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Beenleigh, Eagleby, and Mt Warren Park

A time to reflect, celebrate and check-in on others

It's hard to believe we're in the final month of 2021, a year that has taught us so much: resilience, flexibility and patience.

Christmas is a time for us to reflect and spend quality time with family and loved ones – something that will no doubt be embraced by all after another year of uncertainties.

However, for many, Christmas can be a time of sadness and hardship.

Patience and kindness helped get us through the global pandemic and I urge you to spare a thought for those doing it tough.

Take care of one another, check in on your neighbours or those who are most vulnerable. Sometimes a little thank you or a simple smile can go a long way.

I hope for many that Christmas this year is a time to be reunited with family and loved ones they may not have seen for some time.

This holiday season, our festivities and celebrations represent a fresh start, as we welcome a new year filled with hope.

I, for one, am looking forward to 2022 and all that it holds for the City of Logan. As a city, we've set ourselves some big goals for the next 12 months. None more so than becoming carbon neutral by the end of 2022. In doing so we are safeguarding the City of Logan's future.

I'm passionate about reducing our carbon footprint. The measures we implement now will benefit our city for

generations to come. If it wasn't for a global pandemic, climate change would be the number one issue in the world today, something that has become more apparent in the last few months.

Before the year ends, though, we've launched our new Proud City campaign. While Council has delivered city pride campaigns before, we've never done anything like this.

I don't think you'll find anything like it anywhere else in Australia either, especially from a local government.

I look forward to seeing the conversations it's going to spark here and in our neighbouring councils. (See page 4 for more information.)

I know when I reflect on 2021, I'm proud of our great city and the way we have navigated the challenges. We have worked together as a community and supported each other.

Valuing friends, family and good health is what really matters at Christmas. I encourage you to appreciate the small moments that we sometimes take for granted.

On behalf of Council staff and my fellow Councillors, I wish you and your loved ones a merry Christmas and a happy and prosperous new year.

Stay safe.

Mayor Darren Power
City of Logan

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Front cover image
Zohal Shahalami
(see Proud City
story on page 4)

Photo
Map Creative

Logan City Council acknowledges the Traditional Custodians of the land, pays respect to Elders past, present and emerging and extends that respect to all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples in the City of Logan. Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples are advised that images of people who may now be deceased may appear in this magazine.

A city pride campaign with attitude

Pride. It's not something the City of Logan has ever been short on.

The Logan community has always had a clear sense of who we are and what we represent. But it hasn't always been easy for us to be recognised for our strengths beyond our own borders.

A new campaign from Logan City Council aims to change all that.

The Proud City campaign, launched on 15 November, is edgy and engaging and bound to spark conversation.

The centrepiece is a short video that aims to change the narrative for the City of Logan, supported by billboards, bus shelters and an in-depth digital marketing campaign.

City of Logan Mayor Darren Power is unapologetic for the bold new approach.

"The City of Logan is raw, real and diverse, and we're happy to own that," he says.

"We are in a new era for our city, which makes it the perfect time to strengthen city pride and remind the rest of the world who we are."

At the heart of the campaign are six local champions, chosen to represent the diversity of people and lifestyles in Logan.

There's farmer John Howes, Traditional Owner Shaun Davies, soccer coach Zohal Shahalami, colour and image consultant Emma Willmann, barber Nicky Pati and market seller Muy Keo.

"Instead of telling the rest of the world who we are, we're showing them, through the stories of our people," Mayor Power says.

"Individually, these people are fascinating and inspiring. Collectively, they start to paint the picture of who we are as a community.

"This campaign will also flip some long-standing Logan stereotypes in clever, meaningful and authentic ways."

Campaign taglines include "No one ever called us boring", "Mavericks, makers and innovators", and "Culture is our DNA".

"We know that perceptions won't change from one initiative, one campaign or one tagline. But this is a great place to start, and it's only the beginning."

The Proud City campaign features on the new ourlogan.com.au website, a digital platform for positive, community-based stories and Council news. The site has the campaign video and ads, as well as profiles on our champions and behind the scene videos.

CHECK OUT THE CAMPAIGN

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Zohal Shahalami on the campaign set.

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The City of Logan is raw, real and diverse, and we're happy to own that.



It's all about tactics, fun and friendships

You only need to hold that mallet once and you fall in love."

That's a common sentiment among croquet players, and certainly the experience of Ron Schodel and Dianne Michels, two members of the Twin Rivers Community Mallet Sports Club in Eagleby.

Dianne was sceptical when she attended a "come and try day", but she was instantly hooked and joined the Twin Rivers Club soon after. That was four years ago, and today she's the club's publicist.

For club president, Ron, it was a family affair. His brother Des Schodel and wife Beryl fell in love with croquet and started the Twin Rivers club in 2010. Des recruited more than 100 members in the early years, and Ron was one of them.

Ron says croquet is a game of strategy, often described as combining the finer points of chess,

golf and billiards, played on a grass lawn.

"It's challenging and tactical," he says. "There's a reasonable amount of skill but not a lot of physical exertion, and you make a lot of friends playing."

The club recently celebrated its eleventh birthday and its first at its new home at Bedford Park, Eagleby. It was a milestone for a club that has moved seven times, and reward for the tireless efforts of past president Ian Every.

With land and financial support from Logan City Council and state and federal government grants, two croquet courts were constructed onsite and the first ball struck in January this year.

Des passed away before the club moved to Bedford Park, but he knew the club had found a permanent home. His great legacy is the croquet academy he started for students with special needs at Beenleigh State High

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School, through which 10 students participate over two terms each year.

A welcoming and friendly club for all ages and skill levels, Twin Rivers offers members the opportunity to play five days a week – six if there's an inter-club tournament on a Sunday. Members can play association croquet (traditional) or golf croquet, which is a version of the game that is shorter to play and easier to learn.

W: croquetqld.org

f [@TwinRiversCroquet](https://www.facebook.com/TwinRiversCroquet)

Dianne Michels and Ron Schodel of Twin Rivers
Community Mallet Sports Club.



Community celebration highlights

The City of Logan has continued to come together in COVID-safe ways to celebrate what matters to our community.

On 21 September, crowds turned out to celebrate Logan NAIDOC Day, rescheduled from July due to COVID-19 impacts.

Presented by the Logan District Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Corporation for Elders, the day featured a flag-raising ceremony, music, traditional dancers, stalls, and rides for children.

Logan City Council partnered with a wide range of not-for-profit groups, local businesses and the Queensland Government to support this important event.

The theme for NAIDOC this year is “Heal Country” – a call for stronger measures to recognise, protect, and maintain all aspects of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander culture and heritage.

On 22 October, Council hosted the annual Logan Loves Seniors events, one of the most popular community events of the year, at the Logan West Community Centre.

It connects seniors with the wealth of lifestyle and social opportunities available in Logan and provides a fun day out.

The succulent planting and jewellery-making workshops were a big hit, along with the Elton John show. Other popular attractions were the cooking demonstrations and free massages.



Aunty Faith Green, Marnie Julin and Councillor Mindy Russell at Logan NAIDOC Day.



Rhys Monaghan playing didgeridoo at Logan NAIDOC Day.



Logan Loves Seniors Workshops.



Keeping active at Logan Loves Seniors.



Samantha Daley from Palm Lake Care & Resorts (the event's major sponsor) chats with an attendee at Logan Loves Seniors.



A great turnout at Logan Loves Seniors.



Aliena McKenzie with two of her fairy doors.

Fairy doors invite magic to children's worlds

Who hasn't wished for someone to whisk away our worries in the middle of the night?

That's what Aliena McKenzie's hand-made fairy doors can do for anxious children.

The Daisy Hill artist uses bark from gum trees in her garden to create the intricate sources of magic.

"The doors come with a note saying the child has been entrusted with this door for fairies, as well as a jar for them to fill with worries each evening; then the fairies come to take those worries away in the night," says Aliena.

She says the idea of creating good sleep habits came from an early childhood plagued by night terrors.

"I used to love fairies, so my mum

put a wallpaper border all around my room that had these beautiful fairies on it," she says.

"If I woke up from a bad dream, I could look at the fairies and think about them instead – it taught me ways of coping."

Aliena has been creating this combination of magic and mindfulness since the beginning of the COVID-19 pandemic.

"COVID was scary enough for adults, so I was sure it was scary for kids too," she said.

"I've had some great feedback so it's good to know it's helping."

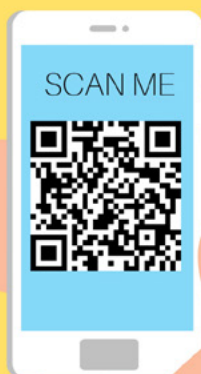
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Serving the community for 20 years

When Ailsa Melville first started volunteering with Shailer Parks Meals on Wheels, the team hand-peeled piles of vegetables and served up dishes from giant pots.

Today, more than 20 years later, she and fellow volunteers sort and deliver meals cooked and packed at one of two large southside Meals on Wheels kitchens.

While operations have been streamlined, the importance of volunteers like Ailsa to deliver meals to those who need them has become even more critical during the pandemic.

The iconic not-for-profit organisation delivers meals to frail older people and younger people with disabilities and their carers. As well as providing nutritious food, volunteers provide a friendly face and a wellbeing check.

"We know how much it means to people when we arrive, even though we can't stay for long," Ailsa says.

The Waterford resident is humble about her long-serving contribution to the community. "I can't believe the time has gone so quickly."

In recognition of this quiet achiever, the Shailer Park team nominated Ailsa for the annual Mary Lowe Award. It honours volunteers of Meals on Wheels in Queensland who have made a valuable contribution to the organisation.

Shailer Park Meals on Wheels was formed in 1996 and today is one of only two services in Queensland still fully run by volunteers. (While meals are delivered by volunteers across the state, the majority of services now have paid coordinating teams.)

Four days a week, the Shailer Park volunteers gather at their Council-owned facility in Bryants Road and prepare orders that are then delivered to around 60 clients in Carbrook, Cornubia, Daisy Hill, Loganhome and Tanah Merah.

The meals are combination of frozen options and freshly prepared meals and come from an extensive menu that includes prawn omelette, butter chicken, salmon mornay, roast lamb with minted gravy and honey cake with Greek yogurt.

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W: qmow.org

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We know how much it means to people when we arrive.



Ailsa Melville has been volunteering with Meals on Wheels for more than two decades.

FREE COMMUNITY EVENT

Jimboomba Christmas Brigade

**FRIDAY
10 DECEMBER
2021**

Rotary Park, Jimboomba
5 pm to 8:30 pm

Movie screening
**The Grinch
(2018)**
6:30 pm

Meet santa with the Jimboomba Fire Brigade
Christmas arts and crafts at Dorrington House
Movie in the park | Food trucks
Christmas carols | Face painting

Parking located at vacant block next to
Now & Zen Opshop — Cusack Lane

The right environment for learning

The Loganlea High Urban Farm and Food Forest pilot project is bringing food security, environmental awareness, and horticulture education to the heart of Logan.

Feeding the community is at the heart of the ambitious environmental project led by CityStudio Logan and based at Loganlea State High School (SHS). The project will see the Urban Food Farm sit on the 60 acres of river-adjacent land at Loganlea SHS, which will provide for Logan families relying on food relief.

The project group brings together students from Loganlea SHS and Griffith University, as well as Logan City Council and The Mini Farm Project, a Queensland organisation that creates urban farms by using under-utilised spaces – such as that at Loganlea SHS.

The school's Head of Agribusiness and Technology, Jake Whittle, says the school's Urban Food Farm was ideal for this purpose.

"This is as close to an urban farm as you will get. You've got a train line at the back and high-density housing at the front of the school, and then 60 acres of land," he says.

Mr Whittle said the school had a large First Nations network with whom the project collaborated to discover the native foods that could be grown in the school environment.

Keen to find out more about this and other CityStudio Logan projects? You can follow along on Facebook and LinkedIn's Catapult and CityStudio Logan page, which celebrates the amazing work of young people across Logan in a range of projects.

The aim is to see Urban Farms roll out across the city, post pilot.



Ayvah Fui (year 10), Shyanne Collett (year 10) and Jack Jenkins (year 11) at Loganlea State High School's farm.

About CityStudio Logan

CityStudio Logan brings together community organisations, students, and Council staff to address city challenges. The program turns the City of Logan into an experimental classroom by defining city challenges and inviting students to use design thinking to create community solutions. Students conduct experiments, create projects and deliver research to support and advance city strategies.

Free First Nations Elders Swim Program

When: Thursday 3 February to Thursday 31 March 2022 (no class on Thursday 3 March)

Time: 11am to 12pm

Where: Beenleigh Aquatic Centre, City Road, Beenleigh

Cost: Free

Carers are welcome

- Pool is indoor and heated
- Classes delivered by First Nations instructors
- Free transport and swimwear available – just ask when booking in
- Get a free shirt designed by Casey Coolwell at your fourth lesson

Book now

Call: (07) 2803 4103

Email: aqualogan@logan.qld.gov.au

Online: loganleisurecentres.com.au/nyeroolahle



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Come and Swim



This activity is funded by the Australian Government Department of Health.

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Cnr Wembley Rd and Jacaranda Ave, Logan Central

3 DECEMBER 2021 TO 15 JANUARY 2022

2021 Dobell Drawing Prize #22

This exhibition is toured by the National Art School, Sydney.



Image: Noel McKenna, *Major in Backyard*, 2020, ink on paper, image courtesy the artist and Darren Knight Gallery © the artist

**DOBELL
DRAWING
PRIZE #22**



**NATIONAL
ART
SCHOOL**



A National Art School Touring Exhibition

**Logan treasures: art, craft and design
pop-up store**

Pick up unique gifts for Christmas from the best of Logan's artists, craftworkers and designers.



Image: objects and designs by: Marsha Brockhurst, Therese Flynn Clarke, Linda Fountain, John Marchant, Sandra Johnson, Margaret Gibson.

LOGAN ART GALLERY IS CLOSED FOR MAINTENANCE FROM 18 JANUARY TO 26 FEBRUARY 2022

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4 Dec

BEENLEIGH TOWN SQUARE
FREE ENTRY! 5 to 8 pm

BRIANA DINSDALE



**WITH
SPECIAL GUESTS:**
**RAE LEIGH
JAYLEE
MAMA JUJU
AND THE
JAM TARTS**

11 Dec

LOGAN WEST COMMUNITY CENTRE

MACHINE AGE



FREE ENTRY!
5 to 8 pm

**WITH
SPECIAL GUESTS:**
**AUGUST RIVER
BAND
SLOJ
COUGH SURFERS**

Logan Live is an initiative of Logan City Council and supported by the Queensland Government through Arts Queensland and educational partner JMC Academy.





Kingston Butter Factory Cultural Precinct coming in early 2022!

Logan City Council is redeveloping the Kingston Butter Factory Cultural Precinct into a vibrant cultural heritage and performing arts hub in the heart of Logan – and it is on schedule to open early in the new year.

The precinct will host indoor and outdoor performances and events, night markets, farmers' markets, and major festivals. It will be a place where the City of Logan's rich cultural heritage and diversity is celebrated.

What's in the precinct?

Living Museum of Logan

The living museum will be a place to see, hear and experience the stories of the people who have made the City of Logan what it is today. It's a contemporary social history museum that is family-friendly and welcoming to Logan's diverse communities.

Displays will explore ideas and stories that acknowledge the city's past, illuminate the present and help the community imagine the future. The museum will be a place for communities to tell their own stories in their own words, through arts and cultural expression, providing opportunities to raise awareness and build upon respect.

The museum spaces will provide a changing program of displays. Opening exhibitions will include stories from Logan's kitchens, markets and gardens, and photography of local street fashion styles.

It will also feature a co-curated space by and for Logan's Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples. Visitors will be able to learn about First Nations language and culture, and hear digital stories from Logan's Elders.

Butterbox Theatre

This is the City of Logan's newest indoor performance, rehearsal and

workshop space, including a black box theatre, with capacity for 220 people. It will be a place for music, drama, comedy, workshops and talks.

Outdoor stage

The largest outdoor events space in Logan has capacity for crowds of up to 5,000 (pending COVID-19 restrictions). It will host community events, national acts and major festivals.

Plaza

This new outdoor space will host events, markets and community gatherings. It features original artwork by local artist Sally Terare, with a new children's play space nearby.

Logan City Heritage Centre

The Logan City Historical Museum Society Inc. returns to the Kingston Butter Factory precinct in a purpose-built new heritage centre. Its exhibits tell the story of the region's European settlement and development of the City of Logan from 1826 to the present day.

Cottage

Devon Pixies Teahouse is relocating from Logan Village to the renovated historic workers' cottage.

Public art

Large-scale public art pieces feature on site by Sally Terare (plaza) and Lincoln Austin (outdoor stage). An interactive timeline of the Kingston Butter Factory by Nicola Hooper will feature inside the building.

FIND OUT MORE:

W: loganarts.com.au

The Kingston Butter Factory Cultural Precinct redevelopment is funded by Logan City Council and the Queensland Government Works for COVID fund. The Australian Government funded precinct Smart Poles and CCTV cameras (Safer Communities Fund).

Photo credit: Matthew Parr

Bath bliss inspires home-based business

Great ideas can come at any time, and for Caroline Woodman it was while soaking in a bath.

She was facing a watershed moment that included a milestone birthday, the prospect of becoming a grandmother and the unknowns of a voluntary redundancy.

"I retreated to a bath," Caroline says. "It's the one place I go for privacy, to breathe, relax and find perspective. A few drops of essential oil and some calming music, and I realised I'd never felt better. I thought, if I can be on a natural high while facing what's in front of me, there must be something to it."

That moment led to the creation of BathCalm, a unique home-based business in Yarrabilba. Caroline now hand-crafts a range of bath salts, soaps and essential oils, each paired with specially created music and a guided meditation.

Like all first-time business owners, Caroline understood she had a steep learning curve ahead of her. One of the first things she did was contact Logan City Council.

"I signed up for every workshop available, free and low cost, and the information was invaluable," she says.

"I couldn't have done it without that support. I would not have had the confidence to go forward. I needed the information quickly and I got it. That's what made it so valuable."

While Caroline works part-time to supplement her business, BathCalm is her passion and her future. She says the business has turned the corner after a tough 18 months through the pandemic.

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It's the one place I go for privacy, to breathe, relax and find perspective.



Caroline Woodman hand-making products for BathCalm, her home-based business in Yarrabilba.

"We're now selling direct to resorts and retreats, and the feedback has been amazing."

Logan Office of Economic Development is hosting a series of "How to start a home-based business" workshops across Logan until June 2022. The sessions explain the fundamentals and provide invaluable tools including a check-list and action plan.

Find out more and book today online.

W: loed.com.au/news/how-to-start-a-home-based-business

W: bathcalm.com

Logan local elected President of the Queensland Law Society



Logan resident, Kara Thomson, has been appointed President of the Queensland Law Society in 2022 after serving two years as Vice President.

Kara is an accredited specialist in personal injuries, who works for insurance law start-up Hughes & Lewis Legal in Brisbane.

"I have always been passionate about giving back to the legal profession," she says.

"As for all professions, 2020-21 has been a difficult period and I am dedicated to ensuring we maintain professional standards and sustainable practices. The legal profession is vital to the administration of justice."

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COVID-19 no match for community spirit at Slacks Creek vaccination clinic

Familiar faces, plenty of laughter, the odd pizza party and a Wall of Heroes – Slacks Creek Respiratory Clinic isn't your average vaccination centre.

Nestled in the heart of the community and staffed by a team of local nurses, the clinic has provided COVID-19 vaccinations since 22 March.

Director of Nursing, Leah Herse, says the doctor-run, nurse-led clinic provides a positive experience for patients.

"We have a great team here who make it a good experience for the community and work with people's needs," she says.

"We have had people tell us they want to bring their 90-year-old parent to get vaccinated but they can't get them out of the car, so we give the vaccination at the vehicle. As long as

they can be monitored afterwards, we can do that for them."

How highly the staff is valued is illustrated by the Wall of Heroes taking pride of place in the clinic.

"We have all been challenged but people feel appreciated and there will often be a pizza party or lunch for the team after a particularly busy time," Leah says.

Practice manager Lana Flanders loves being able to support her community to be safe.

"I grew up in Logan so a lot of the people who come through here are familiar faces – neighbours, friends, teachers," she says.

"The staff is also really diverse and that represents the Logan community."

Slacks Creek Respiratory Clinic is located at 22 Duke Street Slacks Creek.



Health Services Support Worker and 2IC, Darntae Te Maari, Director of Nursing, Leah Herse, and Practice Manager, Lana Flanders.

P: 3445 4050



Be a Logan Little Lives Saver this summer

The home swimming pool is the most common location for injury and drowning death for children under five.

We can make our pools safer for our Logan Little Lives by:

- ✓ Checking pool barriers meet the current safety standards
- ✓ Ensuring climbable objects like chairs, trees and pot plants are well away from pool fencing
- ✓ Ensuring pool gates are shut at all times and not propped open
- ✓ Checking that pool gate self-latching devices are working
- ✓ Teaching your kids to swim and be safe around pools
- ✓ Closely supervising kids at all times
- ✓ Learning how to resuscitate

For more information on how to make your pool kid-safe, visit: logan.qld.gov.au/poolsafety

Intersection upgrade on the way

Logan City Council has joined forces with Brisbane City Council and the Australian Government to improve conditions for more than 19,000 motorists who daily use the Rochedale Road and Priestdale Road intersection.

The single-lane roundabout at the intersection forms the boundary between the City of Logan and Brisbane.

Traffic signals will be installed during the joint upgrade to reduce congestion and assist with future traffic demands. There will also be a signalised crossing for pedestrians

and cyclists to improve safety and connectivity.

Environmental monitoring devices for air and noise pollution have been installed in the surrounding area ahead of the main construction beginning early next year, weather permitting.

Brisbane City Council is the project manager and will provide updates on its website. Works are expected to be completed by late 2022.

W: tinyurl.com/yzjauahp



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More joy at FUNderwood Hollow

A proposal to upgrade one of the City of Logan's most loved parks has received the thumbs-up from the community.

Feedback to Logan City Council on the draft Underwood Park Masterplan was provided through the Logan Have Your Say platform.

Councillor Lisa Bradley says Council wanted to gauge community sentiment on a long-term vision for an upgrade of the playground area around the popular FUNderwood Hollow.

"The plan is to continue developing Underwood Park as a community destination and I'm still keen to receive feedback on the upgrade proposal," Cr Bradley says.

The proposal can be viewed online. It includes an all-accessible plaza and shelters and a new fenced playground for younger children along with the replacement of the existing playground.

Extra seating is also planned near the new Underwood Park café, leased by Moonlight Bandit café.



Cr Bradley at FUNderwood Hollow with plans for the proposed upgrade of Underwood Park.

Cr Bradley says the master plan will be developed based on community feedback and available funding.

In another project, funding of \$500,000 from the SEQ Community Stimulus Program will be combined with Local Infrastructure Program funds already committed to Springwood Park from Division 1.

A wider one-way entry road and

parking along both sides will be constructed and the existing toilets will be replaced by modern family-friendly facilities.

Planning is under way and further updates will be provided.

W: haveyoursaylogan.com.au/underwood-park-masterplan

The very model of a modern club

The members of the Logan Model Engineering Society tend to be people who are very good with their hands.

But now they're the ones that need a hand, with more members required to keep the club operating.

The model engineers are probably best known for the model trains at Woodridge's Ewing Park, which have delighted children for decades.

Committee member, David Smith, says the society is looking for enthusiastic people to join the club. "The fun part is the fraternity of it," Mr Smith says.

"We operate from Ewing Park but have a shed out at Logan Village, where we teach members the art of miniature trains. We have people of all ages, employment and backgrounds who love learning different parts of the process."

Logan Model Engineering Society runs train rides at Ewing Park on the second and fourth Sunday of the month, 11 am–3 pm.

“It’s \$3 for one ride, or \$10 for five.”

Cr Teresa Lane and Federal Member for Rankin Jim Chalmers with youngsters enjoying a train ride.

W: tinyurl.com/yrfh7t5b



Cr Teresa Lane in a sea of smiling faces at the high tea.

Local seniors got a special treat from a high tea hosted by Councillor Teresa Lane with the help of two local charities.

More than 100 people attended the event at the Logan Area Committee of the Ageing (LACOTA) on Jacaranda Avenue.

Mission Possible President, Gail Harrower, says the high tea was a big success, although a few COVID-related hiccups almost derailed the event.

"With just days to go we risked it, and Councillor Lane secured John Cornelius the entertainer, who got the seniors up on their feet dancing and clapping along," Mrs Harrower says.

High tea a huge success

“It was such a lovely way to spend an afternoon.”

community and handing out a flower is our way of saying thanks," Mr Christensen says.

LACOTA President, Jean Prior, says COVID-19 restrictions have made it harder for seniors to gather in one place.

"There is a sense of caution among seniors that their medical conditions and age make them vulnerable to COVID outbreaks, But once they heard Councillor Lane was putting on a high tea just for them, they came out in droves and had a lovely time."

Southside Flower Market owner, Nicki Christensen, was on board handing out a flower to every person who came through the door.

"As we all get older, we appreciate seniors' contributions to our

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“Top shops” get a makeover

An exciting transformation is under way on a popular street corner in Division 3.

Brough Place, located at the Daisy Hill “top shops”, is getting a new look.

Councillor Mindy Russell says the park is important to local business owners, families and visitors to Daisy Hill.

“Spaces like Brough Place are important because they encourage

people to pause and enjoy our great locally-owned businesses nearby,” Cr Russell says.

“Visitors can stop for fish and chips before going to Daisy Hill Conservation Park. Families can indulge on dessert night or meet up for coffee in the park after dropping the kids at school.

“Local businesses told me how the park can be best used to improve their business and highlight our beautiful area.”

The upgrade includes new picnic settings, bins, footpaths and landscaping.

Daisy Hill State School students will collaborate on the project by helping decorate the park.



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Division 3 Councillor Mindy Russell, Daisy Hill State School teacher aide Luke Luxford and students from the school enjoy a bite to eat at the soon to be refurbished Brough Place.

Munster invests in jobs for locals

A growing Division 3 business is proving the best measure of success is how it is shared with others.

Slacks Creek-based Munster Services Group was named 2021 Business of the Year at the recent Logan Business Distinction Awards.

It received the accolade not only for achievements in the water and manufacturing sectors, but for

bringing local jobseekers along for the ride.

Munster currently supports 30 apprentices in specialties including engineering, fitting and turning, boiler-making, electrical and project management.

Among those planning a future with Munster is recent Mabel Park State High School graduate, Masae Swann, who is the company's first female boiler-making apprentice.

“Collaboration between business and schools highlights the strength of our community,” Councillor Mindy Russell says.

“I love seeing a local business backing Logan’s kids to make sure they are skilled and getting great local opportunities.”

Managing Director, Eric Guthrie, started Munster in 2008, performing fitting and turning work “out the back of a ute”. Today, he employs more than 100 people.

“We have the best people, and through investment in training we know we’re equipping them for today and in their future career pathways,” he says.

Councillor Mindy Russell with Munster Managing Director, Eric Guthrie, apprentice boiler-maker Masae Swann and work experience student Spencer Faalgog.





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Bannockburn wall is Casey's canvas

The City of Logan is proudly creating a broad showcase of artworks by its First Nations people.

The works are being splashed in a big and vibrant way across city landmarks, water towers and buildings.

The latest installation, measuring 34 metres by 8.4 metres, is a giant mural adorning the wall of the recently opened Bannockburn Woolworths.

The mural is by artist Casey Coolwell-Fisher, a Quandamooka and Nunukul woman of Minjerribah (North Stradbroke Island) with links to Eulo.

Creativity runs deep in her family, with younger sister Kyra Mancktelow also an established artist. Kyra's art is painted on the Chester Park water tower at Boronia Heights.

Casey says the mural represents the Albert River, which provides the community with resources. Smaller rivers at the top and bottom of the design are outlets to the main river.

U-shaped motifs along the top represent the community, white dots represent footprints and the multiple resources the rivers provide, while white lines depict the flowing rivers.

"It's amazing, I had no idea that it

was going to be that big," Casey says.

"My cousins drive past it and send me pictures all the time. It will be there for a long time and it means a lot to us as we live here in Logan."

Councillor Laurie Koranski says the artwork adds a splash of colour and culture to the suburb.

"What a fantastic way to showcase this inspiring local artwork," Cr Koranski says.

"Casey's art is now a big part of

the Bannockburn community and she should be incredibly proud. The mural is a fantastic conversation starter and will be there for years to come."

The idea to include the wall mural was hatched by Savanah Powell, Regional Development Manager for Woolworths Group.

"We are excited to deliver this piece of local art in a prominent location where it can be appreciated by the whole community," Savanah says.

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What a fantastic way to showcase this inspiring local artwork.

Councillor Laurie Koranski and Woolworths' Savanah Powell check out Casey Coolwell-Fisher's giant mural.



Yarrabilba basketball on the rise

Booming growth has powered Yarrabilba Basketball Association to its most successful year on the court.

The club has gone from 17 members in 2019 to more than 240 today.

With general manager, Luke Douglas, at the helm, there are 20 teams competing in the junior competition and 10 men's teams.

The under 21 representative team has been dominant, while the juniors continue to improve each week.

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Proud tribute to talented Uncle Reg

The memory of beloved artist and writer Uncle Reg Knox is set to be celebrated forever at Berrinba Wetlands.

Reginald Roy Knox was a City of Logan resident for more than 40 years until his death last year at age 86.

His accolades include a national Aboriginal Elder of the Year award, a commendation from the Queen, a Queensland Day honour, Logan Citizen of the Year and inclusion on Council's Wall of Acclaim.

Uncle Reg left behind a legacy of work including paintings, murals, sculptures and drawings that promote reconciliation and unity. One of his paintings hangs in the Vatican.

He proudly contributed to his community and was committed to working with young people, particularly those at risk or from disadvantaged backgrounds.

With his wife Beverley, he also co-authored and illustrated the popular children's book *Wajin: The Guardian of Scrubby Creek*.

Council is now seeking community feedback for the Berrinba Wetlands Interpretive Centre to be re-named after Uncle Reg.

Deputy Mayor Jon Raven says renaming the centre after Uncle Reg is a fitting honour for one of the city's finest citizens.

"Uncle Reg loved the natural environment in Logan and there is no better place to enjoy that than at Berrinba Wetlands," Councillor Raven says.

"This is an ideal facility to honour with his name and hopefully we can eventually showcase some of his work at the centre along with the art of our



Deputy Mayor Jon Raven and Missy Knox at the Berrinba Wetlands Interpretive Centre.

local First Nations community."

Uncle Reg's daughter, Missy, says the family is determined to ensure her father's memory lives on and is extremely appreciative of Council's renaming proposal.

"I could not be more proud of my late father's contributions to Logan nor could I be more humbled by this wonderful idea," Missy says.

Residents can now provide feedback online on the proposal to rename the Berrinba Wetlands Interpretive Centre.

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Dinner served for Hungry Ghosts



Kingston teenager Sovannmornyrath 'Morny' Uk performs at the Ancestors' Day Festival in Marsden.

About 200 people celebrated the annual Ancestors' Day Festival at the Khmer Buddhist Society's temple at Marsden in October.

Ancestors' Day is also known as the Hungry Ghost Festival and Pchum Ben, which translates as "to gather together" and "a ball of food".

Temple secretary, Sovannary Uk, says the festival, which marks the end of the Buddhist lent, involves offering food to help release bad karma from the past.

"We pay our respects to our ancestors for keeping alive our culture and religion which is very important for Cambodian people," he says.

The spectacular and colourful Khmer Buddhist temple is in Third Avenue.

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Picnic boost for popular park

Nexus Forest Park at Edens Landing will get a major upgrade in the new year.

New barbecues, picnic shelters and playground equipment will be installed in the popular park on Overland Drive.

Councillor Tony Hall contributed \$130,000 of Local Infrastructure Program funding towards the \$230,000 project.

"Parks contribute enormously to the quality of life for residents in our division," Cr Hall says.

"Nexus Forest Park is popular among local residents and these new

amenities will encourage more people to get outdoors.

"The new play equipment will be a hit for the kids, but what I really like is that existing trees will be retained and new ones will be planted."

Dog lovers can also look forward to a new dog off-leash area opening soon at Grove Road Reserve at Holmview.

The fenced and gated reserve features separate areas for large and small dogs and includes picnic shelters and water stations.

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Landmark has an eye on safety

The water tower is one of the most recognisable landmarks in Edens Landing and it's now also helping keep residents safe.

Two new high-definition safety cameras have been installed on the tower in Overland Drive.

They can capture clear images from as far away as Logan River Road and sites around Holmview and Bethania.

Cameras will also be installed at Castile Crescent and Ivanhoe Drive (Edens Landing), Grove Road and Avonmore Street (Edens Landing), Logan River Road and Castile Crescent (Bethania) and at the Bethania Aquatic Centre.

"These cameras are about keeping residents safe by detecting criminal acts earlier and assisting police to respond quickly," Councillor Tony Hall says.

"Their high-definition capabilities enable police to detect key details such as number plates, even at night, which is helping keep our Division 6 communities safer."

Cr Hall takes a proactive approach to community safety by regularly catching up with officers from Loganlea Police Beat and local shop owners to discuss crime prevention and security.

"While Division 6 is pretty safe, it still pays to work together to know what the issues are and develop a coordinated approach to addressing them," he says.

Cr Hall is also a member of Logan City Council's Hooning Taskforce, which aims to tackle the problem of hooning with the help of key stakeholders from various levels of government and the Queensland Police Service.



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Councillor Tony Hall in Council's safety camera monitoring room.

Local footy clubs kicking on

Division 7 rugby league and rugby union clubs are in great shape after some solid results this year.

The Browns Plains Bears Rugby League Football Club opens won the premiership after beating Valleys Diehards in the grand final, while the under 14s narrowly lost to Springwood. Established in 1984, the

club has 200 players and is growing every year.

In union, the Browns Plains Mets also had a successful 2021. The under 13 boys won the Division 5 premiership, while Mets took out the State Rugby 7s U15 competition.

The Mets' under 13 and under 15 girls teams also had an impressive year with runner-up results.



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Not all plane sailing on the Madden's watch

Ken and Margaret Madden light up when they talk about living in Hillcrest.

They have seen a lot of progress in the last 41 years but nothing as exciting as the time a small aeroplane made an emergency landing in a paddock near their home.

"We could hear it coming in pretty low and the engine was spluttering," Margaret recalls.

"We rushed outside and the plane was landing in the paddock. The pilot

was okay and he did a great job of not crashing into homes. Mind you there were only a handful of homes around here then, so he had a bit of room."

That makeshift "runway" is now Sweetgum Park, a popular place for families and kids, and where Ken and Margaret meet for their regular Neighbourhood Watch meetings.

Margaret is the secretary and Ken is area coordinator.

"We used to attend the first meetings when the original

Neighbourhood Watch was set up by Robert Stack in 2012 and we have been involved ever since," Ken says.

"We go on our daily walks and like to see the place kept neat and tidy. It's a good suburb and people are mostly friendly and say g'day."

There are two Neighbourhood Watch groups in Division 7, at Hillcrest and Forestdale.

Councillor Tim Frazer says the work they do is making a difference in the community.

"It's great to see so many dedicated residents who have vast knowledge of the area volunteering their time and efforts to help make Division 7 a more enjoyable place to live," he says.

"The meetings are often attended by police who are supportive and listen

to any concerns and issues that may be affecting the community."

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We go on our daily walks and like to see the place kept neat and tidy.
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Councillor Tim Frazer with Ken and Margaret Madden in their "office" at Sweetgum Park.



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Leaps and bounds ahead for teen ninjas

A ninja play area will be built at Heritage Park, creating a fun way for local teenagers to get active in their community.

The Millwood Park course will feature 10 obstacles to challenge strength, agility and coordination.

It will also encourage problem-solving skills as people navigate the course.

Councillor Jacob Heremaia says the obstacle course will be a drawcard for local youth.

"I can already picture the park full of people climbing, swinging, jumping and running along the equipment on the course," he says.

"The early plans I've seen for the ninja play area include obstacles that are both innovative and challenging, which will no doubt produce some awe-inspiring moves.

"I think it will be a really popular addition to the area."

The obstacle course will be built near the park's picnic shelter and is due for completion by the end of 2022.



Councillor Jacob Heremaia is excited about a new ninja play area coming to Millwood Park.

Eyes in the sky **keep community safe**



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Our safety cameras provide valuable intelligence to the police so they can act quickly.

Five new safety cameras are keeping a watchful eye over Division 8 to help improve community safety.

Councillor Jacob Heremaia says the cameras play an instrumental role in preventing criminal and anti-social acts, while also helping police investigations.

"All of Council's safety cameras link back to our state-of-the-art monitoring room, which is staffed around the clock," Cr Heremaia says.

"All up, there are more than 900 cameras feeding into the monitoring room as part of the Logan Safety Camera Program.

"These cameras are strategically placed across the city to help the Queensland Police Service in its fight against crime."

The new cameras are located at Park Ridge (at the intersection of East Beaumont Road and Chambers Flat Road), Heritage Park (Millwood Park) and Crestmead (at the Browns Plains Road/Magnesium Drive roundabout).

"Our safety cameras provide valuable intelligence to the police so they can act quickly," Cr Heremaia says.

"Over the past year, police used the resources of our safety camera program more than 18,000 times and we were able to provide information relating to 300 stolen vehicles by identifying and tracking them on our cameras."

Councillor Jacob Heremaia in the Logan Safety Camera Program monitoring room.

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Councillor Scott Bannan checks out the upgrade works at Woodhill State School.

Car park upgrade a boost for **Woodhill**

Students are safer, and pick-ups and drop off times have halved at Woodhill State School after an upgrade to the car park.

A new retaining wall and fencing provides students with a safe wait area, while a new concrete path has improved pedestrian access.

Councillor Scott Bannan allocated divisional funding to the project.

“Getting to and from school is now much easier for the students and their families,” Cr Bannan says.

“Cars and buses can move through the car park which lessens congestion on Mt Lindesay Highway.”

Woodhill State School P&C secretary, Gemma Pfingst, says the school’s families are thrilled with the works.

“Everything is so streamlined now that the whole car park is empty by seven past three,” she says.

Cr Bannan also allocated Local Infrastructure Program funding to the school’s Wellness Day, which included lunch for each student, face painting and health and wellbeing activities.

Lights brighten future for **Jimboomba United**

The playing fields at Jimboomba United Football Club (JUFC) are now almost as bright as the smiles of its players.

New lights have been installed on each of the club’s five fields at Kurrajong Park, which has enabled an expansion of the weeknight training schedule.

Councillor Scott Bannan also funded the installation of a new LED

scoreboard through the Division 9 Local Infrastructure Program, to help further modernise the club’s main field.

“Our sporting clubs go above and beyond for the local community, so I’m always keen to give back to them in a huge way,” Cr Bannan says.

“I can’t wait to watch the scoreboard light up as the kids get out to play.”

JUFC President Stuart Strong says the upgrades came at a fantastic time for the club, with its senior men’s team promoted to Football Queensland’s Premier League 5.

“It has been 21 years since we’ve had a senior men’s team promoted; it’s been a great year and this is another step in the right direction,” Stuart says.

“The new lights double the number of (full-sized) fields that we can play night games on and we can train at night on all five fields.”

Project works included the replacement of timber light posts with steel poles.

Electrical upgrades were also done to ensure the club’s lighting infrastructure complies with current standards.



Councillor Scott Bannan with JUFC secretary and senior women’s captain Dee Drew under the club’s new field lights.

Councillor Scott Bannan

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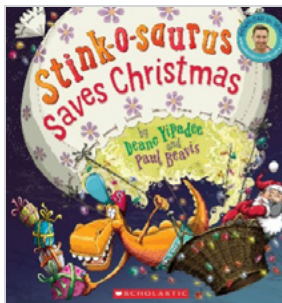
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Stitching together for community spirit

A talented group of retired and semi-retired women are happily crafting up a storm in the City of Logan.

The group, known as Itching to Stitch, has been meeting for 20 years.

They enjoy crafts including sewing, crochet, knitting, cross-stitching and quilting while also catching up for a cuppa and a chat.

The group meets from 9:30 am to noon on Thursdays at Logandale Community Hall in St Andrews Drive, Cornubia.



Lorraine Steen and Councillor Miriam Stemp with some crafty creations made by the Itching to Stitch group.

They are supported by Council's Community Benefit Fund.

Chairperson Lorraine Steen says the group's members learn from each other and have developed great friendships.

"We make all kinds of items for donation to charities and hospitals across the city, including toys, blankets, beanies, gloves and bags," she says.

Lorraine says the group is keen to hear from any charities that could benefit from these items.

Councillor Miriam Stemp encourages those interested in learning more about these crafts and Itching to Stitch to contact Lorraine.

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We make all kinds of items for donation to charities and hospitals across the city.



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"It is a fun way to spend a couple of hours each week," Cr Stemp says.

"What I love about this group is their passion to help others by donating their time and using the skills they have learnt over the years."

Cr Stemp says the group always appreciates donations of unused wadding, polyester wool, fabric or buttons for use in their many projects.

Itching to Stitch will be closed for a short summer break from Thursday, 9 December. They will meet again from Thursday, 27 January 2022.

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Power pole art is all natural

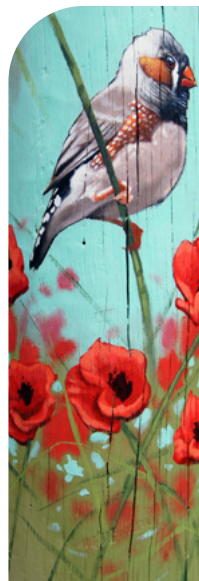
Clever mural artists are back in Cornubia, bringing a little more nature to the community.

They have been busy adding their artistic touch to power poles along Penelope Drive as part of Council's efforts to beautify streets and support local artists.

The newly painted poles feature a colourful array of birds, frogs and rainforest images.

Other streets in Division 10 earmarked for power pole art in coming months include Trudy Crescent; Beenleigh Redland Bay Road service road; Anakie Drive (Cornubia); Jalan Drive and Barokee Drive (Tanah Merah); and Concorde Street and Constellation Drive (Loganholme).

A nature theme on power poles is brightening streets in Division 10.



Footpath connects New Beith community

Local families will benefit from a new three-kilometre footpath connecting Teviot Downs Park to the Covella Estate in New Beith.

Councillor Natalie Willcocks says the footpath will improve liveability in the growing area.

"It will now be much easier to go from the park to the shopping centre," she says.

"People using scooters and bikes to get around will also find it much more convenient.

"Connecting the major hubs of our community with infrastructure such as footpaths will encourage people to get together as we head into the long summer days."

Construction on the footpath began in October and is due for completion in December, weather and site conditions permitting.

It was funded through the Division 11 Local Infrastructure Program.

Councillor Natalie Willcocks

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Facilities support rising Flagstone sports stars

The Flagstone community can lead a more active and healthy lifestyle after a new rugby league clubhouse and netball courts opened in October.

The facilities expand the Flagstone Sporting Precinct in Flagstonian Drive, opposite the popular adventure playground.

The clubhouse serves the Flagstone Tigers rugby league club, which held its first home games in May and is an affiliate of the Brisbane Tigers (formerly Eastern Suburbs), a feeder club for the National Rugby League.

Flagstone Tigers has teams in the under 6, 7, 8 and 9 competitions and will expand into older age groups for the 2022 season.

The new clubhouse features change rooms, toilets, a kiosk, and meeting rooms and complements the newly completed netball courts.

Councillor Natalie Willcocks is excited to see the sporting precinct take shape.

"The Flagstone community is growing quickly as new families move to the area," Cr Willcocks says.

"As a mum of two active girls, I know how important facilities like this are.

"Council encourages everyone in our city to be as active as possible – and it's great to have these fields and courts close by."

The new \$350,000 clubhouse is a collaboration between the Queensland Government, Brisbane Tigers and developer Peet Limited.

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The Flagstone community is growing quickly as new families move to the area

Additional funding was also provided by Cr Willcocks (\$2,500) and Mayor Darren Power (\$1,000), via council's Community Benefit Fund.

The new clubhouse at the Flagstone Sporting Precinct was recently opened by (from left) Flagstone Tigers secretary Nikkea Channell, Peet Community Development Executive Kareen Duncan, State Member for Jordan Charis Mullen, Flagstone Tigers president Greg Kendall and Councillor Natalie Willcocks.



Pool news makes a **huge splash**

Plans are in the pipeline to upgrade the Beenleigh Aquatic Centre.

The exciting news has been welcomed by everyone, from aspiring Olympic champions to recreational swimmers.

While construction is still a way off, designing the new pool and surrounding precinct is part of the \$15 million Dauth Park master plan upgrades.

The Beenleigh pool was opened in pre-metric September 1964.

It is 33-and-a-third yards long and was built that way so three lengths would be the equivalent of the then Olympic 100-yard race. It is unsuitable for official competition today.

The existing pool is named after Olympic backstroker and surf ironman

champion, the late Robbie Nay.

Councillor Karen Murphy,

who strongly advocated for an Olympic-sized pool in Beenleigh, says the facility would be used by local schools and swimming clubs to hold competition that could lead to state and national championships.

It could also be a possible training venue for the 2032 Olympic Games in South East Queensland.

"The Beenleigh pool is well overdue for an upgrade as it no longer meets the needs of our growing community or modern swimming standards," Cr Murphy says.

"I can't wait to see the detailed

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I can't wait to see the detailed design of the new facility and for shovels to go in the ground.
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Councillor Karen Murphy at the Robbie Nay Memorial Pool in Beenleigh.

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The Beenleigh Aquatic Centre, in City Road, includes a heated indoor pool that is used for year-round learn-to-swim lessons. It also has an outdoor water play area.

It was one of the first aquatic facilities in the country to be fitted with a specialised “changing places” room for swimmers with disabilities and has a hoist to lift water-use wheelchairs into the indoor pool.

Little A's on the right track

Beenleigh Little Athletics is off to a flying start to the new season thanks to renovations to its clubhouse.

The club successfully obtained grants for the upgrade – one from Council's Local Infrastructure Program and another from the Queensland Government's Community Benefit Fund.

Councillor Karen Murphy praised club officials and members for putting in hours of hard work to complete the much-needed renovations.

The upgrade includes a makeover of the office, uniform shop and toilets.

"Beenleigh Little Athletics is all about family, fun and fitness," Cr Murphy says.

"It is a great way to learn new skills and get involved in your community."

Treasurer, Linda Nicholson, says Council's support delivered a giant leap forward for the club.

"Everyone is proud of our new facilities and they show that the club is moving forward and growing," she says.

Beenleigh Little Athletics, which has about 120 members, is based at the Oliver Sports Complex in Logan Street, Eagleby. It meets on Friday evenings, 5 pm–9 pm.

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Cr Karen Murphy (centre) with Beenleigh Little Athletics officials (from left) Sharyn-Lee Pirika, Linda Nicholson, Cassie Keeling and Di Nicholson.

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Check water use as drought continues

Despite recent rains, South East Queensland remains in drought.

Our dam levels are continuing to drop as we approach the hottest time of the year, which means water restrictions are likely this summer.

The trigger for water restrictions is when the SEQ Water Grid storage level drops to 50 per cent.

(The SEQ Water Grid is the combined capacity of South East Queensland's drinking water supply dams: Wivenhoe, Somerset, North Pine, Lesley Harrison, Hinze, Baroon Pocket, Ewen Maddock, Cooloolabin, Sidelong Creek, Lake Macdonald, Little Nerang and Wappa.)

Across the region, there's been a large jump in residential water usage

since July. On average, households are using 180 litres per person each day.

The goal is to reduce this use to 150 litres per person per day.

You can check how much you're using by looking at your water bill. It will show your consumption and the average household water consumption in Logan.

Logan City Council's website has a host of tips for saving water at home in the bathroom, kitchen, laundry and outdoors. Free shower timers are also available at Council libraries and customer service centres.



To save water, you can use a watering can in the garden instead of a hose.

Making changes now will help us save water. It will also build new habits to help us meet a further reduced target of 140 litres per person per day if water restrictions are introduced.

W: logan.qld.gov.au/waterwise



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10 January

Munruben, Park Ridge South, North Maclean, South Maclean, Greenbank, New Beith

24 January

Jimboomba, Riverbend, Glenlogan, Flagstone, Veresdale Scrub, Veresdale, Cedar Vale, Mundoolun, Cedar Grove, Woodhill



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