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Gemfields COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER

MAY 2025

GEMFIELDS WEBSITE: www.gemfields.org.au



**HAPPY
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DAY**
Sunday, May 11 2025



Thank you to **FURA** for supporting the Gemfields Community Support Assoc. Inc in their continued community assistance.

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Gemfields Community Support Assoc. Inc. (Multi Purpose Centre)

The following are some of the services that the GCSA supply to the Gemfields Community.

Meals on Wheels— “We are more than just a meal” A hot, or ready-to-heat subsidised meal is delivered at low cost to those who would otherwise be nutritionally at risk, including the frail aged and people with disabilities.

Social Support— A friendly visiting service provides outreach support for the aged, ill, housebound and those with disabilities.

Personal Care— Personal Care services provide assistance at home with daily living for the frail aged, the ill and those with disabilities to help with showering, grooming, dressing and general hygiene.

Respite Care— Provides respite care of the frail elderly and those with disabilities in order to allow their families or carers free time. Planned regular respite, emergency respite or occasional respite can be provided in the clients' homes or on outings.

Domestic Assistance—Home Care services are available for frail elderly, incapacitated or ill residents and those with disabilities to help with household duties including cleaning, laundry, meal preparation and shopping.

Our aim is to help the elderly, incapacitated or those with a disability to remain independent in their own homes without being prematurely forced into an aged care or other facility.

If you, or you know of someone who can benefit from the services that the GCSA provide, please ring us and make an appointment.

PHONE: 4985 4664 Monday - Friday 7.00am - 3.00pm
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The Gemfields Community Support Association Inc. aims to provide and coordinate Home Care, Commonwealth Home Support Program over 65 years (CHSP), and Meals on Wheels services, as well as in-house activities on the Gemfields. These services are designed to help elderly individuals live as independently as possible in their own homes rather than having to move to residential care.

You can access the My Aged Care Website, www.myagedcare.gov.au if you need assistance. It's a convenient way to get help, with a step-by-step guide available. The My Aged Care team can assist with any questions over the phone – 1800 200 422

The Gemfields Community Support Association is also here to help you navigate the My Aged Care referral process. You can reach their friendly staff by calling the office on 07 49854 664 or visiting the office at 1003 Rubyvale Road Sapphire Central.



Ph: 1800 200 422



The types of assistance provided include Domestic Assistance, Social Support (group or individual), Personal Care, Respite (in-house or Centre based), Transport, and Meals on Wheels. These services are delivered by our dedicated and compassionate support personnel.



Meals on Wheels offers complete and nourishing meals, including a comforting soup, a hearty main course, a delicious dessert, and two slices of wholesome wholemeal bread. Our dedicated kitchen staff runs the kitchen, and meals are delivered by enthusiastic and supportive volunteers.



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On Fridays, clients are invited to join in on activities from 9.00am onwards, and the public is Welcome from 12.00pm for lunch service. Booking is essential by midday Monday, and all Current members receive their meals at a discounted price



We also offer facilities for hire, books for borrowing or swapping, photocopying and laminating for a small charge between 8 am and 1 pm, and a free monthly newsletter. Advertising in the newsletter is available for a fee, depending on size.



**Feel free to call us to find out how we can assist you.
1003 Rubyvale Road Sapphire Central
07 49854 664**

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for supporting the
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Gemfields Community Support Association INC.
Would like to thank HOY for their continued support
of the Gemfields “Meals on Wheels”





GEMFIELDS GEMS



Birthdays, births, marriages, anniversaries, get well, thank you, and sympathy messages, etc...

Please let us share your messages here:

Send to admin@gemfields.org.au or bring in to Office

Gemfields Gems, a place to give a shout out to your neighbours or anyone in the community that deserves recognition, be it a celebration, or a job well done. We look forward to sharing all your positive messages to the community.

Our other exciting new page is dedicated to Poems, Short Stories, Wholesome Jokes etc. from residents in the community. Please send in your contributions to admin@gemfields.org.au, phone **4985 4664** or bring in to the Office.

Happy May Birthdays!



Jane Clarke

Patsy McKenzie

Teresa Hendersen

Lyn Wakely



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a **SONG** in your heart, and
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A limerick:

$$\frac{12 + 144 + 20 + 3\sqrt{4}}{7} + (5 \times 11) = 9^2 + 0$$

Doesn't look like a limerick to you? Try this:

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Plus five times eleven

Is nine squared and not a bit more.

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Queensland Ambulance Service

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Hello everyone, from Andrew and Dave.

Just a quick note on seizures. Seizures are the result of abnormal brain activity. They're not all due to Epilepsy – sometimes they are provoked by events such as an acute lack of oxygen, as a precursor to cardiac arrest, due to low blood sugar levels, brain tumours, head trauma, some drugs or poisons, and very occasionally, as a result of hyperthermia, including fever in younger children.

Seizure activity symptoms vary depending on the cause, involving just a part or the whole body. Patients may remain conscious or be deeply unconscious. Subtle symptoms may include drooling, incontinence, small jerking motions, and/or staring into space. More pronounced seizure activity may result in what we call generalised tonic-clonic seizures (in the past called "Grand Mal" seizures). This activity involves the whole body, complete loss of consciousness, and vigorous muscle spasms and twitching. The muscle rigidity of these seizures can cause serious problems with breathing, and may result in injuries to limbs. Prolonged seizures may, rarely, also lead to brain damage.

Bystander treatment for a seizure involves observing the patient, with an emphasis on checking their level of consciousness and the degree of their seizure symptoms, providing reassurance, and **keeping them safe** – specifically remove them from danger and/or remove surrounding objects that may cause harm. Protect the patient's head – put a pillow under their head, but avoid physically restraining their head or any other part of their body, as this may cause harm.

Note the time the seizure starts, and the type of symptoms.

If in any doubt, call for the ambulance immediately (call triple zero – 000). This is particularly the case if:

- You don't know the patient and their medical history.
- The patient has injured themselves during a seizure.
- The seizure is prolonged (greater than five minutes), and/or the patient has repeated seizures, one after the other, without recovering from the last.

The only exception to calling the ambulance *MAY* be if this patient has chronic reoccurring seizures, *AND* today's seizure is normal for them, it has not lasted a prolonged time, and they are not injured. These patients may also have a written seizure management plan – follow this if available, and if in any doubt, still call for the ambulance.

If the person becomes unconscious, treat them as you would any unconscious patient (DRS ABCD – Check dangers, check response, SEND FOR HELP, check and maintain their airway, monitor breathing, if they stop breathing start CPR, and if required and available, apply an AED).

Do not force open a patient's mouth or attempt to insert any objects into their mouth. This can cause a serious choking hazard.

Following a seizure, a patient may be tired and somewhat confused. It is important to keep them safe during this period, maintaining their airway, and monitoring for repeated seizure activity.

And remember, **PLEASE** – if in any doubt, if you think you need us, always call **triple zero (000)**.

Kind regards, from Andrew and Dave at QAS Gemfields.



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- **Mobility declines** due to aging
- Individuals who want to **improve overall body strength**
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**Please return to Lee Cotter at the Gemfields Community Support Association Inc.
1003 Rubyvale Road Sapphire Central Contact 07 49854 664**

- Once finalized, applicants will be having initial consultation with students to gather medical histories/ assessments.
- After the initial consultation process, group schedule will be published.
- Due to quality of student learning – group size will be capped to certain numbers.



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Central Queensland Centre for Rural and Remote Health

Allied Health Referral Form

Family name:

Given name(s):

Address:

Phone:

Date of birth:

sex: ☐ M ☐ F ☐ I

PLEASE CHECK CONTACT DETAILS ARE CURRENT AND CORRECT

Client consent for referral: ☐ YES ☐ NO

Next of Kin/carer name:

NOK/carer Ph no:

Does the person identify as Indigenous and linguistically diverse?

☐ No ☐ Yes

PRIMARY DIAGNOSIS INFORMATION

Diagnosis:

Current Treatment Diagnosis (including medications and any restrictions)

Co-morbidities:

Discipline Specific Reason for referral (If not included please detail below)

Physiotherapy

- ☐ Individuals who want to improve overall body strength
- ☐ **Neurological group rehab** – Parkinson's, Post-stroke, Mobility decline (aging)
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Excerpt from Historical Book CAPTURED IN TIME

GEMFIELDS CEMETERIES

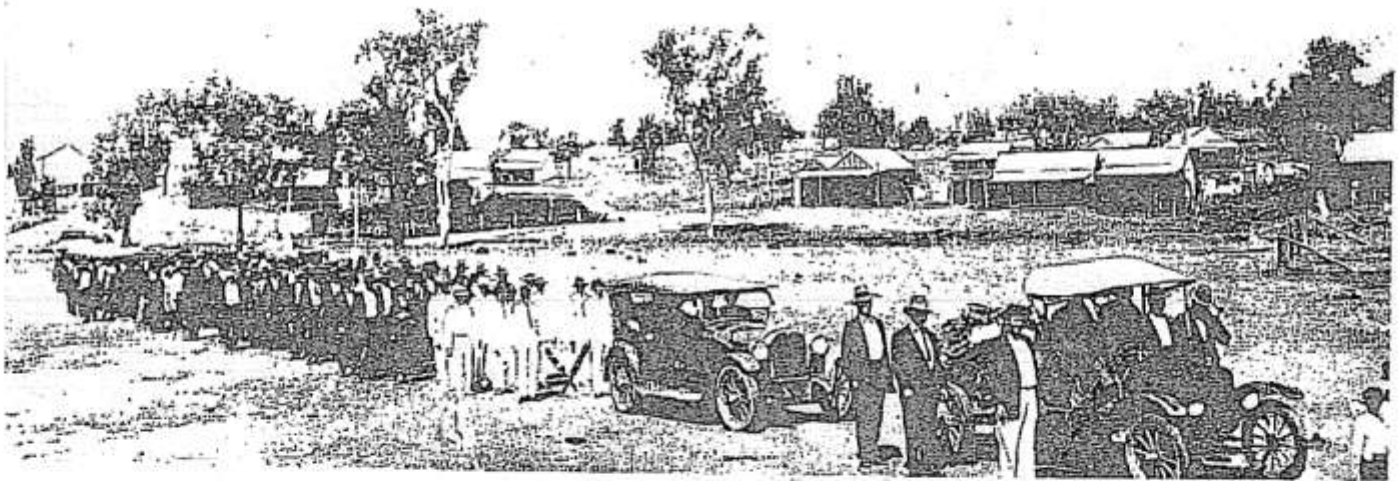
Small cemeteries exist in each of the three Gemfields towns. These were once administered by their own local Cemetery Trusts and, unfortunately, these early records are now lost. Through extensive research, many early deaths are now recorded although the location of burial plots, unless marked by a headstone, remains unknown.

These cemeteries remained unused from around the 1960s until public pressure on the Emerald Shire Council saw them reopened in the late 1970s.

Anakie was the first of our cemeteries. Possibly used in the late 1800s and certainly by the early 1900s. Before a 19 year gap, the last burial recorded was that of Mary Ellen Pacey in 1958. The cemetery was not used again until the burial of her son and life-time resident Robert (Bob) Pacey on 22.08.1977.

The earliest recorded burial at Sapphire was in 1908. The last before a 53 year gap was of Joseph Cooney on 14.02.1940. This cemetery was reopened for the burial of Max Kellcher on 23.02.1993.

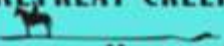
The first recorded burial at Rubyvale on 23.05.1916 and the last, before a 23 year gap, was of W. F. Webb on 17.06.1960. Joe Ciclován was the next burial in September 1983.



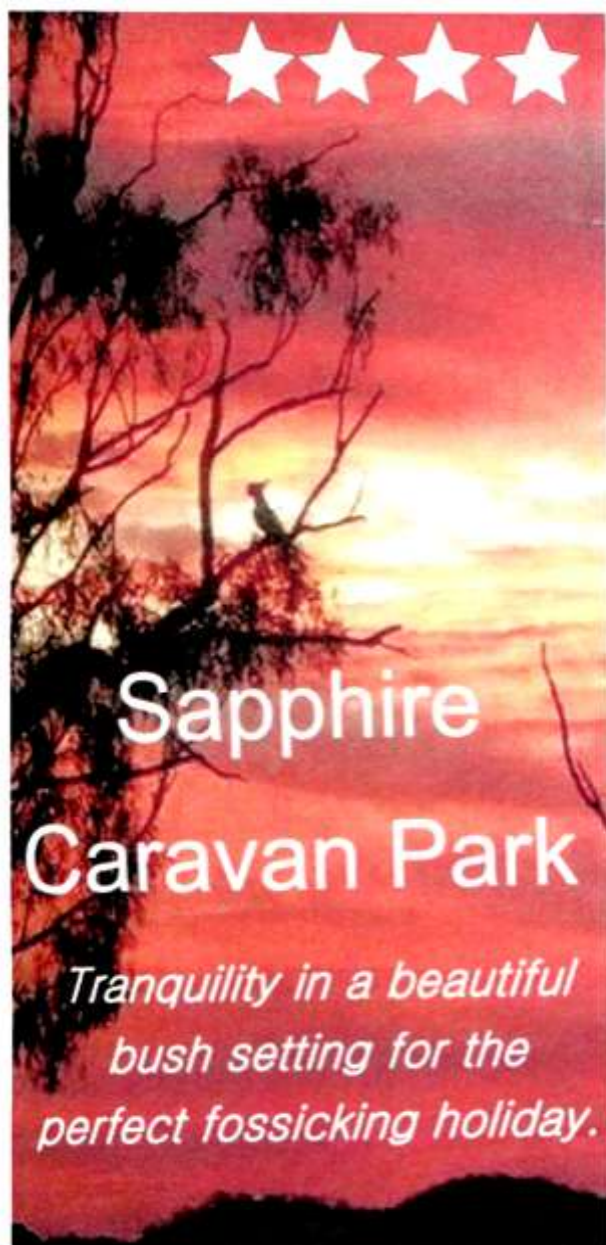
The funeral cortège of Robert James (Bob) Lumsden through Rubyvale on 25.04.1925.

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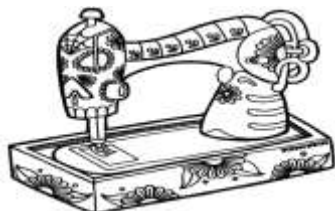
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COME AS STRANGERS - LEAVE AS FRIENDS



GEMMY QUILTERS



MAY 2025 NEWSLETTER

Are you enjoying the wonderful cooler weather. Just what we asked for. It makes everything easier and more enjoyable, even if it is mowing the growing lawns. Everything is lovely and green.

We are getting a good roll up for our Tuesdays with one of our regular visitors bringing us a beautiful hand made small quilt for our Quilt Show (1st & 2nd August) at the Sapphire Hall. Also, one of our wandering residents is back full of enthusiasm for all things quilty. We are all busy on our different projects and having lots of fun and good conversations. Feel free to come and join us any Tuesday from 9.00am to 3.00pm. Morning tea is provided but bring your own lunch. We meet at the Sapphire Hall.

Hope you all had a great Easter and didn't go overboard on the Easter eggs.

Remember to look after yourselves and happy stitching to all

Gemmy Quilters



GEMFIELDS COMMUNITY LOCAL AMBULANCE COMMITTEE



MAY 2025 NEWSLETTER

We had an excellent day at the Sapphire Markets for the start of the winter season. Quite a good flow of people coming past and chatting to us and trying their luck on the lucky envelopes. They are very popular. As are the snake bite kits. Better to be prepared.

It is nice to see the families out and about - some with children and others with dogs. There is certainly a wide variety of dogs on the Gemfields, just come down and watch the parade. They are all remarkably well behaved.

We are planning some interactive information sessions in future and Andrew is very keen to do these. Keep an eye out for them. We are very pleased to welcome a new member to our ranks, but sadly we also lost one of our volunteers. Please think about joining us as we can do more with willing helpers. Just call into our stall at the Markets for any information. Remember we are only there the 2nd and 4th Sunday of each month.

Till next time

Keep safe and well

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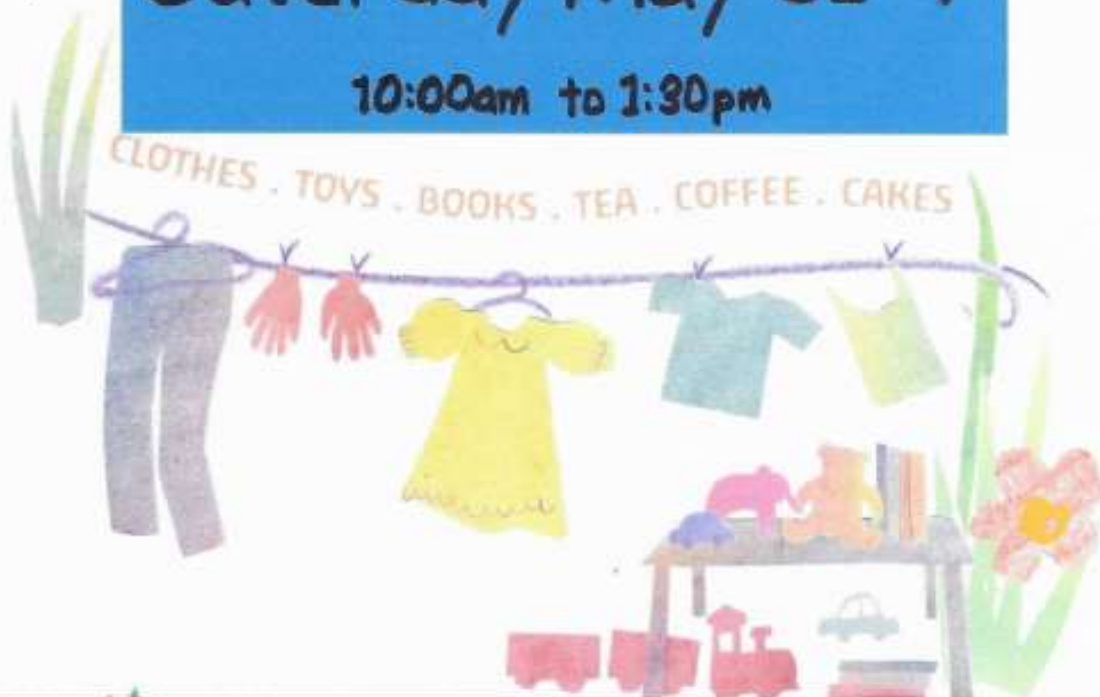
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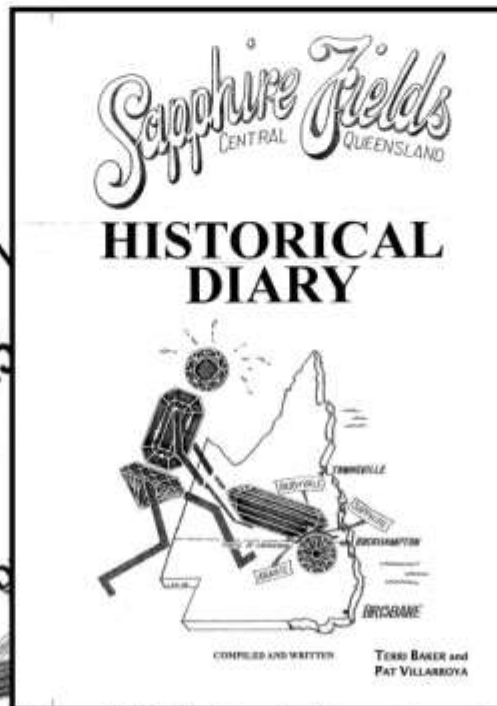
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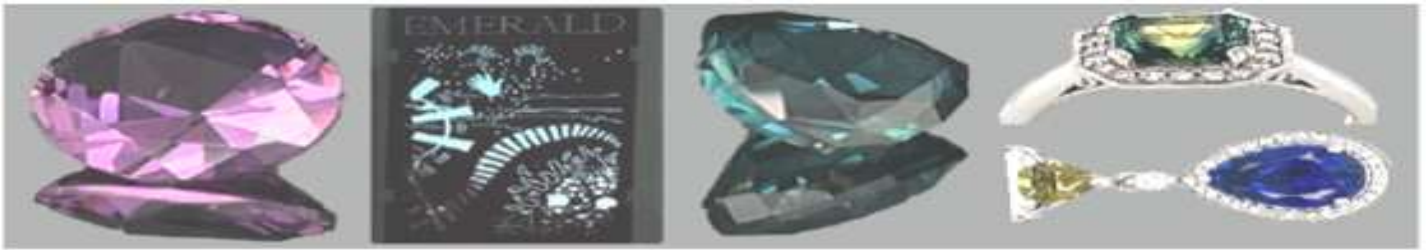
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Appraisals Include: Advanced, cutting edge 5+ Spectroscopy and Multi-modal Imaging Techniques, are playing a major role in detecting treatments, revealing trace elements, and confirming a gemstones natural origin versus a synthetic one and more. Standard and advanced description of the gemstone, includes - Colour - Cut Grade - Clarity - Polish - Transparency - Pattern - Enhancements - Size - Shape - Location plus additional Density-Mineral graphs, showing minerals under different Light Frequencies and then deleting the light source, leaving only the pure elements/minerals. This advanced technology with traditional gemmological techniques is fostering a more precise, efficient, and transparent field. As researchers refine these methods, we can expect greater consistency in gemstone evaluation, improved consumer confidence in gemstone provenance, and a strong push toward sustainable practices in both mining and synthesis. As our research continues, we endeavour to continue fine tuning our Appraisal analysis of gemstones, to provide unparalleled accuracy, efficiency and accountability.

Gem Cutting: Carol, our resident gem cutter with 20 years experience and a member of the Aust Facets Guild, will cut all groups of gemstones and different patterns.

Gemstone and Jewellery Items: We have a range of various gemstones of different groups, colors, and sizes, as well as a variety of jewellery, including rings, earrings, pendants, on display for sale.

Conclusion: Our passion for gemstones, combined with knowledge gained from courses, research, learning, and lecturing at Gemmological Institutions and Conferences in Australia, New Zealand, the USA, India, Great Britain, and Europe, as well as attending Trade Fairs and Teaching Seminars, drives our continuous improvement. Valuable discussions with notable scientists such as Dr. Richard Hughes, Dr. Peter Reid, and Antionette Matlins, among others, enhance our knowledge. We are continuing to learn each day in an ever-changing gemstone world. Our appraisals are professionally presented in laminated form in a presentation folder, and we use both US and AU\$ for pricing for insurance and replacement purposes

We would be honoured to assist you with your stones and jewellery. We are available Monday to Friday in Emerald. We look forward to meeting you and we are available to discuss any queries you may have and you're welcome to call us and pop in.

Kind regards, Kelvin, Carol & Lynelle.

14th March, 2025.



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NEWSLETTER – May 2025

To encourage interaction of the ex-ADF and families that live in our area, but feel alone, we have initiated a Veterans Morning Tea. The next morning tea will be held on 14th May at 1000. Come along and enjoy a cuppa with a bit of cake or a sandwich.

The committee will also be present at the sub-branch office between 0900 – 1100 Mondays if you have any thing you wish to discuss.

We had a fun day for our Leukemia Foundation Shave for a Cure. A big thanks to Greg H, Arana, Willow, Matthew and Sue, who volunteered to be shaved, and to those that chose to get coloured. Our wonderful hairdresser on the day was Jenny Solly. Thank you to Donna for cooking our BBQ, Victoria, Arana and Mandy for serving. Entertainment was provided by Willow, Charles and Sam which was a great way to end the day.

ANZAC Day was a day of remembrance for a lot of people, starting with a well attended dawn service held at Anakie Cenotaph, followed by the gunfire breakfast held at the sub-branch. The main service, preceded by the march, was held at the sub-branch and everyone enjoyed a coldie, plus a light lunch. Two up was also enjoyed by some of our more adventurous customers. Thank you to all that attended this day of remembering all of our veterans.

Just a reminder that **membership fees are now overdue**. League membership is \$20, or you can become a life subscriber, with price dependent on age. Non-League/Social is \$10.

Dates to Remember for May:

Mondays 0900 – 1100 office open for members who wish to discuss things to do with sub-branch, or veterans needing help with computers etc.

14th May: Veterans morning tea at 1000

Please consider volunteering to help our hard-working committee on future projects. Pass along your details, and availability, to our friendly bar staff.

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LEST WE FORGET

Labour Day

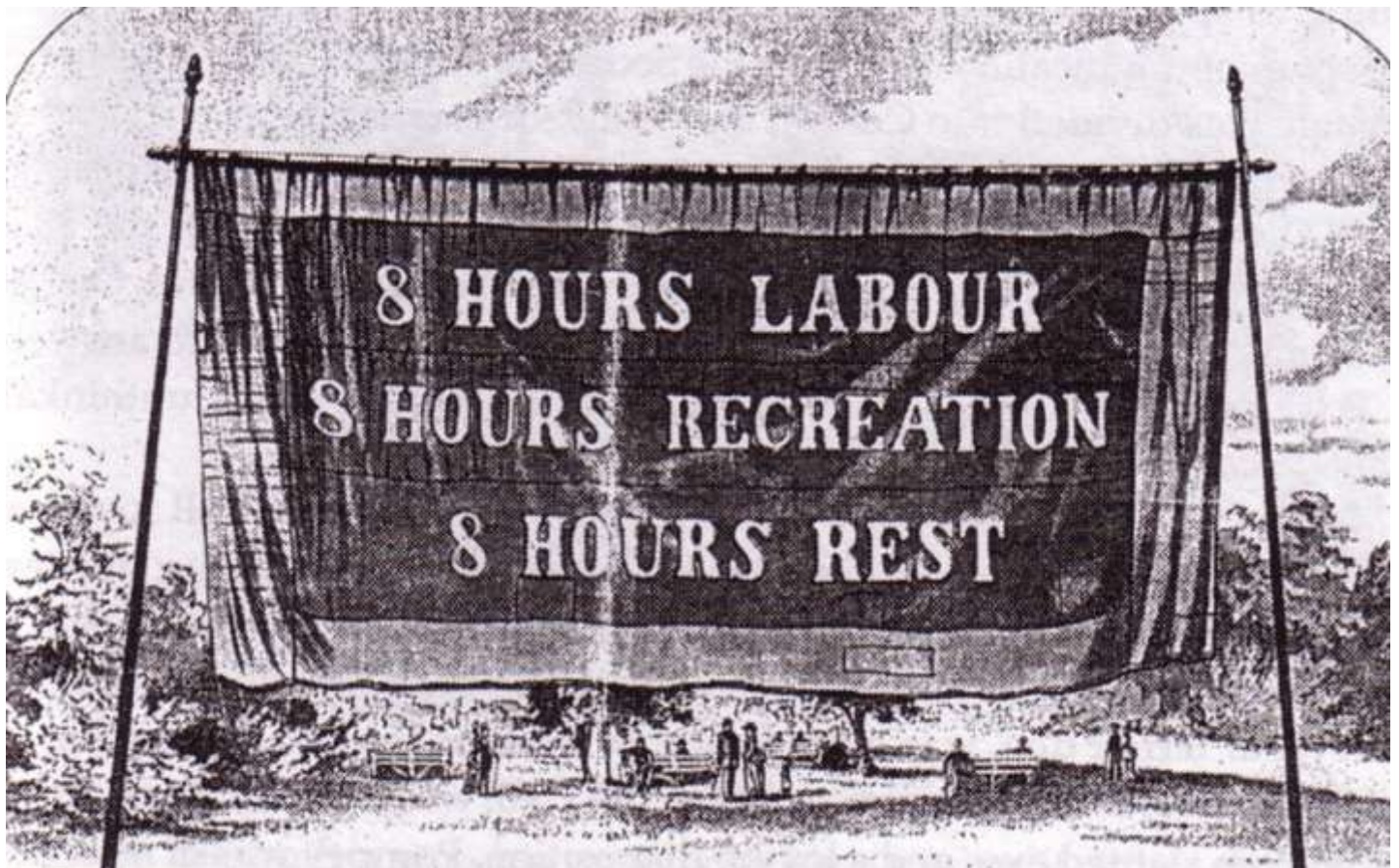


Qld Public Holiday
May 5th 2025

We all love a public holiday. It's a day to kick and relax, catch up with friends or even just spend time on the lounge catching up on your favourite show – all without an ounce of guilt. Chores? You can do those on the actual weekend.

Labour Day in Australia is all about celebrating workers and their hard-won rights, especially the push for the eight-hour workday. The victory earned by Australian workers set revolutionized not just Australia but the entire world.

For Australians today, Labour Day is more than just a day off. It's a reminder of the progress made in improving working conditions and how important fair labor rights are to society. Although each state celebrates it on a different day, the meaning remains the same- honoring the hard work that built the nation and shaped its economy.





Garden News May 2025

Just recently I planted a mango tree in my garden. It came to mind: I should have planted the tree 20 years ago, but then again, the second best time is right now. Gardening is a job for a life time; you never finish. It is good for stress relief, even improving mental health!

I listened to a health program. An expert was ask : What are the best three things one can do to improve one's health? The expert mentioned: it is difficult to reduce health to only three things but it would be " drinking enough water, exercise and have a good diet." Something to ponder about.

You can combine exercise with fun, like dancing. There is an old time dance, every second Saturday of the month, at the Capella community hall, starting at 8pm. Meet some good old country people by the tunes of the gipsy tap, pride of Erin and the like. Entrance fee is \$10-, includes a lucky door ticket and free coffee or tea. Ladies bring a plate. For more info ring Noela on 0408721707.

On a sad note, Allison Jarrett, a former Garden Club member and local identity passed away In April. She was best known for building the former "Sunrise Cabins and Caravan Park" at Sapphire.

"Food for the soul" is provided by a weekly church service on the grounds of the Salvation Army shop in Sapphire; 4pm every Sunday. Join us at the quaint setting under the mango tree, studying the Scriptures. Everyone welcome!

Community Garden Group- what's happening?

We had our Annual General Meeting recently. Dave continued in his role as President, Chris as Grounds Co-ordinator, Richard as Ass. Grounds Co-ordinator, Paula as Treasurer and Jenny as Secretary. We will miss Robyn who has stepped down from her secretary role and is moving away from the area. Thank you, Robyn, for all the work you have accomplished for our Club over your time, it has been appreciated.

Our gardens are situated in the Roy Day Park and new members are welcome. If your keen to garden, you can have your own plot or two and get started. Your participation is valuable and appreciated. Ring or txt me on 0497748010 if your interested or come on down on a Saturday morning around 8.30am.

Gardening Resources

Don't forget to utilize the resources available to you through our gardening group. From seeds and cuttings, garden magazines and borrowing tools for use on site to support your gardening journey. Come and reconnect with nature and breathe new life into our gardens. Whether you're an experienced gardener or just starting out, there's always something new to learn.

Flowering Beauties

Brighten up your home garden with vibrant blooms like bottle brush, bouganvillia, grevillea and desert roses. These flowers are not only beautiful but also camel, cockatoo and cow resistant (I think) and well-suited to the gemfields environment. Zinnias and marigold make great companion plants to put in your vegetable garden.

Vegetable Gardens

For those interested in growing their own produce, now is the time to plant tomatoes, capsicums and, eggplants. Also consider cool season vegetable planting including broccoli, cauliflower, carrots, beetroot, kale, lettuce, spinach, peas and cabbage. Ensure your vegetable garden receives plenty of sunlight and water and consider using organic fertilizers to promote healthy growth. Netting is a must to keep away the guinea fowl and curious possums.

Herb Essentials

Herbs such as basil, parsley, sage, rosemary and thyme and marjoram are perfect for planting out now. These aromatic plants are easy to grow and can be used in a variety of dishes. Plant in well-drained soil and enjoy their fresh flavours throughout the year

Happy gardening, everyone! Jenny

Thanks Jenny and welcome as our new secretary!

Come and look at our garden at Sapphire, Roy Day park, and consider becoming a member. The yearly fee is \$15-, it includes a garden bed, seeds, use of tools and the very well appointed club house with amenities.

If you have any input pertaining the Garden News, please let me know. Your participation is important for our Gemfields community. Make it even better!

Happy Gardening

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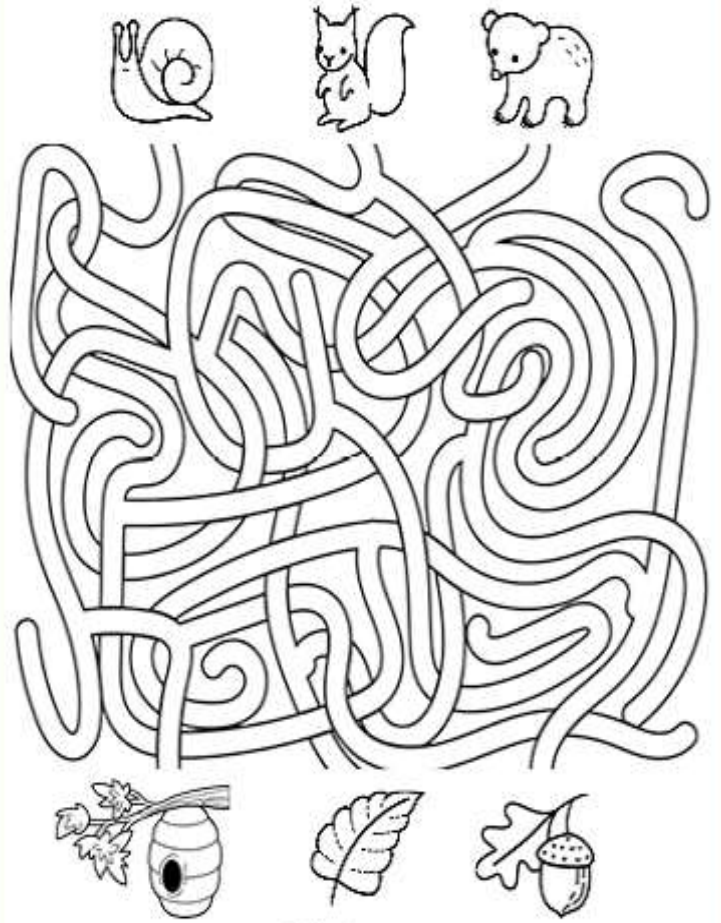


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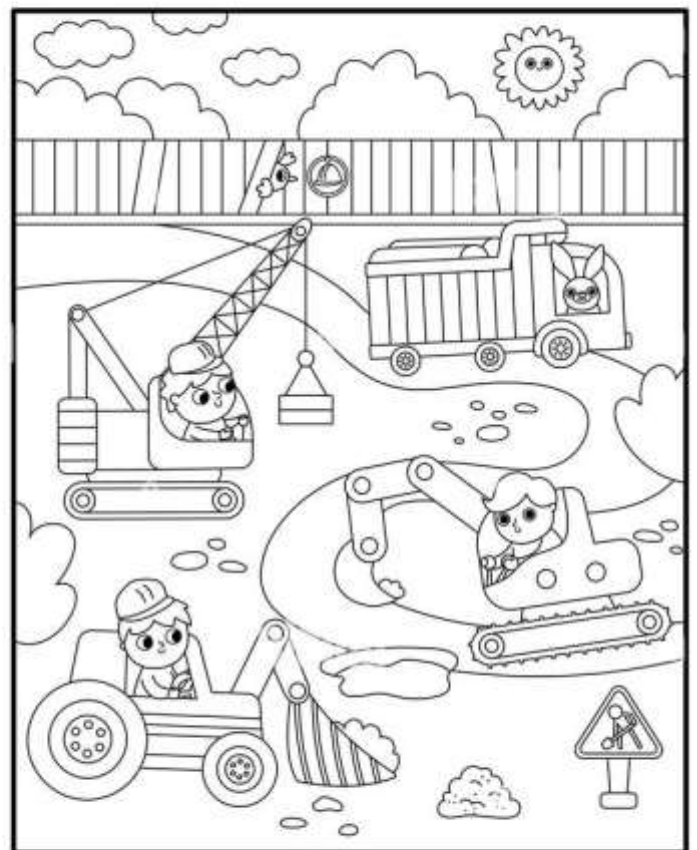
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Spot 10 differences



PUMPKIN, SPINACH & LENTIL LASAGNE

Ingredients

- 1 tbsp olive oil
- 1 brown onion, finely chopped
- 2 garlic cloves, crushed
- 900g pumpkin, peeled cut into 1.5cm cubes
- 2 x 400g cans brown lentils, rinsed, drained
- 1/2 cup vegetable stock
- 690g bottle Italian Tomato Passata
- 500g ricotta
- Good pinch ground nutmeg
- 375g packet fresh lasagne sheets
- 120g baby spinach, trimmed, finely shredded
- 1 1/2 cups grated cheddar



Method

- Preheat oven to 190C (170C fan-forced). Grease a 26cm x 20cm x 6cm baking dish.
- Heat the oil in a large saucepan over medium heat. Cook onion for 5 mins or until soft and lightly golden. Add garlic and cook for 1 min. Add pumpkin, lentils and stock. Reserve 1 cup of the passata and stir the remaining into the pumpkin mixture. Cover and bring to the boil. Reduce heat slightly and simmer for 20min until pumpkin is tender and mixture is thick. Transfer to a large bowl to cool slightly, then refrigerate until cold.
- Meanwhile, use a fork to mash the ricotta in a bowl. Stir in nutmeg.
- Line the base of the prepared dish with a layer of lasagne sheets. Spread over half the pumpkin mixture, then top with another layer of lasagne sheets. Sprinkle with the ricotta mixture and use the back of a spoon to spread evenly. Top with spinach, then another layer of lasagne sheets.
- Spread over the remaining pumpkin mixture, then top with remaining lasagne sheets. Spread over the reserved passata to cover completely. Sprinkle with cheddar.
- Bake for 45 mins or until golden and cooked through.

MARS BAR SLICE

Ingredients

- 50g Unsalted Butter
- 1tbsp golden syrup
- 4 x 53g Mars Bars, finely chopped
- 3 cups (60g) rice bubbles
- 200g Cadbury Baking Milk Chocolate
- 20g copha



Method

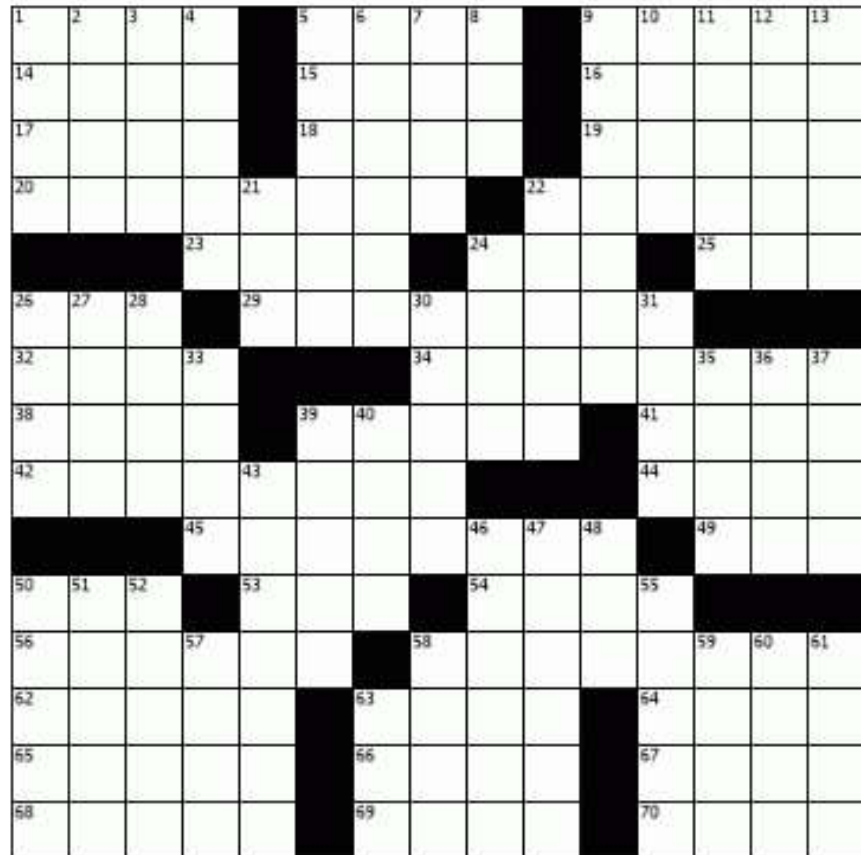
- Grease and line the base and side of a 19 x 29cm slice pan with baking paper, allowing the sides to overhang.
- Combine the butter, golden syrup and 3 of the Mars Bars in a medium saucepan over low heat. Cook, stirring with a wooden spoon, for 5 minutes or until Mars Bars and butter melt and mixture is smooth. Remove from heat.
- Place the rice bubbles and remaining Mars Bar in a large bowl. Add the Mars Bar mixture and stir until well combined. Spoon into the prepared pan and use the back of a spoon to smooth the surface. Set aside for 1 hour to cool completely.
- Place the chocolate and copha in a heatproof bowl over a saucepan half-filled with simmering water, stir until chocolate melts. Pour chocolate over the top of the slice to evenly coat. Set aside for 30 minutes to set. Cut into squares to serve.



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GEMMY QUILTERS

**** Everybody is welcome ****

Each Tuesday of the month 9.30 am -3pm.
at the Sapphire Hall

For more information please call in and see us

GEMFIELDS GARDEN CLUB

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.For more information call Pat on 4985 4544

GEMFIELDS RSL Sub-Branch Inc

Phone : 07 49854 588

PO Box 328 SAPPHIRE Qld 4702

Clinic Rd (Behind the Sapphire Post Office)

Meals on Thursdays, Saturday and Sunday from 6pm
During the tourist season usually from May—October

Social Annual Membership - \$10.00

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If you are a not for profit organisation and have
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Ph: 49854 664

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*** LOCAL SERVICES ***

WHAT	WHO	WHEN	WHERE
EMERGENCY SERVICES	000	EMERGENCIES	POLICE AMBULANCE FIRE BRIGADE
SES	132 500	NON-LIFE THREATENING FLOOD & STORM EMERGENCIES	
ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS	Col 0423 767 490	MEETINGS EVERY TUESDAY 7.30 pm	RUBYVALE HALL BURRIDGE RD
GEMFIELDS MEALS ON WHEELS	MPC 49854664	MONDAY, WEDNESDAY AND FRIDAY	MULTI PURPOSE CENTRE SAPPHIRE
GEMFIELDS FIRE WARDEN	John Riley 042 758 0654	Mon—Fri 9am - 5pm	60 Fairview Lane RUBYVALE
RUBYVALE TIP	CHRC	Open/ Tuesday—Friday & Sunday 8am - 12pm	Opposite Quarry
OPPORTUNITY SHOP	SALVATION ARMY	MON -WED - FRI - SAT 8.00 am- 12pm	ANGELO'S SAPPHIRE 4985 4690
GEMFIELDS LIBRARY	JOANNE GIBSON	TUES 10am - 2pm THURS 12 noon - 4pm SAT 9am - 12 pm	RUBYVALE HALL BURRIDGE RD
CATHOLIC CHURCH SERVICE	Call ANNE 4985 4154 For Willows & Sapphire Venues	2nd & 4th SUNDAY 10.30am 1st SUNDAY 11.00am 5th SUNDAY 11.00am	ANAKIE HALL WILLOWS SAPPHIRE
SALVATION ARMY SERVICE	Kathleen & Byron Hill 0472 958 888	SUNDAY 4PM	ANGELO'S SAPPHIRE

*** WHAT'S ON ***

SAPPHIRE MARKETS	Tricia 0457 582 830 Elaine 0458 740 625	Sunday 8am to 11.30am	Sapphire Central Roy Day Park
RUBYVALE MARKETS	Bev Winks 0428 399 591	Saturday 8am - till 1pm	Rubyvale Flats
HOY	FUN, SOCIAL CARD MORNING	EVERY TUESDAY	RUBYVALE HALL BURRIDGE RD
TAI CHI	Gemfields Community Support Association	Every Monday morning 9am - 10am	MPC Hall
GEMMY QUILTERS	PATCHWORK GROUP	TUESDAY 9.30am-3pm	SAPPHIRE HALL
GEMFIELDS LAPIDARY & CRAFT	0407 056 089	Wednesday & Saturday	Roy Day Park
GEMFIELDS RIFLE	Debbie Hickman Ph. 0429 009 354 / 4985 4484	LONG RANGE TARGET SHOOTING	RIFLE RANGE RD
YOGA	Kelly Corbishley	SATURDAY 7.30AM	KANGOULU PARK (Opposite Blue Gem)
TRIVIA	Mary 0415 830 505	MONDAY 10am to Noon	SAPPHIRE HALL