

# OUR LOGAN

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Mini farm makes  
**A BIG IMPACT**

What's on  
**IN LOGAN**



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# Logan – Our city, our home

**P**ride is a feeling that we've always had in abundance in our community. The City of Logan's identity is unique and diverse, and we're proud of it. We've always known who we are and what we stand for, and it's time that others know too.

Last month, we launched the second iteration of our Proud City campaign, celebrating the boldest features of our city.

As we all know, it hasn't always been easy for Logan to be recognised beyond our city borders. However, we are the underdogs that others need to watch out for. This campaign is our moment to show the rest of the world what we're made of and what we have to offer.

Proud City 2.0 aims to empower the City of Logan to embrace its uniqueness and support the pillars of culture, diversity, innovation, adventure and connection.

The campaign presents an alternative to the typical destination campaign by presenting the city's exciting offerings through the lens of authentic storytelling.

A foundation of our Proud City campaign is stories of our people. Our city's greatest strength is, after all, the people who live here.

Last month we were also able to celebrate some of our great people at the Logan Volunteer Awards.

Volunteers are the backbone of any community, and they give their time and energy selflessly to help those in need. They dedicate their time and energy to help make the City of Logan a better place to live, work, and play.

We thanked our wonderful volunteers with a brunch, served by my fellow councillors and myself. While the gesture may seem small it was a privilege to serve the people who give up so much time for the Logan community.

Volunteers are involved in everything from local sports teams to community events, from animal rescue organisations to charities. They give their time to make a difference in the lives of others, and we cannot thank them enough.

Since 1988, these awards have recognised and celebrated the hard work and dedication of volunteers in our community.

As we move forward, let's continue to celebrate the wonderful residents of our city from all walks of life.

We are unique, diverse, and proud. We will continue to walk to the beat of our own drum and show the world what we're made of.

Thank you for your ongoing support and dedication to our city.

## Mayor Darren Power

City of Logan

### WATCH THE PROUD CITY CAMPAIGN VIDEO HERE:

[ourlogan.com.au/proud-city](http://ourlogan.com.au/proud-city)



Mayor Darren Power at the Logan Volunteer Awards with joint Frank Lenz Memorial Award winners Carole Wilson (left) and John Mulraney (right)



#### Front cover image

Ruby Belcher and Mackenzie Bates (see story on page 4)

#### Photo

Claudia Baxter

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.

Our Logan magazine reflects the Australian Government Style Manual [stylemanual.gov.au](http://stylemanual.gov.au)

# Mini farm makes a big impact

What do you get when you combine a mini farm, community-minded businesses, a school with a social conscience and a focus on agriculture, and some curious and clever students?

The Mini Farm at Loganlea State High School, launched in May, is an example of the good that can come of collaboration and community. The farm is set on school grounds and its food is harvested for local charities to feed Logan families in need.

Nick Steiner, founder of The Mini Farm Project, has been working with the school since 2019.

Since then, they've had more than half of the 80 farm plots sponsored by local organisations or businesses, allowing the farm to keep producing food.

'Helping provide fresh food to people in need is the reason this farm exists, and it's been great to be able to start harvesting and providing food for our charity partners,' Nick says.

'We worked closely with Griffith University to co-design the space based on research, as well as Logan City Council's CityStudio project in the initial stages.

'It has been great to see the interest from Logan organisations and individuals who have sponsored plots so far, and we would love to see more jump on board.'

Dr Kimberley Reis from Griffith University's School of Engineering and Built Environment, who guided first-year Environmental Planning student research into the project from the start, says she is excited to see how far things have progressed.

'It is a wonderful feeling to see how it is going; it shows a new generation of savvy planning professionals coming out of university who can reimagine the urban environment in a very different way that supports community resilience,' she says.

'This year's Environmental Planning students will go back to Loganlea and come up with a proposal to replicate the mini farm model on the Logan campus of Griffith University, so we can continue to work behind the scenes to see how we can grow this model.'

A team of farmers, and plenty of students, oversee the farm.

School principal Brenton Farleigh says the collaboration is a win-win.

'Having The Mini Farm Project onsite and working with students is a great opportunity to see how horticulture works; it helps with employment opportunities, and knowing how to grow your own food is a life skill you can enjoy,' he says.

'Also, having a charity at the school, being able to contribute to the work they do, and knowing they are helping to provide food to the community builds strong character in students.'

Ruby Belcher, in Year 10, likes getting her hands dirty for a good cause.

'It's motivating to know the food being produced is going to charity and to other people who need it,' she says.

Year 12 student Mackenzie Bates agrees.

'I like being outside and working with my hands and with this, you are also helping people, which makes it even better,' she says.

'We help whenever the Mini Farm team asks us to pitch in, laying soil, planting, fixing beds – whatever they need. We learn a lot as we are doing it and we all pitch in as one big team.'

By Sharon Worboys

## FIND OUT MORE

[mfp.org.au](http://mfp.org.au)

Nick Steiner, founder of The Mini Farm Project, with students Tyler Floyd (Year 11), Ruby Belcher (Year 10) and Mackenzie Bates (Year 12) in The Mini Farm at Loganlea State High School.





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... knowing how to grow your own food is a life skill you can enjoy.



Stories from the Kitchen volunteers Kanitpat Sudsawat, Thitiya Chayopun, Emily Garrett and Yanni Brown.

# The power of the potluck

**A**t this potluck dinner, friendships blossom over dishes like puaka tunu – the Tongan twist on roast pork – and tahdig, a crispy Persian rice cooked with a generous serving of butter, cumin and saffron.

This is the heart of Stories from the Kitchen, a Logan City Council initiative that invites residents to eat, drink and make new connections.

The program will soon be handed back to the community for local volunteers to lead at Beenleigh Neighbourhood Centre.

Volunteer facilitator Yanni Brown says the experience has been incredibly rewarding.

‘I help facilitate conversations at the table, introduce people to one another and help with set-up,’ she says.

‘Being a volunteer has been so easy – I don’t even need to facilitate anymore. I just get to chat and eat because food is a great conversation starter.

‘The stories behind food give people an opportunity to connect with someone they might not usually speak to.

She hopes the future program will also expand to share culture through another medium like music.

Yanni, who has been in attendance since the first dinner, has witnessed group members forming new friendships while trying different types of cuisine.

Each guest comes with an open mind, a cultural dish, and a story – the secret sauce to a successful potluck.

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One of her favourite dishes is tumpeng, a beautifully presented Indonesian dish – comprised of molded yellow rice, meat, noodles and adorned with banana leaves and flowers – that is often eaten during celebratory occasions.

‘I’ve learned some really cool things about different cultures and different ways of eating and preparing things by being a part of this program,’ she says.

For fellow volunteer Emily Garrett, the dinners have allowed her to connect with her Australian heritage and learn new life skills.

‘You get to learn intercultural and communication skills because you meet people from all backgrounds and walks of life,’ she says.

‘I feel more confident with speaking now.’

## FIND OUT MORE

Join the private Facebook group [f storiesfromthekitchen](#) or reach out to Council on [07 3412 3412](#)

# Seeking adventure in Logan? Top spots for thrillseekers

**T**here's plenty to do if you are seeking adventure in Logan!

## Logan River Trail

This is a water-based trail with information signs along the river to help you discover the river's natural and historical features. You can also check out the Logan and Albert River canoe and kayak trail map.

👉 [logan.qld.gov.au/environment/logan-river-trail](http://logan.qld.gov.au/environment/logan-river-trail)

👉 [logan.qld.gov.au/canoe-kayak-trail](http://logan.qld.gov.au/canoe-kayak-trail)

## Springwood Stairs of Death, Springwood

Named the Stairs of Death by locals, this challenging flight of steep steps is nestled in the beautiful Springwood Conservation Park, and marks the beginning of one of the many walking tracks. It's a test of fitness and the gateway to a beautiful trail.

👉 [logan.qld.gov.au/directory-record/1654/springwood-conservation-park](http://logan.qld.gov.au/directory-record/1654/springwood-conservation-park)

## Bayside Wake Park, Carbrook

This is wakeboarding for all ages and levels in a gorgeous setting! Whether you're seeking to upskill via weekly sessions or just after a day of fun on the water, the team has something to suit you.

👉 [cableski.com.au](http://cableski.com.au)

## Area 51

One of Australia's largest indoor family entertainment centres! Area 51 is an indoor play centre, sports centre and recreation centre with trampolines, rock walls, obstacle courses and more, spread across 10,000 square metres.

👉 [area51bne.com](http://area51bne.com)

## Shark and Ray Gardens

At this interactive aquarium, you can pat and play with friendly nurse sharks and stingrays. Learn all about these awesome creatures as they swim over your feet and legs.

👉 [funexcitingeducational](https://www.facebook.com/funexcitingeducational)

## Logan's skate parks

Adventure, skill, community – Logan has a great skate scene and plenty of parks for enthusiasts.

👉 [logan.qld.gov.au/sports-and-recreation/skate-parks](http://logan.qld.gov.au/sports-and-recreation/skate-parks)

## Kingston Park Raceway

This is among the best go karting facilities in the country and legendary among thrill-seekers. There are 2 tracks and more than 60 carts.

👉 [kingstonpark.com.au](http://kingstonpark.com.au)

## Daisy Hill Conservation Park

Next to the Daisy Hill Koala Centre is a tangle of trails across the park and koala reserve, with circuits of varying lengths open to walkers and cyclists.

👉 [parks.des.qld.gov.au/parks/daisy-hill](http://parks.des.qld.gov.au/parks/daisy-hill)

## FIND MORE EXPERIENCES

👉 [explorellogan.com.au](http://explorellogan.com.au)



Daisy Hill Conservation Park is great for walkers, joggers and cyclists.

# The rewarding life of a volunteer

**A**llan Hoffman has been team leader of the BushCare volunteers at Eagleby Wetlands for 13 years – and he has loved every minute.

The Eagleby resident coordinates the group of volunteers, running their regular Sunday morning sessions and planning out the tasks they undertake across the wildlife-rich wetlands.

‘We do a bit of everything – weeding, mulching, planting and reporting anything to Council that is out of sorts or any rubbish, we support Clean Up Australia Day and events for National Tree Day and BushCare’s Big Day Out,’ he says.

‘I love it. I feel I am doing something for the environment, putting something back into the earth.

I am learning something every day, even after 13 years.

‘It’s also a social thing – people of all ages and levels of experience can come along.

‘People also come for their mental health. We hear that a lot. It is certainly good therapy for me.’

While the group has an active team of 10 regular volunteers, Sally Clasen, Logan City Council’s BushCare Officer, says Council would love to see more people on board.

‘Whatever time people have free, we welcome it – even if you can only come 4 times a year, it’s 4 times more than we had you last year,’ she says.



Allan Hoffman at Eagleby Wetlands.

As well as BushCare volunteers, Logan City Council also has nature-based volunteering opportunities through TrailCare and ParkCare.

## FOR MORE INFORMATION ON PARK VOLUNTEERING

👉 [logan.qld.gov.au/parkvolunteers](http://logan.qld.gov.au/parkvolunteers)



## Calling Logan park lovers

**Do you want to help keep our parks and trails well maintained for our community to enjoy? If so, we need you!**

As a park volunteer, you can help us restore our conservation areas, minimise impacts of trail usage, and protect these areas for the future.

You’ll also:

- > meet like-minded people
- > gain valuable skills and experiences
- > spend time outdoors and connect with nature
- > make a difference to your local area.

Training and tools are provided, no experience is necessary.

To find out more, visit:

👉 [logan.qld.gov.au/parkvolunteers](http://logan.qld.gov.au/parkvolunteers)



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# Enterprising Mo snipping his way to success

**M**o Alizadeh is an inspiring entrepreneur using ingenuity and dedication to succeed in not one, but 3 business ventures – all while still in Year 12 at Mabel Park State High School.

Mo recently gained worldwide attention with close to one million views on his TikTok video showing him cutting hair at Kingston Train Station.

'I taught myself barbering on YouTube and now I'm a barber that local young entrepreneurs look up to,' Mo says.

'All the attention led to opportunities coming my way and my goal is to open my own barber shop after school, and also teach others.'

Mo was born in Iran to Afghani parents and is one of 6 children who now live in Logan.

He took part in the Creating Your Future Job Program sponsored by Logan City Council, and an Australian School of Entrepreneurship course where he learned about setting goals and cultivating an entrepreneurial mindset – something which comes naturally to the young businessman.

'I started with mowing lawns, used that to fund my barber business called Local Blendz, and I have my clothing brand called Love Live Fashion,' he says.

Supporting his family is a key motivator for Mo.

'My parents chose to leave Afghanistan and moved to Iran, and I was born and raised there,' Mo says.

'When we came to Australia we had to adapt to a whole different

environment and were treated differently. I've experienced proper poverty in Iran and I am doing this so my siblings don't have to go through what I went through.

'I want to provide for my parents and siblings and to create a new pathway for teenagers who want to be an entrepreneur like me and know that university is not the only way.'

When asked whose hair he would love to cut, Mo is quick to answer.

'Elon Musk, Jeff Bezos – I have a whole list,' he says.

'I'd just chat to them and make a connection because once you connect to one, you connect to 2, and go from there!'

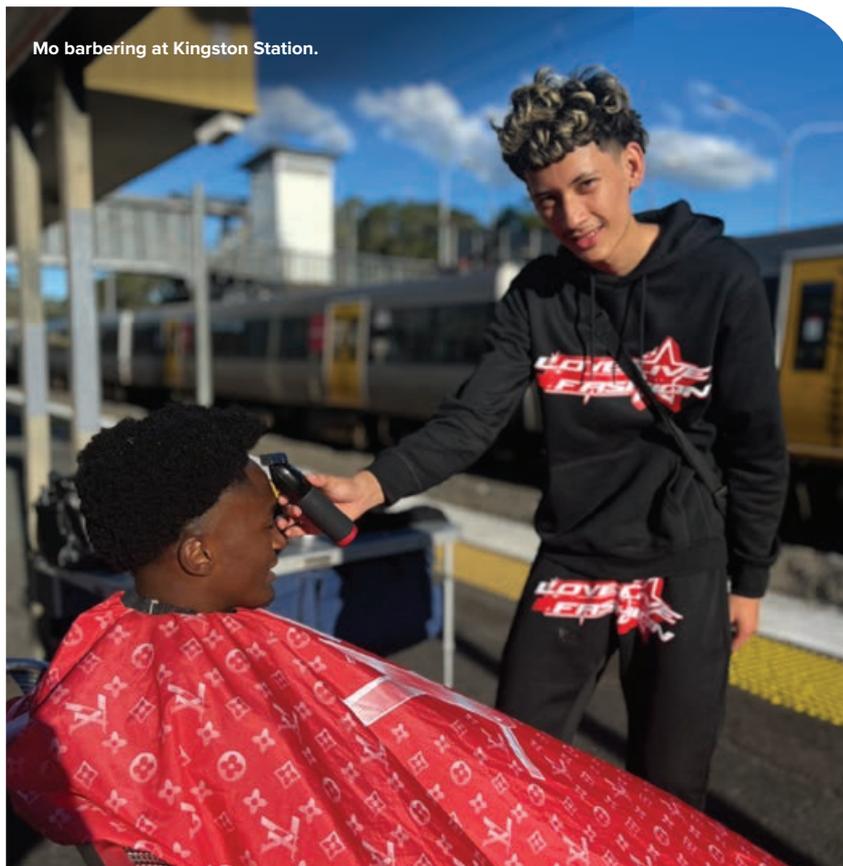
## SEE MORE

[@localblendz\\_](#)

[@localblendz\\_](#)

[@lovelivefashionofficial](#)

[@motheentrepreneur](#)



Mo with his barbering gear.



# Chloe Wigg: a story of art and inspiration



Logan artist Chloe Wigg.

**R**ochedale South artist Chloe Wigg has been on quite a journey over the past few years, and it is her love of art that has helped her thrive.

Chloe recently hosted a workshop at Logan City Council's ImagiNation festival and her work can also be found in the Logan Hospital precinct – she designed the cheery bees incorporated into the street art there. More recently, she contributed to the Croydon Road public art area in Logan Central.

But she hasn't always been such a keen artist.

The one-time paramedic first discovered her love of creating art while undergoing art therapy after an injury. She loved it and art became a form of self-care.

'For me it was about mindfulness; I am a very busy person, and it was always quite hard for me to be still. I could never really do meditation or quiet time – but when I am creating art everything goes quiet and I am focusing on something,' she says.

'It's just being absorbed in something that brings you joy for that time – it feels like giving yourself a big cuddle.'

People began to ask about buying Chloe's work, much to her surprise, so she started selling her art and creating videos. Her small business was budding until, at the start of 2020, she became ill.

She was later diagnosed with myasthenia gravis, an autoimmune disease which weakens skeletal muscles and meant that she sometimes couldn't walk.

While struggling, Chloe had her first exhibition at Logan Art Gallery – ironically titled *Natural Resilience: Inner feelings, outward reflections* – and says working on the project was often the only time she was out of bed.

For the past 18 months, Chloe has been juggling hospital visits, family commitments with her son and husband, and ensuring she can still enjoy art. This has meant a pivot to digital and small-scale art.

She says she was always keen to be part of the Loganlea Healthy Street project in 2021 and loved the idea of public art that can be enjoyed by everyone.

'I had never done public art before, and in that area with the university, TAFE and Logan Hospital nearby, I designed the bees because it was a buzzy hive of an area,' she says.

'I also liked the idea of bees simply because people like them. They are eye-catching and I really believe public art should be able to be universally enjoyed by everyone who passes – not just some people.'

Chloe designed her bees digitally and says it was amazing to see them come to life in the space.

'If those bees make anyone else a fraction as happy as I was when I saw them, that is wonderful,' she says.

'It was also so great to work with so many other local artists.'

When working on the Croydon Road project, Chloe's philosophy remained the same: a simple, universal and joyful design – this time, themed around bubbles.

Chloe says being sometimes limited to a wheelchair also often opens up conversations about accessibility and she says she hopes when children see her, they too can feel like they are included in public spaces.

Chloe's Croydon Road project, a simple, joyful design themed around bubbles.



#### FOR MORE INFORMATION:

👉 [loganarts.com.au/creatives](https://loganarts.com.au/creatives)

# Out and about in Logan

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## ImagiNation



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## Eats and Beats



## What's coming up

**JUNE – AUGUST, 6:30 PM**

**Butterbox Beats:**

**16 JUNE, Machine Age**

**21 JULY, Amy Ryan and  
Open Season Band**

**18 AUGUST, Aunty Jack Duo**

📍 Kingston Butter Factory  
Cultural Precinct

🆓 FREE EVENT

**8 JULY, 8 PM**

**The Best of Arj Barker  
– Power Hour**

📍 Logan Entertainment Centre

🎫 \$54.90

**8 JULY, 7 PM**

**Acoustic Guitar Spectacular**

📍 KBF Cultural Precinct

**18 JULY, 9 AM**

**IGNITE Youth Careers Expo**

📍 Logan Entertainment Centre

🆓 FREE EVENT

**28 JULY, 5.30 PM**

**Starry Night Outdoor Cinema:  
The Croods: A New Age**

📍 Village Green, Logan Village

🆓 FREE EVENT

**27 AUGUST, 3 PM**

**The Ultimate Eagles**

📍 Logan Entertainment Centre

🎫 \$59.00

**27 AUGUST, 8:30 AM**

**Springwood Wardrobe  
Rummage**

📍 Carol Park, Springwood

🆓 FREE EVENT

# Sisters Are Doing It For Themselves



## LEC's 21<sup>st</sup> Birthday Red-Carpet Event

# Sat 22 Jul 7 pm

Join us in celebrating Logan Entertainment Centre's 21st Birthday at this red-carpet event featuring the hit show *Sisters Are Doing It For Themselves* by The Little Red Company.

From the creators of smash-hit soundtrack songbooks *Lady Beagle* and *Christmas Actually*, relive the joy of the *Sister Act* soundtracks live on stage, brought to life by a celestial cast of divine divas including **Prinnie Stevens, Angela Fabian, Irena Lysiuk** and **Alisha Todd**, backed by an electrifying live band.

Featuring heaven-sent hits from **Diana Ross and the Supremes, Lauryn Hill** and **Tina Turner** including *Joyful Joyful, Oh Happy Day, I Will Follow Him, My Guy (My God), His Eye is on the Sparrow, Rescue Me* and more, *Sisters Are Doing It For Themselves* will melt the clouds of sin and sadness and leave you holy satisfied.

**5 pm** – Bar open and canapés

**6:30 pm** – Doors

**7 pm to 8:30 pm** – *Sisters Are Doing It For Themselves*

**8:30 pm** – Red-carpet function starts

**8:45 pm** – Live music from *Sex and Chocolate*

Presented by Logan Entertainment Centre and the Little Red Company. This project is supported by the Queensland Government through Arts Queensland.



### Book now

**Mon to Fri 9:30 am to 4:30 pm**

Logan Entertainment Centre,  
170 Wembley Rd, Logan Central

**Box office: 3412 5626**

[loganarts.com.au](http://loganarts.com.au)

[loganentertainmentcentre](https://www.facebook.com/loganentertainmentcentre)



# COIL

a re:group performance  
collective production

An immediate hit with critics and audiences, *Coil* is gobsmackingly clever whilst being funny, warm hearted and deeply resonant. Blurring the boundaries of theatre and cinema, this innovative new work draws on our collective memories to pay tribute to the glory days of the video store and the communities we made within them. *Coil* reflects upon the joys, perils and pitfalls of nostalgia, and how we grapple with goodbyes to move on.

**Kingston Butter Factory Cultural Precinct**  
270 Jacaranda Ave, Kingston  
Open 10 am to 4 pm, Tuesday to Saturday  
and during events

📍 [loganarts.com.au](http://loganarts.com.au)

f [facebook.com/kbfculturalprecinct](https://facebook.com/kbfculturalprecinct)



**KINGSTON BUTTER FACTORY**

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## Social media in the City of Logan

Your guide to the official social media accounts for Council

### Logan City Council

The official social media presence for Council.



### Logan Office of Economic Development

Business news, developments, workshops and events in the City of Logan.



### Our Logan

Our community is rich with stories. Follow to find out more.



### Logan Recycling Market

'One person's trash is another person's treasure'. Your new paradise for quality pre-loved goods.



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Andrew Callum in training at the Logan Vikings Swimming Club at Logan North Aquatic Centre.

# Young swimmer breaks 12 records

The Logan Vikings Swimming Club at Logan North Aquatic Centre has been quietly training champions, with one 14-year-old swimmer recently breaking 12 records at state championships.

Meet Andrew Callum, the club's breakout star, who has made waves in the new S19 multi-class category designated for those with physical or intellectual disabilities.

His discipline and dedication have allowed him to overcome challenges inherent in the world of competitive swimming – and those associated with being on the autism spectrum.

Club president Michael O'Brien says it's a huge achievement and an exciting time for everyone in the club.

'Since being classified as a multi-class athlete, Andrew's confidence has gone through the roof,' he says.

'He's one of 6 swimmers going to nationals and we're only a very small club, so to have someone like Andrew represent us is outstanding.

'He's a very good swimmer and had only just missed out on qualifying as an athlete without a disability.'

The new points-based multi-class system categorises swimmers based on their level of disability, levelling the playing field for fair competition.

Andrew is already looking forward to beating his personal best at the Australian Age Championships in April with the support of the club and its coaches.

'Wherever Andrew wants to go, we're there to support his journey,' Michael says.

'The club exists to support young athletes like him.'

For the Vikings, swimming is a lifestyle where even the youngest swimmers have the discipline and will to wake up before sunrise to train.

The club has also been a recipient of Logan City Council's Community Benefit Fund.

'That grant supported our Logan swimmers with coaching and mentoring, so we were able to send kids off to nationals,' Michael says.

'We're Logan locals and proudly so. We have swimmers from 7 divisions and our kids work hard to represent the city.'

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For Michael, who's been involved with the club for 6 years, the most rewarding aspect is seeing swimmers improve and building connections in and out of the pool.

'What unites everyone is simply a love for swimming,' he says.

'Everyone has a shared goal – how they swim, train and how to be better than what they were before. You'll often see the older swimmers helping out the younger ones.'

His next goal is to build a clubroom at Logan North Aquatic Centre.

'We've recently applied for a grant so we can finally give our members a place to call home,' he says.

## LOGAN VIKINGS SWIMMING CLUB

📍 [loganvikingsswimmingclub.com.au](http://loganvikingsswimmingclub.com.au)

📱 [LoganVikingsSwimmingClub](https://www.facebook.com/LoganVikingsSwimmingClub)

# The joys and responsibilities of dog ownership

Ask any owner of a beloved dog, and they'll tell you it's one of the best relationships of their lives.

But owning a dog comes with responsibilities, to ensure dogs, owners, and the community are protected. Knowing your dog's triggers and temperament, and ensuring they are trained and socialised, is important. It helps to make the most of the dog-human relationship and avoid potentially tragic outcomes.

Long-term dog owners Linda and John Morgan of Kingston, know the joy and rewards that come with responsible pet ownership. They've recently adopted 8-month-old Chester, a Sharpei cross, from Logan City Council's Animal Management Centre in Kingston. Their previous dog, a staffy named Alfie, was also from the Animal Management Centre.

Chester has the run of a large yard and is already learning to sit and stay. Linda and John will also use the training vouchers provided by Council and take Chester to obedience lessons.

'A dog is a lifetime commitment, you need to change your lifestyle around the dog. Staff from Council's Animal Management team really helped – we had all the paperwork, fact sheets about dog behaviour, vouchers for training sessions, and everything we needed,' Linda says.

'We've always had bigger dogs and never any problems with behaviour.'

Recent events showed what can happen when dogs aren't socialised and are poorly restrained – and the importance of owners knowing their dog and their responsibilities as pet owners. 80 per cent of dog attacks occur by a family dog or a dog known to the victim.

Training and socialising your pet is one of the main responsibilities of a pet owner.



Linda and John Morgan with their newest family member Chester.

## 5 crucial responsibilities for pet owners

1. Ensure your animal is microchipped and registered before it is 12 weeks old, and has a collar with registration tag and contact number.
2. Keep up to date with annual vaccinations and regular parasite control. Desexing reduces unwanted litters, behaviours like straying and aggression, and health problems.
3. Control behaviours like barking, aggression and other anti-social behaviours in and out of the home.
4. Only take your dog off-leash when in a designated area. Consider your dog's temperament and whether they get along with other dogs.
5. Ensure your pet enclosure or fencing is secure and your pet can't push any part of its body over, under or through your fence. Your dog must be kept in a way that allows safe access to your front door. Penalties apply for not observing these responsibilities.

If you identify an animal not being kept responsibly, or poses a risk to public safety, report it: 07 3412 3412.

The Animal Management Centre has a variety of pets available for adoption. Visit us, or our website.

## ANIMAL MANAGEMENT CENTRE

📍 213 Queens Rd, Kingston

🌐 [logan.qld.gov.au/pets-sale](http://logan.qld.gov.au/pets-sale)

➔ Scan the QR to find out more about responsible pet ownership in Council's Animal Management Plan





Springwood Park is getting a major makeover including a new ring road and lighting.

## Green light for new Springwood Park ring road

The next phase of upgrade works at Springwood Park is set to begin. A new internal roadway will replace the existing ring road and parking facilities will be upgraded, including provision of more disabled parking spaces.

Stormwater infrastructure, roadway lighting, retaining works and pathways will also be installed.

Once the project is completed, the area around the roadway will be landscaped with new turf and trees.

The Anzac memorial in the park is being retained. Stage 2 of the project includes the upgrade of the playground.

The upgrade, which is expected to take about 4 months (weather permitting), is supported by \$1 million from Logan City Council through Division 1 Local Infrastructure Program (LIP) funding, additional parks funding and \$500,000 from the Queensland Government.

This Springwood Park Masterplan – Stage 1 was developed with the support of the Queensland Government’s South East Queensland Community Stimulus Program 2021–2024 in association with Council.

The first phase of the upgrade at the park featured a new dog off-leash area and the toilets were replaced.

Division 1 Councillor Lisa Bradley says the one-way road and parking upgrade will further increase access to the popular park in Cinderella Drive.

‘This redevelopment is part of a long-term vision to turn this into a destination park filled with recreational opportunities,’ Cr Bradley says.

‘We are enhancing the park’s natural settings and reinforcing the benefits the facility delivers to the local community.’



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## Volunteers shine in Division 1

The community spirit in Division 1 has always shone through.

That was clear during this year’s Logan City Council Volunteer Awards, with 2 major winners and 3 nominees calling Division 1 home.

Carole Willson was joint winner of the Frank Lenz Memorial Award, recognised for almost a decade of work with Logan East Community Neighbourhood Centre. She shared this with John Mulraney from the Rotary Club of Beenleigh.

Youth Volunteer of the Year Bella-Marie Anderson, also a Division 1 resident, was recognised for her work supporting people experiencing homelessness, poverty and domestic violence at outreach organisation ‘Touch of Hope’.

Carole and Bella are fine examples of the community spirit we see so much of here in Division 1, and congratulations go out to these 2 women, and to all of those nominated for the awards.

Our community’s volunteers are quietly dedicated to what they do; they don’t seek out accolades, but it is so important to recognise them and their important contributions.

Three other Division 1 nominees who do amazing things in the community were Joan Shiels, of Rochedale Springwood Meals on Wheels; Lorraine Cusack, nominated for her work at Palm Lake Care in Mount Warren Park, where she assists the Lifestyle team to provide social programs; and Anne Kotzur, who has spent more than 30 years volunteering at the Our Saviour Lutheran Church.

# Park packed for community fun

**W**indy conditions did not diminish the community spirit on show at a special event in Oates Park in Woodridge.

About 300 residents turned out on Easter Saturday for the community day that was the brainchild of the Woodridge Neighbourhood Watch Group.

They were entertained by a petting zoo, pony rides, a balloon artist, a face-painter, bubble blowers, Queensland Ambulance Service paramedics and SES rescue officers while QFES turned up in a fire engine.

Logan City Council community safety officers were also on hand to talk about basic safety in the home and community.

Division 2 Councillor Teresa Lane says volunteers were busy on the barbecue, with about 500 sausages cooked.

'We also made plenty of fairy floss, while firefighters hid the special treats for the Easter egg hunt,' Cr Lane says.

'No one went hungry and the event put smiles on a lot of faces.'

Cr Lane says the event came together thanks to numerous community organisations and individuals all chipping in.

Sponsorship came from Logan City Council small event funding and Bunnings Browns Plains while the event was also supported by Federal Member for Rankin Jim Chalmers, State Member for Woodridge Cameron Dick and funding from Cr Lane (Division 2) and Cr Jon Raven (Division 5).

Other supporters included Chempro Logan Central, McDonalds Logan Central, Jungle Bean Coffee Van, Bank of Queensland, 101FM and MyCity Logan.

A big crowd was on hand at Oates Park for a community fun day organised by Woodridge Neighbourhood Watch Group.



Councillor Teresa Lane, pictured in Council's safety camera monitoring room, says more crimes are being reported as additional cameras are switched on.

## More cameras keep our neighbourhoods safer

**T**here will be fresh eyes trained upon Division 2 streets as new safety cameras are installed in coming months.

Cameras will soon be switched on in Woodridge and Kingston. They will join more than 1,100 which are operating throughout the city.

Division 2 Councillor Teresa Lane says the additional safety cameras will be welcomed by the local community.

'Anything we can do to make our residents safer is a good thing,' Cr Lane says.

A Safe City survey by Council in 2022 revealed that 52 per cent of respondents felt the cameras increased safety when they were out and about.

'Residents are certainly becoming more active in reporting concerns, knowing the safety camera network is tracking people in the community who are up to no good,' Cr Lane says.

Division 2 has 91 cameras, with more set to be purchased next financial year using Council funding through the Division 2 Local Infrastructure Program.

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# Grant helps Tigers overcome mower theft

A community grant is helping hard-working sporting club volunteers after vital equipment was stolen.

Slacks Creek Tigers Football Club has a new push mower to use at its Usher Park lair, thanks to Logan City Council's Community Benefit Fund.

Thieves struck multiple times at the club over the past 18 months.

They stole a mower and whipper snipper in one incident, forcing groundsman Steve Wicks and President Marc Cameron to use their own garden equipment.

Marc's wife and Tigers Vice President Melissa Cameron says the new mower is a huge help to the 2 men, who take turns to groom the grounds.

A ride-on mower covers most of the work on the larger fields, but a push mower is required in delicate areas

such as the goalmouths. It is also used in wet conditions.

'People think it's just mowing a field, but a lot more goes into it than that,' Melissa says.

'This grant is absolutely fantastic for us.'

The club has more than 30 teams, including women's, competing this season.

Division 3 Councillor Mindy Russell says she is pleased to give the club a hand through Community Benefit Funding.

'I love supporting our local families to connect through sport,' Cr Russell says.

'We might see some of our Slacks Creek players representing us through the Socceros or Matildas one day. That would be something special.



Councillor Mindy Russell with Slacks Creek Tigers President Marc Cameron (left) and Groundsman Steve Wicks.

'This grant will make the groundspeople's job easier. They work so hard for their club behind the scenes, which also benefits the players.'

# Safety first in footpath upgrades



Councillor Mindy Russell (left) with Shailer Park resident Leah King and her dogs Indie, Koda and Mister on a recently repaired footpath.

Two and 4-legged pedestrians will benefit from new and repaired footpaths across Division 3.

New stretches are planned for Epton Court and Eveleigh Street, Daisy Hill, as well as Kimberley Drive at Shailer Park.

Lowry Street and Carribean Drive at Slacks Creek will also get new paths.

Division 3 Councillor Mindy Russell says it is important that residents can move around their neighbourhoods easily and safely.

'This work will help people enjoy their neighbourhood by reducing the likelihood that someone out walking or jogging takes a tumble on a bumpy nature strip,' Cr Russell says.

Shailer Park resident Leah King welcomes the work.

'A lot of people like to walk around here with their kids and dogs, especially with all the parks in the area,' Leah says.



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# Warning signs light the way for wildlife

**B**right new signage is helping keep our smaller 'residents' safer on local roads.

Portable wildlife advisory signs will caution drivers on a range of local roads.

After first being installed at Plunkett Road in Tamborine, the signs will then be rotated to other sites including Latimer, Miller and Quinze Creek Roads.

Deputy Mayor and Division 4 Councillor Laurie Koranski says the signs are a win for wildlife and driver safety.

'We know that we share our landscape with a wide range of wildlife including koalas, kangaroos and wallabies,' Cr Koranski says.

'It is important we continue to take whatever steps necessary to reduce wildlife-related collisions, which can have a devastating impact on humans and animals.

'The installation of these signs is being done with the support of the Albert Valley Wilderness Group, who have been long-term champions of this initiative.

'I am very grateful for the ongoing work they do to encourage all drivers to take as much care as possible at known animal crossings.'

Deputy Mayor Laurie Koranski (left) and Albert Valley Wilderness Society member Judy Kohler with one of the wildlife advisory signs being installed in Cedar Creek.



Deputy Mayor Laurie Koranski and TAFE Queensland General Manager Brent Kinnane at the new Yarrabilba campus at The Buzz.

# Access to education is easy as ABC

**S**tudents in Yarrabilba, and surrounding areas, planning the next leg of their educational journey now barely need to pack a bag.

TAFE Queensland is about to open the doors of its new campus at The Buzz at Yarrabilba, on Basalt Drive.

The state-of-the-art learning facility is the next exciting offering at the 6,000 square-metre community services precinct, which opened in December last year.

The Buzz was constructed by Logan City Council, in partnership with the Queensland Government, Lendlease and Brisbane Catholic Education.

The Y (part of YMCA) is already operating at the centre.

Deputy Mayor and Division 4 Councillor Laurie Koranski says TAFE Queensland's arrival will complete Council's vision for the precinct.

'From the outset, we imagined this facility as a place where people could connect, learn, earn and innovate,' Cr Koranski says.

'I am thrilled to welcome TAFE Queensland to our Yarrabilba community and can't wait to see more local students benefiting from having high-quality tertiary education closer to home.'

TAFE Queensland General Manager Brent Kinnane says the facility will provide practical, industry-relevant training in hospitality, childcare and business with potential for more courses to be added, based on local demand.

'By adding our flexible and tailored training solutions to Yarrabilba, we're helping grow the community by providing a skilled workforce needed to drive economic growth and future prosperity,' Brent says.

The Buzz is between Yarrabilba State Secondary College, on McKinnon Drive, and San Damiano College, on Yarrabilba Drive.

## MORE INFO

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# HIGHLIGHTS at Logan Libraries

Free events during winter  
Bookings essential



## Keeping backyard chooks

Join horticulturalist Claire Bickle as she shares the ins and outs of keeping backyard chooks. Find out about regulations, breeds, housing and feed options.

📍 **Logan West Library**

📅 **Saturday 24 June** ⌚ **11 am to 12:30 pm**

👉 [loglib.org/whats-on](https://loglib.org/whats-on)



## How to create a sensory garden

Find out how to design a garden that you can relax in, filled with sounds, scents and textures. Learn practical tips for plant selection and garden layout. Presented by horticulturalist and permaculture consultant, Doreen Jachmann, from Bloomfield's Homestead.

Visit [loglib.org/whats-on](https://loglib.org/whats-on) or scan the QR code to find out July and August workshop dates, times and to book in.



## School holidays – free events and activities for your family this June and July!

Robotics for teens and kids, illustration workshops, holiday crafts and more! Take home a free activity pack for children and teens with craft materials and ideas.

👉 [loglib.org/schoolhols](https://loglib.org/schoolhols)



## Winter reading challenge

Want to get your kids reading? Join the winter reading challenge! Come into the library and pick up your activity pack and passport. Great LEGO® prizes can be won. Children can read or have someone read to them to take part. For children of all ages.

📅 **From Saturday 24 June to Friday 25 August**

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Councillor Jon Raven (far right) with (from left) Crestmead Artists President Noel Rogers, Alan Carter, John Raine and Gavin Taylor.

## Finessing the fine art of socialising

The weekly catchup of the Crestmead Artists group is a whole lot more than just brushing up on painting skills.

While the group has a clear focus on art, its members also enjoy socialising and sharing tips and knowledge about their craft.

Crestmead Artists, which has more than 40 members, has been going for more 20 years. The group is based at the Crestmead PCYC in Gimlet Street.

Members meet every Thursday from 8.30 am to noon. Entry is \$5, which includes morning tea.

Participants are required to bring their own art equipment. The group welcomes beginners through to more advanced artists across various media including watercolours, acrylics, pastels and drawing.

Although encouragement is endless, no support services or formal trainers are offered.

Division 5 Councillor Jon Raven says the friendly atmosphere is evident at every Crestmead Artists meeting.

'I'm not sure what's more important, the art or the chinwag, but either way it is a great community group to get involved in,' Cr Raven says.

Crestmead Artists President Noel Rogers says the social aspect is important for the group, but so too are the intraclub contests run 3 times a year.

'They are very keenly contested. The prizes aren't much, but boy it feels good when you win,' Noel says.



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## Lights help local scouts lead the way

Things are looking brighter for the Marsden Scout Group at Tamarind Park.

A \$42,000 upgrade of facilities includes the installation of new floodlights and solar panels as well as the scout den getting a new coat of paint.

The surrounding grounds also have been landscaped.

The project was funded by Logan City Council through the Division 5 Local Infrastructure Program.

Division 5 Councillor Jon Raven says the upgraded facilities will help the Marsden Scout Group continue to strive towards the movement's motto: 'Be prepared'.

'Marsden Scout Group provides a safe and inclusive environment for young people to learn skills that will help them for the rest of their lives,' Cr Raven says.

'These new flood lights are LEDs with solar power, which will save money and improve safety for everyone who uses the facility. It's a win-win.'

Cub Scout Leader Scott Apps says Marsden Scout Group is booming with more than 100 members, from youngsters through to adults.

'The upgrade is fantastic for the whole group as the new lights allow us to do a range of activities much more safely and enjoyably at night,' Scott says.

#### INTERESTED IN JOINING?

The group is keen to enlist more parent volunteers as leaders across the group.

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Councillor Jon Raven with Marsden Scout Group cubs Lauren Apps (left), Riley Mandry and Chloe Troyahn.





Councillor Tony Hall (right) with Mini Farms Project founder Nick Steiner at Loganlea State High School.

## Mini Farm yields more than just produce

When the Mini Farm project launched at Loganlea State High School last month, Division 6 Councillor Tony Hall was proud to be among those celebrating the important milestone.

Cr Hall is a passionate supporter of the project and sponsored one of the plots being used to help tackle the issue of food insecurity in the City of Logan.

The suburban farm also provides students with the opportunity to learn about food sustainability and farming, with the fruits of their labour donated to local charities.

The project was launched last month, thanks to a partnership between Logan City Council, CityStudio Logan, Loganlea State High School, The Mini Farm Project and Griffith University.

‘In addition to being a fantastic learning experience for the students and the school community, this project provides tangible assistance to local charities struggling to keep up with demand from Logan families doing it tough,’ Cr Hall says.

‘It’s a great feeling knowing that my donation will go towards helping a lot of people in the community who really need it.

‘It’s the first of its kind in our area, but hopefully not the last and I look forward to seeing how the farm continues to grow over the coming months.’

Cr Hall says it is not too late to support The Mini Farms Project.

‘They are still seeking donations to fund other parts of the project, so if you can’t volunteer directly, making a donation is a great way to support this very worthy community cause,’ he says.

Read more about The Mini Farm in our cover story on pages 4–5.

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## Local garage in top gear

The hubs are locked and the car is in park at the Wheelnutz Garage in Meadowbrook.

The one-of-a-kind automotive garage has gone from strength to strength since opening in 2021.

Wheelnutz Garage supports people with a disability to learn automotive skills while developing friendships and building their capacity for future employment and independence.

The organisation was recently recognised in this year’s Logan Urban Design Awards (LUDA).

The garage received a commendation in the Business, Programs and Events award section.

Division 6 Councillor Tony Hall is proud to have Wheelnutz Garage call Meadowbrook home.

‘It’s fantastic to see what the team at Wheelnutz Garage has already achieved in such a short time,’ Cr Hall says.

‘Those at Wheelnutz say that it’s more than a job to them, and it really shows in the care and consideration they share with every participant.

‘Their recent recognition at LUDA is just the cherry on top of what is already a brilliant program, and I know Wheelnutz Garage will continue to flourish and grow.’

Councillor Tony Hall presents a Commendation Award to members of the Wheelnutz Garage in Meadowbrook.



# Gridiron roars into Browns Plains

The Logan City Bears Club has marked its territory in Browns Plains and is getting ready to sink its teeth into the upcoming gridiron season.

The club recently moved into its new home at Grosvenor Park after previously being based at Hyde Park in Regents Park.

Gridiron, also known as American Football, is a popular football team sport played widely in the United States and Canada.

Logan City Bears President Chris Bradshaw says the club jumped at the opportunity to relocate to a larger facility that would accommodate its growing membership.

'We used to lease this same field for training, so to come back to Grosvenor Park and be permanently based here is fantastic,' Chris says.

'Having a larger clubhouse gives us the opportunity to run events beyond just training. We're looking forward to being able to host functions and connect with the wider community.'

The Bears' new home has a full field and practice field, kitchen, canteen, shaded seating and parking. There is also a multi-purpose function room.

Logan City Council funding through the Division 7 Local Infrastructure Program will see the club receive new solar and security systems ahead of the upcoming season.

The facility became available when Browns Plains Bears Rugby League Club relocated to Logan Metro Sports Park as part of an agreement between Logan City Council and Queensland Rugby League.



Councillor Tim Frazer with Logan City Bears Gridiron players Lachlan Naisby (left) and Henrique Walters.

Grosvenor Park will also become the home of the Gridiron Queensland men's, women's and junior State teams, the Sundevils, which competes in the annual Gridiron Australia National Championships.

Councillor Tim Frazer says it is fantastic to have Logan City Bears call Browns Plains home.

'It's great to see them move into a new home and I look forward to their men's, women's and junior teams performing at their best and continuing to grow for years to come.' Cr Frazer says.

## Art Share makes art accessible for everyone

In a quiet street off the Mount Lindesay Highway, artists of all abilities are being encouraged to follow their passion.

The Logan West Community Art Share Alliance is a passionate organisation that encourages everyone to get involved in the arts at its studio in Hillcrest.

Councillor Tim Frazer (centre) with (from left) Logan West Arts Alliance President Steven Watson, treasurer Sherry Austin and tutor Stefania Kleynendorst in the studio with the new Strong Arm centering tool.

The Art Share Alliance recently added 2 Strong Arm centering tools to its studio, thanks to a Council Community Benefit Fund grant.

The centering tool is used by potters with disabilities or injuries to centre and open clay on the pottery wheel.

The Alliance is hoping to add 4 more Strong Arm tools to its existing equipment in coming months with the organisation recently receiving community funding through Greenbank Services Club.

Division 7 Councillor Tim Frazer hopes the new additions will see even more community members get involved in the Art Share Alliance.

'Tools like the Strong Arm are important in removing barriers and ensuring the whole community can get involved in the arts, regardless of ability,' Cr Frazer says.

The Art Share Alliance will host an open day on Sunday 10 September to celebrate its 10th birthday.



### Councillor Tim Frazer

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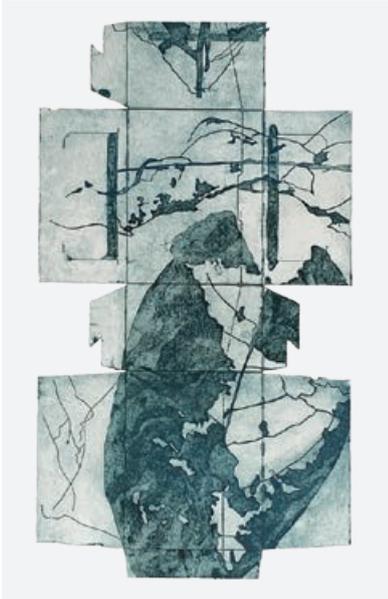
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## WALK GENTLY

**RACHAEL LEE AND  
GILLIAN RICHARDS**

*Walk gently* is a collaborative exhibition by Rochedale South artist Rachael Lee and printmaker Gillian Richards, who has been mentored by Rachael from her own studio. The exhibition explores how we can live more harmoniously with the natural environment.

Image: Rachael Lee, *Blue box 10 – Felix*, 2023, collagraph



## STILL WATER

**HENRI VAN NOORDENBURG**

*Still water* is a new body of work that explores effects on the natural environment due to global warming. Simulating hopeful futures through manipulation of landscapes, Henri's exhibition looks into the actions of industrialised human activity.

Image: Henri van Noordenburg, *Composition LV*, 2020, hand carved inkjet print and graphite



## ARCHAEOLOGY OF MEMORY

**SHA SAWARI**

The trauma experienced by refugees is often forgotten or made invisible, further burdening their attempts to resettle and flourish in a new land. *Archaeology of memory* is an exhibition that tells the stories of refugees and asylum seekers caught between conflict and politics.

Image: Sha Sawari, *The burden of being without the Buddha*, 2019, torched timber, charcoal powder and glue on plywood

*Walk gently* and *Still water* is supported by the Regional Arts Development Fund, a partnership between the Queensland Government and Logan City Council to support local arts and culture in regional Queensland.



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Councillor Jacob Heremaia invites locals to the Music in the Park event in September. He is pictured here with members of Assorted Grains Inc.

## Music and family fun for park opening

Residents are invited to join Division 8 Councillor Jacob Heremaia for school holiday fun at Music in the Park later this year.

Cr Heremaia says the event will bring the local community together at the newly opened Flindersia Riverside Park at Logan Reserve.

Music on the Park will be full of fun, food, music and play.

'The \$4.6 million park includes large playgrounds, a flying fox, picnic shelters, barbecues and a basketball half-court, all with views over the Logan River,' Cr Heremaia says.

'Our Logan Reserve community is growing and this new park will be a fantastic place for people to gather.

'That's why I'm excited to invite locals to come along to enjoy live music from local artists, food trucks, free face painting and a chance to explore the new facilities.

'The event will be held during the September school holidays, so I encourage people to keep an eye out for more information closer to the time.'

Flindersia Riverside Park is at the Logan River end of Halcyon Way, Logan Reserve.

The date for Music in the Park will be announced soon.

The event is supported by members of Assorted Grains Inc.

## Camera upgrade for community safety

Reducing dangerous driving is an issue the community is passionate about.

'One hotspot I'm often told about is Magnesium Drive in the Crestmead Industrial Estate,' Division 8 Councillor Jacob Heremaia says.

'We all deserve to feel safe on our local roads.'

Logan City Council has installed new safety cameras on a 25-metre pole to record dangerous behaviour in the area.

'These cameras have the ability to capture evidence that can be shared with police through our city's camera room,' Cr Heremaia says.

'Our city's camera room is monitored by staff around the clock.

'This is another step towards stamping out hooning in our community.'

Cr Heremaia says road safety is a top priority.

'At our recent community meeting, I received positive feedback from local residents about the camera and want to thank everyone who's contacted me about the issue.'

Report dangerous, reckless or anti-social behaviour on local roads to the 13HOON Hotline (134 666).

Councillor Jacob Heremaia at Magnesium Drive, Crestmead.



### Councillor Jacob Heremaia

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### Community meetings

You're invited to the upcoming Division 8 community meetings to have your say on local issues, hear from community leaders and have a free bite to eat.

📍 Logan Metro Sports and Events Centre, 357 Browns Plains Rd, Crestmead

🕒 6 pm to 7 pm

📅 Wednesday 16 August

📅 Wednesday 8 November

# Pathway to possibility for seniors

There are easier journeys ahead for aged care residents who walk or use mobility scooters along East Street in Jimboomba.

A new 60-metre footpath has been constructed along East and John Streets to connect Jimboomba Community Aged Care with South Street and the town centre.

The 1.5-metre-wide footpath includes safety fencing along the edge of an adjacent drainage culvert.

A new retaining wall, landscaping and kerb improvement works were also carried out as part of the upgrade.

Division 9 Councillor Scott Bannan says the footpath is a simple project that will make life a whole lot easier for residents of the aged care facility.

'A clear path from A to B means everything when you have limited transport options,' Cr Bannan says.

'Previously, our aged care residents, or anyone travelling along East Street, were faced with a bit of a precarious journey along the roadside.

'This footpath is an important link that will make getting to and from local shops and services easier and safer.'

The upgrade works were carried out during the Easter school holidays to minimise traffic disruptions for nearby Emmaus College.

The project was funded by Logan City Council through the Division 9 Local Infrastructure Program.

Cr Scott Bannan on the new footpath connecting East Street with Jimboomba's town centre.



Councillor Scott Bannan and Cedar Grove Landcare President Rachel Hughes on the Queen's Jubilee Tree Alley at the Cedar Grove Environmental Centre.

## Living tribute to Queen's Jubilee

A leafy lane of native trees is leading bushwalkers to the Logan River at the Cedar Grove Environmental Centre.

Lemon-scented gums (*corymbia citriodora*) and silver wattles (*acacia podalyrifolia*) now line the pathway of the environmental park in honour of Queen Elizabeth II, who passed away in September last year.

The Cedar Grove Landcare project received \$19,000 from the Australian Government's Planting Trees for The Queen's Jubilee program.

Seventy trees were planted along what will be known as the Queen's Jubilee Tree Alley.

The Queen's Platinum Jubilee was celebrated in February 2022, marking her 70th year on her throne.

Incorporating wattle at Cedar Grove is an apt choice. Golden wattle is Australia's national floral emblem and, in a nod to that, the Queen wore a wattle-coloured dress during her first visit to Australia in 1954.

Division 9 Councillor Scott Bannan says the trees are a brilliant addition to the environmental centre.

'It will be great for our regular bushwalkers and other visitors to the Cedar Grove Environmental Centre to see these trees grow and thrive over time,' Cr Bannan says.

'I congratulate Cedar Grove Landcare on a fantastic project that not only honours our late Queen, but also provides important habitat for local wildlife.'

A commemorative plaque has also been installed at the site.

### Councillor Scott Bannan

#### Division 9

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# Club's focus on youth development

Loganholme Cricket Club is working hard to support young local players.

The club has been in the City of Logan for more than 40 years and is home to 150 players ranging from juniors to seniors.

Club President Scott Rice says the Tansey Park-based club welcomes the support of Logan City Council to continue field renovations ahead of its season launch in October.

Extensive restoration work was needed after the club's fields were impacted by last year's floods.

Planned upgrades at Tansey Park include a new junior pitch and sight screens on the club's 'bottom field'.

Both projects are funded by Council through the Division 10 Local Infrastructure Program.

Scott says the upgrades will allow junior players to play at their home ground and ensure the club fields teams at all year levels this season.

Junior player Macy Ludwig welcomes the project and says she is looking forward to playing with her team again, with the hope of recruiting some more female friends from her school for the 2023/24 season.

## INTERESTED IN JOINING?

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Councillor Miriam Stemp with Loganholme Cricket Club President Scott Rice on the junior pitch which is being upgraded at the club.



Councillor Miriam Stemp on the new Core Climbing wall with brothers Flynn (centre) and Carter Jack.

# Scaling new heights for fitness and fun

A new sporting adventure is on offer with an upgraded and improved indoor rock-climbing wall at Cornubia Park Sports Centre.

Core Climbing opened in March and features Queensland's highest indoor climbing wall at 14.5 metres, with more than 50 different climbs available.

Division 10 Councillor Miriam Stemp advocated for the existing but closed climbing wall to become operational again after receiving strong community interest and feedback.

'Funding from Council through the Division 10 Local Infrastructure Program was used to bring the existing wall up to current safety standards and to attract a new operator for the facility,' Cr Stemp says.

'Climbing is a great sport for all ages and abilities and it is exciting to see the wall operational again.'

Ian Gilmartin, who is one of the operators of the facility, says developing a community atmosphere was the main aim at Core Climbing.

Ian says the facility provides challenges for regular climbers while also giving newcomers the chance to experience the sport in a supportive environment.

He says the centre is further supporting the development of future stars of the sport by hosting the Queensland youth rock climbing titles in October.

'This will be an opportunity for our young climbers to gain a berth in the national team,' Ian says.

## INTERESTED IN CLIMBING? MORE INFORMATION AT:

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# Gold medallist hits hoops close to home

Long-time Greenbank resident Kurt Thomson etched his name in the history books when he won a gold medal for Australia at the 2022 Commonwealth Games.

The Birmingham event was the first to host 3-on-3 para-sport wheelchair basketball, so it was a special moment when the Australian team clinched the gold medal match 11-9 against Canada.

Kurt has lived in Greenbank for almost 20 years and is delighted with the recent upgrades to Lavelle Park, including a new basketball half-court.

'The court is less than a kilometre from my front door,' Kurt says.

'My son Jacob and I love that we can play so close to home and walk and push there together.

'It's even more exciting that the court is accessible to both my day wheelchair and basketball wheelchair.'

In addition to his gold medal performance at the Commonwealth Games, Kurt was awarded an Australian Sports Medal for sporting excellence, which was presented by Queensland Governor Dr Jeanette Young.

Kurt also participates in the Sporting Wheelies' Inclusive School Sports Program, which provides interactive sessions for children to participate in a range of para sports.

Kurt, his wife Kara, and Jacob were special guests at a recent event celebrating the Lavelle Park renewal project.

Division 11 Councillor Natalie Willcocks says it is wonderful to see Kurt and Jacob using the new court.

'It was great to welcome our community to the improved park, and especially Kurt's extended family,' Cr Willcocks says.

More park upgrades are planned throughout Division 11, including a pump track at Ison Park and playground upgrades at Wearing Park and Crystal Brook Park.

Councillor Natalie Willcocks with Kurt Thomson at the upgraded Lavelle Park, which includes a new basketball half-court.



Councillor Natalie Willcocks with Hadrian Obi at Spring Mountain Lagoon Park, where a multi-coloured bench honours the memory of Stanley Obi.

## Colourful bench honours Stanley's legacy

A multi-coloured bench has been installed in Spring Mountain Lagoon Park to raise awareness of domestic and family violence and pay tribute to former New Beith resident Stanley Obi, who died after his house was set alight last year.

Stanley's brother Hadrian visited the park in May to see the bench first-hand.

'Violence doesn't solve anything or help anyone,' Hadrian says.

'I will bring Stanley's children here to remind them he will not be forgotten.'

Division 11 Councillor Natalie Willcocks says the bench symbolises the community's commitment to preventing domestic violence and the multi-colours raise awareness of the issue, regardless of age, gender and sexuality.

'Stanley's legacy reminds us we can do more to end the cycle of violence and support those impacted by it,' Cr Willcocks says.

'We can also educate everyone on the warning signs of abuse, and how to help others if we suspect someone we know is in danger.'

A weeping Lilly Pilly was also planted at the park to provide shade over the bench in the future.

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# Safer access takes keen skaters to new heights

The stairway to half-pipe heaven just got easier at Beenleigh's Doug Larsen Park.

Division 12 Councillor Karen Murphy met with local skaters and BMX riders to discuss their concerns about safety for younger enthusiasts using the giant half-pipe at the facility, which was designed with the input of BMX freestyle Olympic gold medallist Logan Martin.

A new set of access stairs will now be installed to make it easier and safer for riders keen to take their BMX and skating passions to new heights on the half-pipe.

'I thank all the local skaters who spoke to me about this issue and shared their concerns,' Cr Murphy says.

'Your input and feedback were crucial in making this project happen.

'It's always great to see our community come together to improve our public spaces, and I am proud to have been a part of this effort.'

Local skater and Mount Warren Park resident Brad Dustin says the new stairs will bring even more skaters to Doug Larsen Park to enjoy the facility.

'Without the stairs, it is a real workout to get back to the top of the half-pipe once you come off,' Brad says.

'Once they are installed, it will make it safer for everyone and easier and more enjoyable to get rides.

'It will also give opportunities for the facility to host vertical competitions.'

Additional enhancements will also be made at the facility including the planting of 5 native trees to help provide more shade.

The BMX freestyle and skate facility at Doug Larsen Park in Beenleigh, which was designed with the input of Olympic gold medallist Logan Martin.



Councillor Karen Murphy joins in the fun with residents of Palm Lake Mount Warren Park retirement village, including Residents' Committee President Denis Douglas (front right).

# Tapping into decades of life experience

Seniors in our community are a wealth of knowledge and wisdom.

And residents of Palm Lake Resorts in Eagleby and Mount Warren Park are no exception.

Division 12 Councillor Karen Murphy recently visited 3 facilities to enjoy morning tea with more than 100 residents and get their feedback on a range of issues within their communities and across the city.

Residents also got a reminder on the many services provided by Logan City Council, such as those offered by our libraries, and an update on local projects in their areas.

They also learned about the importance of everyone, irrespective of age, continuing to do their bit to help protect the environment.

Cr Murphy says retirement villages are an essential part

of the City of Logan and Division 12 community.

'It is always a joy to spend time with the residents who make these villages so special,' Cr Murphy says.

'I put extremely high value on their thoughts and feedback, and I appreciate everyone who asks questions and provides input to help shape our neighbourhoods.

'I will now take this feedback back to Council and work with officers to help make our community a better place to live, work and visit.'

Residents' Committee President at Palm Lake Mount Warren Park, Denis Douglas, says Cr Murphy's visit was 'fantastic and well-received'.

'It was a very impressive and important experience for all our residents, and we all appreciated the expert local knowledge provided by Councillor Murphy,' Denis says.

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Try interesting produce and learn from different cultures at the Global Food Markets.



Global Food Markets founder Paul Khieu with his son and market manager Dean Khieu.

# A taste of community and an iconic legacy

At the Global Food Markets in Logan Central, you can find produce from across the world, treat yourself to huge, delicious dishes and get swept away in a treat for the senses. The bustling markets are a City of Logan icon.

Keen cooks, food bloggers, farmers and more than 100 stallholders mingle with families, cooking newbies and interstate visitors each Sunday; they come for the food and stay for the vibe.

For manager Dean Khieu, it's important the markets retain their character – one that was implemented by his dad, Global Food Markets founder Paul Khieu.

At the beginning, the market consisted of a group of stalls featuring Cambodian fare – a way for Logan-based farmers, many of whom were refugees, to sell their produce each week.

'Dad was very involved with the Ethnic Communities Council of Logan as a volunteer before he took over running it. They helped my dad, and then he helped them,' Dean says.

'He started the markets as a way of giving a platform to the people – then mainly Cambodian – who had farms, for them to sell their products. They already sold some of their products to Dad, who ran an Asian supermarket, but he could only take so much stock.'

From humble beginnings, word began to spread, with stallholders from all over the world joining.

'Geographically, the market is in the ethnic hub of Logan – Cambodians, Burmese, African, Middle Eastern, Indian people all came here and so the markets evolved,' Dean says.

As word-of-mouth spread, the market began to form the personality and vibrancy for which it is still renowned today.

When his dad stepped down for health reasons 8 years ago, Dean took over running the market – and started to build a presence online.

'The word-of-mouth method that dad used helped establish us, but I focused on having an online presence, being proactive on social media and encouraging people to leave reviews – so we started reaching people who had never heard of the markets before,' he says.

No matter how in-demand the markets become, Dean says keeping community at its heart is key.

'We are not there to make a profit. We reinvest the money we make so we can keep costs low for stallholders and customers. It keeps that vibe and means everyone can enjoy huge dishes and great quality produce,' he says.

'It is like a family and a lot of people have been there for many years and have known me since I was a kid.'

Dean helps set up and pack down each week, and sees real connections made at the markets.

'The conversations between customers, or between customers and stallholders, are really engaging and it's like a hangout space – people will sit at a stall and chat throughout the morning,' he says.

'People find a piece of their home towns here – even the young people. They might be Aussies, but we will always need to have somewhere where people can really connect with their culture through food.'

'I want to set it up as a market that, when my time passes, can run itself, continue going and stay community based.'

Dean is focused now on establishing a wider social media presence – having already embraced Facebook and Instagram, he's dipping his toe into Tik Tok.

As for Paul – Dean says while his dad is a man of few words, he knows he still feels proud of the market he nurtured from humble beginnings.

'He is so happy about where it is, and he can just walk through and say hello to everyone and enjoy that feeling of seeing it all without having to worry about the day-to-day things,' Dean says.

'To me, that is ideal.'

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## Bulky waste kerbside clean-up services

Collection starts week commencing:

<b>17 July</b>	Eagleby
<b>31 July</b>	Bethania, Edens Landing, Holmview, Bahrs Scrub, Belivah, Wolfdene
<b>14 August</b>	Beenleigh, Bannockburn, Windaroo, Mt Warren Park
<b>28 August</b>	Woodridge and North Logan Central (north of Wembley Road including the northern side of Wembley Road)

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