



Sarina
NEWS

December 2012

Nipper season kicks off with action packed weekend

Sarina Surf Life Saving Club kicked off its junior Nipper season on October 7. There was a good turnout including past and new members taking advantage of the great weather and clear seas.

The club held a sleepover camp that same weekend where about 20 kids of various ages participated in a fun-filled day of games on the beach and in the water while the older kids participated in a First Aid and Advanced Resuscitation Course.

Eight members were put through the course, which is not only great for them and the club, but also helps the community by having well-trained people that are able to help out if an emergency situation arises in the home, at work or out in the general public.

The younger kids joined in the fun team building games that included Inflatable Rescue Boat



A group of Nippers practise their resuscitation technique.

(IRB) racing, mine fields and more. They enjoyed a movie that night and were all up early for a good breakfast and keen to start the first nipper day for the season. The Sarina Surf Life Saving Club will be looking to run another sleepover camp at the club during the 2012-2013 season.

The Club also had four teenage girls; Sophie Street, Elyce Dahms, Sarah Boyle and Macey Ronald,

attend a North Barrier Branch Surf Life Saving Queensland Camp held at Camp Kanga near Proserpine, which concluded with a trip on Pure Thunder to White Haven Beach in the Whitsundays. Attendees were from as far north as Ingham.

Anyone looking for information about joining the surf club please call 4956 6476 or 0427 877 874.

Holiday fun keeps Sarina Youth busy

It was an adventurous time at the Sarina Youth Centre during the September / October school holidays. Over the two week break, the youth centre entertained young people from 10am to 2pm each day during the week with a range of fun and exciting activities.

They organised games of volleyball, soccer, badminton and handball for the kids as well as a 'mad scientist' session run by local primary school teacher, Dan O'Connor who kept everyone entertained with fun science experiments and facts.

A tie-dye workshop run by a local artist also featured at the centre during the school holiday period and those who attended were able to take home a beautiful coloured shirt. Craft, cooking and beading sessions were also very popular however, the highlight of the two weeks was the 'Water Battle' held at Apex Park.

A huge amount of youngsters attended and came dressed ready for fun with their own water pistols and water bombs and enjoyed a delicious sausage sizzle at the end. All in all the September / October school holidays program was enjoyed by many young people of Sarina.

The Sarina Youth Centre is located on the corner of Anzac and Broad streets, Sarina and is open Monday to Friday until 5pm throughout the school term.



Pole vault project nears completion



Luke Hallett tries out the new pole vault equipment

The Sarina Athletics Club is nearing the completion of their upgrades with the Pole Vault project close to being finished. In order to complete the upgrades the club is applying for funding for a shed extension as the current shed is not large enough to fit the mats.

The concrete around the tartan will then be sealed and a masonry block border will be put around the new long/triple jump pit with the generous help of David Glendinning.

If you are interested in learning to pole vault Sarina Athletics will be holding a pole vault workshop in April 2013. Contact Ruth Cliffe on ruthcliffe2@gmail.com for more details.

Carols Night

Sarina Interchurch Council presents the Community Carols Night on December 9 at 6.30pm. The carols will be held at the Sarina State Primary School in the multi-purpose hall (entry via the rear of the school). All members of the public are welcome to come along and celebrate the festive season.

Heritage Award presented to Sarina District Historical Centre Inc.



Sarina District Historical Centre Inc. was fortunate enough to win a Heritage Award, which was presented on Remembrance Day at Greenmount Homestead.

The Centre nominated their four Memory Lane books, which showcase the lives of people living in the Sarina region since the 1900's. The stories in these books were written by the people themselves when they placed 'Family Plaques' in the gardens at the Field of Dreams.

Copies of these books are still available at the Historical Centre and, at present, are selling for \$18 each and would make a great Christmas gift.

The Centre is open Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday from 9am to 2pm until December 14.

What's on at: Sarina Wesleyan Methodist Church

Sunday, December 9 from 9am

Christmas program ("There Shall Come a Star") led by the youth. This service will be combined with morning tea. End of the year awards will be presented to the Sunday Kids Club children and teens. All welcome.

Saturday, December 15 from 5:30pm

International Dinner at 5:30 pm followed by Christmas Carol singing at 7pm.

Please bring a main dish of food to share representing your country of origin - or choose another country's food to prepare for the International Dinner.

Homemade Christmas pudding will be served following the Carols evening. Invite some friends to come with you!!

Sunday, December 16 at 11am

Christmas program ("There Shall Come a Star") at Sarina Aged Persons Home, Hoey Street, Sarina. The youth and children will present this program for the residents. This will include some carol singing by everyone. The residents will be presented with a small gift made by the children.

Sunday, December 16 at 6 pm

Christmas service at Wesleyan Methodist Fellowship, Blue Care Chapel, 99 Evan St, South Mackay. Supper following. All Welcome

Sunday, December 23 at 9am

Special Christmas Service at 87 Range Rd. Several people will be sharing on the topic of "Why Christmas is Special to Me"

Phone 4956 2510 for more information.

*Sarina Wesleyan Methodist Church
87 Range Rd. Sarina*

News from the Sarina Beach Progress Association

The Sarina Beach Progress Association held its annual general meeting on November 4, 2012 with over 30 of its members attending. This year we are seeing a few changes in the executive seats with Sandra Trace taking on the role of secretary, Roy Roberts as the new treasurer and Terry Clarke remaining as president.

With a lot of new young families moving into the area it was great to see a few of those families attending the meeting with some good input and ideas for the direction the Sarina Beach Progress Association should be heading in.

The Sarina Beach Progress Association's annual garage sales will be held on May 22, 2013 with further information to be given out closer to the date on which the garage sales will be held.

Membership for the Association is due now and only costs \$5 per family. A letter drop to all the houses in the Sarina Beach area will be done before Christmas for those families wanting to join and for existing members, with new information on where to send their membership fees.

We wish you all a merry Christmas and a happy new year from the Sarina Beach Progress Association.

If you have any articles for the next Sarina Community Newsletter, or would like to be on the mail list, please contact Carrie Jones at Mackay Regional Council on 1300 622 529 or email carrie.jones@mackay.qld.gov.au.

Sarina Community Bank Grants Program 2013

The Sarina Community Bank are opening their next Grants Program in March 2013. They will be holding an information evening at the RSL on February 20, 2013 at 6pm.

The grant applications open on March 1, 2013 and close on March 29, 2013. The Sarina Community Bank are looking forward to seeing potential applicants at the information session.

