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It's Showtime! Bigscreen adds new dimension to main arena

A 10 metre by 4 metre curved screen in the main arena will add a new dimension in entertainment to this year's Sunshine Coast Agricultural Show according to President Rowan O'Hara.

"Every year we say the Show is bigger and better than ever, but with this new big screen technology it really is true," Mr O'Hara said. "It's bold new technology. So, for instance, people watching fireworks will be treated to an accompanying video presentation on the screen tracing our history from First Nations people, the local sugar cane industry right through to the history of the Coast."

The theme this year is "Country to Coast Together We Are Stronger".

Other program highlights include wild west arena spectacular *Rooftop Express* which stars *Rawhide*, a 980kg "outlaw" bison, that Director Dave Manchon chases around on horseback to lead him up to stand on the back of a trailer.

The interactive, family-friendly display celebrates the heroes of the outback and features ponies, donkeys, bison and Australian stock horses as well as stock men and women.

Mr O'Hara said vintage speedway cars and speedway bikes would be popular events as would action-packed freestyle motocross production Aussie FMX.

"The FMX Freestyle motorbikes come with a twist this year but I'm not telling you what the twist is," he said.

As always the Show features a strong Equestrian line-up as the event is the perfect warm-up to the World Cup which follows soon after.

Beef and dairy cattle sections will be strong given the return of involvement from schools from Dakabin, Caboolture and Noosa com-



Show Society President Rowan O'Hara is surrounded by kids and parents who can't wait to go to the Show — the theme of which this year is "Country to Coast Together We Are Stronger".

peting for prizes.

In the pavilion interest will revolve around the central theme for the year, the pineapple.

"And we're also partnering with the QCWA to help promote their 100th anniversary," said Mr O'Hara. "On that note, QCWA Nambour &

North Coast Division President Patsy Lee will officially open the show."

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Council launches major activation project with aim to:

Reinvigorate Nambour

SUNSHINE Coast Council has launched a major initiative which aims to invigorate the major hinterland centre over the next 10 to 15 years.

Division 10 Councillor David Law said the Nambour Centre Activation Project (NCAP) aimed at helping the former sugar town live up to its reputation as the hinterland hub for creative arts, heritage trails, entertainment,

health, education and business services.

"Our hinterland heart has so many great aspects which we want the whole Sunshine Coast community to be aware of and appreciate," Cr Law said.

"Activation is the driving force of the NCAP and aims to stimulate and attract public and private investment into Nambour, as well as

helping to make Nambour a great place to live, work and play.

"We already know how successful some of our key events can be in activating this community — like the Nambour Show, Nambour Rodeo, Suitcase Rummage, Collectorama, Garden Expo, Car and Caravan Show plus more.

"What is happening locally now is so much

more and I encourage our community to check out the Sunshine Coast Events page (www.sunshinecoast.qld.gov.au/events) to find out what's on.

"If you're an event organiser, please also visit the site and submit your events so our community is aware and can attend."

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Traditional platform to celebrate farmers and our food chain

Q&A with former Sunshine Coast Agricultural Show Society President Jenny McKay.

• What does the Show mean to you?

The show has been a part of my life for decades. Until recently four generations of my family volunteered at the show. My mother in her late 80s loved show time and anything that she could assist with from putting letters in envelopes to wiping up after the volunteers at Show time, provided her with invaluable mental and social benefits.

• How important is the Nambour Show for the community?

Decades ago, the Nambour Show Committee looked to the future and renamed the Show the Sunshine Coast Agricultural Show. The Show is in Nambour but is the Agricultural show from "Coast to Country" on the Sunshine Coast. Over 30 Community Groups from a wide range of interests volunteer and benefit financially from this event. Funds raised by these groups then are invested into activities from support to research. People are passionate about where their food comes from and this is a traditional platform to celebrate farmers and our food chain.

• How does the local area benefit from having the Show?

Communities benefit socially and economically from the Show. A national study showed that local shows put millions into their local community and a show of our size provides a wide range of economic benefits from mechanics/fuel etc from side show alley guild members as Nambour is their last stop before heading to the far north Queensland. This is where they do their repairs etc. Many small businesses and individuals earn a part of their income from the event. It provides a strong platform for participation and that also provides social and mental health benefits.



Show advocates ... Rowan and Ellie O'Hara met at the Ekka and their love for showcasing all things rural remains alive to this day.

Passion for shows founded in love of events & country life

SHOWS are a massive part of life for the O'Hara family. Sunshine Coast Agricultural Show Society President Rowan O'Hara met his wife Ellie at the Ekka and both maintain a deep appreciation of the cultural and financial benefits shows bring to local communities.

Rowan said agricultural shows were quite unique in that they offered something for everyone, whether you wanted to volunteer, visit or take part in a contest.

"The show is the only event in the community that absolutely anyone can be a part of," he said. "Whether it be entering a cake, riding a horse, showing a chicken, entering a jam or a Lego piece everyone can join in. As the saying goes, there's something for everyone. It really is across the ages and cultures and caters to all aspects of the community."

"Shows also give back to all sectors of the community. Everyone who contributes reaps the benefits. People love to be connected and involved in this way and the local show is shaped so much by the community."

Ellie said Shows were central to Rowan's very being and his passion had grown with fatherhood. "To be able to contribute and bring together the community in a way that's purely for the development of the community is so important to him," she said. "I would say he has become even more passionate about con-

tributing to the Show Society since becoming a father because he realises even more how important it is to give children an insight into farming and rural life."

"It's true, I have a passion for events and I can come here in a regional peri-urban area and promote country life and persuade kids to go to Shows then I'm happy," Rowan said.

"For many years shows were only for producers. It was very insulated. Now it's a promotional window for people outside, into the world of agriculture and primary production."

"Agriculture on the Sunshine Coast is becoming quite unique and niche and we can help showcase this evolution to a wide audience."

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For those who enjoy a tippie, Woombye distillers Sunshine & Sons are throwing their support behind the Show sponsoring the *Sunshine & Sons Show Saloon*.

► Tickets for the June 10, 11, 12 event: www.sunshinecoastshow.com.au/tickets. Prices have been kept the same as last year: \$20 for an adult or concession and \$16 for a student. There's a 20 percent discount if you purchase online. If you have queries, please see the website's Frequently Asked Questions page: www.sunshinecoastshow.com.au/info/faq/.

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Local bards line up for Poets' Breakfast at Nambour Show

THE word is out and local bards are excited that this year's Nambour Show program includes a Poets' Breakfast.

But it's not just poets that are looking forward to it. Audiences love Poets' Breakfasts, for their spontaneity, their unpredictability, but most of all for their laughs.

"Poets' Breakfasts are quite unrehearsed," says popular hinterland poet Ian Mackay who will be the host and MC.

"All our poets have a wide repertoire but they respond to the other poets as well as the audience. There's room too for walk-up poets and we even channel dead poets and this adds a whole extra dimension to the morning."

Ian got his taste for poetry at the very first Mapleton Yarn Festival back in the early 90s. So inspired was he that he says his thoughts came out as rhyming couplets for the next three

weeks and he was hooked.

He helped establish Mapleton Poets soon after, and performed at many a Woodford Festival where he hosted, among other things, the Infamous One Minute poets' Brawl.

Also on the ticket will be Robin Archbold, "Archie", past winner of the prestigious Nimbin Performance Poetry World Cup.

Joining them is Woodford's Mark Feldman past winner of the Champion Reciter Award at Canberra's National Folk Festival.

And the most colourful addition to the line-up is the Mindfulness Poet Brendan O'Shea from Maleny. "Somehow Brendan manages to cleverly weave together philosophy, his past as a Buddhist monk and some eccentric observa-



Brendan O'Shea

tions on life in Maleny," said Ian.

"Lest the line-up be totally full of males there's the welcome addition of an old friend, Arcadia Love, who has delighted many a poetry audience."

It will also feature Harry Donnelly who for years took weekly to the airwaves of ABC Coast FM with *The week that was* and *The thoughts of H*.

"Bush poetry includes rhyming poetry that's best when it's performed live, and there's an element of 'bush lawyer' and 'bush mechanic' in there too, as each performer has their own distinct style," Ian said.

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Joseph and Alice Dixon built, *Chermside*, at Flaxton on their citrus and dairy property about 1909.

Range pioneers' homestead returns to family ownership

MORE than a century of history is being restored to family hands after Tanderra House Flaxton was purchased last week by the great-great-grandson of Blackall Range pioneers Joseph and Alice Dixon who built the original homestead.

Real estate agent Roger Loughnan said it was wonderful to see the magnificent property returned to the family. The estate was purchased by great-great-grandson Matthew Clarke and his wife Sarah.

"It's a fascinating piece of local history and lovely to see the story come full circle as the home is returned to family hands more than a hundred years later," Roger said. "Matthew and Sarah have changed the homestead name back to its original 'Chermside' out of respect for the Dixon legacy.

"It's also important to acknowledge the role owners for the past 20 years, Geoff and Ann Hocking, have played in maintaining the gardens and upgrading the house in such a tasteful and sympathetic manner. The heritage-listed house could not have been in better hands."

Joseph and Alice Dixon constructed the family homestead, *Chermside*, at Flaxton on their 790-acre citrus and dairy property about 1909. The house today is vastly different in size and layout and the name was changed to *Tanderra House* in the 1970s.

The homestead when constructed was a typical "Queenslander" with wide-open verandahs. Internally the ceilings were high as there was no air-conditioning in that era. The floors to the main building are the original pit sawn beech.

Alice Dixon passed in 1927 and Joseph two years later, when Alice died it was during a spell of very wet weather and it was not possible to have the burial on Mapleton. Hence she was interred in the small cemetery plot along Flaxton Mill Road. Later Joseph was laid to rest



Matthew and Sarah Clarke at Tanderra House, Flaxton, which they have renamed *Chermside*, as it was originally known.

alongside her.

The bones of the original homestead are still evident, and all the work performed through the decades has been completed with both passion and longevity in mind. Each of the minders of the residence over the years have added their mark to what Joseph Dixon started and one would hope that the same will be said in another 100 years.

Some of the trees date back to the time when the house was first constructed, notably the huge *Magnolia Grandiflora*. The home forms a stately backdrop to the gardens which have been continually developed by the Hockings.

► The 5 bedroom, 5 bathroom home sits on .87 hectares and sold on April 26 through Roger Loughnan Real Estate.

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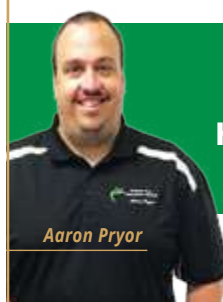
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Wallace reveals thoughts on election loss and road ahead

Q&A Interview with Andrew Wallace, Federal MP for Fisher

• Is it difficult for you to remain positive given the electoral damage inflicted at the May 21 election?

While it wasn't the national result we worked so hard for, we secured a great result locally in Fisher. It's a privilege to have been given a third term to help Sunshine Coast families and their businesses get ahead by building better roads and rail, boosting mental health outcomes, backing small businesses and manufacturers, and protecting the unique character of our local community.

• How does the swing against you sit within the wider context of the swing against the Coalition? How do you explain the backlash against the Coalition on Saturday?

The swing in Fisher was consistent with national figures, however there are a number of votes still to count. Noticeably, the largest swing was not to Labor, but to the United Australia Party and Pauline Hanson's One Nation. This is also consistent with the national trend, in which conservative minor parties claimed the vast majority of swinging votes outside of major cities. As of 24 May 2022, the Coalition secured nearly 370,000 more votes than Labor (who saw a swing against them) and over 303,000 more than in 2019. This shows that this wasn't just a single national election, but 151 local elections, reflecting the vast array of views and concerns within our local communities. It clearly wasn't a vote for Labor, but by-and-large, a vote to be heard by many on the centre-right.

Is the message that the Coalition needs to do more to appeal to conservatives or does it need to appeal more to progressives?

Over the next few months, we'll engage in a process of reflection and evaluation, and I don't want to pre-empt that process. What I will say is that our great Coalition, which has won nearly two-thirds of Federal Elections since 1946, is at its best when we stay true to



our core values. We believe in freedom as the building block of a fair society; family as the foundation of resilient communities; strong economic management; the dignity of individuals; smaller government which facilitates peoples' potential, protects private property and rewards effort; and ensuring we leave Australia better off, for those to come.

We're a broad-church, but we're a centre-right broad-church and these are values shared by everyday Australians.

• How will the result effect your ability to achieve outcomes for Fisher?

I'll continue doing what I've always done: fighting for the issues that affect us in Fisher. I expect it will be harder and while I've never served in opposition, I'm undaunted by the task ahead. When it comes to road and rail infrastructure, I'll continue to push Labor to get on-board with Sunshine Coast Rail, and I'll fight against Council's light-rail project. When it comes to mental health, I'll continue to fight for our fair share of services, including a much-needed Veterans Wellbeing Centre, which a re-elected Liberal National Government pledged. And I'll back local businesses, including those in emerging sectors like space, defence, health sciences, and high-tech manufacturing, to ensure they're not left high-and-dry by this new Federal Government, as we saw under previous iterations of Labor.

• Who would you like to see become Opposition Leader? (Ed: this question was asked before Monday's announcement that Peter Dutton and Sussan Ley would lead the party)

I expect that by early next week, Peter Dutton will be our Opposition Leader. Peter is incredibly hard-working and has served in economic, defence and security portfolios. Peter is often portrayed by the media to be hard and unrelenting. And whilst he has been, when required, I know him to be warm and inviting, with a very dry sense of humour.

New Prime Minister will deliver inclusive and compassionate government

from Sue Ferguson, Australian Labor Party Candidate for Fairfax

I made the decision to stand for the seat of Fairfax because I believed that we had no one who was representing the majority of us and that we were missing out.



Before the election campaign started in full and right through till election day, we haven't heard about addressing climate change, or how to deal with the crisis in aged care, how to attract more GPs to the Sunshine Coast or any way to deal with the escalating cost of living. We certainly did not hear how we can assist people living on the streets or those facing homelessness.

The message was clear, the current member is seen as invisible, not fighting for the needs of Fairfax and not interested in advocating for our most vulnerable.

The counting continues but the numbers state that the seat will remain with the LNP member. What needs to be acknowledged is the swing to Labor in Fairfax, indicating people are wanting change, wanting more from their representative.

I also believe as a country we deserve a true leader, one that would take responsibility and have integrity.

Anthony Albanese as our new Prime Minister will deliver an inclusive and compassionate government, one that takes climate change seriously and will fully implement the Uluru Statement of the Heart.

I know we will see great positive change for our country, new trust and faith in government and a country that will support all Australians, with no one left behind. I fully intend to be the Labor candidate at the next federal election and ensure we get the best for Fairfax, a better future.

Voters looked to future & backed climate action

From Sue Etheridge, Greens Candidate for Fairfax



THE political and media establishment ignored climate – but voters didn't. This was the climate election ... finally!

Ordinary people walked straight past what the old media establishment and Murdoch press were peddling, and they used the preferential voting system as it was intended; to show what Australians believe in, to fight for climate action and against inequality ... and a lot of them were women.

The House of Representatives has become a European-style multi-party assembly. The crossbench is dead, and The Greens and Independents are a third force in Parliament.

Locally, the LNP has been returned to the seat of Fairfax, albeit with a reduced margin. The changing demographics of the Sunshine Coast (including having more progressive and informed voters moving to the area) is chipping away at the traditional conservative base and bringing the Seat closer to marginal status.

The major political parties have discovered that people, and young people in particular, want to see politics done differently. They want a voice.

And they want a fair, just and sustainable future. And they are prepared to vote for it. With barely two-thirds of all votes going to the old parties, we can legitimately call the (easily corrupted) two-party era of politics dead and buried.

The two seats on the Sunshine Coast (Fisher and Fairfax) have seen growth in Greens' support with a Greens vote of at least 13 percent overall, with some areas now at over 30 percent of the primary vote. And this is an area where the Queensland Greens – with the strongest parliamentary representation of any State – can expand their community-based activities and further erode support from both old parties. Women are the power behind the Queensland Greens and we now have the resources, staff and enthusiasm behind us to change politics in Queensland forever.

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By **Lisa Khoury United Australia Party** Candidate for Fairfax



THE 2022 Election Results are in, and nationally the Labor Party will govern with less than one third of the primary vote, lowest in post war history.

The United Australia Party did not win a seat in the lower house, and at the time of writing the Victorian Senate seat will be a close call for the UAP. On reflection, was it our policies?

Our policies were brilliant, they put the Australian people first, made sense, paid for through wealth creation not taxation and protected Australians from economic crisis. Maybe if we look at the electoral system, and the mainstream media's resistance to report on any other option for the Australian people we can start to understand the focus on two parties only.

The election result has raised questions within our community regarding our electoral process. Current Australian Electoral Commission (AEC) legislation on polling night, acknowledging and reinforcing the two Candidate preferred system directs all preferences to the two major party's in most cases, no matter what the voters' intentions. The system of 'brain washing the community' is supported by the Joint Standing Committee on Electoral Matters, made up solely of Labor and Coalition representatives.

Does this sound democratic? It is understandable the Australian people have difficulty in seeing another option to govern our country.

In the past two years national and local issues have merged and become Australia wide concerns. Looking ahead, we will see a strain on small business, inflation will affect everyone, increasing interest rates will burden homeowners and the social fall-out of tough economic times will increase.

During my campaign I realised as a UAP candidate I share desires with my community. We desire a free, prosperous, safe country that values our potential, provides opportunity and takes care of our environment. Looking towards the future I hope to unite our community through these common desires and build resilience while we navigate the next three years.

What happened? O'Brien plans road trip to hear from locals

Q&A Interview with Ted O'Brien, Federal MP for Fairfax

• How do you explain the backlash against the Coalition on Saturday?

Although I am delighted to have been re-elected, I am also conscious that the Liberal-National Government lost office. There is no shortage of political commentary explaining the 'why' of the election result, but I'd prefer to hear personally from local residents.

I'm therefore planning a road trip to meet locals across the electorate in the week beginning Monday the 6th of June and I will also have a stall at the Sunshine Coast Agricultural Show.

In addition to face-to-face discussions, I have also launched a survey (see www.tedobrien.com.au). My hope is to learn every possible lesson from the election so that I can better represent our local community in the next term of government.

• You're always very positive. Is it hard to stay positive given the electoral damage? Where to from here, as a party?

Life will be different in opposition, I remain optimistic about our future as a region and a nation. I'm grateful to local residents for entrusting me to continue to serve as their Federal Member, and I'll continue working as hard as ever.

• What are your local (hinterland) priorities going forward?

I want to see the big road and rail projects that I secured money for delivered, including the \$301 million Bruce Highway upgrade at the Nambour Connection Road - Maroochydore Road interchange and the \$550 million for Stage 1 of the Beerburrum to Nambour (B2N) rail upgrade. I also want to see smaller projects for which I secured funding delivered, including upgrades of community facilities and the building of homeless shelters.

Moving forward, I will continue fighting for an improved Stage 2 of the B2N project; that is, full duplication - that's two tracks - all the way



Ted and Sophia O'Brien and family celebrate with supporters on election night.

to Nambour. I secured \$5 million last year for this improved solution to be designed and we await matched funding from the Queensland Government. I am calling on the newly elected Federal Labor Government to honour the \$5 million commitment and the Queensland Government to match it.

• Do you think the Coalition swung too far to the left on climate change (as Matt Canavan says) or did it go too far to the right (as Simon Birmingham seems to be saying)?

Climate change will continue to be an important factor moving forward, and it's too complex an area of public policy to simplify into left versus right. Protecting our way of life has always been a priority for me, and that includes protecting our local environment. This will continue to be the case moving forward.

• Who would you have liked to see become Opposition Leader?

In a show of strength and unity, the Liberal Party has elected Queensland MP Peter Dutton as our new leader and Sussan Ley as our new deputy leader. They are the best leadership team to take us forward.

• What does the result mean for your role on the Olympics committee?

I will no longer hold my roles on the 2032 Games, but I will continue to work closely with all stakeholders to ensure the Sunshine Coast extracts every possible benefit from the Games.



Nambour Connection Road roundabout on Sunday.

Rain means traffic jams will continue for a while yet

FRUSTRATED motorists will have to wait another year for disruptions to ease on the Maroochydore Road and Nambour Connection Road roundabout, *pictured above*.

The Department of Transport and Main Roads has advised Nicklin MP Rob Skelton that rain has caused delays to the project timelines.

"Unfortunately the completion date for the Bruce Highway - Maroochydore Road Interchange has been pushed back to mid-2023 due to recent wet weather impacting the site, I appreciate the community's patience while the project is being completed."

Construction started in early June 2020 and completion had been expected late this year.

Mr Skelton had better news about nearby works.

"I look forward to the opening of the newly relocated Exit 200 to Mons Rd next month," Mr Skelton said. "The exit will connect to a new roundabout at the intersection of Chevallum Road and Rainforest Road and will form part of the western service road running alongside the Bruce Highway."

The Maroochydore Road and Mons Road Interchanges project is part of the Bruce Highway Upgrade Program to improve safety, ease congestion and cater for future traffic growth.

The \$301.25 million project will convert the existing Maroochydore Road and Nambour Connection Road roundabout to a fully controlled signalised interchange.

Residents are encouraged to contact the project team with any enquiries on: Phone: 1800 512 211 or Email: bhmpip@tmr.qld.gov.au

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Fred Smith is coming to the Black Box Theatre at Nambour's next Sunday Folk concert. Photo: Geoffrey Dunn.

Sunday Folk singer brings experiences from Afghanistan

MASTER storyteller Fred Smith is bringing his unique songs to Nambour's Black Box Theatre on Sunday July 5.

His show *Sparrows of Kabul* is an extraordinary song cycle on Australia's involvement in Afghanistan, culminating in the dramatic evacuation from Kabul in August 2021.

Fred was there at the beginning in Uruzgan Province and returned at the end working from Kabul International Airport (KIA) on the difficult evacuation.

His epitaph for the mission is "it was what it was", and we are left admiring the courage and tenacity of thousands of Afghans who braved the human logjams outside the gates of Kabul International Airport in a last-ditch dash for freedom.

This event is being hosted by the popular Sunday Folk concert series that has been bringing high quality national and international folk performers to Nambour for the last seven years. Fred last played here in March 2020. Early performances of his latest concert have received rave reviews.

► Tickets are available on Trybooking for \$23/\$20. The June 5 show is recommended for ages 13 and over and child tickets are also available for \$10. Doors open at 1.30pm for the 2pm show at the Black Box Theatre, Nambour. Bookings: www.trybooking.com/BZIH1



Val France, Alison Smith, Rev Liena Hoffman, Gail Lockyer, Nicklin MP Rob Skelton and Kay Nixon "launch" the Red Bench.

Palmwoods backs Red Bench to help stop domestic violence

ORGANISERS were encouraged by the community support at the launch of the Red Bench at Palmwoods Community Garden, *Soil & Soul* on Sunday.

"Part of the purpose of the garden to create a peaceful and caring safe space aligns well with the appropriateness of the bench," said Project Manager of the Garden Kay Nixon. "We hope the bench will begin conversations that will lead to greater understanding and support in Palmwoods and beyond."

Founding member of *Speak Up Now - Stop Domestic and Family Violence* Val France, of Maleny, shared confronting statistics but also encouraged us as a community to play our part. "The Red Bench aim is to raise awareness of, and to reduce the number of incidences of, domestic and family violence (including elder abuse) in our local and wider Hinterland community. The outcome being to have the whole community speak up about Domestic and Family Violence being unacceptable in our

community."

There was also representation from the Blackall Range Uniting Church minister Rev Liena Hoffman who, having had a background in law, has encouraged three of the Uniting Churches, including the one at Palmwoods to be involved in the initiative.

She challenged us all to change not only the ending but the beginning by the way we bring up our children to show respect and kindness to each other. After Kay said a Blessing over the bench (a revived church pew), it was revealed in all its glory by the untying of a bow by Alison Smith and Gail Lockyer.

Local Psychologist Angela Barnes then shed more light on the struggles of families and individuals and gave suggestions as to how we can all take responsibility in making our community a safer place.

► If this has raised issues for you please contact Centacare 07 5430 9300 or 1800RESPECT.

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Connections across the years guide Maleny Singers

THE Maleny Singers are performing Franz Lehár's glorious operetta *The Merry Widow* again this year.

But with their first performance over a decade ago, the cast has changed significantly.

Even so, some of the principal performers have connections with the show that come through in their performances. Evalee Sharples, who plays Valencienne, understudied one of the roles professionally years ago.

And Viera Keogh, who grew up singing in choirs in her native Slovakia, perfectly fits the title role, even down to her eastern European accent! With its wonderful music and some hilarious comic lines, this production is a great opportunity to learn why millions of people around the world still love operas.

► *The Merry Widow* will be on at the Maleny Community Centre on 11, 12 18 and 19 June. Tickets from Trybooking.com or the Maleny Information Centre. - Ian McMaster.

College Prep Open Morning

ON June 17 Nambour Christian College is holding a Prep Open Morning, "Come & Prep at NCC", from 9am. There will be a fun-filled Teddy Bear's Picnic. You can hear about how the school prioritises student wellbeing and development, see the purpose-built Prep classrooms and meet the team. For information Phone 5451 3333 or info@ncc.qld.edu.au for more information.

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Cr Law: "I am encouraging our residents and local businesses to get involved".

Revitalisation Project outlines major vision

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Located in the geographical centre of the Kabi Kabi First Nations Peoples traditional land, Nambour is a place of great significance, said Cr Law.

"The Namba Place Revitalisation Project (NPRP) draws on previous community engagement and planning with community groups and council, outlining a vision for Nambour's future," he said.

"This project will provide a clear and detailed understanding of how the town centre will look and function, how much it will cost, and provide a roadmap for when each stage of construction can occur.

"In the early stages of the NPRP, council conducted a series of conversations with key community groups, a Think Tank workshop and reconsidered all the plans and documents produced over the last 10 years on Nambour's town centre.

"Further feedback and collaboration with the community will occur and I am encouraging our residents and local businesses to get involved at those points - so watch this space to have your say."

Council fees slashed to activate Precinct

SUNSHINE Coast Council will make it easier and more cost effective for theatres, bars, night-clubs or hotel traders to establish in the Nambour Special Entertainment Precinct, slashing development application fees by 50% to incentivise new business start-ups.

"Council wants the Nambour Special Entertainment Precinct to become the best it can be and providing this type of incentive to encourage new entertainment-related investment in this area is one of the ways we are supporting this outcome," Cr Law said.

"The Material Change of Use fee incentives will provide financial assistance for local businesses and community groups establishing in the precinct, which is only the second of its kind in Queensland, the first being in James Street, Fortitude Valley.

"It will provide venues with greater certainty about where and how they can operate including the relevant noise levels.

"It has been a tough couple of years for the entertainment industry, and we are committed to continue encouraging and providing assistance to the industry on the Sunshine Coast."

Infrastructure charges for development within targeted Nambour areas continue to be discounted by half to increase demand and create long-term employment in the area.

Cr Law said council's infill development incentives, which reduce infrastructure charges, had been extended by three years to June 2025 and covered targeted areas in both Nambour and Caloundra.

"The total amount of all infill incentive

approvals is limited to a maximum of \$10 million overall, so individual incentives will be granted on a first in, first served basis," Cr Law said.

"I encourage potential applicants to contact council to understand the criteria and explore payment options."

Focus on Entertainment scene

PEACE Run Records event organiser and Nambour local Andrea Kirwin said she was excited to program more events and be part of growing Nambour's entertainment scene into the future.

"We have some great shows lined up in Nambour and consistent activation is what is going to make Nambour into a key destination for live music," Miss Kirwin said.

"We've watched the Nambour Forecourt Live events grow in attendance over the past year, and our boutique music events on Queen Street and Black Box Theatre are also gaining traction as people realise there's things happening in our town.



Andrea Kirwin has been leading the charge for the music industry and is relieved to see progress being made on the Special Entertainment Precinct.

"I love supporting and promoting independent artists, programming fun community live music events, boutique Festivals and hosting intimate live music experiences in Nambour - and there are more exciting shows coming!

"We want to see Nambour transform itself into a vibrant music and cultural centre."

Architects to lead study into local Council-owned buildings

WILSON Architects have recently been appointed as the principal consultant to lead a preliminary design and feasibility study for Council-owned buildings in Nambour.

"This study will help to inform future Council decisions in relation to the best use of Council's assets in the interests of the local community," said Div 10 Cr David Law.

"Council recognises the importance of Nambour as one of the region's key service centres and the work being undertaken by Wilson

Architects will help to ensure our future utilisation of our key buildings in the town is in the best interests of the Nambour and Hinterland communities.

"Over 200 council staff will continue to work in Nambour as part of Council's broader regional Workplaces program.

"With this in mind, the future of our assets like the Eddie de Vere Building is an important priority for our Council and we anticipate that we will see refurbishments including a district

level library, community meeting spaces and improvements to the Customer contact centre."

For more information about the Nambour Centre Activation Project please visit council's website.

► If you would like to stay in the loop on how the project progresses, please register your contact details (name, address, email address and phone number if applicable) to placemaking@sunshinecoast.qld.gov.au.

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The phenomenon lives on halfway across the globe through *ARRIVAL* – Australia's Most Authentic ABBA Production, half a century later as they showcase the perfect recreation of ABBA as they were live in concert.

"The show is based on the three most significant live performances of ABBA - 1975 as they toured the folk parks of Sweden, the nation-stopping tour of Australia in 1977, and the infamous Canada/Wembley tour in 1979", said Nambour RSL's Communications and Marketing Manager, Katie Laws.

"And now the *ARRIVAL* production is coming to Nambour. We are so excited to be able to host this fabulous show."

The *ARRIVAL* team have studied in detail every magical note, fabulous harmony, stunning costume, unforgettable dance move, and even mannerism of ABBA to bring you the most authentic ABBA production available on the market today, and is one of just a handful of Australian acts that is guaranteed to pack out venues.

"*ARRIVAL* really is the most breathtaking ABBA show and is the only choice for the closest experience to ABBA you will ever find," Katie said.

► *ARRIVAL* is playing at the Nambour RSL Club on Saturday the 4th of June. Doors open at 6pm. Cost is \$65pp for groups of 4+ and \$70pp for groups of 1-3. Admission price includes a 2-course meal & show. For bookings, call 5441 2366.

What's On in the Hinterland

Local Sport, Events and Entertainment coming up. Preference given to local events of widespread interest. Please check details with organisers. Submissions to editor@sunshinevalleygazette.com.au.

Markets

- Every Saturday: Yandina Country Market from 6am to 12pm, North Street, Yandina.
- Every Saturday: Kenilworth Country Markets from 8am to 1:30pm at Kenilworth Town Park, Charles Street.
- Every Sunday: Maleny Art, Craft and Collectables Markets 8am to 2pm Maleny RSL.
- Second Saturday of the month: Montville Growers and Makers Market, 7am to 12 noon at the Village Hall. Enquires: Liz 0424 042 376 or Visit montvillevillageassociation.org.au
- Fourth Saturday of the month: Mapleton Country Markets at Mapleton Hall, 8am-12noon. Phone Paula 0419 726 603 or email country-market.mapleton@gmail.com.
- Third Saturday of the month: Witta Growers Markets, 7.30am-12noon, 50+ stalls, enquiries: wittamarket@gmail.com

Events

- Until May 18: Breastscreen Maleny at Maleny Hospital. Phone 13 20 50 or www.breastscreen.qld.gov.au.
- Until June 1: Objectify Exhibition by Tracy Mucche-Williams at Yandina Art & Framing.
- May 26: Palmwoods Singers Theatrical Society's Little Village Theatre and Little Village Choir Biggest Morning Tea function at 10am at the Guide Hut in Palmwoods.
- May 26 to May 29: Mixed Media Art Exhibition at Buderim Craft Cottage, 5 Main Street Buderim from Thursday from 10am to 4pm. For further information www.facebook.com/buderimcraftcottage.
- May 27: Nambour Forecourt Live! Music, Food Trucks, Workshops licenced bar. Programmed by Peace Run Records & featuring local artists Craig Madden, Anna and Jordan, and The Moonsets!
- May 27 and 29 : Mapleton Choir "Songs of America" concerts at Kureelpa Hall. Book with Ailsa 5478 6079.
- May 27 & 28: Maleny Show, Maleny Showgrounds, Friday & Saturday.
- May 27-June 4: Once a Catholic runs at Lind Lane Theatre 16 Mitchell St Nambour, with bookings now available www.lindlane.come.au/whats-on. Any enquiries 1300 732 764.
- May 28: Woombye Community Library. Free children's Storytime event with author Irena Kobald. 10.30am -12.30pm. To book phone Julie on 0404 809079.

- May 28: It will be vintage paradise at the Nambour Showgrounds for Collectorama from 7am until 2pm.
- May 28: Run in Her Shoes event at The Farm Gym, Nambour to raise money for Lily House.
- May 29: Mal Wood & Friends plays at The Jazz Sessions 6pm, at the Glass House Brewery, 8/330 Mons Rd, Forest Glen (next to Kunara). Tickets: \$54 www.stickytickets.com.au/TheJazzSessions
- Wednesday June 1: Nambour Christian College Campus Tour with Q&A from 9.15am. Phone 5451 3333 or info@ncc.qld.edu.au for more information.
- Thursday June 2: The Shack Community Centre Biggest Morning Tea (and Auction) for Cancer from 8.30am at the Shack, 19 Price Street Nambour.
- June 2-4: Pop-Up Garage Sale, 8.30am-1.30pm at Shed 22, Sanctuary Park Church of Christ 22 National Park Rd, Nambour. Contact Church office 5441 2833.
- Saturday June 4: Queensland Day Celebrations, 10am-3pm at the Yandina Historic House Tea Tree Park, 3 Pioneer Rd.
- June 3-June 29: Nambour's Molly Galpin Portraiture Doll Exhibition at Pomona Railway Gallery. See Page 18.
- Saturday June 4: Rugby League, SCGRL Div 1 Men Nambour Crushers v Noosa Pirates 6pm at Crusher Park Nambour.
- June 4: Leo's Trivia Night at 6.30pm at Maleny RSL.
- June 4: ABBA tribute show *ARRIVAL* at Nambour RSL 6pm. See Page 9.

- June 4: Singspire Choir performing songs from 'Phantom of the Opera', at 2pm at NLC Auditorium, 2 McKenzie Road Woombye. See Page 18.
- June 10, 11 & 12: Sunshine Coast Agricultural Show at Nambour Showgrounds.
- June 11: Dance the night away to the M7 Rock Band at the Palmwoods Winter Dance. Palmwoods Community and Business Association presents their winter fundraiser 7-11pm Palmwoods Memorial Hall. Book at Eventbrite.com. Search Palmwoods Winter Dance.
- June 11 and 12, 18 and 19: The Maleny Singers are bringing back Franz Lehar's timeless classic, *The Merry Widow*. Tickets for the Maleny Community Centre event are selling at Maleny Information Centre or via Trybooking.com/BZBED.
- June 17: Nambour Christian College Prep Open Morning. "Come & Prep at NCC Morning" from 9am. Phone 5451 3333 or info@ncc.qld.edu.au for more information.
- June 17: The Night Parrot presented by Maleny Arts Council at Maleny Community Centre. www.Malenyartscouncil.com for tickets.
- June 20 & 21: The Mobile Donor Centre visits Maleny every 3 months at the Showgrounds, 13 Maleny-Stanley River Road. The next visit is set for Monday 20 June 7am-2pm Tuesday 21 June 11.30am-6pm.
- July 3: Muscle on the Mountain, Maleny Show & Shine Day from 6.30am at Maleny Showgrounds.

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Delighted staff & volunteers of the Nambour & District Historical Museum unwrapped a much needed selection of Makita tools that they purchased thanks to a \$3,982 grant from Heritage Bank Palmwoods Community Branch. All tools were purchased locally at Mitre 10 Nambour.



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From left, Margaret Woodrow, Judith Bandt and Lynn Mabb worked on the book. They are pictured with Joyce Hungerford's son David Milligan at the launch.

Book casts light on early Woombye life

NEVER Give Up – Joyce's Story throws a spotlight on the small rural community of Woombye in the early part of the twentieth century, seen through the eyes of Joyce Hungerford, a member of one of the district's pioneering families.

The book was produced by members of a Woombye Community and Business Association sub-group (*Woombye – Our Place, Our Story*) and launched at a function at Woombye Bowls Club on Thursday (24 June).

Members of the community and special guests enjoyed hearing about how the book came about, followed by afternoon tea.

Never Give Up – Joyce's Story is also a book about one woman's moral courage, determination and unconditional love for her family, her friends, and her community.

This account of an ordinary, yet extraordinary, life will engage and enthral the reader. There will be tears, there will be smiles, but above all there will be great admiration for the author.

► *Never Give Up – Joyce's Story* is available at the Woombye Post Office and Bendigo Bank, priced at \$15. Proceeds will help develop future heritage projects.



Charity Founder, President & PGA Golf Professional Darrell Dalton and golf athlete and student Bailey Smaldon check out some clubs at the Currie Street Nambour facility.

Charity drives opportunities for people with disabilities

GOLF Programs Australia Incorporated (GPAI) is a Nambour-based Charity delivering golf programs and social enterprise opportunities for individuals living with an intellectual disability.

GPAI essentially uses the activity of golf to drive inclusion and break isolation in our community. "While it is a small organisation, it has an enormous vision," said charity founder, President & PGA Golf Professional Darrell Dalton.

Darrell's goal is to establish Purpose Built Golf Facilities (PBGF) around the country with the first planned for the Sunshine Coast.

"The proposed PBGF is unlike any other and has the potential to offer substantial training & employment opportunities specifically for the intellectually disabled," said Darrell.

"The facility is a world first concept using the golf industry model, will be open to the public and offer a range of programs benefiting youth at risk, indigenous youth, the aged and those living with mental health challenges."

Darrell's vision has attracted interest from

Australia's peak golfing bodies such as the Australian PGA and Golf Australia which have provided endorsement & support for the concept.

"GPAI is now embarking on a national fundraising campaign and have produced a short film introducing the organisation and its amazing vision," said Darrell.

If residents on the Sunshine Coast would like to find out more about the GPAI vision and journey visit www.pitchin.golf to view the documentary short film.

The pitchin.golf website offers a number of ways people can support including becoming an ambassador by simply sharing the website or purchasing a \$10 raffle ticket that gets you into a 'Play For Purpose' draw to win \$250,000.

► GPAI is located at 89 Currie Street Nambour. "We encourage anyone interested in learning more about our organisation to drop in and meet our awesome team of students & volunteers," said Darrell. Contact 5476 0365 or admin@gpai.org.au

Off-road Classic weekend at Green Park postponed

DUE to the serious amount of wet weather the decision has been made to postpone the Ballards Off Road Classic Weekend at Conondale.

The Classic was to be held June 10, 11 & 12.

The new Classic Weekend event dates are October 14, 15 and 16, 2022 and will feature vintage motorcycle riding, stalls, F&B, demonstrations, camping and entertainment at Conondale Classic Weekend Green Park, Elaman Creek.

"Currently the club grounds are extremely wet and access to areas is very limited," said SCMCC Club Secretary Peter Bell.

"As a result of these unfavourable conditions, any major events would leave the parking areas, pits and any walking areas irreparable and a safety risk to attendees."

Organisers said there was now no excuse to not do a full period correct nut and bolt rebuild with 20 weeks to go before the event.

Classic Weekend entries are still open for riders to enter and will be transferred to the new date automatically.

Any riders who have entered and are now unable to attend will be refunded.

"Unfortunately, the weather is out of our hands, what we can control is the good times that can be had, and for the best times, we need some dry dirt," said Peter. "So hang in there, keep scraping the faded plastic off your tanks, and we will see you in October!"

West End to Broadway in the Hangar

ROTARY Club of Caloundra Pacific invites everyone to join Underground Opera Co performing *Cirrus Aircraft West End to Broadway* in the Hangar at Queensland Air Museum Caloundra, on August 27 from 5-10pm. Sunny Rays Gourmet Grazing Platters and Lic bar included for \$125 per person.

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Dive into some books with depth at Woombye Library

by Cathy Cash Woombye Community Library

LIKE most avid readers I find I like to challenge myself from time to time with a book that I suspect will not be a bright and breezy read. Fortunately the collection at the Woombye Community Library has something for everyone.

- *Home Fire* by Kamila Shamsie centres on the story of three British Muslim siblings following each on their individual journeys across continents negotiating extreme politics and the push-pull of familial love and faith-based loyalties. It is a contemporary retelling of Sophocles *Antigone* which was written in 5th century BC and like the original it builds to a memorable and shocking conclusion.

- One of Australia's favourite authors Tim Winton has produced a gritty story of survival in his 2018 book *The Shepherd's Hut* which is set in the remote and brutal landscape of the West Australian desert. Jaxie Clackton is a runaway from an abusive father and narrates his story in rough Aussie slang which is unashamedly heavy with expletives. On his quest to find and reunite with his absent girlfriend, Jaxie meets an eccentric exiled priest living in an abandoned hut in the middle of nowhere and the two make an uncomfortable but ultimately redemptive connection.

- In *American Dirt* by Jeanine Cummins we follow Mexican mother Lydia and her young son Luca who are forced to flee their home under threat of death from drug lords in Acapulco. They must negotiate unimaginable challenges on route to achieve their vision of a safer future in America, despite being undocumented migrants. There are harrowing descriptions of the pair roof-riding the high-speed train known as "La Bestia" (The Beast) with other desperate migrants travelling north in an attempt to reach the border.

While all these books initially left me feeling a little emotionally battered, I did truly enjoy the richness of the reading and the well-crafted exploration of scenarios that took me way out of my comfort zone.

Maybe my next read will be light and fluffy. A Mills and Boon perhaps? Or not ...



Woombye BOWLS Club Chairman Elliot Mitchell was proud to present Legacy representatives Helen Bowes, left, and Rhondda Poor with \$800 to help them carry on with their very valuable work with veterans and their families.

Woombye honours Anzacs and raises \$800 for Legacy

AFTER the disruptions of the last couple of Anzac Days due to Covid, the Woombye BOWLS Club was excited about hosting the breakfast for the community which is usually organised by Rotary.

Rotary donated some bacon and, to help with costs for other food, Treasurer Allan Lambert approached businesses around Woombye and was overwhelmed by their generosity.

Members started arriving around 4am to set up for the morning and were helped by Jan Lawton and her team from Rotary and our staff also donated their time.

Once the club was full of diners Club Chairman Elliott Mitchell mentioned to fellow

Vietnam veteran and Rotarian Cecil Rebetzke that a fundraiser for Legacy would have been a good idea.

Cecil promptly requested a bucket and proceeded to walk around asking for donations. Much to their surprise, he returned soon after with \$400 due to the community's generosity.

After counting costs for the morning, the club was flush with \$400 more than required and it was a no-brainer to give it to Legacy also.

The Club Chairman was very proud to present Helen Bowes & Rhondda Poor from Legacy with \$800 to help them carry on with their very valuable work with veterans and their families.

Wildlife sculptures cast in bronze

FOR those who are inspired by nature the Mary Cairncross Scenic Reserve is always a wonderful place to visit, but from June 3-19 it will be even more entrancing.

Les Animaliers is a stunning exhibition of wildlife sculptures in bronze from the Robyn and Bodo Muche Studio, titled in deference to the revered classical tradition of the 19th Century French School of naturalistic sculptors called *Les Animaliers* – the Animal Artists.

The Muche Studio was established in 1978 by Bodo & Robyn and continues together with their daughters Carley Muche Walker and Tania Muche, in the Somerset Region and in Maleny. The family shares a deep passion for wildlife and commitment to sustainable conservation and to adventurous travels across the globe.

The detail in the work is as evident in the miniatures like *Prince – the green tree frog* through to the monumental, life-size *Big Red – kangaroo*. Most pieces were initially drawn by Robyn, a highly respected artist and naturalist and then sculpted by Bodo in clay and wax and then taken through all the exacting stages of the lost wax casting process (which has been utilised since ancient times) to create the final bronzes. The exhibition includes clear descriptions of this intriguing process. This is a delightful opportunity to enjoy world-class art and the magnificent rainforest,

► Exhibited at The Theatre, Mary Cairncross Scenic Reserve, 148 Mountain View Road, Maleny and open daily from 10 am to 2 pm; June 3rd to 19th 2022.



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The seven Smith sons from left (and oldest to youngest) include Leo, Peter, Paul, Pat, Ken, Tim and David pictured with their Mum, Eileen Smith, sitting.

Nambour mother of seven sons turns 100

NAMBOUR resident and mother of seven sons Eileen Smith turned 100 on May 21 and celebrated with all her boys at Nambour BOWLS Club.

"Mum has been a resident of Nambour since 1951 and all credit to her still has excellent clarity on all of those years," said son Tim Smith. "Dad, who passed away some 14 years ago, was from Barcaldine and Mum from Rockhampton. They moved to Nambour in 1951 with five children (all boys) in tow and settled into town quite quickly.

"Dad was a motor mechanic and worked for various companies over the years and Mum was mostly a stay-at-home Mum. Although, over the years she worked as a ginger and strawberry picker when those farms were close to town. One of the ginger farms where she picked is now the site for the Nambour PCYC. Mum also gave voluntary time to Vinnies for many years."

Mr and Mrs Smith had two more children after arriving in Nambour, Tim and David.

"Most of us are still on the Sunshine Coast, and we all attended the celebration. The party went off well and my mother thoroughly enjoyed herself. Many generations attended from as far away as Canberra in the south and Mossman in the north."

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Museum volunteers Shirley Thom and Daphne Heaton helped set up the special display which will run through June.

Nambour Museum display pays tribute to the Queen

NAMBOUR Museum has a special display running for in June to celebrate the Queen's Platinum Jubilee after 70 years of service.

"We have some real gems included in this display, much of which has come from private collections for the occasion," said spokesperson Brooke McMahon.

Although Queen Elizabeth II has never visited Nambour on her many tours of Australia, local street names remind us of highlights of her life.

• **ELIZABETH WAY:** Named to honour the Queen's Coronation at Westminster Abbey on 2 June 1953.

• **QUEEN STREET:** On 3 February 1954, the royal barge docked at Farm Cove and Queen Elizabeth became the first reigning monarch to visit Australia. Queen Street formed part of the business block in conjunction with Ann and Lowe Street when it was officially opened on 5 November 1954.

• **WINDSOR ROAD:** The name was selected "to honour the Royal family and Jubilee Year." Jubilee year in 1977 celebrated Queen Elizabeth's 25th year on the throne.

• **CORONATION AVENUE:** On 12 May 1937, Coronation Avenue was named to honour the coronation of Queen Elizabeth's father, King George VI. The following article appeared in the Nambour Chronicle. "Recognizing the influence of celebrations connected with the rising generation, functions throughout the various localities of the North Coast District on Wednesday last, demonstrated affection of Throne and Empire, and the desire for a more intense recognition of that freedom and prestige, and the moulding of the highest ideals and characteristics for which the British Empire stands."

► The Nambour Museum's display celebrating Queen Elizabeth's seventy years on the throne of England will continue throughout the month of June. The Museum is open Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays 1 to 4 pm, Saturdays 10am to 3 pm. Groups are welcome at other times, but a booking must be made.



Souvenir plate from the 1950s bearing the motto of the Monarch of the United Kingdom ... Dieu Et Mon Droit - God and my right.

Clock Shop welcomes timely stock arrivals from Germany

Business Writeup: Clock Shop Montville

FOR almost 30 years, Clock Shop Montville have built long lasting relationships with their suppliers in Germany.

With the foundations set by original owners Phil & Fran Hoffman, new owners Daniel and Holly Hoffman maintain these important friendships.

One highlight of the business is the annual buying trips to Germany to meet with suppliers directly and discuss new models and designs and visit the local trade fairs.

By maintaining these ties Daniel and Holly can ensure that every product they stock has been crafted of the highest quality – a guarantee which Clock Shop is proud to pass on to their customers with their happiness guarantee.

June is an exciting month ahead for the iconic business with two 20-foot containers filled to the brim with new stock arriving directly from the Black Forest.

"This is the most excited I have ever been about receiving a container from Germany since taking over the business two years ago," said Holly.

Staff will have a busy few weeks unpacking and setting up thousands of new products just in time for the school holidays.

With hundreds of hand-carved cuckoo clocks, elegant grandfather clocks, modern wall clocks, contemporary alarm clocks, traditional clocks, weather instruments, German decorations, home wares, and a large range of Christmas decorations to be unpacked, June will be one of the busiest and most exciting months for the business.

"Not only do we have our much-loved traditional Black Forest Cuckoo Clocks and our largest order of Grandfather clocks to date, but we also have a huge amount of colourful modern clocks to add to our collection," said Holly.

"Dan and I have been wanting to expand our range and we are trialling two new European brands – Newgate and Cloudnola.



Clock Shop owners Holly & Daniel Hoffman have restocked and the shop is overflowing with everything that ticks.

"We have carefully curated this selection to bring our clock-loving community something new and exciting on trend, whilst also offering the traditional clocks that we are well known for. I hope everybody loves our new range as much as we do."

Clock Shop June Sale

Also in June, Clock Shop will be running a month-long End of Financial Year Sale, with hundreds of clocks, novelty items, German wares, and collectables on sale with fantastic discounts.

"So if there was any time to stock up on gift ideas and Christmas decorations, or to buy yourself a brand new clock direct from Germany, now is the time," said Holly.

► You can browse huge discounts across hundreds of items online at www.clockshop.com.au or in store at 194 Main Street, Montville. * Whilst stocks last

2022 Worldwide Knit in Public Day Invitation

THE Yandina Branch of the Country Women's Association (QCWA) is hosting a Worldwide Knit (and Crochet) in Public Day celebration on Saturday June 11 from 9.30am to 11.30am.

This event is open to the public (whether you are a knitting and/or crochet novice or experienced) and will be held at the QCWA Division Hall at 11 Stevens Street Yandina. Bring along your own project to work on and share ideas.

For beginners, some yarn and knitting needles will be available.

► So come along and celebrate this age-old craft. See www.facebook.com/qcwayandina for further information.

BushCare Bees bounce back following weather

THE wet weather has affected our BushCare Action Bees recently, but by swapping some days we've been able to do some important habitat building bush care.

Next opportunities to join us in these BushCare events on Petrie Ck will be as follows:

• Florabunda Pocket on Saturday 4 June, starting at 8am. Follow the signs on Laidlaw Road Woombye to see where to meet. It could be near the Rugby Club building or out near the back Rugby Oval.

• Gulung Gung on Saturday 11 June. See SCEC World Environment Day Festival details at www.scec.org.au/wed_fest_eco for the creek-side planting near Quota Park Nambour.

► For more info see the Facebook Page.

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In pain? Bowen Therapy can help your body to heal itself

Business Writeup: Leanne Sippel Bowen Therapist

IF you suffer from neck pain, back pain, sciatic pain, pain after surgery, hormonal pain, headaches or other injuries there is help available.

Bowen therapy is a soft tissue therapy perfect for people of all ages, from newborn to the elderly. It involves gentle stimulation of muscles, tendons, ligaments or nerves at specific points.

"The treatment encourages the body to make changes and heal itself," said Leanne Sippel who has a Diploma in Specialised Bowen Therapy and is looking for new clients in Woombye and surrounds.

"Bowen therapy is often used to stimulate pain relief, balance the body, boost organs, clear toxins, as well as for relaxation.

"I am registered with the Bowen Therapy Federation of Australia. I found bowen therapy whilst suffering from debilitating vertigo in 2015."

Since then Leanne has operated a Clinic in the Murgon district.

"My Clinic also involves working as a homeo-

path, after graduating from Endeavour College of Natural Health with a Bachelor of Health Science (Homeopathy) in 2014."

Now Leanne will be working out of Woombye Chiropractic Clinic situated in Blackall Street, Woombye.

"My whole life has revolved around sport," she said. "With a family and personal background in tennis, karate and cricket, I have a special interest in helping people get back to participating in their passion.

"Bowen therapy is an excellent modality to assist athletes to recover from both minor and major injury. Only recently I have assisted my daughter, who is a semi-professional cricketer, by rebalancing her pelvis after being in a boot for eight weeks. I also have a passion to help women of all ages balance debilitating hormonal health issues."

Leanne's parents, Nev and Anne Kratzmann, have lived in Woombye since 2017. Brothers, Mark and Andrew, have lived on the coast since the late 90s. "I am looking forward to making the Sunshine Coast my home."

You can contact Leanne for a treatment on 0438 684 705.



Leanne Sippel works on her Mum's shoulder gently stimulating specific points to encourage self-repair.

Queensland Small Business Minister in Nambour for Chamber Coffee Catchup

SMALL Business Minister Di Farmer joined Nicklin MP Rob Skelton last month at the Nambour Chamber of Commerce's Coffee Catchup at Sweet and Flour Bakery.

Representatives from the Department of Employment, Small Business and Training joined the Minister and Mr Skelton to discuss all the opportunities available to Queensland Small Business.

The Minister said Queensland Small Business Month 2022 (QSBM 2022) celebrated the vital contribution small businesses made in driving the economy, creating local jobs and

building strong communities.

"This year we are drawing attention to the thousands of small businesses across Queensland that have kept our economy moving," she said.



Expanded garden organics service starts from **Monday 11 July, 2022.**



What goes in?

Learn about what goes in your garden organics bin.

When my service starts, what day will my bin be collected?

Garden organics bins are collected on the same day as your general waste bins (on the **alternate weeks** to recycling bins).

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New garden bins start arriving this month

Council's expanded garden organics service starts Monday 11 July. Bins will be delivered to eligible properties in the coming weeks. Garden organics bins are collected on the same day as your general waste bin and on the alternate week to your recycling bin. Please don't use your new garden organics bin until Monday 11 July as it won't be emptied. Search 'bin day' on Council's website to find your collection day.

Horizon Festival is back!

One of the most anticipated events on the Sunshine Coast calendar is back in 2022 and presenting live and in-person for the first time since 2019. The 10-day multi-arts festival will be held across the region from 26 August to 4 September. The full festival program will be released later this month. For updates, visit horizonfestival.com.au or follow @horizonartfest on social media platforms.

Mobility mapping now available

For some of us, travelling around the Sunshine Coast can be a challenge, which is why Council is working to make life easier for people of all abilities, from mums and dads with toddlers in tow to the elderly and people using mobility aids. Wayfinding information about accessible routes, footpath conditions, transport and parking, beach accesses and amenities are just some of the items listed on the new mobility maps. Visit Council's website to use the maps and find your best path, according to your needs and ability.

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Stunning exhibition on display at the Gallery

Love colour? Then you'll want to see the Rex Backhaus-Smith exhibition at the Caloundra Regional Gallery until 26 June. 'Feeling of the Place: from here to there and back again' follows Rex's expeditions across Australia in a stunning explosion of vivid blues and oranges. The Gallery is free to enter and open Tuesday to Sunday from 10am. For more details, visit gallery.sunshinecoast.qld.gov.au.

One for the calendar

Watch Council's 2022-23 annual budget being delivered on Thursday 23 June at 9am. It will be followed by the Ordinary Meeting at 11am.

Celebrate Sunshine Coast World Environment Day Festival

Sunday 5 June will see Coolum Civic Centre and Jack Morgan Park in Coolum transformed into a family-friendly fun day to celebrate the 50th World Environment Day. Come and enjoy some of the finest eco-tainment on the Sunshine Coast with hands-on art, sustainability exhibitors, talks, free plants, local musicians and more. Also, as part of the Sunshine Coast World Environment Day Festival month long program, you can help to plant 1000 food trees for wildlife at the Doonan Planting Festival. This free event has plenty of family-friendly fun on Sunday 26 June from 8-11am. Enjoy tree planting, wildlife display, live music and free food. For more details on World Environment Day Festival events, visit Council's website.

Wild HeART kids art competition closing soon

Does your child like to draw? Enter their native flora and fauna art for a chance to win a share of \$3000 in the Wild HeART Student Art prize. Hurry, entries close 17 July. Head to Council's website for all the details.

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Volunteer Leanne Davies and Kitchen coordinator Gillian Richardson with a lovely Devonshire Tea for two. Visit Yandina Historic House for art, food and drink and history.

History, food, art and more at Yandina Historic House

Business Writeup: Yandina Historic House

THE Yandina Historic House is so much more than its famous and much-loved \$6 Devonshire Teas. History is the big feature of the House, along with the beautiful art, pottery and craft, museum and history reading room.

"I think visitors are often quite surprised by what we have on offer," said Art Curator, Col Nation.

"There are so many interesting things to see here, and the icing on the cake is that after a browse, you can enjoy our fresh, delicious and reasonably priced food."

Open from 9.30am till 2.30pm, Monday to Saturday, the House serves its famous Devonshire teas with tea or coffee.

"Our scones are light, delicious and locally made, and they are served with fresh, whipped Maleny Dairies cream, and jams," he said. "Tasty light lunches are also available for you to enjoy after you take in the art and craft."

The art gallery features a number of local artists and potters who showcase their work in the rustic and welcoming setting of this beautiful old local home.

"The theme for the art is 'Local, Historic and Culture' so there are loads of local coastal and hinterland scenes, and local birds, animals and places to brighten an empty wall in your home," said Col.

The museum and history reading room features loads of local history dating back before the town of Yandina was officially gazetted as the very first town on the Sunshine Coast.

The name Yandina is from a First Nations word meaning 'to go by foot' and it is pretty much the first place you can walk across the Maroochy river on foot without getting wet.

"The old Cobb and Co route crossed the river here, and boats could make their way upstream to Coulsen's wharf at Yandina to carry timber sourced from the local area," said Col.

For your convenience a 3D tour is now available from the website www.yandinahistorichouse.com.au.

"But it's so much more fun to come and enjoy our lovely food, and relax in the beautiful surroundings."

► Yandina Historic House is at 3 Pioneer Road Yandina, just before the Ginger Factory. Go to www.yandinahistorichouse.com.au



Dance the night away to a six-piece party band at Palmwoods Memorial Hall

PALMWOODS has a reputation for holding great community events and doing them well. June 11 will be no different as the town gathers for a night of dancing to a six-piece live band playing in one of the best community halls on the Coast.

The Palmwoods Community and Business Association (PCBA) have been fortunate to get local party and events band M7, pictured, well known for their ability to perform a broad repertoire of dance and party music and a guaranteed great night for all. It will be held at the Palmwoods Memorial Hall in Main Street commencing 7pm to 11pm on June 11.

This dance is a major fundraiser PCBA and it will help raise much needed funds to support the Community Garden and partner with local businesses to hold future festivals and events in the town. An entry of \$25 includes a generous supper, tea or coffee and a ticket in the door prize.

There will be a licensed bar selling beer, wine, bubbles (18+ ID required) and a range of soft-drinks. Tickets are available through eventbrite.com.au or link via our Facebook page, "Palmwoods Community and Business Association".

Alternatively, tickets can be purchased using cash only at local shop, The Little Book Nook, The Lane, Little Main Street, Palmwoods or email to contactpcba@gmail.com for booking and direct debit payment. For catering purposes, tickets must be booked by 7th June.

► For information, please contact Beverley McMullin on 0402 066 898.



Divers found a bumbag believed to have belonged to Nate Preston. Picture: QPS

Bumbag, phone found by divers in search for missing Nambour man

SUNSHINE Coast detectives on Monday released images of items located as part of the investigation into the disappearance of Nambour man, Nate Preston.

The 20-year-old was last seen in the Mooloolaba area at approximately midnight on Sunday, May 22.

Nate was reported missing on Tuesday May 24 as he had made no contact with friends or family.

Investigations led dive squad officers to conduct a thorough search of Mooloolaba canals near Brisbane Road and River Esplanade Mooloolaba, where a phone and bumbag believed to be Nate's were located.

The dive squad completed the search between May 26 and May 27 with no other items of interest located. Investigations are ongoing.

Detectives appeal to anyone who was near Brisbane Road and River Esplanade Mooloolaba on the evening of Saturday May 21 or the following morning, who may have relevant information, CCTV or dashcam footage in the area at the time to contact police.

Anyone with information regarding the 20-year-old's whereabouts is urged to come forward, anonymous reports can be made.

Nambour provides fertile ground for Queensland Garden Expo to bloom

THE Queensland Garden Expo's 37-year history is synonymous with that of Nambour. The Expo began life as a two-day event at the Nambour Showgrounds in 1984.

It was initiated by the Sunshine Coast Branch of the Nursery and Garden Industry as a vehicle to showcase the rapidly growing Nursery Industry on the Sunshine Coast.

"It was a huge success from the start and has steadily grown to the event it is today attracting visitors from across Queensland and Australia," said Event Manager Marion Beasley.

"We use many local suppliers and we know local businesses benefit from the incredible influx of people into Nambour. In addition to the 40,000 people who visit the event, we have hundreds of people onsite setting up the week prior including representatives from the 360 exhibitors, landscapers, hundreds of volunteers and the events team. We love the buzz this creates around town!

"The impact of what we have created on the Nambour community can't be under-estimated and we cannot thank them enough for the support they have given the event over the years."

The Queensland Garden Expo is one of Australia's most-loved gardening events, attracting the country's gardening royalty to the speaker program, more than 40,000 visitors through the gates and injecting an estimated \$10 million into the Sunshine Coast economy each year.

This year the three-day event will open its gates on 8 July when more than 360 exhibitors will have everything gardening-related on offer, including one of the largest ranges of plants visitors are likely to see in one place in Queensland.

Marion said the Expo would once again host Australia's biggest gardening speaker program including favourites such as Gardening Australia's Costa Georgiadis, Sophie Thomson and Jerry Coleby-Williams and regulars Phil Dudman 'The Garden Guru', Claire Bickle, Kate Wall and many more.

"What makes our event so unique in gardening circles is that Expo visitors have access to the best gardening minds in the country – both through the extensive 3-day speaker program and by chatting directly to our growers representing the many nurseries exhibiting at the event," Marion said.

"We have seen interest in gardening explode during the pandemic – people have taken to their gardens to grow their own food and to create a wonderful space to relax. We don't see that slowing down as many have found a passion for gardening they never knew they had!

"Our young gardeners haven't been forgotten about with lots of activities and workshops on offer to start them on their gardening journey."



Marion Beasley ... "we cannot thank Nambour enough for the support they have given the event over the years."

"The Queensland Garden Expo provides a wonderful opportunity to learn more about all aspects of gardening and for those without a back yard, keeping indoor plants is catered for too. The benefits of having live plants in your home have long been known and in the past couple of years, indoor plants have boomed in popularity.

"And if you're having any trouble, one of our most popular stands is the Plant Clinic where visitors can ask any question – from bringing in leaves or photos for identification, to getting free advice related to your garden or indoor plants.

"This event really brings the community together but it also has a massive impact on our local economy given around 65 per cent of our visitors travel from outside the region," Marion said.

"This results in an economic impact of more than \$10 million benefiting a diverse range of businesses and the many community organisations involved in the event from across the Sunshine Coast.

"The event appeals to everyone from the most experienced green thumbs to absolute beginners. There is something for all ages, with entry free for kids aged 15 and under and a giant kid's playground to keep them entertained."

► The 2022 Queensland Garden Expo will be held from 8-10 July at the Nambour Showgrounds, Coronation Avenue, Nambour. Visit www.qldgardenexpo.com.au.



Emily Rose & the Wild Things will play at Nambour's Black Box Theatre at The Old Ambulance Station, supported by Andrea Kirwin, below.

'Nambour's Got Soul' concert features 5-piece folk band

AFTER the recent success of the Neil Murray show at Black Box Theatre, Peace Run records has programmed their next *Nambour's Got Soul* concert which will feature progressive 5 piece Sydney folk sensation *Emily Rose & the Wild Things*.

Music curator and promoter Andrea Kirwin of Peace Run Records and Agency said the interstate headliners would be supported by local up and coming Soul act, *The Dawn Light* (Duo) on Friday 8 July.

"These curated concerts showcase some of the best Australian bands and artists performing truly inspiring originals," said Andrea.

"It's an opportunity to bring world class talent to our town and help make Nambour into a genuine music destination for touring artists and bands who are looking for a listening and appreciative audience."

This will be the group's first tour since the pandemic halted the music industry and Emily Rose said the band couldn't wait to come to Nambour, which is why she reached out to Andrea after renowned Maleny Multi-instrumentalist Linsey Pollak suggested she get in touch.

"I've spent two long years waiting to bring this beautiful music from our debut album to live audiences – especially in regional areas," said Emily-Rose. "I'm especially excited to be playing in Nambour with the lovely Andrea Kirwin hosting the event. She is one of the most enthusiastic and caring musicians and



promoters I've dealt with so far in organising my tour and Nambour is so lucky to have her! I can already feel it's going to be one of the best nights of the tour.

"Our performances have been loved by the jazz crowd, folkies, metal heads, indie lovers and experimental fans across the board. So you know that the show will take you on an exceptional journey."

It is part of *Emily Rose & the Wild Things'* 'Upon These Open Skins' 2022 Tour of regional and capital cities across the nation. Emily-Rose & the Wild Things is the newest project from ARIA-nominated member of *Chaika*, Emily-Rose Sarkova.

► Doors open 6.30pm and the Concert is from 7pm on Friday 8 July at Nambour's Black Box Theatre at The Old Ambulance Station, 80 Howard St. Tickets are \$25 + booking fee. Nambour Tickets: www.eventbrite.com.au/e/338004810487.

Donors needed as blood stocks nosedive

AUSTRALIAN Red Cross Lifeblood urgently needs 17,500 people to donate blood over the next week, as an escalating cold and flu season hits supplies.

Executive Director, Cath Stone said Australia needs to act now to boost stocks of A, O and B blood groups, under pressure due to cancellations and no shows.

"We know people are sick with cold and flu. We know people's children are unwell and keeping donors at home. And we know many people are still having to isolate due to COVID. We also know that these circumstances are causing large numbers of appointment cancellations and no-shows.

"We are pleading with anyone who is well and healthy to book a donation today and encourage your friends and family to do the same."

She said Lifeblood continues to see up to half of all appointments cancelled.

"We have 15,500 blood donations booked in for the next week, but based on current cancellations and no-shows, we know a large number of these won't result in a donation. And we still have thousands of appointments that need to be filled.

"There are patients in hospital right now who are relying on blood for cancer treatment, surgery, accidents and complicated births. If you don't know your blood type, donating is a great way to find out. Every blood donation can help to save up to three lives," Ms Stone said.

Right now, people with A, O and B blood



groups can book a donation on lifeblood.com.au, on the DonateBlood app or by calling 13 14 95.

Now Showing at Majestic Cinemas

HERE'S what's showing now at Majestic Cinemas in Nambour.

Now Showing: *Topgun: Maverick*; *How to Please a Woman*; *Bob's Burgers the Movie*; *Doctor Strange 2* and *The Drower's Wife*.

There will also be a special Q+A event with cast and crew for the film *Little Tornadoes* on Sunday June 5 at 7pm. Tickets on sale now.

• For more information on session times please visit www.majesticcinemas.com.au or phone 5441 2954.

What's new with Mobile Libraries?

SUNSHINE Coast Libraries is about to introduce a new mobile library timetable to better reflect community demand and patterns of use.

The new schedule, effective from May 30, will change for some current stops and new stops will be introduced to respond to more people choosing to live on the Sunshine Coast.

Sunshine Coast Council Community Portfolio Councillor David Law said the new timetable would provide a more flexible, targeted service that met community demand for Library services. "Council works with the community every day to ensure we continue to provide great services," said Cr Law.

"More people are choosing to move to the Sunshine Coast and, to ensure everyone has access to a library, council reviewed our mobile library service.

"We found some mobile library stops were under-utilised with borrowing habits changing over time. As a result of the review, three stops have been updated with new times and days – Meridan Plains, Palmwoods and Peregian Springs – and the Glasshouse Mountains stop will no longer be included in the mobile library stops.

"Beerwah Library is located within five kilometres of the previous Glasshouse Mountains Mobile Library stop and is open six days a week with a click-and-collect service available to all members.

"The new timetable ensures more equitable access to library services across the region."

For customers unable to access alternative libraries, there are also other ways to access library services.

Library staff are happy to discuss alternative options with customers affected by these changes.

These may include the [Home Library service](#) which is available for borrowers who are unable to visit their local library due to illness, disability or limited mobility and have no one who can visit the library on their behalf.

Borrowers are connected with a volunteer who chooses, delivers and returns books and other library items based on the borrower's preferences.

Borrowers can also use the [Council Link service](#), an affordable transport service available for people 60 and over, people with a disability or mobility impairment (DSP concession card holders), carers and minors accompanying eligible people (carer's card or companion card holders).

The new Mobile Library timetable will begin on Monday May 30. To keep up-to-date on library news, subscribe to the library [eNewsletter](#) or head to the [Library website](#).

Don't forget you can access our [eLibrary](#) anytime, from anywhere. Update your technology skills, learn a new language or learn to play a musical instrument.

You can also check out the latest eBooks, eMusic and eMovies.

Spitting image: Nambour Artist creates personalised portraiture dolls to order

NAMBOUR'S Molly Galpin is a self taught artist who started her creative journey back in the 90s, after completing a lead lighting course.

"I have always been inspired by recycling and nature, and lead lighting opened my world to creativity," said Molly. "I renovated several old houses and windows with colour, mosaics, unique lampshades and mirrors, and that was the start of my love affair with art and colour".

"In 2018 I started to paint with acrylics, a big change from soldering, however I mainly paint reverse on glass, and I dare to be different," Molly said. "I love to create whimsical and unique pieces".

Molly's art journey has evolved as she has found new ways to express her ideas.

"Last year I hand stitched 4 dolls which were representations of my grandchildren," said Molly. "It was the beginning of my new passion to make portraiture dolls. They were sewn up on my trusty Elna sewing machine that I bought when I was 17!"

"Since moving to the Sunshine Coast, I have made a great many connections, and dear friends amongst the artistic community, and I decided to make 'the artist the subject'. I approached a couple of local artists and am so thrilled that they were happy to participate".

Molly's dolls are made with a "soft face" of fabric which has hand stitched features, enhanced with acrylic paint. The clothing is matched to the artist's personality.

"Others dolls are 'hard face' and are made from air dry clay, paper mache, or recycled lawn bowls," Molly explained. "Their bodies are often recycled pottery vases, boxes, bottles, teapots, fabric and glue.

Molly has made over 70 dolls and each original doll takes on an uncanny resemblance to



Molly has made over 70 dolls including this one of herself.

lege's annual Arts Festival, Molly's representation of Ketakii- Jewson-Brown, was awarded Best Sculpture. And this month, Molly will be exhibiting her work at the Pomona Railway Station Gallery.

"It has been a playful and happy experience creating these dolls and the exhibition will be fun to see. The featured artist dolls will have their details posted to Instagram and Facebook so guests and visitors can 'look them up' to see the fantastic diverse art they do".

► The exhibition will run from June 3 to June 29 at the Pomona Railway Gallery at 10 Station Street, Pomona.

Chapel of Love to feature at Festival

YOU may not be able to take a trip to the Teatro alla Scala in Milan, but you can join an intimate audience and be carried away on the wings of *Arias On The Range* on Thursday, 11 August this year.

The Rangebow Festival has created an exclusive event on the escarpment at Montville to showcase the drama of opera with acclaimed Queensland Opera performers.

Let's set the scene for you. A lovingly constructed piece of art built with all natural materials from beautiful Helidon sandstone carefully shaped and styled together by a team of stonemasons dedicated to their craft.

Admire the magnificent red cedar doors representing the tree of life, hand carved by a local Montville artist. The floors are striking with their light lustre of polished white onyx flecked with gold. The animals handcrafted into the pews and altar are stunning contrasts to the sandstone.

The Chapel Montville embraces spectacular views of the Sunshine Coast from the hinterland to the ocean making it the ideal location for this glorious experience which will cater for just 70 opera buffs.

For one hour in this stunning setting you will enjoy a selection of classic arias performed by Opera Queensland stars, Irena Lysiuk (Soprano), one of the most accomplished vocalists in Queensland, along with Sebastian Maclaine (Tenor), formerly one of *The Ten Tenors*, and Emma Nightingale, an emerging lyric soprano from Brisbane. They will be accompanied on piano by award-winning Luke Volker, a composer and pianist.

Your ticket also includes bubbles and an afternoon cuisine in the lush grounds around the chapel. Tickets will be available from early June on the festival website www.therangebow-festival.org



The Chapel Montville will make the perfect setting.



Queensland Opera soprano Irena Lysiuk.

The Rangebow Festival, dramatically celebrating panoramic vistas in The Range communities through diversity, inclusiveness, sustainability and reconciliation.

Nambour Forecourt Live! gains in popularity

NEW life is being breathed into the Nambour CBD as *Nambour Forecourt Live!* becomes a favourite regular feature for local music and food lovers.

Presented by Sunshine Coast Council & *Peace Run Records & Agency* the regular event is held in the forecourt of the Council building in Currie Street. It showcases local musicians, and food and beverage vendors in a relaxed and family-friendly environment and is part of the reactivation of the town centre.



Lior Erlich from Just Steak It, served delicious steak burgers.



Local artist Craig Madden entertained the crowds. He was followed by Anna and Jordan and The Moonsets.



Chad and Jack were run off their feet at their Wood Fired Pizzas stand.

Choir presents a 'Mass for Troubled Times'

ORIANA Choir are thrilled to be working with Seasonal Music Director Kim Kirkman to present Faure's *Requiem* and Haydn's *Nelson Mass* at St John's Cathedral on July 16 at 2pm and at Stella Maris Catholic Primary School, Maroochydore on Sunday July 17th at 2pm.

Originally called the *Mass for Troubled Times*, Haydn's mighty choral work is now forever associated with Admiral Horatio Nelson's victory over Napoleon. The *Nelson Mass* has been called the composer's greatest single composition. It is a work that was written at a time of intense fear for the future of Austria, whose citizens were not in the best of spirits. In 1797-1798 Napoleon Bonaparte had defeated

the Austrian army in four major battles, even crossing the Alps and threatening Vienna itself.

It seems fitting then, when the world is once again feeling the sting of war as we hear of the crisis in Ukraine and experiencing our own 'troubled times' that the choir is presenting this magnificent work, along with the stunning *Faure Requiem*. The concert series is dedicated to the Ukrainian people and the choir will also sing a very special *Prayer for Ukraine* written by John Rutter, currently being performed by choirs all around the world.

► A special preview version of the concert will be held at St Patrick's Church Gympie on Sunday July 10th.



Singspire will be singing a medley of songs from the much-loved musical, *Phantom of the Opera*.

Choir event to raise money for The Shack

THE Singspire community choir is excited to be performing in a fundraising variety concert for The Shack in Nambour, on June 4.

"The team from The Shack do such an incredible job of caring for and supporting homeless people in our community," said Singspire choir member, Mary Martin. "We are thrilled to be able to make our own contribution, and we hope that our audience will enjoy the program we have put together."

Singspire will be singing a medley of songs from the much-loved musical, *Phantom of the Opera*, as well as other popular choral songs.

"We are going to be joined by some wonderful supporting artists, *Girl Friday*, which is a jazz, blues and swing ensemble, and the talented Bli Bli State School Senior Choir," Mary said.

"As well as fabulous music, guests will enjoy a delicious afternoon tea and lucky door prizes, which are included in the ticket price".

► The concert will be held at 2pm on Saturday 4 June, at NLC auditorium, 2 McKenzie Road, Woombye (Adjacent to Nambour Christian College). Tickets available online now for \$15, or \$20 at the door. To book online go to www.trybooking.com/BYRLC

Palmwoods Biggest Morning Tea raises \$900

A successful High Tea fundraiser by Palmwoods Little Village Theatre and Little Village Choir on May 26 at the Palmwoods Guide Hut saw over \$900 raised for cancer research.

Guests at the High Tea enjoyed a delicious morning tea, meeting new and old friends, games, entertainment and raffles in a warm and

welcoming environment.

The LVT and LVC committees wish to thank the local community for their generosity towards a very worthy cause, as well as supporters and volunteers who helped in many ways to make this function an enjoyable occasion for all.

Museum restores historic railcar

NAMBOUR Museum Volunteers have recently completed the cosmetic restoration of the Moreton Sugar Mill's historic railcar 'Flyer'.

The Flyer was constructed at the mill in 1933 from a kit of parts. It was used to transport maintenance crews as well as members of the staff on tours of inspection around the cane areas east of Nambour. It earned its name due to its high speed. On the downside, its speed resulted in many derailments during its working life.

The Flyer was retired from active service around 1960 and rested on the mill's dead line until the 1970s when it left the district for 'preservation'. In 1987 it was tracked down, purchased and returned to the district in a very dilapidated condition by my family.

The frame was rebuilt, and the wheels received some welding repairs courtesy of the sugar mill's workshop. What existed at that time was reassembled in 1989 and stored until being donated to the Nambour Museum in 2019.

The recent cosmetic restoration mainly involved the construction of a new timber body and repainting. It was funded by a Heritage Grant from the Sunshine Coast Council.



Nambour Museum President Clive Plater aboard the Flyer with volunteer Gary Deane who works on the timber body.

The project also made good use of the museum's new battery power tools purchased with funding from the Palmwoods Heritage Community Bank.

– Clive Plater, President Nambour Museum



Council wants to sell Lot 1 for \$850,000 in a swap for Lot 2 which they will purchase for \$130,000 in a mutually beneficial arrangement.

Maleny land swap to proceed

THE sale of a 8,223-square metre block in Maleny will go ahead despite concerns Council would be selling to a property developer for a modest sum and not putting the sale out to tender or auction.

Sunshine Coast Council voted last week to sell the block on the outskirts of Maleny to housing developer Maleny Estates for \$850,000.

In exchange for the parcel, the developer would hand over a narrow block – about 1300 square metres – for \$130,000. This would allow council to lay water and sewerage infrastructure, and connect nearby roadways.

Councillors David Law and Joe Natoli voted against the motion, raising concerns of a lack of information and clarity about the deal.

However, Division 5 Councillor Winston Johnston said suggestions the land was worth

up to \$1.7m were "farcical". He said the deal was a clear and common-sense solution that was in the interests of council, the community and the developer.

Under Queensland law, councils are meant to sell off "valuable" assets either by tender or by auction.

However, council officers reported that this was an allowed exception because it was in the public interest for the land to go to the developer.

Their report says the council does not need the land, and resuming the smaller lot would be more expensive than the land swap.

"Given the remote location of proposed Lot 1 and restricted access, it is not considered appropriate to dispose of the parcel by the way of tender or auction," the report says.



Nambour Men's Shed's gets safe new table saw

NAMBOUR Men's Shed has some new equipment courtesy of a \$7200 grant from the Gambling Community Benefit Fund.

Nicklin MP Rob Skelton inspected the SawStop table last week. He said it was fitted with an ingenious safety cutout. The blade on the saw carries

a small electrical signal and when skin contacts the blade the safety system fires the brake, stopping the blade in less than 5 milliseconds. They have also purchased a new state of the art metal bandsaw, which significantly reduces the chance of accidents in the metal workshop.

Bee Hives for Sale

NAMBOUR Men's Shed are currently selling bee hives made from locally recycled timbers. The hives are \$80 each and all the proceeds from sales are reinvested in maintaining the shed and tools. For more information contact Nambour Men's Shed info@nambourmensshed.com.au.



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Proud Maleny has always supported its annual show

A MAJOR milestone in Maleny's history was celebrated on the weekend as the hinterland town celebrated its 100th year of Maleny Agricultural Shows.

Shows have been a part of Australian culture since 1822 and are strongly connected to local communities through educational, competitive, social and cultural experiences.

If a town could talk, Maleny would have so many stories to tell about those early pioneer days to the alternative picturesque region visitors and residents on the Sunshine Coast now enjoy.

There are memories of the hardships of isolation, droughts and heavy rainfall causing problems for both transportation and stock, memories of the township where large general stores in Maple St stood on each side of the road opposite each other.

Hunts was on one side of Maleny's Maple St and Tytherleighs Store on the other. Both stocked just about everything farming families required in those earlier days.

Gone are the days of the bullocky and his team attempting to cross the Obi Obi Creek, scrambling over the slippery creek bed with a full wagon and load bogged to the axles.

The sealed roads we have today would have been only a pipe-dream for those hard-working wise cracking bullockies of the bush.

Agricultural shows such as Maleny's would not be successful without the tireless work of local volunteers who provide so much of their time to make the show a success for all who visit and compete.

Maleny still has a country atmosphere and is such a picturesque, lush region.

The show organises special competitions to encourage rural youth including show princess, and charity person.

Not-to-be-missed are the horse events, beef cattle and dairy sections, exhibits of champion livestock and competitive horsemanship which includes some of the best showjumping and dressage in Queensland.

Everyone loves the grand parade displays and the naughty Shetland ponies being led by children.



From left, celebrating 100 years of Maleny Shows are Helen Gilmour-Walsh, Cr Winston Johnston, Professor Graeme Nimmo, Queensland Governor Jeannette Young, Maleny showgirl Chloe Lanham, Kelly Schofield, Member for Fisher Andrew Wallace and Glass House MP Andrew Powell.



Parade at Maleny Show, ca 1930. Photo: Picture Sunshine Coast



ABOVE LEFT: Jeannette Young presents a plaque congratulating Maleny Show Society president Winston Johnston and Monica Skerman on the Show's 100th year from Queensland Chamber of Agricultural Societies. RIGHT: Ed Lawley accepts a prize from the Queensland Governor.



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Maleny Showgrounds during the 1931 show. Photo: Picture Sunshine Coast



Not to be forgotten is the excitement of the woodchop and the splendid display of poultry of all types. Needleworkers and the best cooks of the district vie for champion sponge cake or pickle or marmalade maker, still using their secret family recipes handed down through the generations.

School children of the district proudly produce their best work to display as they would have done over the years and to top it off kids get the day off school on Friday, June 2 to attend the show.

All competitors hope for the blue ribbon of first prize, but it does not matter if you win or try your best, it is about keeping the culture of our Australian country shows alive with the activities that have been continued and enjoyed since the early days.

Sideshow workers spruik their rides inviting people to "come and have a go" and enjoy all types of competitive thrills. The mechanical clown faces are always a favourite with little ones hoping to win a big stuffed toy if they are lucky.

The ghost train and the octopus ride will attract the teenagers and all those who dare to be scared. The grand parade is a wonderful sight featuring many types of cattle and the beauty of a well groomed horse and rider.

If we could turn back the clock to 1922 when Maleny's first show opened, the area was a very different place and things were done differently. A wood stove was how the cooking was done

and if mother was lucky she would have an ice chest or later a kerosene refrigerator to keep food cool. This was an Australian invention in 1923 and electricity did not come to the region until late 1939.

In 1927 the entertainment committee of the Maleny Show Society held a pioneers ball at the Maleny School of Arts in honour of the hard-working pioneers of the district. Mr A. Bryce welcomed the guests by saying it was to honour the men and women who, with stout hearts, had laid the foundation of what was today a prosperous community.

Stout hearts were needed during the Great Depression and unfortunately the show was abandoned in 1932, 1934 and 1935. A drought which caused great hardship in 1950 also caused it to be cancelled in that year. And of course there was no Show in 2020 because of Covid.

In 1990 the alternative needs of local Maleny residents saw vegetarian food served at the Maleny Show and it sold out by 5pm on the first day.

Delicious foods are still served at the show and many types of foods are on offer these days. Many of the recipes and cakes on display are perhaps from those early Maleny and district pioneering family recipes handwritten into exercise books handed down over many years.

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WELCOME TO THE MARKET

980 Kidaman Creek Road, **Curramore**

Designed for family living at its best, this forever home offers privacy, peace and loads of space for all the family. Beautifully landscaped, the grounds on this 7170m² block boasts an inground pool, firepit, landscaped gardens and a generous outdoor entertaining area overlooking the property. Inside, the master bedroom provides an enviable parent's retreat and is separated from the remaining 3 bedrooms. Perfectly positioned on its generously

sized block, there is immense privacy, serenity and multiple entertaining spaces for a family and their guests. Located in serene Curramore, just 12 minutes from the bustling township of Maleny, and 6 minutes from the ever-popular Witta Markets where local artisans and producers offer the best of the Sunshine Coast Hinterland. With great views taking in the rural atmosphere and the local fauna and flora, this property is an absolute must inspect.

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WELCOME TO THE MARKET

6 Callistemon Court, **Maleny**

Located in a leafy and quiet cul-de-sac, within walking distance to the vibrant main street of Maleny is this four-bedroom, two-bathroom home. Offering the growing family or downsizers a low maintenance property, this home is perfectly positioned in a long-established area of Maleny. Close by is every amenity a family could need; public transport connections, primary and high schools, cafes, restaurants, the hospital and medical centres. Walking paths are also on your doorstep and offer enviable connection to the town and all its events. A fantastic park is also just a minutes' walk away for the rowdier members of the family.

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51 Engle Road, **Reesville**

Offering 13 acres of usable land, this Reesville property offers a rare opportunity to secure your weekender or forever home. With views over the property and pretty valley views, now is the time to create your new lifestyle on the Hinterland. Reesville is just a short drive from the main street of Maleny and its cafes, restaurants and shopping. The three-bedroom home on the property is packed with classic features but is just waiting for its new owners and their renovation or new build dream. Hardwood timber attributes are bursting in the home; from the flooring to the beams in the vaulted ceilings.

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Balmoral Ridge

Offering complete privacy, with incredible views to the Sunshine Coast and Baroon Pocket Dam, this stylish home delivers the ultimate in lifestyle and entertaining. Boasting an 18m inground pool and generous entertaining areas; there is stunning views in every direction. With attention to detail in every element throughout the home; Italian tapware, imported English light fittings, Turkish travertine tiles, recycled hardwood timber from Western Queensland and Glasshouse Mountain rock forming the facade of the home, there is

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This spacious four bedroom home is strategically designed with the three bedrooms situated at the front of the home with the main bathroom, allowing for great separation from

the living and master bedroom. The main bathroom is tastefully designed with the feature being a full-sized bath overlooking those for-mentioned sunsets.

A private master bedroom situated at the rear of the home will allow you to feel miles away. The room is complete with oversized windows, pendant lighting, walk through robe, as well as his & hers sinks in the walk-in robe.

The central kitchen has ample storage, lighting, and a butler's pantry. The island bench overlooks the large dining and living area.

The side deck area is one of the main attractions of this home, with double doors opening to this space, the new owner has the opportunity to expand on this area for a pool area or simply keep it for the master entertaining area.

► The owners have requested an immediate sale, so please call Toby Morrin on 0401 623 801 to inspect before you miss out.

First time to market: fantastic location

AGENT'S CHOICE: 9 Charlton Court, Burnside

THIS home tucked away at the end of a quiet cul-de-sac in a family-friendly neighbourhood, boasts sparkling presentation inside and out as well as a prized north-easterly aspect on an elevated, beautifully landscaped 1149m² block.

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Freshly painted throughout, features include new stainless steel Westinghouse oven, near-new dishwasher, 2 x split system air-conditioners (one only 12 months old), ceiling fans, security screens, small tool shed, and 3kW solar power.

A quality Dixon built steel frame home, presents 'as new' and there is absolutely nothing needing to be spent or done - original owners have taken meticulous care of this lovely property, everything is impeccable.

The rear deck is covered for all-weather entertaining. Located in a sought-after pocket



of Burnside on the outskirts of town, within walking distance to St John's College, and just a short drive to Burnside schools, TAFE, town shops/amenities, and rail to Brisbane; plus 25 minutes to coastal beaches, you can access everything you could want or need with relative ease.

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Why are interest rates rising?

by **Matt Wall** BOQ Nambour & Hinterland Owner-Manager
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THE Reserve Bank of Australia (RBA) has increased its cash rate, which will likely continue to rise over the next couple of years. In this article, I'll explain why this is happening, how high rates could go, and offer tips to ensure your financial goals are still being met.

Prior to the announcement on the May 3, the RBA hadn't increased rates since 2010, and in this time, interest dropped to historic lows. And while an increase has been projected and discussed for some time, it's still important to understand the underlying cause of why this happens.

"The unemployment rate is at 4%, the lowest level since 2008, and inflation is too high at 5%, the highest rate since the GST was introduced in 2001," said BOQ Chief Economist Peter Munckton.

Without the increase, inflation would be too high - so curbing spending through rate rises is the action the RBA takes during times like these. Conversely, when the economy needs stimulating, the RBA will lower interest rates, which is what we have seen in recent years.

Now that the rates have been initially increased, we can expect several further increases. 'Most economists expect the cash rate to reach at least 1.5%, with most of that move happening by the end of this year,' says Peter.

How to prepare if you have a mortgage

The good news is that there are multiple ways

to prepare for a higher rate environment and to keep your financial goals on track:

- Look at fixing your loan to know the exact figure you'll be paying today and into the future (be sure to plan for higher rate rises towards the end of the fixed period).
- Establish a household budget or re-evaluate your current one.
- Make repayments when and if you can to lower the duration of your loan.
- Explore offset accounts to lower your interest and still have available funds.
- Look into splitting your loan if you want the benefits of offset and fixed accounts.
- Ensure your loan is competitive (there's no point spending more than you have to!).

Know your numbers

BOQ has several available at www.boq.com.au/business/tools-and-calculators. These will help you find the figures of what increased rates could cost, the benefits of extra repayments, or even how splitting your loan can help. Crunching these numbers is the best way to come up with a budget that works for you. And if you want to fine-tune your budget further then check out our budget planner ... Go to BOQ.com.au and search budget planner.

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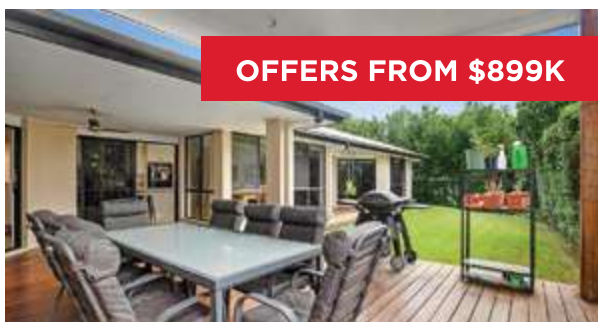
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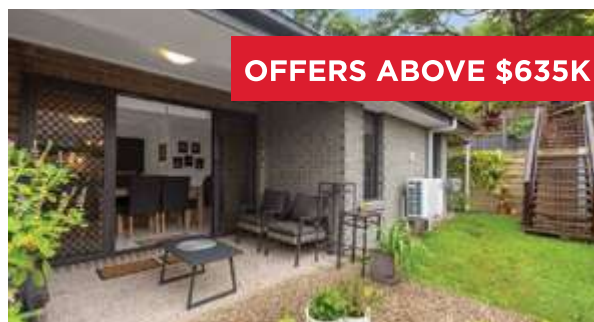
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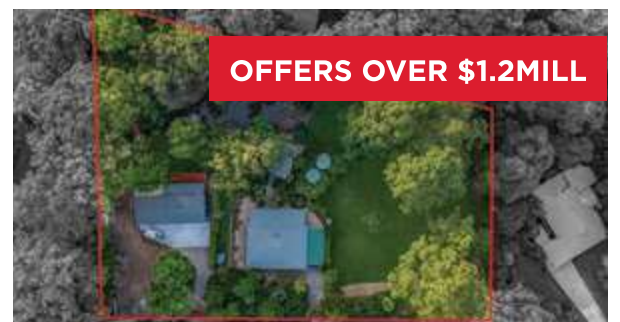
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Palmwoods Bowls Club news

IN the next month Palmwoods Bowls Club has many bowling events happening. Will keep you informed. Contact Colin McKinlay on 0422 379 893.

1. **SOCIAL BOWLS PAIRS COMP:** The first one is a seven week social Bowls comp commencing Wednesday night June 1. Members & social players are all welcome.

2. **COACHING & MEETING:** To all members and social bowlers. A coaching session followed by a bowls member meeting will be held on Sunday 12th June. Put your name down on the entrance to the club.

3. **PALMWOODS \$10,000 PURSE:** Exciting times ahead for the Palmwoods Bowls Club as we host one of the biggest prize money events on the coast in October. We're looking for sponsors. This can be done by way of cash, goods or services. Your business or company will receive ongoing recognition in the lead up and on the day.

Your support will help our small club stay strong and encourage more bowlers to use our fantastic venue.

► For more info contact Colin McKinlay on 0422 379 893.



Saints v Woombye

Nambour Netball Junior Carnival

NAMBOUR & Districts Netball Association's annual Junior Club Carnival went ahead last Sunday despite the overcast weather and occasional shower.

Players from the Sunshine Coast to the Gold Coast participated in the competition. Local teams Chevallum Blitz won gold in the 12B division, Palmwoods Hurricanes silver in the 13yrs division and Woombye Warriors took home silver in the 14/15yrs division.

NDNA's final Carnival for 2022 will be held on Sunday 31st July for players 8 - 11 years.

► For registration details go to www.nambournetball.com.au

Maleny Golf Club

• Wednesday 18th May, 2022: Maleny Golf Club held a Stable Competition with first place going to Chris Small with 42 points, runner-up went to Neil Stenhouse with 40 points and third place going to Malcolm Lower with 38 points on a count-back from Peter Trounce, also with 38 points. Nearest to the Pin went to Chris Small on the first hole.

• Wednesday 18th May, 2022: There was also a Ladies Single Stable Competition played on the same day with first place going to Debbie Hansen with 31 points, runner-up was Karen Heading with 29 points and third place going to Heather Shortus with 26 points.

• Wednesday 25th May, 2022: A Mixed Stableford Competition was played with first place going to Chris Small with 35 points, runner-up went to Joseph Hackett with 32 points and third place going to Glenn Penglase with 30 points on a count-back from Lee Basse, also with 30 points.

• Saturday 28th May, 2022: Another Mixed Stableford Competition was played with first place going to Craig Lyon with 40 points, runners-up were Todd Dixon, Thomas Kirkwood, Ken Jordan and Ryan Northover, all with 38 points and third place going to Eric Hecht with 36 points. Nearest to the Pins were Daniel Diachkoff on hole 1, Norman Cooper on hole 12 and Mick Mrasz on hole 17.

Here's hoping we now get some dry weather albeit cold and winds so we can all get out and place a round of golf by either phoning our clubhouse on 5499 9960 or going to our website on www.malenygolfclub.com and putting your name down for a round or two of golf.

Nature Watch



Crested pigeon, not a Top Knot

This Crested pigeon is often referred to as a Top Knot pigeon but this is a misnomer. The true Top Knot pigeon is a much larger bird and its Top Knot is distinctly different. Crested pigeons inhabit most of the Australian continent. This one was snapped by keen contributor Don McGlusky of Diddillibah. Crested pigeons' usual habitat is open grassland areas but do venture into close proximity with human habitation. "We have many at our place which have become quite tame," said Don "This bird nested on the branch of a Hoop Pine tree which is unusual as they prefer nesting in a dense bush. They are seed eaters. One of its chicks is partially exposed. The original transparency has won many awards in the Natural History section at international exhibitions including a gold and silver medal".

Welsh Society to recover secret contents of 1998 time capsule

THE Welsh Society and Friends of the Sunshine Coast will be celebrating 29 years of gatherings on the Sunshine Coast this year with a Family Picnic to recover a Time Capsule and reveal the contents on Sunday 3 July 2022.

On Sunday October 8, 1998, the Society Members and Friends gathered for a family picnic and buried a Time Capsule, containing secret contents, on the 'Cwm Glas' property at Belli, Eumundi. The site is guarded by a stone circle and two Custodians of the Capsule were appointed. The five children who were at the first gathering of the Society were appointed the Junior Custodians of the Capsule.

James and Gwenllian O'Neil were the founders of the Welsh Society and Friends of the Sunshine Coast. On March 1, 1993, 22 adults and five children gathered at The Lions' Park, Coolool Beach. They introduced themselves, sang the Welsh National Anthem with typical Welsh gusto and then enjoyed a picnic.

Gatherings have continued with a luncheon on St David's Day on 1st March; an annual Cymanfa Ganu celebration of Welsh music, singing, and culture; Social gatherings, such as a lunch or barbecue, are arranged to provide further opportunities to meet with like-minded friends; and a shared Christmas luncheon in December.

The Society welcomes those born in Wales, those who have lived in Wales, have Welsh roots or have an interest in Wales. The Society provides opportunities to meet together to celebrate Welsh culture and history in a warm, friendly atmosphere.



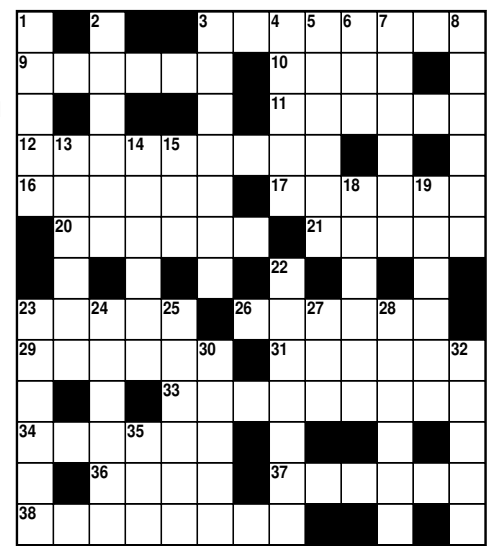
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► For information please contact Evan Jenkins (President, Welsh Society Sunshine Coast) on 0428 224 503. The Society Web Site can be found at: www.welshsunshinecoast.com.

Crossword

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| ACROSS | DOWN |
| 3 Compression | 1 Shield of Zeus |
| 9 Rubber | 2 Specimen |
| 10 Full extent | 3 Today |
| 11 Makes neat | 4 Chemical compound |
| 12 Affected deeply | 5 Arachnid |
| 16 Acknowledge rant | 6 Sorrowful |
| 17 Venerate | 7 Combined |
| 20 Claim as a right | 8 Holiday period |
| 21 Added clause | 13 Dye-yielding plant |
| 23 Kingdom | 14 Sound, as thunder |
| 26 Cook slowly after sauteeing | 15 Greek letter |
| 29 Severe trial | 18 Sight |
| 31 Quantity | 19 Regret |
| 33 Tear or rend | 22 Snapped, as a whip |
| 34 Bring out | 23 Gnawing |
| 36 Speed contest | 24 Have high opinion of |
| 37 Develop gradually | 25 Evil intent |
| 38 Seesawed | 27 Friend (Fr) |
| | 28 Liable to be prosecuted |
| | 30 Coming after |
| | 32 Dogma |
| | 35 Domestic animal |



National Reconciliation Week 2022

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LAST week I was honoured to join Kerry Neill at TribalLink in Mapleton to help launch National Reconciliation Week 2022.

This year's theme is *Be Brave Make Change*. Be brave and tackle the unfinished business of reconciliation so we can make change to benefit all Australians.

Reconciliation is more than a word, reconciliation takes action. We need to listen and have conversations with First Nations people and walk together to improve our understanding of our shared histories and, ultimately, reconciliation.

National Reconciliation Week is an opportunity to connect and strengthen our relationships and celebrate the achievements, commitments, and partnerships with the First Nations community. Council is implementing its third Reconciliation Action Plan.

This involves providing cultural training programs for staff, strengthening the First Nations Partnership Team and enhanced opportunities for First Nations organisations who are tendering for opportunities with Council.

At Council's Ordinary Meeting on 26 May, National Sorry Day, Auntie Hope O'Chin provided a Welcome to Country including a minute silence in honour and memory of the Stolen Generation. I am sorry for the harm done to every person and family member who is a member of the Stolen Generation and those who continue to be impacted by the ongoing trauma.

WED Fest - ECollaboration Planting

Join the ECollaboration team for a morning of tree planting to restore riparian zones along Petrie Creek in Nambour, as part of the Sunshine Coast World Environment Day festival month-long program. Come along to Quota Park, Nambour on Saturday, June 11, from 8-10am. For more information, please visit www.wed.org.au/2022program

Sunshine Coast Agricultural Show

Head down to the Nambour Showgrounds for the Sunshine Coast Agricultural Show on 10, 11 & 12 June. There will be horse competitions, games, rides, cookery, art, poultry, cattle, fireworks and so much more!

A letter to Fairfax residents

Ted O'Brien
Federal Member for Fairfax
ted.obrien.mp@aph.gov.au



Dear Residents,

Thank you for entrusting me to continue to serve as your Federal Member.

While the government has changed, my resolute focus on representing you and delivering for our community remains unchanged.

I send a big heartfelt 'thank you' to hundreds of volunteers who generously helped on the campaign, often braving awful weather conditions.

I also pay tribute to the other nine candidates who contested the seat of Fairfax and their volunteers.

To them and their supporters, I thank you for your service and commit to do my best to also represent you in this next parliament.

My thoughts are with many of my own colleagues across the country who have lost their seats.

I congratulate Anthony Albanese and the Labor Party on being elected as the next government of Australia.

My hope is that we can work together to ensure that important local projects like bringing heavy rail to the Coast can still be delivered.

There's a lot of work ahead and I'm ready to throw myself into it.

- Yours sincerely, Ted O'Brien

What a Show stopper at Maleny!

Winston Johnston
Division 5 Councillor
Division5@sunshinecoast.qld.gov.au



IT was great to see so many smiling faces at the Maleny Show! Everyone was out to enjoy and support one of the Hinterland's finest agricultural shows. From quilting and handcrafts to Lego displays, slide show alley and homemade tapenades. We will be ready to welcome the Horse and Beef sections of the show next year, when we hopefully have better weather and it's safer for competitors.

Better connectivity

I'm pleased that works will soon start on the installation of a new 1.5 to 1.8-metre-wide concrete pathway and pedestrian crossing at the Bean, Tamarind and Palm streets intersection in Maleny. The path will improve connectivity between the retirement community, Maleny Soldiers Memorial Hospital and CBD. Construction should be completed within three weeks.

Stay safe

I encourage our community to keep up the great work and continue to keep safety their top priority while our crews work to repair flood and storm damaged roads and other network infrastructure across Division 5. Unfortunately, we've had reports of people ignoring and moving road closure signage - in a case in Bald Knob, the signage was destroyed. Please never do this, it's dangerous, irresponsible and can cause ramifications with personal insurance.

What's new with Mobile Libraries?

Sunshine Coast Libraries is about to introduce a new mobile library timetable to continue serving the community in the most effective way. The changes effective from May 30 have been based on analysis of usage patterns and growth within the region and will affect several areas. A recent review revealed some mobile library stops were under-utilised with borrowing habits changing over time. As a result of the review, the Palmwoods stop has been updated to Tuesdays 9-11am. The new timetable ensures more equitable access to library services across the region. Find out more about library services, news, catalogue and eLibrary by visiting library.sunshinecoast.qld.gov.au or call 5475 8989.

More rain = more potholes

Andrew Powell
State Member for Glass House
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THE recent rains have opened up many potholes on our roads and, in some instances, they are so large they are difficult to safely avoid.

Please know that I am raising this with TMR to try and get all of the potholes, but especially the worst, sorted quickly. I've specifically asked about Mapleton-Maleny Road between Montville township and Gerrards Lookout, Mapleton-Maleny Road from the intersection with Landsborough-Maleny Road to Balmoral Lookout, Landsborough-Maleny Road from Landsborough to Maleny and Maleny-Kenilworth Road from Lees Road to Eastern Mary Valley Way at Cambroon - the potholes here are especially large and dangerous.

A local on my Facebook made the comment that 'our road networks need to be made to withstand climatic impacts. Years of neglectful decision making do not yield the best results.' I couldn't agree more. Whilst the current La Niña weather system is creating more rain than usual, large amounts of rain across the Hinterland is not uncommon and the roads should be built and maintained with this in mind.

Happy 100th to the Queensland Country Women's Association

This year marks 100 years of the Queensland Country Women's Association. 100 years of education, cooking and craft competitions, workshops, networking events, international study, fundraising and advocacy - but, more importantly, 100 years of hope, support and underpinning desire to improve the lives of others.

As part of the centenary celebrations, I joined members of the Peachester Branch of the QCWA as we celebrated our nation and the humble pineapple! And, last week in Parliament, I joined Maleny QCWA Member Patsy Lee (who also represents the Nambour North Coast Division) and other members of the QCWA State Council in a special celebration of their significant milestone. I wish to convey my sincere congratulations and thanks to all who have and still maintain an involvement in the QCWA. Happy Birthday!

Well done Anthony Albanese!

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



CONGRATULATIONS to the incoming Albanese Labor government on running a successful campaign. Mr Albanese is one of only four Labor PM's to win from opposition since WWII. I look forward to working collaboratively with the new federal government to deliver for the people of the Sunshine Coast. It's great to see one of the first actions of the incoming government has been to bring the Murugappan family, Priya, Nades and the girls, back to their home in Biloela.

National Reconciliation Week 2022

Across the country, communities, schools and workplaces are celebrating National Reconciliation Week, held from 27 May - 3 June 2021. National Reconciliation Week commemorates two significant milestones in the reconciliation journey - the successful 1967 referendum and the 1992 High Court Mabo decision. This year's theme, *Be Brave. Make Change*, urges each of us to take brave action in our daily lives. By playing our part we collectively strengthen relationships, celebrate Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples, histories, cultures and contribute to a more equal future. Find out more here: www.qld.gov.au/FirstNations.

Social Enterprise Development Grants open now.

This will be the fourth grants program made available to Queensland's growing social enterprise sector under the Palaszczuk Government's \$8 million Social Enterprise Jobs Fund. The program is designed to target social enterprises in their early states when they are likely in need the most help. A total of \$600,000 is available to Queensland social enterprises that have been established in the last 18 months. Grants range up to \$25,000 to purchase equipment, engage training, planning or marketing services, develop their websites or the products, to support their organisation's operations and development. Applications are now open until 30th June. For information on the Social Enterprise Development Grants including how to apply visit www.desbt.qld.gov.au/training/future-skills-fund/social-enterprise-grants

Wet weather can lead to conflicts with nature

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

BEAUTIFUL sunshine! Is it really true that we are looking at a week's fine weather? It reminds me that I take our usual glorious Queensland weather for granted!

The native animals will be pleased. The WILVOS 5441 6200 Hotline has shown a trend of animals going to shelter anywhere they can find. It often brings them into conflict with domestic pets, which is not the best scenario.

One of our lovely volunteers visits schools to talk to children about domestic pets and native animals living in the nearby environment and it is lovely to see the positive response from students. They listen intently and are interested in the ways they can help both wildlife and their pets. Any schools interested may contact awareness@wilvos.org.au.

These presentations are of course free of charge. Our young are the future of our wildlife.

I have a little wallaby joey in care now. The property owners said their dogs don't hurt the wallabies and kangaroos. They just chase them! It is difficult to determine which emotion is the strongest - anger or sadness at this cruelty. It is heartbreaking to think of all the joeys that are ejected because their mother has been chased by dogs. They often don't get reunited with Mum, and if not found and taken into experienced care quickly they suffer a slow death in the wild.

Now that the elections are over, it is hoped that our environment and our wildlife are given serious consideration in future decisions. Protection of habitat and feral animal control is of utmost importance if we wish to do something about Australia's disastrous rate of wildlife extinction.

Federal Labor honours \$1.6B for CAMCOS

by **Jeffrey Addison**
Sunshine Coast Commuter Advocate



SATURDAY week saw a change of government in Canberra with Labor Prime Minister Anthony Albanese now at the helm.

While both major parties suffered first preference vote reductions compared to the last federal election in 2019, Labor's -0.5% swing wasn't as great as the Coalition's -4.9% swing. Labor gained power with 32.8% of the first preference vote.

The two-party preferred vote stands at 48% for the Coalition and 52% for Labor.

The Greens increased their vote by 1.36% since the last election (11.76% overall), winning Brisbane seats in the process.

This would have to be of concern to the state government.

It may just provide the impetus to do more in the public transport / active transport space.

Things like rail duplication to Nambour should be on the agenda, along with removal of rail level crossings which would be mutually beneficial to both vehicles and trains.

Parklands, just north of Nambour, is hosting the 2032 Olympic and Paralympic Game's Mountain Bike events.

That venue holds 10,000 people. Nambour should be on the list for an Olympic sized transport upgrade.

What will this change mean for public transport and in particular rail to the Sunshine Coast?

First up, the good news.

I asked on a number of occasions via Twitter, whether an Albanese government would honour the \$1.6 billion promised by the federal Coalition for the \$3.2 billion 37km CAMCOS rail line into Maroochydore.

On Friday election eve, we got an answer.

Shadow Minister Infrastructure, Transport and Regional Development Catherine King told the Courier-Mail (May 19, 2022): "a federal Labor Government would honour the \$1.6 billion committed but discussions with the state government would need to be had about the project timeline and costings before sign off."

On 4 May, I asked whether Labor would reduce the Coalition's federal/state 80/20 funding split back to 50/50 like they did when Labor was last in power.

That request via their website received no response, despite the website stating: 'If we are able to respond to your enquiry, you'll usually hear from us within 7 days.'

It's a crucial question.

The unfunded second stage of the Beerburum to Nambour (B2N) project hinges on it - and it needs design changes.

For years the Palaszczuk government blamed the Coalition for not funding B2N in an 80/20 split despite the fact it's state government land and a state-owned asset. They were paying 100 per cent for it the last time they extended it.

Gone will be the ability to blame the federal government for not funding or holding up Queensland projects - as has been their catch-cry excuse.

As for the cost increases, the state government has only themselves to blame.

If they had carried out the works back when they promised them, they'd have saved literally billions and we would have had duplicated rail into Maroochydore and Nambour.

The Premier has been a Minister of this government during the decade long underfunding of bus/rail projects on the Sunshine Coast.

The bucks stopped with her.

Crossword Solution

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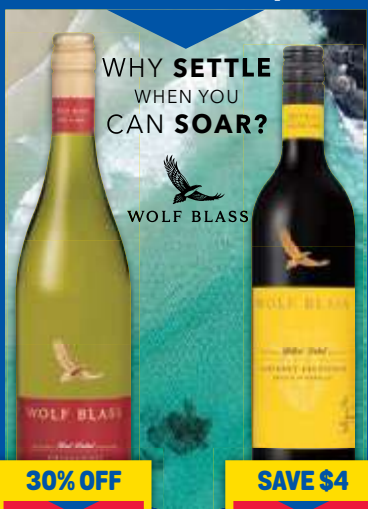
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