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**September 2015**



## *"The President's Notes"*

*Rachel Nicholas*

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Hi everyone,

Firstly I wish to thank the community for the wonderful support I have received since last months newsletter release. I am pleasantly surprised as well as encouraged by the positive comments and concern for the continuance of the Taskforce. All input, no matter how small the gesture may have seemed at the time, has been noted and gratefully accepted. On behalf of my fabulous management team we thank you and look forward to catching up with you at the upcoming AGM. (See details below)

Well it's been business as usual around here: We organised the annual CRC Seniors outing, this year our lovelies were treated to a high-tea party including music, dancing and games at the Botanical Gardens. This month we served over 100 Centrelink and/or Medicare customers. We photocopied, printed, laminated, faxed and passed on valuable pearls of wisdom to tourists and locals alike. We facilitated meetings, community events as well as commenced training of a new Centrelink Agent - namely Todd Ambrum whom we welcome to the Taskforce.

### **AGM Wednesday 23rd September @ 4.30 pm at the Taskforce Spirit of Babinda Hall**

Nomination forms and instructions are inside this cover. All opinions and views are heard however only financial members may vote and/or nominate. We currently have 104 members. All executive positions need to be filled to ensure the survival of the Taskforce and the needs of this wonderful community continue to be met. I would like to take this opportunity to thank the outgoing 2014/2015 executives for their invaluable support of the Taskforce as well as myself and wish the incoming committee all the best for the future.

Be good,

Rachel

#### **RAINFALL: AUGUST 2015**

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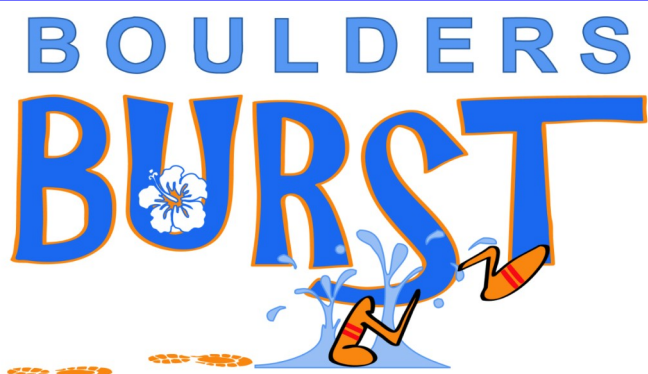
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## Annual General Meeting Wednesday 23/09/2015 at Spirit of Babinda Hall 4.30pm

Nomination form:

Position	Nominated	Proposer	Seconder
President	Name	Name	Name
	Signature	Signature	Signature
Vice President	Name	Name	Name
	Signature	Signature	Signature
Treasurer	Name	Name	Name
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Secretary	Name	Name	Name
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The nominated, proposer and seconder to write their full name, sign and be current financial members. This form is to be presented at the Babinda Taskforce at 51 Munro St Babinda by 16/09/2015. Nominations not meeting this requisite can not be accepted.



**Babinda, Saturday 10/10/15**

**21.1k MSF Sugar Half-Marathon,**  
Start 7:00am, min. age 15 years

**10k ORORA Challenge**  
Start 7:30am, min. age 12 years

**5k Bendigo Babinda Community Bank Fun Run**  
Start 8:00am, min. age 12 years

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We are excited to announce that for the first time in a while we are bringing the legendary Boulders Burst back on the agenda of this year's Babinda Harvest Festival on Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> October 2015.

Our goal is to get as many locals 'moving' and participate in one of our three categories. There will be a short 5k run/walk, a medium level 10k run and a challenging 21.1k Half-Marathon which includes the arduous climb to get to the Babinda Boulders and back into town. There is only a minimum age requirement but no maximum age - so all the seniors are very welcome to participate. :-)

Start and Finish will be at the Show Grounds and merry in well with the Harvest Festival Markets.

The race date is a great warm up event for the 'Run for the Reef' in Port Douglas early November and we predict athletes will travel from as far as Port Douglas, the Tablelands and Townsville for this first event but might come to Babinda from different parts of Queensland in the future. For both the female and the male overall winners in each category there will be some substantial prize money to win. For all the other athletes we are printing a unique Boulders Burst shirt as a proof for their great achievement.

Online registrations are now open - visit [Facebook.com/bouldersburst](https://www.facebook.com/bouldersburst) or [registernow.com.au](https://www.registernow.com.au)

*We are looking forward to a great event*





One word - WOW! The 2015 season has now come to a close and what an exciting and rewarding big year it has been for our club! Player numbers have increased sixfold throughout the year, where we had over 65 boys and girls sign up for the 2015 season. We can now boast that the Babinda Colts JRL club consists of an Under 6s, Under 8s, Under 10s and an Under 12s team. This level of participation is the result of the great support we have received from not only the players but their parents, the community and the work of the dedicated committee. The club is very fortunate to have you all as part of the team and we all look forward to another successful season next year.



### **GORDON TALLIS CUP**

Gordon Tallis needs no introduction to rugby league followers and on the weekend of July 4-5, Townsville & District Jnr Rugby League hosted the 14<sup>th</sup> annual 'Gordon Tallis Cup Under 10 Round Robin weekend. Innisfail Cowboys under 10 players competed at the event along with two of our own players; Mitchell Forrest and Cooper Luce. Our boys were lucky enough to be chosen to make up the team and experienced great success with Cowboys making the semi-final, taking out the Reg Mathews Plate in an 8-4 win over Centrals White. Great sportsmanship was shown by all of the teams that participated; ensuring all the players had a great experience and took away fond memories.



### **WARREN PITT CUP GORDONVALE**

On Saturday 11 July Southern Suburbs Rugby League hosted the 15<sup>th</sup> annual Warren Pitt Cup U/11s Carnival at Alley Park in Gordonvale. The Colts under 11 players competed in four games over the day, winning two of them. Under 11 teams from throughout the region competed, with the overall winning team being the Yarrabah Seahawks. Our boys performed well, displaying all the skill and great instruction received from their coaches throughout the year. Congratulations to all teams, it was great for our club to be able to play against teams in the CDJRL.



### **NEW CLUB SHIRTS**

The new Colts shirts look fantastic!



Many players, families and members of the community have purchased one already! They are selling like hot cakes so if you would like one for

yourself or perhaps a gift for Christmas they are sure to put a smile on any rugby league fan's face! Thank you to all our wonderful sponsors and to our major sponsor the Bendigo Bank. Check out our Facebook page for details on how you can get your hands on one!

### **2015 PRESENTATION & SEASON BREAK UP**



On Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> August we were proud to have held our end of year breakup/presentation day at Bill Wakeham Park. There was a great show of players and families who were all very excited to receive their trophy, medallion and team photo! The afternoon was celebrated with the trophy presentation, BBQ lunch, cutting of the yummy cake along with lots of fun had on the jumping castle and bucking bull. Congratulations to all our awesome players; you have all improved upon yourselves and should be very proud of the skills and great sportsmanship displayed this year. Congratulations to the following players for receiving special recognition from their coaches:

*Coach's choice awards went to Ashton Delamare (U6), Zion Bull (U8), Jacob Bowen (U10). BJ Ambrum (U12-Best Back), Axel Gorman (U12-Best Forward), Sean Binks (U12-Most Improved) and Matty Wilkins (U12-Best & Fairest). WELL DONE BOYS!*



Special **HUGE** thanks goes out to our awesome coaches; Keith Delamare, Kevin Ganley, Clinton Henrich, Brendan Poppi and Jordan Hanson, who twice a week volunteer their own time to coach our players! Their passion for the game is evident and our club is very fortunate to have you. We all admire your patience and persistence gentlemen! Our Sign on and Come and Try Day will be held early next year, when the date is set it will be up on the FB page, flyers will go home from schools and advertising will be around town so keep an eye out and we will see you in 2016!

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### **Museum thanks our Bank**

Gwenda Gray with her winning cassowary design tea cosy. Mulgrave Settlers' Museum said " We would like to give a big thanks to Babinda **Community Bank®** as they were our largest sponsor, donating \$200 towards the event."



### **We welcome Brenda for 6 months**

Ten years in Banking has seen Brenda in positions from teller to Branch Manager and her experience will be invaluable. She's looking forward to meeting you all and is available to talk about home and personal loans and all things banking.

Brenda is married with 2 children and now 2 gorgeous grandchildren. In her spare time she likes renovating and DIY projects.



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## **AROMATHERAPY- CARING FOR GREY HAIR**

Hi, I had a call recently asking me what I can suggest for hair going grey so this article is especially for you. Depending on levels of nutrition, grey hair can have a tendency towards being dry, frizzy and brittle, so it needs a little care. Massaging the scalp with essential oils is a great way to look after the hair. Making hair shiny and strong while improving the condition of the scalp. For dark hair, place 2-3 drops onto the palms of your hands of suggested essential oils below +1/2 tsp olive or coconut oil can be included. Massage into the scalp and then through the rest of your hair. **DARK HAIR- Rosemary, thyme or sage. LIGHTER HAIR- German chamomile or lavender.**

## **HERBAL RINSE**

Herbal rinses made with fresh herbs from the garden are another great way of improving the overall appearance of the hair. Herbal rinses will also slowly change the colour of your hair. Always happy to write about things of interest you may be curious about. Enjoy your month stay positive, keep smiling. For more details regarding this article email- sharonrogers2011@gmail.com

## **Info Centre Illuminations**

Spring has sprung and so we are now seeing a reduction in our visitor numbers, although both free camping areas are continuing to be fully occupied. This may have something to do with the beautiful weather we are experiencing. Our statistics show a slight reduction in visitor numbers so far this year, although there has been an increase in our website "hits".

We have been informed by Cassowary Coast Council that the Innisfail Chamber of Commerce has reopened (at least until Christmas) part of the old Information Centre. It is open Monday to Friday and will not be an accredited centre.

A gentleman walked into our centre Saturday afternoon and asked if we had any long term rental accommodation available!!!! Luckily we could direct him to The Quarters and suggested he see a real estate agent on Monday.

We are all working on ideas and methodology for our costumes for the Harvest Fest on the 10<sup>th</sup> Oct. We are looking forward to participating and to seeing what marvelous creations others have made.

Mirriwinni State School is celebrating its centenary on October 1, with celebrations starting at 10am and continuing all day and into the night. Certainly worth popping in to share the occasion.

*Until next time ~~~~~*

***Happy Trails***

### *2015 Seniors Botanical Gardens Outing*

The annual Seniors Week Botanical Garden high-tea was once again a sell-out affair, featuring a scrumptious high tea, trivia and entertainment by Rhys Tolhurst. Thank you to the CRC for providing the bus and taking 29 of our local Seniors to this wonderful event.

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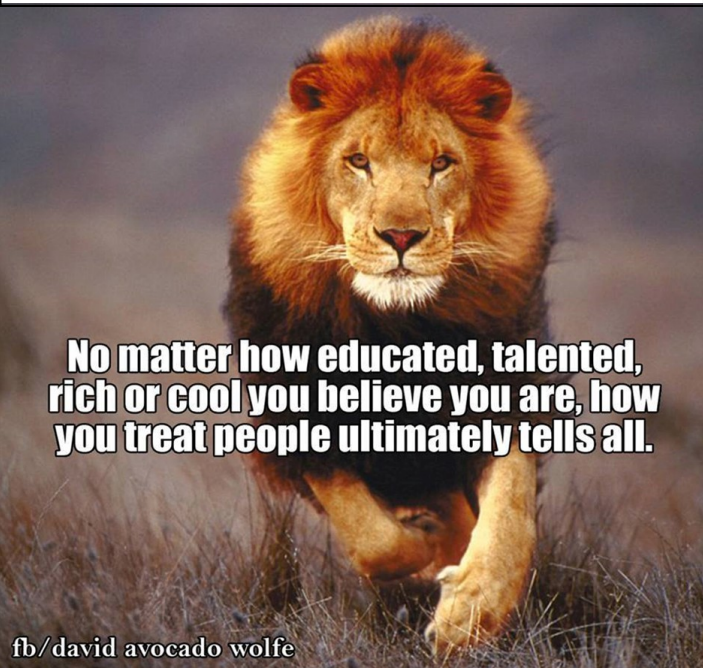
Do you have no friends or family in the area?

If you believe that your personal circumstances qualify you to be placed on the register, please contact:

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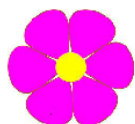
Lamb forequarters with garlic crushed potatoe

Method:

Ingredients:

4 lamb forequarters  
150 ml soy sauce  
100 ml sweet chilli sauce  
100 ml sprite  
2 tablespoons garlic  
3 medium potatoes  
1 tablespoon butter  
50 ml of cream

Marinate forequarters with soy, sweet chilli, sprite and 1 tablespoon of garlic for 24 hours.  
Preheat oven at 180 degrees  
Bake forequarters with foil for 1 hour  
Wash potatoes and boil for 20 mins (until they are soft)  
Strain potatoes and return to empty pot, add butter, cream and 1 tablespoon of garlic  
Crush potato mix with fork lightly creating texture  
Strain baked forequarters keeping sauce in a pot  
Reduce sauce until it is a thick consistency  
Serve crushed potatoes with forequarters and dribble sauce over the top  
Enjoy!



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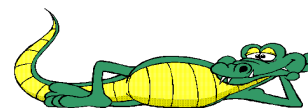
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# Babinda Taskforce

**Curtis Pitt MP**  
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## Babinda's time to shine

Babinda's stunning geography with the Boulders and Josephine Falls make this place a magnet for visitors year round, but in the coming weeks we have an opportunity to showcase more than just our region's natural beauty – the vibrancy and character of this great town will be on display.

The Babinda Harvest Festival is one of my favourite times of year, an event that brings this community together to celebrate the identity of one of the Far North's most iconic cane towns. The event also brings economic uplift through the increased visitation and associated with community events, so I hope everyone in town has been encouraging their friends and relatives from across the region to visit Babinda.

I will again have the honour of crowning this year's *Miss Personality* on October 10. I know this year's Festival Princesses have been working tirelessly on fundraising initiatives, floats and attending community events. So I'd like to congratulate entrants Keira Dewis, Chelsea Bombardieri, Tawny Ambrum, Billie George-Allen, Demi Mansfield and Ellie Keily. I wish you all the very best, especially ahead of the Harvest Ball on September 26.

Last year's Princesses raised more than \$9,000 for charity and I'm confident this year's entrants can top \$10,000.



Personally, my favourite aspect of the Festival is the Traders' Competition. The key to any community event is community involvement and seeing all the businesses in town dressing up their shop windows invokes a sense of pride unique to the Harvest Festival. This year's theme is 'Flower Power', so there's plenty of scope for creativity. I think we can expect big things.

Of course the main event will be the Grand Parade, a family affair that my kids are already excited about. I look forward to seeing you all on October 10.

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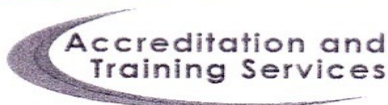
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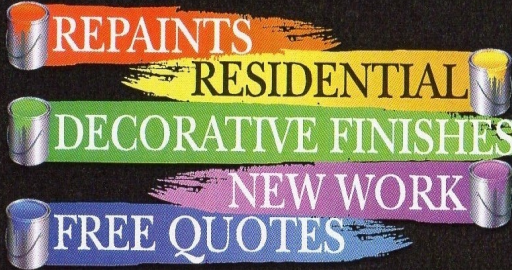
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Or being hated, don't give way to hating,  
And yet don't look too good, nor talk too wise.

If you can dream – and not make dreams your master  
If you can think – and not make thoughts your aim;  
If you can meet with Triumph and Disaster  
And treat those two impostors just the same;  
If you can bear to hear the truth you've spoken  
Twisted by Knaves to make a trap for fools,  
Or watch the things you gave your life to, broken,  
And stoop and build 'em up with worn-out tools:

If you can make one heap of all your winnings  
And risk it on one turn of of pitch-and-toss,  
And lose, and start again at your beginnings,  
And never breathe a word about your loss:  
If you can force your heart and nerve and sinew  
To serve your turn long after they are gone,  
And so hold on when there is nothing in you  
Except the Will which says to them: "Hold on!"  
If you can talk with crowds and keep your virtue,  
Or Walk with Kings – nor lose the Common touch,  
If neither foes nor loving friends can hurt you,  
If all men count with you, but none too much:  
If you can fill the unforgiving minute  
With sixty seconds worth of distance run,  
Yours is the Earth and everything that's in it,  
And - which is more - you'll be a Man, my son!

Source: A choice of Kipling's Verse (1943)

*Thank you to the community members for informing  
me of the true author of this majestic poem. This has  
been republished with you in mind.*



# BABINDA HOSPITAL MPHS NEWS



## National Stroke Week September 14-20.

**A stroke is always a medical emergency. Recognise the signs of stroke call 000.**

A stroke is not a heart attack. A stroke happens when the supply of blood to the brain is suddenly interrupted. Some strokes are fatal while others cause permanent or temporary disability.

### **Reducing your risk of stroke,**

There are 6 steps people can take to reduce the risk and danger of stroke, These are:

- Know your personal risk factors: high blood pressure, diabetes and high cholesterol
- Regular health checks with your GP.
- Be physically active and exercise regularly
- Avoid obesity by keeping to a healthy diet
- Limit alcohol consumption
- Avoid cigarette smoke, If you smoke, seek help to stop now
- Learn to recognise the warning signs of a stroke and act FAST



The longer a stroke remains untreated, the greater the chance of stroke related brain damage. Emergency medical treatment soon after symptoms begin improves the chance of survival and successful rehabilitation.

### **Using the F.A.S.T. test involves asking these simple questions:**

**Face** Check their face. Has their mouth drooped? **Arms** Can they lift both arms?

**Speech** Is their speech slurred? Do they understand you? **Time** Is critical. Call 000 if you see any of these signs.



As the weather warms we would like to offer a fitness group at the pool for the over 65's who would like to submerge and keep cool. Of course numbers are important so at this point we are looking for any interest. If you are interested please phone Hayley on 40678280.

## **Plan In Advance for Peace of Mind Later.**

If you were suddenly injured or became seriously ill, who would know your choices on healthcare?

### An Enduring Power of Attorney

This nominates a family member or friend (more than one if you wish) to make

important decisions for you when you are unable to do so. You can also nominate the same person or someone different to take care of financial matters.

### An Advance Health Directive

This is a formal document that records your choices about future health care for a time when you may be unable to communicate. It needs to be signed by your doctor.

What a difference advance planning can make!

Unforeseeable events unfortunately do occur. By completing these documents today it will help your family, friends and doctor to understand your treatment preferences and ensure your wishes are respected, particularly about your end-of-life care.





"I am with great pleasure Council has recently gone into partnership with the Babinda Hospital's 'Babinda Multipurpose Health Service Community Advisory Network' to fund an outdoor exercise circuit at the Bill Wakeham Park. The idea was originally floated by network's President Greg Hendy and I thought it was a great idea. Specialist advice was provided by Babinda's Occupational Therapist Hayley Marano and Physiotherapist Julie Catton.

The park area was chosen for its openness, and proximity to other community facilities. The fitness station was chosen to cater for the young and old, fit and not so fit – allowing everybody to have a go. The configuration had to meet these criteria.

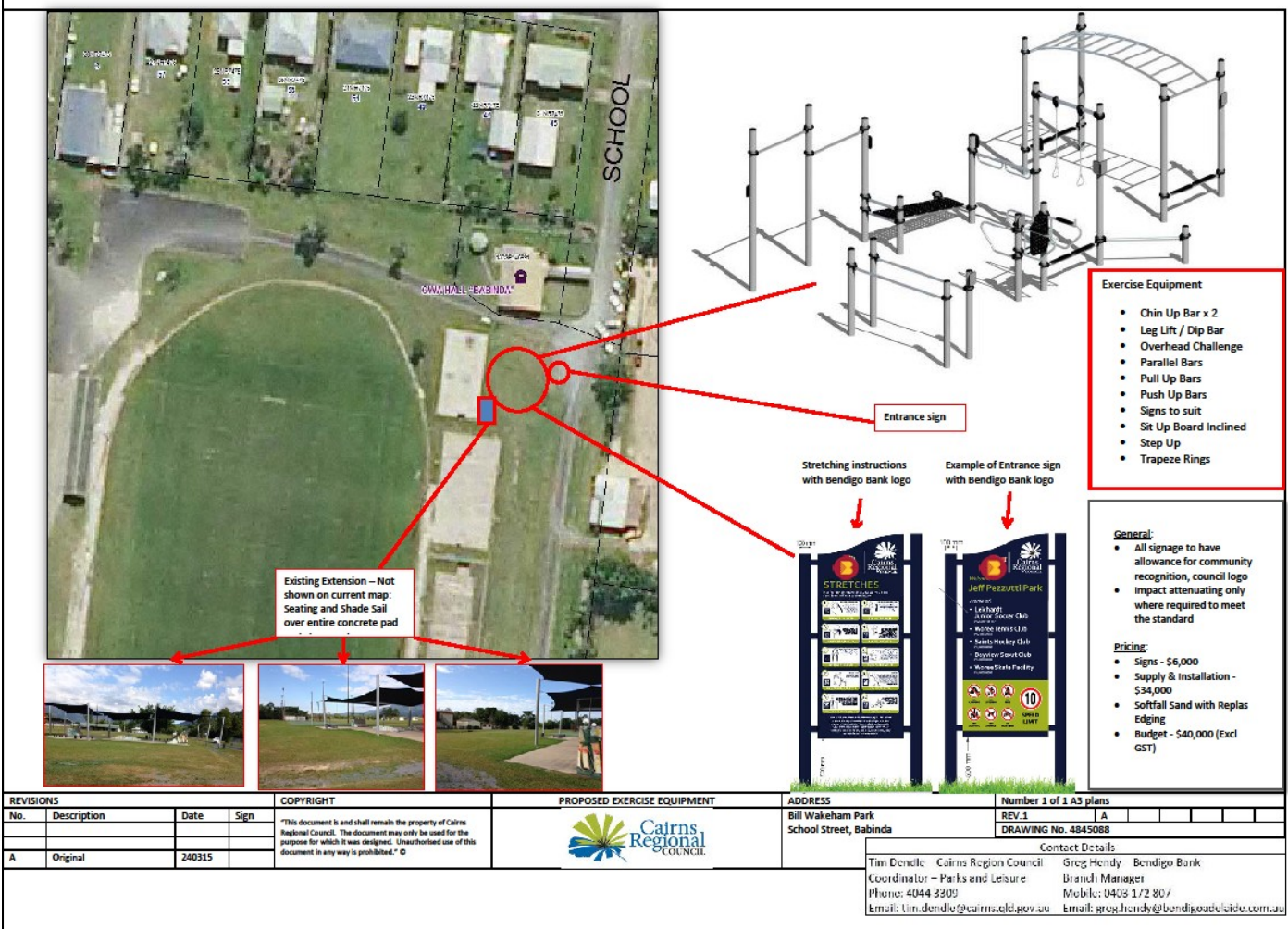
1. provide a variety of strength, aerobic and flexibility based exercises;
2. represent best value for money;
3. be versatile with multiple applications and functionality;
4. minimise risk to users and Council;
5. be suitable for all ages and abilities;
6. minimise whole of life costs associated with maintenance and repair; and
7. meet all relevant standards

Building will start with the month."

Steve Brain | Mbr - Div 1

CRC

M: 0488 148 778



**Exercise Equipment**

- Chin Up Bar x 2
- Leg Lift / Dip Bar
- Overhead Challenge
- Parallel Bars
- Pull Up Bars
- Push Up Bars
- Signs to suit
- Sit Up Board Inclined
- Step Up
- Trapeze Rings

**Signage**

- Entrance sign
- Stretching instructions with Bendigo Bank logo
- Example of Entrance sign with Bendigo Bank logo


**General:**

- All signage to have allowance for community recognition, council logo
- Impact attenuating only where required to meet the standard

**Pricing:**

- Signs - \$6,000
- Supply & Installation - \$34,000
- Softfall Sand with Replas Edging
- Budget - \$40,000 (Excl GST)

**Existing Extension - Not shown on current map: Seating and Shade Sail over entire concrete pad**

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**Contact Details**

Tim Denolle - Cairns Region Council Coordinator - Parks and Leisure Phone: 4044 3209 Email: tim.denolle@cairns.qld.gov.au	Greg Hendy - Bendigo Bank Branch Manager Mobile: 0405 172 807 Email: greg.hendy@bendigobank.com.au
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## Lines From The Library

Are you passionate about libraries and literacy? The Babinda library is looking for people to join our Friends Of Cairns Library volunteer group to help deliver storytime and other literacy programs on a regular basis. If you are interested you can find details and the application form on the Cairns Library website at [www.cairnslibrary.com.au](http://www.cairnslibrary.com.au). From there just click on to My Library then Services then Become A Volunteer or you can contact Holly at the Babinda library.

I would like to take a moment to thank everyone for your patience during our closure of the Babinda library for maintenance. If you haven't already, do drop in to have a look at our fresh new paint job. I hope to see you in the library sometime soon. Cheers, Holly

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Tuesdays - Closed Xmas Day

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**Cairns Post Friday 17 December 1937, page 12 (continued from last month)**

**BOWLS - BABINDA CLUB**

BABINDA, December 14

"On Sunday last the long-looked-for day, "The official opening of the Babinda Bowling Club" was celebrated with enthusiasm by members and visitors. At 10 a.m. the green was placed at the pleasure of the visitors; representative teams from Innisfail, Gordonvale, Cairns Masonic, Cairns City, and visitors from as far South as Brisbane played until lunch time. At 1.30 p.m. a novelty bowling event was played off by Mr. Seymour Howe, Messrs, Prandolini, Pawsey, Mellick and Neilsen being the winners. Games were started at 2.30 and play carried on till 3.30 p.m., when a festive board was provided by the ladies' club.

After the ten adjournment Mr. H. J. Thomas president of the Babinda club called on Mr. Seymour Howe, as president of the F.N.D.Q.R.A., to take charge. On rising to speak Mr. Howe was given a great ovation; no doubt they were proud of their Far Northern President, and who would not be.

In his opening remarks, Mr. Howe said he was pleased to be in attendance as President of the F.N.D.Q.R.A. "I have followed the movements of the Babinda Club with keen interest" he said, "and the voluntary work performed by the members, the enthusiasm shown by all to make the club a success could be well copied by many other clubs. I wish to compliment the ladies for the wonderful help they are giving the club. Mr. Thomas had stated that during the past six months the ladies' club had presented this club with 90 pounds. I wish my own club would take notice of the efforts of the Babinda bowlers. I am going to ask Mrs. Thomas (wife of the president) to roll the first bowl on the Babinda green, but before doing so I declare the Babinda Bowling Club officially open, and from now on you will be in order to take part in all bowling competitions."

The ceremony was concluded by the unfurling of the club's flag.

Other speakers to wish the Babinda club every success in future were Messrs. Griffin (Gordonvale), Lowe (Atherton), Venables (Innisfail), Fookes (Cairns Masonic), Parker (Cairns), Corbett (Noola, Ingham) and Illingworth (Southern clubs).

Mr. Howe then asked the members to assist him unveil the "Championship Roll" for the year 1937. In the course of his remarks he said it was pleasing to see the president (Mr. Thomas) the winner for the first year. He congratulated Mr. Thomas on his win and as the City Mutual Cup was also coupled with the championship it was with pleasure that he presented the handsome cup to Mr. Thomas.

In reply Mr. Thomas said: "I am proud to have my name as first winner on the roll. Some may perhaps say that the members had allowed him to have this distinction but such was not the case as I had to fight for every game."

Mr May, as runner-up, was congratulated by Mr. Howe.

In responding, Mr. May said he spoke for all his brother bowlers when he extended congratulations to the president on winning the championship.

As part of the gala week-end the club entertained the members of the ladies' club on Saturday afternoon, six rinks being played. The ladies enjoyed a pleasant afternoon and several of the club's teams were quite busy in keeping ahead of the ladies. During the tea adjournment Mr. Thomas welcomed the ladies to the green and assured them the club are indeed indebted to them for the valuable assistance they were giving. The club members joined in singing "Why Were They Born So Beautiful" after which Mrs. Davies (vice-president) thanked the president and members for the enjoyable afternoon. Mrs. Pawsey and Mrs. Buderius were the winners in the Watson-May trophy, and the donors were called upon to make the presentation. The ladies suitably responded."

Reference: <http://nla.gov.au/nla.news-article41832419>

We hope you have enjoyed this short series as this now concludes the story of how the 'Babinda Bowls Club' came to fruition. Thank you to one of the biggest supporters Babinda has Holly Goriss, for rounding up the information for this *'Babinda Blast from the Past'*

## What's Happening In Babinda

**BABINDA TASKFORCE** - AGM: Wednesday 23 September, 4.30pm at the Taskforce Spirit of Babinda Hall.

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

**BABINDA ARTS & CRAFTS** - Open 9am-4pm daily. Meetings 2nd Wed of month @ 6pm.

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

**BABINDA BOXING CLUB Inc:** 1st Monday each month HOY/CENT SALE - CWA Hall 1.30pm. See advert for Club details

**BABINDA BOWLS CLUB** - Phone 4067 1148.

**BABINDA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE MEETING** - 5.30pm - 1st Tue of month at Roddo's News: 4067 1222

**BABINDA CHOI KWANG DO** - CWA Hall Mon & Thu 5.30 - 6.30pm. All ages welcome. Enquiries to 0413 386 942

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

**BABINDA MONTHLY MARKET DAY**- 2nd Sat of month. Contact Roddo: 4067 1222

**BABINDA PUBLIC SPEAKING GROUP** - 2nd Mon of month 7pm contact Loretta 4067 1438 or Rod 40674110 for details

**BABINDA RAINY DAYS BOOKCLUB** - Meets every last Tue of month @ 10am @ Stag Tavern—Call Sue 4067 2640

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

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

**BEYOND BLUE** - 1300 22 46 36

**BRAMSTON BEACH MOTEL: CRAFT MORNINGS:** Thursdays 10am - 12 midday Ph Deb 40674139 to express interest

**BUMBLEBEES PLAYGROUP** - Tuesdays 9-11am, Community Hall, Church St, ph Honorei 0408 205 053 for details

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

**DANI'S ALTERATIONS & REPAIRS:** 2nd & 4th Wed at Taskforce P:4067 6197 leave message (**appointment required!**)

**HARVEST FESTIVAL 2015:** 10th October HARVEST BALL: September 26th babindaharvestfestival52@gmail.com

**INFO CENTRE** - Open 9 - 4 daily, 4067 1008, [www.babindainfocentre.com.au](http://www.babindainfocentre.com.au) (view this Newsletter in colour)

**KIDS CLUB** - Prep - Year 6 - Wednesday 5pm to 7.30pm CWA Hall, Babinda. Phone Janis 4067 1406

**LIFELINE** - 13 11 14

**MENSHED'S** - Wed & Fri's 9am-2pm @ Babinda's Showground contact Merv for further info: 4061 8494

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

**QCWA DEERAL**-2nd Wednesday of the month— Meeting 9.30am Craft follows meeting. Deeral Hall

**ST RITAS HARVEST FESTIVAL TRIVIA NIGHT:** Wednesday 7 October, Doors open 6.30pm, Phone: 4067 1467

**SAMARITAN'S PURSE:** Christmas Shoe Box Appeal October. Drop off to 123 Munro St. Phone: 4067 2541 or 4067 1651

**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 Monday of month, 10.30—11.30am , 4067 1112

**TAI CHI** - Wednesdays 9.30 -10.30am, ph: Audrey on 4067 2271 for info, Spirit Of Babinda Hall, Gold coin donation

**WILDLIFE SIGHTINGS:** Call 1300 130 372 and follow the prompts

**WOMEN'S FREE CLINIC:** to Medicare eligible clients, Babinda Hospital, Wed 8 July - ph 4067 8200 for appointment

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