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### Angel Loop Roadshows

Don't miss this opportunity to hear about new and upcoming startups in central Queensland and how you can get on board. This is a completely free event held monthly on a Wednesday at the Grand Hotel. Last event in November and will return again in 2023.



### Meet The Potential

Every Friday fortnight during school term, Startup Gladstone Inc hosts Meet The TechPreneur. This term we introduced Meet The Potential where three locally educated and residing Gladstone residents ventured into the classrooms virtually each week and spoke to the Year 6 grades. This initiative of Startup Gladstone was designed to encourage students to consider the many opportunities they have for future careers. A great way of making learning real-life, connecting their current learning to future interests and opportunities. Our three featured guest speakers were Sam Eborn of Mecha Electrical, Salvador Zuniga of High Risk Solution and Scott Millar of BOP Industries.

*"No one knows everything and the second you think that you do you can't learn anymore. You might think you are the smartest person in the room but there's always other rooms."*

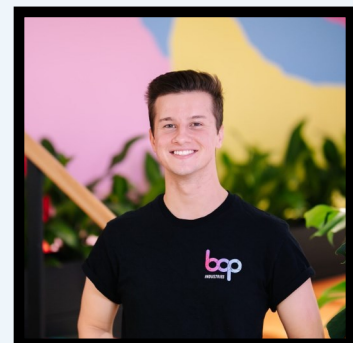
Sam Eborn on Meet The Potential



Sam Eborn  
Mecha Electrical



Salvador Zuniga  
High Risk solution



Scott Millar  
BOP Industries

*"You guys have been born with technology so look for ways to step in. You guys are the ones who will bring innovation into the industry."*

Salvador Zuniga on Meet The Potential

*“Be a good human. You’d be surprised how far a smile and a positive attitude can get you, and it’s all that’s got me to where I am now for the past eight years. Saying yes to opportunities, being a good human, always willing to help out and always willing to learn as well.”*

- Scott Millar on Meet The Potential

## Junior Innov8ors STEM Club

This term in STEM Club the focus was on Halloween.

Visiting guests, parents and members were introduced to a Halloween Themed STEM Club. Where the group showcased their individually designed Tinkercad candy houses now transformed into sticky edible versions, related customised editions of the classic fairy tale, and played corny homemade videos of their stories in CapCut Editor.



## Junior Innov8ors CQ University Showcase

Four Junior Innov8ors were given the chance to present at the Energy, Environment and Our Sustainable Future CQ Showcase at CQ University. The students talked about their designs, their findings and their products. The students showcased the All-Terrain Wheelchair and Reef Regeneration project.



## End of the Year EPP Markets and Pitch Event at Kin Kora School

Kin Kora State School Year 4s ran successful markets and Pitch events. The students involved maker skills using 3D printing, resin creations and tie-dye among the many other products they are working hard to create. These budding entrepreneurs have faced real-life business challenges which they worked together to solve. Some of the teams encountered production problems while others struggled to work within a team itself. But the disputes were resolved, and the overall ambience was one of laughter, conversation, concentrated work and immense pride in their innovations.



## 7-A-Side Cricket match and EPP Markets at Stanwell State School



A 7-A-Side Cricket Family Fun Day was organised by Stanwell State School P&C with Vicki Rodgers their ace principal. Seven teams have signed up donning matching uniforms - whites, florals, fishing shirts, among others to compete for the Stanwell 7-A-Side Cricket Trophy. Delish bbq and coldies in eskys were available while the EarlyPreneur students made and sold candy floss and slushies. The EPP students also made headbands, earrings, lucky dips, key rings and pretty little knickknacks to sell.

## Pitch-A-Thon 2022, Mayors Innovation Award



It was raining ideas, products, jingles, advertising and merchandise galore as ten products were pitched at Pitch-A-Thon 2022. 10 primary school teams and young makers vied for the Mayors Innovation and the Junior Innov8ors Awards. Opening with the creative Kin Kora Year 4 team 'Best In Memes' followed by Gladstone Central Year 4 with their sustainable 'The Golden Girls'. The Year 5/6 classes followed with Faith Baptist Christian School's hydroponics business 'Veggie Vibers'. Discovery Christian College pitched 'Origami' for mental health and their circular economy 'T-Shirt tote Bag'. Gladstone South featured their class business 'Southside Industries'. The EPP pitches closed with the Kin Kora's Year 6's 'Calming Candles'.

Junior Innov8ors followed with Luke Pienaar of St. Francis School and his 'Wheely 3000' – a Tinkercad designed wheelchair. Kin Kora School featured 3 additional presenters. Louie Thompson's home catering business 'Yummy Bros', Kai Barnes' holiday shop 'Icy Cups' and Eli Fernandes' soccer club 'Kin Kora Kickers'. Bruce Smith of Clinton School featured his reef awareness game 'Sponge Bob Run' using Tinkercad designing and Scratch Programming.

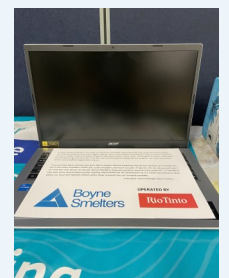


Judges Councillor Natalia Muszkat, Sophie Ovenden and Stephen Strachan had the unenviable task of choosing the winners. In the Junior Innov8ors category, 'Yummy Bros' won second runner up, 'Sponge Bob Run' attained first runner up with 'Wheely 3000' winning first place. The Mayors Innovation Award winners saw 'Veggie Vibers' score 2nd runner up 'T-Shirt tote Bag' securing the 1st runner up, with the Mayor's Innovation Award going to Gladstone South School



for 'Southside Industries'. Pitch-A-Thon 2022 was sponsored by The Gladstone Regional Council, with High Risk Solutions offering a generous donation to provide each of the participants with gift bags.

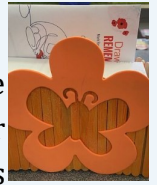
The event also showcased the 15 laptops for Junior Innov8ors STEM Club sponsored by Boyne Smelters Limited. Rio Tinto was also thanked for their joint sponsorship for 2023. NFP house loaned us the sound system while Ri Ri's Food Van kept tummies satisfied.





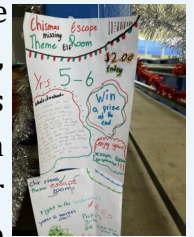
## End of the Year EPP Markets at West State School

Budding young entrepreneurs opened the doors to their business potential and came out tops! The theme was sustainability with a purpose, the Year 3s presented their products, the workings behind the designs and an overview of their business ventures at their school showcase. Their product designs included pom pom pets, desk caddies "for clean and organised desks", scribble books for "free hand drawings while on the playground", stationery items like erasers, pencils, and decorated rulers because at the end of the year "most of this goes missing and we need rulers for assessments."



## End of the Year EPP Markets at Calliope State School

Calliope State School has a busy Week 10 Year 6 Christmas market morning. There were hair accessories, activity sheets, art and craft packs, paintings, stationary, hydro-dipped pencils, scratch ornaments, Christmas globes that sold out in the first 10 minutes. Those who preferred to pay for an experience could choose from either an escape room designed for different year levels, or they could take part in a scooter repair centre mentored by year 6s or even take part in an origami workshop. Christmas EPP Fun!



## Innov8ors Reunion and Christmas Party Showcase



Innov8ors from Cohorts I and II, board and community members met together at CQ University for Innov8ors Reunion and Christmas Party. The evening opened with an acknowledgement of country by Kin Kora State School and an outline of programs by President Stephen Strachan. Vice President Cal Devney coordinated the event which was also the launch of Blue Sea Books. Innov8ors showcased their startups beginning with Gordon Christian of Digital Playhouse Foundation, followed by Rina Lim of Ri Ri's Food Van. Cory Ebenestelli traveled from Brisbane to promote Mitilab Inc and Michele Simic showcased Simrodz.

## Bush Cookies, Innov8ors and Joe Bradley

The challenge included Hospitality students, Integreat Qld, Joe Bradley and beloved elder Richard Johnson. To prepare the students for the challenge, we invited Joe Bradley to talk about his business JB Instrument, Tubing & Electrical. Joe began his business in Jan 2022, and generously shared some of his learnings with the group. He went through the basics from starting an enterprise, organising a business plan, budgeting, marketing and identifying the target audience. Drawing on his own experiences Joe related the work he put in to advertise and create an awareness of his new venture. "For your business to be successful you have to work for it. There's no question about it. I went around and gave my business card personally to people." Together with Ri Ri's Food Van, this latest cohort accepted 'The \$50/- Cookie Dough Challenge' and had to create, package, budget and sell their cookies at BAM and the Christmas Street Party.

