



People space: QUT students Amy Saunders and Stacey Watson with their PARK(ing) Day installation.

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Parking bays to go green for the day

CAR parking bays will become a whole lot greener for one day next month when an idea that started in San Francisco four years ago

sweeps across Brisbane. PARK(ing) Day was started to raise awareness about the lack of green space. It is based on the idea that

paying for a parking meter is like renting a public space and participants are encouraged to transform on-street car parks into people parks

by temporarily providing turf, seating and shade. University students Amy Saunders and Stacey Watson last week had a

dress rehearsal for the real deal on September 18.

Email brisparkingday@live.com to participate.

U-turn on promise

GRANT STOCKWELL

FRUSTRATED residents and business owners have called on BrisConnections to stick to a promise and rebuild a legal U-Turn on Lutwyche Rd.

They say they have been duped by a pre-Airport Link promise which stated the

U-Turn facility at the corner of Fuller St and Lutwyche Rd would remain.

Kim Ayers has used the U-Turn to access her Chapel St home for years until a lane realignment earlier this month made it impossible for her to negotiate.

"I contacted Airport Link community relations on

July 7 to confirm that the U-Turn facility would remain open and they confirmed it would," Mrs Ayers said.

"I drive a sedan and a few days after the realignment I attempted a U-Turn and my car wouldn't fit.

"There were many complaints from residents in

Chapel St and Wesley St and also complaints from The Good Guys and First Liquor as the U-Turn is required for customers heading from the north to these shops."

Mrs Ayers said she received a letter from Airport Link on August 11 communications stating that the U-Turn would be perma-

nently banned. Deputy Mayor Graham Quirk said Brisbane City Council wanted the U-Turn to be reinstated once construction was over.

"I strongly urge these contractors to properly consult with the community before making these changes," Cr Quirk said.

BRIEFLY

TRY FOR TICKETS

READERS have a golden chance to win tickets to performances by Normie Rowe (10 doubles) and Joe Camilleri and The Black Sorrows (15 doubles) at The Pinkenba Hotel on September 4 and 6, respectively. Send your entry to citynorthnews.com.au and put Normie Rowe or Joe Camilleri in the subject line. Tickets must be collected from Quest Community Newspapers, on the corner of Shand and Byth streets, Stafford, by September 2.

MEDICO IMPROVES

ASCOT doctor David Bartholomeusz has been released from the intensive care unit at Holy Spirit Hospital. Dr Bartholomeusz has battled a life-threatening case of septicemia since he was rushed to hospital on July 30. He was discharged from ICU and into a ward on Tuesday and his wife, Jacqui, said he was in very good spirits.

RESEARCH LIFT

QUEENSLAND University of Technology has received \$803,000 to work on chronic disease research. The federal funding of \$803,264 will be for four projects involving: A review of QUT health curriculum with respect to chronic disease self-management; improved patient self-management abilities following cancer treatment; a DVD to support patients' engagement following cardiac and diabetes treatment, and the evaluation of a new and flexible methods for supporting exercise-based lifestyle changes in chronic disease.

PLANS ADVANCE

THE Royal National Agricultural and Industrial Association of Queensland has appointed a project director for the \$3 billion redevelopment of the RNA Showgrounds expected to start next January. Former Queenslanders Steven Grimes brings with him more than 22 years' experience in Australia, the United Kingdom and the United States delivering award-winning, large-scale, mixed use developments.



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