



# ROUND the RIDGES

Magazine for Ridgewood, Carters Ridge, and surrounds  
-- An initiative of the Ridgewood Hall Committee since 1984 --

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Look at what's on @  
The Ridgewood Hall



## Get ready for the Ridgewood Photo Fair!

Awards presented at the  
*Winter Festival*



Pasta Making Workshop



Wildlife Photography Workshop

Details inside...

# Your community calendar

## February 2023

## March 2023

### 2 February

Belli Ladies Wine Time, 5:30pm @ Belli Park Hall.

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### 3 February

Belli Park Hall Crop Swap, 10am @ Belli Park Hall (p. 4)

### 3 march

Belli Park Hall Crop Swap, 10am @ Belli Park Hall (p. 4)

### 12 February

Sunday Sundowners on the Deck, 4pm @ Ridgewood Hall (p.5)

### 18 March

Pasta Making Workshop @ Ridgewood Hall (p. 35 )

### 15 February

Wildlife Photography Workshop @ Ridgewood Hall (p. 35 )

### 25 March

Community Music, 4pm @ The Hub (p. 12)

### 24 February

Community BBQ, 6pm @ Ridgewood Hall (p.3)

### 31 March

Community BBQ, 6pm @ Ridgewood Hall (p.3)

### 25 February

Community Music, 4pm @ The Hub (p. 12)

Want to add something to our community calendar? Email [rtr.editor@gmail.com](mailto:rtr.editor@gmail.com)

## 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 20th of each month prior to the month of release to [rtr.editor@gmail.com](mailto:rtr.editor@gmail.com).

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

Feb—Apr—Jun—Aug—Oct—Dec

## community EVENTS

# Community BBQ Invite

Where: Ridgewood Hall

When: Last Friday of every month

Time: 6pm

What to bring: BYO plates, cutlery, meat, salads, drinks—the Hall provides the BBQ!

Back by popular demand – side dish sharing: please bring a side dish or dessert.

Come along and meet your community members.

We would love to get to know more people in our area and generate some community love – Invite your neighbour along!



Gold coin donation appreciated

# community EVENTS



## BELLI CROP SWAP

FIRST Friday of the month

Everyone is welcome - please share this event with friends.

**WHERE** - Belli Community Hall - 1170 Eumundi Kenilworth Rd, Belli Park QLD 4562.

**TIME** - arrive at 10.00am to set up your goodies - swap starts 10.15am

### HOW DOES IT WORK?

People come along to the hall at 10.00am with their goods to swap and place them on a table. There's a bit of time to greet each other and have a peek of what's on offer. At 10.15am the swap is opened when the host says 'GO' and everyone is then welcome to take a fair share of what they are interested in. No money exchanges hands, everything is free.

### ALL ARE WELCOME

Swapping of gardening ideas, knowledge, tips and recipes is also considered a swap.

### WHAT TO SWAP

Seedlings, herbs, cuttings, seeds, fruits, veggies, relishes, jam, empty jars, pots, tools, worm juice, kombucha, eggs, egg cartons, gardening and recipe books... the possibilities are endless.

*Bring a plate of nibbles to share if you want to stay for morning tea and continue to chat after the swap.*

## community EVENTS

# Sunday Sundowners

Put these dates in your calendar!

**February 12th, 4pm**

**April 9th, June 11th**

**2nd Sunday of the month**

*(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



Come along to one of our  
community events.

Meet new people.

Catch up with friends.

**ALL WELCOME!**

## Yoga Classes

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**Lynne Hogg**  
**5484 5006**



# PRESIDENT'S REPORT

February 2023



I wish you all a very Happy New Year, even though we are one month down!! Wow, how quickly did last year go??

I hope everyone made it through the Christmas, New Year season without too many headaches and/or weight gain!!

It is about now that most of the New Year resolutions hit the wall, so if you are one of those who are still on track with whatever you have promised yourself, congratulations!!! I gave up on New Year's resolutions years ago after reconciling that if I wanted to change something about myself or my habits, I would wait until someone suggested to me that it would be a good idea if I..... So far so good! (possibly only until you read this!!)

2023 has started out as quite dry as you all know! Our dam looks as though it has a leak but I have spoken to others who have assured me that it is just evaporation as we have had warm days, wind and very little rain, as their dams and swimming pools are suffering the same! The grass is looking stressed and I am hopeful that if and when we do get some rain, that it will be nothing like the rains we had last year.

Late last year, Helen, my wife and I, attended a Landcare seminar in Gympie where we were shown how to use Trail Cameras which are attached to trees, posts etc to capture photos or videos of creatures of the night.

We were told some time ago by an animal trapper that we had a huge feral cat prowling our dam at night and we were hoping to see if we could capture it on camera so we borrowed one of the cameras and set it up in various locations. Well we did capture some images! Wallabies and a rat and some great photos of my legs but unfortunately, no cat!!



This year promises to be an interesting one at the Ridgewood Hall with a continuation of the monthly BBQs on the last Friday of every month, the annual Photo Fair which promises to be bigger and better than ever and several workshops which we are continuing to plan, the Pig on a Spit

mid year and the Sunday Sundowners on the second Sunday of the same month the Round The Ridges magazine is produced. Can't wait to get back into the swing of things again!

I would like to welcome David Thomasson to the Ridgewood Hall Committee. David and his wife Mandy, have been owners of a property in the area for many years but they have been working overseas only returning home a couple of years ago deciding to call Carters Ridge their home again.

It is great to see many of our local businesses advertising in the RTR and I know that it is a very handy reference for our readers. Also good to know that money stays in the community as well.

We will be running a feature business in the RTR from now on, starting with our own local business, Jeremiah's Crust, who not only supplies fantastic bread and other bakery goods to our area but employs local people too! Check it out in this edition!



as glass and other fragments from the solar panels will be washed into the tanks! Could be a costly exercise!

Well, that's it from me for this edition! I look forward to catching up with you all at the next BBQ at the Hall on the 24th February.

It is interesting to note that anyone with a credit card or bank account can be hacked! I received a message from Doug Wiseman, our committee treasurer, asking about a couple of deductions from the Ridgewood Hall Account using a newly issued card. Around \$500 spent at Coles Online in Hawthorn, Victoria.

Chris Kirkpatrick  
President Ridgewood Community Hall Committee

We have no idea how this could happen but it makes me realise that none of us are immune to this sort of fraud!

Thankfully Coles has reimbursed the funds back into our account. Sometimes being careful may not be enough but reporting the fraud as soon as possible usually produces a good result, that is, money back into your account.

We were chatting to a local lady who is involved with Insurance recently and she told us of something we think all rural people should know about, especially those who have installed solar on their property. In the event of a severe storm where hail can shatter and destroy solar panels, and if the roof where the panels are located catches rainwater to supply the home, it will mean that your water tanks will need to be emptied



Pic page 6: Chris touching up the paint in the hall kitchen.

Pics page 7: Olivier and Shaun lay the slab for the new community book exchange cabinet.



# 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.*

## New year new you. But what about your pets?

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

*Suggestions are always welcome!*

Do you know how to tell if your pet is carrying too much weight? Or what you should do if they are?

**Important note:** If you notice a sudden change in your pet's weight or shape, veterinary examination and advice is needed. This can be a sign of serious illness.

Carrying extra weight can lead to diabetes, extra strain on joints, along with general reduced quality of life.

### **How do I tell if my dog or cat is at a healthy weight?**

Easiest way is get Dr Terri out for a check up, or chat to your preferred vet or vet nurse.

Dogs and cats come in many different shapes and sizes, even within the same breed. Due to this, weight is more about what you feel than the number on the scale.

### **How to check your pets body condition;**

(google image: body condition chart dog/cat).

Hold your hands flat and touch either side of their chest. You should be able to easily feel the rib bones. If they are hard to find they



are likely overweight. If they feel very boney, they are likely underweight. Their waist should tuck in at the sides and also tuck up a little. If they have no waist (are barrel shaped), they are likely overweight. (The exception is the "cat flap" - some cats carry excess skin which is normal as long as it is not too heavy/full).

Ok, so you have found out that your beloved dog or cat is a little chubbier than they should be. What now?

Gaining weight in general means that they are eating more calories than they are burning off throughout the day. So, in order to lose weight, they need to eat less calories or exercise and move more - ideally do both.

**Portion control.** Do you currently measure out their food? Or are they free to graze on as much food as they wish?

If you are not currently measuring their food, how are you going to reduce how much they are eating?

If your pet is anything like mine, freshly dispensed food is better than food that has been out for an hour or two. Measure out your dog or cats' daily food allowance, storing in an airtight container. Use this to top up your pets food or to give as treats throughout the day.

**Did you know** that when your cat comes up to you and meows, it doesn't always mean they are hungry? Most of the time, they just want a bit of attention from you!

If you are already measuring out your pets food, cut back the amount that they are currently getting, generally by 25%. This is easy in theory, but it may cause your pet to resort to stealing food or constant begging for more food.

If you are already feeding a small amount or if your dog or cat acts like they are 'dying of starvation', buy a lower calorie food. That way they can feel like they are eating the same amount but are ingesting less calories than they were previously.

Traditional 'light' foods are used for pets that are prone to gaining weight rather than for weight loss. You need to buy a food that is specific for weight loss until they reach their ideal weight (shape), then maintain their weight on a light diet.



**Eating slower** helps them to feel fuller and improve digestion. Slowing food intake can be done by eating off a dinner plate as opposed to a bowl or

scatter feed by throwing food spread out on the floor or yard. Food toys or slow feeders are also a good option.

### **What does healthy weight loss look like?**

The general rule or goal for sustained weight loss is to lose 1% body weight per week.

So if your dog or cat is 8kg, they should lose 80 grams per week. If they are 4 kg overweight - it will take 50 weeks (almost a year!!) for them to lose that extra weight. The reason I have put this here is to remind you that weight loss should be gradual and to be patient.

Next issue I'll give some ideas on encouraging your cat to exercise!



**Dr Terri's**  
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# Fire Brigade Report

## John Sparrow

Again, there is very little to report. The Brigade attended a fire just before Christmas; and a small permit burn in late January. Although small, the permit was good for the Brigade – blady grass burns well at any time. There was a fire on the Darling Downs that had 17 appliances for about 5 days. Training is back on track.

The fire hazard is always dependent upon how much rain has fallen, and the state of curing of the vegetation. While we are getting some rain now; in recent years it has been dry from February till late March. With all the fuel around, there will be fires at some times.

Permits to burn are placed on a Permit to Burn (PTB) website. I recently went past a property, not in the Ridgewood/Carters Ridge area, that had a stack burning. (It was quite safe.) I quite often check a website that has Permits to Burn. There was no PTB registered.

The Brigade recently was called to a fire incident in the Mary Valley. Again, it was safe, but there was no current PTB.

Fortunately, the residents of the local area are very considerate of others. The above is why the following is repeated in the RTR frequently.

It is the job of the Fire Warden is to issue or refuse to issue permits. (Contact details for the Warden is on the back page of the RTR.) A permit may be refused if the Warden cannot be assured the applicant has the capability to control the fire, or if it is considered that the fire would pose a risk. Existing permits can be cancelled if there is a high fire danger. Conditions may be imposed on the permits.

**Fire permits are required for fires that are greater than 2m in any direction.** Fires smaller than 2m in all directions and fires to burn a dead animal do not need permits. Permits are **free**.

Notifying neighbours before applying for a permit is needed, and an application for a permit should be made 72 hrs before the fire is due to be lit. The applicant must have the permit in their hand before the fire is lit. All the conditions in your permit must be obeyed.

*Before burning, FIRECOM and the Ridgewood Brigade must be notified. Telephone numbers will be on the permit.*

Having a permit means a couple of things. There is some legal protection if the fire escapes and cause damage to other people's property. It means that if a fire is reported, then the Fire Communications Centre can re-assure the caller that it is a permitted burn. It means that if something goes wrong, the Fire Brigade knows where to go.

On another, different note, I would like to thank Doug Wiseman for helping deliver Santa to the community Christmas evening at The Hub, late last year. Doug was able to track the big man down and ensure he visited the children of our community. Thanks Doug!



# HUB

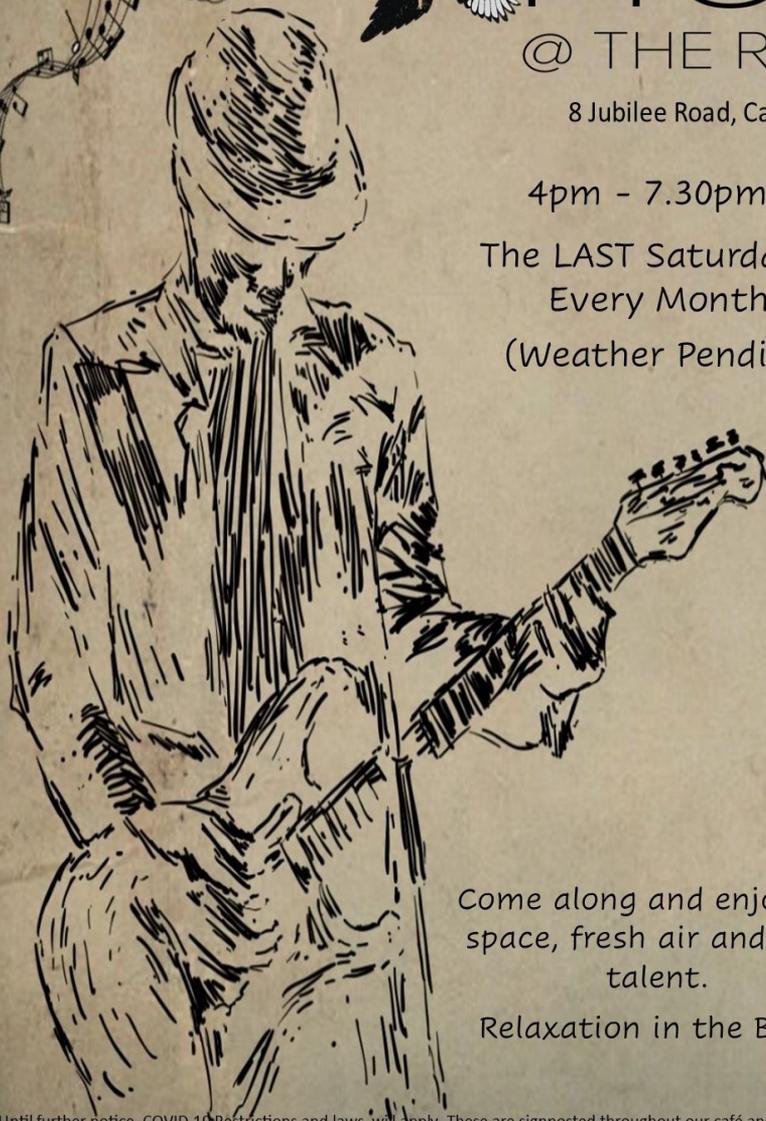
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# Meet your committee—Rebecca Thompson

**We have a fresh new committee at the Ridgewood Hall.**

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

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## **How long have you lived in the area?**

Four years - though we can't claim full-time local status (yet).

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

Husband Scott and spoodle Scrumpty (short for Truly Scrumptious).

## **What do you love most about the area?**

The community, the tranquility, the scenery...close enough to everything you need, but also far enough away.

## **Why did you join the committee?**

Since we bought our house here we have been regular visitors to the monthly barbecue. I could see the wonderful work the committee was doing in keeping the hall alive and relevant through old traditions such as the Pig on the Spit and Anzac Day plus newer initiatives like the Photo Fair and chicken deboning workshop. I am hoping I can bring some more ideas as well as a helping hand.

## **What is your biggest dream for the Ridgewood Hall?**

To see it be preserved and prosper as a community pulse point and source of local pride as it approaches its 90th birthday in 2025. I would like to see Noosa Council and Main Roads give more attention to maintenance of the perimeter and verges on Cooroy Belli Creek Rd and Donnelly's Rd.

## **What brought you to the area?**

Because we have a fairly urban lifestyle in Brisbane with an inner northern suburbs



apartment we always dreamed of having a country house with wide open spaces and a veggie patch. My husband also thinks he knows a thing or two about bushcraft, but he is more like Russell Coight (I hope he doesn't read this).

## **What has surprised you the most about the area?**

That it hasn't been discovered sooner by more tree-change blow-ins like us.

## **What is the most challenging thing about living here?**

Danger noodles (snakes).

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



We have about 10 acres, half of which is native bush. We inherited a well established orchard with about a dozen mango trees, plus a few others including lychees, macadamias, pecan nut and guava and a few citrus trees. We have worked hard clearing invasive weed trees as well as establishing number of garden beds and a veggie patch while Scott is a novice bee-keeper.

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

I'm an executive assistant working in a Queensland Government agency while Scott works in communications and corporate affairs for a private company.

**What keeps you busy (hobbies, sport etc)?**

Cooking, watercolour painting, gardening and golf.

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

We tell our friends about the great community we have here and how we have met some terrific people.



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

A microbat flying through the house one night while Russell Coight (aka Scott) was ducking and weaving, all the while pretending that everything was under control.

**Is there anything else you would like to share about yourself, your family or your work?**

I was born in Rabaul (PNG) and spent my early years growing up there.



# ***Ridgewood Photo***

## ***Fair 2023***

*Save the date!*

**Friday 30th June** - Ridgewood Photo Fair  
Awards Night in conjunction with our  
**Winter Festival.**

Come to Ridgewood's Winter Festival and you can...

- \* Browse the photos entered into Ridgewood Photo Fair's 6 categories
- \* Sip mulled wine
- \* Stay warm with a cup of homemade warm soup by the fire
- \* Attend the Awards Ceremony for the Photo Fair
- \* Celebrate our community
- \* Meet new neighbours!

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# Animals - Happiness, Healing and Unconditional Love

I have a beautiful fluffy and mischievous ragdoll cat named “Bella.” She is 7 years old and has been my furry companion since 2015.

Through our journey together, I have experienced loss, heartbreak, healing, grief, joy and comfort.

We’ve moved houses, jobs, locations, and started my business together, and whenever I tell Bella that I love her — she half closes her blue eyes and wags her tail in agreement.

Her unconditional love and entertaining character brings so much joy to our lives every single day.

A bond between an animal and their human can last a lifetime. Whether they are with us as pets since childhood, or come to us at our time of need, our furry friends can leave an everlasting paw print in our lives, our families and our hearts.

## **The animal-human connection in history**

Throughout history, animals have connected to and cohabitated with humans.

From the ancient Greeks, who believed that horses were sentient beings and could help lift the spirits of those who were severely ill, to archaeological records that displayed animals in a variety of cultures, religious practices, rites of passage, architec-

tures and artworks.

Century after century, animals have helped and healed us. In the early days, dogs and pigeons were even known to carry messages, and horses were used to transport rehabilitated injured soldiers during the war.

## **Helping us heal through heartbreak and loss**

Our animal companions are master healers. Research has shown that frequently interacting with our furry companions can improve our physical, social and mental wellbeing, reduce our blood pressure and alleviate stress and loneliness. They give us a sense of purpose, meaning and help us to feel happier and healthier.

I believe that animals come to us in a time of need. When writing this article, I reached out to the community to ask for stories where animals have helped or healed them or others during grief, loss or heartbreak. I was touched by their replies.

*“My poodle Angus works as a therapy animal with me here at the healing centre — I had a male elderly client who was having a lot of trouble expressing his heartache and Angus climbed up on his lap and laid his paw against his heart and his head against the man. It brought him to tears and helped him open up. He is a special pup”*

— Veronica

*"I have three beautiful huskies. Each one has come to me after a series of life challenges. My first two actually saved my life and gave back purpose and meaning. I live alone, so I now always have someone to talk to, someone who is excited when I get home, offers unconditional love, full of personality, and they've got me out and about, road trips, mountain challenges and meeting new people." — Sarah*

*"We brought a beautiful puppy years into our home ago and little did he know he was to become a therapy dog through a paralysis, mental health struggles, a startup business and a re-invention." — Isabelle*

*"During one dark time in my life, after going through a bad breakup, I found myself homeless and too ashamed to ask for help. It was about 8pm that night, coming into winter, weary-eyed and exhausted, I found a place to sleep for the night. Half an hour later, I opened my eyes to see a fox had curled up about six feet away from me and was there throughout the whole night. I spent two nights at that park bench, and both nights that fox came and slept next to me. I knew then I wasn't alone."*

— Nathan

An animal's unconditional love can bring healing and strength for so many people. From being valuable companions, to designated therapeutic roles, our furry friends can help heal our hearts and get us through our most toughest times.

## **Medicine for our Soul**

Animals can bring a deeper spiritual purpose into our lives, healing our bodies, minds and souls. Communing frequently with our best mates help lift our mood. They are intuitive creatures who can sense when their owners are happy and unhappy.

From horses to house cats, interacting with our beloved creatures helps increase oxytocin — the same hormone that is released when a mother bonds with her baby.

The frequency of a cat's purr is exactly 26 Hertz, the same frequency scientists use in vibrational therapies to promote tissue regeneration.

## **A family member for life**

Some animals come into our lives and never leave, others are only passing through, but one thing is for certain that once they make their way into our homes, hearts and families, a sacred bond is forged and never ever forgotten.

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| <b>FRIDAY</b> .....    | <b>7am – 7:30pm</b> |
| <b>SATURDAY</b> .....  | <b>7am – 7:30pm</b> |
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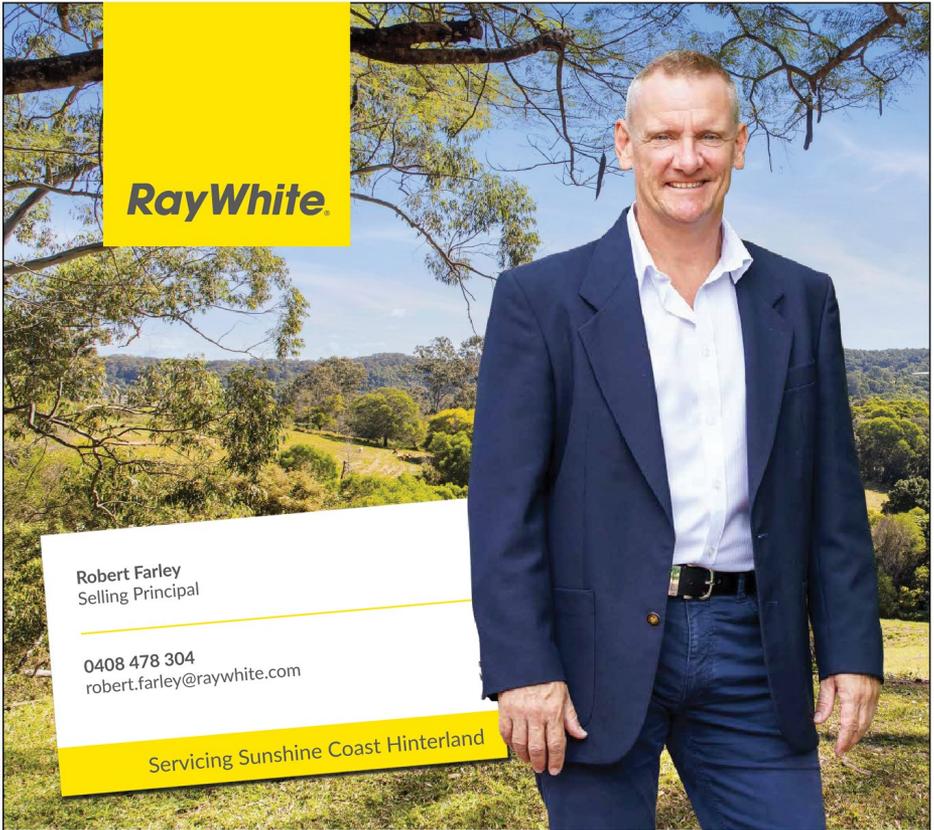
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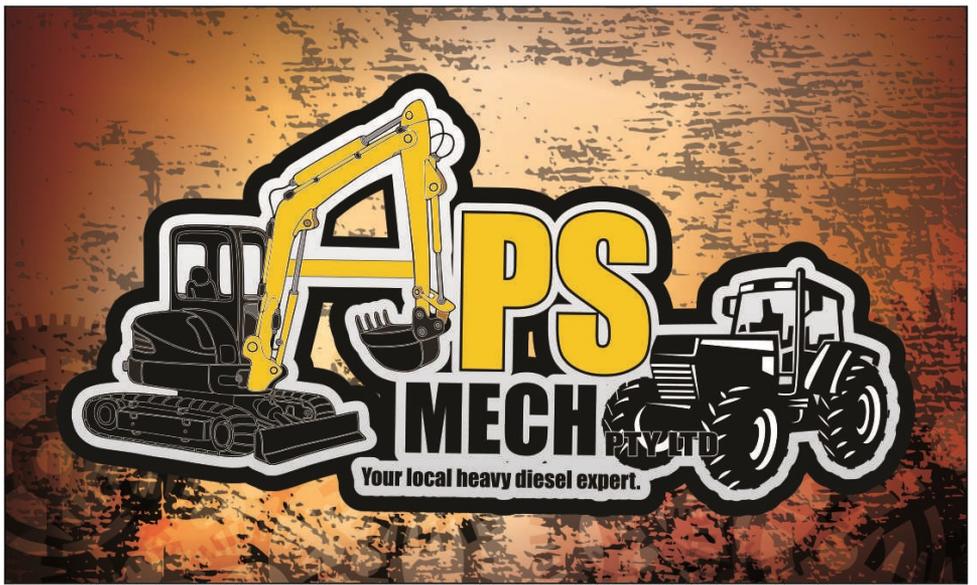
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# History with Helga

Step back in time



## Early Air strips in Ridgewood



The plane coming into land and to fill up with the next load of fertilizer.

This happened in the mid 1970's when the land use was changing from Dairy to Beef production. At this time fertilizer was relatively cheap. And who was doing this job? The now famous John McDermott of McDermott Aviation.

(Right) A fixed wing aircraft taking off with a load of fertilizer from the airstrip, on the hill just to the west of the gate at 1268 Belli Creek Road.



These days everything is done with helicopters and it was not long before they were used here to spray groundsel, a weed that had become a big problem, luckily that is not the case anymore, after research work done by the Alan Fletcher

Research Station in Brisbane found biological ways of bringing it under control.

Watching the plane fly on and off this strip was fun, but the first strip being used was a different story, it was hair raising to watch.

This strip was on Alec Low's property, the land bound by Belli Creek Road, Kenilworth Skyring Creek Road and the Donnelly/Gilliland Road, where many of you now live. The plane took off in an easterly direction flying low over the road, at the lowest part of Belli Creek Road near 1538 where the road sometimes floods. There were not as many trees in those days, as the land had been cleared for Dairy farms some fifty years earlier.

# Workshops @ The Ridgewood Hall

Keep an eye out for more workshops during the year!

We also advertise workshops on our Facebook Page  
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## **Pasta Making Workshop with Sarah Keough**



Saturday 18th March from 2pm to 4pm

In this workshop you will learn the simple recipe of fresh pasta and make fresh pasta to take home for dinner. Sarah also shares some Bolognese ragù recipe secrets. Tickets are \$10 per person, bookings through Humanitix - check facebook soon for link!

## **Wildlife Photography Workshop with Tony Wellington**



Saturday 15th April from 1pm to 3pm

In this workshop Tony shares some of his works with you, gives some tips and tricks for photographing wildlife, shares some general camera tips and will host a Q and A session.

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tain a rumbling tum from breakfast to morning tea. Or even be consumed without causing a large percentage of the population some discomfort!

This soulless “Bread” made on mass by huge machines and with commercial yeast provides little more than a filler, produced with numerous undesirable additives and preservatives.

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