

# Champions celebrated

“COMMUNITY” was the focus of an informal breakfast, held in conjunction with Queensland Small Business Week, to celebrate the community champions of our region’s business world.

About 30 people gathered at the Central Highlands Regional Council forecourt Wednesday morning, and listened as councillor Paul Bell spoke about this year’s theme for Queensland Small Business Week; community.

Cr Bell recognised the contribution that small business has made to creating vibrant local communities.

“Let’s get behind our small businesses they are so important to our local communities,” Cr Bell said.

Cr Bell went on to acknowledge the team behind the day’s celebration including C-RES Shop Local, Central Highlands Development Corporation, the council and the CQ News.

Cr Bell was assisted by Cr Gail Nixon with the certificate presentation to those businesses in attendance; see Page 15 for photos.

To date, more than 74 businesses have been recognised by the community for their work



» **COOK UP:** CQ News general manager Karin-ane King cooks up the snags at the CQ News Small Business Breakfast.

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and contribution.

From sporting groups, fundraising and social events without the support of small business these things would not happen.

Don’t forget to look inside next week’s CQ News for your copy of the Small Business Week publication.

This is just the start of the Central Highlands

Community Champion theme.

“We encourage businesses, community groups and clubs to keep the nominations rolling in,”

said CHDC regional development officer Raneae Parsons.

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