Government of the creation of a Masterplan for Scarborough Harbour will lay the foundation for the Peninsula in finally creating a uniqueness based around our amazing bayside living and all it has to offer for residents and visitors by land and sea.

Our first Redcliffe Peninsula Chamber of Commerce (RPCC) event will see the presentation of the recently released Regional Economic Development Strategy (REDS), prepared by MBRC and titled Bigger, Bolder Brighter, and what it means for businesses on the Peninsula.

The RPCC has been involved in the development of this ambitious yet realistic direction set by MBRC and believes it will be a key element in moving towards our vision. Unfortunately this event has been sold out, but we will be live streaming and recording it for those who miss the live event.

To find out how to watch this livestream or join the chamber, visit www.redcliffepeninsulachamber.org.au

## Pipes and Drums

Story Jenn Carrington

he traditions and history of the Great Highland Pipe Band is being kept alive in Redcliffe. But it's not as easy as it sounds; you need a very good set of lungs and lots of practice to be able to make the unique sound that hails from bonny Scotland.

Secretary treasurer of the Redcliffe Pipe Band John Richards said the Peninsula's band had been around for many years.

"The Redcliffe Band was formed back in 1953 by returned Tobruk soldiers and locals, and now our club has around 18 players members, and eight students on their way to joining the band," John said.

John said learning to play pipes took a lot of work, air and practice.

"Our learners start on the practice chanter, like a recorder, and it can take up to one and a half years to learn the bagpipes."

"We have three different types of drums: a snare drum, a tenor drum, and the big base drum who keeps everyone in time," he said.

Scottish bagpipes date back as far as the 16th century, and were banned at the time as instruments of war. John said it was these traditional pipes that were seen at the international tattoos, and said he hoped more people would take an interest in these historical instruments.

"We'd love for people to come on down and have a chat with us, have a go on the drums, and learn about playing in a pipe band," he said

The Redcliffe Scottish Pipe Band plays every second Sunday morning at Rotary Park, opposite the Redcliffe RSL.

Contact John Richards at redcliffescottish@hotmail.com





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# THERE'S A NEW NIGHT MARKET IN TOWN

Story Aleasha Bliss

aturday nights in North Lakes are set to impress with the grand opening of the North Lakes by Night Markets this month. Take a stroll through the Northside's newest market and nab yourself a bargain from the local marketeers.

This weekly market will be set in the Westfield North Lakes car park – a prime location chosen for accessibility for vendors and visitors. The vast space allows patrons to meet up with friends and family for a great feast, enjoy a few beverages, and ample entertainment.

North Lakes by Night team member Michelle Reynolds said they currently had 60 vendors for the market event.

"The North Lakes by Night founder Monique Annetts observed the need for a place to highlight local food and retail vendors, local artists, as well as be a social place for friends and family to catch up," Michelle said. "There are many day-time markets around the area, so it was decided to establish a night market.

"North Lakes by Night will showcase taste sensations from around the globe, including the likes of Schnitzel von Yumm, Samurai Kitchen, Kaosarn Thai and Mr America Food Truck – just to mention a few.

"We also have mouth-watering desserts on offer by House of Poffertjes, Donut Kitchen, World Famous Funnel Cakes and Sugar Storm glutenfree baked treats."

Michelle said the market would have a relaxed and welcoming atmosphere and would have something for everyone to enjoy – including a children's area.

"North Lakes by Night will feature local talent - including bands and solo musicians, so customers can roam around the markets – grab a bite to eat, chill and relax to the tunes."

The markets are still accepting expressions of interest for entertainment, and you can register as a vendor from the Facebook page for opening night or future evenings.

Michelle said she is really excited to be involved in the new market creation and said the Grand Opening night entertainment will be fantastic.

"What's not to be excited about a new night market opening?" Michelle said. "You will have a hard time selecting a bite to eat from all the amazing food vendors, but whatever the choice, it will be amazing. Come and check out the market, it will be a great experience for all the members of the family - even the furry ones."

North Lakes by Night Market Grand Opening Saturday 27 March, 5:30pm-9:30pm Westfield North Lakes Cnr Anzac Ave and North Lakes Drive North Lakes



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### Story **Alyssa Mackay** Photo **Bruce Redman**

athan McDowell is gearing up to achieve a lifelong goal to ride his bike long distance.

When 31-year-old Nathan was first diagnosed with a rare neurological disorder called Pelizaeus-Merzbacher disease, he was told he wouldn't live more than three years. That was in 2007.

Nathan, who also lives with spina bifida and cerebral palsy, will defy the odds this month by riding 110km from Noosa to Redcliffe to raise awareness of his illness.

Nathan's support worker at Holistic Horizons Disability Support Services in Margate, Matthew Bell, has been training with Nathan for the past two years to get him ready for the ride and will accompany him on the journey.

They have already completed more than 60 training sessions on Nathan's modified bike, a hand cycle where he uses his arms to pedal.

"Nathan has his challenges; he has daily stomach pains because of issues related to his disabilities and his legs are very rigid," Matthew said. "But he has well outlived his life expectations. A lot of that is due to his attitude and just wanting to live life and stay as healthy as he can."

Matthew, who also has an interest in cycling, said he had been investing a lot of time and effort into the ride and loved doing it. "Nathan is a real friend to me. He likes to think I'm his brother."

Holistic Horizons event organiser Julie Latcham said she was hoping people will support Nathan's ride via his GoFundMe page.

"Nathan wants to give 10 per cent of the money he earns as a donation to Leukodystrophy Australia for research into his disease," Julie said. "The rest of the money will go into a bank account for his future when his family aren't able to care for him anymore.

"Every cent helps Nathan have a better life."

While there may not be an official event on the day, Redcliffe locals are welcome to come to Crockatt Park to watch Nathan as he crosses the finish line.

"I'm looking forward to it," Nathan said of his big ride. "I want to keep cycling and find a cure for my disease."

For information about how to support Nathan on his ride go to www.gofundme.com/f/nathan-mcdowell-ride-for-life/donate

Ride for Nathan 8-13 March Finishing at Crockatt Park Cnr Hornibrook Esp & Oxley Avenue, Woody Point



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### Story Sally Eberhardt

ood Morning Vietnam, Music from the Vietnam War Era - Live in Concert! showcases the treasured and symbolic songs of the 60s and 70s that dominated radio during the Vietnam War – songs that questioned and reflected the political turmoil and cultural changes of the time.

Audiences will feel many emotions as the live band of outstanding musicians and vocalists delivers powerful interpretations of some of the most iconic pop, folk, soul and rock songs of the era.

Changing backgrounds immerse concertgoers in the period of the Vietnam War as they portray the groovy psychedelia of flower power as well as the protest and resistance that was happening on both American and Australian streets.

Lead male vocalist Chris Herden said this would possibly be the best sing-a-long experience of the audience's lives.

"There'll be memories of their youth and loved ones, happy times - maybe even some tears, but most definitely smiles," Chris said.

"You're certain to be humming one of the songs on your way home."

The concert features rousing renditions of songs by Creedence Clearwater Revival, Steppenwolf, The Animals, Nancy Sinatra, The Beatles, Janis Joplin, The Doors, The Rolling Stones, Marvin Gaye and many more.

Chris said the music from the Vietnam War Era was timeless, and echoed sentiments and struggles of contemporary times.

"Many of these great songs could define the backdrop of challenges we face now – attitudes and opinions concerning COVID-19, climate change, corporate responsibility – this is why the music is so extraordinarily relevant today."

The power of music is an amazing gift – it allows us to escape and reflect, brings us hope and joy, and helps us heal.

Good Morning Vietnam, Music from the Vietnam War Era - Live in Concert! donates \$1 from every ticket sold to Guitars for Vets Australia as a way to show appreciation for all those who served. This charity provides Australian veterans with music lessons and guitars, and helps them discover the joy and healing power of music.

For more information and tickets, go to www. redcliffeentertainmentcentre.com.au and search for Good Morning Vietnam.

Don't miss this unforgettable experience.

Good Morning Vietnam, Music from the Vietnam War Era - Live in Concert! Friday, 5 March, from 7.30pm Redcliffe Entertainment Centre

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In the not too distant future, Todd Hewitt (Tom Holland) discovers Viola (Daisy Ridley), a mysterious girl who crash lands on his planet, where all the women have disappeared and the men are afflicted by "the Noise" – a force that puts all their thoughts

on display.

Release Date: 4 Mar 2021 Director: Doug Liman

Main Cast: Daisy Ridley, David Oyelowo, Tom Holland, Demián Bichir, Kurt Sutter, Nick Jonas, Cynthia

Erivo, Mads Mikkelsen

Genre: Adventure, Science Fiction



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Release Date: 25 Mar 2021

Director: Conor Allyn

Main Cast: Frank Grillo, Andie MacDowell, George Lopez, Esmeralda Pimentel, Alex MacNicoll, Ofelia Medina, Jake Allyn, Jorge A. Jimenez, Andrés Delgado

Genre: Action, Adventure, Thriller, Western



### GODZILLA VS KONG

In a time when monsters walk the Earth, humanity's fight for its future sets Godzilla and Kong on a collision course that will see the two most powerful forces of nature on the planet collide in a spectacular battle for the ages.

Release Date: 25 Mar 2021

Director: Adam Wingard

Main Cast: Rebecca Hall, Demian Bichir, Kyle Chandler, Ziyi Zhang, Alexander SkarsgårdJulian DennisonEiza González, Danai Gurira, Shun Oguri, Brian Tyree Henry, Millie Bobby Brown, Jessica Henwick, Van Marten

Genre: Action, Thriller, Science Fiction

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### A WORD FROM OUR REPRESENTATIVES

### Cr Sandra Ruck



Early most mornings, I am out and about enjoying the beauty of our area and it's always lovely when a resident stops to say 'hello'. I'm easy to recognise by my signature pink shirt with the MBRC logo. I also love conducting my

mobile offices around Division 5. It is a wonderful opportunity to meet the residents in an informal setting.

Over the past couple of weeks, I have been searching for community-minded citizens from both the Scarborough and Deception Bay areas to form Neighbourhood Watch groups, given the success we have had with our two Newport groups. I have endorsed Council's Moreton Bay Regional Economic Development Strategy 2020-41, which will, in two decades from now, ensure that our region boasts a \$40 billion economy, an additional 240,000 people, and will have created 100,000 more local jobs. We will be building sustainable roads in Division 5. A recent road upgrade on the Redcliffe Peninsula used over 22,000 tyres. Ten tyres are used in every tonne of this Australia-first product, which of course is great for our environment.

### Yvette D'Ath MP



Reddiffe is becoming the sporting epicentre of South-East Queensland with the Roar kicking off their new season at the Dolphins Stadium and calling it home in 2021. Our community will also host pre-season blockbuster games over two weekends, when we

welcome the Warriors, Storm, Broncos, and Cowboys to battle it out at the Dolphin cauldron.

This is a great win for our community, not only providing an opportunity for locals to see A-grade games up close, but also the economic benefit to our local community. I am proud that the Palaszczuk Government has assisted over the years with the construction of the stadium and soon, thanks to a \$2 million investment by the Queensland Government, the stadium will see new sporting lights to enable international broadcast of hosted games.

This investment will enhance the Dolphins' chance to become the next NRL team, with an announcement due mid this year. I am fully behind this bid and will do everything possible to help make it a reality. A potential new NRL team in the region will not only excite local sports fans - it will also be a big win for our local economy, supporting local businesses, accommodation providers and tourist operators.

### Luke Howarth MP



You might know I used to own and run Sandgate Pest Control – a small family business that employed about 20 people – and I am also the father of three boys. So it is with lived experience that I take on responsibility for Assistant Minister for

Youth and Employment Services, and connect with businesses, young people and job seekers on issues that matter to them.

As Australia recovers from the economic impacts of COVID-19, supporting a skilled workforce has never

been more important. I understand Australian workers have been hard hit, especially young people in parts of my electorate, and I want local employers to know the JobMaker Hiring Credit is available.

Eligible employers can claim \$200 a week for each additional eligible employee they hire aged 16 to 29 years old, and \$100 a week for each additional eligible employee aged 30 to 35 years old.

There are free or low-fee courses in areas of identified need such as health, aged and disability care, IT and trades for job seekers and young people too. Call my office for information.



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Story Alyssa Mackay

f you're looking for artisan gifts for your family and friends, or you simply want to treat yourself, look no further than the Arts & Crafters Market Day.

After being postponed for 12 months due to COVID restrictions, the popular markets will return this month at the Old Fire Station.

President of the Moreton Bay Arts Council Janice Charlish said the markets were a great day out, featuring 50 different creatives from the region.

"Our professional gallery, gift shop and studio will be open on the day," Janice said. "Painters and potters will be there, selling straight to the public and taking commissions."

Fans of handmade items will enjoy perusing Crafters Lane and shopping for affordable items such as wind chimes, aprons, and ceramic jewellery. There will be plenty of stalls around the gardens, with home-grown plants, mosaics, and children's clothing.

Janice said market-goers could support Redcliffe Little Athletics by grabbing a bite at their sausage sizzle.

"You can have a bit of brunch because there's food and coffee," she said. "We have marquees with tables and chairs so there's a shaded seating area for you to relax and listen to the live music."

"Come along and support local by buying from our artists and celebrating local talent."

Arts & Crafters Market Saturday, 27 March, 10am-2pm The Old Fire Station 395 Oxley Avenue, Redcliffe

# Capturing the Light

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## A Mother's Quest to Raise ADHD Awareness and Provide Support

Story **Stephanie Madison** Photo **Bruce Redman** 

book by Deception Bay author, keynote speaker, and business owner Paula Burgess aims to help parents of children with Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder (ADHD) navigate challenges.

The 2016 book, Beyond the ADHD Label: One Mother's Struggle for Change includes chapters such as ADHD – What It Really Is; Having Friends (Or Not); To Medicate or Not to Medicate; and ADHD and Your Relationship. It also deals with school issues and how parents can best work with schools to help their child, available support, and how diet can assist.

Paula is also the director of Kippa-Ring's Beyond the Maze, a business that provides virtual administration and reception services for the allied health industry and ADHD coaching. She said she wrote the book after seeing mothers of children with ADHD struggling on a journey she described as "not one for the faint-hearted".

"I wrote this book so other parents knew they were not alone and others were struggling just like they were," Paula said.

The stigma around ADHD also contributed to challenges and isolation, according to Paula.

"Very few people want to even talk about it with their friends, leaving a lot of people feeling like they were alone," she said.

According to ADHD Australia, ADHD affects 281,200 Australian children and adolescents up to age 19, and 533,300 adults.

The non-profit organisation describes ADHD as a complex neurodevelopmental disorder that affects a person's ability to exert age-appropriate self-control. It's characterised by persistent patterns of inattentive, impulsive and sometimes hyperactive behaviour, often accompanied by challenges with regulating emotions.

Paula said children with the disorder were intelligent but didn't fit into the current school system.

"They tend to be overlooked for many school opportunities that they would thrive in due to the focus being on their behaviour," she said.

"Once you get a school or teacher that can use the energy that they (the kids) have, towards things they are interested in and they get the opportunity to do so, they just thrive."

She said constant advocacy was required to ensure these children didn't "fall through the cracks".

Raising awareness and showing support for those with ADHD could also be lifesaving.

"The rate for suicide is far too high now and kids with ADHD are (at) a much higher risk (for) suicide," Paula said. "We have to remove judgment so these kids are not feeling like they are hopeless or are doing things wrong all the time."

For more info, visit beyondthemaze.com.au



It has been wonderful to see six local community groups share in over \$100,000 through the Palaszczuk Government's Gambling Community Benefit Fund, including:

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## ACAI+PROTEIN FOR A **HEALTHY REFUEL**

Story Jodie Woodward Photo Bruce Redman

ooking for somewhere local to enjoy a healthy drink or snack? Delicia Acai and ■ Protein Bar might just be the place you're looking for to stop and refuel.

Health-conscious locals can take their pick from a range of plant-based foods and drinks. Store owner Gavin Mead said the menu included acai bowls, raw treats, tea, iced teas, protein smoothies, banana bread, protein pancakes, vegan and vegetarian meals, and award-winning coffee.

Gavin said that if he had to select a highlight from the menu though, it would "definitely be the banana bread, smoothies, and acai bowls".

For those who haven't heard of acai before, or wondering what exactly it is, acai berries are found on acai palm trees in South American rainforests. The berries are full of vitamins and nutrients and have become increasingly popular in the western world over recent years because of their potential health benefits and their delicious taste. Delicia are specialists in acai smoothies and bowls.

"Thanks to their high antioxidant content, acai berries have many potential health benefits," Gavin said.



They're loaded with powerful plant compounds that act as antioxidants, and could have benefits for your brain, heart, and overall health. They also deliver healthy fats and fibre, making them a generally healthy food."

The Clontarf store is Delicia's first in Queensland so far, but Gavin said it won't be the last.

"We are an Australian franchise and have 18 stores in Adelaide, one in Melbourne, and this is the first one in Queensland. We are looking for like-minded franchisees to open up new stores, and we already have a few new locations in mind." he said.

If you're thinking of stopping by for a drink or snack, Delicia is open from 7am to 4pm, Monday to Saturday, with a later opening time of 8am on Sundays. It's the perfect place to stop while you're on your own, or with friends and family - whether you're looking for an extra hit of protein after a workout, or just wanting to relax with a coffee.

"We are the busiest in the morning, and at around 3pm after school when everyone pops downs for a healthy snack with the kids."

If you're new to the world of acai and protein, Delicia is the place to go to try out the range and discover something new.

Gavin said, "Take your time, look at the menu, ask our staff for a taste test of the acai, and also ask our staff what they recommend."

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## **Joen** DINING GUIDE



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# Local DINING GUIDE



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# Story Linda Read Photo Bruce Redman

illy the border collie-cross is a handsome, clever, and loving pooch. At six years old, he's in great health and is full of energy, with a decidedly playful streak. He has big brown eyes, a floppy tongue, and is naturally protective of his loved ones – he's the perfect four-legged friend.

The only problem is, Billy doesn't have a forever home. He has the dubious honour of being the longest-term resident at Peninsula Animal Aid (PAA) at Clontarf, an organisation that has been rehoming unwanted cats and dogs, and reuniting lost pets with their owners, for nearly five decades. Billy came to the shelter almost three years ago and is yet to be adopted.

He is, however, in good and loving hands, with about 100 unpaid volunteers every week keeping the wheels turning at this no-kill shelter. The PAA is a not-for-profit charity that receives no formal funding and relies entirely on the generosity of people and businesses within the community to stay open.

PAA president Anne Denton said this invaluable support allowed the shelter to continue to provide a high level of care to the animals it cared for.

"Vet care costs are normally in excess of \$12,000 per month, even with the discounted rates

provided to us by many generous local vets," Anne said.

"Each animal has a complete vet health check. All animals adopted from PAA are desexed, microchipped and vaccinated. Dogs are heartworm tested and receive heartworm preventative, flea, tick, and worm treatment. Cats are Feline Aids/Leukaemia tested, and treated for worms and fleas.

"Many thousands of cats and dogs have been rehomed through Peninsula Animal Aid since the organisation was established. In addition to this, as many strays have been returned to their owners, thanks largely to the use of microchips."

Anne said that although adoptions rose sharply just prior to the COVID lockdown in 2020, with many "long-termers" finding their forever home, COVID had had a "major negative financial effect" on the organisation.

She urges prospective adoptees to consider a shelter animal as their next family member – with an accompanying caution: "Be sure you can give the animal the time it will need and can afford the associated costs."

To adopt an animal, or for information, call 3284 1927, or visit peninsulaanimalaid.com.au

Peninsula Animal Aid 313 Duffield Road, Clontarf







# PENINSULA **PIMPERNEL**

# **Death of an Author**

Story Richard Lancaster

■ ive years ago last November, quietly spoken ■ investigative journalist and author John Morgan passed away. Despite the worldwide stir his 10 books on the death of Diana, Princess of Wales, created at the time, the 58-year-old slipped quietly away, leaving his widow Lana and a large number of friends to grieve his passing.

John was born in New Zealand, and as an adult he practised as an accountant there. He moved to Australia and set up a shop in Sydney's northern beaches. Later moving to Queensland and with his wife Lana, he lived in Redcliffe for the remainder of his life. It was here that he qualified as a journalist and wrote his first book entitled Flying Free, which was an account of his youth when living in a fundamentalist cult. Around this time, he was diagnosed with a serious neurological illness called Multiple System Atrophy, a disease which would plague him for the rest of his life.

Following the death of Diana, Princess of Wales in a Paris car crash in 1997, he developed an interest in the events surrounding the crash. He studied the official British police report, writing his first book, Cover-Up of a Royal Murder: Hundreds of Errors in the Paget Report, in 2007. His book was a best-seller, and came to be used by lawyers in the subsequent inquest into Diana's death in London. Now chair-bound in Redcliffe, he continued to investigate the case, examining over 10,000 files before writing a further five evidence-based books on the subject. A movie and a stage play, based on material from his books, were subsequently produced, with launches in London. Desperately ill, he was able to complete his sixth and last book of the Diana inquest series, entitled Corruption at Scotland Yard. He died knowing that his life's work, authorship of a 10-volume collection on Diana's death, had been committed to literary history.

# Pier Prepped To Party

lans are well underway for the Long Table Shorncliffe Pier on Saturday, 24 April, with further details to be announced on the Sandgate & Districts Chamber of Commerce webpage.

The Long Table is a catered, openair, fine-dining event that has had 700 people sharing a meal on the Shorncliffe pier on a single table. The dinner allows everyone a waterfront view of the beautiful Moreton Bay and a chance to make new friends while enjoying the sunset and entertainment of the evening.

"The Long Table dinner showcases what we can do in our local area and it is a must-do event for locals and people of the Brisbane area," Bill said.

While these events are being planned, it will be subject to any lockdowns and government recommendations.

For up-to-date information on these events, or to purchase tickets to the Long Table dinner once available, visit the Sandgate & Districts Chamber of Commerce website www. sandgatechamber.com.au or Facebook pages.



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# WHAT'S AROUND TOWN

# Story Nadia Chapman

Suttons Beach Pavilion's Night at the Disco event will have you dancing the night away this month.

The event will be hosted upstairs at the Pavilion's Bathers Bar rooftop terrace on Friday, 26 March.

Manager Oli Thompson said this particular event was in high demand after the success of the two New Year's Eve parties.

"We put a post on our Facebook page to see if people wanted to party this year and we got over 10,000 hits within a few days, with our customers telling us they wanted to get back on the dance floor," Oli said.

Locals asked, and the Pavilion answered, which is where the idea for the event was born. Oli said the event took place once a month with a different musical genre or theme each time.

"This month, locals can expect a 70s disco theme, so feel free to dress up accordingly," Oli said.

Bookings are essential and tickets are \$15 per person, which includes a complimentary drink of your choice.

You can find out more via www. suttonsbeachpavilion.com.au

The event takes place from 7pm-12am.





# Red Poppy Art Collective will host Meet the Artists night this month.

This free event takes place on Friday, 5 March at the Red Poppy Gallery, and is a chance for locals to explore the creative side of the Peninsula.

Meet and mingle with artists Sheldon Lindsay, Sean Leahy, and Victoria Beths to discover the meaning behind their artwork.

The event runs from 5.30-8pm.

Bookings are required as numbers are limited. Email: contact@redpoppyart.com.au

Venue: Red Poppy Gallery, 95 Redcliffe Parade, Redcliffe

The Bramble Bay Bowls Club is hosting a St Patrick's Day celebration with Celtic folk band Blarney Stone this month.

The band will play a lively mix of Celtic and Irish folk music at this free event.

Blarney Stone formed at the end of 2015 and pull from Irish, Scottish, and Australian material while adding their own twist.

Wednesday, 17 March from 3-7pm.







# What's On.

# **03** WEDNESDAY

JAZZ & JAM
JUMPING GOATS BAR 7PM

# 05 FRIDAY

# **☐ FRANK'S REBELS**

MORETON BAY BOAT CLUB 2:30PM

#### FRIYAY DJ SET

SUTTONS BEACH PAVILION 5PM

# **★ MEET THE ARTISTS NIGHT** P.46

**RED POPPY GALLERY 5:30PM** 

# **☐ ELLA + VAUGHAN JONES**

CACTUS JACKS 6PM

### I LIVE MUSIC - MALIA STIRLING

JUMPING GOATS BAR 7PM



## **□** B-ROCKED

BRAMBLE BAY BOWLS CLUB 7PM

#### **★ GOOD MORNING VIETNAM P.26**

REDCLIFFE ENTERTAINMENT CENTRE 7:30PM

# **06** SATURDAY

#### **BEER FEST ON THE GRASS**

**EATONS HILL HOTEL 11AM** 

#### **★ LIVE LLAMA PAINTING P.54**

WILD CHERRY EVENTS 12:30PM

# **★** FREE MARKETING

# **AND SOCIAL MEDIA** P.10

REDCLIFFE LIBRARY 1:30PM

#### **□** LACHY STEWART

SUTTONS BEACH PAVILION 3PM

#### CANDI K MUSIC

**CACTUS JACKS 6PM** 

#### **□** DAVE MARTYN

BRAMBLE BAY BOWLS CLUB 6PM

#### STEVE SPARROW

THE AMBASSADOR OF REDCLIFFE 6:30PM

# $\mathbf{07}$ sunday

# **J**LACHY STEWART

**CACTUS JACKS 2PM** 

# **☐ PENINSULA JAZZ GROUP**

MORETON BAY BOAT CLUB 2:30PM

#### JOSH AND ELLIE

SUTTONS BEACH PAVILION 3PM

#### I LIVE MUSIC - BELLA PATON

JUMPING GOATS BAR 4PM

# 12 FRIDAY

#### **I** FRIYAY DJ SET

SUTTONS BEACH PAVILION 5PM

#### **I** ELLA JONES

**CACTUS JACKS 6PM** 

BRAMBI F BAY BOWLS CLUB 7PM

## **DAMIEN SAUL**

MORETON BAY BOAT CLUB 8PM

# 13 SATURDAY

## MABEL MCCORMACK

SUTTONS BEACH PAVILION 3PM

# **T CHEESE MAKING DEMONSTRATION CLASS**

WILD CHERRY EVENTS SHOP 9 303 OXLEY AVENUE MARGATE 4:30PM - 10PM

Come and learn the essentials of cheese making, from what milk to use to how to age a fine cheddar. During the class, we will make fresh feta. Mozzarella and warm fresh ricotta using a Mad Millie Beginners Italian Kit.



# **BRIAN AVERY** CACTUS JACKS 6PM

# **□** PETER RYAN

THE AMBASSADOR OF REDCLIFFE 6:30PM

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# FROM THE PULPIT

#### SPECIAL CREATION

In the beginning, GOD CREATED the heavens and the earth, [Gen. 1:1]. To say we EVOLVED from a pin prick is a lie from the devil .1 [Gen. 2:7]. God said "Let US make man in OUR image according to OUR likeness".

[Gen. 1:26] Revealing - God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit. [ Heb.1:8].; and man---BODY, SOUL, and

SPIRIT. [ 1Thes.5:23 ]. In love, Jesus Christ, [ God the Son ]came into the world to take our punishment for our

sins, on the cross. [I Peter 2:24]

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# 14 SUNDAY

## **□** BRIEF DIVIDE

**CACTUS JACKS 2PM** 

## **WILMA AND STUART**

MORETON BAY BOAT CLUB 2:30PM

### **I** ELLA JONES

SUTTONS BEACH PAVILION 3PM

# 17 WEDNESDAY

## **BLARNEY STONE** P.46

BRAMBLE BAY BOWLS CLUB 3PM

## JAZZ & JAM

JUMPING GOATS BAR 7PM

# 19 FRIDAY

#### **I** FRANK'S REBELS

MORETON BAY BOAT CLUB 2:30PM

#### FRIYAY DJ SET

SUTTONS BEACH PAVILION 5PM

#### **JULACHY STEWART**

CACTUS JACKS 6PM

#### **□** BRIT BEAT MANIA

BRAMBLE BAY BOWLS CLUB 7PM

# 20 SATURDAY

# **PENINSULA MOTORFEST** P.6

PELICAN PARK 11AM

#### **★ MARCHTOBERFEST** P.12

WEBB HALL 11:30AM

#### **INEIL BAIN**

SUTTONS BEACH PAVILION 3PM

#### **PARK VIBES FESTIVAL P.66**

PINE RIVERS PARK 3PM

#### **I** ELLA JONES

**CACTUS JACKS 6PM** 

## **□** PETRA - ACOUSTIC SESSIONS

BRAMBLE BAY BOWLS CLUB 6PM

#### **I** BRENT HUTCHINSON

THE AMBASSADOR OF REDCLIFFE 6:30PM

# 21 SUNDAY

#### **BRIAN AVERY**

**CACTUS JACKS 2PM** 

## STEVE MCLOUGHLIN

MORETON BAY BOAT CLUB 2:30PM

#### I LUKE GOODWIN

SUTTONS BEACH PAVILION 3PM

# **☐ LIVE MUSIC - LACHY STEWART**

JUMPING GOATS BAR 4PM



# 26 FRIDAY

## FRIYAY DJ SET

SUTTONS BEACH PAVILION 5PM

#### **★ NIGHT AT THE DISCO P.46**

PAVILION'S BATHERS BAR ROOFTOP TERRACE 7PM

# **JOANNY MOSE AND FRIENDS!**

JUMPING GOATS BAR 7PM



#### **THE DARLINGTON STRIPES**

BRAMBLE BAY BOWLS CLUB 7PM

## JUST JAMMIN

MORETON BAY BOAT CLUB 8PM

# 27 SATURDAY

#### **J**LANCE GALLOWAY

SUTTONS BEACH PAVILION 3PM

## **★ NORTH LAKES BY NIGHT MARKET P.22**

WESTFIELD NORTH LAKES 5:30PM

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**CACTUS JACKS 6PM** 

#### **I** ESTEBAN

BRAMBLE BAY BOWLS CLUB 6PM

# **MICHAEL EVANS**

THE AMBASSADOR OF REDCLIFFE 6:30PM

# 28 sunday

# **JELLA JONES**

**CACTUS JACKS 2PM** 

#### **I** FRANK'S REBELS

MORETON BAY BOAT CLUB 2:30PM

#### **JANNY MOSE**

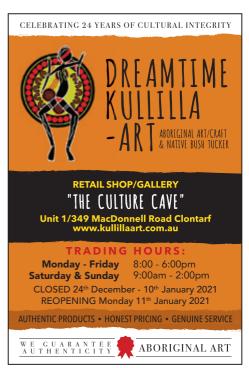
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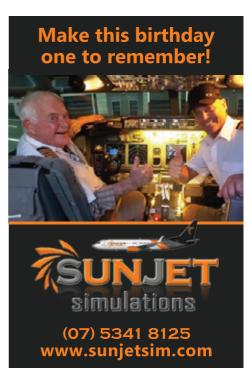
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# **DELICIOUSLY DARK** AND TASTES LIKE MORETON BAY

Story Aleasha Bliss

ocal company My Berries is showcasing Moreton Bay's fresh produce industry by collaborating with Arnott's and creating the Moreton Bay Raspberry and Dark Chocolate Tim Tam.

The iconic Aussie treat is a part of the Tim Tam Crafted Collection that is sharing the tastes of Australia with their new limited edition flavours from around the nation. My Berries co-founders Stuart and Allison McGruddy sell premium local frozen fruits to 850 suppliers around Australia, Singapore and the Middle East.

Stuart's research into the freezing of whole soft berry fruits earnt him a prestigious Churchill Fellowship last year, which means his knowledge is going global.

Once travel restrictions have lifted, Stuart will go to France, Chile, Serbia and the USA to



By collaborating with Arnott's, it is aiding in the reduction of waste from the farms and puts the perfectly tasting - yet not so perfect looking - berries to good use.

"People don't realise that Moreton Bay is quickly becoming one of the most significant raspberry growing regions in Australia," Stuart said. "It's exciting that we now have it on the food map.



The raspberries are perfectly ripe and ready to eat, but may be too big, wonky and not what the supermarkets want. We are so glad we can find a home for this fruit now - so it's not wasted and fed to the cows next door."

learn more about food processes around the world.

The McGruddy's are passionate about reducing food waste and finding innovative ways for farms to create an income form fruit that may not be suitable to sell in a supermarket.

This is the second time My Berries has teamed with Arnott's - the first was for the Sunshine Coast Strawberries and Cream flavoured biscuit.

Stuart said it was fantastic to see many different industries coming together to research and find solutions for edible food waste.

He said he hoped everyone could enjoy a cup of tea and indulge in a raspberry and dark chocolate Tim Tam, as they are in supermarkets

"We are hoping to work with Arnott's again in the future," Stuart said. "It's about time that Moreton Bay gets some credit for all of the wonderful produce it produces."

# Brush Up Your Style with Live Llama Painting

Story Sally Eberhardt

here can you cuddle gorgeous llamas, take llama selfies, paint your own masterpiece, and eat delicious food, in a fully styled llama space? Only at Live Llama Painting.

Wild Cherry Events, Ottaba Llamas, and A Painters Dream have collaborated to create a unique experience that will not only be great fun on the day, but provide precious, long-lasting memories.

Co-owner of Wild Cherry Events Carolyn Rothwell said this painting class, featuring real live llamas as models, was designed to give people some respite from the busyness of life.

"We always try to think outside the box for our events, to make them an experience for people to remember," Carolyn said.

"We can't be sure what your masterpieces will look like at the end, but we are sure your time will be filled with lots of fun and laughter."

There will be plenty of opportunities to interact with the llamas and get some awesome photos," she said. "You may even get a free surprise llama gift to take home, but don't tell everyone."

Paint and canvas supplies are provided for the one and a half-hour class. Also provided will be scrumptious desserts, punch, tea, and coffee, all in a fabulous llama-themed space. Patting and cuddling the llamas is certainly allowed and being in their calm presence makes this activity an oasis from the bustle of everyday life.



The welfare and happiness of these affectionate, gentle, and intelligent creatures is of paramount importance to the organisers.

"Each Ilama has their own character and personality, and they like to have a mate close by for comfort," Carolyn said.

"The llamas take breaks and move around while the painting is going on, hence your masterpiece being a tad different to a normal painting."

The event is suitable for singles, couples, groups, and families with children over seven years old. There are two sessions, each with only 25 places, so be sure to book now.

Immerse yourself in creativity, fall in love with beautiful llamas, and luxuriate in the ambience of this special event.

For more information and to buy tickets, go to wildcherryeventsbrisbane.com.au and look under events.

Live Llama Painting
Saturday, 6 March, two sessions – 9.30am11.30am and 12.30pm-2.30pm
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# Stallholders Wanted for Village Markets

Story Nadia Chapman

he Sandgate Village Markets is welcoming 2021 with an increase in stallholder positions to complement the existing vendors.

The markets have been running since June last year, and run on every second and fourth Saturday of the respective month, from 8am-12pm.

Market operator Melina Wales said the markets have always been an event that focuses on supporting local and micro-businesses, where locals can find a place within the Sandgate community.

"We aim to provide a safe and nurturing environment to trade, and a venue to promote sustainable and eco-living options for locals and the broader community," Melina said.

This year, Melina and the team at Sandgate Village Markets are looking for a range of stallholders to expand their offerings to the local community.

"We are looking for an additional 10-20 stallholders, and we are excited to support local makers, artisans, eco products, fresh produce, baked goods, flowers, plants and garden products, gifts and homewares," she said.

The markets also host a bunch of stalls that include fashion, authors, jewellery, arts and crafts, live music from local musicians, and coffee and food stalls.

Find out more via www.sandgatevillagemarket.com.au

Sandgate Village Market
Saturday 13 and 27 March, 8am-12pm
Einbunpin Lagoon Park, Sandgate





# Story Club

Story Nick Allford

ho doesn't love a good yarn, especially when it's funny, fascinating, and brutally honest?

Picture this. You've committed your most embarrassing memories to paper. You sit in front of a crowd of strangers and recount your tale – exposed, like the adult equivalent of a sibling reading your diary... aloud... to the entire school.

Well, that's what these celebrities, comedians and storytellers do, often repeatedly.

These gluttons for punishment have taken the time to give us more than a word vomit retelling of a time they got drunk and fell over; they're carefully crafted personal tales.

Like any good storyteller, they know when to shut up, keeping the episodes down to around 12 minutes a pop. Be warned, it looks like they may not be making any more episodes in this COVID-19-plagued world we live in, but there are over 100 episodes to keep you going.

So, if you feel like a voyeuristic deep dive into someone's hilarious memoirs, told by the people who have lived them, then sign yourself up for Story Club. Have a listen and then ask yourself: what anecdote would you share with a room full of randoms?





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Melinda Cassells

# MAKING LOCAL VOICES HEARD

Story **Eve Vickerson** Photo **Bruce Redman** 

ou may have heard that people these days tend to have at least five different careers over the course of a lifetime. Choosing a career can be a daunting thing.

Local speech language pathologist Melinda Cassells said that she was certain about the type of work she wanted to do when making early career choices.

"I really wanted to work with children who couldn't get across their basic messages, their needs and wants," Melinda said.

"Speech pathology is such a broad career. It's a huge degree but I knew I wanted to work with children right from the beginning."

Fast-forward to the future and it's now coming up on 20 years since Melinda first started her business, Speech & Language Support Services, in the Redcliffe area.

Despite being advised to set up her clinic in Brisbane, Melinda said that she knew the Peninsula was where she wanted to be.

"This is my community and this is what I wanted to support," Melinda said.

"I love the country feel of the area. I love being close to the water. I love the breezes and I love the community."

Melinda said that helping people grow their skills was something that she really enjoyed as a speech pathologist.

You'll start with someone who's non-verbal and they have no communication and no engagement. They're not connecting with people in the world. Then you'll see them connect and then they'll get words. After that, you're teaching them to read and spell and then you're teaching them to make friends, how to get a job, and how the world works."

With this type of work, Michelle said that it could involve longer timeframes.

"We see people through their life and we work in the disability sector," she said. "We'll work with kids for a really long time and often into their early 20s and 30s.

"I'll have seen the kids since they were two or three and see them when they're 15 and shifting into other parts of their life. It's nice to watch them achieve great things."

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# REDCLIFFE HISTORIC HOME -ELLERSLIE

Story Hellen White

here have been some stunning homes built on the Redcliffe Peninsula since settlement. One of these was Ellerslie, built by William Hayes at the turn of the century.

William George Hayes, born in 1842 in New South Wales, was the son of Frederick and Maria Hayes. A career soldier, Frederick's regiment was shipped to India; Maria followed him, leaving William to be raised by his grandparents.

William met and married Lydia Howell in 1867 and they raised five children. He moved his family to Queensland in 1900 where he purchased a large parcel of land on the corner of Louis and Sutton Streets in Redcliffe. Over time, he bought up surrounding blocks as they became available.

He built a magnificent home for his family, which he named Ellerslie. The house had three street frontages, Sydney, Sutton, and Louis Streets. The house and grounds grew over the years, with gardens and a tennis court added. William became involved with local business, being a partner in the Humpybong Steamship Company, which ran regular ferry services between Redcliffe, Sandgate, and Brisbane. He sat on the Redcliffe Divisional Board from 1901 to 1906.

Sadly, William died suddenly in June 1910. Lydia stayed on in the house for a while, but it was sold in 1925.

Ellerslie became a well-known boarding house and was renamed Nardoo by the new owners, Mr and Mrs W.J. Roebuck.

On 25 August 1928, in the early hours of the morning, fire destroyed Nardoo. Mrs Roebuck raised the alarm. At the time, there were seven guests, including 94-year-old Colonel Fry, who had to be carried from the house because of a foot injury sustained while travelling to Redcliffe, where he spent the winter. Almost all possessions were destroyed as the fire quickly enveloped the building. Of particular note were Colonel Fry's mementos of his long military career, including his medals, and several letters from Queen Victoria.

In 1929, an enquiry into the cause of the fire was held as the local constabulary felt suspicion was warranted. He felt that there was cause for concern over the insurance. However, after a full investigation, the enquiry was closed.

Photo - Ellerslie

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23 To clean dishes (4,2)

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28 Disaster

30 6th month

31 Twitch

32 Location

33 In (2,4)

34 Pain-relief medicine

37 Survive

38 Circus act

40 Sheet of cloud

43 Japanese acupressure

45 Stone

46 A saint's day

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51 Capital of Kenya

52 Glossy surface 53 Floating mass

54 Dark and dull

# **DOWN**

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47 Eating utensil

48 Team

49 Comfortable



# Local Property Market Stays Strong

Story Robyn Baker

Photo supplied by Mary Di-Marco, Waterfront Properties Redcliffe

igh numbers of buyers are being recorded at local open homes, with some homes selling before even reaching the market. Local agents have advised that there are buyers from their lists purchasing residential properties as soon as they are listed. Less houses on the market have left supply in demand. With this happening, home sellers are achieving higher prices. This is what is known as a seller's market, where more than one offer is being received and sellers can control the terms and conditions to suit themselves.

As expected, the low interest rates are continuing to drive buyer interest in home purchases across the full spectrum of all price points in the market. It is interesting to note that the higher end suburbs such as Scarborough have shown a 6.3 per cent increase in median capital property price growth in the last 12 months. Kippa-Ring has seen a 2.6 per cent

growth in houses, Margate 4.8 per cent, and Clontarf has remained steady at 6.7 per cent. Woody Point has been the standout suburb with a 6.9 per cent increase in housing growth price in the last 12 months, and 24.13 per cent in the last five years. Homes continue to outperform units except in Scarborough, where the current median unit price is \$565,000.

Mary Di Marco from Waterfront Properties Redcliffe advised one of her top tips for buyers was for them to have a 100-point system, with 10 points allocated individually for their most required attributes, 100 points being the total. With this in mind, if any home ticks 70 points then to make an offer ASAP. It should be noted that working with the agent to submit a suitable offer for acceptance was also important. She said, "As an investment, you can enjoy a luxury lifestyle and obtain a capital growth if your plans change over time and you wish to move." With COVID being a factor now, Mary reported that "Australians are choosing to stay at home and enjoy the benefits that waterfront homes offer; these buyers are seeing the true value in the Redcliffe Peninsula".

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# Reaching New Heights in Redcliffe

Story Kelly Walker

unning off the side of a cliff with a glider strapped to your back may sound crazy to most people, however, local paraglider Dominic Colvile took his adventurous spirit to new heights when he started the sport six years ago.

"I first got into paragliding following my love of rock climbing, mountain biking and kayaking, Dominic said. "I liked the idea of flying, and paragliding is the cheapest and most convenient way to do it."

While Dominic and his fellow pilots have sailed everywhere from Rainbow Beach to Dalby, and down along the Gold Coast, they are also able to enjoy their sport right from the shores of Redcliffe. "When the conditions are right, we fly at Scotts Point and Gayundah Arboretum," he said. "This type of paragliding is called ridge soaring, which requires updrafts of wind, and we need to stay above the ridge line in order to maintain height."

The local paragliding community is very friendly and always eager to educate others about the

"Everyone is welcome to watch and chat with the pilots," Dominic said. "I'm also a tandem pilot and love taking passengers up and sharing this experience with others."

Governed and licensed by the Sports Aviation Federation Australia (SAFA), there are roughly 200 members in the Sunshine Coast area and approximately six paragliding pilots who fly

Anyone over the age of 15 (with parental consent) can get into the sport and it's possible to get licensed within just a few weeks. "Almost anyone can take up paragliding as no real physical strength is required," Dominic said. "We even have pilots who are 80 years old."

Paragliding not only creates an incredible sense of freedom for Dominic, but also allows him to leave all of his worries behind. "All of life's problems disappear when I'm up there," he said. "It's quite a humbling experience being suspended high above the earth by only a piece of cloth. It's just me, floating on the wind, flying with the birds and enjoying the spectacular view."

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east on delicious food, dance to the very best in live music and finish up with fireworks. What more could you want from your weekend?

There's something for everyone to enjoy at Park Vibes, a family festival to be held at Pine Rivers Park on 20 March. Only a short drive for residents living on the Peninsula, this event is packed with so much entertainment you won't want to miss it.

When the festival kicks off at 3pm, kids can make the most of their afternoon in the dedicated Kids Zone, where they will be able to enjoy free rides and activities to suit all ages.

Park Vibes will also feature three Flavour Food Zones to tempt your tastebuds. Load up on pizza, burgers, hotdogs and donuts in the United Plates of America, or sample some sushi and karaage chicken at Taste of Asia. In Flavours of Europe, enjoy a selection of mouth-watering pastas and flavoursome gelato.

For those looking to sit back and relax with a drink, the festival will host a licensed pop-up bar where you can indulge in locally brewed craft beer and ciders, as well as sample an array of specialty wine and spirits.

Pack your picnic blanket and settle back on the grass when an impressive line-up of musical talent takes to the main stage. Headline act Baker

Boys Band is set to appear with a performance featuring a full horn section, guaranteed to get you on your feet.

Band producer and musician Hayley Barberis said the Baker Boys Band couldn't wait to play at Park Vibes.

"We've got a huge list of hits lined up," Hayley said. "We can't wait to get everyone moving."

The day culminates with a breathtaking fireworks display at 8pm, so get ready to take some videos or simply sit back and enjoy the spectacle.

The event is being organised by Moreton Bay Region Industry and Tourism in accordance with an approved COVID-safe plan, meaning numbers will be capped. To skip the contact tracing queue on the day, you can register for your ticket online.

Entry to the event is free with onsite parking available for \$5. Money from parking will be donated to local community groups.

Info: www.visitmoretonbayregion.com.au/whats-on/park-vibes

Park Vibes
Saturday 20 March, 3pm-8pm
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# **Entertainment Centre**

# THE ANDREWS SISTERS TRIBUTE - MORNING SHOWCASE

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Cost: \$45.00\*

# MORETON BAY SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA - CURTAIN UP

Join MBSO (the unsung heroes of the orchestra pit), vocalists from Queensland Musical Theatre and MBSO's very own Julie McCoy for a journey into the world of musical theatre. Expect pieces from Les Misérables, Beauty & the Beast, Lion King, The Producers, The Mikado, Jesus Christ Superstar and more.

When: Saturday, 6 March, 2021 | 2PM - 4PM Cost: Adults: \$22.00, Concession: \$17.00, Child: \$17.00, Family (2A + 2Ch): \$69.00\*

# JERSEY BOYS - REDCLIFFE MUSICAL THEATRE

Fresh out of its season of MAMMA MIA, Redcliffe Musical Theatre is thrilled to present another high-energy show with phenomenal music, memorable characters and great storytelling - JERSEY BOYS follows the fascinating evolution of four blue-collar kids who became of the greatest successes in popmusic history.

When: Friday, 12 March, 2021 | 7:30 PM Saturday, 13 March, 2021 | 2:00 PM Saturday, 13 March, 2021 | 7:30 PM Sunday, 14 March, 2021 | 2:00 PM Friday, 19 March, 2021 | 7:30 PM

Cost: Adults: \$55.00, Concession: \$47.50, Child: \$40.00, Family (2A + 2Ch): \$160.00,

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When: Tuesday, 23 March, 2021 | 11AM Tuesday, 22 June 2021 | 11AM

Cost: from: \$20.00\*

# QUEENSLAND SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA - PETER AND THE WOLF

Follow a young boy called Peter who joins with his furry and feathered friends to outwit a fierce wolf. With animals and characters brought to life by different instruments, this is the perfect introduction to the live orchestra experience. Guaranteed fun for the whole family.

When: Friday, 26 March, 2021 | 7:30 PM Saturday, 27 March 2021 | 2PM

Cost: \$35.00\*

\*\$2.00 online/phone transaction fee applies



Story Wayne I Flack Photo Pete Johnson

addlers are fine tuning their outriggers in preparation for the Battle of the Bays race this month.

The outriggers will start their marathon journey at Victoria Point, and paddle 45km to Woody Point.

Redcliffe Outrigger Canoe Club president Lawrence Taniwha said the event was held for the first time last year.

"We're excited to host the Battle of the Bays after being handed the event by AOCRA SQzone governing body for the sport of outrigging," Lawrence said.

"We are quite fortunate and blessed to be the first club to bring to Australia one of the longest downwind races other than the one that's up in Far North Queensland."

A hundred or so paddlers from the Fraser Coast all the way down to the Gold Coast and interstate are likely to enter the event. The classes available to enter into are OC1, V1, OC2, Skis and Sups.

As an entry condition, paddlers need a support crew to follow them down.

could let their support crew know to pick them up.

"Some people who know this bay, and that alleyway, know when it gets up," he said.

"If you're a really good waterman you know how to read the swells all the way through from the top just before Port of Brisbane where St Helena and Mud Islands come through the middle."

Some elite competitors will be Shon Siemonek and Pete Doris. Pete used to be a member of the Redcliffe Club, but is now South-East Queensland coaching coordinator.

Locals competing in the competition are Bryon Gilbert, who performed admirably last year, and Tui Simmons and Gail Barclay, the other locals that are competing.

Tide depending, the ladies paddle off first at 9am from Victoria Point. Each category is released in 30-minute intervals with the open elite men setting off last.

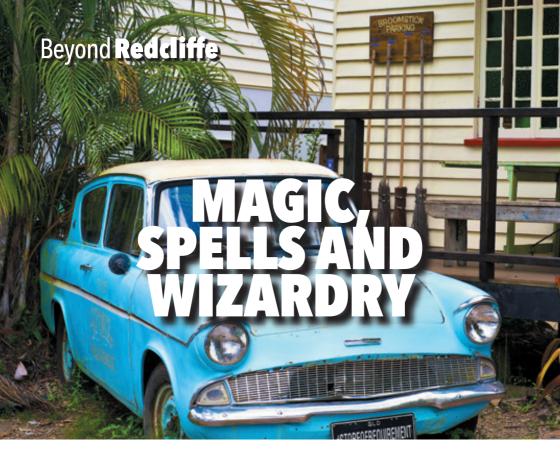
Why not bring the family out for a great day – have a barbeque or picnic along the scenic Woody Point waterfront while watching the spectacle of the outriggers coming in from either the Woody Point Jetty or Crockatt Park.

For more information follow the 'Redcliffe Outrigger Canoe Club' Facebook page.

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Story Jenn Carrington
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s all dedicated Harry Potter fans will know, most of the stores that celebrate the 'Boy Who Lived' are in the USA and the UK, so discovering Australia has not one, but two dedicated Harry Potter stores is a wish come true.

Just a 30-minute drive from the Brisbane CBD is the picturesque semi-rural Samford Valley, where you will find a shop like no other. Look out for the Flying Nun Cafe, and from there you will find Mr Weasley's flying car, a place to hang your broom, and be welcomed by Hedwig the Owl. The Store of Requirements manager Kim Muldoon said stepping inside the store, with its floating candles, enchanted ceiling, stained glass windows and themed music, transported everyone who dared to enter into the magical, whimsical and spellbound realm of Hogwarts.

"Since we opened on 31 July (Harry Potter's birthday) in 2017, we have seen thousands of not just Harry Potter fans, but many inquisitive and imaginative minds come to visit," Kim said.

"Along with our second store in Melbourne, we have Australia's largest range of officially licensed Harry Potter merchandise and we are the only shop in Queensland 100 per cent dedicated to the wizarding wares and adventures of Harry Potter."

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The sorting hat

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Or why not book a birthday party, a wand ceremony, attend a children's workshop, or even cake decorating. Kim said they have even planned a scavenger hunt later this year in the Samford Area.

"We also have our annual book club night too, so we are trying to offer more than just souvenirs, but a real experience to cater for all ages," she said.

Harry Potter, the English half-blood wizard, was made famous thanks to British author JK Rowling, who wrote the very first book Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone in 1997. Eight books, seven movies and 24 years later, the Harry Potter phenomenon remains as epic as ever.

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