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Holly and husband Daniel assumed ownership of the shop in March this year, taking over from Dan's parents and the shop's founders, Phil and



To Page 2 It's beginning to look a lot like Christmas at Montville Clock Shop as new owners Holly & Dan Hoffman arrange decorations.

# Hinterland weathers the storm

WEEKEND storms across the hinterland brought welcome relief from heat and dry but Council has warned future deluges could lead to more serious flooding.

Council's Disaster Management coordinator Cathy Buck said more rain was expected over the coming days.

"Because it has been so dry and our systems aren't full at the moment the rain has been able to soak in which is great, and that is why we haven't

been getting a lot of flooding," Ms Buck said. "But certainly if we do get more events like this in a short space of time we are going to get that localised flooding."

Maleny received more than 200mm of rain over the weekend and wind gusts on the Coast reached 90km/h but the worst of the weather was yesterday heading south. Council crews had been busy over the past few days clearing roadways and debris from

public areas, and making sure storm drains were clear. There were landslips at Montville and Obi Obi Road in Kenilworth. McCarthy Road Maleny was blocked by flash flooding. Trees were down across the hinterland and various outages were reported with Energex crews restoring power to thousands of homes, including at Yandina.

Yandina's Wappa Dam was over-capacity at 108.7 percent on Monday

with water gushing over the spillway. Queensland Police Service Senior Sergeant Gary Brayley warned drivers to take care in wet conditions.

"I would really like to reiterate, please don't drive unless you have to and don't drive into flooded roads," Snr Sgt Brayley said.

"There is a lot of water out there, and there'll be a lot more before this rain event finishes plus a lot more people coming to our Sunshine Coast

for the holidays, so we all need to take extra care."

The Bureau of Meteorology said there was a High (70%) chance of showers tomorrow, Thursday, most likely in the morning and afternoon and the chance of a thunderstorm about the hinterland. Winds would be north to northeasterly 20 to 30 km/h.

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## Local spirit thrives

**Editor's Letter** by Cameron Outridge  
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A year nearly gone. A year about to begin. While this could be said every December, we know this year has been different. But with resilience and creativity, the hinterland has survived the challenges. Key to this has been the ingenuity of businesses and the loyalty of customers who have continued to shop local to help our economies thrive. The Festive Season provides another opportunity to support local traders, while rewarding ourselves with nearby options.

Retailers pride themselves on offering something a little different, bespoke, handmade or unusual. Which brings us to the Montville Clock Shop on the front page. What a gorgeous shop! Do yourself and your family a favour and head on up to Montville and check them out. It's cosy charm really is a much needed tonic to the mayhem that was 2020. (Merry Christmas. Thanks for your support and feedback throughout the year. And remember, without our advertisers there would be no Gazette.)

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## Trainees finally 'cooking with gas' thanks to local Bank

THERE was a buzz of excitement last week as Compass Institute Trainees took possession of a brand-new 6-burner gas stove at Harvest Kitchen Palmwoods.

Harvest Kitchen is one of the organisation's buzzing social enterprises, and the donation was thanks to a generous grant from the Heritage Palmwoods Community Branch.

The Compass Institute is an award-winning Sunshine Coast-based charity that provides support for people with intellectual and/or physical disabilities. Part of their unique model includes vocational training opportunities for Trainees in the organisation's many social enterprises, with Harvest Kitchen being an inspiring local food enterprise based on the Compass Farm in Palmwoods.

"Heritage Palmwoods Community Branch has been a longstanding and generous supporter of Compass and we are extremely grateful for their on-going support," said Compass CEO David Dangerfiel. "Over the years, funding from their grant program has helped us purchase much needed equipment in our centres that assists us with on-going skills training for our Trainees."

Harvest Kitchen has their work cut out for them with demand for over 1,200 jams and chutneys needed to be produced every month thanks to a deal with long-standing corporate sponsors, Cricks Sunshine Coast. As part of the partnership, every new car purchased receives



**Compass Institute trainee Jennifer Judd and supervisor Shannon Cook.**

a Compass gift pack of homemade goodies, produced by the Trainees using local produce from the Compass Farm. The new stove will go a long way to continuing to make this enterprise a roaring success!

• For more about the Compass Institute go to [compassinc.org.au](http://compassinc.org.au). For enquiries about how you can support Compass, please email Sandra Brodie: [sandra@compassinc.org.au](mailto:sandra@compassinc.org.au)

## Business a time-honoured family affair

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Fran Hoffman, who are naturally delighted that the business is staying in the family.

"It was such a weird scenario, taking over just as COVID hit," said Dan. "The business settled and immediately we had a meeting with staff to announce the takeover, reassuring them that nothing would change. The following week, restrictions were introduced. By Monday, we had to tell our staff not to come into work. It was highly stressful. For about six weeks we were completely shut down. Our staff had to be our primary concern."

Despite it being the worst possible time to become business owners, Holly and Dan are excited about the opportunities the Clock Shop presents. "Prior to taking on the business, we had plans to expand online, and lockdown panned out to be a great opportunity to build on the website and social media," said Holly.

"People are genuinely delighted by what they find here," said Dan. "They tell us that they haven't seen objects such as these since they were children, often when visiting their grandparent's house."

• Montville Clock Shop's walls are heaving with clocks including cuckoo clocks from \$300 to over \$6000. Clock Shop Montville, 194 Main Street, Montville Phone: (07) 5442 9409

## How this Palmwoods cafe got its name

A new gelato and brunch bar has opened in Palmwoods replacing the Cocoa Tree Cafe. Owners, Ann and Geoff Vollmer took over at the beginning of November and opened the doors two weeks ago.

And the name, One Weird Dog? "We actually have two weird dogs, but one is definitely weirder than the other," Ann said. "Teddy is a miniature Schnauzer who completely lacks personal boundaries. We hadn't decided on the name, and we were relaxing on the verandah with the dogs when he did something that was stranger than usual. I said to him 'buddy, you are one weird dog!' and Geoff said "that's it, that's the name". And so it stuck.

"Just in time for ice cream weather!" Ann said. A chef by trade, Ann wanted to open her own cafe so that she could cater for "weird eaters like me".

"I found that every time I went out to eat, I wanted to order something just slightly different to what was on the menu. I figured I was not the only person so inclined and this business has given me the opportunity to develop a beautiful 'mix and match' style of menu that allows for different tastes and dietary requirements," she said. "I am very much into healthy cooking and

eating and I am finding that 60 - 70% of our customers have specific eating requirements. It is wonderful to be able to cater for them."

One Weird Dog has a full menu that spans from breakfast to lunch, coffee, cake and gelato, and includes everything from fritters and waffles to burgers, bowls and tacos, with almost unlimited 'design your own' combinations. There is also a cabinet with an ever changing array of sweet and savoury goodies.

"Our full menu and brunch are available from 7.30am to 2pm and the cabinet food, coffee and gelato are available until our closing time at 4pm," Ann said.

There are 16 flavours of Maleny Food Co gelato and sorbets including Ginger and Macadamia, Irish Creme, Passionfruit Cheesecake and Salted Caramel alongside the more traditional flavours. There is also superb Koko Twist soft serve ice cream for those who are vegan or dairy free.

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**Barista Sam Vollmer at One Weird Dog Cafe, Palmwoods.**

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Yoga teacher Charlie Hanna, twilight market organizer Ruby Susie and musician Damian Campbell.

## Twilight Markets back local, ethical, sustainable goods

YANDINA'S Stevens Street businesses hosted a Christmas edition of the popular Twilight Markets on Friday. The markets help support local artisans, creatives and sustainable businesses and promote locally made products.

As well as the market stalls, set up at the back of existing businesses, market-goers enjoyed late night shopping in stores like Girls of Impanema, Stay wild Collective and Yandina Art & Framing as well as live music from the incredible Jesse Higgins and the beautiful duo Solua.

"Our intention is to celebrate, to celebrate ourselves, our community and our earth," said organiser Ruby Suzie.

"We are striving to support local artisans and creatives who create beautiful sustainable products.

"Coming into this festive season - consumerism is at an all time high - so why not bring our awareness to our purchases by supporting local and ethically made products, to work towards closing the loop of waste, to create a

more thriving future.

"With the current state of affairs in the world, it is so important to bring our focus back to community and create grass roots movements to move towards a more sustainable supportive future."



Carly Camilleri, Taylah Moore, Maddison Crethar, with stallholder Kokedama Mama who sells Kokedama plants which are indoor plants in moss balls.



Singer Jesse Higgins entertains.



Against the Grain stall holders Brad McDonald, Kiah Stone with Norton the dog.



Frédérique van Poppel selling pouches and pottery at the market.



Yandina locals Bill Gissane, Allan Best, Nigel and Robyn Anns and John O'Leary enjoyed the markets.

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The new committee includes, from left, Vice President Grant Palethorpe, Social Media Coordinator Danielle Possee, Treasurer Nathan Major, Events and Membership Michelle Menzel, Secretary Richard Law and President Debbie Kimber.



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# Strength in numbers

## WCBA looks forward to enterprising 2021

THE Woombye Business and Community Association (WCBA) held its AGM and Christmas Party at the Woombye Pub last Tuesday.

Re-elected President Debbie Kimber said she looked forward to working with the new committee which had been strengthened with the arrival of new people filling positions which had been vacant, including the treasurer and secretary. A new 'events and membership' role has also been established. The new blood would allow existing members to focus on working within their core areas of expertise, said.

"I can concentrate on grant applications and we will be able to focus on continuing to increase our membership," she said. "A larger membership demonstrates how engaged the community and business owners are, this helps

the WCBA in our funding applications."

Ms Kimber said WCBA had a productive year despite disruptions caused by COVID.

Membership has increased to 84 members through improved activity and increased profile. Many people are now using the website to join online and connecting through social media, thanks to the work of Vice President Grant Palethorpe and Daniella Possee (social media).

WCBA this year made a submission to Sunshine Coast Council's Blackall Street Place-making consultative process urging any future plans maintain the rural feel and identity of Woombye. Speed, parking and shade were common issues that have been raised.

Ms Kimber said it was vital to connect Woombye to the Big Pineapple by a walking/bicycle pathway. This will "connect us with the rest of the Coast".

Pathways linking new housing estates like Habitat and Panorama and Woombye Care on

Redmond Road to town are also high on the agenda.

The committee would continue to pursue the issue over noise coming from Queensland Rail's Woombye Stabling Facility on behalf of affected nearby residents.

The WCBA's new logo has been approved and will help provide unified branding for the association and promote Woombye as a destination.

There are plans to continue the successful Our Place Our Story heritage initiative to promote Woombye's proud history. A potential theme is Our Place Our People featuring story boards added as part of the existing Woombye Heritage Trail.

The WCBA's next meeting will be held in January at CAVU Distilling at The Big Pineapple. Nicklin's new MP, Rob Skelton has accepted an invitation to attend.

This will be an opportunity to demonstrate the benefits of a pathway to the Big Pineapple. The events will provide a tasting experience at the distillery, and will include other local producers such as Diablo Ginger Beer and Woombye Cheese. Details early in the new year.

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From left, Auxiliary president Jean Whitney NGH General Manager Graham Wilkinson and SCHHS chief Executive Naomi Dwyer.

## Hospital Auxiliary's 'infectious' generosity will be missed

NAMBOUR General Hospital hosted a 'thank you' event, to celebrate the hard work of the local Hospital Auxiliary, which ceased operations this year after more than three decades of service.

Made up of mostly volunteers, the auxiliary began in 1986, operating the hospital kiosk and gift shop. All proceeds from the non-profit organisation went to purchase vital equipment and improve patient care.

The auxiliary has donated over \$2 million in equipment to various hospital departments, made possible by the dedication of volunteers.

Some of the notable donations include \$136,000 worth of renal dialysis machines, at least four ultrasound units worth more than \$65,000 each and \$100,000 worth of orthopaedic equipment.

An emotional Auxiliary president Jean Whitney says it had been a rewarding experience volunteering and helping others for a greater cause.

"The funds we have generated in the kiosk through volunteering has helped provide equipment for the hospital. This in turn allows the community to access better facilities and care," Ms Whitney said.

"Many of the volunteers have been patients at the hospital at one time or another, so it's nice to be able to give back to the healthcare workers who look after us."

Along with kiosk, Auxiliary volunteers also ran the hospital's gift shop, where cards, magazines, soft toys and even hand knitted items could be purchased for patients.

They also provided catering for Nambour General Hospital events.

Nambour General Hospital Director of Nursing and Facility Manager Graham Wilkinson said the hard working and friendly faces of Auxiliary staff and volunteers would be greatly missed.

"The work of the Auxiliary over many years, and the impact they have had on purchasing necessary equipment for the hospital, as well



One of the original Auxiliary volunteers Evelyn Philo with George Basiliou, whose wife Ruth was also an original person to operate the kiosk in 1986.

as the special connection they built with staff and patients has made a real difference to the hospital. We are greatly appreciative to Jean and her team," Mr Wilkinson said.

Dr Jo Deverill paid tribute to the Auxiliary's baking skills, pointing out one coconut slice contained enough calories to get him through a 10-hour shift.

The Auxiliary ceased operations earlier this year, in part due to challenges posed by COVID-19 restrictions.

"While we have ceased operations, the Auxiliary still has some giving left to do. We still have some funds in the bank and will use this to donate to Nambour General Hospital in the near future, as a final gift," Ms Whitney said.

Sunshine Coast Hospital and Health Service's Foundation Wishlist has taken on the operations of the hospital Kiosk and Gift Shop.



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# Lantern Parade sheds light on Woombye spirit

IT was a bright and inspiring gathering as young and old alike took to the streets for Woombye's Lantern Parade on December 9.

Just on dusk, children and families gathered by the Bank, sitting on the grass, complete with donkeys, sang songs with Liza, and watched the switching on of the lights of the tree in the street.

Lights, torches and lanterns illuminated the evening, as the parade made it's way from Bendigo bank to St Margarets Church to share in some Christmas cheer and some Festive treats. The children, and some parents, had made wonderful lanterns in all shapes and sizes walked down Wakefield Street, along Kiel and up to St Margaret's where baskets full of Christmas cookies waited for them, as well as a very large cream cake baked by the Woombye Bakery. A delightful evening closed with the Merry Christmas song, and thanks by the Anglican Rector of the Parish Rev Ralph Bowles expressing thanks to all and good wishes for Christmas.

A meal at the Woombye Pub was enjoyed by some afterwards, and thanks to the Pub for a Christmassy decorated veranda and delicious meals. "It is so good to see this hinterland community together, the bank, bakery, kindergarten, church and people of the district doing what has been always been done in Woombye since its earliest days, when people needed to work together to survive," said local historian Margaret Woodrow.

The event is sponsored and supported by the Woombye Community & Business Association, Woombye Childcare & Kindergarten and Bendigo Bank.

## Correction

A story in last week's Gazette about landscaping works being carried out at Palmwoods Memorial Hall said funding came from a Sunshine Coast Council grant. In fact, the source of funds is a grant from Queensland RSL.



Jaiya King and her mum Isobel receive a piece of Christmas cake courtesy of Michael MacDonald of sponsors Bendigo Bank.



Local Kids Leon and Aliyah Hailes with grandparents Lisa and Chris Gray and parents Ron and Miranda.

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Burnside Neighbourhood Watch Group members Tony Bryant, left, and Rod Brady with District Crime Prevention Coordinator Acting Sergeant Sandra Atkinson.

## Lock up your property to help police disrupt opportunity crime

RESIDENTS could help police these Christmas holidays by locking up to prevent "opportunity crime" according to District Crime Prevention Coordinator Acting Sergeant Sandy Atkinson.

Sgt Atkinson said break-ins were often crimes of opportunity, where criminals gained entry through an open or unlocked door or window. "People could really help police by simply locking up," she said.

Sgt Atkinson was at the Burnside Neighbourhood Watch Group's 'Coffee with a Cop' session at The Post Coffee House in Windsor Road earlier this month. Residents came and met volunteer members of the Group and enjoyed free coffee, while chatting about crime-related issues.

"Queensland Police are very supportive of Neighbourhood Watch and engaging the with the community through their network," Sgt Atkinson said. "We look forward to working with them further to make Nambour a safer place to live and conduct business."

Sgt Atkinson said one of the trending crimes in the Burnside area was number plate theft.

Drivers can obtain one-way screws from their local Police Station, to prevent this and avoid the consequences of subsequent crimes committed, where criminals disguise their identity

by using the stolen number plates.

Funded by local businesses, Burnside Neighbourhood Watch Group meets four times a year in the Library/Resources Centre at Burnside State Primary School. Their next meeting is on Wednesday February 3 from 7pm. All residents are welcome. Neighbourhood Watch is an initiative of the Queensland Police Service.

## Take your kids on a Story Walk these holidays

SUNSHINE Coast Council Libraries and Maroochy Regional Bushland Botanic Garden have joined forces again to promote First 5 Forever, an early literacy initiative, through the annual Story Walk.

Division 5 Councillor Winston Johnston said children's early literature was critical to their development and a Story Walk was an innovative way to experience a children's picture book.

• Story Walk: Saturday December 12, 2020 - Wednesday January 27, 2021. Maroochy Regional Bushland Botanic Garden is at 51 Palm Creek Road, Tanawha. Open 7am - 6pm, Monday - Sunday.



President Glenda Campi and Life Member Win Lindsay.

## Lind Theatre celebrates 75 years

ON December 6, 1945 a meeting was held to establish the Nambour Amateur Theatrical Society (NATS). 75 years later, on December 6, 2020, past and present members gathered to celebrate at the theatre in Mitchell St, Nambour.

The group, which now is usually referred to as simply "The Lind", has had several homes over the years, and a few name changes. "The Lind" came from one of those locations, on Lind Lane. Where's that? These days, underneath Nambour Plaza!

A trip down memory lane was presented by current president Glenda Campi, and long-time treasurer Gwen Griffin (whose memories came in poetic form).

Cr Rick Baberowski, in his address to the gathering, said it was unlikely there was anyone still around who was there at the very beginning. So it was a wonderful surprise for all that 93 year old Norma Dickson, who was at that very first meeting, is still very much around, lively and

funny (and even did a little dance).

Foyer plaques with names of Presidents and Life Members were unveiled by the longest-reigning life member, Win Lindsay.

After the presentations, a slideshow of hundreds of photos played while members caught up with old friends over afternoon tea and drinks.

2020 has been a lean year for theatre, but the Lind managed to stage two Covid-safe shows; one with an audience maximum of 20 per show, and one with 50% capacity. Plans for next year are well underway, as theatres can now go back to usual capacities.

The first play for 2021 will be George Bernard Shaw's funny and sharp Arms and the Man, which runs from 26 February to 6 March.

For more information on the group, go to [www.lindlane.com.au](http://www.lindlane.com.au) or phone 1300 732 764. Nambour Lind Lane Theatre Inc is at 16 Mitchell Street Nambour.

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# Junior Chamber forms with plans to give voice to Nambour youth

HIGH school students around Nambour will play a crucial role in the town's future if the founder of a newly formed Youth Chamber of Commerce has his way.

Burnside High School Captain Jack Watson is heading up the Nambour Youth Chamber of Commerce to give voice and purpose to young people and to help guide the town's future.

Jack said once the group was up and running, big picture priorities might include working on events and strategies at a local level to improve employment opportunities and encourage "entrepreneurship, activity and engagement" in the community.

Local activities and events would encourage involvement and help instil a sense of pride and purpose in the town's youth.

"I tell people that if we want to re-imagine Nambour then you will have to engage young people," Jack said, referring to the Reimagine Nambour initiative. "An increased sense of purpose will lead to decreased issues — like unemployment and drug and alcohol abuse — and help Nambour and its young people to grow and prosper."

The Nambour Youth Chamber of Commerce would involve high school students from state and private schools. It will connect and collaborate with professional business & industry leaders in the area.

The Youth Chamber presented an opportunity to gain valuable experience, make industry connections and gain access to employers and local, state and federal representatives.

"We will hear from inspiring guest speakers and community-minded people who have a focus on seeing the youth of our schools be successful and achieve their goals," he said.

Outgoing Nambour Chamber of Commerce president Tim Smith said his organisation had been striving to include youth in developing future strategies for many years and was fully supportive of the junior Chamber.

"At 16, Jack is an incredible young man," Mr Smith said.



Jack Watson is heading up the Nambour Youth Chamber of Commerce

"He is currently a student at Burnside State High school while also studying Economics at the University of Sunshine Coast. Jack also holds the titles of (former) Youth MP for Nicklin and is a member of the Sunshine Coast Youth Advisory Group." Jack's immediate plans also include studying economics at USC next year under the Headstart Program.

Mr Smith agreed the Junior Chamber had the potential to grow into a powerful voice within the community.

Jack said he was looking for leaders to fill roles on the board with responsibilities such as: Vice Chairperson; Secretary; School Liaison; Public Relations; and Marketing.

It is envisaged the Youth Chamber will hold fortnightly committee meetings, probably at Nambour PCYC.

• Inquiries jack.watson.nycoc@gmail.com. Or find Jack on Facebook.



Q&A panel with Val France, Ben O'Rourke Relationships Australia, Julian Porter Suncoast Legal Services, Tove Easton Lawyer, Stacy Oehlman (SCOPE), absent Lola Mashado

# Forum held in Maleny to discuss protecting elders from abuse

SPEAK Up Now, Maleny and Blackall Range, recently held an Elder Abuse forum to cover the legal aspects of protecting our elders. The audience viewed a video play developed by the Suncoast Community Legal Service giving an easily accessible way of explaining the pitfalls in our relationships with the elders in our families.

QCWA and Lions Maleny provided the morning tea that began the program, followed by the showing of the video play and a Q&A session.

A spokesperson for the Speak Up Now committee, Val France, said the questions raised in the Q&A session were very relevant.

"The questions proved the value of this forum and brought up issues that were obviously of concern to members of the audience. We were pleased that the panel of experts we assembled were able to answer them or offered private counselling and advice later", she said.

The panel included Julian Porter, Managing Solicitor Suncoast Community, Tove Easton, Easton Lawyers Maleny, Ben O'Rourke and Lola Mashado (Relationships Australia Queensland), and Stacy Oehlman (Centacare Domestic and

Family Violence Services, Sunshine Coast, formerly SCOPE).

Attendance was open to all members of the community and included representatives sent by many community groups.

Participants agreed the program was a thought provoking way to learn about individual rights and responsibilities and especially in terms of Powers of Attorney. A survey completed by most of the attendees indicated the value of the forum as 'most useful', 'good to learn there are services available', 'great panel'.

The Speak Up Now committee includes representatives of Rotary, Lions and Zonta clubs.

It is committed to taking these concerns into future events. There are more ideas for forums in the new year.

Hairdressers are seen as an important resource as they often hear about instances of abuse, so an information session will be held for them.

In addition there is the possibility of a community fun event to let people know the group is working hard to eradicate domestic and family violence on the Blackall Range.

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Under the Heritage community branch model, the PCB's share of the profits then goes back to the community via sponsorships to deserving local organisations and community events & projects that will benefit the Palmwoods community.

With COVID-19 bringing uncertainty and tough challenges, Palmwoods Community Branch has continued to be a pillar of support for the community.

In 2020 they have supported many local events and initiatives including the 2020 Bowls Challenge, sponsorship of shirts for the cricket club, Compass Awards Night, Ladies Bowls Fiesta, Palmwoods State School Music Bursary, the Rose Bartlett Award at Suncoast Christian College, Player of the Year at Palmwoods Cricket club and so much more.

And the 2020 Heritage Palmwoods Community Branch Sponsorship Program saw 24 local community groups share in over \$96,000 in funding.

"What sets Palmwoods apart is the people and our passion for this area, in fact, that's how Palmwoods Community Branch came about," said Director Audrey Lyttle.

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"We will continue to support our community as much as we can, and be there for Palmwoods through both the good times and the challenging ones."

If you have any suggestions of community projects that Palmwoods Community Branch can support, please visit the team at Palmwoods Plaza or call 07 5399 8070.



Back Row from left: Craig Agnew PCB Director, Alan Taylor PCB Director, Candice Keep and Kim Dean. Front Row: Malcolm Brown PCB Director, Audrey Lyttle PCB Director, Sophia DiFerdinando Manager Heritage Community Bank Palmwoods, Megan Tennent and John Trace.



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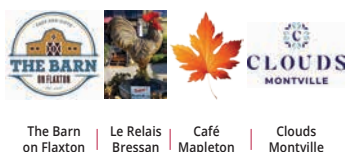
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## Santa swaps sleigh for train on Ginger Factory visit!

SANTA Claus, pictured, visited the Yandina Ginger Factory last week and he loved it so much he'll be coming back every day up until Christmas eve.

Santa especially enjoyed arriving on the Ginger Train where over 100 local school children were there to greet him. He went from the train to his workshop where he took (COVID-safe) photos with the kids.

"It was so busy," said a spokesperson for the Ginger Factory said. "Lots of very happy school kids, all socially distanced of course!"

"Come along with the kids and meet Santa in his Workshop, get your Christmas photos, take in the Ginger Factory's big Christmas display and shop for great Aussie Christmas gifts at our retail shops."

Santa's Workshop will be open daily during the Christmas period and kids will receive a free gift from Santa when they visit.

- Dates: until Christmas Eve.
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Studio23 Image First performance at Maleny Lane.

## Grant helps Maleny's Studio23 continue music & art programs

RECENTLY, Maleny & Hinterland Real Estate had the privilege of applying for a grant through RealEstate.Com for local community group Studio23 and are delighted to say the grant was successful.

\$1650 is headed to Studio23 for their music and art programs including the purchase of a digital camera and a quality printer and scanner.

"We are planning to start photography as one of our main projects and need digital cameras and a quality printer for members to use for this program," said Studio23 Program Director Kris Fitzgerald. "We also need a good scanner for art and music programs".

Studio23 is a not-for-profit centre in Maleny; it is a place where members with diverse abilities can socialise, connect and create. Opening

in November 2018, Studio23 was established to address the need for local, accessible and flexible programs for people living with disability and disadvantaged people living in Maleny.

Regular customers of Maleny IGA will know many of the delightful members from Studio23 through the work experience they do in-store to build skills, confidence and relationships.

"We have around 20 members who are thriving at the studio," said Kris.

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# Want to buy local? Palmwoods designer provides handy guide

by **Janine Hill**

A WEB designer has created an online directory of Sunshine Coast makers after finding that buying local is sometimes easier said than done.

Miranda Hailes, of Palmwoods, launched [www.sunnycoastmade.com.au](http://www.sunnycoastmade.com.au) this month to connect local makers and potential customers.

The website, which comes just in time for Christmas shopping, has started with some 90 makers grouped into 12 main categories and 56 sub-categories.

They include artists, coffee roasters, jewellery makers, clothing designers, and gourmet food producers.

A big believer in buying local, Miranda came up with the idea for the website during the height of covid-19 restrictions in Queensland when buying local at markets was not an option.

"My husband and I looked at what products we were purchasing and looked at opportunities where we might be able to buy something locally," Miranda said.

"I realised that there might have been a lot of products to buy locally but it wasn't always easy to find them, and that's when I had the idea for the directory - one place that focused on products made and designed on the Sunshine Coast, and on Sunshine Coast brands as well," she said.

"I just wanted to bring it altogether in one place that was easy for locals to find what they wanted and that would raise awareness of what's made on the Sunshine Coast."

With a background in website design and online marketing, Miranda had the skills and experience to put it together.

Supported by her husband, Ron, Miranda spent months working on the website and researching Sunshine Coast makers, designers, producers and brands.

What she found was that there were twice as

many people making original products on the Sunshine Coast than she thought.

"There are so many talented people making so many wonderful products. We discovered in excess of 800 makers on the Sunshine Coast," she said.

"I'm constantly blown away. There are so many unique and incredible things made here." Some of the Sunny Coast Made finds will surprise even long-term locals. They include Sunshine Coast-made pasta, eskies and carbon-fibre fins for die-hard divers.

Shoppers can search by category and sub-category or window shop through a varied offering.

The website also divides the greater Sunshine Coast, including Noosa, into 15 areas so that shoppers can find products closest to them.

Shoppers will be able to read the stories behind the brands in meet-the-maker articles and photos of makers and producers will allow shoppers to put faces or names to the brands and products.

Miranda hopes more makers will take the opportunity to get on board the website as time goes on, and that both consumers and local businesses support local makers and producers.

She said buying local boosted the local economy by keeping dollars circulating within the community.

It was also an environmentally friendly way to shop because it reduced the need to transport goods long distances, she said.

Miranda said another benefit of buying local was that it strengthened community connections. She and Ron chose to bring up their children, aged 5 and 3, at Palmwoods because of its community feel.

However, she feels even closer to the community since discovering and meeting local makers in person and online.

"Along the way, as we were researching the business, it made me fall even more in love with



Miranda Hailes has created [www.sunnycoastmade.com.au](http://www.sunnycoastmade.com.au), an online directory of local makers, producers and brands.

the Sunshine Coast," she said.

"In the last couple of weeks, I've started meeting with people and I'm loving making

these connections."

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## 11 Suses Pocket Road, Mapleton

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## 5 Watergum Crescent, Maleny

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Situated just three minutes' drive from the vibrant heart of Maleny is this low set, well maintained brick home. Equipped with everything for modern family life; ducted air conditioning, ceiling fans, dishwasher and loads of storage-there's nothing to do but move in. You'll appreciate 4 bedrooms, family bathroom, master with en suite and a large, flat 1200m2 block for the younger members of the family and your four-legged friends to play. It also means there's plenty of room to park the caravan, trailer or boat and a massive 3 bay shed!

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Perfectly positioned in a quiet valley, just minutes to Maleny, is this beautifully presented home. Renovated to meet the needs of modern living, the extension includes a spacious study or fourth bedroom. Working from home will offer inspiration every day with the property set in a spectacular garden setting bordered by towering gums. Located just 6 minutes outside of Maleny, this much-loved property is your ideal retreat for the modern family and to entertain friends and visiting family. With nearly 6000m2 of land, there is also ample space to grow produce, have beehives and create a productive garden, or just let the younger members of the family run free!

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## Elaman Creek

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Perfectly located to capture the views over the valley below and up to the Reesville ridge to the south; this property is the pinnacle of tranquility. Entering this very private property the vista unfolds as you wind along your all-weather gravel driveway with the circa 1912 Queenslander home emerging to stand proudly surveying the undulating 41-acre Hinterland property. The property continues to deliver on character in the handcrafted Top House which has been lovingly built using hardwood recycled timbers from the old Dicky Beach Surf Club built in the 1920's and poles and bridge timbers from the Old Maleny and Conondale bridges.

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Leigh Martinuzzi's new book is for people who want to live life with more freedom, fulfilment and happiness.

## Book provides road map to meaning

PALMWOODS local Leigh Martinuzzi is passionate about living a meaningful life — a life that dissolves suffering and regret. He wanted to inspire and educate others how to do the same. So, he wrote a book: "The Ultimate Life Map: A Transformational Journey Towards Greater Freedom, Fulfilment and Happiness".

Leigh realised his former corporate background with various multi-national companies was not what he wanted.

"How I was living my life did not make a great deal of sense to me," he said. "So, I made a decision to redesign my life to give me more freedom, fulfilment and happiness."

He said he went from a dissatisfying existence to living with higher purpose.

He created a template called "The Ultimate Life Map" — a guide that he has used to develop more passion and purpose. It helps people define their life compass.

"It will help them understand the fundamental life principles so they can purposefully navigate their way towards living life with greater freedom, fulfilment and happiness," he said.

"Whether you are 22, 37 or 65 I believe there is value and benefits to be gained. And in reading this book I hope the concepts shared will guide you beyond any self-inflicted suffering and regret to a life fuelled by passion and purpose."

"My goal is to inspire, educate and assist you to create and live your life with greater joy. I believe you will find happiness in the pursuit."

• "The Ultimate Life Map: A Transformational Journey Towards Greater Freedom, Fulfilment and Happiness" is available on Amazon and Barnes & Noble.

## Maleny dares golfers to take on the Red Belly Challenge

by Richard Owen

MALENY Golf Club is daring all competition golfers to take on its testing new Red Belly Challenge and beat their official handicap off the Sunshine Coast Hinterland course's Championship Tees.

Club Professional Wayne Perske said players would compete for great prizes in the monthly single-stroke event and anyone who beat their adjusted AGU handicap stood to win a dozen premium Srixon Z Star golf balls — more than covering the cost of their \$45 entry fee.

"We've established this competition to appeal to mid-week golfers keen to test their skills and abilities against course architect Graham Papworth and the championship set-up by our award-winning Superintendent Mick McCombe," Wayne said.

"The course record of six-under 62 is currently held by Adam Scott, who played a few rounds here with us during the 2020 Covid-19 lockdown, so it will be interesting to see how that stands up."

Inspired by Kooralbyn Valley's famed Copperhead Challenge, the first Maleny Red Belly Challenge will be held on Wednesday 27 January 2021 and winners of the monthly events will be invited back to play in an annual final in September.

The Par 68 course is comprised of two Par 5s, 10 Par 4s and 6 Par 3s featuring unique revetted greenside bunkering, Tiffdwarf Bermuda Grass



Clubhouse view over the 18th Green at Maleny Golf Club.

greens and Kikuyu fairways within a peaceful, scenic hinterland setting. (Plans are afoot though to soon convert the 9th hole to a Par 5, taking the front 9 holes to Par 35).

The new monthly competition was officially launched on Sunday December 6 2020 at the inaugural Maleny Invitational for Mid-Amateur and Senior players involving a strong field of 112 golfers.

Monthly prizes being provided by sponsors Srixon and Spicers Tamarind Retreat, will include a Maleny Golf Club shirt with a Red Belly Challenge logo and a dinner for two for

winners, as well as a traditional ball rundown.

The annual winner will enjoy an overnight bed and breakfast for two at Spicers Tamarind Retreat.

Competition dates for 2021 have been set on Wednesday 27 January, 24 February, 21 April, 26 May, 23 June, 28 July, 25 August and 22 September, 24 November and 22 December (TBC).

• For more information or to register contact the Maleny Golf Club on 07 5499 9960 or go to [www.malenygolfclub.com.au/golf/red-belly-challenge/](http://www.malenygolfclub.com.au/golf/red-belly-challenge/)

## Woombye Snakes Sign-ons early next year

FOR all you Snakies out there who are already missing the football season, here are some key dates for your diaries to get signed up and ready for next season.

Our sign on days will be taking place at the usual times at the end of January & start of February. We're also lucky to have Hinterland Football Academy available to run free sessions on January 10. No need to sign up, just bring your boots and be ready to play!

### Hinterland Football Academy

Free training sessions will be held Sunday January 10 for returning WFC players and those interested in joining the club next season. Under 6-8s 9am-10am; under 9-12s 10am-11am under 13-16s 11am-noon at Woombye Snakes Football Club.

### Sign on Days

Woombye Football Club is holding two Sign on Days for season 2021. The canteen will be open and the committee will be on hand to answer any questions about the season ahead. You can bring down the kids for a kick around and a bite to eat. Sign on Days are Saturday January 30 and Saturday February 6 from 9am to noon both days at Woombye Snakes Football Club.



## Maleny Players Presents Live @ The Playhouse

THERE'S still time to attend Maleny Players variety bash as the Playhouse comes alive with entertainment in the lead up to Christmas. With seating for 50 people, the Players have one more show on Sunday December 20 at 2pm featuring short plays, songs, skits and monologues performed to entertain one and all. Some of our young Maleny Players are involved in the production along with some familiar adult performers and some less familiar faces.

Drinks will be available at the bar so come early and enjoy the ambience of a community theatre whilst enjoying a drink on the deck. We look forward to seeing you there.

Dates: Sunday December 20, 2pm. Tickets available on-line at [www.malenyplayers.org](http://www.malenyplayers.org) or directly through Trybooking. Adults \$20 Under 18 years \$15.



## Russell Morris returns

ARIA Hall of Fame inductee and all-round Australian music legend Russell Morris returns to The Imperial Hotel Eumundi on Saturday 2 January 2021.

Shooting to fame in the mid '60s with Somebody's Image, Russell had a string of hits including Hush and the Bob Dylan classic Baby Blue. In 1969 he and producer Molly Meldrum released The Real Thing, Australia's only true psychedelic #1 hit and a song that is played regularly on commercial radio to this day. Following that, Russell penned breakthrough hits such as Sweet Sweet Love, Wings of an Eagle, Rachel, Part 3 into Paper Walls, The Girl That I Love and many more. The Imperial Hotel's FREE courtesy bus operates Friday and Saturday nights from 5pm, travelling to Eumundi, Belli Park, Cooroy, Doonan, Eerwah Vale, North Arm, and Verrierdale. Phone Aaron on 0478 814 169 to book.

## Gazette Crossword

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- 15 Repose
- 17 Dregs
- 18 Narrate
- 20 Was ahead
- 21 Merry frolic
- 23 Saturn's greatest satellite
- 25 Wash lightly
- 26 As before
- 28 Mild explosion
- 29 This place
- 30 Circus equipment
- 33 Mine entrance
- 35 Gnawing animal
- 36 Goddess of tillage and corn
- 37 Seesaw
- 38 Approached
- 39 Becomes firm

### DOWN

- 1 Separates
- 2 Wide
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- 10 Lyric poem
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- 14 Widened
- 16 Having bands
- 19 Grow less
- 22 Offers marriage
- 24 Long angry speeches
- 27 Aquatic furred mammals
- 28 Family head
- 29 Republic in West Indies
- 31 Striped animal
- 32 Den
- 34 Frozen treat

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Ian Lucas during the Sydney Piano Lovers Competition ... "I felt I'd do okay, but you never know".

## Pianist returns to music and wins prestigious competition

A return to a deep musical passion after more than three decades working as an airline pilot has resulted in a national award win for Montville pianist Ian Lucas.

Ian competed against about 40 others Australian's to be recently named the joint winner of the inaugural Sydney Piano Lovers Competition – an event open only to amateur pianists over 30.

"I'm very pleased. I worked hard and I felt I'd do okay because I've been playing well, but you never know who else has entered because it's adjudicated by private video," Ian said.

Ian was first taught classical piano by his mother as a child, but in his late teens his life took a different path and he embarked on a career as an airline pilot. It was some 32 years later, having retired from flying and with encouragement from his wife Lee, he once again sat at the piano.

"It wasn't until I turned 50 and my wife said 'You should go back to music', and I said 'okay'."

"I slowly regained my technique and artistry. I found the return to music and continuous practicing more fatiguing than I remembered and progress was slower than I thought and hoped.

"Music didn't return to me overnight, it took quite a few years to get everything back."

He admits he feels some responsibility for keeping alive a family history of classical music.

"It's a lineage – my grandmother taught my mother, who taught me, and I guess my grandmother's mother probably taught her as well."

Ian also took the time to teach the couple's twin children, Sam and Meg, who have also followed musical paths.

Sam is now a professional Cellist studying and living in Germany under management and with a record label contract.

Ian and Lee are known for establishing Lucas Parklands Montville, home to a 150-seat classical music auditorium described as one of the top performance venues of its size in the world.

## Christmas gifts galore at Mooloolah

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Most days, Natalie finds herself helping customers with various technical scenarios, or fixing phone issues. "I also spend a lot of time assisting local businesses with printing, scanning, binding, laminating, creation of documents, artwork and ordering. These are the kinds of jobs that can be time consuming and frustrating, and I think I am able to alleviate this for my business customers. Providing great service to my customers is the most important



Mooloolah Newsagency owner Natalie Lelievre.

and enjoyable aspect of what I do."

Natalie says "I have been made very welcome by the Mooloolah community and I feel as though I have been 'adopted' by my customers. I love that I get to see many of them everyday."

Natalie can help with the 2021 school pack ordering for the local Mooloolah State School. "I always try to ease the pressure of back to school time for parents and will take the worry out of this task for you. I think all small business owners like me appreciate support from their community because this is what will ensure we will be around to do what we do best."

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## JPs prove popular at Palmwoods Hall

NUMBERS of residents taking advantage of the Volunteer Justice of the Peace service at the Palmwoods Memorial Hall each Tuesday between 1pm and 3pm is improving from month to month. The free service commenced in August. Long term Palmwoods resident David Usher and Justice of the Peace for almost 50 years joins Geoffrey Brown to operate the service each Tuesday.

## Enduring Powers of Attorney

Mr Usher advised people to note that the law

regarding Enduring Powers of Attorney and Advance Health Directives had changed. New forms were introduced December 1 and the old forms can not be used. "If an old form is produced to a JP to witness, the witness must reject such form and request the use the new form. A JP cannot provide legal advice on any document produced to him or her," Mr Usher said. Forms completed before December 1 are still valid.

People wishing to obtain a new EPA or AHD should seek legal advice before approaching a witness. The witness now has a legal requirement regarding capacity of any person giving a EPA or AHD. Any person contemplating seeing a JP should allow at least 30 minutes for this to occur.

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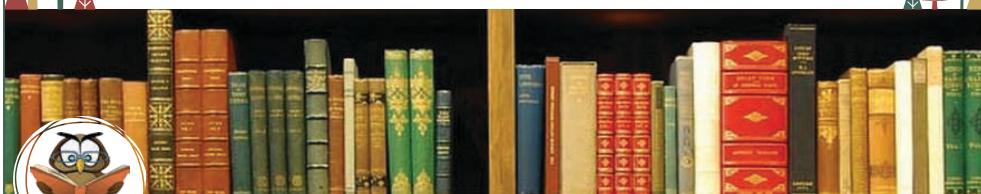
## Christmas just got a new tradition

Luxury dry-aged beef now available in-store, limited stock.

## All the very best wishes for the Festive Season from Darren at the Nambour Book Exchange

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We will be closed on the 25<sup>th</sup>, 26<sup>th</sup>, 27<sup>th</sup> & 28<sup>th</sup> of December as well as the 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> of January 2021.



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## Profile Questions

**Brett Mills**  
Dealer Principal Ken Mills Toyota

- **Birth date and/or star sign:** Libra
- **Favourite colour:** Blue
- **Favourite Movie:** Shawshank Redemption and Whiplash
- **Dream Car:** 300 Series (not out yet, but keep an eye out for this one!)
- **Dogs or Cats?** Definitely Dogs
- **AFL or NRL?** NRL
- **Nickname as a kid** (and brief explanation): Malcolm, it's a very long and slightly inappropriate story
- **Last book read** (title and author): Tattooist of Auschwitz
- **Where did you grow up:** Gympie
- **First job you ever had** & what was it like: I worked part time at Mitre 10 when I was in high school, but my first real job was as a trainee accountant. I treasure what I learnt at this time and use my accounting knowledge all the time in my business.
- **Favourite Nambour food and why:** Café – Chicken Aioli Wrap and Ginger Kombucha
- **Best thing about Nambour:** The Heritage, I grew up in Gympie and lived in Kingaroy for a while. I like that it still feels like a rural town.
- **Most important thing you ever learned:** That I still have a lot to learn



- **Favourite Saying:** Winners focus on winning, losers focus on winners AND Elevate yourself to a position where luck will find you.
- **Happiest moment in life that wasn't related to family matters:** Outside of my family, I really enjoy watching members of my staff excel at their job and progress, even if that means they move on from us.
- **Apart from your family and business what are you passionate about:** I enjoy the work that we do in the community. I am very passionate about the Sunshine Coast and like getting involved in ways to support the Coast
- **Your question (what haven't we asked that we should know about you?):** I make an incredible lemon tart.

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# Wildlife enquiries running hot — 800 calls in a month

from **Donna Brennan** Wildlife Volunteers  
WILVOS 5441 6200 www.wilvos.org.au

AS our native wildlife struggles to survive the shortage of housing and food, feral animals also have an impact on them.

It is not only cats and dogs, but other species such as Indian Myna birds that reduce the populations of native species.

Anyone observing Indian Myna birds in their area are asked to contact the Customer Service of the local council.

Trapping can be done to avoid the takeover of habitat by this very invasive species.

It must be remembered that the feral species, the Indian Myna sometimes called Common Myna, is chocolate brown in colour, whereas our native species, the Noisy Miner, is grey in colour.

The easiest way to remember this is – Grey Good, Brown Bad!

Our noisy miners can be annoying but they don't do the damage that the Indian Myna does.

A fellow-WILVO and Coolool resident sent me a photo of chicks and an egg from one of her trees.

The Indian Mynas evict pale-headed rosellas and rainbow and scaly-breasted lorikeets from the eucalypt hollow every year.

She said it is very distressing to see on an annual basis.

Removing the Indian Myna eggs also makes her feel bad, but we do have to prioritize with our native animals.

Sometimes it seems that everything is on a



damage and destroy mission of our unique Australian fauna.

With Christmas time approaching, nest boxes for birds and marsupials are a great gift.

Suburban yards house a variety of wildlife, often not seen, and they are always seeking homes.

It is a joy to share the garden with so many different animals.

Growing a variety of native grasses, shrubs and trees soon brings a myriad of life to the backyard.

Wishing everyone a wonderful Christmas with family and friends, and I hope that 2021 be a very healthy and happy year for you all.

Donna Brennan Wildlife Volunteers Assoc Inc (WILVOS) PO Box 4805 Sunshine Coast Mail Centre Q 4560 PH 5441 6200 www.wilvos.org.au



# Mapleton Choir lifts local spirits with Australia Fair themed concerts

MAPLETON Choir presented a series of twilight concerts at Kureelpa Hall from December 4 to 6.

The theme was Australia Fair and the program covered the arrival of the first fleet, the convict era, bushrangers, folk songs, contemporary songs and pop songs.

The hall was decorated with flags to represent "From all the lands on earth we come".

"The further easing of restrictions in late

November enabled us to have a bigger audience than first expected," said Coordinator Ailsa Morehen. "With careful thought and planning we were able to abide by all social distance guidelines.

"Feedback from our audience was excellent. I'd like to congratulate the choir and, judging by the smiles on everyone's faces, people just enjoyed being out and enjoying live music once again."

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## Well done Nambour Yandina United

**David Law**  
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I attended the presentations of the Nambour Yandina United Football Club on Saturday December 5. It was an honour to join the club to celebrate the 2020 season. This club is a wonderful demonstration of a grassroots, community organisation who have achieved some excellent results and at the same time supported one another through the most challenging year. Here's to a terrific 2021 season.

### Nambour Aquatic Centre

I remember providing my family's feedback during the consultation process for the Nambour Aquatic Centre Master Planning back in 2016. I am delighted to be able to share the news with you of the construction now underway to provide these upgrades which are now funded and being built. Nambour Aquatic Centre will have a zero depth splash and play park and two water slides. The upgrade includes \$1,050,000 from the Queensland Government's Works for Queensland program for the larger water slides, \$500,000 from Belgravia Leisure and \$460,000 from council for the children's zero depth splash zone and an additional \$650,000 from council for extra car parking.

Thanks to our previous Councillor for keeping the project on track over the years and all the work of the council's project teams who have made this possible. There will be some noise and disruption from time to time and I know that the contractor and pool staff will make sure everything is kept safe and accessible. At the same time we need to make sure work continues so that by end of June next year (weather permitting) we can enjoy the new facilities. This will become a great attraction for visitors and locals to the Nambour Aquatic Centre and I look forward to the opening.

### Sign up for The Lift Project

Registrations are now open for the third round of the popular The Lift Project Sunshine Coast which kicks off in February. This 10-week online wellbeing journey draws the latest research from neuroscience, lifestyle medicine and positive psychology, with an emphasis on improving your mental wellbeing. Visit council's website for more information.

## Have a safe and happy holiday

**Ted O'Brien**  
Federal Member for Fairfax  
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As we head towards the school holidays, I'd just like to wish everyone a safe and happy Christmas. It has certainly been a year which has presented unprecedented challenges. Of course, until we have a safe vaccine this COVID "new normal" will continue, but the resilience and compassion which has been demonstrated in this community and indeed across the Sunshine Coast has been both heart-warming and inspiring.

### Mobile Phone towers

Mobile base stations in Fairfax will be upgraded under the Morrison Government's \$18 million Mobile Network Hardening Program. Telecommunications, including mobile phone towers, rely on power to operate and the Australian Communications and Media Authority's report into the impact of the 2019-20 Black Summer bushfires on telecommunications found that most signal outages were due to power loss rather than direct fire damage. In our area, the Federal Government is funding Telstra to extend the battery back-up power at Dulong's mobile phone tower as well as Optus to upgrade the tower at Kidaman Creek. The upgrades will ensure power is supplied for a minimum of 12 hours, if the power goes out during or after a natural disaster. The funding is part of a \$13.2 million package to extend the battery back up at 467 mobile phone towers across Australia.

### Volunteer funding

Congratulations to the Country Women's Association Branch at Palmwoods which has been successful in securing \$4000 from the Federal Government's Supplementary Volunteers Grants. I'd encourage other community groups to take advantage of this annual program. The grants awarded are between \$1,000 and \$5,000, and enable local organisations to better support their volunteers to purchase small equipment, pay fuel, transport and training costs. The 2020-21 Volunteer Grants round is expected to open mid-2021.

## Showgrounds go solar powered

**Winston Johnston**  
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Installation of the impressive new Maleny Showgrounds solar system has now finished and it will soon be connected to the main power supply. The 99.9 kw system is estimated to produce 157,352 kWh each year, saving money and benefiting the environment.

I would like to thank everyone involved, it's a wonderful outcome for our community.

The project was funded by the Queensland Government's Works for Queensland program.

It's one of the region's larger solar installations and will deliver an electricity saving of around \$33,000 per year.

### Holiday fun

If you're looking for school holiday events and activities be sure to visit council's website, as there is plenty happening.

Council Libraries are offering a summer reading club, online programs/eLibrary, a story walk at the Maroochy Regional Bushland Botanic Garden in Tanawha and you can even book an 'at home holiday activity pack' to take home and get creative with your family.

The Maroochy Regional Bushland Botanic Garden also offers a children's wonderland at Summertime Playscape where children can explore a range of activities and Operation Botanica is on at the Mary Cairncross Scenic Reserve's Rainforest Discovery Centre.

### Festive season wishes

With the new year nearly upon us, I'd like to wish everyone a merry Christmas. May you get the chance to spend time with family and friends during the holidays.

2021, like the current year, will be different because of COVID-19.

Hopefully interstate visits continue as currently planned and if you have loved ones abroad, I hope they too can eventually visit and be coronavirus free.

If you need to contact council over Christmas and new year, there are some changes to services – visit council's website for all the details or to log a non-urgent request. Council's after-hours emergency call centre will operate 24 hours a day via the customer service number 5475 7272.

## Region has amazing potential

**Rob Skelton**  
State Member for Nicklin  
nicklin@parliament.qld.gov.au



On December 1, I was honoured to deliver my first speech to Parliament. What a humbling experience that was. I thanked my campaign team and noted Sir Frank Nicklin and Ted Theodore as political influences. If I can serve Nicklin as Sir Frank did so well, and maintain the passion of Theodore, Nicklin will be the beneficiary. The speech also noted the history and potential of our great region; from the pineapple fields to the burgeoning agri-business sector, from hinterland hideaway to the new 'Entertainment precinct' zoning of Nambour. The region has amazing potential and promise which we all can get behind and help prosper.

Budget estimates and the resultant legislative process saw the house sit well past midnight on successive nights, and it was my turn to speak in the cognate debate at 1.30 am on Friday morning, a session that was exhausting and exhilarating at the same time.

### School visits

Back in Nicklin, I visited four schools to get a feel for their needs and opportunities. I was most impressed with the calibre and passion of all the staff in the schools visited. Burnside, Nambour College, Yandina and Chevallum are all excellent centres of learning where our future leaders and citizens are developed. I was particularly honoured to present the student leader award at Chevallum school last Thursday night to a packed proud house of parents, teachers and students. The grade six students all spoke of their time at the school and it was wonderful to be able to glimpse the adult in the child. The parents and teachers should be proud.

### Christmas opening times

The Nicklin Electorate office will be closed from December 23 to January 4. I will be camping in and around the natural beauty spots of Nicklin and hope to meet you during that time. All the staff and myself wish everyone all the best wishes of the season and a prosperous and Covid-19 free New Year.

## Have a Merry Christmas!

**Andrew Powell**  
State Member for Glass House  
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It's the most wonderful time of the year or so they say!

COVID has brought us one of the craziest years I've ever seen and I'm so proud to represent a community of communities that has shown resilience, compassion, creativity and true grit throughout the pandemic.

It's finally time to celebrate Christmas and ring in what's hopefully a much better 2021. Adding to the craziness of this year was the state election!

To thank my staff for their efforts during this busy year and to give them a much-earned break I will be closing the office for a few weeks. From December 23 to January 18 my office will be unattended however emails, voicemails and Facebook messages will be regularly checked so if you do need to get in touch, I will be contactable.

### Maleny Swimming Pool Update

I'm disappointed that, after council brought forward grant funding and the education department undertook the necessary maintenance, the Maleny Swimming Pool is still not open.

However I've recently been informed that they have now acquired the services of a professional company to run the pool and excitingly, the re-opening date is soon to be announced.

For those quick to criticise pool management, the Maleny Pool is not operated by the State or even by Council, it's a community pool run by volunteers and I'm sure they'd love a hand. Please consider joining the committee and helping out.

### Free Marquees for your Community Group

Late last year I offered free marquees to community groups.

I had a lot of takers – too many in fact!

So I'm doing another round of free gazebos customised with your groups colour and logo.

If you're interested, please send through a high-resolution copy of your group/school/team logo to be put on the marquee and I will add you to the shortlist.

## New releases at Woombye Library

**Library Corner** with Del

HO Ho Ho Merry Christmas!! Well 2020 was certainly a year that impacted on everyone and that included the Woombye Community Library.

Changes to our opening hours was brought about by COVID restrictions and a decrease in available volunteers brought challenges to the library in 2020.

But with the continued support of our wonderful community the library continued to flourish.

Our first book sale of this year which was only weeks ago netted a healthy profit that will be used to purchase new books.

We received financial support from The Sunshine Coast Council community partnership program, The Bendigo Bank and The Friends of Maroochy Library.

This helps us to pay the bills. We also continue to receive valuable support from the Sunshine Valley Gazette who give us a column in which to share library news.

The Library could not function without our team of volunteers which is headed by Chris Milloy. Thank you everyone for the time that you give so generously.

We have just put some new release titles up on the shelves for your Christmas reading pleasure.

The new titles include; The Sentinel by Lee Child and Andrew Child, Hidden in Plain Sight by Jeffery Archer, The Cartographers Secret by Tea Cooper, and lots more.

The Library will close 23rd December and reopen 6th January.

Have a safe and happy, healthy Christmas and we'll see you at the Library soon!



## Great staff are worth finding

**Business Ideas**  
by Peter Gamgee



RUSHING to employ someone to fill a job vacancy is usually a recipe for disaster. The wrong person can harm your business. Customers will not be as satisfied, you will be constantly worried about performance, and likely as not there will be a high turnover.

Great staff on the other hand can really improve your business. They may even provide a future path for business exit for those considering retirement.

We hear a lot about the difficulty in hiring good shop attendants, waiters and waitresses, bar staff, landscape assistants, builders labourers, to name a few. It can be much easier than you think, but it takes work – here are 7 ideas to help:

Create a compelling offer. When advertising for staff it's similar to advertising to customers. You must sell the job to the candidates – if they have a selection of jobs and yours does not match their hopes and desires, or you don't have something compelling – then they will obviously select another employee. You are competing with all those employees. Create a compelling job offer that is not just about money and hours.

Identify the profile of your ideal staff member. Think the ideal staff member, their age, the way they act and behave, their interests, and motivations. Identify what media they are likely to use and hence where you should place advertisements.

Don't fish in the same pool as everyone else. The majority of job seekers are in the "seeking" pool because they lost a job – maybe because they were not suitable, or not qualified, or the wrong attitude. They are also people who have not been "snapped up" by astute employees who pick the talent long before it gets to be listed on Seek.com. Put your Ads into the media to catch the talent and attract – rather than sort through the "leftovers".

Change the team structure to create the right job. If you are a business owner who likes doing the finance, order supplies, check invoices, attend to payroll and tax returns, not to mention BAS statements – then stick to those and recruit staff for the customer facing work. If on the other hand you don't like all those finance and logistics aspects – create the job finance and logistics job and stick to your forte in customer relationships. You may find someone who likes the accounting may do it more efficiently and come up with some great new ideas.

Seek referrals from previous great staff. For whatever reason people may well move on. Great staff who have "fitted in" will always let you know well in advance, and it is quite possible they have been thinking about who could replace them. Ask them openly for referrals, and to spread the word in their social network – of like minded people. Make sure you give them the highlights – that Compelling Offer – to send out.

Develop and surprise your staff. Find ways to give your staff more and more responsibility – at a pace they are happy to take. Reward them for this – so they can see, and obtain growth. Help to train and develop their skills. Do this within a business mandate – that you want to be the best in the business, and therefore the staff are the best in the business.

Select Wisely. Attitude over everything else. Your attitude to the candidate is as telling as their attitude to you and the job. You can't measure attitude by reading a CV. Those with a great attitude that have an interest or skill in your business, may well find you. Always be on the lookout, and allow people to "come in off the street" and ask for jobs. Keep their details, and keep them in the loop with your business news by getting their email address to add to your CRM. As the business grows and/or staff have to leave – you have a ready made source of candidates without having to advertise!

Remember the better the staff the better will be your business - look after them and the right ones will look after you.



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**THANK YOU!**



2020 has been a wonderful year with so much to be grateful for at Compass!

With your generous support here are just some of our achievements:

- Compass services expanded, allowing us to provide support to more young people with disabilities across the Sunshine Coast
- We welcomed over 10 new team members to the Compass family
- Successful grant applications totalling over \$20,000 allowed us to move forward with a number of high impact projects across our centres and social enterprises
- The Compass Assistance Dog program gifted four dogs to local Sunshine Coast Families with a young person with autism and have nine puppies in training ready for placement in 2021
- Compass Farm celebrated its 10th birthday and Connections Café turned 5!

We could not have achieved this and so much more without the support of all of our Corporate Partners, donors, sponsors and our wonderful staff and volunteers.

From all of us at Compass, we would like to take this opportunity to say thank you for making a difference to the lives of young people with a disability.

We wish you a very happy Christmas and look forward to catching up again in 2021.



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