

ONF NEWS...



ONF Surveyors Kingaroy, Sunshine Coast & Brisbane

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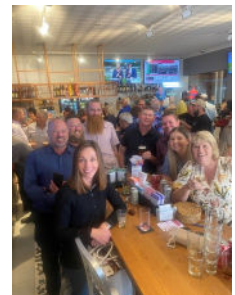
ONF said goodbye to 2022 with some fun staff and family times sharing Melbourne Cup functions and the first Brisbane Christmas gathering together at Southbank with Elf making an appearance for the little ones this year. Thanks to all the valued staff and families of ONF for a successful 2022 and a great start to 2023.



News from the Offices... Kingaroy Office has started the year with a number of large projects kicking off and the Kingaroy team have been working on extensions to large mining leases, 50 km of power line easements and long line road surveys. While commencing on these new projects, Kingaroy have also been busy closing off on long term rural residential developments while new developments continue in the pipe line. When it comes to travelling large distances and putting kms on vehicles, no one does it better than the Travelling Wilburys of Kingaroy.

Maroochydore Office have been travelling both North and South to keep up with existing workloads. The high-rise development at Bokarina has emerged from basement level and starting to take shape. Local industrial buildings continue along with home renovations. We continue to add kilometers to the utes, servicing 6 larger developments in Widgee, Gympie, Maryborough and Woodgate. While we are nearing completion of a 12 Lot development in Maryborough and an 85 acre rural development in Widgee, both Gympie and Woodgate projects enter new stages. We have also commenced initial works over a 200 acre greenfield residential development in Gympie and commencing work on an 1100 acre solar farm site north of Gympie. These developments along with residential and new residential developments on the Sunshine Coast and Caboolture, is keeping the Sunny Coast team on the move.

Brisbane Office have continued to avoid angry dogs and knife wielding neighbours while driving from Caboolture to the Gold Coast and out to Kilcoy with trips to Toowoomba thrown in for good measure. With many details being carried out for home renovations and small lot subdivisions, the Darra team have also been working on completing a number of 80+ lot subdivisions around the Ipswich area. While these projects come to an end, we have also commenced work on over 170 acres of greenfield sites in Ipswich which will be exciting to be a part of these new developments. In addition to these development projects, Darra have been carrying out set-out surveys over a number of high-rise and commercial buildings as well as surveys over landslips and river rehabilitation bathymetric surveys as well as some involvement with surveys in preparation for the 2032 Olympics with a combination of ground and drone survey over the QLD Royal Golf Club.



ONF Staff News...

ONF welcome Reece Thompson to the team, working out of the Brisbane office and recognise Kane Penny and Nathan Clegg. Kane will be balancing his time between Darra and Maroochydore and Nathan will be based in Kingaroy. They will both commence their USQ studies while working and learning the art of surveying. We look forward to having you on board and working with you.



Cadastral Endorsement Congratulations...

Congratulations to Allen who recently received his Cadastral Endorsement from the Surveyors Board of QLD. This is no small feat and shows great commitment to the profession - well done Allen and Rachel from the ONF team!



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Townplanners desks' ... We recently had an interesting application to create new lots in Redbank Plains, Ipswich. This site is affected by a State Government Unexploded Ordinance overlay. Luckily during the detail survey we did not observe any unexploded ordinance although finding something could have been a real BLAST! Even though council did not map the site as subject to unexploded ordinance, the applicant will most likely still be required to spend upward of \$5000 for a specialist report.



ONF are also involved in an application to establish a Garden Centre. This project is a little different in that the landcare group provides persons with disability (PWD) access with ramps etc, is also wanting to recycle the stormwater which requires capturing and treating to be reused to water the seedlings and is proving a real challenge.

Stage 5C of Summit View Estate recently registered with 29 new Rural Residential Lots becoming available in Kingaroy. ONF has seen this stage of the development through from original application stage through to the final construction, development compliance and titling of the lots whilst project managing the whole development.

Recently an 8 Lot subdivision in Kingaroy has been approved and an application for 10 lots has been lodged for a development in Nanango.

ONF are currently preparing development applications for industrial developments in the South Burnett.

Town Planning Conference... *Natasha and Chris attended the annual PIA State Conference held in Mackay last year. Topics covered included the Brisbane Olympics and the legacy the games will bring to QLD; a controversial presentation about removing city zoning; urban models that are computer-based simulations used for testing theories about spatial location and interaction between land uses and related activities; Steven Burgess the author of 'Complete Streets—Guidelines to Urban Street Design' delivered a presentation on the impact of cars and car parking spaces in our cities and megatrends observed in climate change and planning for climate change and the cost of the change. The Town Planners wish to thank ONF for the opportunity to attend the conference.*

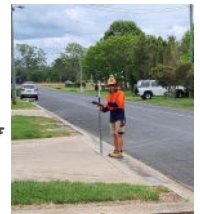


Donut King award winners—
Congratulations Kingaroy
Office



Thinking Surveying... The Surveyors Pole

The importance of the surveyors pole can often be forgotten during the normal course of surveying. With instrument calibration and accuracies of total stations, prisms and GPS equipment always being considered, the pole can easily be ignored as equally important. The height of the pole should always be measured by a tape before commencing each survey. This simple practice can avoid embarrassing errors that have happened by using poles that display a measurement to a reference point that is NOT the overall length of the pole, the use of prism adaptors and worn tips. The pole bubble should be kept in excellent adjustment and checked daily. It only takes one bump to put this bubble out of adjustment which then affects every future measurement. A high pole can be great when using GPS to elevate above head height but in general use, the lower the pole, the greater the accuracy and a mini prism as close to ground as possible is always the best.



ONF Sponsorship and

Donations

RACQ Lifelight

Leukemia Foundation

End Ed

Rural Fire Brigades

Wish List

ONF celebrates Employment History

August 22—Chris D (1 yr)

September 22—Miles (2 yrs)

October 22—Reagan (4 yrs)

January 23—Anna (7yrs)



BABY
We Have Something
to Tell You...

Kevin and his wife Suzanne announced their first bub is on its way. ONF wish you both fabulous nights of sleep till that wonderful event in August comes round. We are all so very happy for you both!

