UPCOMING EVENTS

- 10th September Winton Eisteddfod
- 11th September X-Country
- 11th September Rehearsal for MADD
- 12th September MADD Performance
- 16th September Yr 8 Immunization
- 18th September Pirate Day.
- 18th September End of Term 3.
- 6th October First Day of Term 4.

P&C Meeting
- 14th September, 2015 at 3.30pm in the Staff Room.
Dear Families,

September is now upon us and the end of term 3 is nigh.

**QCST**

Last week our Year 12 OP students sat the Queensland Core Skills Test (QCST). We had seven very motivated and hardworking students put 110% into their responses. I am very proud of the effort they put in and am confident they have done well.

**Work Experience**

This time last week the Year 10 and 11 students were on Work Experience, the year 10s locally and the year 11s in Brisbane. All reports have been positive, with the students enjoying their time in the workplaces and the employers impressed with the students. I know they have all represented Barcaldine Prep-12 State School well. Our next newsletter will have much more on the work experience experience!

**Barcaldine Kindergarten.**

On Monday 07 September I was part of a tele-conference regarding the progress of the new Barcaldine Early Childhood Education and Care centre, to be built on the school grounds.

I am pleased to advise that funding is assured and that the centre is progressing. Fabrication of the buildings has begun. Through the efforts of the Barcaldine Regional Council, the pre-fabricated buildings will be manufactured and the Regional Council will take responsibility for facilitating the external works of the building and grounds. This is of course great news and it is hoped that all is on track for a January 2016 opening. Providers for the centre are being sourced and it is hoped that announcement regarding the Provider will occur early in term 4.

**2016 Enrolments**

As we move through to the end of term 3 and into term 4, planning for 2016 has begun. To assist in our planning it is important for those intending to enrol for 2016 to begin this process. All staffing for the school is based on student numbers and I am required to give Education Queensland predicted numbers for 2016 in order for staffing to be facilitated. If you know of anyone intending to enrol can you please advise them to contact the school. It is important that we have accurate numbers as this also ensures our class structure.

Til next time

In All Our Best

Grant Williams
Year 9 English this term have been undertaking a Novel study of ‘Tomorrow, When The War Began’ by John Marsden exploring the question, What makes us human? Students develop an understanding of how language features, text structures and representations of characters and issues are constructed by John Marsden.

‘Tomorrow, When The War Began’

Epilogue

The overgrown track down Tailor’s Stitch was thick and impenetrable covering the mountains like a mask. The black lightning bolts imprinted on the landscape like scars, opening what was left of the heavy vegetation in the canyon below. The crisp clean air above broke into a fog of smoky haze as I descended the rocks. Charred remnants and destroyed relics showed no sign of life; of what was once there. This scar in the landscape had destroyed everything, cracking through the ground like a whip. The shelter, the home, the sanctuary of a soldier, all gone, blown away in the wind. This land was so familiar yet so changed. The only pace to this tired landscape was the speed of the trickling water that carried me through the undergrowth. The dense forest gave way to the scenery I so longed for, the untouched beauty set as a backdrop to the metaphor of life.

The red rose bush stood there, indestructible, still the same. Yet in that moment I realised, everything had changed. The only area not blown to pieces was still different. The roses were wilting, the life had been sucked out of them and thrown away. All that was left was their existence. Just like me, they had discovered the beauty of life and how to find safety in the sanctuary of hell. But that sanctuary was now a wreckage. The beautiful trees could not hide the destruction of war, nor shelter me from the long forgotten feeling of love. Hell was no longer paradise, it was a place where the devil fed on the hatred of war and the blood of the dead filled the rivers with despair. The rose bush no longer lived on love, it lived on the souls of our enemies and the pain of our loss.

No one was left from this bloody mess, no one left to stop me. What made it right for them all to die for the safety of my life? The steel cold gun stayed steady in my hand; it had taken so many lives before but this would be its last. The trigger clicked and the firing pin locked. After all, the devil shivers when a good man goes to war. BANG!

Liz Pumpa
(26th of August 2015)
Dear Families

As we approach an exciting part of any school year, which is the near completion of formal schooling for the Year 12 students, it is lovely to see a spring in so many steps (perhaps it could just be, because the Spring Vacation is not too far away).

Queensland Core Skills (QCS) Test:

The Overall Position (OP) eligible students sat for the QCS Test on the 01 and 02 of September 2015 and after the two days of intense testing, there seemed to be some smiling faces leave the room ..... perhaps from relief that it was all over or perhaps from happiness with how they all went. It certainly is an intense time, however the students have all worked very hard this year and I have no doubt that many of them will be exceptionally happy with their final results.

The following photos show some of the Year 12 OP students enjoying a bacon and egg muffin, prior to commencing the Short Response Test on Wednesday. We set up outside our testing area and shared in the preparation of breakfast and enjoyed it together. The photo of some of the students and their test papers was taken after they had left the testing room for the final paper ... as you can see smiles all around.

Changes to Senior Testing for 2018:

Many of our community may have heard that there will be changes to the Senior Testing regime for the Year 11 (2018) student cohort. The Queensland Government has announced revitalised senior assessment and tertiary entrance systems will be in place for students starting Year 11 in 2018.

The features of these systems will be:

- A model that used school-based assessment and common external exams
- New processes that strengthen the quality and comparability of school-based assessment
- A move away from the OP rank to an Australian Tertiary Admission Rank (ATAR). The ATAR system will replace the OP tertiary entrance rank for students completing Year 11 in 2019

As Kate Jones, Minister for Education said

... this approach will bring Queensland into line with all other Australian states and territories and will simplify the existing process for students applying to study at interstate universities.

As such, I will lead a new Senior Secondary Assessment taskforce, with representation from schooling sectors, parent groups, secondary principals and universities, to guide the introduction of these new systems...

Whilst 2018/2019 seems some time away, teachers will need to have professional development in a wide range of assessment tools and organisation matters that lead up to this time.

This will mean that our current Year 9 students will be the last group of students who undertake the QCS Test and the selection for University via the Queensland Tertiary Admittance Centre (QTAC).
Raffle Winner – Year 10 Fundraising for 2016 Work Experience to Brisbane
The raffle was a great success with the Year 10 students commencing their fundraising efforts to go towards the 2016 Work Experience trip to Brisbane. Year 10 and 11 Work Experience this year, has been excellent with all Employers congratulating the students and the school on the manner in which the students have presented themselves and the way they worked throughout the week (later editions of this Newsletter will feature articles and photos of the week that was had).

Congratulations to the winners of this year’s Father’s Day raffle and I hope all of the Dads (for those who celebrate this occasion), enjoyed their special day.

1st Prize Winner
Jo Rabnott

2nd Prize Winner
Michael & Trish Dunn

3rd Prize Winner
Rod Adams

Year 8 next round of vaccinations:
Please be advised the next round of vaccinations for the Year 8 students, will be Tuesday, 15 September (last week of Term 3), commencing at 9.15am.

So that your child’s Immunisation Plan stays up-to-date, please ensure that he/she is at school on that day.

2016 School Based Traineeships and Apprenticeships (SBT / SBA):
As we commence planning for 2016, please have your child see me if he/she is interested in pursuing a SBT/SBA for 2016.

Conditions apply for either of the two sectors:
- SBT: can only be undertaken in years 11 and 12 (as this is a two year Certificate)
- SBA: as this is an Apprenticeship, students may commence this in Year 10 (and take the three years to complete their First Year of a full-time Apprenticeship).

Whilst, your child may wish to undertake a SBT or SBA, a position may not be offered if an Employer cannot be found to employ a SBT or SBA.

Should your child have an interest in one of these opportunities, it is best the family make contact with the Employer first to discuss the possibility of this, then the school is advised of the discussion - so that further contact can be made and a position secured for your child.

As always, please do not hesitate to make contact with me if I am able to assist you in aspects associated with your child’s school.

All the best and regards for now
Meegan
Friday the 4th of September saw a swarm of fathers, grandfathers, uncles and ‘stand-in’ dads engulf the school grounds for the Prep-3 Father’s Day Sports Spectacular. The activity was organised to thank the dads and significant males in our school community for the special role they play in their children’s lives. The students had a lot of fun playing soccer, cricket and end ball with their dads and special guests and friendly rivalry between dads made for a lot of laughs. The Sports Day was finished off with a delicious sausage sizzle.
On Saturday the 22nd and Sunday the 23rd of August, North West Trials was held in conjunction with The Sunset Carnival at Longreach State School. Both days were certainly quite warm, and the sun was relentless. However the students participating still battled on through, drinking plenty of water and keeping the sunscreen applied.

As you can see from the list below we had some wonderful results in the carnival. Unfortunately though, none of our students were selected to represent us in the North West Team. Certain times, jumps and throw results had to be met to be selected to compete. Nonetheless these students have still shown such dedication and devotion to their sports. Some of these students take the initiative to train themselves and others also committing themselves to regular training regime with the Barcaldine and District Athletic Club. So a huge congratulations to all of these students.

Joanne Mann

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A Celebration of Performing Arts

Barcaldine P-12 State School

MADD 2015

Remember me for centuries

Saturday 12th September
Matinee: 11:00am
Night: 6:30pm

Save the Date!
Year 11 & 12 Recreational Studies &
The Elder Olympics

Recently the year 11 and 12 Recreational Studies students helped the 60’s and Better committee run their ‘Elder Olympics.’ This included setting up, scoring, judging, and demonstrating. The event is run much the same way as a mini athletics carnival but with fun games instead for example: quiz’s, bean bag toss, skittles, boules, paper plane throwing, darts and the egg and spoon race. The subject curriculum requires students to be active participants in the community. The students had a enjoyable time chatting to the elder Olympians and they seemed to like this interaction as well.

If you would like to read more you can visit the ABC link below.
http://www.abc.net.au/local/photos/2015/08/19/4296166.htm
Photo’s courtesy of ABC Western Queensland.

Ethno
Roadshow

Presented by BEMAC as part of the Queensland Multicultural Week 2015

Artists
Tichawona Mashawa – Zimbabwe
Gonzalo Rodino – Argentina
Erik Kagagora – Rwanda
Thomas Kulich – Croatia
Star Shaul – Israel

Year 5/6 students were introduced to instruments from around the world including the MBIRA which is made from gourds and recycled materials such as old spoons, forks and springs.

They felt the magic of the warrior from Rwanda, Erik Kagagora, who has a costume handed down from his parents and ancestors this gives him protection to honour his family, the land and animals. His costume featured the hide of two skunks.

The students learnt a dance and song from Zimbabwe – Chemtengure – and a song in Espanol and English to a rhythm from Argentina “La Cumparsita.”
This term in English the Prep students have been following a literature based program whereby students have been read a range of quality picture books. Activities were then planned around these books to develop comprehension, print awareness, vocabulary and writing opportunities. We have also been lucky enough to have some 'Guest Male Readers' visit our room to read their favourite picture book to the students. It has been a very valuable learning experience for students to see that reading is not just a female pursuit – men read too. Mrs Burton has also been bringing her Year 7 students down on a Friday for buddy reading. Both the Year 7’s and the Prep students have benefited enormously from this experience.

We have also visited the Barcaldine Library and this week we are meeting the Barcaldine Kindergarten students in the park for some interactive reading activities. The Prep students will also get the opportunity to ‘show-off’ their reading skills by reading their Kindy friends a book. READING IS THE MOST IMPORTANT SKILL children will learn at school and it is wonderful to see our youngest students so excited and proud of their reading achievements.
Barcaldine Prep-12 State School

PREP OPEN DAYS

(For children turning 5 on or before June 30 2016)

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WHERE: Barcaldine Prep-12 State School
Prep Classroom

Students will need to bring a wide-brimmed hat, a healthy snack on the
days indicated above and be wearing covered footwear at all times.

Enrolments are currently being taken for 2016

Further information can be obtained by calling
Mrs Liz Ferguson or Mrs Paula Bashford on 46 515 325.
Barcaldine State School P-12

**Breakfast Club Thursday morning**
Wk1: Pancakes with Maple Syrup  
Wk2: Scrambled Egg on Toast  
Wk3: Spaghetti on Toast  
Wk4: Toad in the Hole

**What’s been happening?**

Hi Everyone

Breakfast Club has been really well attended this term and I would like to thank all the students who have been helping to feed all the younger students.

Next term there will be a change in my working days. I will be reverting back to the original days as in 2014. Monday and Tuesday I will be in Aramac, Wednesday and Thursday in Barcaldine.

**CHAPPY ROOM**

Chappy Room will be in the Dance Hall first lunch for Primary School and Second Lunch for High School Students.

**Food for Thought**

It is easy to become critical of the ones you spend most of your time with – your family members. If you are spending too much time concentrating only on people’s faults that is when family unity can break down. If you want to have good family relationships or a good marriage you have to accept the fact that these don’t just happen by accident, they need effort and commitment.

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So the next time you find yourself being critical about someone in your household instead of gossiping about them, allow yourself to be motivated by love and spend time mentally listing their good points; the things you like most about them.

Yes, there are times when differences of opinion need to be talked through but don’t do this while you are angry, wait till you’ve all calmed down and discuss things quietly.

A message from Chappy.........
COMMUNITY CONCERT

NARELLE SCHIRMER & FRIENDS
Come along for an afternoon of entertainment featuring Professional Singer Narelle Schirmer, and Community Members of the Barcaldine Region.

**Sunday 11th October**
**Doors open 1:30pm for a 2pm start**
**Barcaldine Shire Hall**

**COST: FREE**

For more Information on how to take part, please contact Cara Burger
By 30th September 2015
Mobi: 0408 594 436 Email: cara.bizz@bigpond.com

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VOCAL AND DRAMA WORKSHOPS

With Professional Coach & Performer

NARELLE SCHIRMER

If you want to learn techniques regarding Singing, Drama, and Public Speaking (to name a few) then these workshops are for you! Come along and experience the joy of using your voice to create something special.

**7th to 10th October 2015**
Multiple Workshops Available:
- Vocal—Primary, High School & Adults
- Choir—Adults
- Drama—Primary Age & High School
- Professional Development for Teachers & Interested Persons

**COST: ADULTS—$10 SCHOOL AGE—$5**
This is a once only charge, regardless of how many workshops you attend.
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live in such a way that if anyone should speak badly of you no one would believe it
The Vicki Wilson Netball Cup was held in Longreach, on Friday 4 September. Barcaldine took along two teams the Unicorns and Mermaids.

The Unicorns consisted of Abbey Mann, Ellie Williams, Telea Kelly, Lily Gray, Mia Dickson, Ella Counsell and Hannah Dean.

The Mermaids consisted of Emily Hurst, Morgan Leard-Lamont, Emily Kelly, Ivy Curr, Leilani McAndrew, Kadee O’Dell and Chloe from Blackall who came and played with the Mermaids for the day after we had one player withdraw due to illness.

The competition was split into two pools, Unicorns were in Pool A and Mermaid in Pool B. In all there was a total of 11 teams competing on the day.

Both Mermaids and Unicorns Played well in their pools. The teams only receiving 1 loss each. This placed them both as runner ups in their Pool Divisions and also put them into the Finals!

First off the Mermaids played off against the Mini Mins (Aramac), they fought a hard game and played their best but sadly got beaten. This automatically placed the Mermaids in 4th place for the Vicki Wilson Cup. Well done to all of our Mermaids, we will see you all ready for next year.

The Unicorns then played off against the Mini Mins(Aramac). The Unicorns played well and came out the winners. This then placed Aramac in the 3rd overall position for the Vicki Wilson Cup. 1st and 2nd place then needed to be determined. The Unicorns had made it to the last game of the day and this was played against OLS blue. Both teams played with all they had, the final bell went and the girls were anxiously awaiting the score..... It was a draw!

It was an extra hard game for the 4 minutes of extra time that were needed to determine the winner. OLS Blue came out winners by 2 goals. This placed the Unicorns in 2nd position overall in the Vicki Wilson Cup.

The Unicorns and Mermaids players should be very proud of themselves and the way they played on the day. A big thankyou to Gemma Tavita for getting the girls ready for the Vicki Wilson Cup and to Jane Dickson for umpiring.

By Tricia Walsh
The Matt Scott Rugby League Cup was held in Longreach on Friday the 4th of September. Barcaldine was very well represented with 2 strong teams being made up of boys from both St Joseph’s and the Barcaldine Prep-12 State School.

**Barcaldine Gold Team**
- Angus Stewart
- Jake Hansen
- Luke Curr
- Keanu McAndrew
- Jackson Miller
- Casey Hansen
- Jack Walton
- Mannix Hunt
- Zach Betteins

**Barcaldine Green Team**
- Jandri Greylings
- Hayden Vearnacombe
- Austyne Stewart
- Justin Ross
- Kalob Hansen
- Declan Grey
- Rokoko Hunt
- Joseph Ricks
- Reuben Jenkins

There were 7 teams in the competition and our 2 teams finished 1st and 2nd in the round robin competition. With 0 losses the Barcaldine Gold Team played the Barcaldine Green Team (only 1 loss) in an exciting 15 minute final. The eventual Matt Scott Cup winners were the Barcaldine Gold Team who should be commended for the great sportsmanship they all showed when they came up against a younger, less skilled team. A very big thank you to Michael and Stephen Hansen who coached the two teams and refereed numerous games. Their positive and encouraging approach brought out the best in all the boys and their willingness to take on these roles was very much appreciated.
Earlier in Term 2 the Prep to Year 3 held a fundraiser to buy resources for the Early Years. Parents donated their time to make pizzas, garlic bread and spaghetti bolognaise for the first State of Origin rugby league match. The fundraiser was very successful making just over $1900 profit. In collaboration with the students, this money was then used to purchase items for the students to play with in classrooms before school. On behalf of our grateful Prep to Year 3 students we would like to sincerely thank all those parents who helped on the night and those people who purchased food from our fundraiser. A special thank you must also go to Mrs Brooke Miller who organised the ordering of the ingredients and coordinated the Footy Fever fundraiser.

A special thank you to the Central West Aboriginal Corporation who kindly donated to the Barcaldine Prep-12 State School an amazing cultural piece of artwork. It was presented to the school at the conclusion of the NAIDOC Week Celebrations and now proudly hangs in the Dance Hall. The School would like to thank Janeece Thompson, Wendy Scott, Darryl Frazier, Phyllis Heumiller and Carmen Merchant from CWAC for their engaging activities and the time and preparation they put into planning and delivering the activities.
Department of Education and Training

Central Queensland Regional Indigenous Education Team
Community Partnerships Officer (CPO)

Hi Everyone,
My name is Cheryl Thompson I am currently working days a week as the Central Western Community Partnership Officer. The Department of Education and Training, Central Queensland Region has appointed me to this position and I support the following schools; Aramac, Barcaldine, Bedourie, Birdsville, Blackall, Ilfracombe, Isisford, Jericho, Jundah, Longreach SHS, Longreach SS, Muttaburra, Stonehenge, Windorah and Winton. Every Tuesday, I have an administration day based at Barcaldine P-12 SS, the other two days I will be visiting schools.

I graduated from Barcaldine P-12 SS in 1988, then completed my Education Degree and began teaching in schools in South East Qld for 20 years, before returning back home. I bring to the Community Partnership Officer role a wealth of experience and knowledge in terms of Indigenous Education.

I would like to invite you to a Community Gathering to further introduce my role as the Community Partnership Officer for the Central West and develop an Action Plan for Barcaldine P-12 SS in terms of Indigenous Education. It is envisaged that once the parents develop the schools Indigenous Education Action Plan, further workshops will be offered that will address the short and long term goals identified.

Initially, the parents/caregivers of identified students currently enrolled in the school are invited to attend. This allows for a more productive partnership that has been enriched by the key stakeholders of the school; parents, caregivers, students and school administration. Once this partnership has been established, other interested parents, community and Government organisations will be invited to future gatherings/workshops.

COMMUNITY GATHERING
WHERE:
Library at Barcaldine P-12 Campus
WHEN:
Wednesday morning 16/09/15:
9.30am – 10.30am or
Wednesday evening 16/09/15:
6.30pm to 7.30pm

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In week 5, the year 9/10 Media Arts class attended a workshop hosted by Brendon Mounter, ABC Open producer. He presented us with a workshop to show us the different perspectives of photography and how to capture the senses through a camera screen. We had the opportunity to implement these techniques by touring about the great, old town of Barcaldine. Throughout this experience we expanded on our knowledge of Documentary Photography as this is what the class has been learning throughout this unit. For the last lesson, we combined with the Performing Arts class and put our knowledge of portraiture to the test. We experimented with composition, shapes, patterns, texture, lighting and perspectives and were allowed to include costumes and props that highlighted the subject.

For the morning session, we completed a small presentation on Documentary Photography and Camera Techniques. These included important framing, lighting and composition skills such as rule of three, creating tone and mood, depth illusion, and areas to highlight and shadow. We then put these abilities into action when touring around and with the help of Brendon, we captured the historical beauty of Barcaldine through the eyes of a traveller. We walked a round trip from the state school, down the main street, along Lagoon Creek and back to the school yard. After a short lunch break, we continued on with a Portraiture demonstration, providing us with important skills and readying us to take photos of the 9/10 Performing Arts class. Combining our photographic excellence, and their dramatic posing with carefully planned costumes and shot angles, we captured some magical photographs that will be featured in the MADD weekend in September.
Overall, the workshop was inspiring and our class each learned many new techniques to use in our everyday lives. We thank Brendon for driving all the way from Longreach to teach us these vital photography skills and are sure we will appreciate them for a long time to come.

Lil, Tegan, Emily, Dana, Tamica, Alisha, Lachlan, Hugh Poo and Mrs Egerton
## Student of the Week

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### Winton Poetry Competition

Two students wrote poems to enter into the written section of the Winton Poetry Competition. We would love to share them with you!

Mrs Rafter

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**The One That Got Away**

I saw a fish and made a wish
I thought he would make a tasty dish
I tried to catch him on my line
But I didn’t have the time
And he swam away
With a swish

By Tom Bowden Year 2

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**Nature**

Trees grow and grow
Even in the snow
I like to climb trees
And watch the earth below
Stream flow and flow
Even when the wind blows
Birds fly so high
Even in the big blue sky

By Shehwar Asif Year 3
Secondary Captains’ Report

The past week certainly has been busy - with the OP eligible (year 12 students) sitting the QCS test, the year 10 going off to Work Experience in the local community and the year 11 students traveling to Brisbane to do their Work Experience.

For the past year, the OP eligible students have been preparing for the QCS test, sitting practise tests and doing weekly preparations for the and still managing to keep up with their study and work load; they will definitely tell you, that a weight has been lifted from their shoulders, however they will still need to work hard as they near the end of their schooling years.

Meanwhile, great feedback has been heard from the employers of both year 10 and 11 students, with a very memorable Work Experience camp for the year 11s and the teachers that accompanied them; we look forward to seeing the photos and no doubt, will continue to hear the funny stories.

Coming into the last weeks of Term Three, time-frames are definitely tightening up, with the up-and-coming cross-country, MADD Production and Pirate Day (make sure everyone is dusting off their Pirate gear and come prepared for the day and to have lots of fun on the last day of school). But do not let the end of term fool you, many of the final pieces of assessment are due for senior students this term, before being sent away for external review to panel; always an agonising time for both teachers and students.

As this will be the last Newsletter before the September holidays, we hope that everyone has a good September Holiday and for those of us, who are still not fully recovered from being quite ill, use this time to get better and to rest up for a ‘full on’ last term.

Until next time,
Gibby and Kate

Loading & Bus Zones

We would like to remind parents of the changed traffic conditions at the front of school following the relocation of the bus stop. Please be aware that the area in front of the Prep building is now the loading zone for drop off and pick up of students and the area in front of the administration building is the new bus zone. Dropping off and picking up in the bus zone is prohibited. We have a large number of people still dropping off and picking up in this area. We ask that for the safety of our students you use the designated drop off and pick up zone at all times.
Pirate Day 2015

Student Council invites students, parents and guardians to participate in our annual Pirate Day festivities on the 18th of September. Get your pirate costumes ready for a morning pirate parade from 8:30am and be prepared for some fun pirate themed activities from 1:30pm. A gold coin donation will be required to participate in the festivities!

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At The Movies

Fri 11th & Sun 13th September at 7pm
Trainwreck

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The Man From UNCLE

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