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CHANNEL COUNTRY CHATTER

Monthly Hotspot



BOULIA SHIRE COUNCIL



MARCH LOCAL EVENTS

- 20th National Close the Gap Day
- 21st Harmony Day
- 22nd QCWA Canadian Brunch
- 23rd Colour Fun Morning
- 29th Funny Mummies Performance

APRIL LOCAL EVENTS

- 4th Easter Parade & Egg Hunt - School
- 18- 21st Easter
- 19th Boulia Races
- 25th ANZAC Day

APRIL REGIONAL EVENTS

- 5th Mt Isa Great Northern Rodeo Buckle Series
- 11th-13th Julia Creek Dirt n Dust Festival
- 17th Cloncurry Easter Fair

Boulia Camel Trainers

Make sure you keep an eye out for one of Boulia's most unique sights, Camels in the streets. Local Camel trainers are on the move, getting Camels ready for the Boulia Camel Races. Boulia Camel Races are the 18th – 20th July 2025



A progressive shire creating opportunities for all.



FLOOD DAMAGE NEWS....



Springvale Road - February 2025

Flood Damage Restorations Works

The North and Far North Tropical Low event was activated on February 19th 2025 – we are currently in the process of capturing all photos, we will then be prioritising all emergent works.

The Mixed Crew has started working on the recent Kirrily submissions from our flood event early last year, with Selwyn Road, Selwyn Connection and Elrose Road recently completed. The crews are now working towards the completion of the western program which is now 70% complete.

Harris A & B team have resumed works on the Urandangi South Road Betterment Project in which they are raising the existing pavement. Crews will put works on hold for a stint and make their way into town to commence works on the industrial subdivision.

We have several projects this year to keep our local contractors busy for the calendar year

Urandangi South Road - February 2025





Council Services....

Spotlights on.....

Karen McGrath

Supervisor of Administration Services

Commenced: *January 2025*



What makes you smile?

Spending time with my two beautiful granddaughters Lucia and Chloe.

Your favourite place in the world and why?

Ballina NSW – I holiday there every year.

Favourite food?

I love blue cheese.

What are you looking forward to in your role?

I have worked in Local Government for many years and I want to pass on my knowledge and experiences.

When you hear the word beautiful what is the first thing that jumps to mind?

My family.

Cassie Schultz

Administration Officer

Commenced: *January 2025*



Any fun facts you want to share about yourself?

Before Moving to Boulia I was a Trainer for Sullivan Nicolaides Pathology and I never thought I would do or be anything other than that. I do love the opportunities that I have had since leaving Toowoomba.

What makes you smile?

My husband and children. Nothing makes me smile more than my little family. I also love that I can get back into my horses since living out here.

Your favourite place in the world and why?

I never thought I would say anywhere other than Toowoomba, but I never thought I would leave there but now Boulia is one of my favourite places.

Favourite food?

Rib Bones on the BBQ or my Cinnamon Scrolls. Not fussy when it comes to food though and I'm pretty sure my hips and thighs can confirm that lol.

What are you looking forward to in your role?

Learning new things and upskilling just because I like a challenge. However, even though it's hot out here I do miss doing outside work sometimes.

When you hear the word beautiful what is the first thing that jumps to mind?

Too many things to name.



BOULIA SHIRE COUNCIL

PUBLIC NOTICE

Water Usage Restriction Request

The Boulia Shire Council hereby requests all residence to

Only Water gardens and grass lawned areas in

these allocated time periods.

- 6.00am to 11.00am
- 6.00pm to 9.00pm

We are currently experiencing a much higher demand on our Town water supply than usual. To help us manage this precious life giving commodity we request all residence to be more water wise in their consumption.

Boulia Shire Council shall also abide by this request with watering our medium grass verge strips, parks and gardens and street scape trees to the same time restrictions as the residence of Boulia Shire.

This request shall stay in place until further notice is issued...

Thank you for your understanding in advance.

We apologise for any inconvenience.

Kaylene Sloman

Acting Chief Executive Officer



Boulia Shire Library...



April

2025

This Month at First 5 Forever



Library Opening Hours

Mon: 8:15am - 5:00pm

(Lunch break 1:15pm - 2:15pm)

Tue - Fri: 8:15am - 1:15pm

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
1	2	3	4	5
	First 5 Forever 9:00 - 10:00 RAFFS - Easter Bonnet Making	First 5 Forever 9:00 - 10:00	Boulia State School Easter Bonnet Parade	First 5 Forever 9:00 - 10:00 CRAFT
7	8	9	10	11
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28	29	30		



TALK **READ** **SING** **PLAY**



Visit www.siq.qld.gov.au/first5forever to learn more.

SL State Library
of Queensland



Boulia State School...



2025

Combined Schools Swimming Carnival

Bedourie Pool

**March 27
9-1pm**

**Sausage
Sizzle**

**1st, 2nd &
3rd
Ribbons**

Bedourie State School

4746 1224 0436652772



EASTER BONNET PARADE & EASTER EGG HUNT



**APRIL 4TH
9:15 AM**

Boulia State School

All Welcome

P & C to provide food



Job Opportunities in Boulia.....



BOULIA SHIRE COUNCIL

CASUAL POSITIONS AVAILABLE – 7/2/2025

Town Services – Multi-Skilled Plant Operator - Labourer

POSITION TITLE:	Multi-Skilled Plant Operator - Labourer
DIRECTORATE:	Works & Operations
DEPARTMENT:	Town Services
CLASSIFICATION:	Level 3.1
REPORTS TO:	Foreman – Town Services
AWARD and STREAM:	Qld Local Government Industry (Stream B) Award – State 2017 & Boulia Shire Council Certified Agreement 2024-2027
HOURS:	Casual
LOCATION:	Boulia Shire Council Works Depot
REVIEW DATE:	20/1/2025

The Town Services Department is seeking applications from interested persons in being engaged as a casual employee to work on an 'as needed' basis. Minimum engagement will be 3 hours.

Mandatory Requirements: C Class Drivers Licence (minimum of provisional)

Base Hourly Rate of pay	\$31.1271
Locality allowance (single)	\$1.32
Casual Loading	\$7.78
Superannuation 12%	\$3.74
Construction Allowance	\$0.94
Hourly Rate exclusive of Superannuation	\$43.06

Please email an application letter to hr@boulia.qld.gov.au with a letter outlining your relevant work experience, skills, qualifications and availability.

Applications will be assessed as received – council seeks to build a pool of casual engagements that will support our workforce on an intermittent basis depending on staff availability. Please contact HR on 47463188 for further information.



We're Hiring!

CASUAL CLEANERS POSITION - APPROX 9 HOURS A WEEK

MUST HAVE:

- BLUE CARD OR ABILITY TO GET ONE
- DRIVERS LICENCE

CALL INTO OUR OFFICE AT 33 MOONAH ST
TO COLLECT POSITION DESCRIPTION AND

SALARY PACKAGING

OR

E-MAIL : JNORTON@NWQICSS.ORG





The Min Min Store offers you an extensive and diverse range of products under the one roof. Shop till you drop.

- Groceries • Vegetables • Cold Drinks
- Hardware • Electronic Products • Paints
- Batteries • Souvenirs • Relaxing Coffee Shop
- Full Comprehensive Tyre Fitting Service

Ask for Bob **Ph: 07 4746 3158**

Boulia's BEST

THE WADDI TREE

See us for a full range of:

- Souvenir Products • Headwear • Shirts
- Large range of Aboriginal Artifacts and Paintings.

Ph: 07 4746 3026

WORK AVAILABLE HERE

TOURIST SEASON ALMOST HERE

WE ARE LOOKING FOR TWO WORKERS HERE AT THE MIN MIN STORE.

[1] CASUAL WORKER TO LOOK AFTER COFFEE SHOP, PREPARE FOOD. HELP ON THE CHECKOUT AND SOME CLEANING AND SHELF STACKING AND FRIDGE FILLING. HOURS PRETTY FLEXIBLE AND MUST BE RELIABLE.

[2] GENERAL YARD WORK FORK LIFT UNLOADING FREIGHT ASSIST WITH TYRE FITTING, KEEPING YARD TIDY, BUILDING MAINTENANCE, VEHICLES ETC.

IF YOU WAN'T TO EARN SOME MONEY, BUT, CAN'T WORK FULL TIME TALK TO US ABOUT PART TIME AND ALSO WHAT IS THE PAY RATE. NOTE. IF YOU SAY YOU CAN WORK THEN YOU WILL BE EXPECTED TO TURN UP WHEN ROSTERED ON.

NOTE ALSO THIS A NON SMOKING AREA.

ANY MORE DETAILS ASK BOBOR RING MOB. 0419775769



Boulia State School



Postal Address: TEMPLETON ST BOULIA QLD 4829

Principal: Terri Searle
Email: admin@bouliass.eq.edu.au

Telephone: 074746 3151

POSITION VACANT

Part Time Business Manager at Boulia State School

Applications are invited for Business Manager at the Boulia State School, to commence duties on Tuesday 22nd April 2025. This is a temporary part-time position until Friday 5th December 2025. Work hours and days can be negotiated, however minimum hours would be Mon – Fri 8:30 – 2:30. Handover Training will occur during the week of Monday 31st March – Friday 4th April 2025.

Role of the Business Manager:

- Contribute to the effective and efficient management of the school by providing a high level of administrative support to the principal including budget tracking / financial processes and HR Management.
- Develop and maintain the school's financial/administrative systems and procedures to ensure the efficiency and effectiveness

Duties as per Role Description and include but are not limited to:

- Phone/ reception/Front counter enquires
- Assist in planning and review of minor works projects
- Assist with completing Work Area Access Permit
- Ordering and stock keeping
- Writing and publishing the school's newsletter
- Liaise with staff and community members for suitable content.
- Mail/freight collection
- Maintaining and operating "One School" software program (Education QLD software)
- Operation and knowledge of the Microsoft Office suite

Applications Close the on Wednesday 26th March 2025

Click the link below to apply for position_

<https://smartjobs.qld.gov.au/jobs/QLD-NQR625613-25T>

Applicants should have a detailed resume with 2 current referees and submit this with a cover letter.

- The *Commission for Children and Young People and Child Guardian Act 2000* requires the preferred applicant to be subject to a "working with children check" as part of the employment screening process. Further details regarding this check may be obtained by accessing the web site of the Commission for Children and Young People and Child Guardian at the following internet address: <http://www.childcomm.qld.gov.au/>
- Confirmation of employment is conditional upon the preferred applicant being issued with a *Suitability Card* from the Commission for Children and Young People and Child Guardian. **All Employees need to have a blue card before commencing any work in a State School due to new laws as of the 31st of August 2020.**
- **A full criminal check will be done as part of the employment screening process.**
- The Department of Education, Training and the Arts is committed to inclusive workplaces where diversity is valued, and to fair and equitable treatment of all current and prospective employees.
- A non-smoking policy is effective in Queensland Government buildings, offices and motor vehicles.

Please phone Terri Searle (Principal) if you have any further questions on 47463151. Please post or email applications to admin@bouliass.eq.edu.au



What Happening in Boulia.....





First Nations Sport and Recreation Program

FREE
Shirts, Colour
& Food

COLOUR Fun Obstacle

Sunday, 23rd March 2025 @
11:00am - 2:00pm
Robinson Park (main street) Boulia

Join us for some Colour Fun Games, & small
obstacle, followed by some delicious Pizza

ALL ages welcome!



BOULIA SHIRE COUNCIL



Queensland Government

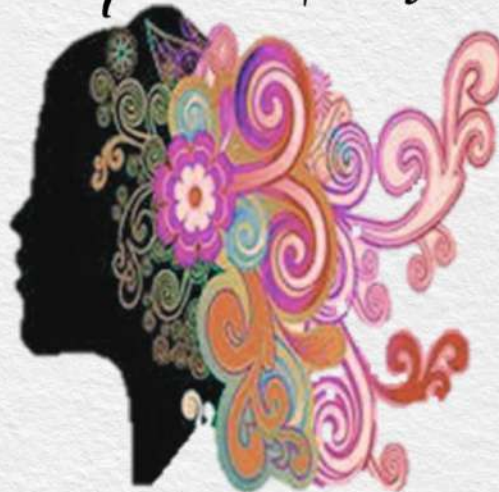




INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY

NWQICSS BOULIA Community Support Service Presents

Strong Woman Award Nominations



Send us a short description of why you think your nominee should receive the Strong Woman Award. It doesn't need to be based around specific achievements, but should include consideration of their character and day to day lives too.

Submit your nomination through Facebook/Email or complete the form available & drop in to us at 33 Moonah Street.

**Nominations to be
received by 12pm
Monday 24th March 2025**

Email:
JNORTON@NWQICSS.ORG

*Presented
at the
The Funnny Mummies
Spectacular Cabaret
Friday 28th March 2025*





THE FUNNY MUMMIES
CABARET SPECTACULAR
JENNY WYNTER
&
SPECIAL GUESTS!

A sparkling gem
- New Adelaide Theatre Guide

★★★★★
Jenny Wynter is pure joy.
My face hurts.
- Talk Fringe

Fri 21 Mar Roma
Sat 22 Mar Charleville
Mon 24 Mar Cunnamulla
Tue 25 Mar Thargomindah
Wed 26 Mar Quilpie
Thu 27 Mar Windorah
Fri 28 Mar Boulia
Mon 31 Mar Longreach
Tue 1 Apr Hughenden
Wed 2 Apr Barcaldine
Thu 3 Apr Tambo

Friday 28th March at the Boulia Shire Hall 6:00pm start

- 6:00pm—7:00pm Free Dinner
- 7:00pm—7:30pm Funny Mummies Show Part 1
- 7:30pm—7:45pm Boulia 's Strong Women Awards
- 7:45pm—8:15pm Funny Mummies Show part 2



BOULIA SHIRE COUNCIL





Royal Flying Doctor Service

Disaster Recovery Team (Flood)

TALK IN THE TREES

Robinson Park

Sunday 30th March 10am - 12pm

RFDS support mental wellbeing in the community. Come and say hello on Sunday morning.

We support people with worries, sleep, mood, or anything else you would like to talk about

There will be games on the grass for kids while the grown-ups talk in the trees.





Royal Flying Doctor Service

Disaster Recovery Team (Flood)

MARCH

WELLBEING DROP-IN

31st March 1pm - 7pm

Boulia Community Support Service Shed

Would you like some new ideas for how to manage stress,
sleep or staying in routine?

Drop-by for a coffee, chat or a card game with Timna.

*Individual Appointments also available with Jess - Please
call 0408 664 526 & leave a message*





Boulia Turf Club

Presents The

2025 Popping Pastels Easter Races

19/04/2024

- ♦ **First Race at 1pm—5 Race Card**
- ♦ **Fashions on the Field (Best Dressed Couple, Best Dressed Gentleman & Lady, Best Dressed Colt & Filly, Best Dressed Young Man & Lady, Best Dressed Little Man & Lady.**
- ♦ **We will also have a Most Colourful Adult & Most Colourful Child section in remembrance of Lorraine Stevens.**
- ♦ **Pastels are the Style for this years races, wear your pastels and make them pop. (Please call Kyrraley if you need any help with the theme).**
- ♦ **Kitchen and Bar Available**
 - ♦ **Live Music**
 - ♦ **Novelty Events**

Come and join us as we watch the dust fly.

Phone: Kyrraley 0474 002 421 or Jack 04 for further information



**16th 17th & 18th
May 2025
A family fun
weekend for all**



BOULIA CAMPDRAFT & RODEO SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Big or Small everything makes a difference

Want to help us make a great weekend come together

Please contact us at

Bouliarodeo@gmail.com



WOMEN'S WEDNESDAY

COME FOR
A CUPPA, A CHAT
& CRAFTS
GUEST SPEAKERS
WHEN AVAILABLE

EVERY
WEDNESDAY
2025
1PM - 2:30PM
AT THE SHED



NWQICSS

Boulia Community Support Service




AFTER SCHOOL FUN IN THE SHED

WE WILL BE RUNNING AFTER SCHOOL FUN AT THE COMMUNITY CENTRE IN THE SHED

Every Tuesdays from 2.30 – 4.00

There will be
Games, Drawing, Computer time And Chilling

BILLY LIDS -EARLY- LEARNING



Boulia Billy Lids Community Playgroup
Term 1 2025

Date	Playgroup Theme
Thursday 6 th February	Valentine's Day
Thursday 20 th February	Dinosaurs and diggers
Thursday 6 th March	Saint Patrick's Day
Thursday 20 th March	Easter
Thursday 3 rd April	ANZAC Day
Closed for school holidays 6 th – 20 th April Term 2 Resumes 24 th April	

*Please note dates and themes are subject to change.

Contact: Krystal Neilson 0428118723

Boulia Community Support Service



Calendar.....

We are currently working on a draft calendar for 2025 Local and Regional events.

If you feel we have forgotten an event, can you please contact the Boulia Shire Library 07 4746 3408 or library@boulia.qld.gov.au and we will add it in

Local Calendar Events

January	June
26th Australia Day	27th May - 3rd Reconciliation Week
February	July
14th Valentines Day	6th - 13th NAIDOC Week
	18th - 20th Boulia Camel Races
March	August
QCWA March Madness TBC	30th - 31st Boulia Open (Golf)
8th International Women's Day	
20th National Close the Gap Day	September
21st Harmony Day	1st - 7th National Child Protection Week
	7th Fathers Day
April	11th R U OK Day
6th - 12th Youth Week	
18th - 21st Easter	
19th Boulia Races	October
25th ANZAC Day	7th Kings Birthday
	31st Day for Daniel
May	31st Halloween
2nd - 10th Shitbox Rally (passing through Boulia sometime this week)	
6th Labour Day	November
11th Mothers Day	4th Melbourne Cup
16th - 18th Boulia Rodeo & Campdraft	11th Remembrance Day
	December
16th National walk to school day	25th Christmas Day
23rd Biggest Morning Tea	
27th - 3rd June Reconciliation Week	
Breast Cancer Month	

Regional Calendar Events

January	August
	6th Isa Street Festival
February	7th Mount Isa Mines Indigenous Rodeo
1st Mount Isa Sign on Sports Expo	7th - 10th Mount Isa Mines Rodeo
	9th - 10th Winton Open (Golf)
March	30th Betoota Races
15th Mount Isa Zonta International Women's	31st Mount Isa Motor Show
April	September
5th Mount Isa Great Northern Rodeo Buckle	5th - 6th Birdsville Races
17th Cloncurry Easter Fair	13th Bedourie Races
	23rd - 27th Winton Outback Festival
May	
9th Mount Isa St Kierans 40th Mothers Day Fete	October
24th Longreach Show	10th - 24th Mount Isa Fishing Classic
June	November
7th Winton Show	
11th Haymens Mount Isa Tradeshow	December
13th - 14th Cloncurry Show	31st Camerons Corner New Years Eve Party
20th - 21st Mount isa Show	
27th - 29th Birdsville Campdraft, Rodeo and	
July	
3rd - 6th Mount Isa Campdraft	
5th Rockhana Gem, Mineral & Mining Field Day	
8th Birdsville The John Williamson Big Red	
8th Cloncurry Stockman's Challenge &	
10th Melbourne Comedy Showcase in Mt Isa	
11th - 13th Bedourie Bull & Bronc Pit, Camel & Pig Races, Artesian Spa Day	



CHANNEL COUNTRY CHATTER

CONTACTS

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Del George - JP (MAGCT)
Linda Walker

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07 47463158

Councillor
Boulia Min Min Store

0427 571 165

Boulia Roadhouse

SERVICES & BUSINESSES

PHONE

DAYS & TIMES

RUBBISH REMOVAL DAYS

07 47463188

Monday mornings (Residential)

LIBRARY OPEN DAYS

07 4746 3408

Monday – 8:15am – 5:00pm
(closed for lunch 1:15pm – 2:15pm)
Tuesday – Friday, 8:15am – 1:15pm

MIN MIN ENCOUNTER
tourism@boulia.qld.gov.au

07 4746 3386

Monday – Friday, 8:30am – 5:00pm
Weekends - 9:00am – 5:00pm

MAIL DAYS – Boulia Post Office
POST OFFICE HOURS (closed 2-3pm lunch)

07 4746 3129

Tuesdays and Fridays from 3pm
Monday – Friday 9:00am – 4:30pm

REGIONAL EXPRESS

13 17 13

MIN MIN STORE

07 4746 3158

Monday – Friday, 6:00am – 5:30pm
Saturday, 6:00am – 1:00pm
Sunday, 8:00am – 10:30am

BOULIA ROADHOUSE

0474 050 082

Monday - Friday, 6:00am – 7:00pm
Weekends, 6am – 5pm
Hours may change in off season

AUSTRALIAN HOTEL BOULIA

07 4746 3144

7 Days a week 9:30am – 12:00am
Lunch 12-1pm Dinner 6-8pm
No lunch on Sundays

DESERT SANDS MOTEL

07 4746 3000

7 Days a week

BOULIA CARAVAN PARK

0427 021 002

7 Days a week

BOULIA STATE SCHOOL

07 4746 3151

admin@boulia.qld.gov.au

FREIGHT COMPANIES

KENLACH TRANSPORT

WWATS TRANSPORT

CHANNEL COUNTRY TRANSPORT

07 4749 4354

0428 262 617

0409 617 195

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Boulia Shire Council acknowledges the Traditional Owners of Country throughout Australia and recognises the continuing connection to lands, waters and communities. We pay our respect to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander cultures; and to Elders past and present.

For all enquiries in regards to feature articles or advertising in the Channel Country Chatter please contact our Boulia Shire Library library@boulia.qld.gov.au 074746 3408.

