

time Kevin started up his own business as a painter. He made a huge success of this and was able to retire at the age of 65 and enjoyed good health enabling him to enjoy his hard earned retirement.

Kevin's greatest pleasure was the feel of a good size fish on the end of his line. Even in his last weeks while sleeping in Prince Charles Hospital he was dreaming that his bed rope was a fishing line and the touch of a good bite would waken him. He also enjoyed bee keeping which resulted in many a bee sting. He was very proud of his honey as were many of his friends.

He had a reputation of being quite the 'Rat Bag', always out for a good yarn and never short of a joke to tell. One of his greatest tricks with his grandkids and great grandkids was to ask them to pull his index finger. They would look at him a bit wary,

pull his finger and he would blow off. It never failed to make the kids roar with laughter.

He would often say when the family was all together having a good laugh, or talking about the good old days that he couldn't believe he had brought up such a bunch. We would all laugh and say "WE GOT IT FROM YOU DAD!!!!".

Keve worked hard all of his life. Providing for his wife and children was his main priority.

He will be sadly missed but fondly remembered by all of his family and friends.

On behalf of Kath and family we extend our appreciation of your attendance today in helping us celebrate the life of Kev.

BINJOUR

On Friday evening the 18th November, 2011 we had a bible discussion on the Book of Joel with members from Malmoe joining us. We had the usual cuppa after the discussion.

Following service on Sunday, 18th December, the Sunday School children were presented with their books by Elder Wayne.

With Christmas fast approaching, we had our annual Carols evening on the 18th December, 2011 at Binjour, with Malmoe Community joining us. Once again this year, we placed flyers in Mundubbera and Gayndah townships, delivered flyers to

the local school and around the local Binjour area. We had a good response for the Carols evening. We catered for around 140 for a cold meat and salad meal. Following the meal, the Sunday School children sang, followed by a set programme of carol singing. The church choir and the Gayndah Arts Council choir then participated by singing carols which was followed by a short address by Elder Wayne on the miraculous conception and birth of Christ. Priest Justin then lead the requests



Laura & Grace Kronk, Holly & Joshua Kugel enjoying carols



Carol singing

section of the carol singing which was followed by evening devotion. It was a very pleasant, cool evening and we had many favourable comments.

On Christmas Eve, the Children's Service



Christmas Eve service

Below - Many smiling faces on Christmas Day



Karl, Ryan & Mitchell Oppermann & Jacob Loveday



Charlotte Gannon, Hayley Greiner & Ryley Bramer



Blake & Ethan Gannon, Amy Bramer, Ben & Joseph Greiner & Angela Branch

was well attended. All enjoyed the Christmas Story told and depicted by the felt board display which was enjoyed by the children and the adult members. Both Christmas Day and Boxing Day were blessed days. It was uplifting for the community to have visitors over the festival days. It was pleasing to have Ev. Owen and Sis. Vanessa Bramer and Ryley visit the community for Christmas Eve and Christmas Day. Further, it was pleasing to have Priest Wayne Schneider and Sis. Karen and family present for the Boxing Day Service.

On New Year's Day, Malmoe Community joined Binjour for the festival day and also to bring thanks for the birthday of Elder Wayne. It was very uplifting to have both Bishops and visitors present for the day. Following



service, a basket lunch in the hall was followed by the children singing and some speeches. A blessed day and we thank Bishop Alan & Sis. Carmel for their visit to the district.

Sis. Bessie Schneider celebrated her 89th Birthday on New Year's Day



Children singing after lunch for Elder Wayne's birthday

MALMOE

Hello from out here in Malmoe. Much to the opposite of our last article, this quarter we started with a swim. On Sunday the 13th of November, many of the Malmoe and Binjour members made their way up to Eidsvold for a swim at the town pool and then off to Priest Justin and Sis. Laura's for their home blessing (belated), final community BBQ for the year and concert practice. All enjoyed the afternoon and evening and it took some convincing to leave the dinner table to get stuck into concert practice.

On the 22nd of November, we lost a beloved brother to the community with the passing of Brother Alf Kuhn. Brother Alf was a long time member of the Malmoe Community until recent years. Brother Alf was laid to rest on Monday, the 28th of November, at the Malmoe Cemetery.

On the weekend of the 3rd and 4th of December, most of the community took the opportunity to head to Bundaberg to be part of the celebrations for the Apostle's Birthday. Once again, many members were involved in the western district section of the concert and we thank them all very much for their effort.



Home Blessing of Priest Justin & Sis. Laura

All enjoyed the weekend and look forward to the celebrations next year.



Holly & Grace after a swim

Sunday the 18th of December, saw another year of Sunday School come to a close with the presentation of books to all of the children in the community. Before we knew it we were celebrating the Christmas Festival for 2011, and once again it was lovely to see the faces of all the children as they received their presents from the church as part of the Christmas Eve service.

As we commenced another calendar year, all joined with our beloved Elder and the community at Binjour for the celebration of his birthday. A blessed day was had by all. So far, the rest of January has been fairly quiet for the community, as we all seek to stay out of the good old western heat.

Greetings to all from Malmoe.



Children's Christmas Eve Service