



Gemfields Community Support Association Inc.

(Funded by State and Federal Government)

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GEMFIELDS COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER

JUNE 2026

GEMFIELDS WEBSITE: www.gemfields.org.au

WINTER

has hit

THE GEMFIELDS

Cold mornings are here again.
Rug up, stay warm and check in on your
neighbours.



WE DISCOVER THE GEM

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



admin@gemfields.org.au



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VOLUNTEER WANTED

Gemfields Community Support Association is seeking a friendly and creative individual to become group leader for the

CRAFTY ANGELS CRAFT GROUP

Be a part of our fun and welcoming client craft group, leading weekly creative activities.



MEETS ON
FRIDAYS
FROM 9:00AM



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CONTACT US FOR DETAILS!



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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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- ✓ **Booking is essential** by **midday Wednesday**, and all Current members receive their meals at a discounted price



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Feel free to call us to find out how we can assist you.



1003 Rubyvale Road
Sapphire Central



07 49854 664

THANK YOU TO THE
Central Highlands Regional Council
FOR SUPPORTING THE
Gemfields Community Support Ass. Inc.

 chrc.qld.gov.au



Central Highlands
Regional Council

The Gemfields Community Support Association Inc. sincerely thanks HOY for their ongoing support of Meals on Wheels on the Gemfields.

Thank You! 



GEMFIELDS GEMS



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or bring in to Office

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GEMFIELDS PET OF THE MONTH!

Age: 3 years old

Favourite Treat: DUCK jerky 🦆

Loves: Zoomies and toys 🎲

Proud Owners: Teresa & Marc

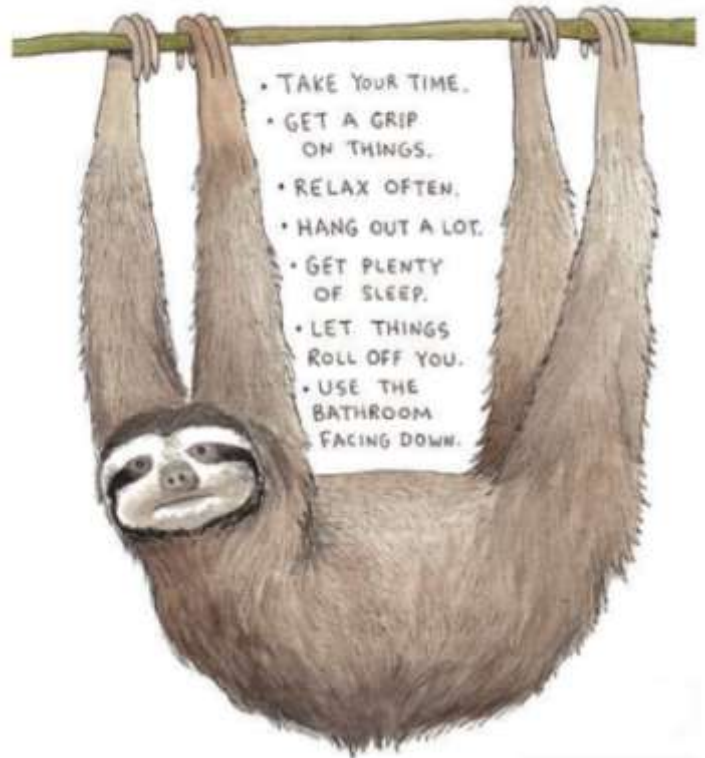
★ Avril ✨



POEMS - STORIES - FUNNIES



ADVICE FROM A SLOTH:



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THE KENNIFF BROTHERS: CQ'S LAST BUSHRANGERS

In the early 1900s, the vast bushland west of Rockhampton, through areas like Gracemere and out toward Duaringa, became the setting for one of Central Queensland's most infamous outlaw stories: that of the Kenniff brothers, Patrick and James.

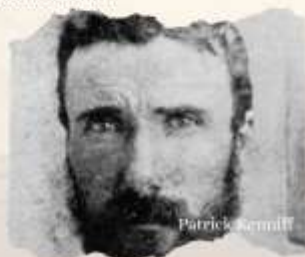
The brothers lived a rough, itinerant life across remote stations and scrub country around Lethbridge's Pocket, where they were well known to police and station owners. Suspicions of cattle stealing and other offences had followed them for years.

In 1902, Police Constable George Doyle and station manager Albert Dahlke travelled into the isolated area to investigate the brothers. Neither man returned.

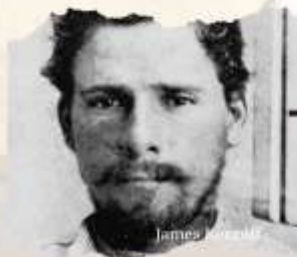
Search parties later moved through the scrub country between stations, where burnt human remains, personal belongings, and evidence linked to Doyle and Dahlke were discovered. Attention quickly turned toward the Kenniff brothers, and their arrest drew widespread attention across Central Queensland, particularly in Rockhampton.

Both brothers stood trial over the deaths. Patrick Kenniff was ultimately convicted and sentenced to death, while James Kenniff received a lengthy prison sentence. In 1903, Patrick was executed in Brisbane.

Debate surrounding the case has continued for generations, with ongoing questions about the evidence and what truly happened in the isolation of the bush. Today, the story of the Kenniff brothers still echoes across the remote grazing lands and bush tracks of Central Queensland.



Patrick Kenniff



James Kenniff



Queensland Ambulance Service Gemfields



What Three Words

What Three Words, or what3words to give it its proper name, is a simple but very powerful way of providing and finding addresses.

The system divides the entire planet up into 57 trillion different three metre by three metre squares. Each of these boxes is given its own unique three words. The advantage of this is that three words are much easier to remember and also far harder to mishear over the phone or a radio, particularly compared to lats and longs. It's also a lot more precise than transitional addresses in most cases, for example, an address just gets us to the front door, while this system directs us to a three-metre square box on the ground.

For example, the front door of the ambulance station here at Sapphire has been allocated the three words unveils. alternatives. blanket, as you can see:



How do you find your three words??

You can either visit their website what3words.com or download their app for smart phones.

Both are quite intuitive, and easy to understand.

In addition, what3words is also built into the Emergency Plus App.

Why are the ambos telling me about this??

If you're calling triple zero for any of the emergency services, you can provide the operator the what3words for the location you need us to attend. The call taker will know what you mean when you say "my what three words are...", and can use this to direct us to your location.

This can be used in addition to traditional addresses, and other locators such as mining claim numbers. The more information we can have to find you, the better! It's also obviously a very good tool if you don't know your exact location, such as if you're riding your bike on a fire trail, you're somewhere on the highway, or even if you've been swept out to sea on your boogie board (as long as you've got your phone). The app even works to a degree with limited network coverage. If you need a hand working this system out, don't hesitate to ask us when you see us around town, and we'll show you how to access it.

Thanks again for your continued support. We love working here and serving such a great community.

As always, if you need us, please only call triple zero (000). Never call paramedics directly, and if in doubt, always call triple zero instead of heading to the ambulance station, especially for more serious cases like shortness of breath, chest pain, serious bleeding, seizures etc.

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The Sapphire Markets will commence on Sunday 1st March 2026, hosted by the Gemfields Lapidary Club, alternating fortnightly with Gemfields Riding for the Disabled, who will host on Sunday 8th March 2026.

Stall holders are to be set up and ready to begin by 7:30am. Please ensure you bring your Public Liability papers with you.

Gates open to the general public from 8:00am to 12:00 noon.

Come on down and grab a bargain or two from our friendly stall holders, and enjoy a yummy breakfast of bacon and egg, beef pattie, or sausage and onion on bread. Hot and cold drinks available.

To book a site, please contact:

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Debbie Wouters – 0407 056 089

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SECRETARY

Do you want to support your local community and make a real difference?

This important role helps keep our Brigade organised, informed, and operating effectively.

Duties Include:

- ✓ Distributing Brigade information and correspondence
- ✓ Organising and recording meetings
- ✓ Maintaining Brigade records and documentation
- ✓ Acting as the key communication link with the Emerald District Office
- ✓ Assisting with administration and approvals processes

Time Commitment

🕒 Average time commitment is approximately **1 to 2 hours per week**, with occasional additional time during meetings or major fire events.

More Than Just Paperwork

As a valued member of the Rural Fire Brigade family, you may also assist during major fire events with important support duties such as:

- 🔥 Coordinating refreshments and meals for firefighters
- 🔥 Supporting Brigade operations during emergencies
- 🔥 Helping keep our volunteers safe, supported, and organised

No Experience Necessary

Training and support will be provided.

Good communication and organisational skills are desirable.

This is a rewarding opportunity to contribute to the safety and wellbeing of the Gemfields community.

JOIN THE TEAM THAT HELPS PROTECT OUR COMMUNITY

Enquiries or Expressions of Interest:

Gemfields Rural Fire Brigade

Michelle Johns

📞 0428 680 660

✉️ michelle.johns8000@gmail.com

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Be Part of Art Attack! 2026

We warmly invite community members, artists, and groups to share their artistic events and initiatives.

This is a fantastic opportunity to engage with the community and celebrate creativity during the months of **July, August, and September 2026**.

If your school or group has events planned, we would love to help promote them as part of our festival line-up.

Let's work together to make this year's festival a memorable celebration of all the arts!



Contact the Arts Team



Email: chgalleries@chrc.qld.gov.au



Phone: 1300 242 686

Speak to one of the arts team today.



ART ATTACK!

July August September

Central Highlands Art Fest



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Queensland Sapphire Miners Association Inc.

PO BOX 364, Rubyvale, Qld 4702

May 2026

COMMUNITY UPDATE:

QSMA will attend the Central Queensland Water Plan Working group meeting on the 28th May. This is an update of the progress of the review and to provide feedback and guidance on the way forward. Discussions on groundwater, unallocated water, overland flow, entitlements and proposed changes will be addressed by key speakers. The discussions on requirements for certain purposes that the QSMA will be addressing for the use of bores on the Gemfields will be forefront of our requests which is a follow up from our submission at the Ministerial Forum.

Did you know.....

The prospect of having to deal with transactions such as renewals and transfers is often daunting for claim holders. These tasks are perceived as challenging, so it is common for holders to engage the services of a "tenure agent" to deal with the necessary paperwork and procedures. There are a number of these on active on the Gemfields who are able to assist.

However, feedback from the Department and some claim holders suggests that the tenure agent process does not always progress as smoothly as anticipated, resulting in some unhappy outcomes.

The following notes are intended to provide guidance and an awareness of some of the issues and processes tenure holders may encounter when consulting a tenure agent.

- (1) It is common practice for tenure agents to act as the authorised holder representative (AHR). Once appointed all communications will only be directed to the AHR so it is essential that tenure holders are notified of matters requiring their attention in a timely manner. A prompt response will avoid unnecessary delays.
- (2) Claim holders are reminded that the act of lodging documents is the start of a process which only ends when the transaction is granted.
- (3) When consulting an agent, it is highly recommended that claim holders review and verify the documentation prior to lodgement. Any errors or misinformation will be queried by the department and are likely to delay progressing of the application. Holders are reminded that they (not tenure agents) are responsible and accountable for the accuracy of any official documentation submitted. Don't forget these are official documents.
- (4) Claim holders are strongly advised to retain copies of all documents, correspondence and emails relating to their claims. This includes documents that may be lodged on their behalf by a tenure agent through the MMOL system.
- (5) If all documentation is provided and completed accurately transactions can be granted quickly. For instance, renewals can progress to grant within 2 Weeks any delays are usually due inaccurate or incomplete documentation. If claim holders have concerns regarding delays, they should either contact their tenure agent or the SSM Hub for details.

Please call in and have a chat to us at the Sapphire Markets each Sunday.
The QSMA Committee

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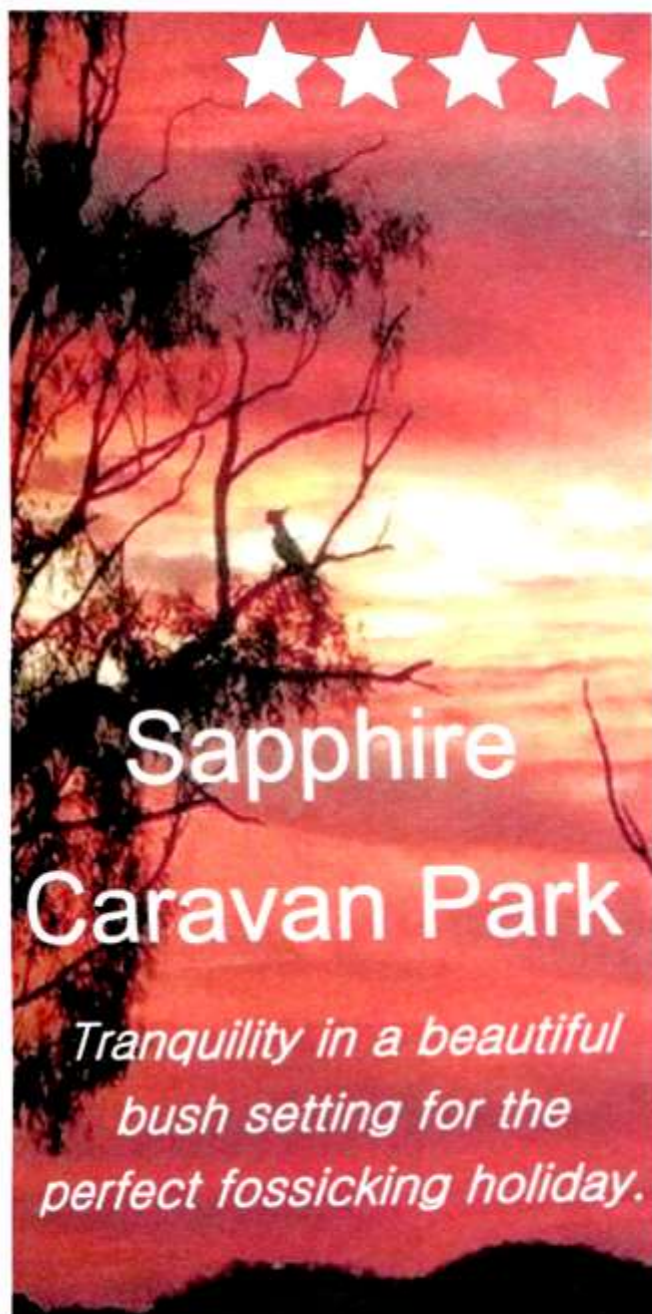
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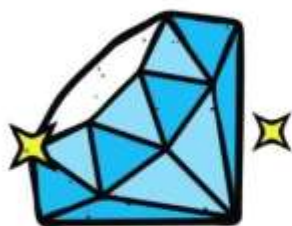
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**SAPPHIRES
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QUEENSLAND DAY**
06 June



Miners Common Museum

10am - 2pm



MC- Kasey Morrison



Local muso jam session



Gemfields Thespians



Homecooked Food



Singing for Non-singers



Arts Workshops for all ages



Seniors Connect Product Launch with CQU



Mini Wheelbarrow Races



Yoga & Ayurvedic Info & Samples



Buddies Movie & Pizza Night 6-8 pm

Join us as we celebrate Queensland Day, on the last
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FREE Event- Saturday 06 JUNE

Come Celebrate **Queensland Day** at the Museum

Good Vibes- Good Food- Good Company

Music /Creative Arts Workshops

Homemade Pizza/ Authentic Curry

Mini Wheel Barrow Race

Something for Everyone 10am-2pm

followed by.....

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Pizza and Buddies- BYO drinks & chair



Museum Open Hours



10.00am -2.00pm

Friday Saturday and Sunday

Miners Common Museum, Arts & Cultural Centre

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GEMMY QUILTERS JUNE 2026

We hope everyone is keeping warm under a quilt. It is just the thing to snuggle with in this cooler weather.

Our ladies are keeping busy with their sewing and knitting for family and friends.

Lola is working on golliwogs, and they are coming along nicely.

April has just finished her first applique quilt, and it is a credit to her. The new grandchild will have a lovely keepsake and, hopefully, get lots of use from the hard work that has gone into making this quilt. We are all very proud of April's excellent work.



Heather is also hard at work on a patchwork jacket for herself. It is coming along very well, and we may have a picture for you next month.

As usual, come along and join us any Tuesday from 9.00 am to 3.00 pm for friendly company and advice if needed. Sapphire Hall is where we are at.

Meantime, happy stitching everyone.

GEMMY QUILTERS





Guided Walk-in Underground Mine Tour

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Underground Museum

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MEN'S HEALTH WEEK 2026

15 – 21 JUNE 2026

**STRONG MEN.
STRONG COMMUNITIES.**



LOOK AFTER YOUR HEART.

Heart disease is a leading cause of death in men.



CHECK IN WITH YOUR HEAD.

Looking after your mental health is just as important.



STAY ACTIVE.

Regular physical activity boosts your physical and mental wellbeing.



STAY CONNECTED.

Good mates and strong communities keep us all stronger.



KNOW YOUR NUMBERS.

Regular health checks can catch problems early.

3 IN 4



3 in 4 deaths of working age men are preventable.



On average, men die 6 years earlier than women.



RURAL MEN FACE UNIQUE CHALLENGES:

- Longer distances to health services
- Busy seasons and financial pressure
- Isolation and limited support networks

FIVE WAYS TO LOOK AFTER YOURSELF



GET ACTIVE

Move more each day – every bit counts.



EAT WELL

Choose good food and stay hydrated.



SLEEP BETTER

Aim for 7–9 hours of quality sleep.



TALK ABOUT IT

A yarn can make a big difference.



GET CHECKED

See your GP for regular health checks.

**GOOD HEALTH KEEPS
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Enquiries: Phone 07 4985 4588
Email: secretary@gemfields.rslqld.net.au

NEWSLETTER – JUNE 2026

Visitors are slowing coming to visit the fields. Hopefully these fuel prices will settle down, and everyone will still have a good season. We are still open Thursday, Saturday, Sunday from 3pm with meals served after the ODE at 6pm.

We are going to hold an ***Australia's Biggest Morning Tea*** on 25th June at 1000. Come along and have some yummy food, play some games, win a prize, have some fun. Please RSVP by the 18th of June, by text message will be fine, if you are going to attend. If we can get some volunteers, Shave for a Cure will also happen at about 1600 (4pm). If you wish to put your hand up for the shave, please contact me on 0477 963 534. Rustle up some friends to sponsor you for this worthy cause.

Our hard-working volunteers have been at it again! The bottom half of the camp kitchen has had the cement ripped up, and the ground levelled, ready for new cement to be put down. This will make it not only look better, but safer for our veterans using it as they won't have to dodge the cracks anymore. Once the cement has been done the pot belly will be put back in to keep everyone warm. The mining claim has been cleaned up and basically returned to its original state. This will make it easier for those campers wishing to try their luck at finding the big one. A couple of nice stones have already been found! We have finally hung our new gate, with the tri-service crest, at the main entrance. It looks bloody awesome! Big thanks to Rustic Touch Corrugated Creations, who made it for us, Jeff (a camper) and Bevin who hung it.

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

Dates to Remember for June:

Mondays 0900 – 1100 office open to all members who may wish to speak to one of the executive committee.

2nd June – 2nd Battalion, Royal Australian Regiment, arrived in Vietnam (1967)

6th June – “D” Day (1944), Battle of Binh Ba, South Vietnam (1969)

8th June – Sydney and Newcastle shelled by Japanese (1942)

10th June – Italy declares war on allies (1940), Battle of Shah Wali Kot, Afghanistan (2010)

13th June – Australia captures Brunei (1945)

16th June – Start of Malayan Emergency (1948)

18th June – Australian POW's of the Korean War released at Panmunjom (1953)

28th June – Treaty of Versailles signed (1919), Seoul, Korea, captured (1950)

VC's Awarded in June: Capt R.C. Grieve, Messines, Belgium (1917), Cpl B. Robert-Smith, Kandahar Province, Afghanistan (2010), Sgt J. Rogers, Orange Free State, South Africa (1901), Cpl C. Baird, Khod Valley, Afghanistan (2013), Pte J.W.A. Jackson, Armentieres, France (1916), Cpl P. Davey, Merris, France (1918), Pte L.T. Starceвич. Borneo (1945)

LEST WE FORGET

Community Grants Program

Call for Assessment Panel Nominations

The aim of Council's Community Grant Program is to assist local community groups make positive contributions to the quality of life in the Central Highlands region.

Council is calling for up to five community representatives to join Council's Community Grants Program selection panel.

Panel members will be selected on their demonstrated involvement in community life and their local knowledge of the Central Highlands region.

Nominations close at 5pm Friday 10 July 2026 and can be addressed to:

Central Highlands Regional Council
Attn: Alexis Mackin
PO Box 21
EMERALD QLD 4720

For more information, please contact Alexis Mackin on 4980 5501 or amackin@chrc.qld.gov.au

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GEMFIELDS LOCAL AMBULANCE COMMITTEE



JUNE 2026

Hi everyone,

For the Willows followers, there is now a public-use AED defibrillator at the Willows Rec Club.

We are at the markets on the 2nd and 4th Sundays, so come over for a chat and grab a ticket or two in the earring or smoker raffles, or pick up a lucky ticket.

As always, we are open to anyone interested in volunteering with the committee.

Gemfields LAC

Brain Break RURAL HIDE & SEEK

Can you find all 15 hidden items in the picture?

-  1. Akubra hat
-  2. Enamel mug
-  3. Windmill
-  4. Wheelbarrow
-  5. Gumboot
-  6. Watering can
-  7. Lantern
-  8. Horseshoe
-  9. Bird (kookaburra)
-  10. Pair of gloves
-  11. Tractor
-  12. Pitchfork
-  13. Milk can
-  14. Butterfly
-  15. Birdhouse



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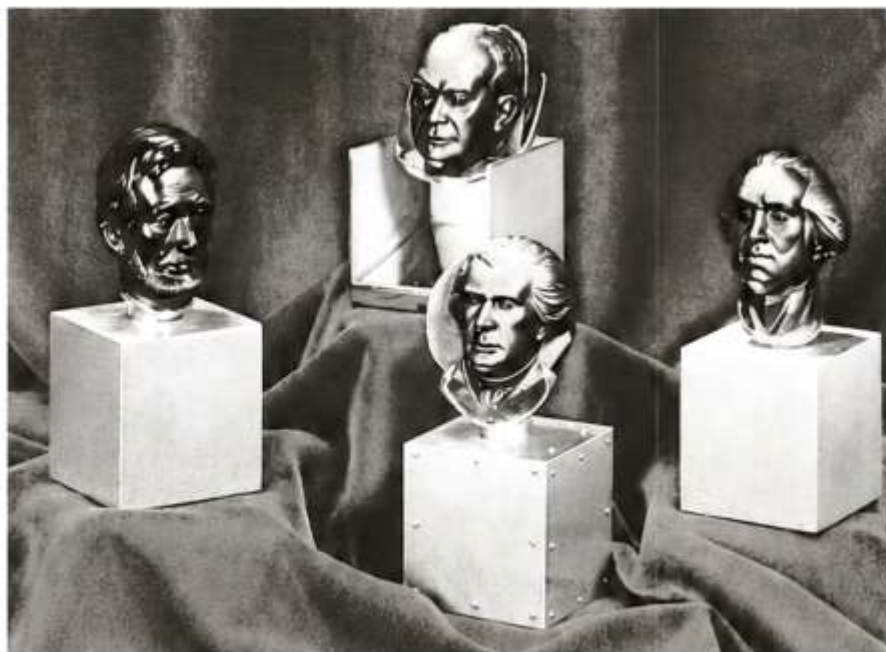
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FAMOUS SAPPHIRES OF THE GEMFIELDS



PRESIDENTIAL CARVINGS & THE BLACK STAR OF QUEENSLAND



PRESIDENTIAL SAPPHIRE HEADS

In the 1950s, four U.S. presidents were carved into sapphires mined from the Gemfields sapphire fields in Central Queensland.

The carvings included:

- Abraham Lincoln
- Dwight D. Eisenhower
- Thomas Jefferson
- George Washington

The sapphires were carved in America by the Kazanjian Foundation and became a remarkable example of gemstone artistry using Australian sapphire rough.



INTERESTING DETAIL: The original rough sapphires weighed thousands of carats before carving, showing just how massive the stones were before being shaped into sculptures.

THE BLACK STAR OF QUEENSLAND

The Black Star of Queensland is one of the largest gem-quality black star sapphires ever discovered.

- Found in the Gemfields region of Central Queensland in 1938
- Originally weighed over 1,100 carats rough
- Cut into a massive 733-carat gemstone
- Famous for its glowing “star” effect seen under light

Black star sapphires display a natural optical effect called asterism, where light reflects in a star-shaped pattern across the surface of the stone.

Today, the Black Star of Queensland remains one of Australia’s most famous gemstones.





Experience Tai Chi
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Mondays 9am to 10am
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Are you feeling like you can't move as well as you used to? Joints stiff, lacking energy, lost your drive?

Fluids in your body need to circulate to nourish and hydrate your tissues and organs. Tissue congestion due to less movement from aging or trauma leads to lack of circulation and eventually blood pressure and other health issues. Tai Chi is designed to get things flowing and moving and clear blockages. It can't perform miracles for everybody, but as part of a wellness plan, regular practice of Tai Chi & Qigong can improve all these things.

It has been great to see three fellas regularly attending now. We are a friendly group and all ages and genders are more than welcome. These sessions are free, and we invite you to join with us on Mondays. Note the centre is not open on public holidays.

Enjoy your June!

Gemfields Community Support Assoc.

◆ *Friday In-House Lunch* ◆

☕ Morning Tea: 10:00am – 10:30am

🍴 Lunch Served From: 12:00pm

Come along for a relaxing morning of conversation, and community.
Catch up with old friends — and make a few new ones too!
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✅ **RSVP:** Please Contact the Gemfields Community Support Association by the previous Wednesday to book your place.

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Scientific Analysis – Identification - Assessment - Appraisal

Gemstones_Opals_Pearls_Jewellery

I, Kelvin Johnston, for more than 46 years, have dedicated my professional life to the science, research, analysis, and advancement of Gemmology. Throughout this remarkable journey, I have lectured at Gemmological Institutes and Conferences across Australia, New Zealand, the United States, India, the United Kingdom, and Europe. My international research and study programs have included seven specialist trips to New York and Arizona, three research and trade visits to India, two professional visits to London, and extensive collaboration throughout Europe alongside leading gemologists and gemstone specialists in Holland, Switzerland, Germany, and Belgium.

As a Scientist, Inventor, and developer of iGemTest equipment, gemstone testing instruments, appraisal systems, and valuation software, I have spent decades pioneering advanced methods for gemstone identification, grading, and analysis. My work and research have been recognised and evaluated by respected organisations and professionals including the Gemmological Association of Australia, Gemological Institute of America, and Dr. Read G.A.G.B., with features and reports appearing in industry magazines and professional publications.

Over many years of research and development, we have created a unique and highly accurate digital electronic grading system for coloured gemstones. Through specialised electronic instruments originally patented and combined with proprietary copyrighted software programming, we developed analytical systems covering gemstones, diamonds, opals, pearls, and precious metals. These systems utilise internationally recognised nomenclature standards aligned with major Gemmological Institutions worldwide.

By embracing modern technology within today's rapidly evolving scientific landscape, we are transforming the way Gemstones and Jewellery are analysed, assessed, authenticated, and appraised. Over the past year, we have significantly upgraded our original software platforms to incorporate the latest advancements and discoveries developed through our continuing Gemmological research programs. We are proud to announce the release of a new generation of appraisal and gemstone DNA analysis systems designed to provide deeper insight, greater accuracy, and advanced visual reporting unlike traditional appraisal methods.

System 1, known as the **"Master Description Analysis"** provides a comprehensive gemstone profile including primary and secondary colour analysis, colour grading, cut grading, clarity grading, gemstone imaging, fluorescence intensity under both Short Wave (255nm) and Long Wave (365nm) ultraviolet light, along with gemstone measurements, weight, refractive index, brilliance, and pattern analysis. This system delivers a refined and professional overview suitable for identification, documentation, and appraisal purposes.

System 2 expands upon the **Master Description Analysis** by incorporating the advanced **"Master Color Analysis"** a unique gemstone DNA colour breakdown system that electronically maps up to ten distinct colour zones ranging from light to dark throughout the gemstone. This includes detailed HSL colour mapping and percentage distribution analysis. The system also includes the **"Master Clarity Analysis"** highlighting fine natural inclusions and minute internal reflective particles contributing to the gemstone's natural character and brilliance, together with a comprehensive **"Master Value Analysis Report"** designed for worldwide valuation and appraisal reference.

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Gemfields Riding for the Disabled would like to advise that lessons will commence in March this year.

Membership of \$5:00 and rider registration of \$175:00 for insurance is due now. Lessons will be \$30:00.

Should you wish to commence lessons or require any further information, please call Paula on 0408 798 440 or email sapphire.rda@gmail.com.

Volunteers are needed so if you have some time to spare and would like to help out this worthy organisation I will send you the on-line forms for Rider registration and volunteering.

We also have horse manure and mulch hay for your garden if you require this please call or message me.

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QCWA Willows Gemfields Branch meetings:
2nd Monday of each month, subject to change.

February 9 th	Willows Rec Club	10:00am
March 9 th	Rubyvale Hall	10:00am
April 13 th	Willows Rec Club	10:00am
May 11 th	Rubyvale Hall	10:00am
June 8 th	Willows Rec Club	10:00am
July 13 th	Rubyvale Hall	10:00am

New Members Welcome. Please phone
0428855019.

Meeting dates may change, members will be
notified where possible





The Gemfields Community Gardens Newsletter

We're thrilled to announce that our Gemfields Community garden has recently received a generous grant from Capricornian Bank, allowing us to purchase a brand-new Vegepod! This innovative raised garden bed makes growing veggies easier, more efficient, and accessible for the elderly members in our community.

The Vegepod is now set up and ready to go, and we've already tested it out with Richard planting some Bok Choy and Lettuce that are thriving. The self-watering system and protective cover mean our plants are safe from the Gemfields critters and unpredictable weather, so we're expecting bumper harvests!

A massive thank you to Capricornian Bank for supporting our Club and especially Jo Travers and Jael Dales for their interest and support throughout the funding process.

Welcome to new members Chohen, Karen, Kim and Birwyn we look forward to seeing what goes on in your plots. A big thank you to our Grounds Co-ordinators Chris and Richard for doing the everyday jobs, watering and mowing that keep our grounds looking great.

Pictured below are new members Karen, Kim and Birwyn admiring the new Vegepod. Happy gardening, and if you would like to join us contact Secretary Jenny 049774801.



Happy Gardening! 

In the Kitchen



Creamy Tuscan Pumpkin Soup

INGREDIENTS

1 tbsp olive oil
1 onion, chopped
2 garlic cloves, crushed
1kg pumpkin, peeled and chopped
4 cups vegetable stock
1/2 cup cream
Sun-dried tomatoes
Baby spinach
Parmesan, to serve

DIRECTIONS

Cook onion and garlic in oil until soft. Add pumpkin and stock, then simmer until pumpkin is tender. Blend until smooth and stir through cream, spinach, and chopped sun-dried tomatoes. Serve topped with parmesan.



MILO BROWNIES

INGREDIENTS:

210g dark chocolate
250g butter
300g brown sugar
4 eggs
150g plain flour
100g Milo



METHOD:

Melt chocolate and butter together, then stir in sugar. Add eggs one at a time, then fold through flour and Milo. Pour into a lined slice tin and bake at 180°C for around 30 minutes until just set. Cool before slicing.

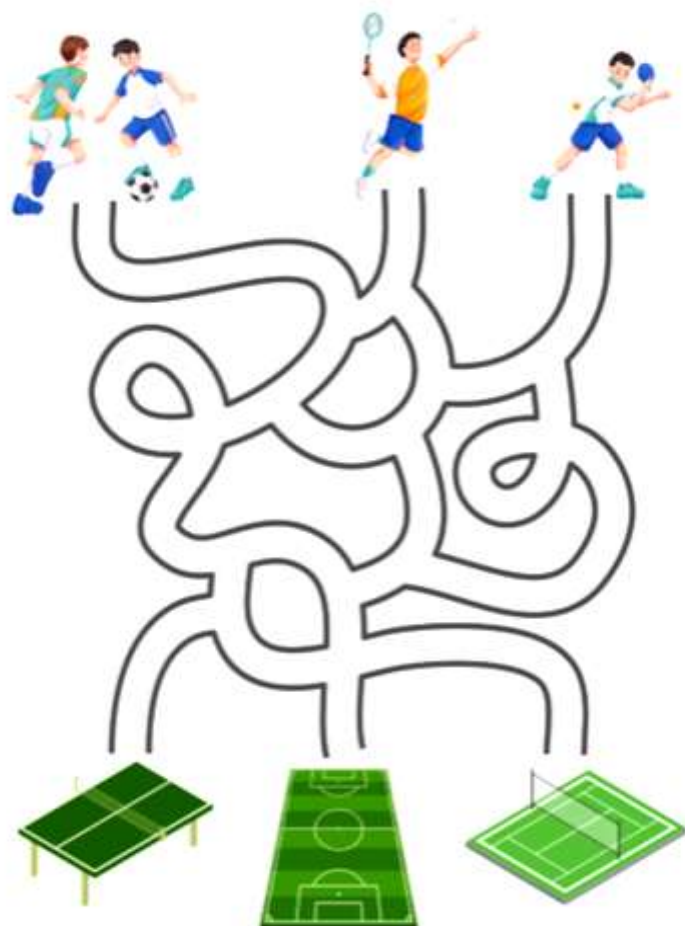




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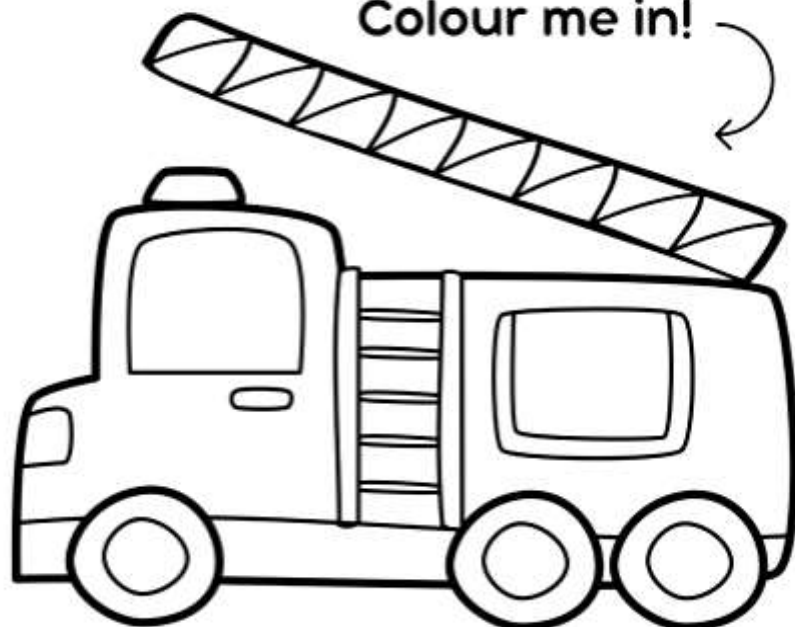
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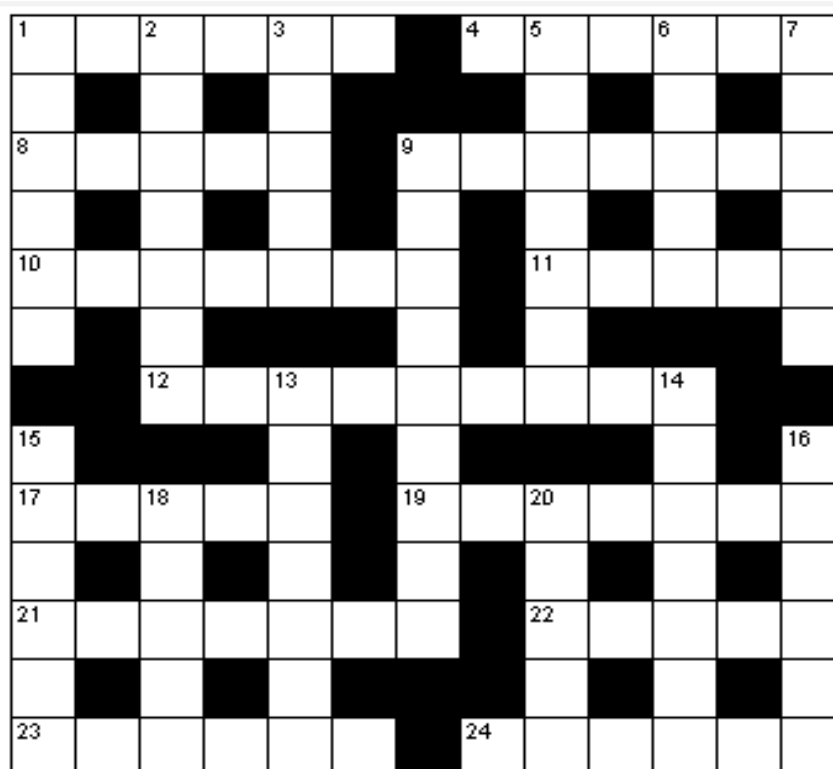
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PUZZLE TIME



Across

- 1 High-kicking dance (6)
- 4 Fought with swords (6)
- 8 Shifted (5)
- 9 Victory (7)
- 10 Selected passage (7)
- 11 Higher (5)
- 12 Drowsy (9)
- 17 Relating to sight (5)
- 19 Large flightless bird (7)
- 21 Delicate (7)
- 22 From Switzerland (5)
- 23 Vigour (6)
- 24 Former name of Sri Lanka (6)

Down

- 1 Force (6)
- 2 Beginners (7)
- 3 Tree related to the birch (5)
- 5 Keep out (7)
- 6 Move furtively (5)
- 7 Wish for (6)
- 9 In an undertone (5,4)
- 13 Sardonic (7)
- 14 Petty (7)
- 15 Hot beverage (6)
- 16 Selected (6)
- 18 Tantalise (5)
- 20 Savour (5)

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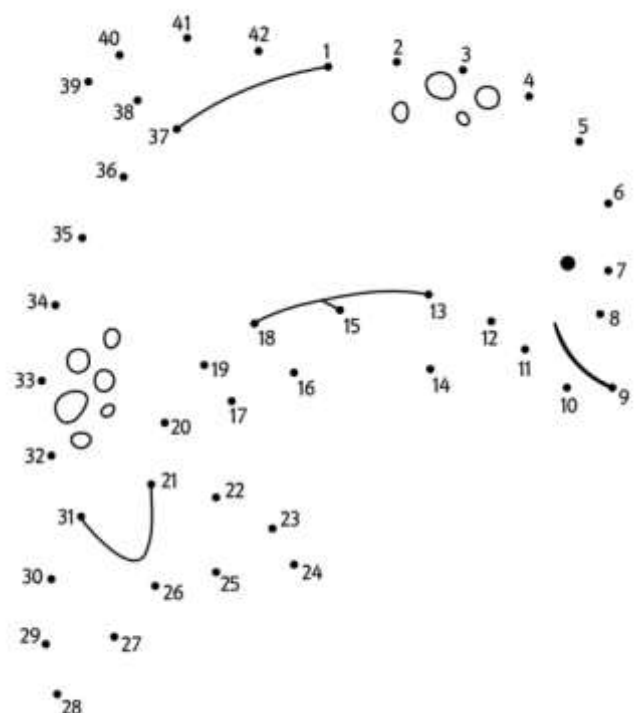
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GEMFIELDS FIRE WARDEN	John Riley 042 758 0654	Mon—Fri 9am - 5pm	60 Fairview Lane RUBYVALE
RUBYVALE TIP	CHRC	Open/ Tuesday—Friday & Sunday 8am - 12pm	Opposite Quarry
OPPORTUNITY SHOP	SALVATION ARMY	MON -WED - FRI - SAT 8.00 am- 12pm	ANGELO'S SAPPHIRE 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	Paula Riley - 0408798440 Debbie Wouters - 0407056089	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	Deb Wouters - 0407056089	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