



# News from your local councillor Cr Julie Talty

Division 6: Mount Cotton/Redland Bay



Christmas 2024



## Dear Residents,

Merry Christmas! As we enjoy the festive season we can take stock of the amazing year that brought us here, and look forward to all the great things we hope for in the year to come.

I would like to wish you and all those dear to you good health and a merry Christmas.

My special thanks to all who have supported me to continue my work in Council to improve our facilities and opportunities in Division 6.

I hope you enjoy the presents under the tree, the people who put them there,

and the extra spark of gratitude the season brings.

The best Christmas gifts are the ones we've had all year – a roof over our heads, food in the fridge, and family to enjoy it with. May the richness of gratitude be yours this Christmas!

**Cr Julie Talty –Division 6**

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## Did someone say party?

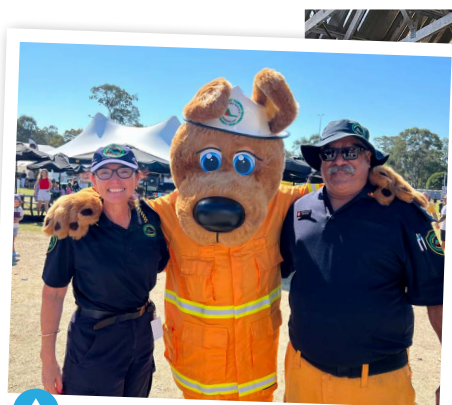
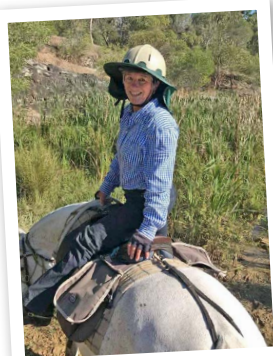
The Community Christmas Party (pictured) is on again in Mount Cotton Community Park on 24 November. This is one of the best community events in the city. Please remember parking is very limited and if you cannot walk to the park from home, you may need to drop off and park on Hardwood Drive and then walk back. The event is sponsored by Redland City Council and presented by Mount Cotton Fellowship and Calvary Christian Church. Another great event is The Cage Redland Bay Village Christmas By The Bay to be held in Stradbroke Street, Redland Bay, on Saturday 30 November from 2pm-7pm.



## Trailhead named in honour of Gail Thomas

The trailhead at Bayview Trail Park was named to honour Gail Thomas (pictured), one of the original members of the community and trail users advisory group. This group was formed to provide Council advice from a user's perspective into the design and development of our trail parks.

Mrs Thomas was an active organiser in the local RedRivers Trail Group and worked over many years with Council's park managers to improve facilities for trail riders on Redlands Coast.



## At the ready for fire season

After nine years our Mount Cotton Rural Fire Brigade have just achieved their own second-hand appliance (pictured right) and they are very excited about what they will be able to do to help the community



to be prepared for fire season. Also pictured, Cr Talty and RFSQ's Mike Watego and Bushy joined with other volunteers to run a community education stall at RedFest 2024.



# 📌 A year full of achievements



The amazing crew of the Cage Youth Foundation making a difference in the lives of Redlanders both young and not so young.



The 95 Wing RAAF exercised their Freedom of Entry to the City of Redland on April 13. It was a sight to see and included a stunning low fly over by a C17 Globemaster.



The new tennis wall and ball games stage has well and truly been broken in and is regularly enjoyed in Mount Cotton Park.



Community Easter Celebrations and Mount Cotton Colouring competition presentations 2024.



Volunteer Community Policing and Neighbourhood Watch groups made a huge difference to the safety of our city throughout 2024.



Volunteer community groups are the glue that binds a community. Working together to provide free Movie in the Park events are Redland Bay Men's Shed and Community Connections.



Council is supporting RSPCA Queensland to deliver a purpose-built Wildlife Hospital and Wildlife Centre of Excellence through the provision of a hectare of public land in the Redlands IndigiScapes Centre precinct. RSPCA Queensland and Council have partnered to accelerate the vision for the state-of-the-art facility. Also this year, Council confirmed at its May general meeting its continued support of the Redland Whitewater Centre at Birkdale Community Precinct by committing to being a Brisbane 2032 Olympic and Paralympic Games Junior Games Partner.



Works wrapped up recently on a major upgrade to the popular Charlie Buckler Memorial Sporting Fields in Redland Bay with an official opening (pictured inset) in September. The new club house was used for the first time by the Redland Bay Cyclones Rugby Union Club for their end of season awards celebration (pictured).



Hike to the Summit 2024, Eastern Escarpment Trail Park, with Mount Cotton Scouts, Community Connections, Mount Cotton Rural Fire Brigade, Supa IGA, Park Social, Strudwick's Property Management and Mount Cotton's Minion.

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