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SOUTH QUEENSLAND CONFERENCE NEWSLETTER

YOUNG ADULTS CONNECT CONVERGE



More than 300 young adults from around Australia gathered at Stuart's Point in North New South Wales on the weekend of February 12-15. The occasion? To accept the challenge to take their relationship with Jesus to the next level. Under the leadership and vision of Jeff Parker, the Australian Union Conference (AUC) Youth Department Director, "Converge" was an 18+ festival that was initiated to foster friendship and faith in young people. The Converge equation was simple: Jesus + worship + friends + beach = "next level living".

Several speakers, including international guests Jeremy Anderson and Pako Mokgwane, and South Queensland's own Murray Hunter, inspired and encouraged attendees to become true followers of Christ who live out their faith in their spheres of influence.

A number of South Queensland young adults were present at Converge, with one youth group from Logan City church

dedicating a whole afternoon to sharing testimonies from their life-changing experience when they got home. Here are a few testimonies from some of our South Queensland young adults:

"Converge was an amazing spiritual experience! Awesome speakers that inspired action. An event not to be missed."

"Converge was awesome! It was really inspiring. I really like how Jeremy [Anderson] always said that it's not about you, it's about Him, and that's when you really realise that we are on this planet to serve God. We also had really fun activities—lots of water sports. My favourite part of the weekend was on the commitment night, when everybody turned on their phone flashlights to create hundreds of little lights in the dark. It was an amazing experience."

It is so exciting to see what God is doing in the lives of our young people in this great nation!

Photos by Charmaine Patel

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An Afternoon of Gracelink

On February 13, children’s Sabbath School teachers gathered for some Gracelink training at our Admin and Resource Centre. There were over 30 teachers from 10 different churches, including some attendees from Toowoomba and more than from Townsville. Our experienced presenters were Maureen Ellson and Anthea and Kaylene Arkcoll, current teachers at South Brisbane church, and the information and practical ideas they shared were well received by those who attended. The other pleasing aspect of the training was seeing the energy and comradeship among our teachers who are passionate to share Jesus with the children in their churches, Sabbath after Sabbath! The desire of the Children’s Ministry Department is to equip our teachers and continue to support them in the crucial role of making disciples of our children for Jesus.

PASTOR WILLIE STRICKLAND
DIRECTOR OF CHILDREN’S MINISTRIES



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Young Adults Connect O’HELLO

Closer to home, the friendship and fellowship continued for our Young Adults. O’HELLO! is more than just a greeting. It signified the kick-off of ASA SQ’s (Adventist Student Association, South Queensland) ministry for 2016. On February 27, more than 100 university, TAFE and gap-year students from all over South Queensland gathered at Kangaroo Point Cliffs, overlooking beautiful Brisbane City, for a relaxed evening of friends, food and fun.

Students had the chance to connect with each other, and local church pastors were a great support on the night, highlighting the vision of ASA SQ: “To connect tertiary-aged young people with each other, Jesus, and the local church.” For more information on ASA SQ, contact Alina Coccetti—Director of Tertiary and Young Adult Ministries via email: <alinacoccetti@adventist.org.au>.

Get connected today!

ALINA COCCETTI
DIRECTOR OF TERTIARY AND YOUNG ADULT MINISTRIES



Why Choose Adventist Retirement Villages?



After a few months looking at retirement living villages, we made the decision to secure a place in the Adventist Retirement Village at Victoria Point. We found it to be the best retirement village in the whole of the Redlands, but also the cheapest to enter with the lowest maintenance fees, and we moved in on January 1 2015. Now having settled into village life for the past 12 months, we are extremely happy and feel we made the right decision.

The village itself is made up of Independent Living Units, hostel and high-care accommodation, and a dementia unit. The Independent Units are set out in spacious grounds, with freestanding and duplex two- and three-bedroom units. What was most appealing to us was the fact there are no fences locking your unit into a small area, but spacious lawns and gardens flowing through the whole complex.

The lake is a special feature: a great spot to relax amid nature and to exercise with a regular walk. It gives opportunity to stop and chat to neighbours. And what an abundance of bird life is to be spotted there! It is not unusual to see two pelicans arrive on the lake; a pair of magpie geese to fly in with their brood of three young; a pair of ducks guarding, protecting and training their six ducklings; two water fowl raising their six chickens; and to watch crows feeding a cuckoo high up in a pine tree. It is truly a wonderful world to enjoy, and a lovely place in which to live.

Some of the residents have used their skills to construct a coloured fountain to beautify the lake and improve the water quality. It has proved such a success that the planning stages are underway for a second fountain to be added. Other residents have given support with donations and a walkathon.

Plenty of activities are provided for the enjoyment of all villagers. These range from a bowls club, Men's Shed, friendship club, together circle, social gatherings and film nights, as well as a hall for concerts and other activities, and a chapel for fellowship with Christian friends and worship services. Also arranged are coach outings and a coach service twice weekly to the local shopping complex and visits to larger shopping centres in Capalaba, Cleveland and Loganholme. Just completed is an outdoor chessboard, and under construction is a croquet court. The village is a hive of activity.

Another important feature of the Adventist Retirement Village is the assurance that care can be provided during the years of deteriorating health through its hostel, dementia and high-care nursing facilities. If you are a resident in an Independent Living Unit, you can take a cruise to the South Pacific or go for a holiday to Europe, the Middle East or Asia, and know your house will be safe, and your gardens and lawn will be cared for.

If you would like to join us in a great place, pay a visit to the village at Victoria Point, have a look around at the complex and put your name down for a unit. Give us a ring for further information or to organise a tour round the village (call 3820 7120). We have a great Christian community made up of Adventists, Baptists, Salvation Army, Uniting Church and other faiths, and we are always keen to see more Adventists in the village.

My wife, Fern, and I are very pleased with our decision and would love to have you come and join us.

PASTOR DAVID LAWSON



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Big Dreams

From January 10 to 13, we held the Australia-wide Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Ministries (ATSIM) Youth Leadership Training at Watson Park. It's not an event that's well known outside the ATSIM field, but one that is vitally crucial to this ministry.

This weekend was for potential and existing youth leaders from around the country. As well as doing team-building activities, the group of approximately 20 young leaders also looked at five points of leadership that would help them when they went back to their local church to begin new ministries, or tap into existing ministries. From our Murri Church in South Queensland, we had three young, Indigenous ladies who made new friends and really had a great time.

While that was happening, the leaders of the ATSIM field were having worker's meetings. We talked a lot about youth: about the issues and challenges we face, and where we need to head in the future. It was agreed that we all need to have a much more intentional focus on youth and children's ministry, for good reason: the 2011 national Census showed that there was actually a 25 per cent increase (compared to the previous Census) of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people that identified as Seventh-day Adventist. The mainstream church had a 13 per cent growth rate; ATSIM had a 25 per cent growth rate. The key thing that has come out of that is that 49 per cent of these people that are identifying as Adventist are below 21 years of age, so there's a huge work for us to focus on there. For quite some time, we've focused on adults, especially with the developments of new resources, but now we've really got to change our goal. This is where DreamTrack comes into the picture, and why it's so vital for South Queensland to have a program like this.

What we do is basic: we run activities, and we get to know kids and build relationships with them. One Sunday a month we hold a DreamTrack Day, and in February, we took around 25 kids out to Somerset Dam for a water sports day. What a huge day: we had the biggest load of volunteers that we've ever had! The pendulum has swung; it's gone from us struggling to recruit volunteers to almost too many on the day!

We had three speedboats lined up and a few tubes and kneeboards to ride plus an inflatable rocking see-saw in the swimming area.

But something that stuck with me was a conversation I had with one of the kids while we were sitting and watching the boats—I asked him about his favourite part of the day.

"I love the speedboats," he replied.

"Do you reckon you could own a speedboat one day?" I asked.

"Yeah," he said with determination. "I'm gonna get one."

It's little comments such as this that make us realise what a difference DreamTrack makes. Most of the families that these kids come from struggle to own one car, and even having that car insured is a stretch, so for kids to start thinking about owning a boat, that's them starting to believe that there are real possibilities for them. If we can continue providing stepping stones for them to achieve their dreams, and encouragement and support, then that's what we're about.

In 2016, for DreamTrack, we'd really love to see expansion, both locally and nationally. We're laying down a framework and a strategy for national expansion, which will hopefully take place in future years.

Within South Queensland, we're hoping to start another DreamTrack club on the north side of Brisbane and smaller clubs in Ipswich, Stradbroke Island, and Cherbourg (a small Aboriginal community close to Murgon). I'd also love to see the development of new leaders, and one of our ultimate goals is to set up a foundation for people to sponsor Aboriginal kids for Adventist education.

I had a meeting the other day with the principal of the Murri School in Brisbane, and thanked her for the support that we get for DreamTrack from the school. She turned to look at me, and with the most sincerity I've ever heard said, "Thank YOU, David. You have no idea how much these kids love DreamTrack."

PASTOR DAVID GARRARD
DIRECTOR OF ATSIM & DREAMTRACK

SQ Summer Camps



Junior Camp

Imagine five action-packed days of fun, excitement and adventure. This was not an imagination but a reality for a sold-out Junior Summer Camp. The campers' hours were filled with activities including the ever-popular waterskiing, mountain biking, archery, canoeing, themed dinners, Nerf wars, a Colour Run and much more. The campers experienced two skill-based activities in the mornings with the inclusion of our newest activity: Model Rocketry. On Friday afternoon, the oval was transformed into a rocket-launching zone with some rockets shooting as high as 500 metres in the air.

The campers and staff were led by our guest speaker Leathan Fitzpatrick on a journey through the week to "Live Outside" their box and embrace a relationship with Jesus, seeing a large number give their lives to God at a special Friday-night worship service. Friday night emphasised giving to God the things that are hindering our relationship with Him, accepting the gift that is offered in a close relationship with God, and being able to "Go Light Your World" with that precious gift.

What a joy it is to be a part of fun-loving, Christ-centred staff who are dedicated to seeing out the Summer Camp vision of, "Young people experiencing a connection with God, lasting friendships, new skills and returning with their friends" and making lifetime memories together. The countdown is on until we can do it all again—bring on Junior Summer Camp 2017!

REBEKAH BERNOTH



Teen Camp

What a great week out at Teen Camp, with more than 130 teens living life to the full. There was a great sense of community at the camp, and lots of new friends were made. The kids did lots of water sports, with many teens having success on the wakeboards! We also had archery, mountain biking, canoeing, stand-up paddle boarding, high ropes and laser tag. The teens were able to try new activities and many achieved something they hadn't before.

The worship services were well received, and it was fantastic during sharing time to see the teens step up and share their faith! Some 65 teens committed to the pursuit of life "outside the box," 23 committed to regular Bible studies, 36 wanted to show their commitment by getting involved in their school and/or church, and 15 chose to demonstrate their commitment through baptism. Kids actually got up the front to share a God experience in their lives, and it was so great to see them share this with their peers. It felt like a real God-driven camp.

CHLOE RICHARDSON



MT GRAVATT

DIABETES OUTREACH PROGRAM



We are now in Week 8 of our Diabetic Health Clinic, which will be running for 12 weeks. This is a community-based program organised and run by Peter Pratt, the founder of Diabetic Health Clinic. Many of us have already voluntarily undergone significant lifestyle changes in order to reclaim our physical health. Of the original 90 people who came for the first meeting, there are still a faithful 70 people who regularly attend. If there is someone out there who desperately needs this type of program, please bring him or her along.

ARTICLE & PHOTO: MT GRAVATT CHURCH NEWSLETTER

KILCOY

AUSTRALIA DAY AWARD



“Recipe Club has been nominated for the Somerset Council’s Australia Day Community Group award,” the letter read! What an encouragement that was to our small Kilcoy church. We have been presenting regular vegetarian cooking demonstrations and health information programs for the past eight years in our rural community with consistent attendance of between 20 and 25 local people.

Although we did not receive an award on Australia Day, we celebrate the knowledge that obviously someone in our community felt we were worthy of

recognition for endeavouring to present healthy lifestyle habits and showing that we care. We were making a difference in someone’s life.

Pictured is our Kilcoy church group displaying the certificate of nomination from the Somerset Regional Council.

ARTICLE & PHOTO: CHERYL GRANTER

SOUTH BRISBANE

RECOVERING FROM DEPRESSION & ANXIETY



Many people are negatively impacted in this day and age by depression and anxiety, and Christians are not exempt from these debilitating conditions. The Nedley Depression and Anxiety Recovery Program is providing people with the way out from these conditions. This educational programme is held weekly, running for a total of eight weeks.

South Brisbane Health Ministry has been waiting eagerly for the release of the updated Nedley program in September, 2015. With training of facilitators and an associate director done, the new program was launched at South Brisbane on February 9, 2016.

Members from the community and members from several Adventist churches make up the 36 participants for 2016. The decision was made to host the program even if only one person needed it, but we prayed for 20 participants to attend. Flyers, banners, posters and word of mouth brought participants from all over Brisbane and beyond.

The following topics are addressed in the course: identifying depression and finding the causes; lifestyle treatments

for depression; nutritional therapies for depression; how thinking can improve depression; positive lifestyle choices; coping with stress naturally; living above loss; and enhancing frontal lobe function.

South Brisbane plans to host this program annually in an endeavour to give hope to the hopeless and shine some light in a dark world.

ARTICLE & PHOTO: HELOISE OTTO

CALOUNDRRA

10 YEARS OLD!



Pictured left to right: Wes Hughes, George Cooney, Pastor Rabbas, Pastor Tyler, Pastor Edgar, Pastor Ward, Roland Knott.

Photos and memories, true stories and maybe tall, people 10 years older and others wide-eyed in wonder, this was the mix at Caloundra church on Sabbath February 20 as the 10th anniversary of the birth of the church building and its growth was recounted. From its inception to the present stately condition, the inspiring story was told to delighted involved Pastors, contractors, present members, and visitors at a celebratory service and afterwards at a superb Caloundra luncheon. Pastor Neil Tyler, the pastor who started the ball rolling, led the service supported by successive leaders David Edgar, John Rabbas and Steve Ward, all pictured with others instrumental cutting the enormous cake shared.

ARTICLE & PHOTO: KEN DOVE / BARBARA MALLER



Caed Lawson on the left and Julian van Coevorden on the right
GOLD COAST CHRISTIAN COLLEGE
SPORTSMANSHIP TRUMPS TECHNOLOGY

During a recent school chapel, we handed out awards to the age champions from the Primary School's swimming carnival. The award for 12-year-old boys was given to Caed Lawson based on the results calculated in the computer used at the pool.

Caed realised something wasn't right as there was another swimmer who had performed better than him on the day. Caed spoke with Mrs Cheryl Costigan, our Head of Primary, and told her the technology that worked out the placings must have made a mistake.

Before chapel was over, Mrs Costigan asked Caed back on stage and he handed over the trophy to the rightful winner—Julian van Coevorden—in front of all their schoolmates.

"Sometimes technology lets us down," Mrs Costigan told the children, "but

when you have the right approach to sportsmanship, you'll never be let down."

Mrs Costigan added that a number of parents who attend the swimming carnival commented on the atmosphere on the day and how it had a great spirit of support for everyone who took part: "It's wonderful to be a part of a school with a positive sense of sportsmanship that uplifts Christian values."

ARTICLE & PHOTO: DAVID RILEY

DARLING DOWNS CHRISTIAN SCHOOL
NEW MARKET PROMISES SOMETHING SPECIAL FOR MOTHER'S DAY

Stuck on gift ideas for Mum this Mother's Day?

You'll find something unique to spoil her with at the Pink Fig Mother's Day Markets this April.

The bespoke markets will be held on the leafy grounds of Darling Downs Christian School on Sunday afternoon, April 17, and promise something for everyone.

"It's going to be an afternoon you can come to as a whole family—bring Mum, bring Grandma, bring your aunties and all have a lovely day out," event organiser Kylie Wheatley said.

Kylie said organisers were looking for at least 30 high-quality local stall holders to make the inaugural event a memorable day on the Toowoomba calendar.

"We hope to create something people want to return to year after year, as well as featuring the new and emerging cottage industries within our city," she said.

Kylie said her team was working hard to promote the markets within the community and they were all looking forward to a great turn out on the day.

As well as outdoor dining areas, a dedicated marquee for stall holders will be erected on the school grounds—to ensure shelter no matter the weather.

Along with boutique stalls featuring handmade products and one-of-a-kind finds, there will also be live music and a Vintage and Hot Rod Car Show.

"We've partnered with a local car club, so we will have something for the boys as well," event organiser Amy Slyderink said.

The markets will be held from 1-6 pm at 451 McDougall Street.

For more information, contact Amy Slyderink on 0401 258 925 or follow the markets on Facebook.

ARTICLE & PHOTO: ELISSA DOWLING



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BRISBANE ADVENTIST COLLEGE

STAND UP AND BE COUNTED



This year at Brisbane Adventist College we are focusing on challenging our school community to think about ways in which we can “Stand Up and Be Counted” in every area of our lives. At our Commitment Chapel, I shared the story of Gideon, a mighty soldier who God used to deliver his people from their enemies. The Bible tells us that he fought an entire army with only 300 men. They were only given a lamp, a jar and a trumpet. God was teaching them that it is His strength and power that makes the difference. We are just called to “Stand Up and Be Counted.” All students were presented with a special badge to remind them of this motto throughout the year.



BAC'S STARS KEEP SHINING!

STARS is an extended youth development program that supports Year 8 students through four fully integrated phases. It is designed to improve youth engagement, attainment and cooperation, and develop resilience and goal setting.

The program provides leadership for Year 11 mentors, helping them to build confidence, improve communication and relationship building skills, and strengthen their time management and planning skills, which together supports increased social and academic outcomes.

STARS involves matching trained Year 11 students as mentors to their Year 8 counterparts and includes the following four components:



1. **Peer Mentoring:** Year 11 students are trained to be Peer Mentors and follow a structured program that addresses key life skills such as goal setting, time management, good communication skills and building positive relationships.
2. **Adventure Camp:** Students work through a series of outdoor and indoor activities to develop positive relationships and teamwork.
3. **Community Adventure:** Students spend a fun day exploring their local area, achieving certain challenges, while learning about what is available to them within their community.
4. **Community Project:** Students plan, organise and spend a day giving something back to their community.

This year's STARS Adventure Camp was a blast! It took place at the beautiful Elanda Point campground, which is a part of the Great Sandy National Park near Noosa.

On the camp the STARS groups rotated around a number of activities designed to build teamwork. These activities included raft building, treasure hunting, catapult building and windsurfing. At the catapult-building activity, a girls group managed to build a catapult that launched a water balloon 115 metres! We also played fun games such as “Capture the Flag” at night with glow sticks.

Overall, STARS Camp 2016 was a success: our groups showed great growth, and teamwork was definitely developed. We praise God for this, and also for no major injuries and fun times!

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NORTHPINE CHRISTIAN COLLEGE

YEAR 8 CAMP



Year 8 camp was a blast . . . literally. It was 40 degrees the day we arrived at Emu Gully in Helidon for our annual camp and remained in the mid to high 30s all camp. While it was hot, students had many opportunities to cool off in the dam, the jumping platform from 5 metres being quite popular. The instructors met us all and guided us through setting up camp goals and each activity to be involved with at camp. Soon students were laughing and having a good time, while challenging themselves to be the best they could be.

Each new activity was a stepping stone from the previous one to build on team harmony and then chants of “Alpha,” “Bravo” and “Charlie” reverberated around the place. Even the teachers became involved, looking after a company each and having a friendly competition to see which group would come out on top. The key values of the camp were Mateship, Courage, Perseverance and Sacrifice. Students learned what it meant to be a part of a team, learning stories of people who had served in the various wars of the 21st century from Australia, some of whom were not much older than they were.

Students came away from camp with more than just weary bodies. They learned that *Attitude*, not *Ability*, determines *Destiny* and that supporting one another is always better for each person in the team than one individual trying to be the best at everything. Leaders were born and friendships strengthened as students overcame fears and challenges, and many happy memories will carry these Year 8s through the rest of the year.

ARTICLES & PHOTOS: NORTHPINE NEWSLETTER

NOOSA CHRISTIAN COLLEGE

CREATIVITY CAFE



An exciting new innovation at Noosa Christian College is the Creativity Café, a space where like-minded students come together to create, play, connect and feed their imaginations.

As one of the Grade 3 students says, “You can’t get chocolate milkshakes here, but you can feed your mind!”

Some of the fun things the kids have been doing include giant chess, tepee time-out reading, Raspberry Pi coding, board games, huge bubbles, large box construction and a variety of other activities.

Each week, the classroom teachers select three students who have shown fantastic thinking, creative problem solving or kind-hearted behaviour and they are given a pass to enter the Café.

Each session runs for about an hour and it is jam-packed full of creative energy, laughter and connection.

WELCOME MRS MARTIN!

This year we welcome our new 2016 Noosa Christian College principal, Mrs Jeanette Martin. In addition to being principal, Jeanette also retains the Head of Primary role, and has been part of Noosa Christian College for more than 13 years—since the school’s commencement in 2003.

ARTICLES & PHOTOS: FELICITY BEZER / DALE BERGMAN



Youth Pastoral Worker Refresh Northpine Community Church

Many young adults give their lives to Jesus Christ at school only to fade away when they complete Year 12, as they are no longer connected to a local church or faith community. One of the founding principles of Refresh is to slow the fade so that, when young adults complete Year 12, they still have a place that they can call their home as Northpine Christian College has been their only local church / faith community. As Refresh is part of the Northpine Christian College community, our aim is to integrate as many young adults as possible who have chosen Jesus Christ to be their saviour into a faith community before they leave high school so that they don’t fade away and let go of their relationship with Jesus Christ.

Due to this ambitious aim, we are seeking a Youth Pastoral Worker to build relationships / networks with senior students and young adults to create a seamless environment for senior high school students to transition and remain connected to Refresh as they continue their next step into adulthood.

Some of the activities that the Youth Pastoral Worker will be active in are as follows:

The successful candidate will **run/organise**:

- Friday night Crave program that provides a spiritual emphasis for high school students.
- After-dark program focusing on social activities.
- Small-group ministry for senior high school / young adults.
- Linking in with Chaplaincy team to create networking opportunities with senior high school students.
- Public-speaking opportunities.
- Community-service activities.
- Networking via social media.

As a minimum, the Youth Pastoral Worker must have the following requirements:

- Active member of the Seventh-day Adventist Church.
- Passionate desire to help grow followers of Jesus Christ.
- Own transport and phone.
- Blue card.
- Completion of Year 12 or equivalent.
- Social media competency.

On offer is a 12-month contract (review after 3 months) working 10 hours per week with a minimum wage, plus re-imbursment of related expenses, to be the Pastoral Youth Worker for Refresh Northpine Community Church.

If you are passionate about slowing the fade and growing followers of Jesus Christ and this opportunity appeals to you, then send a video of yourself addressing why you would be an ideal candidate to work with our passionate team. Please also attach your resume.

Send all applications to <info@refresh.com.au>
Applications will close April 15, 2016.

South Queensland Conference Health Update 2016

We will present a range of important issues affecting health ministry across the conference, including:

- ▶ Comprehensive Health Ministry.
- ▶ What is happening in health in our conference.
- ▶ Case Studies: Forest Lake, Florida & Toowoomba, QLD.
- ▶ Future Plans and Direction.
- ▶ How can we help each other?



Don't Miss This Inspirational Health Day!

Where: South Queensland Conference Administrative and Resourcing Centre, 400 Boundary Street, Spring Hill

When: April 30, 2016, all day—times to be confirmed.

Please register your intention to attend at <https://events.adventist.org.au/Registration/Event/1025> or call 3218 7777 for further information.
South Queensland Conference Health Department

DR ALLAN LINDSAY

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WEEKEND 1

Friday 7.00pm - **APRIL 15**

Sabbath 9.30am, 11.00am & 2.30pm - **APRIL 16**

WEEKEND 2

Friday 7.00pm - **APRIL 22**

Sabbath 11.00am & 2.30pm - **APRIL 23**

Combined lunches both Sabbaths (Please bring plenty to share.)

TOOWOOMBA GLENVALE ADVENTIST CHURCH

669 Greenwattle Street, Glenvale



CHOCOLATE ENERGY BALLS



INGREDIENTS:

12 dates
1/4 cup of cocoa powder
1/3 cup shredded coconut
1 cup almonds
1 tbsp chia seeds
1 tbsp rice malt syrup

METHOD:

Place all ingredients into a blender, and blend until well combined.
Take a tablespoon of mixture and roll with hands into small balls,
with the diameter approximately the size of a 20 cent piece.
Roll the balls into the shredded coconut, and refrigerate for 30 minutes until set.

Makes 16 balls.





EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE HIGHLIGHTS

The following are some of the highlights and decisions that were made by the Executive Committee and the Board of Seventh-day Adventist Church (South Queensland Conference) Limited during February meetings.

The Executive Committee:

- Approved to accept an offer received to purchase 19 Eagle Terrace development and to ensure ongoing protection of the ministry of Brisbane Central Church.
- Approved the request of Peniel North Brisbane Tongan SDA Group to be recognised as a new group.
- Voted to support the proposed urgent building maintenance program by the Inala Church and to provide a Conference Building Development Grant of \$22,000.
- Voted to support the proposed building refurbishment and renovation program by the Scarborough Samoan

Church and to approve a Property Development Loan \$130,000.

- Approved a range of membership transfers to and from the Conference roll.

The Board of Seventh-day Adventist Church (South Queensland Conference) Limited:

- Approved for baptism the names of a number of candidates from Refresh Northpine Community Company.
- Recorded the pastoral calls and transfers in and out of the Conference.
- Received an update staffing committee report.
- Confirmed the various contracts signed on and behalf of the company since the previous meeting.

PASTOR COLIN RENFREW,
GENERAL SECRETARY

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