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CHRISSY 'SEW' KEEN TO HELP

Chrissy Joester, pictured, could stitch up one of the state's top awards after being 'sew' keen to help native wildlife. In fact her production line has now pumped out more than 1600 special joey pouches. **PAGE 3**



NEWS
STUDENTS ARE TOP OF CLASS
Sarah Lurie, pictured, and Joshua Killey - both from Burpengary East - were among those celebrating when the OP results were released on Saturday. Both got OPIs. **PAGE 11**

NEWS
JORDAN MAKES HIS POINTE
JORDAN Butler is dancing with delight as we approach the New Year. The Burpengary resident will head south to pursue his ballet dream. **PAGE 4**



NEWS
MOTORISTS DO THE BOLT
Caboolture Police are disappointed at the number of people not leaving their details after running into other cars - especially in car parks. **PAGE 6**

Marina on horizon

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Development step closer with State approval for river work

THE marina development at North Harbour is a step closer after work in the Caboolture River was given the green light. North Harbour develop-

ers North East Business Park, with neighbouring developer Trask Development Corporation, applied to the State Government to carry out work that would allow

construction of the marina on the river's south bank. The government wanted reassurances work would not impact the river, landholders or marine life and

to know who was responsible for managing erosion on the north bank, opposite the proposed marina. Moreton Bay Regional councillors last week

agreed to take responsibility for the funding, ownership and ongoing maintenance of areas within the application area. **TO PAGE 5**

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River outcome looms



Agreement is drawing near for this stretch of Caboolture River which holds the key to a major section of the North Harbour development.

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Decision on horizon for key section of development plan

It was believed Unitywater would also contribute to the erosion works.

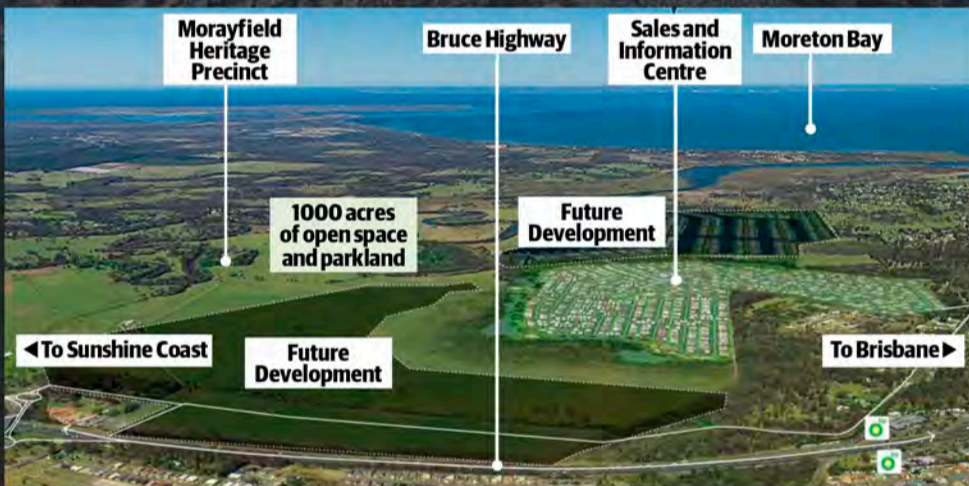
North Harbour project director Peter Lightbody said there were still some way to go before the marina went ahead, but it was an important step.

"There has been a lot of discussion over who does what in the river," he said.

"This council resolution means the council will look after the northern bank along with Unitywater, with us as proponents on the southern bank.

"That means some entity has been identified for all components and hopefully it is a way forward and a catalyst to get approval."

Cr Adrian Readell (Div 12) said dredging of the river was definitely needed.



"If it all works out well and it doesn't cost the council, there are several achievements out of this one proposal," he said.

Cr Peter Flannery (Div 2)

said there would be significant economic benefits to the region as a result of the decision.

"Caboolture River is currently eroding and I

believe in the future we'll have to take action to prevent erosion to our assets along there," he said.

"The Federal Government has previously said they are

happy for this to occur. There is a lot of community support for this, people are asking me when is it going to happen."

Cr Adam Hain (Div 3) said once completed North Harbour would be "the most significant development in the northern end of the region" and a "game changer".

Councillors Darren Grimwade and Allan Sutherland declared a conflict of interest as one of the applicants was a political donor of theirs, left the Chamber and did not vote.

Trask Development Corporation owns land next to the North Harbour project and has been working with North East Business Park on getting approvals.

BRIEFLY

Centre fee rise

Fees at Caboolture Regional Aquatic Leisure Centre will rise from 2018/19 to be in line with other regional pools. From May, entry for an adult will increase 10 cents to \$5.90, and then \$6 in 2019/20. Entry for a child will rise from 40 cents to \$5.10 in 2018/19, and \$5.50 in 2019/20. From July 2019, two adults and two children will be \$23.

Gridlock gripes

Despite constant complaints of congestion on Bribe Island Rd, the area only received two nominations on RACQ's gridlock locations for Queensland. It was the Bribe Island bridge that racked up the complaints, with Lower King St and the McKean St railway crossing in Caboolture raking in a few.

Venue changes

Superstar Mariah Carey has announced her planned tour of Australia, which was set for February, was being rescheduled. Her Sandstone Point Hotel gig has now moved to October 14. Email info@mjrprepresents.com for more information.

Unlicensed driving

A 25-year-old Morayfield man was located driving without a licence in Sandstone Point on Tuesday, December 12. He was diverted from attending court, and issued with an infringement notice.

Robotics workshop

Five USC pre-service teachers have created resources to help schools teach coding and robotics to children from Prep to Year 6. Caboolture's Samantha Brown was among the students who worked with Meridan State College for a robotics workshop for regional school teachers.

Food truck fiesta

Caboolture's first Food Truck Fiesta of 2018 will be held on Friday, January 19, from 5-9pm, at the Caboolture Hub. Head along for a huge variety of food stalls and live entertainment.

Pumicestone keys

Newly-elected state MP Simone Wilson has had a delay in obtaining the keys for the Pumicestone electorate office. She said she would update residents as she found out more.

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