Sunday 30 April 2017

**BARCY REVFEST** hosted by the Barcaldine Motorsport Association

- **Event:** Eighth Mile Drag Racing - "Eighth Mile, Outback Style"
- **Food available and bar operating**
- **Ticketed event:**
  - $10.00 per adult or $15.00 for two adults (18 years and over)
  - Free for children (17 years and under)
  - Tickets purchased at the gate.

Location: Barcaldine Airport, Bottlebrush Avenue

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**BARCALDINE MUSEUM MINIATURE TRAINS** hosted by the Barcaldine & District Folk Museum

- **Featuring:**
  - Food and drinks available
  - Train rides
  - Museum open

- **Ticketed event:**
  - $1.00 per ride or $10.00 family pass (unlimited rides for kids of one family)
  - Covered shoes MUST be worn on the train.

Location: Barcaldine Museum, Gidyea Street

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**ECUMENICAL SERVICE** hosted by the Barcaldine Churches Together

- **Featuring:** Morning tea

Location: Barcaldine Town Park, Beech Street

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**BRING BACK THE SHEEP ART EXHIBITION** hosted by Trevor Sullivan Stock & Realty

- **Featuring:**
  - Hugh Sawrey paintings supplied by the Odgen Family
  - Artworks supplied by various local artists

Location: The Galilee Art Gallery, The Globe, Oak Street

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**BARCY TOWN TOUR** hosted by the Barcaldine Regional Council

- **Featuring:**
  - A bus tour of Barcy, highlighting our many historical locations and new developments

- **Ticketed event:** $5.00 per person.
  - Limited places so bookings are essential. Please call Kylie Owens on 07 4651 1724 for more information or to reserve a seat.

Location: Barcaldine Visitor Information Centre, The Globe, Oak Street

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**JUNIOR AND SENIOR RUGBY LEAGUE** hosted by the Barcaldine Rugby League Club

- **Featuring:**
  - Food available and bar operating
  - Entertainment by VELOCITY

Central West Junior Cluster Day
- Senior game - Barcaldine Sandgonnas vs Blackall Magpies.

- **Ticketed event:**
  - $5.00 per adult (18 years and over)
  - Free for children (17 years and under)
  - Tickets purchased at the Barcaldine Showground gate on the day.

Location: Barcaldine Showground, Wilga Street

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**ROCK AROUND THE FLOCK** hosted by the Barcaldine Arts Council

- **Featuring:**
  - Entertainment by The Amazing Blue Cats
  - Canteen and bar operating

- **Ticketed event:**
  - Gold coin entry fee. Tickets purchased at the door.

Location: Barcaldine Radio Theatre, Beech Street

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Monday 1 May 2017

**MAY DAY MARCH AND CELEBRATIONS** hosted by the May Day Committee

- **Featuring:**
  - Labour Day march and parade at 10.00am
  - Family entertainment
  - Food and drinks available

Location: Willow Street along Oak Street past the Tree of Knowledge to the Barcaldine Showground

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Further Information:

Email: events@barc.qld.gov.au
Phone: 07 4651 5612
Website: www.treeofknowledge.com.au
Facebook: /barcaldinetreeofknowledgefestival

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