

DALBY INTERAGENCY MEETING

Held at the **MYALL YOUTH AND COMMUNITY NETWORK CENTRE**
16th February, 2010

Meeting Chaired and opened by Carolyn Tillman at 12.05pm.

Attendance: Carolyn Tillman (WDRC); Damien Plackett (DSQ); Wendy Ambrose (DISCO); Nancy Nixon (Learning Network Qld); Jayne Swift (Ozcare); Linda Maurer (Gambling Help); Alicia Fairlie (TASC), Kim Raine (TASC); Nadine Dorans (Dalby Crisis Support Assoc); Janet Hutchinson (Dalby Crisis Support Assoc); Lyn Wright ((Qld Health); Beth Wood (Western Downs Skills Project); Rod Vagg (TASC); Renay Norman (Western Downs Regional Access Committee); John Forrest (Centrecare Toowoomba)); Jennie Downham (Spiritus Social Services); Jodie Taylor (WDRC); Raelene Ward (Consultant Centre for Rural & Remote Mental Health Qld); Tim Saal (CRRMHQ); Hilary Weedon (Rural Services Officer Centrelink); Zoe May (Farm Financial Counselor, DEEDI); Mel Riddiford (Goondir Health); Annette Jasinski (Lifeline); Leigh Plummer (DoC CSO); Jessica Ryan (DISCO); Karmyn Dorries (DISCO); Charlene Hall (WDRC); Heather Walker (ADFQ); Katrina Cho (ADFQ); Maree Byrton (St. Vincent de Paul); Jessica Hobbs (Qld Health) Kylie Jones (Dalby SHS Chaplaincy); Rilla Witt (U3A); Jo Duncan (Dalby State High School); Scott Hawkins (Aust. Sports Commission); Lisa Ryan (Bluecare); Melissa Sankey (Community Health Dalby); Lyn Clancy (MYCNC).

Apologies: Norman Wotherspoon (Centrelink); Leisa Rees (MYCNC); Penny Parker (Qld Health); Jason Lucy (Dalby Probation & Parole Corrective Services); Fran Hardy (ADFQ); Betty Noble (Community Care Aged Care); Jane Gately (HCC);

Tim Saal – Centre for Rural & Remote Mental Health Qld (CRRMHQ) – timsaal@crrmhq.com.au phone 0400 104 332 explained the BB2 (Building Bridges) project – reading matter will be forwarded by email shortly through MYCNC network.

Raelene Ward – CRRMHQ Consultant phone 0400 304 019 – wardra@usq.edu.au spoke briefly about the BB2 project which will be coming to Dalby shortly.

Jessica Hobbs – (Q Health) Darling Downs Public Health Unit phone 0408 474 729 – Jessica_hobbs@health.qld.gov.au works to encourage preventative health in the Toowoomba, Western Downs, Southern Downs and Burnett areas.

Hilary Weedon – Rural Services Officer Centrelink phone 0428 661 622 – Hilary.weedon@centrelink.gov.au works with the rural community to provide the information they need on property or at a venue of their choice, ie accountants etc. Also assists with the mobile servicing unit.

Zoe May – Farm Financial Counsellor DEEDI phone 4661 6648 – zoe.may@deedi.qld.gov.au – interested visitor advising the Farm Financial Counselling service is still available to primary producers in the Dalby region.

The service is a free and confidential for primary producers to help them to understand their financial position.

Annette Jasinski – Lifeline Darling Downs Rural Family Support phone 4662 3234 – ajasinski@lifelinedarlingdowns.org.au –

Mel Riddiford – Goondir Health/Counselling Service phone 4662 2986 – mhc@goondir.org.au – she is the substance misuse support and referral work for Goondir – referrals come from Clinic, other agencies, or self referred. It would appear that the support role of Mel accompanying clients to and from sessions with ADFQ and ATODS is working well with clients attending appointments.

Leigh Plummer – (CSO Department of Communities) phone 4699 4208 – leigh.plummer@communities.qld.gov.au – if anyone requires her assistance, please contact her via these details.

Kylie Jones – (Dalby SHS Chaplaincy) phone 0419 202 845 – kjone316@eq.edu.au – interested visitor who is also considering different ways of extending her youth work.

Rilla Witt – (U3A) – rillawitt@optusnet.com.au – to obtain details on classes, costs for this seniors' organisation "University of the 3rd Age" which boasts 260 members in Dalby, please email as above.

Scott Hawkins – Australian Sports Commission – scott.hawkins@ausport.gov.au will email anything of interest to MYCNC for onforwarding to the Network.

Jessica Ryan – DISCO phone 4662 2147 – Jessica@disco.org.au – is a trainee with DISCO and is working with Karmyn in the Youth Connections and Get Set For Work programs.

Karmyn Dorries – DISCO phone 4662 2147 – Karmyn@disco.org.au – is working with 14/18 year old youth who are disengaged or disengaging from school. Karmyn will be working for 3 days per week on personal and career development and working towards each student obtaining a Certificate 1 in either Business, Retail, Automotive or Construction. The main aim for the program is to help the young people to transition from school into either the workplace or further education.

DISCO also announced the opening of their Roma office with Leisa Finch to manage the YES program for 17/24 youth who are under employed, unemployed or not at full time training.

Damien Plackett – (DoC Disability Services) – phone 0428 107 628 – announced the Inter District Sportsability events between Dalby Blue Care, USQ, Pittsworth, Chinchilla, Dalby, Jandowae – this is a social day for families and friends of people with a disability. Events will be held on the 27th April at USQ, June at the PCYC Dalby with the final at USQ. These events will comply of mainstream sports which have been slightly modified.

Nancy Nixon – (Learning Network Queensland) – dalby@LNQ.net.au – phone 4669 7284 offers you information, services, programs and support to assist you to increase your skills and knowledge - anyone can use the computers – internet access is available – a small fee per mgb is charged for downloading. Contact Nancy for more information.

Jayne Swift – (Ozcare) – phone 1300 663 702 – jaynesw@ozcare.org.au – works with women escaping domestic violence. Ozcare is also still awaiting the two houses promised them last year. Jayne put in an apology for Betty Noble

who is working with the Community Care Aged Care and who asked Jayne to pass on to you all the following:

Community Care has started 1 client and 1 staff and will be advertising their services in our local paper. At the moment they are doing Extended Aged Care at Home (EACH) which is about 15 hours of care per week. They are also doing the community Care Packages which is about 5 hours of care per week.

To gain access for both these packages, the consumer need to be assessed by the Aged Care Assessment Team which visits Dalby from Toowoomba... Cost to the consumer is \$107.65 per fortnight.

Linda Maurer – Gambling Help – lmaurer@lifelinedarlingdowns.org.au – phone 4632 2615 is ready to assist with educational programs. Please contact her directly.

Katrina Cho – ADFQ – visiting with ADFQ workers.

Heather Walker – ADFQ – heather.walker@adfq.org – Youth worker non clinical - Referrals are coming in but they require more – ADFQ now services the areas of Tara, Dalby Kilkeven, Blackbutt and the South Burnett;

Wendy Ambrose – ADFQ – wendy.ambrose@adfq.org – phone 0400 405 229 –

Kim Raine – TASC – kimr@tascinc.org.au – phone 4616 9700 - Kim is working mainly with families and child protection either face to face, phone consultations or video conferencing. For appointments please contact Lyn at MYCNC.

Alicia Fairlie – TASC – aliciaf@tascinc.org.au – phone 4616 9700 is working on the Disability Law Projects representing people on criminal charges who have an intellectual disability, acquired brain injury or mental illness. For appointments either face to face, phone or by video link-up, please contact Lyn at MYCNC on 4662 0152.

Charlene Hall – Councilor with the WDRC and holds the position of Spokesperson for Community Services– Charlene.hall@wdrc.qld.gov.au – phone 0437 239 970 attends as a Councilor and wants everyone to know that should you have any queries, she is always there to assist.

Nadine Dorans – and

Janet Hutchinson - Dalby Crisis Support Association – phone 4669 8499 – da73580@bigpond.net.au – works on an open door policy with families with children up to the age of 18 years. Nadine also announced that through Landmark and with the proceeds of their fundraising, they will be presenting a project for 16/25 year old women to be held on the 10th March – this will include promotion of women's' health and fitness and have Guest Speakers from June Dally-Watkins.

Lyn Wright – (Q. Health) phone 4669 0772 – lyn_wright@health.qld.gov.au – a Social Worker at the Dalby Hospital and covers also the Chinchilla area.

Beth Wood – (Western Downs Skills Project and Zonta) – headstwo@bigpond.com – phone 4662 4063 – Zonta, a Women's' Service Club which looks at the status of women worldwide is bringing Tanya Major, the 2007 Young Australian of the Year to Dalby to assist in the project "Girls Helping Girls" which will include working going into schools as a motivational speaker and working with up to 12 'at risk girls' from the 15th March 2010.

DATE CLAIMER - Breakfast at Carma on the 16th March at 7am
- cost is \$40 per head
- for bookings contact Gabrielle on 0400 768 463.

Western Downs Skills Project continues to promote livability in our area.

Maree Burton – St. Vincent de Paul – phone 4662 3497 – fax 4669 7510 – is interested in knowing how they can be of assistance to the community, as well as knowing what services are available so that may be passed on to clients.

Jenny Downham – Spiritus Social Services – phone 0447 735 975 – jdownham@spiritus.org.au gave us the history of the Healthy Communities Network, encouraged all to attend the Western Downs Healthy Community Forum which covers all aspects of health.

John Forrest – Centacare Twba phone 4688 3100 – jforrest@tmba.centacare.org.au – is doing counseling outreach clinics for all ages as well as drought and project work.

Rod Vagg – TASC – RodneyV@tascinc.org.au – phone 4616 9700 – carries out advocacy work for people with disabilities, mainly in the Toowoomba area. However, for assistance in either Toowoomba or outreach areas, please contact Rodney.

Jodie Taylor – WDRC – Jodie.taylor@wdrc.qld.gov.au phone 4672 1182 is the Community and Cultural Coordinator and happy to provide information and advice. Announced that UNLEASH 2010 will be the Dalby Youth Event during National Youth Week – Local Bands, JC Epidemic and professional bands will be performing at the Showgrounds on the 17th April and the Skate Park Jam on the Sunday from 12 noon till 4pm. The Community Directory is complete. Community Plan 2050 survey closes on the 28th February 2010; WDRC is also surveying service providers and facilities audit which will map services and facilities to identify any gaps.

Renay Norman – Western Downs Regional Access Committee – phone 4668 5688 – wdraccess@gmail.com also runs the Disabilities Sports at Jandowae (JAG) and Dalby and would like to see the same activities in other areas. She is assisted by Phil Norman.

Carolyn Tillman – Councilor at WDRC holding the position of Spokesperson for Community and Cultural Development phone 0401 662 352 – carolyn.tillman@wdrc.qld.gov.au happily announced that the 'Fence has gone up' around the new Multitenancy building which will house the MYCNC and as many other service providers as would like to be a stakeholder. The vision of the MYCNC is to provide an area where youth and community are able to meet, carry out activities as well as access the community service providers which will all be under the one roof resulting in easier referrals.

Lyn Clancy – MYCNC phone 4662 0152 – mycnc@bigpond.com would like details of meetings held throughout the region to place on the Council Website.

The next Dalby Interagency meeting will be held at noon on the 16th March, 2010 at MYCNC.