

## MERRY CHRISTMAS FROM THE TEAM AT BANNOCK BRAE!

Newsletter 37

Special Christmas Edition

### Merry Christmas to all

As we head towards the end of another busy year, the team at Bannock Brae are at full pace for the next few weeks. The smell of hams cooking lingers in the air as we cook them 24/7, and the almost-there feeling is kicking in.

If you haven't done so already, it's not too late to order your Christmas fare, but we are getting to the pointy end of things and we will sell out.

Hams, turkeys (limited supply), roasts and bbq meats are all still available at this point but we encourage you to place your orders if you are intending to do so, sooner rather than later to avoid disappointment. Our staff would be happy to give you a helping hand to get things right for your special function or Christmas day!



The butchers scrubbed up for a Christmas party at the races!

To place your order phone us on 46967062, or email us at [bbm21@bigpond.com.au](mailto:bbm21@bigpond.com.au) (make sure a confirmation email comes through) or call into our Highfields store.

### STUCK FOR GIFT IDEAS??

Need to buy for someone who has everything? Bannock Brae has the answer! We have gourmet gift packs available

which include olives, cheeses, chutneys, woodsmoked kabana and other goodies on a beautiful hand-crafted timber

cutting board or perhaps a gift voucher is more your style. Either can be arranged—orders welcome.

*Brisbane Delivery  
Runs*

*Thurs/Friday  
11th/12th Dec—  
fully booked.*

*Sunday 21st Dec  
- almost booked  
out!*

*January—no  
delivery run*

*Thurs/Friday  
12th/13th Feb  
(Orders due by  
2nd Feb)*

## Down on the Farm...

Well the storm clouds have been building and the lightning shows have been spectacular at times, but to date very little rainfall to speak of. In one storm we jagged 15mm at the far end of our farm, and in another 15mm at the other end to even it up but dust is still blowing in the middle of the farm where it counts the most. We are handfeeding and pumping stock water daily as our dams are drying up.

To top it off, a pack of wild dogs has taken up residence and is reeking havoc. Quite often we are finding an entire herd pushed into a corner of a paddock, or a couple of cows and calves on their own being circled by the dogs. We are taking steps to eradicate them but it is not an easy task and just another job to do.

Please continue to pray for rain and support our Aussie farmers wherever and when-

ever you can. Remember No Farmers, No Food!

### Pa's Rainfall Report

OCT - 11mm

NOV - 26.5mm

DEC - 2mm so far

As I write this, the clouds are gathering again—fingers crossed there's something in them this time!

## CHRISTMAS TRADING HOURS

Christmas is our busiest time and we thank our customers for their patience and understanding as we roll out our orders. The delivery runs are packed to the max so we may be running a little late on occasions.

*Thank-you for your patience  
and understanding during  
our busiest time.....*

Our Highfields shop trading hours will remain the same until Saturday 20th December. We will then open: 9-12pm on Sunday 21st Dec, and 10am – 6pm on the 22nd and 23rd. On Christmas Eve we will open from

10am until we are sold out. We would appreciate it if you could pick up orders on the day that we organise with you, to make things run smoothly.

We are closed for our annual shutdown from 25th December and will re-open on Monday 19th January. See you then!

## Merry Christmas from the Team!

It's been an exciting year for us at Bannock Brae with lots of changes and additions along the way. We would like to take this opportunity to thank our extremely hard-working staff and our families for all their support

— we simply couldn't do what we do without them. To our valued customers, we wish you and your families a safe and happy Christmas and look forward to seeing you again in 2015!



Merry Christmas from the team at Bannock Brae!