

**SUBJECT: COUNCILLORS' REPORT - MAYOR CR GAIL SELLERS**

**Responsible Officer: Chief Executive Officer**

**Council Meeting Date: 19<sup>th</sup> April 2011**

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### **Executive Summary:**

Cr Sellers submits the following report.

### **Background:**

#### **Councillor Report:**

##### **Business Technology Expo**

The 2011 Business Technology Expo was held on the 6<sup>th</sup> April as part of the Qld Government Information Communication Technology (ICT) Expo. There was a large amount of information available and the Regions' representatives took advantage of the opportunity to discuss regional issues with industry representatives and ICT experts.

##### **Gladstone Dance Festival**

The annual Gladstone Festival of Dance was held over two days on 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> April at the Tannum Sands High School Hall. It was an excellent opportunity for the dancers of the region to compete against each other. Once again, the talent of our youth shone out.

##### **70<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Naming of Tannum Sands**

On Saturday afternoon 9<sup>th</sup> April, I attended the 70<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Naming of Tannum Sands. The afternoon was very well attended with a constant stream of residents. All who attended were very interested in the memorabilia on display and enjoyed afternoon tea and a chat.

##### **Gladstone Community Hub**

The Community Hub had another open day on Sunday the 10<sup>th</sup> April. Councillors McDonald, Butler and Sellers attended the event and were once again very impressed with Costa who took us ***Up the Garden Path***. He gives a very animated presentation and is totally committed to preserving the environment.

##### **Library Square Gig**

On Monday evening, the combined primary schools presented the *Library Square Gig*. This was a concert by the instrumental music students and once again shows the skills of our talented young people.

##### **Federal Government Digital TV Switchover**

Councillors received a presentation on the proposed Digital TV Switchover. We understand there will be Satellite and Householder Subsidies. Information is available on-line and with myswitch you are able to access information about your area. Agnes Water area will change over in the second half of 2011.

##### **Queensland Police Service Awards Ceremony**

Councillors Butler, McDonald, Hansen and Sellers attended the Awards Ceremony on the 13<sup>th</sup> April. National Medals and Clasps were awarded to six recipients. Qld Police Service Medals were presented to seven. Certificates of Appointment and the Adopt-a-Cop of the Year 2010 were also presented.

#### **Airport Stakeholders BBQ**

Councillors Cameron, Butler, Brushe, McDonald, Hanson and Sellers attended the Airport Stakeholders BBQ on 13<sup>th</sup> April. The function was organised to say thank you to those who live in the neighbourhood. Over eighty invitations were hand delivered Portfolio Chairperson Councillor Clyde Cameron spoke on behalf of GRC and expressed the appreciation of the Council.

#### **GSE Team from Indiana**

Council is hosting a morning tea for the incoming Rotary GSE Team from Indiana. Caps were presented and a Tie for the Mayor of their city. The team of four members aged between 18 and 30 years of age, with a Rotarian as their team leader. The GSE Dinner was held at Rydges and the team delivered an excellent presentation on their area.

#### **Intercity Images**

On Friday 15<sup>th</sup> April the Art Gallery and Museum opened several exhibitions, including **ANZAC DAY; Lest We Forget; Two Tommies: Paintings by Beryl Wood, carvings by Keith Wood; The Promised Land: The art of Lawrence Daws; 1888 Melbourne Cup** and **2011 Intercity Images**. The 2011 Intercity Images is once again a wonderful success with our local photographers being very busy over the past few months. The photographs will be used in an exchange with our Sister City Saiki.

#### **Sea Dreams**

On Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> April the official launch of the **Sea Dreams** Project was held. This will stimulate participation in creative arts and showcase local talent in the writing, dance, drama, music visual art areas. The festival will be held in August.

#### **Street Parade**

The annual Rotary Club of Gladstone Midday Alcan Street Parade was once again an outstanding success with crowds flocking to the city centre to watch it pass by. This event signalled the commencement of the annual Harbour Festival.

#### **Harbour Festival**

The 49<sup>th</sup> Annual Harbour Festival commenced on Sunday the 17<sup>th</sup> April. Crowds attended the opening and with beautiful weather we are looking at a successful Festival.

#### **Strategic Airlines.**

Strategic Airlines commenced their new Gladstone flights on the 18<sup>th</sup> April. The event was celebrated with a brunch at the Entertainment Centre.

#### **Officer's Recommendation:**

That

1. The report be received.

**Attachments:**

1. Nil

**Tabled Items:**

- 1.

**Report Prepared by:** Mayor Cr Gail Sellers

