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Magazine for Ridgewood, Carters Ridge, and surrounds

-- An initiative of the Ridgewood Hall Committee since 1984 --

Ridgewood Photo Fair 2022



Pictured are just some of the Photo Fair winners

Congratulations to the winners
of the Photo Fair!

Your community calendar

August 2022

- 14** Sunday Sundowners
4pm @ Ridgewood Hall (p 9)

- 26** Community BBQ
6pm @ Ridgewood Hall (p 3)

- 27** Community Music
4pm @ Hub Café (p 14)

- 28** Produce Swap
9:30am @ Mary Fereday Park
(p 3)

September 2022

- 24** Community Music 4pm @ Hub
Café (p 14)

- 25** Produce Swap 9:30am @ Mary
Fereday Park (p 3)

- 30** Community BBQ 6pm @
Ridgewood Hall (p 3)

Calendar listings are free for community organisations.

Email RTR.editor@gmail.com

The Cashier told me to 'Strip down facing me',
by the time I realised that she was talking about
my credit card, it was too late!



If people who live in Finland are called Finns, people who live in Switzerland are called Swiss, and the people who live in Poland are called Poles, why aren't the people who live in Holland called Holes?

community EVENTS



BBQ

Last Friday of every month from 6pm

BYO food, drinks and picnic set.

The BBQ will be fired up ready for cooking.

Good company provided free of charge, courtesy of your local community!

PRODUCE SWAP

Last Sunday of every month

Mary Fereday Park, Poulson Road

9:30am

Join our Facebook Group

Carters Ridge/Ridgewood Harvest Swap and Gardening

Bring your surplus produce, seeds or preserves.

Practical demonstrations each month.

Nothing to swap? Bring some morning tea to share. BYO coffee.



Come along to one of our community events. Meet new people. Catch up with friends.

ALL WELCOME!

COVID-SAFE practices in place.

Yoga Classes

9:30am Thursdays
Ridgewood Hall

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HALL COMMITTEE REPORT



President's Report - August/
September 2022.

As I sit at my desk writing this month's report, I can see the creek rising, the dam rising, the rain falling and my patience lagging! On the other hand, it was not that long ago that we were praying for the rains to break the drought.

As Dorothea Mackellar wrote many years ago: 'I love a sunburnt country, a land of sweeping plains, of rugged mountain ranges, of droughts and flooding rains'.

There is no doubt that we live in a land of extremes but to me, it is still the best place in the world to live and especially in this beautiful Mary Valley!

Interestingly, we are at the crossroads of three shires: Noosa, Gympie and the Sunshine Coast, which poses its own challenges. We live off Happy Jack Creek Road which is shared by the Noosa Shire and the Gympie Shire.

After the rains we have had and are still having, the road has suffered badly and while one shire repairs their part of the road, the other part remains in poor condition. Just another part of country living I suppose!

Well, we have finally overcome some of the challenges the Noosa Shire threw at us in relation to the installation of the new kitchen in the Ridgewood Hall. We had heritage challenges, fire compliance challenges, garden challenges, building certifier challenges and we are not quite over it just yet, as we have to reinstate some heritage timbers removed in construction of the new kitchen wall.

The committee and I have been biting our tongues over this and are now hopefully very close to a resolution!

Adele Frew and her team worked tirelessly and produced wonders for the Photo Fair this year culminating with the Photo Fair Awards Night which took place on

Friday, 22nd July. Some amazing photos were displayed, judged by our resident photographer, Justin Schoonerman.

Congratulations to all of the winners and we also extend our sincere thanks to those businesses who sponsored this great event. Next year's Photo Fair promises to be bigger and better!

The new kitchen is amazing and boasts all new appliances and washing facilities more aligned to catering for large events such as weddings, workshops and other large gatherings.

Our thoughts and prayers go out to Simon Martin and family on Hilary Road at the passing of long time resident and active community member, Mary Martin, who died recently. Mary reached the great age of 89. She will be missed by all who knew her.

I have noted that there are still new families moving into our community and we extend a warm welcome to you all and look forward to welcoming you face to face at our next community gathering at the hall which will be the Sunday Sundowners on Sunday 14th August, starting at 4pm, where we can gather together over a drink and some nibbles on our lovely open verandah. Hopefully the weather will be on our side but even if it is not, our gas heaters have been serviced recently so we are guaranteed of keeping warm.

I wish you all well for the last month of winter and look forward to seeing you at Sundowners and the BBQ at the end of the month.

Cheers,

Chris Kirkpatrick

President Ridgewood Community
Hall Committee

Ridgewood Photo Fair 2022

Congratulations to the winners!

Compliments to all those who entered their photos!

With over 150 photos from 25 entrants, the Ridgewood Photo Fair was a very successful event.

The photo fair committee worked tirelessly leading up to the event, connecting with local businesses for sponsorship, advertising the categories, organising the set up of the hall and planning the awards event. A big thank you to Adele Frew who led the committee.

Thank you to our wonderful sponsors who made the event possible.

We look forward to bringing this even to the Ridgewood Hall every year and we hope that next year will be even bigger!

You do not have to be a committee member to be involved in the photo fair committee! If you are keen to join us next year, let us know!

The Photo Fair is advertised on our website, roundtheridges.com and our Facebook Page, 'Ridgewood Hall—Queensland' and of course, here in the Round the Ridges Magazine.





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Ridgewood Photo Fair 2022 continued...

This year's categories included:

- Macro/Close Up
- Black and White
- Culture/Travel
- Portrait
- Action
- Rural



And entrants can enter up to three photos per category.

2023 Photo Fair categories will be released early next year to give you some time to take those winning shots, however, if you would like to suggest a certain category, please email rtr.editor@gmail.com.

In the meantime,
happy snapping!



Do you have a community event to advertise?

Community events are free to advertise in
Round the Ridges Magazine.

Please submit your event details and images by the 25th of each
month prior to the month of release to rtr.editor@gmail.com.

We issue the RtR bi-monthly as per this schedule:

Feb—Apr—Jun—Aug—Oct—Dec

Sunday Sundowners

Now bi-monthly!

Feb—Apr—Jun—**Aug**—Oct—Dec

2nd Sunday of the month - 4pm

(Coinciding with the month RtR is issued)



Drinks on the deck!

The perfect way to end the weekend. Enjoy the opportunity to catch up with old friends and neighbours, and meet new ones.

BYO drinks and nibbles. Kids welcome.

RIDGEWOOD HALL



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TO LACK OF INTEREST



Ask Dr Terri



Dr Terri has been a small animal vet for over 17 years. She moved to Carters Ridge in 2018 and started her own business in 2020 as a home visit vet, consulting in the homes of dogs and cats on the Sunshine Coast. She would love to be able to work locally, getting to know her neighbours and their pets.

*Each newsletter Dr Terri will answer a new **ASK THE VET** question.*

Suggestions are always welcome!

Why Vets are great!

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Animals cannot tell us what is happening a lot of the time so we as vets have to be good investigators. I will now break into first person as the way I work, being a house call vet is a bit different to how general vets work in clinic. I love that I have the luxury of time and am able to see your pet in their own home without the stress of the trip and being in clinic.

On arrival to your home, I will say hello to your pet initially and then ignore them a little bit. This allows them to settle down from the initial excitement or stress from a new visitor coming to the house. What you may not realise is that from the time I enter your home, I am watching your pet constantly, observing mannerisms, how they move, coat health, general body

condition, even smells and sounds.

Watching your vet examine an animal, especially when visiting for a routine visit, it may seem like they are simply saying hello and patting your pet for most of it. But the opposite is true. Vets all tend to start at the front and make our way back, the order may change depending on how comfortable your pet is with the examination.

I may give your pet what looks like a scratch under the chin, but I am actually checking their lymph nodes which are indicators of illness. Your dog or cat, like you, has many lymph nodes (indicators of illness) throughout the body. We check 5 main areas, to someone without veterinary training, again it will seem like we are just giving your pet a friendly pat or rub.

I will then raise your pets lips and check their teeth, also examining their gum

colour and refill - which can tell us if there is an issue with the heart, intestines or liver, and hydration status.

Next, I will observe the nose, the conformation of the bones and muscles in the face, forehead and jaw. Then checking both ears checking for any smells, excess discharge or inflammation (redness). I use a stethoscope to listen to how often your pet's heart is beating, how loud the beat is, plus the sounds your pet lungs make when they take a breath. You will often see while I am doing this my hand will be at the front of your pets groin - here we are actually checking if every beat of the heart matches with the pulse in the lower body. This gives me another indicator of heart health and circulation.

Throughout this I will be observing (by touch and sight) how the body is muscled making sure it is even on each side, checking for any swelling, pain or firmness throughout the body including the joints. I also check how the belly compares to the rest of the body, e.g. if the belly is wider than the back this can indicate many conditions. I will then feel deeper into your pet's belly and check for any obvious masses or organs that feel larger than normal. Please note in some larger or stocky dogs, feeling deeper tissues in the belly is limited, cats are much easier. Personally, I do not always take your pets temperature unless I see or feel any issue where knowing their temperature is valuable and would change their treatment.



Dr Terri's

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Bridge replacement

The following information is adapted from Noosa Council documentation published 20 May 2022.

Work to replace the existing Cooroy Belli Creek Road Bridge, approximately 100 metres west of the Cooroy Belli Creek Road & Wust Road intersection, is expected to run from early July to mid-October 2022.

The current timber bridge will be demolished, and a concrete bridge built in the same location. The new bridge will have a design life of 100 years and require less maintenance.

FUNDING

The project is jointly funded by the Australian Government and Noosa Council as part of the Bridge Renewal Program.

WORK HOURS

Construction hours will generally be Monday to Friday, 7am to 6pm.

COMMUNITY IMPACTS

Residents and motorists will be impacted during construction. The existing **bridge will be closed for the duration of construction.**

- Traffic will be detoured via Lawnville Road.
- Variable Message Signs will be installed at numerous locations to provide advance warning about changed traffic conditions and the alternate route.
- Residents will still have access to their properties via their driveways and easements for the full duration of works.
- School bus routes will have to detour along Lawnville Road Buses will still be able to access Cooroy Belli Creek Road to perform pick up and drop services.
- Cleanaway will continue to collect rubbish. Collection may take longer than usual.

For further information, contact Noosa Council on 07 5329 6500 .



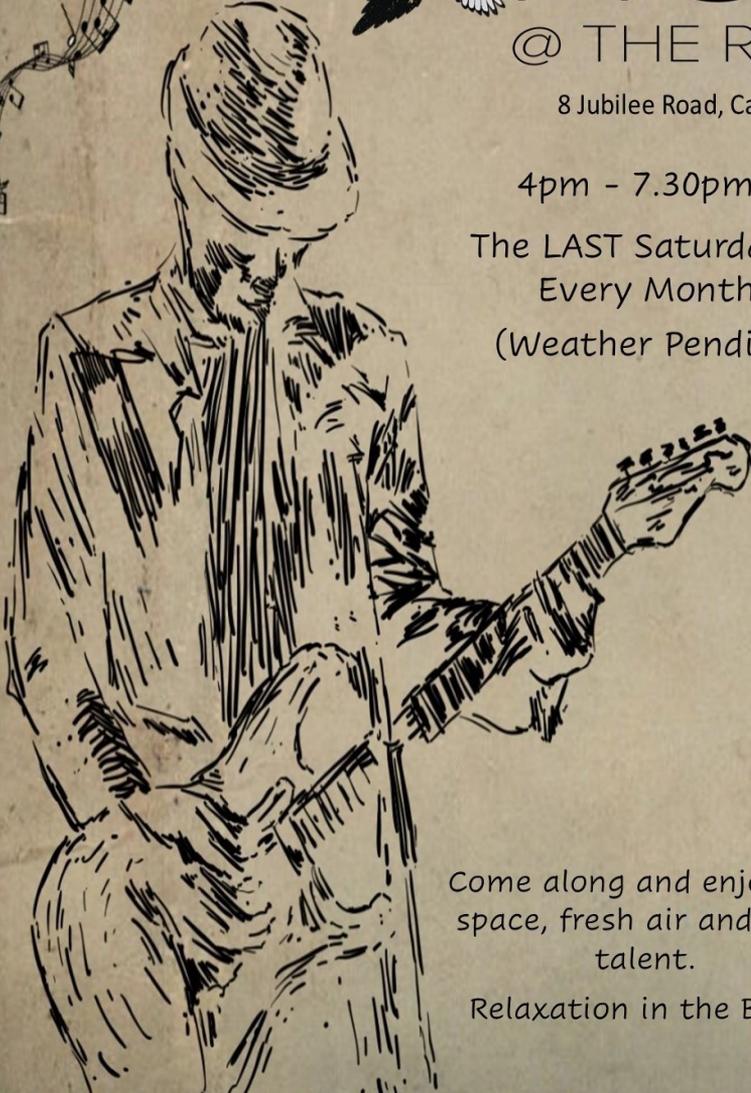
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Meet your committee—Olivier Fillon

We have a fresh new committee at the Ridgewood Hall.

Over the next few editions, we will introduce you to the team.

How long have you lived in the area?

My better half Sandrine and I moved in the Ridgewood area in October 2020 after spending 20+y in Brisbane hinterland.

Who makes up your household (including people and pets)?

With our son grown up and just graduating from Uni, we are left to share our place with the resident wallabies, wildlife and our small herd of Lowlines.

What do you love most about the area?

Having travelled thru much of Australia, we consider this area as God's country: the best place in Australia for its weather and climate, fertile soil, landscape and vegetation/wildlife, proximity to key facilities but foremost, the community spirit we encountered here.

While we had already a great small community in our previous home between Samford and Dayboro, the local community has been truly amazing: welcoming, diverse yet united.

Why did you join the committee?

Hum, I have to say I have probably been volunteered initially a year or so ago but I do not regret it!

What is your biggest dream for the Ridgewood Hall?

The Hall could become the default location for all community events, be it private weddings, a local groups' meeting point strengthening the local identity.

What brought you to the area?

Relief and property size as we do not like flat land yet want bigger size acreage. The sunshine coast hinterland was our final selection after having own properties in Brisbane hinterland and the Qld/NSW Border Range, and much travel within Australia.

What has surprised you the most about the area?

The soil fertility was amazing but mostly the community spirit. So welcoming generally, and such a variety from former corporate executives turned farmers to more "hippyish" characters or just mums and dads working hard to raise their family as we once were.



What is the most challenging thing about living here?

Not so sure the various local councils are really working for our interests but this is not unique to the region.

What do you use your land for (garden, farming, horses, nature, etc)?

We have established a new vegie garden, and an orchard from scratch to benefit from this glorious soil, and also improved the landscape around the house pad/entrance; Our small cattle property required a new dam, more tracks and fencings, and still working on improving rotations, reducing weeds, creating off the creek water access as well as planting a 300 native trees riparian revegetation corridor ..sadly impacted by the recent floods.

What do you or did you do for work (if retired)?

With Covid travel restrictions ending my role within an Asian start-up, I have closed that chapter in life and am actively retired, unless I can find a challenge of interest in the coming years.

What keeps you busy (hobbies, sport etc)?

A bit of share market following, work on the farm with a whole property to nurse back to its deserving state, and various local volunteer activities .

What is the best story you tell your city/town friends about living in the area?

How we drop a few seeds in a pile of dirt just pushed by a dozer and got better outcomes than in years of nurturing, composting and feeding our garden in the Brisbane foothills.

What is the most unusual animal encounter you have had since living here?

The **tusked frog** (*Adelotus brevis*) residing along our portion of Happy Jack Creek.



Memories of Mary Martin

Remembering a beautiful woman
from our community.

Mary Martin (née Kelly) was born 20 June 1933 in Warialda, NSW. She was the oldest, with three boys following: John, Tony and Peter. Two of the brothers were born when Mary was about 9 or 10. Her first years of schooling were at home until a school in Coolina was opened. Mary had to make her way on horseback, which required to open several gates on the way...

After finishing primary school, she went to boarding school in Inverell. One of the outstanding memories was the day, when 12-year-old Mary was unexpectedly picked up by her father – it was decided that she was needed at home and had to look after her little brothers, about 2 and 3 yrs. by that time. On the way home her father stopped to buy her a present – a washing board...That concluded the end of Mary's formal education, until some distance education in later years.

After these early years of working on the farm Mary made up her mind not to marry a farmer. She met Brock Martin at a dance. He was an accountant. They got married in 1954 and moved to Inverell where their first house was built, with timber from the Coolina farm. Four children were born: Vianney, Bernadette, Deborah and Simon.



The family moved to Brisbane in 1968 (when Simon was 18 months old), to further the children's education.

Years later, after the children had grown up, Mary and Brock moved to Eumundi until they bought the farm in Ridgewood, on Hilary Road, in December 1994.

Mary was known for her help in the community. As a friendly, caring person she would help whenever and wherever she was able.

The fundraiser for the Biggest Morning Tea in the community was started by Mary in 2012 and continued until 2018.

Mary was well known for her special trifle and her cooking for Melbourne Cup and our monthly BBQ (when able to attend). Her

boiled fruit cake was a winner in the Ridgewood/Carters Ridge Show (yes, we did have a local show!) Her scones, zucchini slice and curried egg sandwiches were always among the favorites at our weekly morning tea which Mary loved to come to.

If there was a fundraising raffle going, Mary would be there to buy tickets or have someone get them for her, always supporting a worthy cause.

By Gail Johnson and Kirsten Bollendorff



Mary, you will be missed.



“Pig on a Spit”

Report



On Friday 29th July we held the annual Pig on a Spit event at the hall. Around 80 people, including children, turned up from all over our community to indulge in some magnificent spit roasted pork and the atmosphere was one of celebration!

I would like to extend our thanks to Scott O’Hara for his expertise in the cooking of the pig. We started around

8am preparing the pig for the spit, fired it up at around 10am and finished with the carving around 5pm!

It was a big day - the pork was cooked to perfection and the crackling....well....amazing!! The meat was kept warm in the spit until seats were filled and people helped themselves to the table of food.





A big thank you to Paula and Shaun from Jeremiah's Crust for the donation of the sourdough bread. It was a great accompaniment to the meal!

Several people brought along food to share and it was greatly appreciated. It was fantastic to see our new kitchen in operation and my thanks goes to Helen, my wife, for setting it up and making it a

welcoming and organised place to be.

All in all it was a fantastic night! So many new faces and people to meet. I hope that we may meet again for the Sunday Sundowners from 4-6pm on Aug 14th or our usual monthly BBQ on the Aug 26th.

Chris Kirkpatrick.



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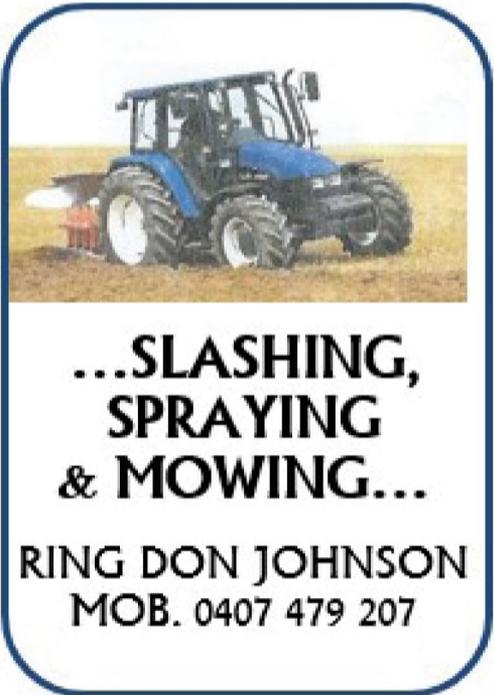
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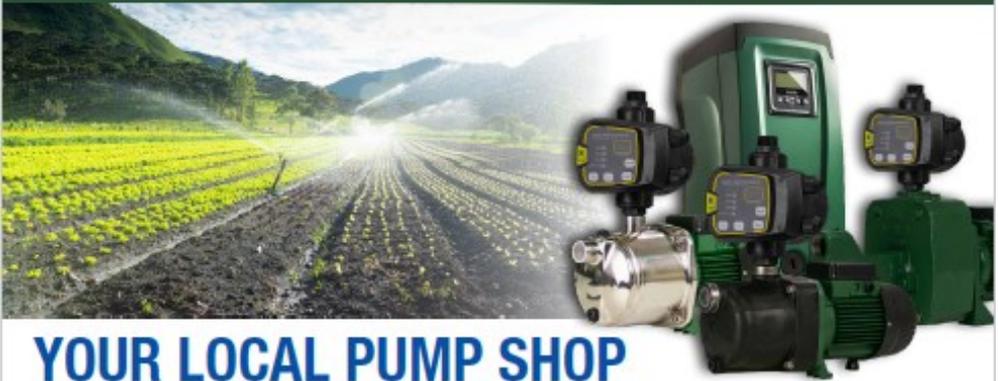
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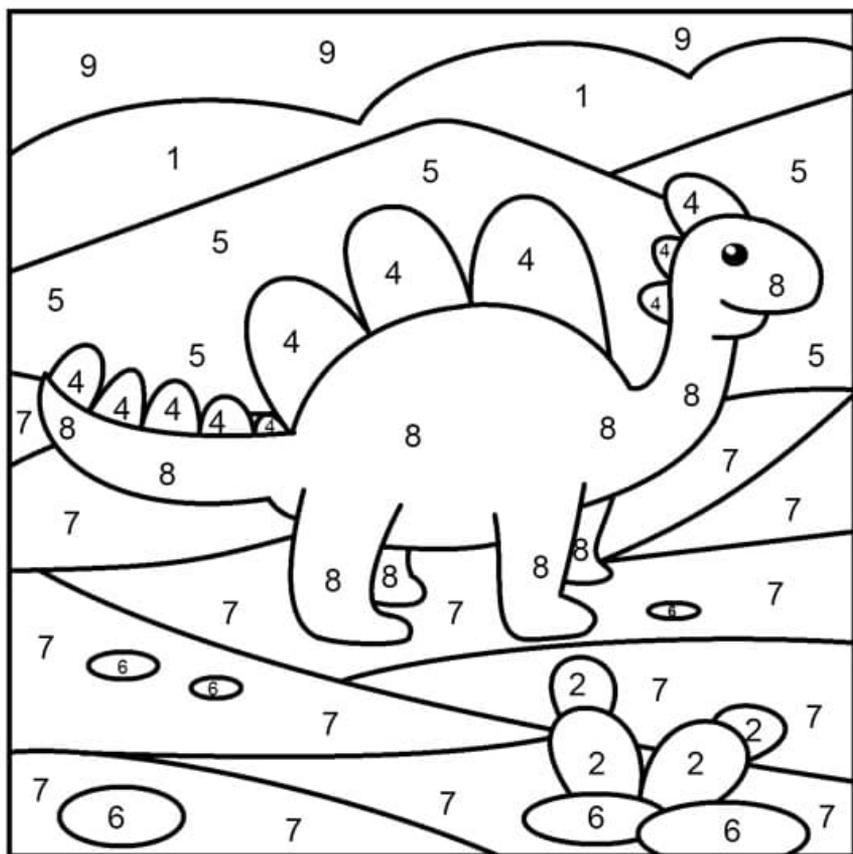


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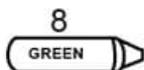
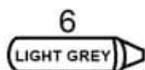
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DINOSAUR



Color Key



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Want to get involved?

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First Officer

John Sparrow 0429 267 246

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Victor Hill 5447 9288

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AMAMMOOR

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Saturday: 1pm - 5pm

GYMPIE

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