### **CHANNEL COUNTRY CHATTER**

## MONTHLY HOTSPOT

ISSUE 4 | April 2024



## **QCWA Boulia Branch 100 years**

What an exciting time to be a part of an organisation that has not only survived 100 years of helping hands, is still thriving today. Our past members have ensured that the QCWA is a fun and exciting organisation to be a part of. We currently have a very "lively" lot of women in our group, of all ages. There is always something to be done, and everyone gets to be involved.

I would like to thank the community and the Boulia Shire Council for your ongoing support. Without this support we could not hold the events and fundraisers to assist the many causes we support.

We welcome all new helping hands of any age.

If you would like to join please jump on our website and don't forget to choose our branch. https://qcwa.org.au/Membership-benefits

Many Thanks Kim McKelvie - (Branch President)

#### **Boulia Shire Council News**

### Elected Councillors took their declaration of office on 28th March 2024.



This marks the official start of their term as an elected representative of the Boulia Shire.

Newly elected member Julie Woodhouse joins re-elected members Mayor Rick Britton, Councillor Sam

Beauchamp, Councillor Jack Neilson and Councillor Jan Norton in completing the Council team.



Boulia Shire Council welcomes on board a new Director of Works – Henry Mascarenhas. Henry joins us from most recently a contract in Mount Isa but has spent significant time in local governments across QLD & NSW, New Zealand and hails originally from Kuwait. He is joined by his family; wife Rheanna and daughter Sapphire. Henry is looking forward to getting the maximum grant funding possible for Boulia and Rheanna is looking forward to seeing their daughter flourish amongst the children of our unique and beautiful community.

Henry will be joined next week by Andrew Spyrakis who will be taking on the role of Works Manager. Andrew most recently comes to us from Burketown and is looking forward to less 'island' time. Andrew has spent a significant time in the South Pacific although originally from

Mount Cotton (South East QLD) when it was dirt roads and farms, is very happy to be back in Australia and is looking forward to making a home in Boulia.





# BOULIA SHIRE COUNCIL MEETING DATES, LOCATION AND TIMES

In accordance with section 254B of the Local Government Regulation 2012 notice is hereby given that the following Ordinary meetings of the Boulia Shire Council will be held on the days and times listed below:

Wednesday, 24th April 2024	Boulia Shire Hall	9 am
Friday, 31st May 2024	Boulia Shire Hall	9 am
Friday, 28 <sup>th</sup> June 2024	Boulia Shire Hall	9 am
Friday, 26 <sup>th</sup> July 2024	Boulia Shire Hall	9 am
Friday, 30th August 2024	Boulia Shire Hall	9 am
Friday, 27th September 2024	Boulia Shire Hall	9 am
Friday, 25th October 2024	Boulia Shire Hall	9 am
Friday, 29th November 2024	Boulia Shire Hall	9 am
Friday, 13th December 2024	Boulia Shire Hall	9 am

<sup>\*</sup> Please note the above meeting dates/times may be changed by resolution of Council if required.

Chief Executive Officer Lynn Moore



### **POSITION VACANT**

### Caretaker - Racecourse Reserve

This position works independently to efficiently maintain and improve the grounds, structures and equipment located at the Boulia Shire Racecourse Reserve, in accordance with budgets, time allocations and safety, quality and environmental standards.

The primary function of this position will be to carry out the maintenance activities required at the rodeo grounds, including the development of lawns, shrubs, trees, fencing and other horticultural beautification projects, routine maintenance of the public amenities and other structures.

- Development of the racecourse reserve aesthetics to improve the amenity of the site by the development of gardens suitable for a drought location or desert environment.
- Coordinate and carry out all rodeo grounds beautification and maintenance activities, including mowing, rubbish removal, checking and cleaning gutters, general handyman repair work and liaising with sub-contactors
- · Keep the facility always clean, operational and ready to be hired
- Oversight of the Organic Spelling facility to ensure that requirements for ongoing Organic certification are maintained and users are aware of their obligations to use the facility
- Maintain Organic Spelling records accurately
- Ensure that all beautification and maintenance activities are carried out in accordance with safety, quality and environmental guidelines,
- Monitor and take stock of hireable equipment such as chairs and tables, ensuring that damaged or non-returned items are reported to the facility hire coordinator,
- Report all safety, quality and environmental non-conformances or incidents using l-Auditor,
- · Ensure timeliness of work project completion,
- General cleaning of all amenities; shed, kitchen, bar, Jockey shed/building, comms room, public toilet/shower facilities of venue and BBQ area in off season
- Preparation of grounds prior to events and availability during events for assistance to
- Subsidised housing is provided for this position as necessary for caretaker to live on site

Base Hourly Rate	\$29.61
Total Annual Salary	\$77,080.48
Subsidised Housing	\$5,200.00
Work Health and Safety Bonus	\$1,250.00
Attract and Retention Allowance	\$2,500.00
Superable wage (Base+OAP) 12%	\$7,832.32
Locality allowance (single)	\$2,600.00
Base Rate of pay	\$58,509.36

Applications close 26<sup>th</sup> April 2024 at 12 noon. A copy of the Position Description is available upon request with details of Key Selection Criteria to be addressed. Please email <a href="https://https://html.ncboulia.qld.gov.au">https://html.ncboulia.qld.gov.au</a> if you would like further information.



### **POSITION VACANT - Maternity Leave Contract**

### Short Term - May to Nov 2024

### Part Time Works Depot Administration Officer

POSITION TITLE: Depot Administration Officer – Maternity Leave Contract MAY-NOV2024

**DIRECTORATE:** Works and Operations

**DEPARTMENT:** Operations

CLASSIFICATION: Level 3.1

**REPORTS TO:** Director of Works & Operations

AWARD and STREAM: Queensland Local Government Industry Award (Stream A) - State 2017

**HOURS:** 56 hours per fortnight

LOCATION: Boulia Works Depot

**REVIEW DATE:** 9/4/2024

The primary function of this role is to provide administrative support to the Director of Works & Operations as well as to the Works Manager. Facets of this role are broad scoping and successful candidate will enjoy a work environment that is constantly moving and utilising a suite of software programs. Training will be made available for successful candidate.

This position is offered on a part time basis as a maternity leave contract from May – November 2024. 56 hours per fortnight over four days is the current work schedule, there is flexibility to work within these hours in consultation and with approval of management.

Salary listed in table is based on 56 hour fortnight

Base Hourly Rate (including loading)	\$35.3570
Total Annual Salary	\$62,562.14
Work Health and Safety Bonus	\$965.52
Attract and Retention Allowance	\$1,931.03
Superable wage (Base+OAP) 12%	\$6,177.57
Locality allowance (single)	\$2,008.28
Base Rate of pay	\$51,479.74

A comprehensive position description is available on our website or upon request. To apply, please submit your resume and responses to key selection criteria and provide any additional information relevant to application.

Applications close 26<sup>th</sup> April 2024 at 12 noon. Please email <a href="mailto:hr@boulia.qld.gov.au">hr@boulia.qld.gov.au</a> to submit your application or if you require further information.



### **NEW POSITION VACANCY**

### **Economic & Community Development Manager**

The Economic and Community Development Department exists to champion the councils tourism and economic development and support local businesses so they may prosper. We do this through the provision of a variety of services and products. The work we do is vital to helping create jobs, building a vibrant economy, and contributing to community wellbeing.

The Economic and Community Development Manager is accountable to the Chief Executive Officer for the development and implementation of strategies, projects and initiatives that support the sustainable economic growth, investment attraction and development of the community and businesses throughout the shire.

The Economic and Community Development Manager is responsible for service delivery in the areas of economic development, investment attraction, tourism, event and community grants, community development and planning, sport and recreation and project inception and development.

- · Maximize economic benefits to the council and local business.
- Attract and promote investment opportunities within the town of Boulia.
- Develop, implement, facilitate and co-ordinate economic and tourism development initiatives.
- Provide strategic leadership to staff and foster and promote a culture of commitment and accountability.
- Develop a pipeline of community projects and secure grants for their development.
- · Provide management for all programs, projects and services provided by the funding bodies.
- Ensure appropriate contract management of recreation and tourism-based services.
- Ensure that services within areas of responsibility are delivered in a cost effective and equitable way.

Base Hourly Rate	\$47.9156
Total Annual Salary	\$110,369.39
Subsidised Housing	\$2,860.00
Work Health and Safety Bonus	\$1,250.00
Attract and Retention Allowance	\$2,500.00
Superable wage (Base+OAP) 12%	\$10,838.51
Locality allowance (single)	\$2,600.00
Base Rate of pay	\$90,320.88

Applications close 26<sup>th</sup> April 2024 at 12 noon. A copy of the Position Description is available upon request with details of Key Selection Criteria to be addressed. Please email <a href="https://doi.org/10.1001/journal.org/">https://doi.org/10.1001/journal.org/<a href="https://doi.org/10.1001/journal.org/">https://doi.org/10.1001/journal.org/<a href="https://doi.org/10.1001/journal.org/">https://doi.org/10.1001/journal.org/<a href="https://doi.org/10.1001/journal.org/">https://doi.org/10.1001/journal.org/<a href="https://doi.org/10.1001/journal.org/">https://doi.org/10.1001/journal.org/<a href="https://doi.org/10.1001/journal.org/">https://doi.org/<a href="https://doi.org/">https://doi.org/<a href="http



### SESSIONS AT BOULIA SPORTS & AQUATIC CENTRE

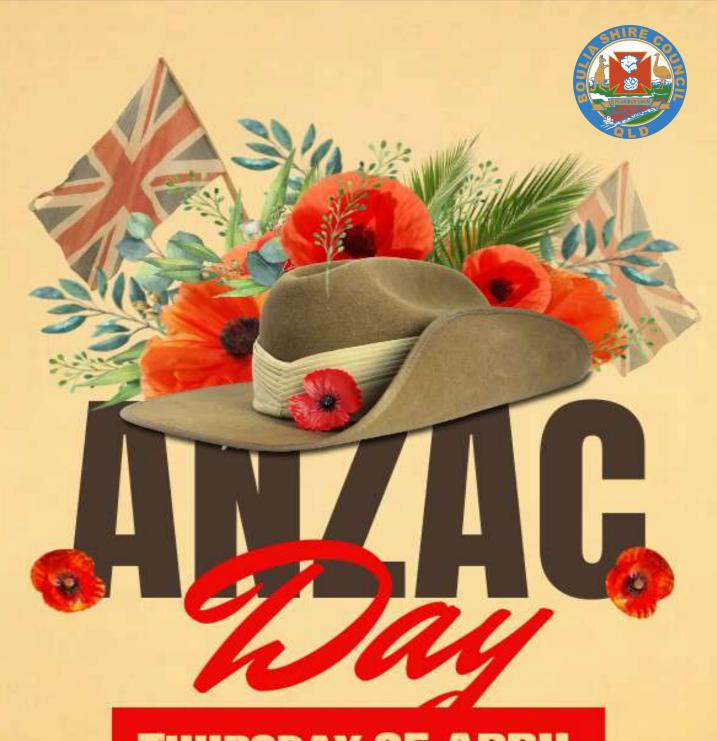
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6:00am - 6:45am	Racquet / Bat Sports
8:30am - 9:00am	Walking / Jogging
2:00pm – 2:30pm	Yoga / Stretch Parents / Babies / Toddlers

WEDNESDAY								
6:00am - 6:45am	Speed / Agility Fitness / Circuits							
8:30am – 9:00am	Yoga / Stretch Parents / Babies / Toddlers							
3:15pm – 4:30pm	Active Sport / Recreation Games							
5:15pm – 5:45pm	Walking / Jogging							

THURSDAY							
4:00pm - 4:45pm	Racquet / Bat Sports						
5:00pm - 5:45pm	Speed / Agility / Fitness / Circuits						

FRIDAY							
6:00am - 6:45am	Speed / Agility / Fitness / Circuits						
3:15pm - 4:30pm	Active Sport / Recreation Games						

Children under 10 must be accompanied by an adult



## **THURSDAY 25 APRIL**

### DAWN SERVICE:

Please join us at the Cenotaph at 6:00am

### MARCH

If you would like to participate in the march please meet at the front of the Boulia Post Office at 10:00am

### CEREMONY

Please join us at the Cenotaph at 10:30am

### **MORNING TEA**

COMPLIMENTARY for Everyone After Service at the Boulia Shire Hall

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## GUNFIRE Breakfast

# 25 APRIL

After the Dawn Service on ANZAC Day, everyone is welcome to attend the Gunfire Breakfast being provided in the back garden at the Desert Sands Motel around 6.30 am.

Donations for *Soldier On* will be taken at the breakfast for those who wish to donate.

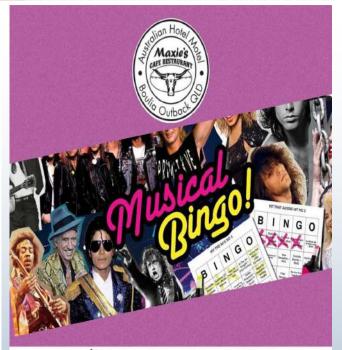


We will be honouring tradition with playing some two-up.

For the music lovers we will have musical bingo (with some new categories to run) and we will most definitely be televising the NRL Anzac Day Cup from 4pm.

\$10 BBQ lunch from 11am to 1pm (With all proceeds from lunch being donated to RSL Australia RSL Foundation)

NO TAKEAWAY ALCOHOL SALES PERMITTED ON ANZAC DAY BEFORE 1PM SO PLEASE DO NOT ASK AS REFUSAL MAY OFFEND - NORMAL TRADE FROM 1PM.



ANZAC DAY, 25TH APRIL JOIN IN THE FUN FROM 1PM

DROPPING BEATS NOT BALLS !!

### **COMMUNITY LIBRARY NEWS**





9:00-10:00 Craft





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### **COMMUNITY LIBRARY NEWS**















Last month in our First 5 Forever program we were busy with Easter activities including an Easter Egg hunt, Making Easter bonnets and holding a colouring comp.

For some creative and sociable play come along and join us











### **COMMUNITY LIBRARY NEWS**

## Harmony DAY

























#### **BOULIA STATE SCHOOL**

### **Boulia State School**

Phone: (07) 4746 3151 Email: principal@bouliass.eq.edu.au

Learning begins at 8.30am Monday to Friday at Boulia State School.

Morning Session: 8.30am–10.45am Middle Session: 11.15am–12.45pm Afternoon Session: 1.30pm–2.30pm

Parade: Every second Friday afternoon at 2.00pm-2.30pm. Everyone is welcome to attend.



Department of Education

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## 2024

### School calendar Queensland state schools

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Public holidays

Part public holiday after 6 pm

There are 199 school days in 2024.

Semester 1, 2024 commences for teachers on 18 January and for students on 22 January 2024.

#### STAFF PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT DAYS

Staff professional development days for teachers are 18 and 19 January, 11 and 12 April and 30 August 2024, Schools are able to decide when they undertake the required hours for professional development for the flexible days, as long as they are on the flexible days, in the school holidays or out of school hours.

#### PUBLIC HOLIDAYS

Queensland public holidays are set by the Industrial Relations Minister.

Public holidays for local show days are not shown due to diversity of dates across the state.

#### FINAL DATES FOR STUDENT ATTENDANCE

Staff professional development/student free days

15 November is the final date for Year 12 attendance for receipt of a Senior Statement. 22 November is the final date for student attendance in Years 10 and 11.

Some schools in regional, rural and remote areas will close for the summer holidays on 6 December.

The information in this calendar was correct at the time of publication but may be subject to change.

For more information and the latest version of this calendar, visit

www.education.qld.gov.au





APPOINTMENTS NOT REQUIRED

UNDER 65'S VACCINATION DATES WILL BE ANNOUNCED AT A LATER DATE





- Regular weekly RFDS clinic day will now take place every <u>Tuesday</u>
- Need to schedule an appointment with the RFDS doctor? <u>call 07 4745 0434</u>
- Need to schedule an appointment chronic disease nurse, child health nurse, or midwife
  <u>call 07 4745 0434</u>
  - \* Extra Clinic days twice a month, by invitation

### **WE NEED YOU!**

VOLUNTEER AMBULANCE DRIVERS
NEEDED – BOULIA

Can be on call or a roster even for just one day per week.

Contact Maddy at the Boulia Primary Health
Centre

Phone: (07) 4746 2300



## **Boulia Turf Club Ball & Races 2024**





























































& RODEO

17th, 18th & 19th May 2024

More details + program to come Enquires please Email Bouliarodeo@gmail.com



fundraising. I would love your

Bar shifts will be on Saturday the 18th of May -My contact number is 0487933403 if you are interested in giving me a hand

supports Boulia

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# BOULIA CAMPDRAFT & RODEO

### FRIDAY 17TH MAY - 7AM START

BLACKET HELICOPTERS - VAIDEN DRAFT \$2000 Nomination Foo \$40 One Round & Final MITISA PETS & PRODUCE- OPEN DRAFT \$7000 Vomination Foc \$60 One Round & Final

ALDEBLEY PASTORAL COMPANY - LADIES DRAFT \$1000

Nomination Fee \$40 One Round

DAVENPORT PAHAWAY PASTORAL DO - ENCOURACIEVENT DRAFT \$1200 CAMPDRAFTCENTRAL Nomination Fee \$30 One Round, Limited 2 runs per person, 17 yrs & over, A. ridor that has not won an Opon ago draft or a Bestricted draft.

TONKIES CAPPENTRY - LOCAL DRAFT \$500

Nomination Foo \$20 One Bound

### RODEO - 7:30PM

GOODWOOD PASTORAL - BULLOCK RIDE\$800 - 7:30pm Vomination Foo \$75

VICHILLAN PASTORAL COMPANY-NOVICEDRAFT \$3000 Nomination Foc \$/15 One Round & Final DESERT SANDS WORL - JUVENILE DRAFT \$400 Vornination Foc \$20 13yr - 17yr olds

BRAD & SARAH VOUHILYAN - JUNICH DRAFT \$200 Nomination Foe \$10 Syn-12yr olds A & M BOYD - MINIDRAFT \$100

Nomination Foo \$5 Syr - Zyr olds - MUST BE OFF THE LEAD

SPARRA DINKS CONTRACTING - FUTURITY \$800

Nominal for \$30 Horses are to be apid 4 & under only 1 horses 4 yes & under who have not start orbit a responsing deal'd. Population No Contification are required by Line secretary flor proof of age prior tie de-

> Any enquiries please contact Marvellon 0427 021 002 OB Scott 0438 461 244

BEFORE THE WEEKEND KICKS OFF THERE IS SOME HOUSE KEEPING ...

WE ENJOY CASH BUT EFTPOS IS AVAILABLE AT THE BAR ALL WEEKEND

> CAMPING AVAILABLE FOR EVERYONE PLEASE BRING HOSES & FITTINGS

NO POWERED SITES - PLEASE BRING GENERATORS 1080 BAITS HAVE BEEN LAID IN THE BOULIA REGION

DOGS MUST BE KEPT ON LEADS BAR OPENS FRIDAY & SATURDAY

CANTEEN OPERATING ALL WEEKEND FROM THURSDAY NIGHT NO GLASS ON GROUNDS

PLEASE DRIVE SLOWLY WITHIN THE GROUNDS TO KEEP LITTLE **HUMANS & ANIMALS SAFE** 

HORSE MOVEMENT FORMS TO BOULIARODEO@GMAIL.COM

WE LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU ALL THERE FOR A BEER AND A TONNE OF FUN!



HARRIS CONTRACTING - JUNIOR BARRELS \$200

Nommation Fee \$30

KALIN ALFORD & FILLE BLACKET - JUNIOR MINIBULLS UNDER 12YRS \$300

Nomination Fee \$30

Nomination Fee \$90

Nomination Fee \$30

BOLLIA ROADHOUSE - OPEN SADDUE REONG RIDE \$1500

### SUNDAY 19TH MAY - 7AM START

MADEN FINAL OPEN FINAL NOVICE FINAL

PLACES UP TO BTH PLACE



MORNING OF THE PROCRAM Boulia

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Disclaimers: The Boulla Rodeo Association does not accept any liability for any accident, damage, in tury or finess to any competitor; horse, livestock, spectators or other person or property whatsoever. Horse movement record to be emailed to boullarodeo@gmail.com - Boulla race reserve pic# ODBOOC/28.

The committee reserves the right to change the program at any time. All riders under 18yrs VLST wear approved. helmets while riding on the grounds. No member under the age of 17 yrs permitted to ride handle stallions within the perimeter of the grounds. Campdrafts mile under OCA Rules & Guideline Judges decision is Final.



MT ISA FETS & PRODUCE - STATION BLCK JUMP \$1000

GARLAND TRANSPORT - JUNIOR BULLS \$600

Nomination Fee \$90

ALSTRALIAN HOTEL BOLLIA - OPEN BLLL RIDE \$1500.

FEATURE BULL & FEATURE HORSE







KENLACHTRANSPORT - JUVENILE BARRELS \$40 Nomination Fee \$35

DAB FAB - LADIES BARRELS \$1000

Nomination Fee \$80

Nomination Fee \$20

Nomination Fee \$90







































## SNAKES - STAY ALERT



It has come to Councils Attention that there are increasing numbers of sightings and incidences involving snakes in and around town.

If you are outdoors or working in your garden, please be mindful of your surroundings, especially when around overgrown grass or areas with large amounts of stick and leaves.

Overgrown properties are more likely to attract and/or shelter not only reptiles but other vermin, so if your yard is looking a little overgrown, please take the time to attend to it as soon as possible. Should you require assistance with this, Council is able to offer:

- The ability to hire a push lawn mower
- The ability to engage Council for fee to complete lawn mowing and whipper snipping services
- The ability to make an application for free Yard Maintenance Assistance (eligibility criteria apply)

Should you wish to utilise the above-mentioned services, or you would like to make an application for Yard Maintenance Assistance, or you need a snake removed (during opening hours), please contact the Council Administration Office on 4746 3188.

