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Play a junior detective on your school holidays



DISCOVER YOUR BACKYARD
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THE holidays are upon us and what better way to discover our own backyard than to get out and about, maybe a trip into Carnarvon Gorge, an adventure and camp over at Lake Nuga, or perhaps a hike through the Blackdown Tablelands or Minerva Hills is more your thing.

We all love to do a bit of

fossicking at the Sapphire Gemfields and who knows, you could be lucky and find that once-in-a-lifetime sparkling sapphire.

Capella has plenty to offer for a day trip and has great overnight accommodation options so why not stay a day or two.

Blackwater International Coal Centre is running mine tours so if big machinery interests you then jump onto their bus for a tour like no other.

Maybe pack the family in the car and go for a drive, the road from Rubyvale to Clermont is a drive back through time, with 36 volcanos or remnants of

being seen from the road.

Peak Range National Park via Cotherstone Rd is a spectacular drive but just check to see if the road is open.

Rolleston to Bauhinia and up along the Fitzroy Development Rd to Duinga and then back through Dingo and Bluff is also an interesting drive, with some great camping options along the way.

Comet and the Comet River is a great place to wet a line and catch a fish, just bring your own chips.

Want to know more, then drop into your local Visitor Information Centre and

get the most up-to-date and local info on all the things to see and do in the region.

You will find a friendly Visitor Centre in Emerald, Springsure, Duinga and Blackwater.

For kids under the age of 10, fill out the Central Highlands Junior Detective alphabet sheet and drop it into the Central Highlands Visitor Information Centre in Emerald along with your name and contact details and you could be the lucky winner of a local prize pack. Entries are available from the centre and close on April 30 and the winner will be notified.



TREASURE HUNT: Fossicking at the Gemfields is a fun holiday activity.
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