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**A CHRISTMAS WISH**

MILLMERRAN ACADEMY OF PERFORMING ARTS



**SUNDAY 8TH DECEMBER, 5:30PM**

WHERE: MILLMERRAN CULTURAL CENTRE

FOR MORE INFORMATION  
mapa.millmerran@gmail.com

TICKETS AVAILABLE




ENROLLMENTS FOR 2025



- TINY TOTS
- ACROBATICS
- BALLET
- TAP
- JAZZ
- MUSIC
- FILM
- SONGWRITING
- SILVER SWANS
- CHOIR

### Carols by Candlelight

The Christmas Carols are again being held in the Lions Park, Millmerran on Wednesday 11th December. The sausage sizzle begins at 6pm. The Carols follow at 7pm a very enjoyable night is assured. If, by chance, the weather turns bad, we will move to the Cultural Centre.



Event hosted by Millmerran Ministers Association.

Seasons Greeting 2024



Food and Drinks ON SALE  
Beer & Done Coffee

Scouts Drinks & Hot Dogs \$1

Lions Sausage Sizzle \$1  
Hamburgers \$3  
Steak Burgers \$6

Santa & Elf visit at 6.45pm to handout treats & chat with the children.

LED Cyber Cowgirl on eSBTs  
Balloon Twisting demonstration  
Roving Big Bubbles display  
Face Painting FREE  
DJ - Muzic 4 U  
Dancing, Singalong, prizes for the best dancers  
Tag O War  
LED Glowstick Wreath FREE for the children  
Plenty of family fun  
Santa & Elf photo opportunity

MILLMERRAN CHRISTMAS IN THE BUSH  
Saturday 14th December 6pm to 9.30pm  
Domville Place on Campbell, Millmerran




**Santa Drive By in Millmerran**  
Thursday December 19 at 6pm

Booking details for the Santa visit to your home in Millmerran see inside this newsletter



**Lighting Christmas Tree**  
Sunday December 1 at 7pm  
Domville Place Millmerran  
FREE Sausage Sizzle







# MILLMERRAN

## RURAL

71 Campbell Street, Millmerran QLD 4357

Jan Fitzgerald 0428 951 056



**8444 Gore Highway Millmerran—\$820,000**  
Lifestyle / Location - 4.05 ha (10ac) only 4.5 km to Millmerran.

- Spacious 3 Bedroom , 2 bathroom home
- Large under cover outdoor area , cozy firepit area under rustic silo
- Double garage, large shed (high access), workshop, insulated shed
- Dam, 3 x 23000L tanks, 1 x 50000L
- Boundary fence, small horse paddock, 2 stables
- Unique opportunity for rural living close to town



**18 Albert Street Millmerran—\$320,000 Endless Opportunities - Dual Income, Renovation, or Redevelopment Potential.**

- Two separate one-bedroom flats.
- Large Allotment: Generous 1,378 sqm lot.
- Zoned Major Centre, excellent future redevelopment site.
- Located close to town amenities, this property is perfect for investors, developers, or those looking to create a unique home.



**50 Bruce Road Millmerran—\$150,000—Vacant Residential subdivision.**

- Allotment 1033 sm
- Access to town water, Underground power and sewerage.
- Ideal location, walking distance to main street and tavern.
- Fenced on 3 sides
- Don't miss the opportunity to build your dream home in the Mill Pond Estate. Vacant land is in very short supply



**13-15 Castles Road Millmerran—\$750,000 + GST—2 Brand New Industrial Sheds on a Large Corner Allotment.**

- Land Size: 9418 sqm (2.32 Acres).
- Shed 1: Large Ranbuild Shed—29.150m x 16.040m.
- Shed 2: Garage Ranbuild Shed—6.920m x 22.500m x 3.700m.
- Both Sheds have 2 x 5000 gal tanks.
- Double street access, suitable for road train access.
- Security fencing on 4 sides.



Garth, Jan and the staff at Millmerran Rural would like to thank you for your continued support throughout the year and wish you a

*Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.*





# Seasons Greeting 2024



**LED Cyber Cowgirl on stilts**  
**Balloon Twisting demonstration**  
**Roving Big Bubbles display**  
**Face Painting FREE**  
**DJ - Muzic 4 U**  
**Dancing, Singalong, prizes for the best dancers**  
**Tug O War**  
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## MILLMERRAN CHRISTMAS IN THE BUSH

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Domville Place on Campbell, Millmerran

*FREE community event brought to you by:  
Millmerran Commerce & Progress Inc & Millmerran Community Support Service*



Sponsored by - Genex Power Limited, Toowoomba Regional Council and PCL







Welcome to the December Millmerran and District Newsletter

Suddenly it is December and 2024 is nearly finished. What a year it has been! Thank you to everyone who has offered support in any way to Millmerran Commerce and Progress. It has been another fun and productive year with 2025 shaping up to be even better. The Domville Place project will begin its transformation into a central spot for visitors and community to relax and enjoy. We can't wait to begin this upgrade and unfortunately the hold up has been sourcing insurances to cover our organisation for the project.

Christmas Tree

It's December so the Christmas Tree will once again be erected in Domville Place. We would like to invite our community to join us at 7pm, Sunday 1st December for a free sausage sizzle and lighting of the tree. Our Christmas in the Bush celebration will take place once again in Domville Place on Saturday 14th December starting at 6pm. Food and drinks will be available for sale and Santa will make a guest appearance at 6.45pm. Santa Drive-By is happening again this year on Thursday 19 December, the famous HR Holden Ute will take Santa around to children's homes in Millmerran to greet them and provide a bag of treats.

Millmerran Hospital

The new Millmerran Hospital is on track to open its doors in the first half of 2025. This hospital will enhance healthcare in our small town with modern services and we are all looking forward to our first look inside.

Millmerran Business Directory

The revised Millmerran Business Directory has been printed and distributed to businesses in town. This booklet is a MCPI initiative, and we shall have further editions printed as needed.

The next MCPI General Meeting will be our final one for the year on Wednesday 18 December at the Millmerran Tennis Club, 40 Commens Street, Millmerran – 5.30pm for a 5.45pm start. We ask that those attending please bring along a plate to share with a cool drink to celebrate the great year that we have had.

Please remember that there will not be a January meeting or Millmerran & District newsletter printed.

Our first meeting for 2025 will on 19th February at the Millmerran Tennis Club, 40 Commens Street, Millmerran – 5.30pm for a 5.45pm start.

Best wishes to everyone for a happy and safe Christmas and a great new year for 2025.

Nikki Macqueen for Millmerran Commerce & Progress Inc.



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General Meeting 18th December 2024 - held at Millmerran Tennis Clubhouse, 40 Commens Street, Millmerran - next door to Millmerran Indoor Sports Centre. Open at 5.30pm for 5.45pm start

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New December - newsletter advertising Rate Card is available on MCPI website—www.millmerrancommerce.com. HOME PAGE - NEWSLETTER

Articles can be emailed to Millmerrannewsletter@gmail.com—mailed or dropped in the YELLOW BOX—on the landing of Horizon Accounting office — 31 Campbell Street, Millmerran.

Please submit your ads or updates by the 16th day of any month.

No Newsletter is printed for January of any year.



Millmerran pony club  
would like to wish you a  
Merry Christmas and  
Happy New Year.

Our club members out and about!

Pictured : Ethan Burgess 2nd overall Kilcoy camp draft.  
Tavay McAuley : Highest overall points over 2 days at Kilcoy.  
Bella Sauverain : State champion team at Maryborough Showjumping teams championship.



Bella Sauverain

For information:  
Patrick Lunney  
0428 052 254  
F: Millmerran Pony Club



Ethan Burgess



Tavay McAuley

# MILLMERRAN AUTO CLUB

1975 **50** 2025  
Years

*Celebrating 50 Years of MAC*

**15th March 2025**

Reserve Raceway & The Mill Inn Tavern  
**MILLMERRAN**

*Historic Racecars on display at the track*

FREE ENTRY 12pm - 3pm

**Gala Dinner - The Mill Inn Tavern**

Old video footage - Photos - Memorabilia - Guest speakers  
From 5:30pm til late

Pre purchased tickets only - \$70pp including MAC polo shirt (BEFORE NOV .30)  
\$80pp excluding shirt (AFTER NOV .30)

**Merchandise - Pre order by 30th Nov. 2024**

FOR MORE INFORMATION: KEN & EMMA ISEPPi 0448 937 807  
LINDSAY SIMMONS 0427 956 197

- Millmerran Auto Club inc 50th Year Celebrations

MILLMERRAN AUTO CLUB  
PO Box 131  
MILLMERRAN QLD 4357

Email: [millmerranautoclubinc@gmail.com](mailto:millmerranautoclubinc@gmail.com)

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Club Secretary: Di Pomfrett  
Tel: 0400 124 181  
Events Secretary: Jacinta Follington  
Tel: 0408 129 928  
Treasurer: Mick Middleton





# LITTLE TACKERS

## Enrol Now for 2025

07 – 4695 2999

### Dates to remember

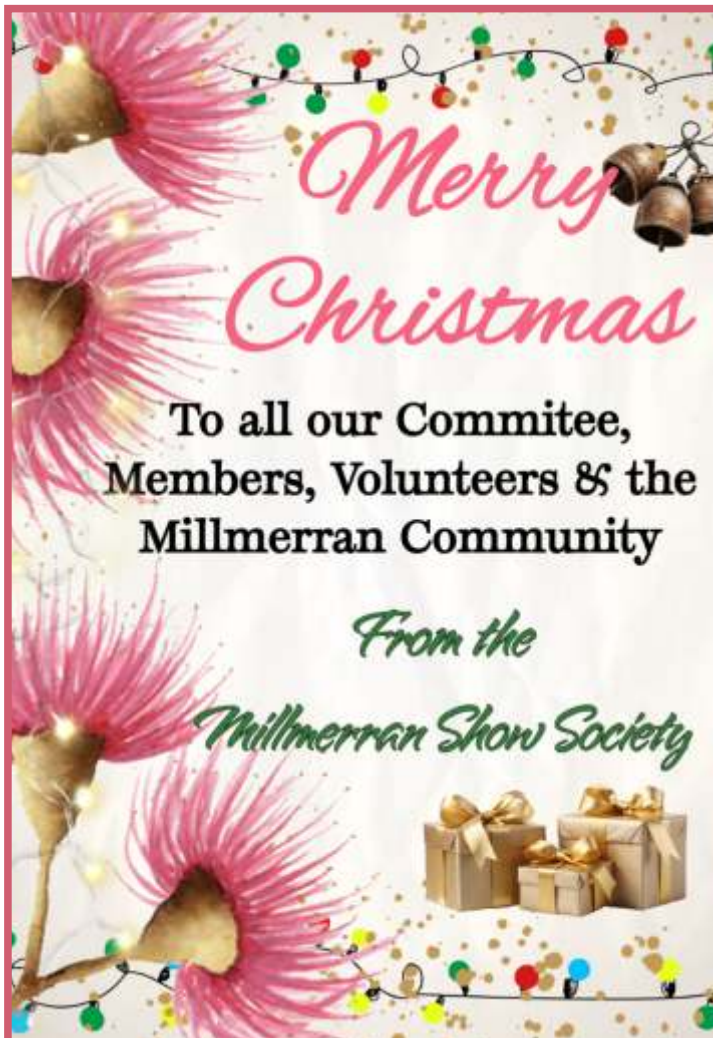
- 7<sup>th</sup> December Little Tackers Christmas Party 10.30am-12pm @ Lions Park Games, activities, Santa & sausage sizzle
- Little Tackers Closed Monday 23/12/2024, and open Monday 06/01/2024

We'd like to take this opportunity to congratulate all our Kindy Graduates and can't wait to see you all in your school uniforms next year. Remember –

You're braver than you believe,  
Stronger than you seem  
And smarter than you think



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[millmerran@littletackerschildcare.com.au](mailto:millmerran@littletackerschildcare.com.au) 07 4695 2999





**KOOROONGARRA TENNIS CLUB**

**AGM & XMAS PARTY**



**SUNDAY 22 DECEMBER FROM 2PM**

**AGM AT 2PM SHARP  
FOOD & DRINKS FROM 3PM**

## BRINGALILY CHRISTMAS

Friday 13TH December 2024  
6PM start at Bringalily Hall

Santa to visit at 7:30pm  
(please bring a small gift for your child)



BBQ and Bar operating, cash only.  
Please bring a dessert to share. ALL WELCOME!

## MILLMERRAN SENIOR CITIZENS

Hello and happy silly season to all.  
By the time you read this we would have enjoyed our Christmas get together at the Pittsworth Hotel on the 28<sup>th</sup>. I am sure we would have had a great time. May you all have a joyous and restful break and a very Merry Christmas and look forward to a great 2025.

**We will meet back at the Cultural Centre on the 13 th February 2025 for our AGM at 1.00pm.**

*We meet every 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Thurs for Senior get togethers to share fun and games and general enjoyment of friendship.*

### WHAT IS CHRISTMAS.

It is tenderness for the past, courage for the present, hope for the future.  
It is a wish that every cup may overflow with blessings rich and eternal and that every path may lead to peace.

### MERRY CHRISTMAS.



Enquires to 0483 027 957 or 0427 371 717.  
We would love to meet you.



The members of the Millmerran & District Historical society would like to wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a Happy new year.

All members are invited to attend our last meeting for the year and enjoy a Christmas breakup BBQ.

**The General meeting will be held on Tuesday 10 December at 10.30 am followed by the BBQ starting at 12pm.**

The Historical society is providing the BBQ. If you would like to bring a desert to share that would be appreciated.

**Please RSVP to Linda Weymouth 0456 204 102 for catering purposes.**

The museum is only open by appointment currently until further notice. Please do not hesitate to contact us if you would like to visit and we will do our best to accommodate you.

Museum Contact Linda 0456 204 102

[www.millmerranmuseum.com.au](http://www.millmerranmuseum.com.au)  
millmerran\_historical@hotmail.com

*A Year of Community and Creativity with the Millmerran Arts Council*



The Millmerran Arts Council would like to extend a heartfelt thank you to our wonderful community for your support and participation in our events this year.

Your involvement made each of these moments special, including:

- The Acoustic Guitar Spectacular at Millmerran Bowls Club
- The "Waiting for Brenda" concert ahead of the Camp Oven Festival
- The Whalebone Performance for students of Millmerran State School and St Joseph's School
- Our Morning Melodies show at the Cultural Centre

Plus, being part of the Mother's Day Market and Halloween Disco

Looking ahead, we're excited for what's to come in 2025 and can't wait to share new events with you. We wish everyone a joyful and festive holiday season, and we'll be back in the new year with even more ways to celebrate our community.

**SAVE THE DATE**  
Our Annual General Meeting (AGM) will be held on February 9th – more details to follow.  
Thank you again for your support, and we look forward to another fantastic year!

**Find us on Instagram @millmerranarts  
www.millmerranartscouncil.com.au**



Stick Rake

Contact:

Matt

mobile No:  
0405270330



Cotton Spears

- Stick Rake
- Cotton Spears
- Bucket



Bucket

Attending every Monday  
at 31 Campbell Street, Millmerran

**clo**  
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## Millmerran Tennis Club

*The Millmerran Tennis club are going to subsidize the costs of Junior Coaching again in 2025, as we have this year.*

Our coach, Steve, has room for more players, so spread the news amongst your families and friends.

**Monday night social tennis 7-9pm, cost \$5 per player. If you would like to have a hit of tennis call Tim on 0418 384 006.**

Private court Hire including racquets and balls are available by appointment, call Tim.

**To all our players, and non players, young and old, may you all have a safe and peaceful Christmas.**

**Till Next Year.**



Best wishes to all  
for Xmas & 2025 from  
**Millmerran Arts & Craft**

Xmas breakup is Wednesday Dec 11th.

Tuesday Quilting resumes Feb 4<sup>th</sup> 2025

Wednesday Craft resumes Feb 5<sup>th</sup> 2025

Contact Leanne 0428 437 608





**Sporting Shooters Association  
of Australia (Qld) Inc**  
**Millmerran & District Branch Inc.**  
**891 Heckendorf Road, Millmerran**  
PO Box 140 Millmerran Qld 4357

## Target Shooting—A sport for young and old

### What's on in December:

- 7 Christmas Shoot.
- 14 **Monthly Meeting 9am ~ Silhouette Pistol ~ Service Rifle**
- 21 **Lever Action Rifle Metallic Silhouette**
- 28 **Shotgun 9am to 2pm ~ Service Pistol 3pm onwards**

Please phone discipline captains to confirm shoots and start times

## NEW MEMBERS ALWAYS WELCOME

President:..... Travis Caesar..... 0428 714 689  
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 Treasurer: ..... Marie Lewis ..... 0439 631 987  
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Field Rifle: ..... Campbell Adamson ..... 0499 604 520  
 Shotgun:..... Adam Lewis.....0400 724 359  
 Rifle Silhouette: ..... Travis Caesar.....0428 714 689  
 Pistol Silhouette & Service Pistol: Adrian Blinco ..... 0428 583 101  
 Service Rifle & Single Action: Tom Briskey..... 0418 790 027  
 Practical Pistol: ..... Cameron Plant ..... 0428 731 920



Follow us on Facebook "Millmerran & District SSAA"

## Millmerran Men's Shed Inc.

ABN 66 292 710 086 PO Box 20, Millmerran QLD 4357

Email: [contact@millmerranmensshed.org.au](mailto:contact@millmerranmensshed.org.au)

Christmas is almost upon us once again, and what a year it has been. We have been lucky enough to have had some good falls of rain over previous months which has the country looking flash in every direction from Millmerran. This last year the Mens Shed has completed quite a few jobs for our local friends that included restoration of furniture pieces and construction of other projects. These are things our members are capable of and enjoy doing. We also have some beautiful pieces of vintage furniture for restoration and then for sale.

We have been fortunate enough to welcome a few new members to the shed lately and we are always on the lookout for more new members. We have also lost a few members as they move on to broader horizons. We would sincerely like to thank all who have supported us over the last 12 months with our BBQ'S our sale of goods and steady flow of jobs coming into our shed.

There are many businesses and organisations in town that are only too happy to help us when we need pointing in the right direction or need help with technical stuff. For this we thank you.

**The Mens Shed wish you all a Happy & Holy Christmas and a Happy and Healthy New Year.**

*Quote: Sometimes I can't tell if I'm in pre-school or high school Oh wait...I'm at THE MENS SHED.*

Howard Rickert    Graham O'Sullivan    Bob McIntosh  
 0437 004 357        0437 332 371        0432 520 336

## Scrubby Creek Rural Fire Brigade

Hi all the weather has been very hot and lots of storms stay safe in the storms. In this hot weather make sure you have plenty of water on hand and look out for each other and check on your neighbours and family.

Make sure you have your fire plan in place, and be vigilant on what is going on in your area may be fires or another Emergency Ring 000.

We like to welcome our new member, one member is doing their FMS training at Southbrook and doing well. We like to thank our two members that did a night shift out at Moonie.

QLD Rural fire Volunteers around the state have been very busy helping other communities with their fires spending days and nights trying to get the fires contained.

*Our meetings are the third Sunday of the month at 10.30 am*

*Training are on Mondays at 7pm*

Fire Shed - Camellia Court, Millmerran Downs.

If you would like to help your community come to our meeting and join.

**We would like to thank our volunteers for all their hard work they have put in to help their community and wish every one a very Merry Christmas and a safe New Year.**

[WWW.FIRE.QLD.GOV.AU/CURRENT](http://WWW.FIRE.QLD.GOV.AU/CURRENT) INCIDENTS OR  
[FIRE.QLD.GOV](http://FIRE.QLD.GOV).

**Stay Safe & Ring 000 if you have any Emergency**

Fire warden James Pratt 0477 864 963

Deputy fire warden

Dennis Dwyer 0427 699 070



## MILLMERRAN SES

(State Emergency Service)

**TRAINING nights 7pm**  
**5th December 2024 &**  
**16th January 2025**

**For further information, feel free to send us an email at**

**or call Paul on 0488 441 425**

**New members are always welcome.**

**Remember, if you are in need of emergency storm or flood assistance contact the SES on 132 500**





## Millmerran Scout Group

Come along and meet the team at  
2 James Street Millmerran.

Cubs Aged 7-11 & Scouts aged 11-15  
meet every Friday during School Terms.  
Cubs 3:30 – 5:00pm Scouts 5.00 – 7:00pm

Contact enquiries: Group Leader:  
GL@millmerran.scoutsqld.com.au  
or: treasurer@millmerran.scoutsqld.com.au

**BE PREPARED FOR LOTS OF FUN  
AND NEW ADVENTURES**

Do you have cans & bottles lying around your house?  
Our group will happily accept any donated bottles & cans  
and the money received supports our group.  
Bottles & cans can be dropped off to our recycling centre  
located at the front of our Scout hut.



Find us on Facebook  
Search: Millmerran Scout Group



## Millmerran Golf Club Inc.

**The Annual General Meeting will be held at 9.30am 8th December.** Nominations for committee and member attendance would be gratefully appreciated. All Committee positions are available for nomination. Please consider your position as a member, if you can offer any experience, to learn or do something extra, in becoming committee member. Nomination forms are available at the clubhouse. As the Club runs mainly on volunteer input, the club needs active members to maintain our great asset.

**Merry Xmas to one and all and a big thanks to everybody that has input into the club.**

Remember the course is maintained by mainly volunteers that give up their time to provide a top quality course at reasonable rates. As a member if you can help out please do.

**Thanks also to our many sponsors and Trophy donors.**

Friday Sporters and Saturday Chook run usually kick off 2 > 3pm. Competition starting times in Summer are 11.30am for 12n tee off ( no lunch) Winter are 10.30am for 11am tee off..

### DECEMBER 2024

Sun 1st Jasch Family Modified Stableford Mug & Goblet Final  
Sun 8th Kelly Family Cross Country **AGM 9.30am & Xmas party**  
Sat 14th, Sun 22nd, Sun 29th Club Trophies

### JANUARY 2025

Sun 5th Club Trophies  
Sun 12th Captain vs President 18 hole Stableford  
Sun 19th Club Trophies  
Sun 26th George Lindenmayer Memorial Secret Partners Mug & Goblet



## HOSPITAL AUXILIARY

Wow! Another year nearly done  
and dusted.  
Many thanks to all that have helped the  
auxiliary during 2024

A big thank you to Margaret and her  
helpers for all their on going work with  
the Rose Garden.  
The garden looks great.

Deepest sympathy to Shirley, Alan and  
family at this very sad time on the  
passing of Wayne.

*Next meeting will be on Tuesday 18th  
February 2025 at 1.00pm  
New members most welcome.*



**Wishing everyone a very Merry  
Christmas and a Happy 2025**

For any further details contact  
Cheryl King 0456 820 944

## Millmerran Golf Club Inc.

Sadly, in recent times we have seen two previous members passing  
on, **Terry Bright and Maureen McCluskey.**

**Maureen** was a very competent and popular lady Golfer that held  
associate committee positions and dominated the ladies'  
championships throughout the eighties and nineties being A Grade  
champion almost every year in that period, also winning many  
district events as well. She was a true Champion and very humble  
in her golfing success.

**Terry Bright** our iconic barman: There have been many people  
involved in the evolution of the Millmerran Golf Club but none so  
memorable as Terry. He was employed as the club's barman and  
general dogs' body in the eighties and nineties, Terry was not only  
an icon at the club but also known far and wide in the golfing  
fraternity. He was an extremely social and entertaining character  
who devoted much of his life to the clubhouse and running it. He  
was a true professional in his position and could work a packed bar  
while smoking five cigarettes and drinking three beers and be in  
many conversations from one end of the bar to the other, much to  
the dismay of some local members but, Terry did push the  
boundaries at time. If Terry wasn't in a drama, he would create  
one, he loved a performance and a song, (Frank Sinatra New York  
New York was a favorite).

I doubt if anybody could outperform Terry's commitment. His  
contribution to the club went far above and beyond what was  
required, his social personality was a beneficial input to the club  
during his years as barman, to the people who knew him, his  
charismatic persona will be a lasting memory. And everybody will  
have many stories of their own experiences with Terry. For some  
it's the old saying what happened at the club stays at the club.

On his retirement due to ill health of his mother Stella, he was  
awarded Life Membership. As Terry said: Golfers are a funny lot.



# Enrol Now!



Free  
Kindy  
2025

## C&K Millmerran Community Kindergarten

39 Margaret Street, Millmerran, QLD, 4357



To arrange a visit, call us today on 07 4695 1764  
or visit us at [www.candk.asn.au/millmerran](http://www.candk.asn.au/millmerran)



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# MILLMERRAN STATE SCHOOL

PREP - YEAR 10

Phone (07) 4695 3333    [admin@millmerranss.eq.edu.au](mailto:admin@millmerranss.eq.edu.au)

*Millmerran State School is proud to offer students a supportive and diverse learning environment. The school boasts experienced leadership, dedicated teachers and support staff.*



*From all the staff and students, we would like to wish all of our school families and the community a very Merry Christmas!*

*We are currently accepting enrolments for all year levels for 2025*





# MILLMERRAN LOCAL AMBULANCE COMMITTEE



Are your First Aid & CPR skills up to date? Do you know what an AED is and how to use it? Knowing where a First Aid kit or AED is located & how to use them can save precious time in an emergency. If not, consider booking a First Aid course or CPR refresher course. The skills you learn may save your family, friends or co-workers in an emergency situation.

**Next general meeting THURSDAY 23rd January, 2025 at 6 PM**  
**New members always welcome.**

**Wishing everyone a very Merry Christmas and New Year**  
**Thank you to everyone who has supported LAC during the year.**

**For more details contact -**  
**President Wayne Hardwick 0409 044 115 or**  
**Secretary Clare McGowan 0427 509 563.**



Scrubby Creek Rural Fire Brigade volunteers demonstrate the use of a fire hose at the fund day recently at Wylahra Grove Hall.

SU Australia

## TRAILER FOR CHANGE SCHOOL CHAPLAINCY RAFFLE

Money raised will support school chaplains in the Toowoomba Region

**Buy \$5 Tickets**

[su.org.au/trailerforchange](http://su.org.au/trailerforchange)



**Win a 6x4 Trailer**  
**Plus home appliances**

## MILLMERRAN LANDCARE

Phone: 0427 952 336

Email: [millmerranlandcare@bigpond.com](mailto:millmerranlandcare@bigpond.com)



### Christmas Get Together

Friday 20th December

"Narraburra"  
Koorongarra Rd

5.30pm



Join us for a celebration of the year that was. Let's thank everyone involved in a great year of Landcare and meet new and old faces

**BBQ dinner provided**

Please BYO drinks, friends and family

Please RSVP to Bec on above contacts by 18th Dec

## Landscape Rehydration Introductory

### 1 day Workshop

Water heals landscapes!

Wednesday 11th December

9.00am till 3.00pm

**Venue: To be advised on registration**

Learn how to read water processes to interpret landscape health. Discover the strategies that deliver results.

This free one-day landscape rehydration workshop, presented by regenerative agriculture consultant Sam Skeat, provides a foundational understanding of a farm's water cycle and our approaches to rehydrating rural landscapes. Explore a range of strategies including natural structures that can optimise a farm's water cycle and improve landscape function.

#### **You'll learn:**

- reading and interpreting rural landscapes
- fundamentals of water in landscapes
- skills in assessing the health of a farm's hydrology
- exploring Landscape Rehydration options

RSVP to 0427 952336 or email [millmerranlandcare@bigpond.com](mailto:millmerranlandcare@bigpond.com)

**Smoko and lunch provided**







Wylahra Grove Progress Assoc Inc.  
Community Recreation Hall  
72 Primrose Dr., Millmerran Downs  
[info@wgpa.com.au](mailto:info@wgpa.com.au)  
Ph: 0429 078 012

**Activities and Events at the Community Hall**  
Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> December, General Meeting. 9.30am  
for 10am start.

Yearly Membership fees, are now due. \$10 per year.

Monday. Garden Club 10am to 12md.

Tuesday. Craft/social. 9am to 12md.

Wednesday. Bible Studies/Gospel Blues. 1pm to 3pm.

Saturday. Music Hub. 5pm to 8pm.

**Saturday 7th. FREE SAUSAGE SIZZLE,**  
by Bec Kirby, as a Xmas thankyou, from  
Landcare, during music hub.

Sunday. Bible Studies/Gospel Blues. 1pm to 3pm.

GOLD COIN Entry Fee Per Adult.

NO Women's Circle this month.

**Breakfast 9am on Sunday 15th. \$8.**

We are holding a mega Xmas Raffle, on Sunday 15th,  
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Please note the adjusted start time of 5:30pm.

As the year wraps up and we look forward to 2025.

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We would like to take this time to thank all of our students, teachers, sponsors, volunteers, parents and the Millmerran Community, whom without your support - our school would not be possible.

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Tickets will be on sale until "Christmas in the Bush" event.

We have run a barbeque at the local clearing sale and we will be doing the barbeque at the "Christmas in the Bush". Please support your local Lions Club at this event.

We have also attended the awards nights of both the Millmerran State School and St. Joseph's School to present the Lions Club bursaries. Congratulations to all the recipients of these awards.

We are also getting ready for our annual "Citizen of the Year" presentation. We have a dinner to announce this person and to thank all the wonderful volunteers who have helped us throughout the year.

There are no more **Garage Sales until 8th February, 2025**, but we are still accepting donations and selling items from the shed. Please contact any of the persons listed below.



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The raffle is a multi-draw of: A Handmade Quilt and 3 lovely Xmas Hampers

December & January Birthdays, wishing you all a Happy Birthday:

- Beryl Hearne (4<sup>th</sup> Dec)
- Michael Richards (3<sup>rd</sup> Jan)
- Jackie Dean (5<sup>th</sup> Jan)
- Peter Antonio (16<sup>th</sup> Jan)
- Laurel Dawson (26<sup>th</sup> Jan)

**There is no Auxiliary Meeting for the month of January.**



### Wishing you all a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year

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Our RFS is manned by volunteers and we need your support to make our community safe and healthy. Be aware, be careful, be vigilant, be involved. We are all in this together.

**Happy holidays from Forest Pines RFB family. Have a safe and happy holiday from our families to yours.**



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## December/January Holiday Closure



**MCSS will close at 12:30 pm Tuesday December 24th & re-open Thursday January 2nd 2025 at 9:00am**



For any **Centrelink enquiries** over the Christmas closure please contact Services Australia on:

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### MCSS Christmas Tree Appeal

December 1st—December 16th



It has been a hard 12 months financially for many Australians and MCSS would like to help support our local families in need this Christmas Season via the MCSS Christmas Tree Appeal.

Starting December 1st we welcome **unwrapped, new presents** and **non-perishable food** to be donated to MCSS for our local St Vincent De Paul Representative to deliver to **local families** over the Christmas period.

This year we would like to cater for a diverse group. Please do not forget the Adults/Teenagers/Men.

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For more information please contact staff at MCSS on 46955650



*For urgent matters over the Christmas/New Year break please contact*

*Virginia Wacker on 0448 608 869*



### CHRISTMAS SCONE TIME



**Wednesday December 4th**

**Location TBA**

**9:30am—10:30am**



*Come join MCSS Staff for a free morning tea to celebrate Christmas and the end of 2024.*

*Come dressed in your Christmas Best*

*We look forward to sharing this time with you*

### Coming Up In December

Wednesday 4th—MCSS Christmas Scone Time

Sunday 8th—MAPA Christmas Concert

Saturday 14th—Christmas in the Bush

Tuesday 24th—MCSS Closes at 12:30pm

### Qualified Justice of the Peace Service Available

JP services unavailable from Dec 21st 2024 —Jan 8th 2025  
For JP services over the break please GOOGLE "After hours JP Services" and type in Millmerran for a list of local JPs



### Services Australia

#### Change to reporting dates

**Please be advised:** your reporting date over Christmas/ New Year for Centrelink may change.

Please check the following website for updated reporting dates or contact MCSS on 46955650 before 12pm December 24th.

[www.servicesaustralia.gov.au/public-holiday-reporting-and-payment-dates](http://www.servicesaustralia.gov.au/public-holiday-reporting-and-payment-dates)



Thank you to the Millmerran Community for your ongoing support in 2024. We look forward to working with you in 2025. Have a safe and Merry Christmas. See you all in the New Year.

Virginia, Jayde & Joelene



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## Millmerran Power Small Grants Program

### Introduction

The Millmerran Community Small Grants Program has been funded by 7 main companies that worked at the station for the 2024 major outage. It is aimed to support and empower local initiatives through the provision of financial assistance. With a total fund of \$34,700, the program aims to foster community development, promote social inclusion, and enhance the quality of life for residents. Each grant awarded under this program will be up to a maximum of \$5,000.

### Eligibility Criteria

To be eligible for the Millmerran Community Small Grants Program, applicants must meet the following criteria:

- Applicants must be community groups, or non-profit organizations based in Millmerran.
- The project or initiative must directly benefit the Millmerran community.
- The project must align with one or more of the program's focus areas: community development, social inclusion, education, health, environment, arts, and culture.
- Applicants must provide a detailed budget and plan for the use of the grant.

### Application Process

The application process for the Millmerran Community Small Grants Program consists of the following steps:

Step 1: Application Submission – Complete the application form, providing all necessary information.

Email [adminmill@genuity.com.au](mailto:adminmill@genuity.com.au) to obtain the form.

Step 2: Review & Decision – Applications will be reviewed by a Millmerran Power to ensure they meet the eligibility criteria and align with the program's objectives. Successful applicants will be notified of the decision and the amount of the grant awarded.

Step 4: Fund Disbursement – Funds will be disbursed to successful applicants upon agreement of terms and conditions.

Step 5: Final Report – Upon completion of the project, recipients will submit a final report detailing the outcomes and impact of the grant.

### Important Dates

Key dates for the Millmerran Community Small Grants Program are as follows:

Application Open Date: 1<sup>st</sup> December 2024

Application Close Date: 24<sup>th</sup> December 2024

Notification of Decision: 10<sup>th</sup> January 2025

Fund Disbursement: By the end of January 2025

### Contact Information

For any inquiries or assistance with the application process, please contact:

Program Coordinator: Neil Burtenshaw – Site Services Manager

Email: [nburtenshaw@genuity.com.au](mailto:nburtenshaw@genuity.com.au)

Phone: 0408 662 346

We look forward to your participation in the Millmerran Community Small Grants Program and to supporting initiatives that make a positive impact on our community.



# UPCOMING EVENTS

2024

- December 1 Christmas Lights/Windows & Mail Boxes. Lights turn on till 27 Dec.
- December 1 Millmerran Christmas Tree lighting & Sausage Sizzle - Domville Place 7pm
- December 1 Bike Cavalcade to view Christmas Lights from 5.30pm
- December 1-16 MCSS Christmas Tree appeal
- December 7 Rocky Creek Hall Christmas Dinner
- December 7 Cecil Plains Christmas Carnival
- December 8 MAPA Concert- "A Christmas Wish"
- December 11 Carols by Candlelight
- December 13 Bringalily Christmas Tree
- December 14 Christmas in the Bush 6pm
- December 19 Santa Drive By 6pm
- December 31 New Years Eve Rocky Creek Hall

2025

- January 26 Australia Day Rocky Creek Hall
- February 8 Lions Garage Sale
- February Charity Fundraiser for Life Flight
- March 1 & 2 Millmerran Show
- March 15 Millmerran Auto Club 50 years



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### Ingredients

1/2 lb Butter

1/4 lb Castor Sugar

1 lb Plain Flour or Gluten Free Plain Flour

Pinch of salt

### Method

Combine all ingredients together and put the flour into the butter and sugar by knife.

Knead the dough towards you.

Gently roll or flatten out the dough with your hands and cut into long rectangles or rounds, using a glass.

Prick the biscuits with a fork right through the biscuit.

Cook in a moderate oven until lightly golden brown.



## Christmas

### Word Search



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## Rich Fruit Cake

### Ingredients

10 oz Plain Flour

8 oz Butter

7 oz Brown Moist Sugar

4 large Eggs

2 oz Almonds chopped

1—1 1/2 lb Dried Fruit

4 oz Glace Cherries

2-4 oz Mixed Peel (optional)

Grated rind of 1 Orange

1 tbsp Black Treacle

1/4 tsp each of Nutmeg, Cinnamon & Mixed Spice

1/4 tsp Bi-Carb Soda

1/2 tsp Salt

2 tbsp of Brandy, Rum or Sherry

### Method

Prepare a 9 inch cake tin by lining with a thickness of baking paper. Warm your mixing bowl and beaters. Place butter and sugar and grated rinds in the bowl, beat at minimum speed until ingredients have combined, then increase speed. Cream until light and fluffy, turn off, add treacle at a low speed and add eggs one at a time, thoroughly beating each. Reduce speed to minimum, tip in all the sifted flour, salt, spices and soda, then the fruit and nuts. Switch off as soon as ingredients are incorporated and turn out into the prepared cake tin.

Bake in a slow oven (300 degrees F) for 1 hour, then slightly reduce heat (275 degrees F) for 2 1/4 hours. When cake is cold, turn upside down pierce with a skewer in several places, and pour on the Brandy, Rum or Sherry. When this has soaked in, turn the cake the right way up, wrap in greaseproof paper and place in air-tight tin. Note—prepare cake at the beginning of December.



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"I am Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the ending," saith the Lord, "which is, and which was, and which is to come, the Almighty."  
Revelation 1:8 (KJV)

## "I AM" God

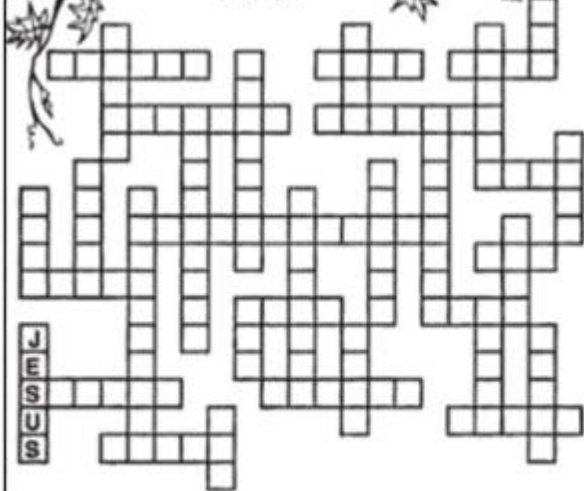
If you have a red-letter Bible (meaning that the words Jesus spoke are in red print) you might notice something very interesting about the term "Alpha and Omega" - a phrase written only 4 times in the Bible & all of them in the book of Revelation. The 4 occasions are found in Rev 1:8, 1:11, 21:6 & 22:13. Now if we look them up in our red-letter edition of the Bible, we'll find that 3 of them are in red & 1 of them is not. Why is that? Because Jesus only spoke 3 of them, but it is God that speaks in Rev 21:6. Now, the word "Alpha" is the first letter of the Greek alphabet & "Omega" is the last letter of the Greek alphabet, which is why each time this phrase is used, it is followed with "beginning and ending", or "the first and the last". But the interesting thing is that all things can only begin once & all things can only end once - never twice!

So, how can Jesus be the beginning & the end, and God also be the beginning & the end?? How? Because they are the same being!! I love how the Bible never contradicts but always encourages us to have faith. Jesus is God and God is Jesus. Jesus is God in the flesh, which is best explained in Mat 1:23 "Behold, a virgin shall be with child, and shall bring forth a son, and they shall call his name Emmanuel, which being interpreted is, God with us,". What a gift Jesus the Messiah is!

*Isaiah 44:6*  
Thus saith the Lord the King of Israel,  
and his redeemer the Lord of hosts:  
***I am the first, and I am the last; and beside me there is no God.***

Jesus had many names. All the words below were used to refer to Jesus in the Bible. Fit the names into the puzzle. (Hint: Start with the longest names.)

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| GOD  | SEED   | CHRIST       |
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| ONE  | BREAD  | TEACHER      |
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| WORD | TRUTH  | IMMANUEL     |
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| LIFE | BRANCH |              |



Further confirmation is seen when comparing what God said, when Moses asked God for a name to tell the children of Israel, who sent him to rescue them - Exo 3:14 "And God said unto Moses, I AM THAT I AM: and he said, Thus shalt thou say unto the children of Israel, **I AM** hath sent me unto you." Then we can read what Jesus said to the argumentative and disbelieving Jews in John 8:58 "Jesus said unto them, Verily, verily, I say unto you, Before Abraham was, **I am**."

This year we've covered all the times that Jesus used the term "I am...", but just think, every time Jesus used that phrase, he was actually using his real name "I AM". (John 10:30 - I and my Father are one.) Christmas is here again. May we remember the great I AM that came to earth as a baby to live amongst His greatest creation, mankind - the One who gave His life for our sin so we don't have to perish for eternity. What love the Father has toward sinful man! Please consider Jesus the son of God, God himself, the beginning & the ending of all things, the Alpha & Omega. Praise God for the wonderful gift of salvation that he offers to all men. Ask Jesus to be your Saviour, so you can know the I AM. Have a safe & blessed **Christmas**.



# Life & Faith

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## **Because of Christmas!**

Because of Christmas I know God loves me! Not everyone grew up in homes or environments where they felt very loved, celebrated or cheered on. So, we all have different reference points in life but, whatever our experience, each of us have a God shaped place within us. And that place can only be filled by God's love.

I pray that what we're sharing together this month resonates in your heart. As you read, I encourage you to believe and to receive the great love the Father has for you.

If you've dealt with rejection or feelings of loneliness where you don't feel loved, don't feel accepted. To people around you, you might seem okay but on the inside you just don't feel loved...you feel that sense of rejection.

There is one who loves you, has always loved you. How can you know? How can you be sure?

John 3:16 assures us, *For this is how God loved the world: He gave his one and only Son, so that everyone who believes in him will not perish but have eternal life.* In giving Jesus, God didn't just say, *I love you.* He showed us. He proved to the whole world, to everybody that would ever live, for all time, *I love these people above all, and I am willing to do anything and pay anything to get them and save them...and He did.*

God loves you!

Go onto verse 17, *God sent his Son into the world not to judge the world, but to save the world through him.* When we understand this verse, it's clear God isn't condemning or judging us. Yet how many ministers and churches have preached condemnation trying to shame people into compliance. That's not God! God does not want you burdened by shame, condemnation or guilt.

God sent Jesus into the world not to condemn us, not to shame or make us feel guilty. No, He's not pleased with sin. God's not going to tell you sin's okay but He's not going to condemn you over it either. He wants help you get free of it.

You might say, but you don't know what I've done! Well, I'd have say, you don't know the power of God's love or just how much he loves you. 1 John 4:9-10 tells us, *God showed how much he loved us by sending his one and only Son into the world so that we might have eternal life through him. <sup>10</sup> This is real love—not that we loved God, but that he loved us and sent his Son as a sacrifice to take away our sins.*

It's not about whether you are loving Him enough or loving Him the right way? It's so easy, because of our own human nature, for us to fall into a religious mindset of works in trying to earn or deserve God's love. God said it's not about that.

Jesus didn't come to start a religion or even a denomination. He came bringing an invitation...an invitation He shares in Matthew 11:27-30.

I like this best in the Message Bible, *Jesus resumed talking to the people, but now tenderly. "The Father has given me all these things to do and say. This is a unique Father-Son operation, coming out of Father and Son intimacies and knowledge. No one knows the Son the way the Father does, nor the Father the way the Son does. But I'm not keeping it to myself; I'm ready to go over it line by line with anyone willing to listen."* <sup>28-30</sup> *"Are you tired? Worn out? Burned out on religion? Come to me. Get away with me and you'll recover your life. I'll show you how to take a real rest. Walk with me and work with me—watch how I do it. Learn the unforced rhythms of grace. I won't lay anything heavy or ill-fitting on you. Keep company with me and you'll learn to live freely and lightly."*

Wow! What an invitation!

Do you see that God loves us just as much as He loves Jesus? Can that be true...that the Father really does loves us just as much as He loves Jesus? Yes, it is. He said so. Read the conversation between Jesus and the Father recorded in John 17. Notice verse 23 where Jesus is speaking, *I am in them and you are in me. May they experience such perfect unity that the world will know that you sent me and that you love them as much as you love me.*

My friend, you are so very deeply loved! This Christmas time, I pray that you would experience for yourself the love of God and you would truly know how deeply loved you are. His love for you is real and unchanging.

Happy Christmas! May the embrace of His love be wrapped around your heart.





# Christmas Trivia



1. On which day of the week was Christmas Day 2019?
2. What colour are the berries found on the European mistletoe plant?
3. Which journalist, writer and poet wrote the first ever King's Christmas message - it was for George V in 1932?
4. What did Tom Smith of London invent in 1847 after getting the idea on a trip to Paris?
5. What is the name of Bob Cratchit's youngest child in the book, A Christmas Carol?
6. The modern Santa Claus was based on traditions surrounding which fourth-century Greek bishop?
7. If you were born on Christmas Day, what is your star sign?
8. Which song plays out the end credits of the film Die Hard?
9. What, with parts called 'lametta', was invented in Nuremberg, Germany in 1610?
10. Who played Kris Kringle in the 1994 film Miracle on 34th Street?
11. Who were the English Protestants in the 16th and 17th centuries that objected to celebrating Christmas?
12. Lloyd Christmas is roommates with best friend Harry Dunne in which 1994 film?
13. What do Americans call reindeer?
14. At what time on Christmas Day each year does the Queen broadcast to the nation?
15. In 1989, a record TV audience of 22 million watched the UK premiere of which film on Christmas Day?
16. On the fifth day of Christmas what new items did my true love give to me?
17. What cake is offered typically during Christmas throughout Italy?
18. Which item of clothing brought Frosty the Snowman back to life?
19. Which Christmas carol is noted for the Latin line "Gloria Hosanna in excelsis!"?
20. What did Henry Cole give us in 1843?
21. Eating a Kentucky Fried Chicken meal is a Christmas tradition in which country?
22. Which American state's Spanish translation literally means 'covered in snow'?
23. Who plays aspiring entertainer, Private First Class Phil Davis, in the 1954 film White Christmas?
24. Which festive song is the biggest-selling single in UK chart history not to reach number one?
25. What was the name of the lady who was handed divorce papers on Christmas Day 1986?
26. Who married Alice Fitzwarren?
27. Who first appeared in a 1939 booklet written by Robert L. May?
28. How old was Kevin in the 1990 Christmas comedy film Home Alone?
29. The General Post Office stopped delivering letters on Christmas Day in England in which year: 1940, 1950, 1960, or 1970?
30. Often used in Christmas floral displays, what is Euphorbia pulcherrima?





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As the year draws to a close, we still have a couple of holidays to celebrate.

The most significant for many will be Christmas Day.

The celebration involving gift giving/receiving, sumptuous feasts, get together's with family and friends and all the trimmings that go along with the festive season.

While it is a wonderful time to bring the year to a close, spare a thought for the reason we observe the tradition of Christmas.

While the date may not be accurate, it is in remembrance of Jesus, the Son of God coming to this earth as a baby, to offer all of humanity the opportunity to live forever with Him in heaven and the earth made new.

However you celebrate this time of year, I wish for you all a happy and safe holiday season.

'For God so loved the world that He gave His only Son, so that whoever believes in Him should not perish, but have eternal life. For God did not send Jesus into the world to condemn it, but in order that the world might be saved through Him.'  
(The Bible - John 3:16,17).

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Sunday 1st 9.30am Morning Prayer  
Sunday 8th 9.30am Morning Prayer  
Sunday 15th 9.30am Morning Prayer  
Sunday 22nd 9.30am Holy Communion  
Christmas Service

**Please note no service Christmas Day**

Sunday 29th 9.30am Morning Prayer

### Services for January 2025

Sunday 5th 9.30am Morning Prayer  
Sunday 12th 9.30am Morning Prayer  
Sunday 19th 9.30am Morning Prayer  
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Sunday December 22nd	Liturgy 8.30am
Tuesday December 24th	Vigil Mass 6.00pm
Sunday December 29th	Liturgy 8.30am
Sunday January 5th (Epiphany)	Mass 9.30am
Sunday January 12th	Liturgy 8.30am
Saturday January 18th	Mass 6.00pm
Sunday January 26th	Liturgy 8.30am



## Wind from Elsewhere Ministry

For many of us, Christmas Time is a happy time, spending it with family and friends, exchanging gifts, having a meal together, admiring the shimmering lights and glittering tinsels on the Christmas tree. BUT, how many of us remember the wonderful Gift God gave us, some 2000 years ago;...that gift being King Jesus. YES! We sing hymns about Jesus being born in a manger, being wrapped up in swaddling clothes, not really fit for a King; we read about the Angels singing "Hosanna, the King is born!", and about the shepherds and the wise men who went to worship Him.

JUST THINK how much Jesus loved us to be willing to leave His Heavenly place behind, and to become a little baby, so He could grow up and die for our sins!

We all know the story of the Birth of Christ. But why is it so important to remember that Joseph was not Jesus' father? Because Jesus would have been just like us:- born with a sinful heart. He wouldn't been able to die for us. He would have had to die for His own sins, not ours. But, because God was Jesus' Father, "His heart was pure and without sin, the Bible says, and neither was deceit found in His mouth." 1Peter 2:22.

Do you love Jesus? If you love Him, remember that "He loved you first." 1John 4:19. Yes! Jesus loves you. He loved you when He was with God in Heaven, before He came to earth. He loved you then, He loves you now, and He will love you forever.

*"For nothing can ever separate us from the love of God!"*

**Romans 8:38**



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