



Pine Mountain & Districts Progress Assoc. Inc.

NEWSLETTER

November 2009

XMAS CAROLS – SUNDAY, 6TH DECEMBER, 2009



**Merry
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Please join your neighbours & friends in the goodwill spirit of Christmas and enjoy the Music and Carols - Santa will arrive on a fire engine! – BYO chairs, umbrellas & insect repellent. – Glow sticks for the kids - Xmas Carol Song Books will be provided. - Come along & say g'day to Cr David Pahlke

(NB: WET WEATHER CONTINGENCY PLAN: The Pine Mountain Rural Fire Brigade has kindly offered us the use of their shed on Russells Rd, below the "Cricket Pitch", if it should rain on the night)

From 5 pm – Sausage Sizzle & Soft Drinks – run by the Pine Mountain Rural Fire Brigade

The Pine Mt. Rural Fire Brigade also will be holding *Xmas Raffles* that will be drawn during the evening, including the **major prize** of a hand-made Queen size Quilt (approx. value \$2000), second prize DJR V8 Super Lap (approx. value \$800) and other prizes drawn at 7:30pm. Tickets are \$2. If you would like to help sell tickets or buy tickets before the night, please contact Karen Mahon on ph. 5464 3855 or ph. 5467 0999. Thank you.

~ Support Your Volunteer Fire Fighters ~

PLUS from 5pm music will be provided by Don Brinkworth's band.

6:30 PM – COMMUNITY CHRISTMAS CAROLS!

7:30pm – Raffles drawn

BRISBANE VALLEY RAIL TRAIL

SEQCatchments (SEQC), in partnership with other groups, has been commissioned to develop a natural resource management plan for the Brisbane Valley Rail Trail. The trail extends from Wulkuraka, through the Pine Mountain district to Blackbutt.

To help develop the plan, SEQC would like to capture the views of local landholders about the line, its history and relevance to other activities in the district. Landholder views about how the conservation and recreational opportunities provided by the line can be enhanced would also be valued.

We are also interested in documenting the many and varied vegetation species along the line and learning more about how the rail corridor has been incorporated into local fire management plans.

SEQC is aware there are many long-term residents still living in the Pine Mountain district who would have photos and valued memories of the rail line and the district. We would welcome the opportunity to talk to them. SEQC hopes to conduct a "morning tea" at the Ipswich Art Gallery for Pine Mountain residents with "stories to share" about their district. We would like to capture the event and the stories on film. As yet, no date has been set for the morning tea.

However, if you are interested and willing to share some local history, or learn more about the development of the NRM plan for the Brisbane Valley Rail Trail, could you please contact Jean Bray (*Community Partnership Manager for the Mid-Brisbane and Bremer Catchments*) ph 38169722 or mob 0409004832 or email jbray@seqcatchments.com.au.

LOCAL BRIDLE TRAIL UPDATE

In February 2008, Ipswich City Council commenced the planning phase for the Pine Mountain Local Bridle Trail (PMLBT) project. The aim of the project was to establish a bridle trail network within the Pine Mountain District for the benefit of the local community. The PMLBT is intended to function as a multi-user trail circuit for local horse riders, hikers/walkers and leisure cyclists (mountain biking). Opportunities investigated for consideration in forming part of the bridle trail network included unformed/unmade roads, existing road reserves, council owned land and the future Brisbane Valley Rail Trail (BVRT).

Stage 1 of the PMLBT includes sections of Pine Mountain Quarry Rd, Farrell Rd, Russells Rd, Trowers Rd, Mahons Rd and the BVRT. The combined distance of stage 1 is approx 9Km (includes BVRT– Borallon Station Rd – Bayley Rd). Stage 1 is near completion, subject to installation of trailhead signage at the Cricket Pitch. Stage 2 is subject to further investigation. For more information, please contact the Secretary (see details below).

BLESSING OF THE GRAVES AT ST MICHAELS CHURCH

On Saturday 28 November at 9am, a Mass will be conducted at St Michaels Church, Pine Mountain Rd, Pine Mountain (up the hill from Pine Mountain Hall) followed by a Blessing of the Graves in the cemetery. Residents are invited to bring a plate and to share in a picnic afterwards at the cemetery.

PINE MT HALL FOR HIRE:

ph. 5464 3796

PINE MT RURAL FIRE BRIGADE:

For information contact *Fire Shed*: ph. 5467 0999 *Fire Warden* ph. 5464 3747

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