



Babinda News

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"The Presidents Notes"

Rachel Nicholas

Hi everyone,

Thank you to the 10 members that attended the Taskforce AGM. Much appreciation to Tanya Tuttle for officiating the election of office bearers. Appreciation to the outgoing executives and congratulations to the incoming: welcome to Kasey Shaw on her acceptance as Vice President and thank you to Kylie Luce and Pete Carnsew for staying on for another year as Secretary and Treasurer respectively. Thanks also to Mel and Jody for voting me back in for another year. I look forward to working with you all in the year to come.

It has been suggested to me that I put a general rundown of what we do here, so here goes: Within the month of September we: dealt with approximately 50 Centrelink queries time spent with each query ranging from 1 minute to approx 2 hours, booked several QR train tickets: several performances through Ticket link. Provided internet access to travelers and locals, photocopied, faxed, printed and laminated documents all at a very fair/low price. Sold pens, local phone books and typed documents. Negotiated the renewal of a lease, had the privilege of having a Babinda State School year 12 student here for 1 weeks work experience. Facilitated several meetings/venues for some local and not so local groups and individuals. Received a reply from a grant we applied to for funding of the Mural Workshop (to continue painting the bins) for 2014 but unfortunately missed out this round. We're still looking at other avenues for funding for this as this we consider this a valuable project not only for the wider community, the travelers that comment positively on them, but mainly for our school aged children from 8 years and older as it gives them a sense of pride in their community. Also it is FREE!, please take advantage while we still have it this term. See article from Mark Edwards the workshop co ordinator in this edition.

Please spare a thought on Remembrance day, Monday 11th November the anniversary of the armistice which ended the First World War (1914 - 1918)

Please Note: Next general meeting Thursday 24 October, 9:30am here at the Taskforce Office. Everyone welcome.

We currently have 108 members

All the best,
Rachel

Rainfall for SEPTEMBER 2013

Babinda Rainfall - 128 mm

Year to Date 2074.2 mm

Bellenden Ker

Top Station - 320 mm

Year to Date- 6688.0 mm

Bellenden Ker

Bottom Station - 120 mm

Year to Date - 3249.0 mm

Contribution Closing Dates

Friday 1 November

(Distributed 12 November)

Friday 6 December

(Distributed 17 December)

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AMBULANCE NEWS

Welcome to another month and I hope you have been well. A few people have asked me where's Peter. He is currently on his annual leave and is working in Cairns until mid-December. We look forward to getting him back. You work flat out in Cairns and any other city. In towns like Babinda you get just as fatigued as you in the cities because you have call outs day and night near and far continuously for 8 days – you look forward to your days off after that. In places like Cairns you do your shift then get to go home not being on call.

In other staff matters Tarah who has worked here for the past nearly 5 months is leaving us. She has accepted a position in Tully Ambulance. She says she will miss Babinda but looks forward to the lure of Mission Beach and not doing so much on call. I would like to thank her for her efforts over the past months. I haven't had holidays this year so am looking forward to going camping next week with the family. There will be a relief officer from Cairns covering my 2 week absence. Once again I ask people to consider clearly marking their house number making it visible from the road. It saves emergency crews a lot of angst if we can locate you quickly. There is a high proportion of properties with no number marking or marking that you can't see from the road in an ambulance particularly when it is dark or wet.

Until next time,

Keep safe.

Justin Cairns

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Babinda Branch

The theme of the recent APSL conference was **"Unite to Fight for Seniors Rights"**

I would like to share with you some of the AGENDA item which were discussed and voted on at the conference to improve living conditions for Qld pensioners, and that the APSL Qld will be lobbying both State & Federal Governments to achieve for pensioners.

1. To lobby Telstra and other Telco Corporations and the Federal Government to make telephone line rental free for all pensioners.
2. That the APSL Qld lobbies the State Government to achieve free or discounted drivers licenses for pensioners in Qld
3. That the APSL Qld lobbies the State Government to achieve free or greater concessions for car registration in line with other states.
4. That the State Government provides better travel concessions for pensioners on QR Travel Trains
Reason: Vouchers have doubled in price and have been limited on seat allocations on trains.
5. That the APSL lobbies both State & Federal Government to achieve free mobile devices for all pensioners which alert emergency services automatically in case of health emergency.

These items are just a few of what the APSL Qld will be fighting for, to improve the lives and living conditions, for Qld pensioners over the next 12 months. Some of the items will or may be achieved in present form or may be need to be negotiated to achieve the best outcome for pensioners. Some may also be rejected, but if we don't at least try pensioners living conditions will not improve.

Till next time stay safe

Graham

To the lovely couple who helped my daughter and saved my two grandsons from almost drowning at the Boulders on Saturday afternoon 7th September. I thank you very much with all my heart, please contact me on 0487826007 as I have a few of your towels to return. Also to the gentleman who took my daughter and grannies to the hospital, I thank you from the bottom of my heart.

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Cairns Regional Council has prepared a new draft planning scheme to comply with State government requirements. The draft planning scheme will affect all residents, as it sets the framework for future growth and development in the Cairns region.

Planning schemes guide and shape an area by setting out how land can be used and how buildings and structures are developed. This includes planning for infrastructure to support growth and create a more diversified economy, while continuing to promote the lifestyle and character of the region.

How to have your say

Council encourages all members of the public to take an interest in the draft planning scheme and have a say. The planning scheme is available on Council's website at

www.cairns.qld.gov.au/new-planning-scheme for public viewing and comment.

You can submit your comments by:

Mail – Cairns Regional Council, Draft Cairns Region Planning Scheme, PO Box 359, Cairns QLD 4870

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Online – use the online submission form on Council's website.

Submissions will close at 5pm on Friday 1 November 2013. After the public consultation period, Council will consider all submissions and respond to the issues raised.

This will be the first of two opportunities to comment on the draft planning scheme, with further public consultation planned for mid-2014.

Keep informed

Stay up to date with the progress of the new planning scheme and sign up to receive the planning scheme e-newsletter at www.cairns.qld.gov.au/new-planning-scheme.



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See you in the library sometime soon.

Cheers, Holly



Congratulations to Brandon Smith and his team for winning the Gold Medal for a second year in a row in the Triples and obtaining 3rd place overall in the singles, at the 2013 State Multi- Disability Lawn Bowls Championships. The Championships were held at Aspley Bowl's club in Brisbane from the 8th to the 11th September and Brandon participated as part of the Blind Bowlers Association. Brandon's family travelled with him to Brisbane and Brandon's coach and Director was his nanna Maisie Smith. Brandon is pictured with his winning team members Marian Morrison and Wayne McDonald and their directors.

Just Joking...

A man and a woman were having a quiet, romantic dinner in a fine restaurant.

They were gazing lovingly at each other and holding hands.

The waitress, taking another order at a table a few steps away, suddenly noticed the man slowly sliding down his chair and under the table, but the woman acted unconcerned.

The waitress watched as the slid all the way down his chair and out of sight under the table. Still, the woman appeared calm and unruffled, apparently unaware her dining companion had disappeared.

The waitress, thinking this was a bit risqué behaviour that might offend other diners, went over to the table and tactfully, began by saying to the woman "Pardon me, ma'am, but I think your husband just slid under the table."

The woman calmly looked up at her and said, "No, he didn't. He just walked in the door."



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Spring has sprung a leak and we have gone straight into more summery weather, although the nights are still pleasant. Many of our southern visitors have packed up and began their way southward again. Our free/low cost camping bring return visitors every year. As a sign of appreciation, a lady from Maryborough came into our Centre asking where the ambulance was located. She kindly wanted to donate 30 knitted "care bears" to our local ambos. What a lovely gesture.

It appears that the signs between Townsville and Cairns as mentioned last month were actually organised by Tropical Coast Tourism whose website is full of local information we can all use, not just visitors, to plan some local activities we can comfortably enjoy.

Mill Memorabilia paper work has been handed over the James Cook University for storage and archiving and will later be available for study purposes. Lee has been given further material by a private collector which she will assess and see if it is suitable to be passed on the JCU.

National Parks are introducing a new system for on line booking with a better dedicated server which should be running this month. Traditional Owners don't need to pay for camping, but are required to book.

until next time

Happy Trails

Mural and Computer workshops with Nicky and Mark will be running again for term 4 at the Babinda Task Force. Children aged 8 and up are welcome so come along with your painting clothes and some enthusiasm and help Nicky paint some more of the funky bins on Munro Street. If computers are more your thing then join the gang in some Minecraft multiplayer adventures.

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Our Bellenden Ker 'Books Come to Life' day was a great success. We had lots of visitors to the school and the activities were a lot of fun. The children came dressed as a book character and took part in craft activities based on stories such as the Gingerbread Man and Where is the Green Sheep? A big thank you to parents who assisted and our staff Nicky Scannell, Fiona Trindall and Julie Parker for organising such a great day. We also travelled to Babinda SS for a gala day where the students competed at sports events with others from the local area.

Next term we will commence swimming and we are currently taking enrolments for 2014 with our prep transition day being held in Term 4. Please feel free to drop into our school or contact us on 40675292 for details.

Regards,

Peter Begemann Principal

ST RITA'S SCHOOL

The St Rita's School community came together on Friday afternoon, 30 August, to celebrate *Father's Day*. The P & F Committee, who successfully organised this special event, provided an early evening meal, and games and entertainment for the dads and their children were enjoyed by all. It was heartening to see children of all ages enjoying the company of their dads while playing, chatting and eating together. The *Father* poem and songs were especially appreciated by the audience.

This *Father's Day* event promoted one of the four core values of St Rita's School; *community*. Through all whole school celebrations and functions, we are actively developing "community" in our school. The living out of community is most evident when our P & F group organises events such as this successful *Father's Day* afternoon. Thank you to all parents who contributed to the organisation of this event.

Last term, the school also celebrated the special occasion of Father William Grundy's 80th birthday with a morning tea at school. After speaking to the students about some of his life experiences, Father Grundy was presented with gifts from the staff, students and P & F. Mrs Vicki Jago played the guitar as we all sang *Happy Birthday*, and the celebration ended with a beautiful prayer for Father Grundy from the St Rita's school community.

Judy Billiau
Principal



Photo above Father William Grundy



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'Girls Night In' 2013

Fundraising for Cancer event

What a night! Congratulations and thank you to Jodi and Colby for the mammoth task of organising this fabulous event. It was a top night with lots of fun, frivolity and just the right amount of mayhem!

Welcome to Sue & Derek the new proprietors of the Stag Tavern - (thanks for putting up with us!)

Well done Jodi and Colby and we are already looking forward to next year.

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Be more concerned with your character than your reputation, because your character is what you really are, while your reputation is merely what others think you are.



The Babinda Boxing Club \$200 Fuel Raffle was won by Rachel Nicholas Green Ticket # A 2

Drawn at their Boxing Tournament held Sat 5 October. Read all about it in next months Newsletter

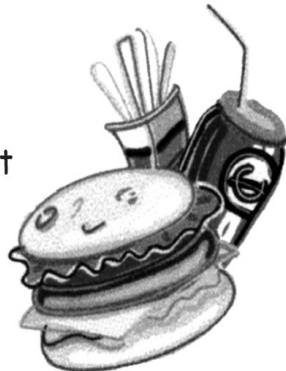
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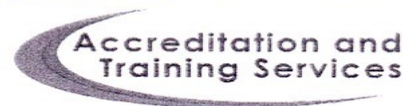
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some washing)

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them in an obvious place such as the coffee
table as soon as you walk in your front door

report ANY suspicious behaviour to Police –
e.g. if you notice people acting or driving
suspiciously around homes, vehicles or
businesses – try and record descriptions of
what you see and notify Police.

Hello from the students, staff and parents of Mirriwinni State School. Year 7 students travelled to Cairns on the last day of term 3 to participate in the University of Queensland's 'Wonder of Science' program which involved students undertaking a research project about a solar vehicle. They worked on this over a period of 7 weeks and then attended a student conference in Cairns where they presented their findings through a competition. The students also responded to questions about their findings. Year 4 students went to Kurrimine Beach as part of the Future Leaders Eco-Challenge and were involved in a range of activities about caring for the reef.

A big thank you to our P&C who have funded the resurfacing of our adventure playground. The synthetic turf looks and feels amazing.

PREP OPEN MORNINGS - TUESDAY 22nd October and Tuesday 5th November.

Watch channel seven's 'It's Academic' to see Mirriwinni State School showcased in their
'The Inbox' segment.

Sandra Bardini Principal

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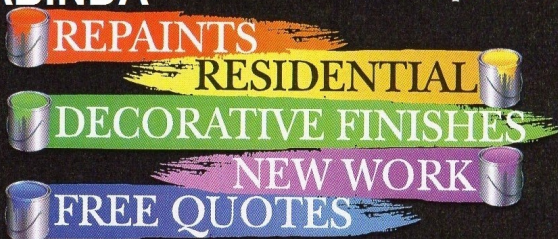
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James Blundell - Singer/Politician, Frances Alley and Member for Kennedy ‘MP Bob Katter’ pictured outside of the Babinda Bakery

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The Cairns Post

Thursday 14th April 1921

Watery Babinda [NOTHING HAS CHANGED]

Mr.S. Favell writes from the State School, Babinda, as follows:- I am forwarding herewith, a copy of the Babinda rainfall, which I would like you to publish in your valuable paper:- 1915, 90.43 ins: 1916, 202.81 inches: 1917, 161.68ins; 1918,151.97ins.;1919, 118.43ins.;1920, 182.88ins.; 1921, January 28.91ins. February 28.35ins, March 81.25ins, April (to 13th) 19.12ins. TOTAL 157.63ins. It is my opinion that Babinda has the biggest rainfall in Australia. We beat Innisfail at any rate. The figures were supplied by the Babinda Central Mill.



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Blast from the Past (February 1990)

This months article received with thanks from Beryl Ball

Babinda "Not doing what it Oughta"!

By Shirley Harwood

Most folk are hot and bothered round Babinda now-a-days
And the Mulgrave Councils told 'em that they'd better change their way's
So they've placed them on 'Restrictions', now the people must beware
For 'not doing what they oughta', they'd better take more care.

'For not doing what they oughta?' what does that really mean?
Well they want to use some water to turn brown lawns back to green.
So they oughta start up raining otherwise they'll lose their place
As Australia's wettest little town, now 'Restrictions' they must face!

How could the Council do it? Now it's made the tourists scoff.
Babinda's on Restrictions! They must turn their water off
We'll blame the 'Golden Gum Boot' for it made some townsfolk vain.
They bragged they were the wettest town, the place with much more rain

Now the Council's gone and done it, and everyone's in shock
This town is on restrictions! How those tourists now will mock
They won't believe we snorkel in our backyards anymore
Or swim down drains with flippers on to go round to the store

That giant frogs live on our roofs and slide down window panes
To leap the flowing waterfalls that gush down when it rains
How could the Council do it? We should've had more time
'For not doing what we oughta', They've condemned us of this crime

What an awful thing to happen! Oh what shame! Such dreadful shame!
How will we ever live it down? We'll never be the same.
It's now decreed 'This wettest town has Restrictions on it's water'.
For evermore we could be ruined for 'not doing what we oughta'!

Our cartoon by Scotty'- PN 16/2/90-prompted Shirley Harwood to pen 'this little tale of woe!'. Shirley wrote 'Poor old Babinda having to have water restrictions! Ah! Well, another chapter in it's amazing history'. Shirley Harwood is a resident of Bartle Frere and was a division three councillor on Mulgrave Shire for many years. Her poems reflecting the history and characters of the Babinda area are legendary! *Cartoon features on page 13*



ATO Tax Help

The Tax Help program will be available from two sites in the FNQ region:

RSL Sub Branch 115 The Esplanade, Cairns ph 4051 5254 and

Innisfail Community Support Centre 13-17 Donald St, Innisfail ph 40438400

Tax Help volunteers provide a free tax return service for individuals with income less than \$50,00pa. Phone ahead to discuss your eligibility and make an appointment. Retirees and veterans given priority.

**The purpose
of life is
a life of
purpose.**

-Robert Byrne

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Photo Competition

We have a winner!!!

Congratulations to Max Brendan Muzic and his pet chook - pictured below. You are the first to win our new 'owner and their pet' photo competition. Please come into the Taskforce to receive yours and your pets prize.

Thank you to last months celebrity judge. This months celebrity judge will be **Mark Edwards** the mural workshop co ordinator.

Please bring your photos into the Taskforce no later than Wednesday 30th October and I will pass them onto Mark for judging.

The winning photo will be published in Novembers Newsletter and the 'owner and pet' will both receive a prize both fitting and appropriate.

Get clicking and good luck!!!



**Babinda
Medical Practice
Ph 40678201**

Ye Olde Sugar Mill

YE OLDE BABINDA SUGAR MILL HAS BEEN
SLOWLY DYING,
SOME PEOPLE ARE NONCHALANT, SOME ARE
CRYING,
FOR THE DAY WHEN THE MILL WAS IN IT'S FULL
GLORY,
EVERYONE HAS THEIR OWN STORY,

WHEN THE BELL TOLLED FOR
YE OLD SUGAR MILL,
IT WAS GOING TO TAKE MORE
THAN GOOD WILL,

TO SAVE THE OLD MILL,
BUT IT SEEMED LIKE FATE,
FOR THE CONDEMNED GIANT,
BEHIND THE GATE!

FOR WHAT ONCE CRUSHED SINCE 1916,
IT'S NOW YE OLD HAS BEEN,
HAVING BEEN CRUSHED AND
DIS BOWLED,

I THOUGHT I EVEN HEARD A GROWL
WHEN I PASSED ON MY WAY,
TO THE GENERAL STORE,
I THOUGHT DOES NOTHING LAST ANYMORE,

I SAW SOME OF THE MILL HISTORY
IN A NEW LIGHT,
ON DISPLAY "HARVEST FESTIVAL" NIGHT,
NOW IT'S LIKE TIME, IS IN SLOW MOTION
IT'S BEEN A METHODOICAL DEMOLITION.

I KNOW PROGRESS IS INEVITABLE
AND 'THAT TIME TURNS THE TABLES
CHANGE IS GOOD THEY SAY,
BUT ALONG LIFE'S BUSY WAY
IF YOU FIND A MINUTE TO STAND STILL
REMEMBER YE OLDE SUGAR MILL

JULIE JONES

Field Trial Update

October 2013

Results of our field trial remain encouraging after two months of mosquito releases. On 29th August, 77% of *Aedes aegypti* mosquitoes we collected in Babinda carried *Wolbachia*.

While this is slightly down from last month's result (79%), some fluctuation is typical and we expect to see this figure rise again. We will continue to monitor how many mosquitoes carry *Wolbachia* and update you on the results.

I would like to take this opportunity to introduce Sarah Flenley, who is now leading our community engagement efforts. Sarah has taken over from Flora, who we said goodbye to last month. Sarah has been with us for over a year but you may see her at more markets and other events. Please email Sarah at sarah.flenley@monash.edu if you have any questions about our research.

Dr Andrew Turley, *Field Trial Manager*, Eliminate Dengue Project, Cairns



For more information about the Eliminate Dengue research program go to www.eliminatedengue.com or call the Cairns office on 1800 811 054 (free from a landline)

Please take care as the weather heats up!!!

Whether it's your human children or your furry, four-legged children, the consequences of leaving either alone in a vehicle can be fatal, especially as the weather heats up.

Motorists need to realise the dangers of leaving animals, especially dogs, unattended in cars and on the back of ute trays.

Here are some important facts regarding dogs in hot cars:

The temperature inside a car can double in a matter of minutes.

A dog left in a car can die within as little as 6 minutes as they are not able to sweat to cool themselves.

A dog panting inside a car will raise the temperature even more quickly.

Leaving the window down or parking in the shade does little to stop the temperature rising in the car.

All animals are affected by heat stress.

Please take care of your animals & children as the North Queensland summer rapidly approaches and don't leave them unattended in a vehicle for any length of time.

Just Joking...

Every night a couple are kept awake by the barking of their next-door neighbours' dog.

Finally the man has had enough and jumps out of bed. 'Right!' he says.

'I'm going to teach them a lesson.' So saying he runs downstairs and comes back five minutes later.

'What did you do?' asks his wife. 'I've put their dog in our garden,' replies the man. 'Let's see how they like it.'

What's Happening In Babinda

BABINDA TASKFORCE - Meetings 4th Thursday of month, 9:30am, Taskforce Office, next: 24 October, 2013

ABBEYFIELD HOUSE - HOY / Mini Cent Sale 3rd Monday of the month 4067 1197

ABBEYFIELD HOUSE - Meeting 1st Monday of the month, 7.30pm, Taskforce Office.

AUSTRALIAN PENSIONERS & SUPERANNUATES LEAGUE 2nd Thursday of the month at 9am SOB Hall

BABINDA ARTS & CRAFTS - 2nd Wednesday every month - 6pm at the shop, bring a chair

BABINDA BARGAIN CENTRE (COOTHARINGA NQ) - HOY 2nd Mon of the month. SOB Hall Ph 4067 1533

BABINDA BOXING CLUB Tuesday & Thursday 5.30—6.30pm, Warren Jensen Hall - Bill Wakeham Park . See advert.

BABINDA BOWLS CLUB - Phone 4067 1148.

BABINDA DISTRICT FISHING CLUB first Tuesday of the month 7.30pm Club House

BABINDA GOLF CLUB-Social days Wed and Fri 3pm Saturday 12.30 in winter and 1pm in summer. Ph 4067 1510

BABINDA HARVEST FESTIVAL - AGM Tuesday 26 Nov, 7pm, 49 Munro St. Everyone welcome

BABINDA LIONS CLUB - 2nd & 4th Monday of the month at 7pm at the RSL Hall, School St

BABINDA MONTHLY MARKET DAY- 2nd Saturday of each month. Contact Roger Castlehouse 4067 1363

BABINDA PUBLIC SPEAKING GROUP - 1st Monday of month, 7pm, SOB Ph: 4067 1438 Loretta Musumeci

BABINDA RAINY DAYS BOOKCLUB - Meets every last Tuesday @ 10am @ Stag Tavern—Call Sue 4067 2640

BABINDA RSL - 1st Sunday of the month, 9:30 am at RSL. Contact 4067 6162

BABINDA STATE SCHOOL P & C MEETING - 4th Monday of the month 7.30pm at the school

BARTLE FRERE STATE SCHOOL - Family Day Group Tuesday 9am—11am 4067 6240

CARER'S SUPPORT NETWORK - Last Friday of month, Innisfail Hospital, Transport available ph: 40678200

CHILD HEALTH CLINIC - 2nd Wednesday of the month 10am Hospital. Ph 4061 5388

CHINATSU MEDITATION AND HEALING CENTRE every Friday morning from 9.15am. Enq Karen 4067 2474

COUNCILLOR STEVE BRAIN - By appointment 4044 3071, 0488 148 778 or s.brain@ Cairns.qld.gov.au

FITNESS CLASS: Postponed until further notice. For more information phone Laurel 4067 1378

INFO CENTRE - Open 9 - 4 daily

KIDS CLUB - Grade 1 to Grade 7 - Wednesday 5pm to 7.30pm CWA Hall, Babinda

MENSHED'S - Wed & Fri's 9am - 2pm @ Babinda's Showground contact Merv for further info: 40618494

PLAYGROUP BABINDA BUMBLEBEES: Tuesdays 9am-11am, Community Hall, Church St, Julie 0438 033 898

QCWA BABINDA- 2nd Sat of the month meeting 9.30am .4th Mon of the month - Hoy/Mini Cent Sale 1.30pm

QCWA DEERAL-2nd Wed of the month-09.00am Craft lessons-open to all. Meeting 1.30pm

RELAXABOUT MASSAGE RETREAT - Ph Judi Van Dycke on 0400 726 245

RUSSELL LANDCARE & CATCHMENT GROUP - Contact 4067 2515

SOCIAL TOUCH FOOTBALL - Every Thursday night 7pm Bill Wakeham Park

SNAKE REMOVALIST - Brian James mobile 0400 752 977 or home phone 4067 1581

STORYTIME - Babinda Library 3rd Wednesday every month, 10.30-11.30am, 4067 1112

TAI CHI - Wednesdays 9.30am -10.30am Spirit Of Babinda Hall

WILDLIFE CARERS (FNQ) 4067-6054 (after 4pm & W/ends) 0428 699 246 (7.30am to 4.00pm Mon to Fri)

YOGA - Wednesdays 5.30am - 7.00pm, Spirit of Babinda Hall. Ph Ingrid 4056 6909 INGRIDURBAN@GMX.DE

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