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**On the cover:** Christmas by Starlight's Alexa Curtis. **Photo:** Rob Maccoll.

# Stay chilled at the tip this summer!

It's hot and busy at Council's waste transfer stations during summer. But it's also a golden opportunity for resource recovery, through our various on-site recycling options.

Here's some pointers for a quick and easy trip to the tip while keeping your personal contribution to landfill to a minimum.



### Before you go:

- Get sorted – separate general waste and recycling. Different recycling collection points on site include:
  - ◆ Greenwaste
  - ◆ E-waste (TVs and computers only)
  - ◆ Scrap metal
  - ◆ Fridges & white goods
  - ◆ Vehicle Batteries
  - ◆ Empty gas bottles
  - ◆ Clothing
  - ◆ Engine oil
  - ◆ Vegetable oil
  - ◆ Cardboard
  - ◆ Timber
  - ◆ Clean bricks and concrete
  - ◆ Polystyrene
  - ◆ Pre-loved goods (Recycleworld drop-offs)
- Remember proof of residency – have it ready to show when you pull up to the gatehouse. Eg your current driver's licence.

### Be safe on site:

- **Listen to instructions** – our staff ensure the site runs efficiently and safely for you and others
- **No smoking** – flammable substances are on site
- **Drop loads in the right spot** – dropping mixed loads contaminates stockpiles, creates hazards and is costly to rectify
- **Park in designated locations** – our parking spots are chosen with your safety in mind
- **Keep children and animals in cars** – waste transfer stations are neither children nor pet-friendly places.

### Declare your load:

It's important for everyone's safety and it's the law. So please cooperate with staff when you're asked about your load at the gatehouse.

**For more information on waste and recycling in the Redlands, visit Council's website or call 3829 8999.**

[www.redland.qld.gov.au/waste](http://www.redland.qld.gov.au/waste)



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# Managing waste during the holiday season

## Waste transfer stations

Both our Redland Bay and Birkdale sites are open every day except Christmas Day (25 December 2014) and Good Friday (3 April 2015).

### Opening hours:

7am – 5.15pm

## Wheelie bins

There will be **no change** to household general waste, recycling and green waste collection on public holidays.

## RecycleWorld Redland Bay

Our trash and treasure shop at Redland Bay Waste Transfer Station is usually open Thursdays and Saturdays, 9am-2pm.

## RecycleWorld Holiday closures:

Christmas Day  
 Saturday 27 December  
 New Year's Day  
 Saturday 3 January

### Extra day open:

Tuesday 23 December.



**For more information:** [www.redland.qld.gov.au/waste](http://www.redland.qld.gov.au/waste)



## From the Mayor's desk

**Mayor Karen Williams | Redland City**

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# In a fortunate City, we should all think about how we can make a difference

As we approach the festive season, it is timely that we turn our minds to an issue that impacts so much on many families – domestic and family violence.

This is an insidious and private type of violence that affects not just those subjected to it and their families but the whole community.

In Queensland last year, more than 64,000 incidents of domestic and family violence were reported, with almost 13,000 breaches of domestic violence orders.

Our City accounts for about 3 per cent of all domestic and family violence protection orders applied for across Queensland – that's more than 600 a year and more than 12 victims a week.

The State Government is determined to take a lead role in preventing domestic and family violence.

Premier Campbell Newman has established a special taskforce, chaired by the Honourable Quentin Bryce AD CVO, former Governor-General of Australia, as the first step.

The Government has responded to lobbying from the Council, local MPs and others and called tenders to deliver a dedicated domestic and family violence service

for the Redlands from early 2015. We can all be part of making a difference.

The key to addressing this issue is education – of victims and of perpetrators. Victims need to know they do not need to tolerate such abuse and that help is at hand. Perpetrators need to take responsibility for their actions and change their behaviour.

**“We have a wealth of riches here in the Redlands that we can share with others.”**  
*Mayor Karen Williams*

We need to educate the community and raise awareness of existing, enhanced and new services on offer.

Locally, we began this task with the establishment of the Redlands Domestic and Family Violence Action Group and we will continue with my first Mayoral Diner en Rouge on Saturday, 29 November, which will raise funds to support domestic and family violence education.

Diner en Rouge is shaping as a great success in raising

awareness of this issue. It will be held in a secret location – creating the analogy that domestic violence often happens in secret. The support of sponsors and the community indicates there is a growing awareness of the problem, and that people want change.

We often forget the meaning of Christmas because we are caught up in end-of-year business and chaos. We have a wealth of riches here in the Redlands that we can share with others. It is important that we promote our home and that we continue to build that special sense of community.

We need to consider how special events help us celebrate our sense of place. Bring your family and friends and join in Christmas by Starlight, Council's way of saying thanks to our wonderful community for your contribution during the year. See the impressive line-up of local talent at Capalaba Regional Park on December 6.

I hope that this year we can celebrate the lifestyle and special gifts that we enjoy every day as Redlanders, yet still find time to think of those who may be less fortunate.

Let's all make a commitment to respond in some way that will make our City, and our world, a better place.

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# Christmas by Starlight



YOUNG TALENT: Starlight's Leah Lever and Alexa Curtis get in the Christmas spirit.

## Free festive fun for the Redlands

The Redlands will celebrate this festive season with some extra special trimmings at a free Christmas by Starlight community concert at Capalaba Regional Park on December 6

Starlight is expected to draw up to 10,000 people for a family friendly night of fun, entertainment and traditional carols ... and everyone is invited.

Concert producer and Division 8 councillor Alan Beard has commissioned a first-class line-up of performers for the night, including former Ten Tenor and 2013 *The Voice Australia* runner-up Luke Kennedy, cabaret star Naomi Price and 2014 *The Voice Kids* winner Alexa Curtis as well as a host of other talented local artists.

"The event doesn't just come together on the night," said Cr Beard.

"There have been months of preparations and rehearsals to make Christmas by Starlight a night to remember.

"Our local performers include rising stars such as Jal Joshua, Leah Lever, Adeline Williams and Kiara Rodrigues and, of course, they will be accompanied by the Redland Sinfonia Orchestra and Redland City Choir.

"All these people deserve congratulations for the effort they are putting in to deliver something that is going to be very special ... something that showcases the depth of

performing talent we are privileged to have here in the Redlands."

The family fun activities start from 4pm with jumping castles, the always popular animal petting zoo, rock-climbing and face-painting. Even Santa himself will take time out from his busy schedule to make sure he doesn't miss out on any of the fun ... or the huge array of food and information stalls.

There have been months of preparations and rehearsals to make Christmas by Starlight a night to remember.

*Cr Alan Beard, Deputy Mayor and Division 8 (Birkdale South, Alexandra Hills North)*

*Concert producer*

At 5.45pm there will be a Children's Christmas Show, followed by a traditional Christmas Concert.

Redland City Mayor Karen Williams said several charities and community causes would benefit from the night.

"This is a real community event - Redlands style," she said. "It is extremely pleasing that many of our vendors have pledged part of their proceeds to a wide range of community groups and projects that help make our city such a great place to live, work and do business. Plus it's going to be a whole lot of fun for all the family."

This year the event has returned to Capalaba Regional Park where a loop bus will bring revellers who live or park nearby. Free buses will run direct to the event from throughout the city, making Christmas by Starlight accessible to everyone.

Residents are invited to bring chairs, blankets, bean bags and anything else that makes them comfortable at the alcohol-free event, which will conclude with a spectacular fireworks display.

Council has made provision for the show to go on even if there are short periods of inclement weather.

"This is a very special time of the year and we hope residents will join us to make Christmas by Starlight an event to treasure for a lifetime," Cr Williams said.



Luke Kennedy



Naomi Price



Santa



Alexa Curtis



Fireworks

# Saturday 6 December 2014

Capalaba Regional Park  
Pittwin Road, Capalaba

## From 4pm

Family fun activities including:

Jumping castles, animal zoo, rock climbing, face painting, a visit from Santa plus plenty of food, drinks and information stalls

## 5.45pm

Children's Christmas Show

## 6.15pm

Traditional carols concert starring:

The Voice Australia's tenor, Luke Kennedy; cabaret leading light, Naomi Price; and winner of The Voice Kids Australia, Alexa Curtis plus a host of other local talent including Jal Joshua, Leah Lever, Adeline Williams and Kiara Rodrigues accompanied by the Redland Sinfonia Orchestra and the Redland City Choir.

**Christmas by Starlight will conclude with a spectacular fireworks display.**



Visit [www.redland.qld.gov.au/cbs](http://www.redland.qld.gov.au/cbs).

Christmas by Starlight is an alcohol-free event.

We've got a stellar line-up of headline acts and local performers this year.

*Cr Kim-Maree Hardman*

Division 3 (Cleveland South, Thornlands)

Event committee

## Free bus timetable

### Mt Cotton, Redland Bay and Victoria Point

- 4pm Valley Way Bus Stop, Mount Cotton
- 4.15pm Redland Bay Marina
- 4.20pm Redland Bay Shops
- 4.30pm Victoria Point Interchange (Stop D)
- 4.40pm Boundary Road at Kinross Road, Thornlands
- 4.50pm CHRISTMAS BY STARLIGHT - Capalaba Regional Park
- 8.45pm Return run leaving Capalaba Regional Park

### Thornlands, Cleveland and Alexandra Hills

- 4.15pm Thornlands Dance Hall, Cleveland-Redland Bay Road
- 4.25pm Toondah Harbour, Cleveland (Ferry arrives)
- 4.30pm Toondah Harbour, Cleveland (Bus departs)
- 4.40pm Cleveland Train Station, Shore Street
- 4.50pm Alexandra Hills Shopping Centre, Finucane Road
- 5pm CHRISTMAS BY STARLIGHT - Capalaba Regional Park
- 8.45pm Return run leaving Capalaba Regional Park

### Ormiston, Wellington Point, Birkdale

- 4pm Ormiston train station, Wellington Street, Ormiston
- 4.05pm Sturgeon Street, Ormiston
- 4.15pm Wellington Point Shops, Main Road Wellington Point (near BP)
- 4.25pm Birkdale Fair, Birkdale Road
- 4.30pm Old Cleveland Road East, Birkdale
- 4.45pm CHRISTMAS BY STARLIGHT - Capalaba Regional Park
- 8.45pm Return run leaving Capalaba Regional Park

## Capalaba loop bus

Runs continually on a loop from 3.30pm until 9pm

### BUS STOP 1

Capalaba Park 'N' Ride – Moreton Bay Road  
Car parking available at Capalaba Park 'N' Ride

### BUS STOP 2

Capalaba Park Shopping Centre – Redland Bay Road  
Car parking available at Capalaba Park Shopping Centre (Red undercover car park (beneath Target) will be open until 9.30pm. All other undercover parking areas of the Centre will be closed/blocked from 5.30pm).

### BUS STOP 3

CHRISTMAS BY STARLIGHT – Capalaba Regional Park  
No car parking available at Capalaba Regional Park

### BUS STOP 4

Capalaba interchange  
Car parking available at adjacent shopping centres

### BUS STOP 5

Capalaba Central Shopping Centre – near cinema entrance  
Car parking available at Capalaba Central shopping Centre  
Further car parking is available in a dedicated car parking area behind Capalaba Tavern, Old Cleveland Road, with pedestrian access via the underpass to Capalaba Regional Park.



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# VIBRANT ECONOMY

## Our bay of plenty

The man who embraced the past to revitalise two of Sydney's most sensitive heritage waterfront developments sees an exciting future and a jobs bonanza for the Redlands

Sea-loving billionaire Lang Walker loves boats - and places to celebrate them.

As both a boatie and businessman he is drawn to the water's edge, this time in the Redlands where he has become charmed by the untapped potential of Cleveland's Toondah Harbour and Redland Bay's Weinam Creek.

"These are standouts as far as I am concerned, particularly Toondah and its proximity to infrastructure. Infrastructure is everything. It's very exciting," says Australia's leading waterfront developer, who has been given the nod by Economic Development Queensland and Redland City Council to submit his vision for each of these marine hubs.

The Walker Group boasts an impressive resume of vibrant water precincts - Sydney's iconic Woolloomooloo and the award-winning King Street wharf precincts, Queensland's Hope Island and the massive Senibong Cove project in Malaysia among them.

It is the latter - Hope Island, which his company rescued, and the high-class Senibong Cove - which, he says, have the strongest similarities to what's in store for the Redlands.

"Our company has done a heck of a lot of work in waterfront developments both in Sydney, at Hope Island and the massive project at Johor Bahru in the straits off Singapore, which is very similar," he says. "I just felt that the whole area through (the Redlands) offered a great opportunity, particularly at Cleveland - the public transport, Raby Bay, the opportunity to extend a new development bringing in boats and restaurants, increasing open space, solving some of the issues with the ferries and parking, and some of the community issues."

Google "Senibong" and "Walker" and you will get an idea of what the Walker Group can achieve here in creating a vibrant upmarket residential, commercial and retail community on the water's edge.

"The challenge is making sure we actually get the product mix right for the buyers," the Walker

Group chairman explains of his plans for Toondah should his company get approval to proceed.

"I don't think major-height multi-story is going to work there. It might be one or two iconic buildings of not too much height and going down into more housing, mid-range type product that I think is going to meet a market niche. You have got to understand what the area is and it is just not a Gold Coast super high-rise area.

"You might be talking seven stories, you might be talking twos and threes, and there might be a couple of iconic buildings that might be 10.

"With these developments you just cannot push density and hope that's the right answer."

Walker's planners have been analysing every



TOONDAH HARBOUR: Exciting prospects.

public submission relating to each project which were lodged during the community discussions which preceded the Group being named the preferred developer. This has included the outcomes of the extensive Council engagement which followed the declaration of the Redlands' Priority Development Areas by the State Government.

Mr Walker says it is a pivotal first step in creating a master plan that the community will embrace.

"In the past with these major projects the community has been a major asset for us. They are going to be our buyers, they are going to be using the facilities," he explains.

"And while you are never going to please 100 per cent, we want to fit into the community and we don't want to be bringing something to the community that there is a massive objection to.

"What we are trying to do with the product mix, the amenity, the boating, the food and beverage precinct around the marina - we want it to be seen as bringing something that people will embrace.



"I have been in the development business for 50 years and probably in my very early career I made the mistake of building what I thought people wanted ... the rest of your career you spend a lot of time searching and looking for what they really want.

"That's so important here to get it right. It has got to be a project that people are proud to live in, to bring their friends. It has got to have open space, waterfront and there has got to be activity. We are certainly not going to go gung-ho. We have to fit nicely into the community."

Mr Walker envisages a connection of mutual benefit between the harbour development and Cleveland's city heart.

"I don't think there is any fear that we would be taking away any of the businesses that are existing in Cleveland now. We are not trying to replicate a CBD at all," he said. "I think this is an adjunct to the CBD."

And it demands plenty of public open space.

"The open space will be, I think, far greater than the public is envisaging," Mr Walker said.

"And G.J. Walter Park currently lacks facilities. I think we can improve on that. (People) will still be able to take their dogs down there and we will be maintaining that corridor of open space.

"The approach we are taking is to certainly enhance the parks and the landscape side of it.

"At the end of the day, every new development is sold on its amenity. Gone are the days when you just build something and you don't put in any amenity."

This is a significant chapter in our history and ensures we are the best place to work, live and relax.

*Cr Mark Edwards Division 5 (Redland Bay, Southern Moreton Bay Islands)*

*Spokesman, Office of the CEO*



*POTENTIAL: Walker Group chairman Lang Walker at Cleveland's Toondah Harbour, the proposed site of a major waterfront project that is expected to drive Redlands tourism into the future.*

In fact the first visible milestones of the project should the company be awarded the development rights will be community space.

"You must put that community infrastructure in very early in the piece - whether they be boardwalks, landscaping, tree-lined boulevards - and have your road networks and collector roads all designed so you know where you are going," he says.

He likened Toondah's possibilities to his Malaysian project, a high-end development which also is close to a town with established infrastructure.

"We see it as bringing in different sorts and different types of use to that marina precinct rather than trying to compete with the township," he says.

"The other one is Hope Island. When we took over from Shinko when they went into liquidation, there was a need for retail, there was a need for restaurants, we built a tavern over the water, we built a 250-berth marina and we gave it a heart that it never had before.

"That's a similar sort of experience that we are embarking on with Toondah."

He says it is vital that any project increases values for residents, "and that can only come through the initial design with a lot of open space".

The promise for the Redlands goes well beyond its promotion of a district once known as the "Sleepy Hollow of East Moreton" as a significant regional tourism centre of international standing.

"This is a significant development in terms of employment and tourism," Mr Walker says.

"From a construction point of view, if we get this right and the product mix is right, we are



*WEINAM CREEK: Community hub.*

talking about probably 1000-plus jobs for a long period of time. We are going to be living in the community, we are going to be members of the community for the next 10 years."

Mr Walker sees Weinam Creek as "a little more challenging", primarily because it is "a little bit spread out".

"There needs to be some amalgamation there," he says.

"Again, the way we are approaching this particular site is that we have got to look after the island residents, their needs for parking and getting to and from the islands. We are looking to introduce facilities to service island residents and make their travel more convenient and seamless.

"They have been using that area for parking for many years ... but it's a bit of a dog's breakfast, so we will be consolidating car parking into much smaller areas but not taking away the numbers - you have got to bring some order into all those uses."

Designs are expected to go on public view in early 2015.

## Park better by design

Bloomfield Street Park is one step closer to becoming a vibrant centre of community events and activities.

After feedback from local businesses and the community, the final concept has been determined and will inform a detailed design and construction tender. It will include improved seating and lighting, free wi-fi, new trees, a performance stage, open grass spaces and refurbished amenities.

The result will be a flexible, family-friendly, multifunctional meeting space designed to attract new people and events to Cleveland CBD as well as providing a great spot for lunch or a break. The tender process for construction and the new play sculpture are expected to be completed by mid next year.

Updates on the park upgrade will be available on site at the next free Buzz in the Park family event on Saturday, 6 December.

## Register for City Plan

Residents can continue to register their interest in having a say on City Plan 2015 via Council's website.

Go to [www.redland.qld.gov.au](http://www.redland.qld.gov.au), then click on "Have your say" and "Current Engagements".

The background studies which have informed this planning process are also being posted online and Council encourages residents to check them out.

City Plan 2015 must undergo a state interest check before returning to Council for any amendments deemed necessary ahead of the statutory public consultation period next year.

The plan will guide Council's decision-making in managing growth and change as it responds to the changing needs and expectations of the community.

The consultation phase will be widely promoted before it begins.

## Local laws put to the test

The Redlands' new draft local laws have been submitted to the State Government for a "state interest check" to ensure they are consistent with state legislation and interests. They also have undergone a "public interest test".

The process is intended to provide uniformity across the state and make it simpler for Council to adopt local laws appropriate to the Redlands' needs. It also has provided an opportunity to reduce red tape and streamline administrative processes.

Following submissions received during an extended and widely promoted community consultation, Council will look at what changes may need to be made to the draft laws and, if necessary, resubmit them for a second and final state interest check.

On the completion of this process, the final agreed laws are expected to be publicly available early next year.

# COMMUNITY

## Jeanette takes the Redlands to the world

Meet Jeanette Adams, coordinator of the Redlands' award-winning IndigiScapes environmental centre and one of our City's greatest ambassadors.

Jeanette's development of one of the Redlands' leading attractions and her championing of the City both here and abroad led to her being named winner of the Mayor's Award in Redland City Council's 2014 Employee Excellence Awards.

Regular IndigiScapes visitors might know Jeanette from her tour groups or the Tea Garden Café where she pioneered the award-winning bush tucker menu.

But many won't know that she has also put the Capalaba centre on the world stage, promoting local tourism, operators and suppliers along the way.

"I do sell IndigiScapes around the country and around the world but, having said that, it is a product that is very easy for me to sell," Jeanette says.

"Redland City Council has made an extraordinary investment in this place and it is what a lot of our visitors are looking for.

"We work with a lot of other tourism providers in the Redlands, so it gives us an opportunity to go out and promote the big-picture of the Redlands.

"Then there are all the things that go with it. The environment and education teams based at the centre provide so much more to the visitor experience."

There would be few places which can tick so many boxes: the promotion of tourism and environmental awareness, wildlife welfare, bush regeneration, indigenous heritage and great little café and gift shop supplied by providers and artisans who are either local or close by. It is proving a popular combination.



AWARD WINNER: IndigiScapes co-ordinator Jeanette Adams.

"I have been here for 12 years and when I started visitor numbers were about 4500 to 5000 a year. We get about 55,000 a year now," Jeanette says. "We involve so many people in the Redlands in all different aspects of environment and life. You come here and you have the visitor information centre, you have a coffee and you learn about what you can do in your own backyard."

The bulk of visitors are locals or from within 150km, with a healthy 20 per cent from overseas. Most come for the food and natural experiences.

"The greatest feedback that we get from international tourists is that they can come to a city and experience the bush," Jeanette says.

"They arrive at Brisbane International Airport, they drive for 25 minutes and we can give them a true taste of the Australian bush.

"When you are talking international tourism, we are offering something that they can't get anywhere else."

Find out more about IndigiScapes at [indigiscapes.redland.qld.gov.au](http://indigiscapes.redland.qld.gov.au).



To report sick or injured wildlife, call Redlands 24-hour Wildlife Rescue on **3833 4031**



SLOW DOWN: Ambulance volunteers Peter Tunstall and Peter Flanagan were heartbroken when this koala they had saved was later killed by a car.

## RecycleWorld

For finds that surprise!

Open every Thursday and Saturday, 9am–2pm

Holiday closures: Christmas Day, Saturday 27 December, New Year's Day, Saturday 3 January. Extra day open: Tuesday 23 December.

761–789 German Church Road, Redland Bay

Like us on  /RecycleWorldRedlandBay







## Slow down driver! Rescuers' plea for our wildlife

The two Peters want to make one thing patently clear as they speak of their work as Redlands after-hours wildlife ambulance volunteers.

"We live in a wonderful part of the world and koalas and other wildlife live here too, so common sense must prevail on our roads," Sheldon's Peter Tunstall says before Cleveland's Peter Flanagan adds: "If people could drive just 5km slower we would save so much more of our wildlife."

The Peters, both retired, say they have little doubt that speeding drivers have been responsible for much of the carnage since they started working with the Redland City Council-supported wildlife ambulance, Tunstall about two-and-a-half years ago and Flanagan about a year back.

"We win some and we lose some, though we seem to be losing more than we win these days," Peter Tunstall says. "These poor things think they can outrun a car but they have no chance."

Peter Flanagan gets straight to the point.

"It is so unreasonable how some people drive ... no common sense," he says, with his colleague adding that despite the flashing lights on the ambulance and their high-visibility gear, drivers still "scream past" them while they are tending to injured animals.

Both Peters say they get a lot of satisfaction from

doing their bit for our wildlife, although make it clear that volunteering for the after-hours ambulance isn't for everyone.

"It can be quite distressing if you get a number in a row but if you can get one baby, put it under your shirt to keep it warm and get it to care, there is a great sense of satisfaction," Peter Flannigan says.

The pair was particularly disappointed recently when they learned that a koala they had saved and subsequently released in Cleveland was killed on the road nearby just days later. "It breaks your heart," Peter Tunstall says. "I was the one who caught it ... my heart sank when I got the phone call. I broke down like a big girl's blouse."

"He had been released about 600 metres from where he was killed. It had to be speed as it was in a very well-lit area."

The Redlands' after-hours wildlife ambulance volunteers complete an induction course at Council's IndigiScapes environmental centre at Capalaba and are on call from 5pm to 8am for a week each month, picking up the ambulance on a Sunday and handing it over to another team the next.

There are currently 18 volunteers on the roster, with more needed, so if you are interested in joining contact a wildlife extension officer at IndigiScapes on 3824 8611.

Our dedicated wildlife volunteers are responsible for saving so many animals ... they are all such amazing people.

*Cr Lance Hewlett, Division 4 (Victoria Pt, Coochiemudlo Is, parts of Thornlands and Redland Bay)*

*Environment spokesman*

## 'Tip shop' shows the City's community spirit

While a waste station may not usually show a city at its best, a recent trip to Redland Bay's RecycleWorld certainly left Wendy von Praaq with a great impression of life in the Redlands.

Having just moved to Redland Bay from Perth, the retired psychologist found her removalist had delivered her collection of files but no filing cabinets.

"Then someone told me about the tip shop, so I popped down by myself and found they had lots of

filing cabinets. I got two for a very good price," Wendy recalled.

"The problem was that I only have a very small car and was joking about it with a couple of guys in black singlets when one asked where I lived.

"I told them and they said 'that's just around the corner, we'll deliver them for you' and they lifted them onto the back of their truck and dropped them around. They were so friendly and I was really thrilled."

Wendy said she soon discovered that such community spirit was as widespread in the Redlands as the bargains at RecycleWorld.

"It's more casual and inviting while still being a modern city - it's the best of both worlds," she says.

The RecycleWorld trash and treasure shop at the waste transfer station on German Church Road, Redland Bay, is open from 9am -2pm on Thursdays and Saturdays and boasts a wide variety of home goods, as well some rare finds.



TOP DRAWER: RecycleWorld fan Wendy von Praaq of Redland Bay.

# INSPIRATIONAL REDLANDERS

## Local group's passion has kids and parents talking

A literacy program developed with local libraries speaks volumes for the dedication of a group of Redlands educators

The "Passion Club" has a way with words which is now helping youngsters across Australia with theirs.

The Redlands quartet – Cleveland State School's Tricia Blake and Clare Skelly, Stephanie Crick of the Department of Education, Training and Employment and Redland Libraries Manager Jann Webb – is the driving force behind SPEAK, a fun literacy program for youngsters which is catching on around the country.

What started over coffee about two-and-a-half years ago has quickly led to an innovative community partnership with Redland Libraries which has now been developed into a free app and recently won a state-wide Department of Education, Training and Employment Showcase Award for Excellence.

"As educators our data showed a decline in children's oral language skills over the past few years," Trish says of the program which was dubbed SPEAK – for Speaking Promotes Education and Knowledge – during "an awesome and highly motivational" brainstorming session.

"As a school we were addressing the oral language issues, but then we met and found a kindred spirit."

Finding themselves "on the same page", they came up with the concept of an innovative partnership with local libraries to encourage parents to help babies to six-year-olds improve their oral language. How to harness the resources of local schools and libraries to raise early childhood literacy and what role new technology could play soon became something of an obsession for the team.

"We call ourselves the Passion Club because we are all so passionately driven by wanting to make a real difference in the lives of young children," Stephanie says. "We certainly had goals but we attended to the challenge with a sense of fun and adventure and the innate ability to skilfully think outside the box."



For the Passion Club, it was all about seeing what they could do to not only help parents in their own community but "everywhere".

SPEAK was subsequently launched at Cleveland State School in June 2012, grounded in the belief that every child deserves to be literate and that communities can play a significant role in supporting families.

"While parents play a significant role in a child's development, this does not happen in isolation of their community. Child and family-friendly

**“** SPEAK is the result of some outstanding thinking and the drive and energy of educators here in the Redlands. **”**  
*Cr Murray Elliott, Division 7 (Alexandra Hills South, Capalaba)*

communities are instrumental in providing support networks and services to parents and families," Jann says.

Through the program, Redland Libraries, supported by local teachers, provide free and family friendly opportunities for parents and grandparents to get children reading and talking.

The program encourages parent participation in their child's education through free workshops, information sessions and the libraries' early literacy experiences, such as

storytelling and oral language sessions, Speak Out children's kits (available for borrowing at local libraries) and school visits by children's authors.

The partnership also has encouraged oral language development in the middle years of schooling through the Council's Junior Redlitzer writing competition.

SPEAK, which already has attracted more than 5500 participants in the Redlands, has since led to the development of the Queensland Government oral language SPEAK app using content prepared by the Passion Club and Queensland Health. "Ninety per cent" of the app content was prepared in their own time including at nights, on weekends and during holidays.

The result is a powerful tool for parents, carers and educators which uses everyday objects and experiences to make oral language fun for babies to six-year-olds.

"The app helps parents develop an understanding of the importance of oral language for life success, and provides busy parents with ideas and activities to encourage and foster talk in their young children," Jann says.

The app has five age levels starting from newborns, each with 10 talking points and activities to enhance and encourage oral language in youngsters.

"We are trying to connect with as many families in as many different ways and in as



*SAME PAGE: The Passion Club, from left, Tricia Blake, Jann Webb, Stephanie Crick and Clare Skelly.*

many different settings as we can to show them that it doesn't have to be a 30-minute sit-down lesson. It is about increasing their vocabulary in a simple interaction using everyday objects," Trish says. "It is fun and easy."

And with the app now going worldwide and other schools keen to learn more about the Redlands SPEAK program, the Passion Club admits to being "absolutely blown away".

"There is a lot of positive feedback from around the state wanting to know more about it," Clare says.

The work of SPEAK has now been complemented by a \$560,000 State Library grant to the Redland Libraries over the next four years to roll out Best Start, an early intervention family literacy program which complements the work already being done here. Best Start will directly support parents and primary caregivers as a child's first and most important teachers.

From January, the Best Start initiative will be a welcome boost to local library programs as well as provide literacy toolkits for parents and caregivers of young children.

The free SPEAK app is available for download from the iTunes store and Google Play. You can find out more about Redland Libraries' literacy and reading programs, go to

[www.redland.qld.gov.au](http://www.redland.qld.gov.au)

**Summer Reading Club: P23**



## Brave Arthur shows a fighting spirit

Arthur Day isn't the type to turn his back on a blue.

As an indigenous kid who attended Dunwich school, he then had to move to Fortitude Valley with his family when the Depression bit on North Stradbroke Island. He learned early to stand up for what he believed was right.

It led this Quandamooka man, now 91, to stick his hand up not once but twice when Australia called, seeing active service in New Guinea and Borneo during World War II, then again signing on for Borneo during the Malaysian Emergency.

These days he can't get around like he used to but he is as feisty as ever, with an infectious laugh and a yarn or two to tell.

"He could fight with the best of them, he could drink with the best of them and he could dance with the best of them," son-in-law Denis Kerr says as Arthur laughs, then recalls how much fun the local dances were on Straddie in the late 1930s and early '40s.

"They were tough times but good times," says Arthur, who was one of seven kids and a descendant of Juno/Junobin, a Nunukal/Noonuccal - Nughi woman who married immigrant Fernando Gonzales. Arthur descends from Elizabeth (Bessie) Gonzales, one of the daughters.

While he lives on the mainland these days, he makes it clear his heart is forever on Straddie.

"It is a quiet place," he says, lamenting the rush of the mainland. "It feels like home, feels natural."

It was always in his mind when, after turning 18, he signed up in 1941 for a gun and a uniform of the 2/32nd Battalion and headed off to New Guinea in 1943 to fight the Japanese on Australia's doorstep.

Young Private Arthur Day was to discover a new world as an infantryman, one in which a man's character and mateship were more valued than his bloodline - although he conceded he had to hide his Aboriginality to enlist.

"There was no colour ... there was mateship," Arthur recalls, as Denis adds how tough it must have been for Arthur's mum Martha as both of his brothers, Lawrence and Richard, had also gone off to war.

"For us it was good, when you were in there you were mates 'til you finished, even when you went on leave," Arthur recalls.

Indeed, Arthur and many of those with whom he served remained close mates for life. But most are gone now, leaving Arthur as one of the few heroes remaining from World War II.

It was that camaraderie - or rather the loss of it - along with the tough post-war times back home where he worked as a carpenter that pushed Arthur to re-enlist in the Army again 13 years after the war's end, this time serving in Malaysia clearing mines and booby traps as a sapper with the Royal Australian Engineers.

Back in Australia after WWII, readjusting to life as an indigenous man not even allowed to go into the RSL for a beer with his mates was weighing him down, so he went back to where he knew he would be accepted.



*BROTHERS IN ARMS: Arthur Day with son-in-law Denis Kerr and, below, young Arthur the soldier.*



"You looked after each other and it didn't matter what colour you were," Denis says, as Arthur nods.

And Denis should know, because he was there alongside him that second time.

"It was difficult for Arthur to get work as a carpenter at the time and he just missed the mateship of the forces," says Denis, adding with a laugh that it was a special time for Arthur, as he got to serve in the same unit as his son-in-law.

"He felt he belonged back in the army, so he went back in for six years. He found a special bond there."

Some, however, suggest he formed such a special bond with Denis, who had married his daughter Marlene, that he went to keep an eye on him and make sure he came home in one piece.

Arthur certainly did seem to be keeping a close eye out for Denis when serving in the same unit.

"The only problem was that I had a bit of rank and if there was someone who didn't want to follow my directions he always wanted to punch them out and I'd have to say 'no!'. You see he was a boxer as well," Denis says.

"He found it hard with the colour when he came back. It sapped a lot of the confidence of indigenous servicemen. Their dignity was taken away ... they were not even allowed to go into an RSL.

"But Arthur's a very proud man, proud of his service, proud of his heritage.

"He still marches (on Anzac Day) and loves to wear his medals. He can hold his head very high.

"He has been a fighter all his life."

# DISCOVER REDLANDS

## The Redlands every visitor (and local!) should experience

Looking for real Redlands experiences to treat your family or visitors this summer? The team at *Our Redlands* has come up with this guide to the magic of Quandamooka country, from cushy cruising to top taste tempers and unique Redlands treasures. It's by no means comprehensive but it's full of very pleasant surprises.



Redlands is a very photogenic place. Share your best photos of the beautiful Redlands on Instagram by hashtagging **#redlandsanyday** and **#brisbaneanyday**

Cr Craig Ogilvie, Division 2 (Cleveland, North Stradbroke Island)

*NOW THIS IS LIVING: Heading into Peel Island's Horseshoe Bay on an idyllic Redlands afternoon after an exhilarating sail across the bay on Robinson Cruises' luxury catamaran Axis Vitae.*

## Cruisy cats

Those in the know say there are few better ways to lift your spirits than sailing southern Moreton Bay, let alone doing it in style. Here, the sheltered waters, islands and bountiful marine life make for particularly cruisy cruising, especially when you are on a big and stable luxury sailing catamaran. Robinson Cruises' new Axis Vitae and Brisbane Yacht Charters' Aristocat can take you into the heart of the Quandamooka experience. Wayne at Robinson Cruises and Darren at Brisbane Yacht Charters also team up to provide charters for groups of up to 66, ideal for big Christmas parties and get-togethers. Axis Vitae can carry 36 guests and Aristocat 30 on experiences which can be as relaxing or as adventurous as you like. Our spy headed out on the Axis Vitae in good sailing winds and had an exhilarating ride to Peel Island's Horseshoe Bay yet barely a drop of bubbly was spilled! You would struggle to find a better spot - or experience - in the Whitsundays yet it is right here in the Redlands. And where else do you leave and return to a lovely harbour in Raby Bay, which boasts such an eclectic mix of eateries? Half, full-day and overnight charters are available.

Info: [www.robinsoncruises.com](http://www.robinsoncruises.com) or 0408 872 316  
[www.brisbaneyachtcharters.com.au](http://www.brisbaneyachtcharters.com.au) or 0425 183 395.

## Meet the locals

Straddie Adventures' kayaking tours off the shores of North Stradbroke Island are, to quote our spy, "amazing". In fact she couldn't stop talking about her wildlife encounters on the day. When conditions allow, the Straddie Adventures' crew gets ... well, adventurous, and heads out to places such as Shag Rock or Manta Bommie, where you can snorkel with a wide array of marine creatures. Or you can paddle the calm waters along Straddie's western shores, exploring inlets and creeks where you are likely to be escorted by sea turtles or dolphins. You'll also love the adventure of Tony and Katrina Beutel's Redlands Kayak Tours.

Info: [www.straddieadventures.com.au](http://www.straddieadventures.com.au) or 0433 171 477.  
[www.redlandskayaktours.com.au](http://www.redlandskayaktours.com.au) or 1300 KAYAKTOUR.

## Highest of teas

If you fancy a little luxurious self-indulgence it's hard to go past Mt Cotton Retreat's high tea set in a secluded natural bush setting. You will most likely be greeted by Chikko, Sue Panuccio and Trevor Penson's spoodle, dressed in his very regal welcome jacket. Out on the deck, you'll sit almost in the tree tops surrounded by the sights and sounds of the wild Redlands. It's sort of old English colonial grandeur with a hint of Bali. The baked goodies are exceptional, along with the delicately cut sandwiches and bottomless service of tea, coffee and juice. Bookings here are essential. There's also Victoria Point's Wishing Well Café, with its hint of all things lovely from times gone by. Discover the colourful history and life of the café with its historic wishing well in the courtyard and the quaint "tea tree" (pictured below). If you are free on a Sunday, why not try tea of the Devonshire variety at historical Ormiston House.

Info: Mt Cotton Retreat [www.mtcottonretreat.com](http://www.mtcottonretreat.com) or 0418 745 167. Wishing Well Café 3820 9190. [ormistonhouse.org.au](http://ormistonhouse.org.au).



## Stretching out

In the Redlands, you can take care of your mental, spiritual and physical needs to the backdrop of some of the most stunning scenery you will find anywhere. You can stretch out on North Stradbroke Island's beautiful Home Beach with Linda Rago's Beach Yoga Straddie. Stradbroke Island Yoga & Massage host regular weekly yoga classes as well as yoga retreats. For a yoga experience with a difference there's Bay Island Stand-up Paddle Board Yoga, which hosts morning yoga classes for all skill levels every Saturday at 8am. Pelican's Nautical Treasures, a boatshed cafe set right on Redland Bay harbour, also can get you connected with your inner self.

Info: Beach Yoga Straddie 0409 538 972,  
[www.stradbrokeislandyogamassage.com](http://www.stradbrokeislandyogamassage.com),  
[www.stradbrokeislandyoga.com.au](http://www.stradbrokeislandyoga.com.au), Pelican's Nautical Treasures 3829 2705.

## Menu magic

OK, there are lots of great cafes and restaurants in the Redlands but how many can boast dozens of flavours of macarons with plans to top 100 by the end of the year? At the gorgeous Whisky Business café in Shop 4/200, Old Cleveland Road, Capalaba, the macaron menu is ablaze with the cute and colourful sweet treats, even dairy-free and gluten-free varieties. The cafe also serves breakfast and lunch. If you are visiting the stunning Southern Moreton Bay Islands, try the award-winning eatery at Macleay Island Bowls Club where the meals come with a million-dollar view. For something special there's also Cleveland's Doug & Pearl and The French Table, but in the Redlands you really are spoiled for choice.

Info: Whisky Business 3245 5313, [www.macleayislandbowlsclub.com.au](http://www.macleayislandbowlsclub.com.au), [www.dougandpearl.com](http://www.dougandpearl.com), French Table 3286 9977.

## Saltwater art

Where better to experience the culture and heritage of what we today call the Redlands than the Saltwater Murris indigenous art gallery at Dunwich, on North Stradbroke Island? You will find local indigenous arts and crafts for sale – our spy found beautifully woven bags made from items found on the beaches of Minjerribah, the traditional name for the island. The gallery also sells hand-made bracelets, necklaces, woven bowls and tea towels among other wonderful items. These are created mostly by people whose history on the island dates back many thousands of years and often tell a story. The gallery is open Wednesday to Friday from 9.30am-3pm and on weekends from 10am-2pm. The barge or water taxi trip across the bay is a great experience in itself.

Info: [www.saltwatermurris.com.au](http://www.saltwatermurris.com.au) or call 3415 2373.

## Sounds of the bush

Our award-winning IndigiScapes environmental centre has audio walking tours aimed at children aged six to 10 years. And best of all they are free. Each trail takes about 30 minutes, which includes six stops along the way. Ideal for family groups, Cassie the koala and Snuffles the bandicoot will guide you along their favourite trails, telling you about the habitat they live in, the food they eat and the dangers they face in the wild. The friendly IndigiScapes staff will be happy to loan you an mp3 player and a portable speaker so you can hear Cassie and Snuffles. Kids can also fill out a fun activity sheet along the way.

Info: [indigiscapes.redland.qld.gov.au](http://indigiscapes.redland.qld.gov.au)

## Bright ideas

Coochiemudlo Island with its beautifully protected beaches is a top spot for a day trip but there is more to this little isle just off Victoria Point than first meets the eye. It is also home to Coochie Candles, where you will find homemade, environmentally friendly soy candles in the gift shop on Ooyan Street at the top of the island. They would make great Christmas gifts. While you are there, try out the new surrey bikes or aqua bikes and have a bit of fun while touring the island.

Info: Coochie Candles 3207 7709. Coochie Boat Hire [www.coochieboathire.com](http://www.coochieboathire.com) or 3207 8207.

## Pure pampering

We revel in our relaxed lifestyle here in the Redlands, which is probably why we have so many top day spas. The Thai-inspired Harbour Day Spa overlooking Redland Bay Harbour has a deserved reputation for its quality spa experience, while Stephanie's Day Spa is set in a wonderfully restored old Queenslander which dates back to 1852 and is loaded with shabby chic. Mt Cotton Body and Soul is secluded in natural bush and epitomises relaxation. If holidaying on Straddie, you can head to the Stradbroke Island Beach Hotel Spa Resort, while you can get the full beauty treatment at Capalaba's Milque Spa.

Info: Harbour Day Spa - 3821 2955 or [www.harbourdayspa.com.au](http://www.harbourdayspa.com.au). Stephanie's Day Spa 3488 0300 or [www.stephaniesvintagespa.com.au](http://www.stephaniesvintagespa.com.au). Mt Cotton Body and Soul 3829 5293 or [www.bodyandsoulbeauty.com.au](http://www.bodyandsoulbeauty.com.au). Stradbroke Island Beach Hotel Spa Resort 3409 8188 or [www.stradbrokehotel.com.au](http://www.stradbrokehotel.com.au). Milque Spa 3245 2211 or [www.milquespa.com.au](http://www.milquespa.com.au).

## Talk to a local

There's heaps more to do in the Redlands and you can find out just how much by heading down to talk with the welcoming folk at the Visitor Information Centre at IndigiScapes, off Runnymede Road, Capalaba. It's open daily 10am-4pm (closed Good Friday and Christmas Day). While there you can grab a coffee and try out the Tea Garden Café's award-winning bush tucker experience.

Info: 1300 667 386 or [visitorcentre@redland.qld.gov.au](mailto:visitorcentre@redland.qld.gov.au).



# HOME GROWN

## How well do you know your City?

Test the depth of your knowledge of the Redlands with this holiday quiz compiled with the assistance of Redlands' Local History and Heritage Librarian Leonie Taylor. There are a few curly questions among the local trivia here

1. What year did Redland Shire Council become Redland City Council?
2. Who was called "the father of the sugar cane industry in Queensland" and what Redland landmark is his legacy?
3. Where did the name Pinklands come from?
4. Can you name this historic Redland's home?



5. From where did flying boats once operate in the Redlands?
6. What tree is on the top of the Redland City Council crest?
7. Cleveland once had a movie theatre. True or false?
8. A mythical ship with the prow of a dragon was last seen off Cleveland Point in 2009. What was its name?
9. When did the Bayside Bulletin change its name to Redland City Bulletin?
10. Erobini is the Aboriginal name for which suburb?
11. Capalaba is the Aboriginal name for "Place of ... koalas, dingoes or possums?"
12. Can you name this popular Redlands spot?



13. What was the profession of G. J. Walter, after whom the Cleveland park is named?
14. Who was the Redlands' Chairman/Mayor from April 1961 to March 1982? Merv Genrich, EGW Wood or Len Keogh?
15. The Strawberry Festival originally was organised as a fundraiser for which local service?

16. How tall is the Cleveland Lighthouse?
17. What year was the jetty at Wellington Point completed?
18. Auctioneer and businessman John Cameron built which historical residence at Ormiston?
19. Name the shipwreck that is credited with contributing to the separation of Stradbroke Island into north and south islands.
20. Which Redlands township was a government quarantine station from July 1850 until 1864?
21. Which brand of margarine was made in a factory in Gordon St, Ormiston, in 1956?
22. For many years, starting as early as 1873, Cleveland was referred to as:
  - a) "Sleepy Hollow of East Moreton",
  - b) "Sleepy Bay of the South East"
  - c) "The Red Land of Brisbane".
23. Which well-known cafe at Victoria Point got its name from a well on the site which was sunk by American servicemen during World War II?
24. Queensland's first drive-in opened at Capalaba in what year?
25. Moves are afoot to change the name of Russell Island. What to?
26. This photograph of Lahr's Store was taken in the 1930s. Where was it?



27. What does the Aboriginal name Coochiemudlo mean?
28. Three timber-getters from Sydney were shipwrecked on Moreton Island in 1823. What were their names?
29. Who is Thorneside named after?
30. What is the Aboriginal name for Stradbroke Island?
31. What does Quandamooka mean?
32. Who camped at Wellington Point Reserve during World War II?
33. When was the Redland Bay Hotel built?
34. What was the late celebrated Redlands author Kath Walker's indigenous name?

35. This photograph was taken from where?



36. Which Redlands suburbs share the postcode 4165?
37. Which legend of rugby league lives in the Redlands?
38. Which young Redlands singer was runner-up in *Australia's Got Talent* in 2009?
39. How many railway stations did Cleveland once have?
40. What is the total land area of Redland City?
41. What is the name of the film directed by Angelina Jolie which was partly filmed in the Redlands in 2013?
42. What is the iconic nocturnal bird of the Redlands which has a mournful, haunting call?
43. What did the first settlers at Redland Bay in the 1860s cultivate?
44. The old Redland Shire was formed in 1949 from the amalgamation of which shires?
45. Are there bandicoots in the Redlands?
46. North Stradbroke Island is the second-largest sand island in the world. True or false?
47. Which part of the City had a hospital for people suffering from leprosy?
48. Which explorer literally put Coochiemudlo Island on the map?
49. Which suburb can boast the Greater Glider Conservation Area, Hilliards Creek Platypus Corridor, Scribbly Gums Conservation Area and Squirrel Glider Conservation Area?
50. The Latin inscription at the foot of the Redland's crest reads: Crescat - Floreat. What does it mean?

**Answers: inside back page**



## Where the black top begins

Keeping Redlanders moving is a massive undertaking for the City's road builders

There is more to a road than meets the eye. Many millions of dollars are literally buried beneath the bitumen to ensure Redland City's roads survive the ravages of sub-tropical heat and torrential rain and can take us to work, school, the supermarket or wherever else we consider essential to our lives.

Building, resurfacing and maintaining the roads which connect with our driveways accounts for a significant slice of the ratepayer dollar, with \$14 million earmarked for local roads in the 2014-15 budget. More than \$8 million of that will be spent on resurfacing alone.

According to Redland City Council's roads experts, that shiny new strip of black top with the freshly painted white lines can be likened to the paint on a house - it caps a complex planning and engineering process.

There is no fixed cost for a stretch of Redlands road, with a whole range of factors adding to the price of a patch of bitumen, although on average it can cost from \$80 a square metre to \$175 a square metre.

While some sections can cost much more, Council is continually trialling methods it hopes will deliver roads for less while still meeting community expectations.

Every minute you spend driving in your car you are passing millions of dollars' worth of infrastructure.

Residents may be surprised to learn that something as simple as a cat's eye reflector can cost \$12 each to install and pretty much wherever you drive in the 537 square kilometre expanse of Redland City you will probably be passing one every few seconds.

The old standard used to be "about \$1 million a kilometre" to cover the cost of pre-planning, detailed survey, design including stormwater, lighting and pavement requirements and ultimately construction.

But few may realise that it also can take longer to plan a new road than it does to actually construct it.

During that process, Council's road building team has to take into consideration projected traffic volumes, speed limits, sight distances and water run-off as well as the ground that the road is being built on and how wide and deep it needs to be.

Council's road builders are continually looking for new ways to construct quality roads more cost effectively.

*Cr Paul Gleeson, Division 9 (Capalaba)*  
Infrastructure spokesman

Then there are wildlife and other environmental factors to take into account, as well as being sensitive to areas of cultural significance and whether land needs to be resumed.

Finally, once that bitumen has been laid, lines have to be marked and signs erected to meet State legislative requirements.

Between construction and maintenance, roadworks in the Redlands continues for much of the year, often at night to minimise disruption to residents.

It is a mammoth task considering that each year, Redland City Council reseals and resurfaces up to 50km of road and this financial year plans to complete \$2.5 million worth of new roads in the key growth area of the southern Redlands.

A road has a design life of 50 to 80 years but it needs to be resealed every 15 to 20 years to ensure its structure remains sound. Council recently stepped up its maintenance program after recognising that there was better value in ensuring roads didn't deteriorate before their time.

"Think of it as timber on a house," a member of Council's road team explains. "If you sand and paint it regularly it will last, otherwise it will rot."

"As our road network has aged, Council has needed to dedicate more to maintenance to ensure we get best long-term value for our roads dollar."

It is a massive rolling construction project which has immense benefits for the community beyond the value of the roads themselves.

Most machinery - backhoes, trucks and other plant - is contracted locally, along with extra labour, injecting significant cash into the City's economy. What cannot be sourced locally, such as specialised resealing plant, generally comes from elsewhere in the region.

There's a small army of people directly employed by Council in the construction of new roads, plus those involved with maintenance. Most are locals. As one put it: "We have pride and ownership in what we do because we are spending our own rates."

# COMMUNITY

## Quad squad takes fight to mozzies

Council's war against those irritating, biting mosquitoes is waged year-round on land, sea and in the air

Redland City Council has stepped up its fight against mosquitoes, adding two new quad bikes to its arsenal of mozzie-fighting equipment.

The new quad-bikes strengthen Council's existing equipment used to manage local mosquito numbers.

"Council's fight against mosquitoes is carried out year-round, with activity stepped up in the main breeding season during the warmer months," Acting Service Manager Health and Environment Allan Tan says.

"Because we have a team out there working whenever necessary 52 weeks of the year undertaking mosquito management, it means by summer we have already made a dint in the local mosquito population, the aim is to then maintain this over the summer season."

Allan says Council's mosquito management relied on a variety of tools designed to interrupt the breeding cycle.

"Council fights the mosquito battle in the air, on land and sea; using a boat, quad bikes and a special Argo vehicle designed to transport staff into known breeding areas to treat mosquito larvae," Allan says.

"We also have access to a helicopter to carry out aerial treatments on approximately 800 hectares of land as part of our involvement in a local government cooperative against mosquitoes."

Council's mosquito management is based on a precise battleplan designed to deliver the best results. This includes attacking mozzies at the source of breeding - including the mosquito larvae found in salt marsh areas.



In a City of communities alongside mangroves and waterways, Council's war on mozzies is vital to public health.

*Cr Wendy Boglary  
(Wellington Point, Ormiston)*

"The salt marsh mosquito larvae hatch from eggs soon after they get wet and develop into adult mosquitoes in only a few days, so we have a very small window of opportunity once it has been wet - from either a king tide or the rain - to get in and treat the breeding site before the adult mosquitoes emerge," Allan explains.

"Our vehicles mean we can get to the source of the problem and manage the mosquito population effectively."

While many residents would be aware of the helicopter because of its visibility, not everyone would know about the less obvious activities that are undertaken all year round,

including the less exciting activity of taking samples of water from swamps and salt marshes to count larvae. This helps identify key mosquito breeding sites, revealing where best to hit the enemy the hardest.

Council's program concentrates on mosquito species which pose health risks for residents. Each year, mosquito-related illnesses impact people's health, so this program is an important part of Council's community health efforts.

"But Council can only control the mosquitoes on land we can access, so we also need residents to play their role by managing mosquitoes on their land," Allan says.



## Mosquito Breeding Season

Take care, cover up and protect yourself from mosquitoes. Council conducts ground and aerial treatments in the Redlands including the Southern Moreton Bay Islands. Mosquito spraying is safe for you and the environment.

To learn more visit [www.redland.qld.gov.au](http://www.redland.qld.gov.au) or 3829 8999







## How you can help

To prevent mosquitoes from breeding:

- Empty water from pot plant bases, including self-watering pot bases, weekly and wipe them out. This will ensure mosquito eggs are eradicated.
- Check the integrity of water tank screens and replace damaged screens.
- Ensure water tank first flush devices are regularly maintained.
- Ensure boats and tarpaulins are stored undercover, as they can hold water.
- Keep your yard clean and free of discarded items such as plastic containers, tyres and old appliances.
- Remove debris from storm drains.
- Drain water that accumulates in yards and workplaces.

Source: [www.health.qld.gov.au](http://www.health.qld.gov.au)

## Your cut-out emergency phone guide: Keep these numbers handy ... just in case

### Police

Emergency .....	000
Policelink (non life-threatening situations) .....	131 444
Crimestoppers .....	1800 333 000

### Your local police station:

Capalaba .....	3433 3333
Capalaba Police Beat .....	3843 8120
Cleveland .....	3824 9333
Dunwich .....	3409 6020
Redland Bay .....	3829 4111
Point Lookout Police Beat .....	3409 8627

### Fire

Emergency .....	000
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### State Emergency Service

Flood or storm damage .....	132 500
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### Ambulance & medical

Emergency .....	000
Redlands Hospital .....	3488 3111
Poisons Information Line .....	13 11 26
Queensland Health .....	13 432 584

### Energex

Emergency .....	13 19 62
Loss of supply .....	13 62 62

### Gas

Gas Emergency Queensland .....	1300 763 106
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### Help lines

Home Assist Secure .....	3829 8478
Kids Help Line .....	1800 551 800
Lifeline 24 Hours .....	13 11 14
Lifeline Capalaba .....	3823 2555
Redlands Domestic Violence Service ...	3820 2114
Maybanke Accommodation and Support Services .....	3820 2114
Domestic Violence Telephone Service .....	1800 811 811
Redlands Community Centre .....	3245 2117
Parentline .....	1300 30 1300
Elder Abuse Prevention Unit - Helpline .....	1300 651 192
Legal Aid Queensland .....	1300 65 11 88
Relationships Australia Victims Counselling and Support Service .....	1300 139 703

### Roads & transport

Transinfo .....	13 12 30
Road and traffic conditions .....	13 19 40

### Telstra

Faults/damage .....	132 203
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### Redland City Council

Council-related emergencies (24 hours) .....	3829 8999
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### Injured wildlife

Redlands After-hours Wildlife Ambulance .....	3833 4031
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### Water supply emergencies

Redland City Council .....	1300 015 561
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## Young Redlanders connect with the Anzacs

The City's ANZAC stories will soon be told by young Redlanders through a school theatre production to coincide with the ANZAC centenary.

The brainchild of local teachers Debb Wall and Sean Lubbers, the production will premiere at the Redland Performing Arts Centre on April 23 and 24 next year.

Project manager and artistic director Robert Kronk, of debase productions, says the performance would focus on the Redlands and today's links with 1915.

"The young people working on this project are close in age to the young men and women who volunteered to serve overseas, who had to take on new roles on the home front, and who had to overcome the brutal consequences of the conflict," Robert says.

"This project is a great opportunity for local young people in 2015 to develop a better understanding of the stories and lives of local young people in 1915. It is an opportunity for today's students to understand their forebears - not in a dry, textbook way but in a living way."

Backed by Redland City Council, writing and rehearsals will start early next year.

"The show will combine a diverse collection of local histories with contemporary stories and experiences to get a sense of what ANZAC

meant then and what it means now. To look at how we are different, the same in 1915 and 2015," Robert says.

Local organisations including the RSL, libraries and Council are helping source material, along with local historians and collectors.

"The rest of the material will come from the students themselves, from their families' histories from Gallipoli to Afghanistan," Robert says.

So far, five local schools are involved in the project and between 120 and 150 Redlands students, as well as teachers, professional artists and historians.

Robert says the team is keen to involve the community in sourcing local histories.

"Not just the stories of soldiers or nurses but also those materials that can help us get a sense of what the Redlands was like in 1915," he explains.

Debb Wall, Head of Arts at Capalaba State College, and Sean Lubbers, Head of Performing Arts at Victoria Point State High, kicked off the project with Council and RPAC a year ago as a way of engaging young people in the cultural life of the City.

Debb says financial support from Council and the RSL will support local youngsters as they work as scriptwriters, actors, designers and theatre technicians.



Harnessing the creativity of local youngsters as they tell the stories of our local ANZACs is a wonderful way for us all to connect with our past and celebrate this centennial.

*Cr Paul Bishop, Division 10  
(Birkdale North, Thorneside)*

"Our young people will develop theatre industry experience as they collaborate with teacher-artists, professional artists from debase productions and members of the broader Redlands community as they connect with and tell these important stories," she says.

"We want this to be a cultural piece we as a community can all be proud of and build pride and a sense of belonging," he says.

**If you can help tell the story, contact Robert at [robert@debase.com.au](mailto:robert@debase.com.au).**



# DISASTER MANAGEMENT PLAN

# ARE YOU READY REDLANDS?

Redland City's detailed Disaster Management Plans provide practical, easily accessible, suburb by suburb information to help you, your family or business

**Prepare for – Respond to – Recover** from a local emergency or disaster.

For information on what to do and where to go, visit your Local Disaster Management Plan at [www.redlanddisasterplan.com.au](http://www.redlanddisasterplan.com.au) and select your suburb or island.

## Before a Disaster

Including staying informed, following us on Facebook and Twitter for the latest emergency information, preparing a plan, emergency and evacuation kits, and doing maintenance around your home and business.

## During a Disaster

By tuning into warnings, deciding to evacuate safely, seeking shelter and locating neighbourhood Safer Places (NSP).

## After a Disaster

Help to Find information on recovery services and arrangement following a disaster; returning safely to and cleaning up your property.

Redland City Council is proud to partner with the following members of the Redland City Local Disaster Management Group





**Rod Knight** Superintendent Queensland Fire and Emergency Services

"In the event of an extreme event whether it be a major fire, storms, cyclones or anything else that becomes a threat to the livelihood of our communities, I believe our clients have an expectation that we will respond in a respectful, credible and professional manner. By working together with the understanding of these expectations, we cement good working relationships, understanding and processes that provide credible outcomes when we are faced with extreme events."



**William J. Knowles** Acting Superintendent Assistant - District Officer South Brisbane District (Police)

"The Queensland Police Service is the primary agency responsible for the response phase in disaster management. Our ability to effectively carry out that responsibility relies heavily on strong partnerships with other government and non-government agencies and an ability to work together to help the whole community deal with the impacts of disasters when they strike."



**Peter Gould** State Emergency Service Coordinator

"The Redlands SES Unit has a proud record as the Best Regional Unit in Queensland, a record that is built around dedicated preparation, training and collaborative teamwork. Our achievements and role in disasters is made easier by a community that is also well prepared and informed."



**Dr Mark Robinson MP** State Member for Cleveland

"I am inspired when we as a community unite and work towards ensuring the safety of ourselves and our neighbours, so we can enjoy a safe summer."



**Stephen Davies MP** State Member for Capalaba

"It's vitally important that as a community, we work together to ensure our own safety. Let's work together to make sure this summer is safest"



**Andrew Laming MP** Federal Member for Bowman

"Natural disasters can occur anytime and anywhere, so it's important that we prepare ourselves, our homes and our families.

Please read through the Redlands Disaster plan and discuss your disaster management plan with your family."



**Peter Dowling MP** State Member for Redlands

"With the fires we have experienced, this has highlighted the importance of being ready and working together. I take this opportunity to urge each of us to be prepared for any event."



**Lisa Atwood** Member of the Community

"Disaster management is an important issue; as members of the public we all need to work together for our own safety and the safety of our community."

**We're all in this together**  
[www.redlanddisasterplan.com.au](http://www.redlanddisasterplan.com.au)

# RESILIENCE



## Heightened fire risk means it's time to 'Be Ready'

A predicted long, hot and dry summer has put residents on notice to be prepared now for the worst that Mother Nature can throw at them

It's going to be very hot, dry and potentially dangerous in parts of the Redlands this summer, according to forecasters and emergency services.

"And that makes it an absolute imperative that residents are very well prepared for storms and bushfires," says Redland City Local Disaster Coordinator Nick Clarke.

"The trend towards an El Nino event in the South Pacific translates into fire-friendly conditions in our part of the world, with less-than-average rainfall. That means we are likely to get 'dry' storms and the inevitable lightning strike fires that they cause.

"We only have to look back at last summer's massive blaze on North Stradbroke Island to see the reality of what we face here in the Redlands."

Nick says that while Council and its emergency service partners have long been warning residents to "Get Ready" for bushfire season, it is now time to "be ready".

"This, as it stands, is the expected forecast and it should be noted that in recent years the Bureau of Meteorology has proven to be very close to the mark, so this is what we all must be prepared for - and now," he says

Council's Disaster Manager Mike Lollback says the seriousness of the situation is underscored by the fact the Queensland Fire and Rescue Service has defined West Mt Cotton, parts of Sheldon and some of Redland Bay as "undefendable" in the event of a massive fire.

"This means that they may not send trucks into these areas to defend against bushfire should a



Residents of Division 6 need to be especially well prepared for bushfires given summer's forecast.

Cr Julie Talty, Division 6 (Mt Cotton, Sheldon, Thornlands, Victoria Pt, Redland Bay)

City Planning and Assessment spokesperson

major bushfire tax our defensive capabilities," Mike says. "This is why it is so important for people in these areas in particular to have a plan and to educate their children on what to do and when to evacuate. In the meantime, Council will continue to work to reduce fuel loads

and maintain fire breaks, with a focus on areas around highly populated communities. One lightning strike in these tinder-dry conditions can mean a potentially life-threatening emergency, so wherever you live in the Redlands the need for thorough preparation cannot be overstated."

Incidents over the past two summers - ex-tropical cyclone Oswald and the Straddie bushfires - have provided valuable lessons for Council and its emergency services partners.

Nick, who is also Council's General Manager Organisational Services, says that this summer, for the first time, all of the Redlands is covered by disaster management plans tailored for the islands, hinterland and mainland suburbs.

## Last Hazardous Waste Surrender Day

Sunday 7 December, 9am – 1pm

Redland Performing Arts Centre car park, 2-16 Middle Street, Cleveland



Bring your household hazardous waste to a collection day for safe free disposal. Bring proof of residence (e.g.drivers licence)

- Herbicides
- Pesticides
- Paint, stains, varnish
- Glue
- Rust inhibitors
- Wood preservatives
- Petroleum products, solvents, thinners
- Grease, coolant, brake fluid
- Acids and alkalis
- Household chemicals
- Pool chemicals
- Smoke alarms
- Compact Fluorescent Lamps (CFLs)
- Fire extinguishers

Commercial waste not accepted. For details of accepted waste, volume limits and other conditions: [www.redland.qld.gov.au](http://www.redland.qld.gov.au) 3829 8999

Look out for our permanent residential hazardous waste disposal point opening at Redland Bay Waste Transfer Station early 2015.

## STAY CONNECTED

During a disaster, some of the most up-to-date information can be found online. The Redland City Council Facebook page, Twitter account and website will provide the latest news, developments and useful resources and can be easily accessed from a mobile device.

### Did you know?

- You don't need an account in order to visit these sites and view information.
- But if you do want to create an account, it's free!
- Our libraries run free Ask I.T. sessions to help you to use social media .

Visit:



[facebook.com/RedlandCouncil](https://www.facebook.com/RedlandCouncil) or



[Twitter.com/RedlandCouncil](https://twitter.com/RedlandCouncil)

"A special guide for preparing for and dealing with bushfires and other natural emergencies is now available to residents free online as an interactive website, as well as at Council Customer Service Centres and libraries," he says.

"I urge all residents to get a copy as it offers detailed hazard assessments, safety information and potentially life-saving tips. It explains in detail what Redlanders need to know to ensure the safety of themselves, their families and their neighbours, including up-to-date contact numbers for getting information and help."

More information about how to "get ready" for an emergency can be found on Council's website at [www.redlandsdisasterplan.com.au](http://www.redlandsdisasterplan.com.au)



## Our storm troopers ready for action

Tom Short knows a thing or two about nature's wrath.

Since he volunteered for the Redlands SES Unit back in October 1990, his battles with cyclones, flood, fire and life-threatening emergencies has earned him the coveted Emergency Service Medal.

It is something that Christine Whalan has yet to experience, having signed up just last March after hearing about the SES at work.

Tom and Christine (pictured above) are among a dozen Redland City Council workers to volunteer their time to help the community in times of need, heading out into often dangerous conditions when others are heading home.

They are also members of arguably the region's greatest SES unit of all time, with the Redland SES - comprised of the Cleveland, North Stradbroke Island, Redland Bay and Southern Moreton Bay Islands groups - recently voted South-East Queensland's best for a record sixth successive year.

"A mate and I decided we wanted to do something so we decided to join the SES to give something back to the community," Tom, who works in Council's Information Management Group, recalled of his motivation to sign up 24 years ago.

An SES volunteer before he joined Council, he could not have imagined where his involvement would take him.

He rates his greatest experience as being part of an air search crew over the Solomon

Islands looking for survivors of a ship that went down. Tom was in the plane that spotted the survivors in five life rafts in the middle of the ocean.

"All up there were 49 people rescued with no loss of life," he recalled. "This was a great outcome which left us with a great feeling of accomplishment."

High on the list was also being part of the recovery at Innisfail, in North Queensland, after it was devastated by Cyclone Larry and being awarded the Emergency Service Medal in 2010 for his contribution, particularly through leadership and training.

"I was very honoured to receive it," said Tom, who has a particular passion for flood boat training.

It is this training that Christine, 19, is looking forward to.

"After watching documentaries that Tom showed us on the floods, it made me more interested to get trained and ready for when something like that happens, to get involved and help my community even if it's in a small way," she said.

Redland SES Unit Acting Local Controller Peter Gould, Council's service manager of workplace, health, safety and wellbeing, said the City's SES volunteers were really passionate about their community and often the first responders in an emergency.

For more information on the Redland SES, go to [www.redlandses.com.au](http://www.redlandses.com.au)

## Take care of your home these holidays

Holidays are a time of celebration and relaxation. Don't let thieves ruin your time away.

Follow these simple tips to reduce the opportunities for crime:

- Inform a trusted friend or neighbour of your trip and leave them your contact details.
- Do not leave a message on your answering machine telling people you're on holidays.
- Try to make your home and property look lived in - cancel deliveries, leave lights on timers and ask a neighbour to collect your mail and bring in rubbish bins.
- Ensure all of your doors and windows are locked. Don't leave a key hidden outside.
- Clear your garden of tools, ladders and bricks that could be used to break in.
- Do not leave your car keys in the house if your car is parked in the garage or driveway. Take them with you or give them to a trusted friend or neighbour.

For more information [www.redland.qld.gov.au/CommunitySafety](http://www.redland.qld.gov.au/CommunitySafety)



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# EVENTS

For rolling updates on Redlands events go to [www.redland.qld.gov.au](http://www.redland.qld.gov.au) and click on 'What's On' in the Fast Find panel

## November

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#### Go organic

Head over to Macleay Island for the Lemon Farm Organic Market from 8am-11am. There will be a huge selection of locally and organically grown fresh vegetables, fruits and herbs, as well as organic dry goods.

#### Tastes of the island

Head on over to the Straddie Oyster Festival from 10am at North Stradbroke Island Rugby League & Allsports Club (Straddie Sharks Club) at the Ron Stark Oval, Dunwich. Try the oyster-eating competition, in which competitors have to eat three oysters and three crackers and drink a glass of water. The fun will also include a prawn peeling and eating competition, along with plenty of musical entertainment and good spirit.

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#### Back to the future

The enduring links forged between the past, the present and the future is the theme of *Back to the Future: 50 years of Redland Yurara Art Society*, which continues at the Redland Art Gallery, Cleveland, until 18 January. It represents an appreciation of artists past who helped establish Yurara Art Society more than 50 years ago, as well as the determination of current members to build on that legacy so that future artists may continue to explore their talent within this rich and creative community. Info: 3030 4163 or [gallery@redland.qld.gov.au](mailto:gallery@redland.qld.gov.au).



## December

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#### Catch up over a cuppa

Head to Capalaba Library in Noeleen Street for Seniors Refresh, a chance to meet other seniors in the Art Space and share coffee, tea, biscuits and friendship. It's on from 9am-noon and there's no need to book.

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#### Turn a new leaf

IndigiScapes will be hosting a nursery plant sale from 9am-noon at the centre off Runnymede Road, Capalaba. The nursery provides native plants for local gardeners as well as community plantings, with sales on the first Saturday of every month. All native plants are \$2.50 each and come as tube stock. Plants range from the smallest ground cover to the tallest blue gum.

#### Community carols

Redland City Council's Christmas by Starlight is our largest free community event to herald in the festive season. This year it is at Capalaba Regional Park, off Pittwin Road, from 4pm. The all-age, family-friendly event will open with an afternoon of free children's activities including an animal zoo, jumping castles, rock climbing, face painting and a visit from Santa. At 5.45pm there will be a children's Christmas show followed by traditional carols and a fireworks finale at about 8.30pm. Christmas by Starlight is an alcohol-free event.



ISLAND ART: Redland artist Jenny Rumney with the Russell Island mural.

## Island expo a true art experience

Russell Island will host a showcase of the Redlands' creative side at the inaugural Bay Islands Art and Craft Expo from 3-6 December.

Presented by Russell Island Community Arts, the event will bring together a diversity of the City's artistic talents, from students' creative performances to an eclectic art and craft exhibition.

Local artist Jenny Rumney, who last year led a project sponsored by Redland City Council to paint a mural outside Russell Island Bowls Club, said the expo would be an event for the whole Redlands community.

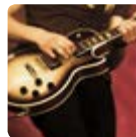
"It will be held at the Russell Island Recreation Hall, just a short walk from the Russell Island jetty, so it is

ideal for families to pop over to the island for the day," Jenny, an artist, sculptor and illustrator, said.

"Besides the art and craft exhibition, there will be plenty of entertainment as well as workshops for budding artists and crafts people and a place to network with professional and emerging artists.

### Buzz in the Park

Head to Cleveland's Bloomfield Park from 10am-1pm for free family fun with live music, arts and crafts.



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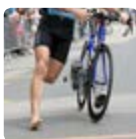
#### Kids' stuff

IndigiScapes is a great spot for youngsters during the holidays. Eight to 12-year-olds can join IndigiKids and get to participate in all kinds of fun activities and workshops based around the local environment - some will even involve getting your hands dirty! It's on from 10am-11.30am. RSVP to Ruth on 3824 8611 or [indigiscapes@redland.qld.gov.au](mailto:indigiscapes@redland.qld.gov.au). There are special plans for the IndigiKids end-of-year party this month, so check with the centre.



#### Tri time

Raby Bay is the venue for the third race in the Gatorade Queensland Triathlon Series. A staple in the triathlon community for more than 20 years, the event consists of three different race categories: Qld Tri Series (for more experienced athletes), Enticer Tri Series (for new or amateur triathletes) and Kool Kids Series (for youngsters aged 7-14 years).



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#### Be informed

Learn more about the National Disability Insurance Scheme at this NDIS Get Ready Project information session for people with a disability and their carers. It's on from 10am-noon at Victoria Point Library in the Lakeside Shopping Centre. Spaces are limited so book on 1800 772 383 (free call) or email [getready@yfs.org.au](mailto:getready@yfs.org.au). You can also go to [getready.yfs.org.au](http://getready.yfs.org.au) for more NDIS Get Ready information.



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#### Bargain

The Mini Night Time Markets are held on the second Friday of the month on Southsea Terrace, Macleay Island. You will find live music, arts and crafts, knick knacks, teas, psychic readings and a kids corner.

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#### Straddie briefing

Here's another chance to learn more about the National Disability Insurance Scheme, this time at Dunwich Community Hall on North Stradbroke Island. It is one of a series of NDIS Get Ready Project information sessions for people with a disability and their carers. It's on from 10.30am-12.30pm. Spaces are limited so book on 1800 772 383 (free call) or email [getready@yfs.org.au](mailto:getready@yfs.org.au). You can also go to [getready.yfs.org.au](http://getready.yfs.org.au) for more NDIS Get Ready information. The Get Ready team can also arrange a home visit where they can spend up to 90 minutes with you to discuss what the NDIS will mean for you.



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#### Creative kids

From 10am-noon, the Capalaba Library in Noeleen Street will be hosting Sand Art for youngsters aged six years-plus. You'll get to make a creation to take home. Then, from 2pm-3pm, youngsters aged eight years and up can drop in and make a Christmas decoration to take home. There's no need to book.



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#### Fun times

Dress up in your favourite Christmas outfit and enjoy a fun morning of stories and craft at the Cleveland Library, on the corner of Bloomfield and Middle streets, from 10am-10.45am. This one's for ages four to seven years. Then, from 11.30am-12.30pm, youngsters aged eight years and up can drop in and make a Christmas decoration to take home. There's no need to book.

#### Memories

If you are thinking about writing your memoirs but don't know where to start, then this workshop from 2pm-4pm at Victoria Point Library is for you. Rowena James is planning these free memoir-writing workshops for the third Wednesday of every month. Call her on 0403914768 to register your interest. All you will need is a notebook and a pen.



"It will show just what the Redlands' arts community has to offer and particularly the wealth of talent on our islands."

Jenny is among many highly credentialled artists supporting the expo, which will be opened to the public on Thursday and Friday, 4-5 December, from 10am to 7pm and on Saturday, 6 December, from 9am to 3pm.

Her collections have been displayed both nationally and overseas and she is currently working with a variety of mediums, including cast metal, wood, clay, ink and water colours.

The organisers expect the expo to become a highlight of South-East Queensland's arts calendar and help build awareness of the City's exceptional talent.

"The trip across from Redland Bay takes less than half an hour or so and you will find the island well worth the experience," Jenny said.

"I am sure it will be inspiration for art lovers and budding artists, it also will be a great day out in one of the most beautiful parts of the Redlands."

**More information: Barbara Wilson on 3409 5380, Jeanette Howard on 0411 426 224 or 3409 2940.**

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### Robo-kids

Learn to build and program robots at Capalaba Library, Noeleen Street, with Damien Kee using LEGO Mindstorms. Bookings are a must and open on Monday 8 December. Contact the Young People Services team on 3843 8031 or [youngpeople@redland.qld.gov.au](mailto:youngpeople@redland.qld.gov.au). There also will be a session on Friday, 16 January, at Victoria Point Library.



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### SMBI briefing

Islanders get an opportunity to learn more about the National Disability Insurance Scheme, this time at Russell Island Library. It is one of a series of NDIS Get Ready Project information sessions for people with a disability and their carers. It's on from 10.30am-12.30pm. Spaces are limited so boom on 1800 772 383 (free call) or email [getready@yfs.org.au](mailto:getready@yfs.org.au). You can also go to [getready.yfs.org.au](http://getready.yfs.org.au) for more NDIS Get Ready information. The Get Ready team can also arrange a home visit where we can spend up to 90 minutes with you to discuss what the NDIS will mean for you.



# Redland Libraries



www.summerreadingclub.org.au  
**SUMMER READING CLUB**

## Summer by the book

Reading can be rewarding for local youngsters and adults in more ways than one this summer.

Those who sign up for Redlands Libraries Summer Reading Club - which kicks off on 1 December - have the chance of winning great prizes, including gift vouchers and book and game vouchers.

To get involved, register at your local Redland library or log on to [www.redland.qld.gov.au/library](http://www.redland.qld.gov.au/library) and go to "Redland Libraries".

Fill in the entry form given to you when you register or download a copy. The idea is to read as many library books as you can over the holiday break.

When you finish a book, complete the form and drop it in the Summer Reading Club entry box at your library. Every book you read means another entry in the weekly prize draw and more chances to win. You can ask library staff for more entry forms if you need them. Activity booklets will also be available online to download.

Summer Reading Club will end on Saturday 31 January at 4pm, with a draw for the major prizes on Friday 6 February. Winners will be notified by phone and presented with their prizes at their local library.

The major draw prizes are:

Adults - 1st: iPad Mini. 2nd: \$50 Angus and Roberson book voucher. 3rd: book bundle.

Teens 12-17 years - 1st: \$100 JB Hi-Fi gift voucher. 2nd: \$70 JB Hi-Fi gift voucher. 3rd: \$30 JB Hi-Fi gift voucher.

Children 11 years and under - 1st: \$100 book and games bundle. 2nd: \$70 book and games bundle. 3rd: \$30 JB Hi-Fi gift voucher.

And, remember, there also will be weekly prize draws from 12 December.

### Mainland libraries

#### Capalaba Library 3843 8012

Noeleen Street, Capalaba

#### Cleveland Library 3829 8576

Cnr Bloomfield and Middle Streets, Cleveland

#### Victoria Point Library 3884 4000

7 - 15 Bunker Road, Victoria Point

#### Opening Hours

Monday: 9am - 5pm  
Tuesday: 9am - 5pm  
Wednesday: 9am - 5pm  
(7.30pm for Cleveland)  
Thursday: 9am - 7.30pm  
Friday: 9am - 5pm  
Saturday: 9am - 4pm  
Sunday: Closed

### Island libraries

#### Amity Point Library 3409 7029

Ballow Street, Amity Point

Wednesday: 9am - 12pm

Thursday: 1.30pm - 4.30pm

Saturday: 8.30am - 11.30am

#### Dunwich Library 3409 9529

Ballow Road, Dunwich

Tuesday: 9am - 12pm

Thursday: 1pm - 5pm

Saturday: 8.30am - 11.30am

#### Point Lookout Library 3409 8036

East Coast Road, Point Lookout

Tuesday: 10am - 12.30pm & 1.30 - 5.30pm

Wednesday: 9am - 1pm

Friday: 1pm - 5pm

Closed weekends

#### Russell Island Library 3409 1684

22 High Street, Russell Island

Wednesday: 2pm - 6pm

Thursday: 9.30am - 12.30pm & 1.30pm - 4.30pm

Friday: 9am - 1pm

Saturday: 9am - 1pm

### Mobile Library

Timetable available online:

[www.redland.qld.gov.au](http://www.redland.qld.gov.au)

0427 115 202

### Young Peoples Services

Email: [youngpeople@redland.qld.gov.au](mailto:youngpeople@redland.qld.gov.au)  
3843 8031

All libraries are closed on public holidays.

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### Refreshing

Head to Capalaba Library in Noeleen Street for another Seniors Refresh from 9am-noon, a chance to meet other seniors in the Art Space and share coffee, tea, biscuits and friendship. There's no need to book.

## January

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### In the bag

The world of puppetry will be in your hands at Capalaba Library, in Noeleen Street, from 10am-11am when you will be shown how to make your own paper bag puppets and bring them to life. Just drop in, there's no need to book.

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### Game changer

Youngsters aged 10 years and up can learn to make a video game from scratch at Capalaba Library, Noeleen Street, from 10am-11am. Seats are limited so bookings are a must. Contact the Young People Services team on 3843 8031 or [youngpeople@redland.qld.gov.au](mailto:youngpeople@redland.qld.gov.au). Bookings open Monday 8 December. Youngsters will be using Scratch ([scratch.mit.edu](http://scratch.mit.edu)) to create a basic game. Laptops will be provided. There also will be sessions at Victoria Point Library on Wednesday, 14 January, and at Cleveland Library on Friday, 16 January.



## Quiz answers

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- 2008
- Louis Hope, Ormiston House
- Landowner James Pink
- Wellington Point's Whepstead Manor
- Redland Bay
- Poinciana
- True
- The Dawn Treader from the filming of *The Chronicles of Narnia: The Voyage of the Dawn Treader*
- July 2014
- Wellington Point
- Possums
- The Gorge, North Stradbroke Island
- Baker
- EGW Wood
- Ambulance
- 38ft (11.58m)
- 1937
- Doobawah
- Cambus Wallace
- Dunwich
- Daffodil
- "Sleepy Hollow of East Moreton"
- The Wishing Well Cafe
- 1951
- Caniapa
- Oyster Point
- Red stone
- Pamphlet, Finnegan and Parsons
- Early settler William Thorne
- Minjerribah
- Quandamooka is the Aboriginal term for the waters and islands of Central and Southern Moreton Bay and the coastal land and streams between the Brisbane to Logan rivers.
- US Navy sailors
- Circa 1885
- Oodgeroo Noonucal
- Council administration building, Bloomfield St, Cleveland
- Mt Cotton, Redland Bay, Victoria Point, Victoria Point West
- Wally Lewis
- Jal Joshua
- 3
- 537sq km
- Unbroken
- Bush stone-curlew
- Cotton
- Cleveland Shire and the northern parts of Tingalpa Shire
- Yes
- True
- Peel Island
- Matthew Flinders
- Alexandra Hills
- May it grow - May it flourish

# Thank you

Redland City Council and Christmas by Starlight's Leah Lever would like to thank all our Starlight sponsors for their special gifts to the Redlands.



## Merry Christmas and best wishes for the season to all

On behalf of Council, we would like to extend our best wishes for the festive season to all Redlanders. May your homes and hearts be filled with joy and thanks.



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