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Nambour generosity outshines lousy theft

by Cameron Outridge

A GOOD Samaritan has raised \$600 for an 80-year-old busker who was robbed by two youths in Nambour on Wednesday (August 26).

Dan Terry of Duke on Queen Street barbers said he wanted to see a positive outcome to a shocking incident after thieves ran off with busker Keith Upward's takings.

"Keith was telling me it was the most he had gotten in a long time and understandably he was very shaken," said Dan.

"As a local business owner it is extremely disappointing to see this behaviour take place in Nambour. I believe it's important to show generosity and support where we can as a community, because we can stand up against this behaviour and see a change in our town.

"I saw it happen and I ran after the guys but I had boots on and they jumped a fence so I couldn't keep up. I came back to see that Keith was okay and gave him a free haircut so he could sit down for a while."

Dan immediately gave Keith \$200 to more than make up for the theft. "He was pretty upset and shaken so I said 'whatever

you lost I'll double it'.

raising drive via the "Living in Nambour" Facebook page.

He presented the \$600 in cash to a surprised Keith, in front of news cameras recently (Friday

Keith and his wife Mary were overwhelmed by the kindness "There are some lovely people in Nambour," Mary said. "It's a wonderful town, apart from a naughty boy or two. You're a beautiful man. Thankyou Dan,"

minor celebrity, thanks to the outpouring of kindness from locals.

"At the end of the day, a lot of good has come out of this," said Keith. "I can't believe it's turned out to be a good experience. What Dan did was incredible. I've had a lot of good feedback. I'm back on the horse now. Worse things have happened."

Keith, who lives in Eudlo, said a council CCTV camera was pointed directly at his busking position, and confirmed that Police had footage of the crims. In any case he said he would

He then initiated a fund-

August 28).

she said as she hugged Dan. Keith has now become a

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Barber Dan Terry comforts an emotional Keith Upward after handing over \$600 cash he raised to more than make up for the busker's losses after young thieves made off with his takings recently.



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Yandina celebrates proud 150 year history

A CENTURY and a half of history will be sealed in a time capsule by Sunshine Coast Mayor Mark Jamieson to celebrate Yandina's 150th birthday.

The time capsule, weighing 21 kilos and measuring 55 by 34 centimetres, will contain recent news items, books, momentoes, photos, documents, compositions and drawings by Yandina Primary school students, plus a face mask and hand sanitiser.

It will be bolted closed to be buried in the town centre.

The site will be marked by a plaque which will be unveiled by the Mayor on the day. The capsule and the items to be preserved will be on display before the ceremony.

The official proclamation date of Yandina is 23 September 1870; but the community will not celebrate with a large public gathering this year.

"For obvious reasons, we can't hold our annual street fair which attracts thousands of people," said John O'Leary, Chair of the Yandina 150 Celebration committee.

"We felt this was a great way to celebrate the proud history of this, the original workers town of the hinterland. We wonder what people will think, in 50 or 100 years' time, when they open the capsule?"



Editor's Letter by Cameron Outridge editor@sunshinevalleygazette.com.au

A new masthead

REGULAR readers will notice we have a new masthead. It is always with some trepidation that we make a significant change like this, but we felt it was time for a refresh.

The original masthead certainly conveyed a sense of tradition and trust and has served the paper well. We hope the new masthead will represent the Gazette equally well into the future.

On that note, I invite and look forward to your feedback, good or bad. If you like it, let us know. If you don't like it, let us know. Either way, the feedback means you care about your local paper, and that means a lot to us. If you care about your local paper, we are doing our job.

Every fortnight we are so grateful that 10,000 people pick up the Gazette to catch up on local news.

In this day and age there is huge competition for your attention, online and offline, and we are honoured when you choose to give your attention to our newspaper.

It inspires us to improve the paper and make it an even better read every fort-night.

On the subject of gratitude, it's important for us to always remember that without our advertisers there would be no paper.

Please support the businesses who bring you the news and let them know you found them in the Gazette. The ceremony, which will begin with Welcome to Country and story-telling by Indigenous leaders, will be watched by politicians, community leaders, historians and local primary school children.

At a Glance

• When: 1.30pm Tuesday 22 September 2020. • Where: Yandina Cenotaph Reserve, Junction of Stevens and Railway Streets (opposite

Yandina Hotel). • Why: Commemoration of the town's 150th

birthday. • Who: Mayor Mark Jamieson. Federal

Member for Fairfax Ted O'Brien. State Member for Nicklin Marty Hunt. Division 10 Councillor David Law.

• Find us on Facebook @yandina150 and visit https://yandinastreetfair.org.au/ for stories about Yandina yesterday and today. More information: 0419128400.

Grab some bargains as shops offer Crazy deals

THE retail centre of Yandina will go crazy this month when the town holds a two-day Crazy Dayz event as part of its 150 year celebrations.

President of the Yandina Chamber of Commerce John O'Leary said many shops and businesses would offer crazy prices and crazy deals on hundreds of items on Friday 18 and Saturday 19 September.

"It's not a formal event, but a collective of Yandina businesses getting together to treat their customers and celebrate Yandina's amazing history," he said.

"We have so many hidden gems and amazing business owners here in Yandina. It's the perfect opportunity to visit us, have a shop, look around our town and maybe grab a coffee and something to eat."

The Crazy Dayz event is part of the celebrations, being held throughout September, to mark Yandina's 150th birthday.

Radio station Hot 91 will be broadcasting live from Yandina on Saturday 19 September as well. For more information visit Facebook Yandina Chamber of Commerce.

• See promotion inside this edition.



Barbara McAlister at rear on stage, leads a linedancing at Woombye School of Arts Hall. Her assistant Carmen is in front.

Get moving in the hinterland ... Cowboy Cha Cha anyone?

THERE'S plenty to do to keep you busy and active in the hinterland and each fortnight the Gazette will zoom in on one of the many activities available at local halls in the area. These tiny halls have traditionally been the epicentres of local events and they remain hubs of activities that are great for mind body and soul.

Take Linedancing for example. Linedancing is a choreographed routine of dancing in lines, which works the brain, uses different muscles, improves your balance and your memory, no partner required.

Linedance Instructor Barbara McAlister has been conducting classes on the Sunshine Coast for over 15 years. During this time people of all ages and abilities have enjoyed the benefits of moving to music.

With an emphasis on fun, fitness and good company incorporating a wide variety of musical styles, linedancing with Barbara has nurtured a love of dance among her participants over many years. Improvers/Intermediate classes from 10am with Barbara. Other classes held at Yandina Hall and Nth Shore Community Centre, Mudjimba. • Call Barbara for further information on 0407 733 280.

Enjoy 'To Sir with Love' at the drive-in theatre

SUNSHINE Coast residents are invited to enjoy an old-school movie from the comfort of their car at the drive-in theatre in Eumundi.

Sunshine Coast Council Libraries will host the 1960s British classic To Sir with Love, at the Eumundi Showground on Saturday September 12. Tickets are only \$20 per car and patrons are

encouraged to BYO food and snacks.

The movie begins at 6pm, and there will be live music by Hayden Hack from 5pm when the gates open. To explore all the great library resources and to book your ticket for the drive-in head to library.sunshinecoast.qld.gov.

Classes at Woombye Hall on Mondays, Beginners class at 9am with assistant Carmen.

Thieves turned and laughed as they took off with cash

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culprits, should he see him again because "he turned and laughed at me while they were running off."

Keith only began singing 5 years ago. He cut his first CD last year.

He plays at the venue near the post office in Lowe Street on Wednesday and Friday mornings. Duke on Queen St will be stocking his CDs for the next week or so.

"Let's support Keith so

Keith and his wife Mary were overwhelmed by the kindness shown by Dan and the Nambour community.

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Witnesses to the theft that

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Kassy Abriola enjoys the Nambour Heritage Soundtrail self-guided tour. Photo: The Story Project.

Walk as you learn about Nambour's past

TAKE a walk along the Nambour Heritage Soundtrail this month and you could win one of two \$100 vouchers to The Events Centre Caloundra.

The Soundtrail is a GPS activated, audio story trail that features 18 stories of Nambour told by locals including Bob Collins, June Upton, Brent Miller and Lyndon Davis. The self-guided tour starts at Nambour Library where you can use the free council Wi-Fi to download the Soundtrails App to your tablet or smart phone. Remember to bring your headphones.

GPS will track your location so you trigger stories at specific places.

Walk distance is 3.4km return. Allow 1.5 hours to complete the walk and listen to the stories.

With narration by Powderfinger's Jon Coghill and stunning backings by local band Biscuit, it's

a contemporary take on a truly historic town. Along the walk you'll visit significant Nambour sites such as Collins Café, Vogue Cinema, BCC Supermarkets, C-Square and Bayards and learn about the town's history.

Division 10 Councillor David Law said the Soundtrail was a wonderful collection of stories and memories of Nambour.

"From the sugar mill, beauty quests and an old Vogue cinema, to the infamy of Bayards Corner and Collins Café, the Nambour Heritage Soundtrail is a fantastic and innovative way to highlight the town's diverse heritage," Cr Law said.

To enter the competition, complete the walk during September and subscribe to Council's heritage enewsletter. The competition closes Wednesday 30 September. Visit heritage.sunshinecoast.qld.gov.au.

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Find your treasures at Montville Antiques

by Tanya Outridge

BEING in the same business, in the same location for 40 years is quite an achievement. And Montville Antiques is an example of a business that has weathered many storms throughout its 40 year history, the most recent of which was COVID.

Montville Antiques was founded in Main Street Montville by the Wilcox family. "I think it is wonderful that the shop has remained in the original building as it is such an appropriate place to showcase the beautiful things we stock," said current owner, Samantha Ryva.

Samantha's Uncles, Graeme and Dallas, moved from Sydney to take over the business in 2001, changing the name to 'Australis of Montville Antiques' (a combination of the name from their Antique Shop in Caringbah, NSW and the original name).

They quickly became well known and much loved in the Montville community.

"My Uncles have been avid collectors for decades and it is incredible how many of our current customers have been associated with the business for a long time.

"I think it is a tribute to the quality of stock they sourced," she said. "And now people who are downsizing, and Estates approach us to value and sell their pieces."

Samantha and her husband Reinhard had been living in Singapore where Austrian born Reinhard had a maritime business, and Samantha worked in HR in a corporate environment.

"Graeme and Dallas had been working on us to take on the business after they retired," Reinhard said. "When we decided we wanted to take it on, Samantha worked with them to learn the business, and study gemmology," he said.

"We had been planning to go into a retail style business of our own and we were always intrigued by history and antiques so it was actually a wonderful opportunity and a good fit for us."

It was a perfect fit in view of their respective backgrounds. Samantha had worked in HR, but also had a lifetime interest and involvement in art. "We have really gorgeous jewellery here and to me it is just another art form," Samantha said. "I have studied gemmology now and that



Reinhard and Samantha Ryva ... "Customers love to hear the story behind each piece. I guess it makes them even more interesting and unique."

adds another fascinating dimension to jewellery."

Reinhard had previously worked in South East Asia in marine archaeology, diving for treasure in sunken ships.

"I always had a great passion for maritime history, and I have always loved the historical research aspect of what I was doing and I actually get to apply that here every day," Reinhard said.

"Of course now we also have the internet at our disposal as well as the wonderful family reference books and that makes some of our research a little faster and easier."

In April 2019 the couple officially took over the business and the shop name returned to 'Montville Antiques', and despite the challenges of COVID, have never looked back. "We have changed things as little as possible," Samantha said.

"We really only rearranged some of the stock

to improve the flow but that's about it. We are always looking for different things and it is especially great when we are able to learn some of the history of pieces," Reinhard said. "Customers love to hear the story behind

"Customers love to hear the story behind each piece. I guess it makes them even more interesting and unique. People also just like to come and browse, a bit like a museum, which is great too. We are always happy to chat with people who appreciate beautiful things."

"We have had some wonderful experiences here already," Samantha said. "People have become engaged in front of us, and we have even been invited to a customer's wedding in Singapore after they purchased their engagement ring in our shop." It's such a privilege to share those moments with them."

It is very evident that Montville Antiques is looking forward to a continuing bright future.

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Scruffy in training to change lives

by Tanya Outridge

IT is often said that 'dogs are man's best friend. But for some people, dogs have transcended the role of best friend, proving to be the gateway to a better quality of life. "I have been blown away by the impact our assistance dogs have had on young people and their families," said dog trainer, Phil Brocklehurst. "It is incredible."

Phil has been training dogs for the Compass Institute since 2016 following a conversation with Compass Institute Founder, David Dangerfield, about the possibility of training dogs to support children with autism and intellectual disabilities.

"Phil and I have known each other a long time, through Aikido training," David said. "I knew of Phil's background training dogs and I thought there was an opportunity to connect assistance dogs with children on the autism spectrum."

"Phil and his wife Bev loved the idea of finding and training assistance dogs, and volunteered their time for the first year to get the program running," David said. "It is an understatement to say that we could not have dreamed that these dogs would transform the lives of their families in the way they have. Something magic happens when we place the dogs into a family. It is so special."

"Probably one of the most powerful and immediate changes is that we have seen children with horribly disrupted sleep patterns start to sleep through the night. This alone improves the quality of life for children and their families," he said.

Phil has trained dogs for decades, but the assistance dog program at the Compass Institute is unlike any other he has experienced. "The dogs are gifted to these families," he said.

"Which is huge because for so many families with a child with special needs, they already face additional expenses, and often only one



The right stuff ... Trainer Phil Brocklehurst hand-picked Scruffy from Sippy Creek to work as an assistance dog.

parent can work, or there is only one parent. If they had to find \$30,000 for an assistance dog to help their child, it just wouldn't happen." "We have had so much support from local businesses, private donors and volunteers to help us get this program off the ground, it is fantastic," David said. "I think that when people see where their support goes, and understand that introducing an assistance dog into a child's life completely changes the trajectory of their life, they want to be part of it."

Since the program began the Compass Institute has successfully placed 12 dogs, and are about to place their 13th.

"One of the things that we are extremely proud of is that we have been able to train and place dogs from the Sippy Creek Animal Refuge," Phil said. "I am fortunate to have a very good relationship with the refuge staff, and they know what I am looking for temperament wise, in a dog. So they keep in close contact with me and let me know when they have a potentially suitable candidate," he said.

"Assessing and training a rescue dog is definitely more work, but at the same time, it is also more rewarding. It is just a win-win on every level when you can give a beautiful, intelligent dog another chance and you can improve the quality of life of a special needs child and their family."

The Compass Institute will be raising funds for Compass Assistance Dogs at their annual Compass Charity Golf Day on Friday 25th September. "We have been well supported and sponsored by Cricks Sunshine Coast," said David. "In fact, they are our biggest supporters. The Golf days are a lot of fun and numbers are limited. This year we are already

fully booked."

• To support the program, contact the Compass Institute on 5445 9116

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Second little pantry for people in need

MEMBERS of the Blackall Range Woodcrafters Guild have kindly built a second Little Pantry for Maleny Neighbourhood Centre.

Centre President Ian Demack said the pantry now takes pride of place beside the original pantry inside the front fence. "It is stocked with basic foods for those in need," he said. "After the pantry was installed, I had a chance to speak with Rick Vickers, the Woodies' Events Organiser. He explained how the more experienced members mentor and assist the newer members, ensuring that they can operate the equipment safely."

So, if you have a hankering to turn some pieces of timber into something as beautiful and functional as MNC's new Little Pantry, get in touch with the Blackall Range Woodcrafters Guild. They will arrange for one of their experienced Recruitment Officers to show you through their shed at Montville, and explain how everything works.



From left, Blackall Range Woodcrafters Guild President John Muller and Events Organiser Rick Vickers.

Mobile libraries on the road again

MOBILE Libraries in Division 5 are back on the road, following a COVID hiatus.

"In Division 5 council's mobile library visits Conondale, Eudlo, Montville, Mooloolah and Palmwoods and it's great to have the service back on the road," said Div 5 Cr Winston Johnston.

"Mobile Library services are now limited to browsing, borrowing and collecting reservations and I encourage you to consider a visit if you haven't previously."

All Sunshine Coast Library branches are now open Monday to Friday 9am-5pm, as well as normal pre-Covid Saturday hours and adhering to a COVID-safe plan.

Sunshine Coast Council Division 5 Mobile Library Timetable

- Eudlo, Rosebed Street, Monday 2-5pm
- Montville, Main Street, Wednesday 9-11am
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Little Op Shop plays big role in Palmwoods & beyond

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"Amongst other causes we help support the chaplain at the Palmwoods State School and a wonderful organisation in The Philippines, Triple B, which provides life-changing surgery for burns victims and people born with a hare lip or cleft palate," said Manager Margie Gowty. The shop has been running for nearly 10

The shop has been running for nearly 10 years and is a much-loved part of the community. "Our volunteers are the heart of the shop" says Margie. "They a fantastic group of faithful people, embodying the qualities of love, care and willingness to serve which makes the Op Shop a truly welcoming place for all who come - to shop, chat or pat Barney, our resident fur ball. There's always a warm smile, a friendly face, a listening ear and the offer of a cup of tea. We all know how important it is to be able to keep this little gem of a business operating in the community."

Some of the best bargains around are found here, as strong community support means first class donations are regularly received. Margie is looking forward to that continuing as the shop swings back into operation, so donations are now welcome. Opening times are Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday from 9.30am to 1pm. Check out the facebook page, call Margie on 0479 085 555 if you have any questions or just call in to see why this is such special place in Palmwoods.

Op Shop Manager Margie Gowty, with Barney, and fellow volunteer Laurie Grimwade, a parishioner who has lived in Palmwoods all her life.



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Amazing orchid thrives on tea



Gerry and Valerie Zwart are understandably proud of their incredible orchid which seems to thrive on three cups of tea day.

GREEN thumbs Gerry and Valerie Zwart have plenty of experience in all things gardening, but even they are scratching their heads at the size and beauty of an amazing orchid they have grown on their back patio.

The former horticulturalists and Sunshine Coast Daily gardening columnists enjoy gazing at their wonderous creation as they share cups of tea. And, interestingly, the tea leaves they pour into the orchid seems to be the secret to its success

"I think those tea leaves, three times a day, every day of the year, with the tannins in it, I have a feeling it may be the secret to the growth," said Valerie. "We thought we'll pop that up on the table there and just see what happens. That was two years ago and since then it's taken off.

Gerry and Valerie are residents of Nambour's Sanctuary Park Retirement Community. Now in their 90s they remain active gardeners.

"People often say when you've finished with your gardening you can come over and do mine," Gerry said. "But the thing is, with gardening, you're never finished. There's always something to do."

The orchid grows in three varieties, and the specific names are a mystery to the Zwarts.

Valerie suggested an orchid expert may be able to help identify their showpiece. Please email editor@sunshinevalleygazette.com.au if you have any information and we can pass it on.

Blind 84-year-old Palmwoods man walks 6km a day & teaches touch-typing

IF you're feeling guilty about making excuses to avoid exercise, then this story is not going to help. Des Pampling is 84 years old and he walks about 6km a day. And he's blind.

If rain prevents a walk outdoors Des fills in the day on the treadmill in his garage.

Fellow Palmwoods resident Gregory Blaxland called the Gazette and told us we should do a story on his remarkable neighbour.

Des also sets an example by teaching other blind people how to work on a computer.

"People often ring up from Vision Australia to ask if I can teach someone how to type," Des said. "I taught myself how to touchtype in 1992 as I was going blind. I'd never used a computer before. It's quite simple really if you just position your



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hands correctly from the start."

Des also teaches others to navigate evervdav programs using ingenious "screenreader" programs to guide his mouse and key movements.

2003-2008, From while blind, Des was a volunteer for the Nambour SES in charge of recording minutes of time sheets and statistics

using a computer. "I was the first person on the Sunshine Coast with a CB radio. That was back in the 60s. We started the Coast CB radio club.

"I'd like to inspire other people to get out and stay active. It's important that blind people retain their independence. The technology nowadays helps a lot especially voice recogni-

meetings and keeping No excuses ... Des covers about 6km on his daily walk.

tion. Siri & Google, with their ability to translate voice commands has made life so much easier for us.'

Des has been married for 61 years to Joyce. The couple celebrated their anniversary on September 5. They used to own Pamps Stockfeed in Maleny from 1969-1980.

Maleny Clubs unite against domestic violence

SPEAKERS at a recent public focus meeting at the RSL Hall in Maleny to discuss community responses to domestic and family violence (DFV), emphasised the theme that it is time for us all to act and to call out incidents whenever it is safe to do so.

One of the first initiatives of Speak Up Now - a collaboration of Quota, Zonta, Rotary and Lions clubs in Maleny and the Blackall Range - the invited audience included representatives of organisations across the range, and featured speakers from Sunshine Coast providers of DFV programs.

In opening the meeting Rotary president Greg Williams reminded the audience that one woman was killed in Australia every week by a man known to her.

"So what should be our role, because every one of us has a role to play in this problem, what should we say to the victim or to the perpetrator; how can we call this behaviour out?" he said.

Speakers emphasised that the Sunshine Coast hinterland was not immune to DFV and that it occurred in all levels of society and from all walks of life.

Maleny's Fiona Dempster, with a stellar public service career behind her setting up women's help programs, and also the White Ribbon movement, spoke about her current expression of women's plight in DFV through her illustrative designs of little white books of tile and paper. Fiona is passionate about the idea of bystander intervention.

"Silence helps no one. We have to learn to step in and find a way to 'have a conversation' with those we see in trouble before it escalates. It's time for a change," she said.

A Queensland Police initiative, Vulnerable Person's Unit (VPU) was established as the result of learning and understanding what was needed, what 'worked' rather than simply putting perpetrators in gaol or fining them and letting them go home to re-offend. Officer-in-Charge of the Sunshine Coast region program of VPU, Senior Sgt Kate Teasdale, was passionate about her work in this area.

"Our priorities are 'prevent, disrupt, investigate and respond' and our strategies are based on these. One of our aims is to strengthen our partnerships with community support agencies," said Senior Sgt Kate.



Front from left, Sherryl Gregory (Rotary), Judith Ross-Smith (Zonta), Val France (Quota) and, back row, speakers included artist Fiona Dempster, Coordinator of Suncoast Cooloola Outreach Prevention and Evaluation (SCOPE) Stacy Oehlman and Officer in Charge Sunshine Coast Vulnerable Persons Unit Snr Sgt Kate Teasdale. Absent Karen Marsh (UnitingCare).

Stacy Oehlman Coordinator of Suncoast Cooloola Outreach Prevention and Evaluation (SCOPE) explained their services included safety planning, risk assessment for women, and for men.

"Our figures indicate the extent of the work we do. For instance in the three months January to March this year we provided service and referral to 541 women; high risk assessments for 245 women; court mention assistance for 483 women; and 345 men's referrals to appropriate services for assessment and help," said Stacy.

Men's DFV counsellor and facilitator at Sunshine Coast UnitingCare, Karen Marsh, said their services covered crisis accommodation; children's counselling helping them deal with exposure to violence; and men's behavioural change programs.

"We hold 16 week rolling group sessions so that men coming in at week 1 can see the effect of the therapy on those ending their counselling in week 16. The basis of our work is teaching men not to 'react' but learn to 'respond," said Karen.

Audience members were amazed at the amount of help, from crisis accommodation, strategies for ensuring the safety of women and children, to counselling for men available on the Sunshine Coast.

Calls were made for more, and more effective, education in primary school, more acknowledgement and support from men's sporting clubs, each one of the audience leaving with the determination to 'change the culture'.

A spokesperson for Speak Up Now said the committee would review feedback from the audience, and information from the speakers in considering their next moves.

"We have already arranged for signage including men's support phone numbers to be placed in men's toilets across the Range and these are currently being rolled out.

"We will keep our focus group informed of our next moves and suggestions, and how they can help.

"In the meantime we hope some of our audience may be inspired enough by the speakers to give us some initiatives we can consider, as soon as possible," she said.

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Principal, Richard Fisher with students at Nambour State Special School.

Principal recognised for education excellence

JOHN Quincy Adams once said "If your actions inspire others to dream more, learn more, do more and become more, you are a leader."

That quote certainly applies to Nambour State Special School Principal, Richard Fisher, who has recently been recognised with a Regional Griffith University Jack Pizzey Award for Excellence in School Leadership.

"I guess I always felt that children with special needs do it tough every single minute of every day. They face challenges and obstacles that we can't even begin to imagine. And I know that every member of our team here is committed to providing them with the highest quality of education we possibly can. It is our passion."

Mr Fisher was nominated in a region that covers all primary, secondary and special schools from Hervey Bay to North Brisbane. "From now, a State Panel will evaluate all nominations to decide who goes to State level," Mr Fisher said.

Mr Fisher said that he believed the culture of the school was fundamental to creating an innovative environment where staff were supported in their professional development. "To me, supporting staff to innovate and achieve excellence in their role means more than back patting and putting on a morning tea every now and then. It is about making dedicated time for collaboration and professional development,

and looking for ways to improve your capacity to do your job with skill and confidence. We set high expectations and then we arm our team with the skills and knowledge to achieve those goals. It is very easy to lose the momentum of professional development and innovation in the business of running a school."

"But we have a wonderful stable, cohesive and solution focused leadership team here. It has always been my belief that the expertise is in the school."

This dedication to development and innovation has led to recognition for the Nambour Special School for three consecutive years. In 2018, the school was the State winner of the Showcase Awards for Excellence in Schools and in 2019, another State award went to Jennifer Irving, for Innovation in Teaching.

Mr Fisher has been Nambour Special School Principal for 8 years. His career started in the UK, where he worked in mainstream education as Head of Year. "But I always wanted to learn more about Special Needs education," Mr Fisher said. "It is something I have always been drawn to. We have a relatively small cohort of students here, which allows us to engage with them and their families with so many important milestones. It means that we develop close relationships with the entire family," he said.

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Left: Award winner Eden Coombes, left, with Woombye **Community Bank** chair Stephen Marshall, Alex Borthwick and 'JJ' Wedderburn-Maxwell.

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Awards honour visionary Ray Grace

RENOWNED local businessman and community worker Ray Grace passed away in October last year. As the driving force and founding member of the Woombye Community Bank, the bank's current board wanted to honour Mr Grace's memory.

So they decided to create an Award to encourage children to be community-minded. Hence the Ray Grace Bendigo Bank Woombye Community Award was initiated. It is open to Year 6 students at Woombye State School. The Woombye Community Bank has a franchise agreement with Bendigo Bank.

Bank chair Stephen Marshall told the awards presentation ceremony of the history of the Ray Grace Building which sits on the school property but also served as inspiration for the local bank.

"In 2005 local businessman Ray Grace, with his own funds and without Council approval (not recommended today!) arranged for that same building to be placed on the footpath on

the corner of Hill St and Blackall St Woombye.

"Volunteers of the then-proposed bank used this building to share with passers-by their vision for a community bank in order to get a commitment to invest.

"The last time banks were in Woombye was the mid-1950s!

"As a founding director of the Woombye Community Bank Mr Grace was without doubt the driver behind the raising of \$700,000 in share investment to enable the bank to open its doors in March 2009. Mr Grace was a very community-minded man. He loved helping people and organisations and this was made possible by his successful businesses."

Award winner was Eden Coombes. Eden won \$250 cash and his nominated community beneficiary, the Woombye Scouts Club, \$150.

Alex, JJ and Xaviar, were each awarded a \$50 bank account because of their excellent submissions.



Bruce and Denise Morcombe are encouraged by Woombye State School children

'My Walk for Daniel' goes virtual in 2020

SINCE 2005, the Daniel Morcombe Foundation has gathered with the Sunshine Coast community to Walk for Daniel. The walk follows the same path Daniel was unable to complete himself.

This year, due to COVID-19, the public will not be able to attend the Walk, so the Foundation has created My Walk for Daniel, a virtual walk event enabling Australians to participate in their own way.

Bruce said "The Walk is a fun, uplifting event, making the visual statement that crimes against children have no place in modern Australia. Supporters all over the country will be able to join with the Foundation virtually to Walk for Daniel wherever they are, from Nambour to the Nullabor, Broome to Bondi, Humpty Doo to Hobart. Denise and I will also be completing the Walk, so supporters could also sponsor us!'

The Walk for Daniel kickstarts Day for Daniel the Foundation's national day of action for child safety education.

Denise said "This year's Day for Daniel will have record numbers of over 4,000 schools and early learning centres across Australia registering to participate."

This week is National Child Protection Week. To register for the October 30 Walk and help continue Daniel's legacy of child safety across Australia go to https://danielmorcombe.com. au/my-walk-for-daniel/



Kimnat Little Market and Café founders Brent and Janelle Jeal, centre, with employees Kirstie Martin and Ethan Lloyd.

Kimnat Cafe changes hands, owners brew up last coffees

AFTER 12 years in Woombye and eight years at the current location in the old house on Blackall Street, the founders of Kimnat Little Market and Café have sold the business, a much-loved spot for locals and visitors.

It is the end of an era for Brent and Janelle Jeal who evolved Kimnat from a computer repair and DVD rental store with coffee, on the corner of Blackall Street and Hill Street, into what it is today.

Janelle said their time in Woombye had been memorable and would be missed.

"Kimnat has been such a big part of our lives and its something we are really proud of, but after 12 years it's time for some downtime and a change," Janelle said.

"Woombye is a great little community - we loved getting to know our regulars and have been very humbled by the cards, flowers and goodbye visits from customers over the past few weeks.

"I've always liked the saying, 'if you can dream it, you can do it' and for us Kimnat definitely reaffirmed that."

The couple will enjoy some time out before deciding what to pursue next.

"The original plan was to travel overseas but obviously that's not an option right now, so we'll make the most of some time off here on the coast and maybe do a trip to Uluru," Janelle said. "Anyone who has owned a small business probably understands the catch up we have to do on projects at home and it will be nice to enjoy some extra time with family and friends.

"We wish Kelly all the best with the café and hope she loves being a part of Woombye as much as we have."

If you would like to follow whatever Brent and Janelle plan next - be it travels, projects or future businesses - you can find them on Facebook by searching 'Brent and Janelle' or on Instagram at @brentandjanelle.

Flashing Lights on plan for Mooloolah School

MEMBER for Glass House Andrew Powell yesterday announced an LNP State Government would commit to installing flashing school zone lights at Mooloolah State School.

"Flashing lights are the gold standard of pedestrian safety around schools and the LNP believes our kids have a right to feel as safe as possible at school," said Mr Powell.

The Mooloolah State School community have been calling for these lights to be installed for years now but increasingly so with the development of new residential estates along King Road.

"The current government has ignored the community's pleas.'

"In contrast, the LNP will make the lights a priority. They will be delivered if the LNP take Government at the 31 October election.

The LNP commenced the flashing school light program when last in government and Mooloolah State School is one of the last schools in the Glass House electorate to receive the lights.

Mr Powell said he recently had success in lobbying for flashing lights at Glasshouse Mountains and Peachester State Schools with both installed over the past year.

"It was truly great to see the hard work pay off with these lights installed at Glasshouse and Peachester. Mooloolah deserves the same," said Mr Powell.



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Leo Wiles is raising money and awareness for Syrian refugees in the Sept 13-19 Ration Challenge.

Eumundi mum swaps lattes for lentils in Ration Challenge

HAVING worked in countries like Egypt, Cyprus, Israel and London when bomb threats were real Eumundi mum Leo Wiles never takes her beautiful village with its clean air, stable government, easily accessible locally produced food and wonderful schools for granted.

So from 13 – 19 September, Leo will be eating the same rations as a Syrian refugee living in a camp in Jordan to raise as much money as possible so that those same refugees can receive emergency food, hygiene kits and life-saving support.

⁽ⁱThat means swapping my daily triple latte (and chats with Hughie, Gabby and Tom) for



Cr Winston Johnston spoke at the WCBA meeting recently.

Woombye Heritage Trail Booklet launch, Saturday

THE Woombye Community and Business Association (WCBA), together with its associates, has produced a heritage trail booklet, designed to help Woombye residents and visitors become aware of some of the historical locations in and around Woombye.

Woombye was originally a staging post for the Cobb & Co stagecoach service to the goldfields in Gympie, and was known at that time as Cobb's Camp. It was established around 1868.

The booklet is to be launched at 11.30am on Saturday, 12 September, 2020 at the Woombye Pub (Criterion Hotel). lentils, a small amount of rice, chickpeas, beans, sardines, flour and oil," she said. "Did I mention there's no wine or, worse still, no veggies!"

If you'd like to help Leo raise money to help those who aren't as lucky as we are to reach her goal of \$1,782 to feed a refugee family for a year then please dig deep or grab those coins behind the couch cushions and sponsor her at www. actforpeace.rationchallenge.org.au/leo-wiles.

"I guess gratitude for the life my family have here is the main reasons I signed up to support people who are still looking for their own safe haven," Leo said.

Local theatre mourns a true stalwart

THE Coast and The Indee lost one of its stalwarts in July when Indee Vice President, Keith Souter, pictured, left the stage.

Keith had been a familiar theatre maker for many decades and worked with BATS and The Indee, but his spiritual home was Nambour's The Lind,



where he served on committees (President for 3 years), was involved in youth theatre and appeared in many productions.

He was one of that rare breed of actor whose delivery was carefully understated and he delivered many outstanding roles.

In 2003 he was named Sunshine Coast Performer of the Year, in the (then) STAR Awards, following his performance in The Indee's season of Stones in His Pockets.

For the past half dozen years he suffered ill-health but continued to serve on The Indee executive as vice-president.

A memorial service, hosted by his daughter, Alisa, and with members of The Lind, The Indee

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In memory of Bobby

SUNSHINE Valley Men's Shed recently opened and dedicated the Bob Welch memorial table and chair in the grounds of the Nambour Police Citizens Youth Club Building at Burnside.

This was where Bobby put in a lot of his time volunteering. "The table and chair were restored and adapted for a permanent outdoor setting by our members in the woodworking and metal sheds, with the plaque left mounted to honour Bob's memory," said Shed vice president Dave Brigg.

Bob was a gardener for the Sunshine Valley Men's Shed in Woombye and lawn care volunteer at PCYC Nambour. and BATS in attendance, was held at The Lind.

Wishlist volunteers needed at Nambour

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Local firm encourages women in the field

A Chevallum based company has been breaking new ground for women in a traditionally male-dominated workplace. Employee Kym Rayfield tells us what it takes to be a GeoDrill employee.

WHEN I was a little girl, I clearly recall having an interest in dolls and all things pretty. But I also loved running wild with the boys, riding bikes, playing in the mud and working on cars with my dad.

Today, nothing has changed! I still love all of the finer things in life, but I also love to work on cars, build things, lift weights and get my hands dirty.

These interests have presented me with a colourful working career which has provided key roles and experiences in my life.

Most recently, COVID-19 forced me to reach outside of my comfort zone and make a career change. It is with this in mind, I began the search for what could be the new normal for me.

Thankfully, I have been lucky enough to join an innovative family business, GeoDrill Australia on the Sunshine Coast, as a Drillers Assistant. I was pleasantly surprised to learn that GeoDrill Australia embraces diversity among its team and encourages 'women in the field' working on their drill rigs.

To be at the forefront of such diversity is empowering and to say I am chuffed is an understatement.

Historically, women have been overlooked and it has taken constant evolution for the stigma to subside and for companies to embrace all that women can bring to such a male dominated industry. So what does a day in the life of a Drillers Assistant look like from a woman's perspective?

Dawn: Up and at 'em is all I can say. The day starts off extremely early and if you are someone who likes to sleep in, then this gig is definitely not for you. Shower, hair up, high vis on, steel caps laced, safety glasses, gloves and hard hat all ready to go. This is my new daily routine.

The job: Our projects are vast and can vary from daily to weeks away from home, bunked up in a mining camp or overnight accommodation. A few things I have learned very quickly, is the ability to enjoy solitude, become one of the team and to love your job is a must within the industry. I have had the pleasure to offside in our Water Bore sector over the last couple of weeks and I can say that the days are long, dirty, physical, but most importantly, also extremely rewarding.

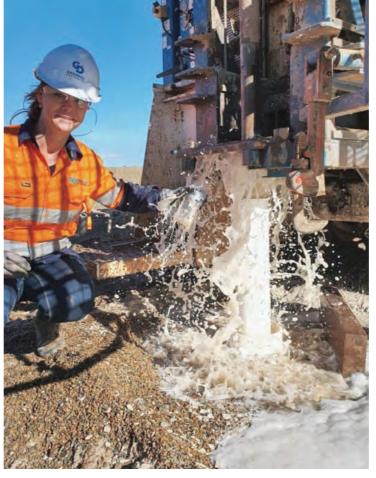
The doubts: Have there been times where I thought I couldn't handle the workload and questioned myself? Honestly, yes! But, my team is what gets me through and they are just that, a 'Team' who supports one another to safely and collectively get the job done. We all have a part to play and together we achieve our goals daily.

The cons. Sore muscles, calluses on the hands, dirt (there is always dirt), and my skin takes a beating, but that's the girly side coming out in me. Bathroom breaks? You will be surprised to know we have a portable ensuite bathroom setup which is very private and keeps the dignity in check.

Would I change it for a desk job and high heels? No way. I am right where I need to be and absolutelyloving every second of it.

So, if you too had aspirations as a little girl to run with the boys, my advice to you is to go get them! If it wasn't for companies like

GeoDrill Australia, women would still be held back. I am truly thankful I have been given this unique opportunity to embark on the next chapter of my life.





Clockwise from above: Nicky Chapman, Skye Jackman and Kym **Rayfield love to** get their hands dirty out in the field working for GeoDrill Australia, based at Chevallum.



No reserves at huge auction, except for the Jag

ON Sunday September 13, Palmwoods agent and auctioneer Mike Burns will be auctioning a huge range of items from a deceased estate.

"There is a very large range of items that will be auctioned and it will be a rare opportunity to get some bargains," Mr Burns said.

"Only the 1985 Jaguar Sovereign V12 has a reserve and all other items have no reserve and no buyer's premium.

The bid price is the buy price.

There will be some silent auction items, some priced for sale, and other items auctioned so the auction will move briskly and everything must be sold.

Among the items to be sold are tools, an outboard motor, steel benches, a drill press tractor, slasher, trailer, 1985 Jaguar Sovereign V12 (with road worthy certificate), a Suzuki (no roadworthy), a working gramophone and records, assorted antiques and an entire household full of furniture.

"Registration and viewing will be from 8am, Sunday the 13th of September and the auction will commence at 10am," said Mr Burns.

"The sale is at 1440 Kandanga Creek Road, Kandanga and as there is no WIFI reception there will be no eftpos, so payments will be cash only, although bank transfers for large items will be accepted," he said.

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The Pines Palmwoods seeks approval for dual occupancy

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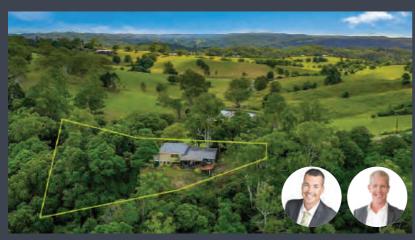
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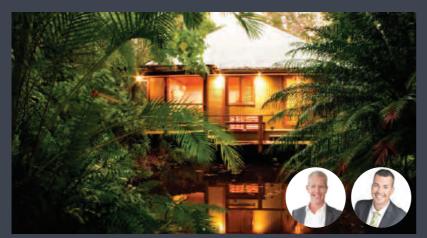




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The home is framed by colourful cottage-style gardens and there is plenty of flat grassy space for children and pets to play, along with a forest at rear of property with walking tracks to explore...the kids will spend more time outside than inside!

Long-term owners have meticulously maintained this property to the very highest of standards inside and out...charm-filled with a warm, welcoming ambience, this would be a wonderful place to anchor down and call 'home'.

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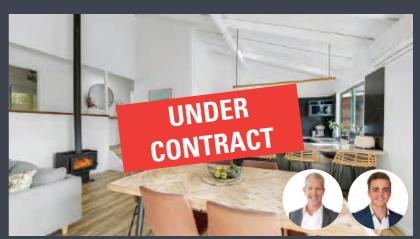


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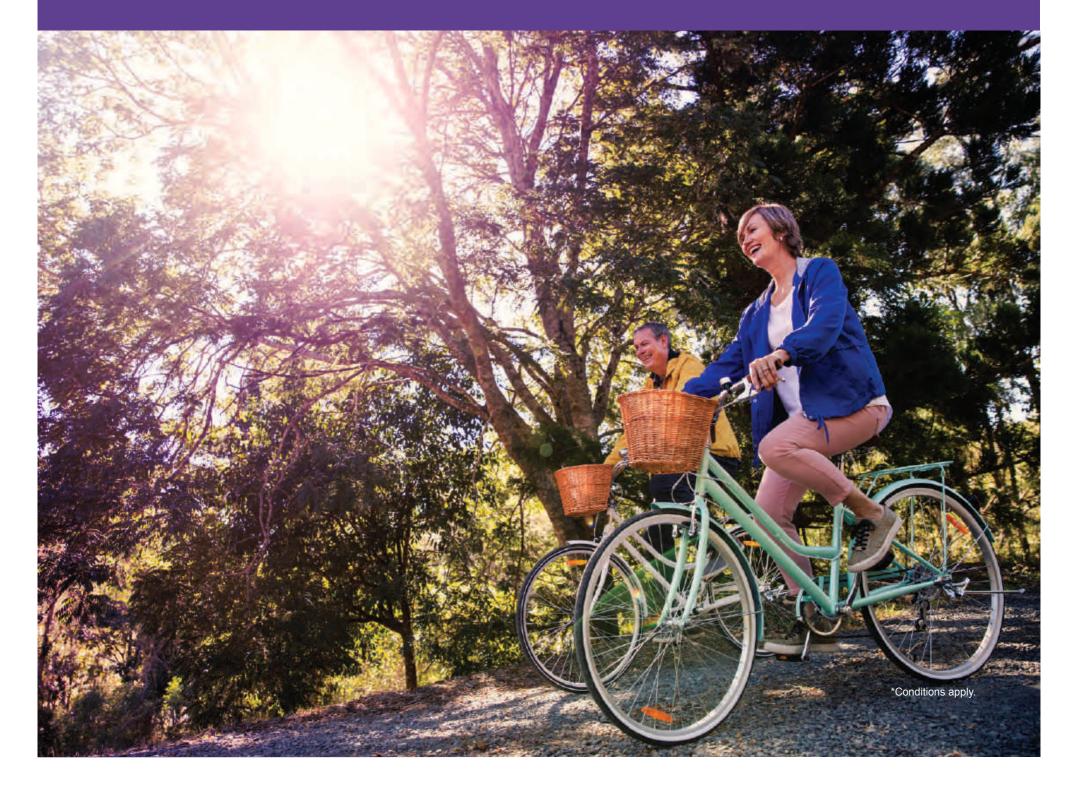
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Book launch bowls them over

WOOMBYE Bowls Club was the venue for the launch of a book "The Last Mile - Memoir of a Travelling Showman", Rod Coomber.

and Coomber Rod Thelma, his wife of 63 years, were local residents in Wakefield Street, Woombye when Rod retired to the Sun-shine Coast. They joined the Woombye Bowls Club and Rod was well known for reciting a poem or two as he played. It's not known if that was to settle his own nerves or to unnerve his opponents, but the poems were often humorous and well received.

The Last Mile is the story of Rod's life as a boxer, vaudeville show performer, soldier, gem hunter, travelling showman, writer and poet. The book also tells the story of the love of his life, his wife Thelma, how they met, what they did and in the latter part of the book, how he looked after her as Alzheimers set in after Thelma suffered a stroke in 2001.

While Rod did many things, the most fascinating are the years he was a travelling showman, working

in sideshow alley at country shows and capital cities all over Queensland, NSW and Victoria.

The book provides a brief history of how and when shows started in Australia. Excerpts were read from the book describing the popular entertainment of the 50s and 60s, with tent shows - the illusions, the freak shows, Slim Dusty and Tex Morton, the rides, the games of skill and gambling and insight into the travelling show community.

Fifty years of travelling in a unique occupation delivers many funny stories and anecdotes of the characters he met, the places he went



A Family Affair: Back row from left, Author Chris Bourne, Rebecca Callanan, Jim Gardener, Penny Hatchman. Front row from left Rod's 96 year old sister and last remaining relative, Pam Hatchman and daughter Linda Hatchman

and how he dealt with the ups and downs of a nomadic life. He says in the book that "they were grey nomads before grey nomads became part of our language, a catchphrase for seeking adventure and a seachange".

Guests at the launch were moved from laughter to tears as Earle Taylor, performed three poems - "Ballad to M.T. (Motor Transport) Drivers", a poem set in the war years; "Curly K.O." an hilarious poem about a boxer in Jimmy Sharman's Boxing Tent and "50th Anniversary" a poignant expression of love to Thelma, not a dry eye in the house!

Written in collaboration with his daughter Christine J Bourne, the book took over ten years to be finished, fulfilling a promise made to Rod before he passed in 2009.

The launch of the book was held on what would have been Rod's 100th birthday and it was made more significant by the arrival of Mrs Pam Hatchman, Rod's only sister and last remaining relative. Pam, 96 years old and a resident of Regis Aged Care, was given special permission to attend.

The Last Mile is available by going to www. christinejbourneauthor.com

Children provide inspiration for Mum's stroke rehab

A young stroke survivor is urging other patients to never lose sight of their goals as they embark on their difficult journey towards rehabilitation.

46 year old Genevieve Archer suffered a large hemorrhagic stroke last September, which immediately left her paralysed on the right side of her body and unable to speak.

But almost 12 months on, and after an intensive rehabilitation admission at Nambour Selangor Private Hospital, Mrs Archer has new dreams of getting back to work, running a half marathon and horse riding.

"I want to be a good role model for my two kids which gives me the motivation to continue with my rehabilitation," Mrs Archer said.

"My advice for other stroke survivors is, no matter how overwhelming it seems, keep putting one foot in front of the other because progress and recovery are possible.

"Break down your journey into small achievable goals and never lose sight of where you want to go.

"I also think it's important to connect with



Jester was always the noise maker and the ring leader in any trouble.

Smart Pups 200th graduate a real Jester

IN September Jester will finish his training and leave his kennel mates and foster family to become the 200th Assistance dog to be placed by Smart Pups.

An accidental honour, the luck of the num-bers, Jester might not have been Smart Pups chosen 'poster child' to carry the 200th honour. His foster Alison described him as mischievous, his trainer Carolyn called him cheeky. And they were both being kind! In the kennels Jester was always the noise maker and the ring leader in any trouble!

Today though Alison describes Jester as loyal, a dog who loves to please and to work. He is curious too. Alison likes the way he sits back to watch activity around him, thinking through games with great intelligence.

So, on reflection perhaps Jester is the perfect ambassador dog for Smart Pups. He doesn't look like a lot of other Smart Pups. He didn't always behave like a lot of other Smart Pups, but he is a perfect Smart Pup.

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Letters to the Editor **COVID** inconsistencies

> I'M annoyed. The boss of the AFL and his family have flown directly from Melbourne without quarantine.

> But, as a result of the Queensland Premier's actions, a day-old bub (who needed his Mum's colostrum and milk) was separated from her; and a twin in the womb was denied immediate urgent medical treatment, and died.

> And the lady having had brain surgery, including titanium plates, was forced to stay in a bare bones hotel rather than home in a virus free region.

> My Passport says I'm from Australia, but you wouldn't think so. It's not the country I served, and was injured fighting for, in the Army.

- Brian Byrne, Coes Creek

We're in good hands

THE more we learn about COVID-19, the more insidious it seems.

Long-term effects can include pulmonary damage, chronic fatigue, neurological prob-



Students, Leo, 10, and Grace, 8, enjoy a preview of The Gruffalo Trail recently.

Gruffalo spotted at Yandina Ginger Factory

IN a major coup for Sunshine Coast tourism, The Ginger Factory at Yandina has announced an exciting new augmented reality attraction featuring the much-loved children's book character, The Gruffalo.

From 16 September, visitors to The Ginger

Factory can download the free Gruffalo Spotter 2 App before setting off on an adventure through the rainforest searching for their favourite characters including Mouse, Fox, Owl, Snake and of course the Gruffalo. There will be a launch event on 16 September.

other stroke survivors to share their lived experience and be kind to yourself and where you're at on your journey," she said.

Stroke physician and geriatrician, Dr Tony Tampiyappa, from Nambour Selangor Private Hospital, said stroke rehabilitation provides patients with a window of opportunity to attain improvement soon after an acute stroke.

⁴Inpatient rehabilitation is a first response for stroke patients to relearn daily function which can put them in good stead to return home," Dr Tampiyappa said.

"A multidisciplinary team works closely with each patient to understand their goals and adapt therapies to their needs."

"Patients can continue to progress their rehabilitation goals beyond an inpatient hospital stay and attend day rehab programs long after their stroke. This helps them to continue their emotional, cognitive and physical recovery for the years ahead."

National Stroke Week ran from August 31 -September 6.

lems such as brain fog, and damage to the heart muscles.

Yes, the current restrictions are costing the economy dearly. But how much worse would it be if such a debilitating disease was allowed to run rampant in Queensland?

Fortunately for us all, Annastacia Palaszczuk has been doing a remarkable job keeping Queenslanders safe during this pandemic.

She withstood calls from the New South Wales Liberal government and the LNP opposition in Queensland to reopen our borders.

The Opposition Leader, Deb Frecklington, demanded on no fewer than 64 occasions that the borders should be opened. What a disaster for Oueensland if Annastacia had listened-and what a disaster if by some mischance Queenslanders choose Frecklington to lead us after the state election. We deserve a premier who takes our health concerns seriously and listen to the experts, not someone who simply attacks good government in a vain attempt to garner a few votes. - Thomas Whitton, Eudlo



Chairman Leon Granzien and Club Patron Marty Hunt at Club Yandina. Volunteers have dedicated hundreds of hours to give the clubhouse, greens and surrounds a really good spruce up.

Club Yandina gets a revitalising makeover during lockdown

THE months of COVID lockdown earlier in the year proved to be a good opportunity for the dedicated band of volunteers at the Yandina Bowls Club, aka Club Yandina, to give the facility some much needed TLC.

"The Club has been managing from week to week for some time thanks to these handful of volunteer members," said new Club Chairman, Leon Granzien. "And it was long overdue for some maintenance and a refresh."

"We actually have no paid staff here; everyone who works here does so on a volunteer basis," Mr Granzien said. "Recently we secured some Council COVID grant funding and our fantastic volunteers dedicated hundreds of hours to give the Clubhouse and greens, and surrounding yard a really good spruce up."

The Club entrance has been treated to a splash of paint and some new lighting and signage. Inside, the function room has new laminated benches, and the stools have been re-upholstered. The bar area has new tiling and refurbished under-bench and cool room glassware and beverage shelving. "We feel really proud of how everything has come up," said Mr Granzien. "It is all beautiful and clean and fresh, and it will be so much easier to keep clean in the future.

Since the Club has re-opened, there has been a real push to encourage people to come along and enjoy the facilities and the Bistro. "We have a fantastic Chef who has been here for quite a few years," said Mr Granzien. "He has put together a really nice menu and he offers vegetarian and GF options. Being Sri Lankan, his curries are amazing."

"Moving forward, we will be really encouraging people to book our function room for their anniversary or birthday parties and other corporate events, because even with our current COVID restrictions, we can accommodate nearly 100 people here. It is a perfect space to bring families," Mr Granzien said. "Some of our members are in their 80's and they have been bowling here for decades. While some elderly people still feel a little nervous about coming out, in general, our social membership is growing."

Club Patron, Marty Hunt MP has been a strong supporter of the Club "It is great to see people in the Community out and about again, and especially to see families here using and enjoying facilities like Club Yandina," said Mr Hunt.

Over the past few years, Club Yandina has hosted the "BRAS n BIKES" fundraiser for Bloomhill Cancer Care, and will be hopefully doing it again on the 18 Octocter. "Obviously there is still some uncertainty due to the COVID situation, but we are planning for the event to go ahead this year," said Mr Granzien. "It is always a great day, for a very worthy cause."

-Tanya Outridge



St John's College students playing piano on the night were Jessica Hobbs, Isabella Norval and Eva Matthews.

St Johns artistic talent on display at Exhibition

by Angela Norval

VISITORS were left speechless at the calibre of art on display on Friday August 28 as St John's College Nambour annual art week culminated in their evening arts exhibition.

In his welcoming speech to guests, Curriculum Middle Leader of the Arts Pat Wilson highlighted that in such uncertain times St John's College staff were proud to be able to hold an event such as this.

"Not only were guests able to view such a broad range of artwork of junior and senior students studying visual and media arts but also be entertained by our drama and music students with a variety of performances through the night," he said.

The colour, diversity and range of mediums on display truly had to be seen to be believed and highlighted the broad range of talent that continues to be nurtured at the college.

Another welcome addition to the evening was

Pictured, clockwise, from right:

• Emerging indigenous artist Nikita Newley was a guest at the show.

• Leanne Matthews, St John's College Learning Support, admires some of the work.

• Sara Whitty, & Evangeline Hurley, who dressed as old people as part of the street performance, with Charlotte Simpson.

• Bruce Smith from Learning support admires the artworks of Max Stead.

• Illa O'Donovan showcases her work.

• St John's College teacher Olive Thompson with student Eva Matthews.

• St John's flute students entertain guests.





special guest artist Nikita Newley who not only judged student artworks but provided a demonstration of her artwork by completing an original piece reflecting the values of the St John's Community which was auctioned by Dave Cuskelly with funds raised going directly to the arts at the college.

Prize winners of the evening included:

People's Choice:

Year 7 and 8: Emily Macdonald - Portraits; Year 9 and 10: Tori Stielow - Portrait; Year 11 & 12: Phoebe Erbacher - Painting.

Guest Artist Choice:

Year 7 and 8: Sally Finter - Portraits; Year 9 and 10: Mia Riley - Portrait; Year 11 & 12: Isabella Rae - Painting/Drawing.

Principal's Award:

Year 12: Lauren Camp watercolour, Body of work.







Kylie Joyce, centre in yellow, celebrated her birthday recently with an afternoon of bowls with family and friends at Club Yandina.

Pet registration renewals are on the way

ANNUAL pet registration renewals are on the way, either by post or email, for the 60,848 cats and dogs registered on the Sunshine Coast and renewal is due by September 30.

Pet registration helps Sunshine Coast Council to reunite lost pets with their owners.

It also helps to plan for services such as offleash areas for dogs, education programs to promote responsible pet ownership and the animal pound. In the Sunshine Coast region, there are currently 50,237 registered dogs, an increase of 1891 on the same time last year, and 10,611 cats, 491 more than last year.

Significant registration fee discounts apply for dog and cat owners who have had their pets de-sexed and micro-chipped with the cost being just \$14 or free for pensioners. Renewal of pet registration is due by September 30, 2020. For more information about animal registration, visit council's website.

Fun Facts

TOP five dog names registered with council:

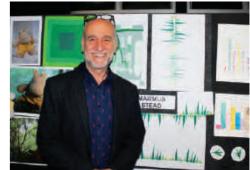
- 1. Bella
- 2. Charlie
- 3. Molly
- 4. Ollie
- 5. Ruby

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- 2. Charlie
- 3. Luna
- 4. Mia
- 5. Molly







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WITH a background in farming and business, Kylie Pitt and Mark Cuthell have carried their country town ethics and values with them into Coastal Landscape Supplies.

Mark and Kylie moved their young family to the Sunshine Coast from Narrabri NSW in 2008 to take over Coastal Landscape Supplies, which has been established for over 35 years.

"Our background has strongly shaped how we do business," Kylie said. "We place great stock in old-fashioned country values, because we want every customer experience with our business to be a good one. As far as we are concerned, friendliness and good manners have never gone out of fashion."

Located at Kunda Park, Coastal Landscape Supplies is a landscaping Trade Centre that has the largest and most competitively priced product range on the Sunshine Coast.

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"On those kinds of projects, the last thing anyone wants is down time because of unreliable deliveries. Also, due to the nature of those working environments, safety is key and we have all of the critical insurances, training and compliances in place."

"We have a wonderful base of trades customers, but we could also see that because of our beautiful temperate climate here, outdoor living is really important. So we have geared our product range and services to those customers too."

Kylie and Mark led the way in their industry in 2012 by introducing an easy to use e-com-



Kylie Pitt and Mark Cuthell understand the importance of being able to supply large quantities of product with on time delivery for hinterland clients.

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merce website that allows customers to browse and shop online, and arrange to either pick up or have products delivered.

"We had no idea that COVID was coming down the line when we set up our website, but as it turns out, the e-commerce capability has allowed people to shop safely and get their projects done with zero contact if necessary," said Kylie. "Our priority is to deliver high quality products at the right price, exceptional value for money, honest and professional service and advice to ensure that you get the right product for your project, and all of it delivered on budget, on time, and with a smile."

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Helene Cronin OAM and Dr Russell Stitz AM at the launch.

Book tracks history of Buderim

THE book "Timber- Trains- Turmoil (a History of Buderim and its Tramway)" by BPHTI President Helene Cronin OAM was launched at a function in the Buderim War Memorial Hall on Saturday August 29th by Dr Russell Stitz AM.

Dr Stitz is one of Australia's most prominent and highly awarded clinicians and Chairman of Buderim Foundation, which provided a grant to BPHTI to publish the book.

Dr Stitz congratulated Helene for the passion she has displayed in putting together what he described as a comprehensive history of Buderim and its surrounds over the last 150 years and for her skill in negotiating the complex pathways, public debates and differences of opinion related to the development of the Tramway.

Steve Chellingworth of Red Lid Creative, who assisted with the printing of the book, said he was personally touched by the humanity of the stories in what he described as a "ridiculously heavy body of work". He was referring to the size of the book.

The audience were also entertained by Alan Winter and Noel Williams with a number of songs they have written about Buderim and the Tramway. Because of virus restrictions the number of attendees had to be limited to 70.



The Long Johns play spooky country with that old-timey swing.

The Long Johns to Perform in Eumundi

THE Imperial Hotel Eumundi has announced 'CoVibes 2' will take place this Saturday 12 September, featuring The Long Johns and The Steele Syndicate taking the stage in the brewery.

The Imperial Hotel's Alice Jones says it's great to see the community supporting live music events. "Music lovers have shown they are super keen for live gigs and to support musicians who have been hit hard by restrictions," Alice says.

The Long Johns

The Long Johns are the twang of the banjo, the rumble of the sousaphone and the ring of the spittoon, the creak of the door, the crow of the rooster, the stomping of floorboards and the hammering of the chain gang. A four piece possé, The Long Johns come together to play spooky country with that old timey swing, peppered with the spiciest of flavours to deliver songs of hope, loss and hauntings.

The Steele Syndicate

The Steele Syndicate is a Brisbane-based octet that is raucous, punchy and fun, with a genre-bending sound that reimagines elements of old school funk, reggae, ska and indie rock. The band packs a roaring, four-piece horn section and a rhythm section to match. 2020 has seen the band hit the recording studio to release their latest single 'Gotta Go To Uni'.

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Nambour Heritage Soundtrail competition

Join the greatest global celebration of sound walks - Sound Walk September. Experience the Nambour Heritage Soundtrail and you could WIN one of two \$100 vouchers to The Events Centre Caloundra. Sound Walk September is a GPS-activated audio story trail that features 18 stories of Nambour told by locals and narrated by Powderfinger's John Coghill. Download the Soundtrails app and enjoy the walking tour of Nambour, or access it from your computer.

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Community grants

Does your community organisation need funding to help make something great happen? Make it a reality with support from Council's Community Grants Program. Minor Grants of up to \$2000 are available for community groups to deliver projects, events and activities. Start preparing your application today. Submissions are open from 21 September to 2 November. Visit www.sunshinecoast.gld.gov.au to apply online.

One for the calendar

LUMINATE is an exciting new three day walk through 'mini' festival, planned for the October long-weekend. There'll be music happening in our local venues and some 'illuminating' (COVID safe) activities in the beautiful Bulcock Beach location. For now think colour, light installations and projections, markets, music and more. Stay tuned, extra details coming soon.

Explore like never before

Discover the Sunshine Coast's incredible cultural heritage by checking out the new Discovery Guide. Explore Traditional Custodian First Nations sites, museums and heritage precincts, and gain an insight into one of Australia's most beautiful places to visit and live. You can collect a Museum VIP card when you visit participating Sunshine Coast museums and receive a 10 per cent discount. For maps and information see the new Discovery Guide by visiting heritage.sunshinecoast.qld.gov.au or download Council's app.

Recycle right

Did you know it only costs \$20 to dispose of your old mattress at one of Council's waste facilities? Spring, foam and ensemble mattresses can all be recycled effectively. The timber is processed into woodchips for particleboard, animal bedding and mulch. The springs are melted down and used in buildings, vehicles and appliances, and the foam is recycled into carpet underlay. If you have an old mattress, don't dump it - RECYCLE it!

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• Birth date and star sign: 16 July (Cancer)

• Nickname as a kid: Kelly is my nickname. My real name is Lewis Wilson Anderson. As a 5 year old after school at Blayney, we picked potatoes for our neighbour, Mr Crosby. Well we would start in a row of freshly dug-up potatos and fill our sack up in the row that we were in. But I would start to pick up potatoes in the row next to me. So that I could get more bags full. I would always be in trouble for taking other pickers potatoes. Mr Crosby reckoned I would have to be a Kelly (after bushranger Ned Kelly) and that nickname stuck to this day.

LAST book read: "Kings in Grass Castles," by Mary Durack.

WHERE did you grow up: Blayney NSW until 9yo, Mt Barker WA 11 yo, then Moura Qld 15yo, Maleny 17yo, then Moura 43yo, then Mapleton to-date

FIRST job you ever had & what was it like: Dairy Farming for Dad at Ellerslie Maleny (Purchased from Harry Porter in 1967) Milked 120 cows at the age of 15 and never had a day off for the next two years & two months.

FAVOURITE hinterland food and why: Toss-up between Montville Bar & Grill and Le Relais Bressan Flaxton. Can't beat Thierry & Cindy's food and hospitality.



BEST thing about Mapleton: Best climate, location and community in Australia - by a long way.

MOST important thing you ever learned: Persistence. "Nothing in the world can take the place of Persistence. Talent will not: there is nothing more common than unsuccessful men with talent. Genius will not: unrewarding genius is almost a proverb ... Persistence and determination alone are omnipotent." - Calvin Coolidge

FAVOURITE Saying: "No Worries".

HAPPIEST moment in life that wasn't related to family matters: When I bought back my family's farm at Moura. My father sold it in 1965 for \$145,000 after he was crippled in a horse accident. I purchased it back 18 years later for \$1.25 million.

WHAT are you passionate about: Work, and Customer Service.

SOMETHING we didn't know about you: I was honoured by winning the Central Queensland Business Executuive of the Year Award (QBEX) in 1985. But I was beaten in the Queensland final that year by Christopher Skase.

New books available at Woombye Library

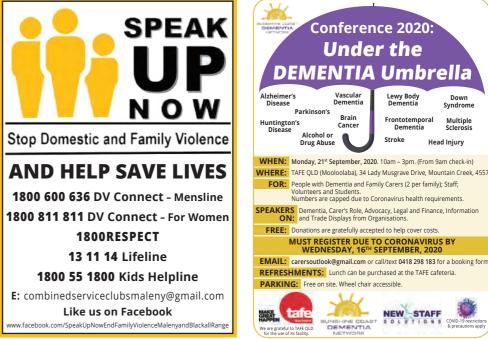
Library Corner with Del

OR September, library hours will remain the same: 9am-12 noon Monday through Saturday. This will be reviewed again at the end of September.

Dr. Suess said, "You can find magic wherever you look. Sit back and relax - all you need is a book."

With this in mind, the Woombye Library has purchased several new children's books. Over the next few months I'll endeavour to whet the appetite of our younger readers by giving a very brief summary of some of our latest purchases.

Our younger readers will love reading about the very popular Bluey in All about Bluey. In this fun shaped board book, Bluey and her sister explore the world with lots of imagination through every day events. This book is based on the hugely popular and successful ABC program.



In order to further encourage young readers we have purchased some Junior fiction.

Sleepless Knight - adventures in a cartoon series by James Sturm

- And Dog Man Collection set
- 1) Dog Man
- Dog man Unleashed 2)
- 3) A Tale of Two Kittens.

In an attempt to cater for all ages, the Woombye Library has purchased some Young Adult fiction.

A Wrinkle inTime by Madeleine L'Engle and Stormbreaker - an Alex Rider series by Anthony Horowitz.

What better way to spend part of the school holidays than reading either in our air conditioned library or at home.

And finally..... A quote from Roald Dahl is appropriate as it is his birthday 13th September "If you are going to get anywhere in life, you have to read a lot of books."



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First 100 days has been a privilege

David Law

Division 10 Councillor david.law@sunshinecoast.gld.gov.au

T'S been more than 100 days since I became your new Division 10 Councillor, and what a privilege it's been to represent our local community.

I think we can all agree this year has definitely been one for the record books as we all navigate through the COVID-19 pandemic. As restrictions have somewhat eased it's been great to get out and about safely meeting with community associations, businesses, residents and chambers of commerce in many areas including Nambour, Woombye, Palmwoods, Mapleton and Yandina.

In my role as Community Portfolio Councillor I've been very proud to be part of some truly inspirational council projects.

The Community Strategy Leadership Group launched in May, with the group continuing to meet regularly. The group is responsible in leading and guiding the delivery of the Community Strategy's action plan with a key focus on building a strong community.

Council's award-winning Migrant Work Ready Program is now in its third year, and is an eight-week course offering practical tips from professional experts, community organisations and business owners on how to prepare for the local job market and improve prospects in finding employment.

Nambour Community Centre's photo exhibition Challenging Perceptions on Homelessness made headlines around the country for its touching messages and stunning photos on homelessness. Photographer Claire Reynolds collaborated with people experiencing homelessness in a sensitive way to tell their story and the exhibition was funded by a council major grant.

Our third Reconciliation Action Plan supports social and economic opportunities for the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander community of the Sunshine Coast and is due to be launched later in the year.

I look forward to seeing what the next 100 days bring.

Don't forget to follow my Facebook page for regular updates: @DavidLawDivision10, or feel free to email me on: david.law@sunshinecoast. qld.gov.au

Parliament has plenty to do

Marty Hunt State Member for Nicklin

am in Brisbane this week for the last sitting of the 56th Parliament, which dissolves on 6th October before the State Election on 31 October. It has been a pleasure to represent the Nicklin Electorate in the 56th Parliament.

Together I think we have achieved some good progress for Nicklin - with a couple of highlights being - the construction starting on our new and long awaited Nambour Police Station this week and the Nambour hospital redevelopment back on track.

There's still plenty to be done and I am rolling up my sleeves for what will be a busy time aĥead.

Jobs Forum

The Sunshine Coast has been hit hard by COVID-19 job losses and Ted O'Brien (Federal Member for Fairfax) and I are very focused on rebuilding our economy.

On Wednesday 16th Ted and I will be hosting JOBS FORUM in Nambour. The forum will run from 5.30pm-6.30pm and if you would like to attend you must RSVP by emailing my office (nicklin@parliament.qld.gov.au) or calling on 5406 4100

Placemaking and streetscaping Winston Johnston Division 5 Councillor

Division5@sunshinecoast.gld.gov.au

N COMING months there will be community consultation regarding placemaking and streetscaping in the townships of Eudlo and Woombye ahead of construction works to be carried out in the next financial year. I'll keep you updated as the projects progress.

Online meetings

Did you know all of council's ordinary and special meetings are now live-streamed? Visit www.sunshinecoast.qld.gov.au for details.

Celebrations postponed

I was disappointed to learn the Palmwoods RSL 100th Anniversary dinner has been post-poned due to COVID restrictions – I look forward to attending when it is rescheduled.

Maleny upgrades

PRELIMINARY clearing works have been completed at the four major lookouts around Maleny, with council staff hard at work to keep them tidy, well-maintained and with adequate signage.

I'm also pleased to announce a \$100,000 upgrade will begin after the September school holidays (weather and site conditions dependant) to improve the picnic area at Mary Cairncross Park, Maleny.

Wild dog baiting begins

COUNCIL, in partnership with Biosecurity Queensland, is supporting a community-based coordinated Wild Dog Baiting Program.

Failure to control wild dogs can result in livestock losses, attacks on domestic pets and the loss of native fauna.

Landholders have a legislative responsibility to control declared pests on their land and participation in this program is an effective way to help meet this responsibility.

The Wild Dog Baiting Program will be held throughout Bald Knob, Beerburrum, Beerwah, Belli Park, Cambroon, Conondale, Coochin Creek, Crohamhurst, Curramore, Elaman Creek, Gheerulla, Glass House Mountains, Kenilworth, Kidaman Creek, Landsborough, Obi Obi, Peachester, Reesville, Witta and Wootha areas from 31 August to 25 September.

Jobs Forum **Road Trip** Ted O'Brien

Federal Member for Fairfax ted.obrien.mp@aph.gov.au

UST as National Cabinet has seen Federal, State and Territory leaders working together to address the COVID pandemic, I have been working closely with my State colleagues in Fairfax. This month Member for Nicklin, Marty Hunt and I will be hosting a joint listening post during my Spring Road Trip on Wednesday 16 September from 8am, corner of Delicia Rd and Obi Obi Rd, Mapleton. That evening from 5:30pm we will also host a Jobs Forum to discuss job creation and the economic recovery of our region. Please head to my website for more details or to RSVP.

COVID-19 update

Please be aware that the Queensland Government again tightened restrictions around some gatherings in our area. For the Sunshine Coast LGA and therefore Kenilworth, gatherings in private homes and public spaces have been limited to a maximum of 30 people. These limits do not apply to businesses operating under a COVID Safe plan (restrictions correct as at 7/09/20).

Local Heroes Grants, **Round 3 winners** Andrew Powell

State Member for Glass House glass.house@parliament.qld.gov.au

OUND three of my Local Heroes Grants for 2020 closed with quite the pile of applications! I love to read all your submissions and help where I can, but I have to say that it is always so hard to choose just four winners each round!

After much deliberation, I granted \$250 each to the Glasshouse Country Chamber of Commerce to sponsor and promote their AGM, the Maleny Chamber of Commerce for their new 'Maleny Gift Card', the Maleny Rotary Club for their drive in winter blues concert held last month and Arts Connect/Sculpture on the Edge to hold a garden sculpture event later this year.



I met with Mark Forbes and Tim Mander at **Butterfly House.**

End ED meeting with Deputy LNP Leader Tim Mander

Last week I was delighted to bring Deputy LNP Leader Tim Mander to End ED Butterfly House in Mooloolah Valley to tour their Australian-first residential eating disorder treatment facility. I'm in awe of what founder Mark Forbes and his team have done here and love to share it with others. In fact, I've even brought LNP Leader Deb Frecklington to End ED twice so that she can hear Mark's vision directly. Unfortunately despite reaching out many times, the state Labor Government have refused to pitch in and fund to help him build Butterfly House, despite it having a long waiting list of young people who need help at any given time. The LNP takes the treatment of eating disorders seriously and that's why we've worked closely with End ED and offered our support wherever we can.

Romantic roos take over camp amenities block

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

OME calls to our WILVOS 5441 6200 Hotline really make us scratch our heads! This week brought one of those highly unusual but challenging calls.

A group of young school children were on a school camp at Twin Waters. Everything was going well until one afternoon when the amenities block was visited by three male kangaroos in pursuit of a young female kangaroo. The female was trying to hide anywhere. She went into the showers and into the toilets, but couldn't escape these determined young bucks.

When it came time for the school children to have showers, the kangaroos were still inhabiting the amenities block

The school teacher had called several organizations before calling WILVOS. It was a matter of trying various methods of dispersing the animals, and at the same time hopefully allowing the female an escape from her enthusiastic admirers.

Along with prior suggestions, many solutions had been tried without success. They had even

How to survive after Job Keeper

Business Advice by Peter Gamgee

> ROFIT is something quite elusive for those businesses where trading is still constrained, or has failed to bounce back to pre-February levels.

> I have been speaking with several business owners this week who are using Job Keeper payments to keep people remunerated and essentially keep the business alive. Some are carrying debt, or deferred loan payments. It is a ticking time bomb!

> What is it going to take to survive post Job Keeper? For many it currently looks like a proverbial cliff - and the only way is down. Numerous businesses who still have their doors open now, or are marking time until they can open doors will invariably fail due to the burden of debt and the reduced revenues on business start up.

> Then there will be a ripple effect. Imagine if your suppliers went out of business and you have to find others?

> What if your business clients go in to liquidation to wipe out their debt, and of course leave you with the unpaid bills?

> It will not be easy to ensure you thrive post Job Keeper - but here are five things you can do to see that cliff not as a downfall, but as an exciting climb.

> The first three are about keeping safe - the PPE of business:

Cash Flow Cash Flow Cash Flow

I always stress the importance of having a solid cash flow model for the next three years. This needs to set out the revenues by product or service, the margins, cost of sales (variable costs), fixed overheads, and any loan interest or repayments. This model will tell you whether you are going to rise to the climb, or succumb to the cliff and close the doors.

The cash flow model must pass a reality test -1) It is based on similar trading you have achieved before, 2) It is conservative as far as assuming return to business volumes, 3) Salaries for all staff, including the business owner minimum salaries are included, 4) All variable and fixed cost items have been minimised, and 5) Business owners and managers accept the model as realistic and are able to commit to the outcome.

Client & Supplier risk

Don't allow any credit to extend in size or time with clients. In fact shorten your required payment terms to 7 days, and cash for any clients who may be at risk of folding. Make sure any deposit you receive for manufactured goods covers all your material and labour costs. Where you can, confirm your suppliers are able to continue trading - keep in touch with them and look for alternatives for any at risk of folding. Support your suppliers with prompt payment, and only provide pre-payments where you have secured assets or you have clearly identified that the risk is acceptable.

Minimise Overheads and Expectations

Take the time to really look at how your business operates and those fixed and variable costs. Where is efficiency possible now - or in the future to reduce your cost of sales. Negotiate with suppliers. Learn and introduce systems to make it more efficient - see the numerous relatively cheap business apps now available. Because supply and demand has changed so too have the costs of doing business - how much more are you paying in EFTPOS fees than you were when cash was common?

Now we have some protection in place and a cash flow model to follow it is time to strengthen up for the climb:

Pursue with vigour the market priorities



Ted and I are also out and about in the Electorate next week with our mobile offices. If you are keen to catch us - just monitor our individual Facebook pages for details.

COVID support

I am receiving many requests from Commu-nity Groups in the Nicklin Electorate asking for financial support to help them recover from COVID times - where fundraising activities have had to cease and the lack of revenue now poses a threat to the future of these important groups.

I have decided to launch a 'Community Group Recovery Grants Package' to support our local Community Groups. \$300 grants are available to eligible groups from 20 September.

Interested parties should email my office for eligibility criteria and must get in quick as the funding is finite.

Local sporting champions

Our region's sporting talent was evident in the latest Local Sporting Champions grant round. Nambour State College student Jordan Roache-Doherty was recognised for competing at the BMX Australia National Championships earlier this year. The 16 year old had to travel from Woombye to St Leonards in Tasmania. Also from Woombye, Sunshine Coast Grammar School student Grace Brimelow deserves a shout out for contesting this year's Qld School Sport Triathlon State Championships. Congratulations to Nambour Christian College's Sophie Ferrier and Suncoast Christian College's Arden Quilliam who both competed at state level in their respective sports - athletics and girl's football. While Samia Reynolds from St John's College received a grant after competing in Queensland Netball's State Titles. The Local Sporting Champions program provides grants of between \$500 and \$750. Information here www.sportaus.gov.au/lsc.

tried a hose to try to encourage the animals to move on, without distressing them too much. The young female kangaroo still couldn't escape and couldn't find a place to hide. Meanwhile, the children were still crossing their legs, waiting for a toilet break!

Eventually, a careful positioning of cars around the toilet block enabled a safe entrance to the building for the children. The unwelcome visitors didn't leave the area, but they at least stopped for a rest.

The school group handled the situation very well, trying to avoid stressing the kangaroos as much as possible, but respecting the fact that any agitated kangaroo could be dangerous if approached. They were most appreciative of WILVOS help, as they had tried so many different places for a solution (Thank you Chairperson Sylvia). The students won't forget this school camp!

Our eastern grey kangaroos like to have a relaxed, easy lifestyle but it is becoming more difficult for them as development occurs.

Consider the products and services that are going to start bringing in revenue in the shorter term – for many that will not be until 2021. Revisit these - every aspect of them. Starting with the client/customer profiling, what your offer is and how it differentiates, value, pricing & margins, channels to market, and construct of the offer.

Even if you can't sell - build your subscriber list

The more people and businesses you are in touch with, the more will remember you when the time comes for them to be able to buy. The more credibility you build with those people, the more likely they will buy from you - when they are ready, or when you can sell your product or service. Even if you are doing business now you can see how this works to achieve growth.

For any business currently receiving Job Keeper – beware of the cliff that is coming. Many will fall. Follow the five things set out above to face the cliff from the bottom and see it as an exciting climb.

Gazette Sport



Taj Jones wins the Stage 2 crown at Le Tour de Langkawi in February ... "I can't wait to see where I can take my career under the guidance of a World Tour Team".

Palmwoods cyclist hits World stage

PALMWOODS local Taj Jones has become the first member of the Sunshine Coast based Australian Cycling Academy (ACA) to secure a contract with a World Tour Team.

Jones has signed a three year contract with the Israel Start Up Nation World Tour team hot on the heels of multiple Tour de France winner Chris Froome.

ACA Managing Director Ben Kersten said he was thrilled for Jones who has showed significant improvement in his performances after taking up the sport four years ago and progressing to join the locally based ACA proracing team in early 2019.

"Taj has shown a strong aptitude for hard work, determination and the willingness to learn since joining our team after winning the Queensland u23 Title and numerous National Series top 10's in 2018. He should be congratulated for his achievement to be the first of our riders to go to what is essentially the highest level in our sport.

"The ACA was created to ensure there was a pathway for developing young riders to turn professional and compete on the national and international stage. It's certainly validation of our strong 'Live, Learn and Ride philosophy which Taj has fully embraced and I am certain this is one of the factors which has impressed the powers behind the Israel Start Up Nation team.

"We are very confident that Taj will be the first of many cyclists from the ACA team who will go on to compete at the highest level over the next few years," Ben said.

In February this year, Jones took out the biggest win of his young career by taking out stage two of the prestigious Tour de Langkawi in Malaysia ahead of World Tour Professional riders Max Walscheid (NTT Pro Cycling) and Jérémy Lecroq (B&B Hotels-Vital Concept). Ben Kersten said the win was Jones' biggest of his career to date and was achieved without winning a domestic race.

"Taj worked incredibly hard over summer and his training form was exceptional so we gave him the responsibility to be the team leader for the sprint stages at Langkawi and he rose to the occasion and repaid the faith we placed in him," Ben said.

Taj's success in Langkawi saw his name propelled among international agents before teaming up with former champion racer and rider manager Baden Cooke who secured the contract with the Israel team.

Taj said it felt surreal to be selected by the Israel Start Up National team following such a short stint with the ACA.

"It's incredible to think about where I have come from and where I am heading, to be a part of the same team as a legend like Chris Froome along with other world class riders is exciting and I can't wait to see where I can take my career under the guidance of a World Tour Team.

"T'm also really appreciative of the ACA team lead by Ben Kersten and Matt Wilson and all the support staff including Henk Vogels, Stu Shaw and USC based high performance manager Aaron Turner, their guidance and experience in the elite levels of cycling has certainly helped to fast track my progress.

"They've made all the mistakes in the past so I don't have to make them myself which certainly helps fast track my progress. The ACA pathway program is absolutely world class with a strong focus on the cyclists performance on and off the bike and I have no doubt that this philosophy will see other members of the team move to World Tour teams in the next few years," Taj said. Taj expects to join his new teammates later this year.

Dragons take to rugby field in Juniors and Reserves

U11 Match Report by Team Manager Pamela Campbell Jones: From the moment Jesse Batten caught from the kick-off and started the game with a strong run, the Dragons roared into their game against Uni at Caloundra on Saturday.

It set the tone for the rest of the first half which was all Dragons, with brilliant teamwork and support play. They held possession for all but two plays and ran away with an imposing lead.

Uni came back strongly in the second half, but the Dragons made plenty of tackles and continued their strong team game. The Dragons dominated the scrums, and every player on the team played a top-notch game, to finish the game winners.

The Best Team Mate was awarded to Charlie Tie, who not only made several strong runs, but was absolutely on song with his tackles. Impressive Dragons – well done. **U8 Match Report by team Manager Jero Mansell:** The Eumundi Dragons U8's had a great outing against Grammar on a hot Saturday morning in Caloundra. The U8's were on fire with Jack Cooper leading the way with a player of the day effort, running in two tries and making a number of tackles. Henry, Hunter, Spence and Quill also made some good runs with tries resulting from good support play and passing. Zach, Finn and CJ worked hard in the tight to gain some possession and supply quality ball to the rest of the team. Excellent effort guys, Go the Dragons!!

DRAGONS Reserve Grade Home Game Match report by Club President Doug Toms

On Saturday 5th September a large crowd of Rugby supporters gathered at the Eumundi Showgrounds to see the Eumundi Dragons Reserve Grade team take on the might of the top of the table Caloundra Lighthouses outfit. The weather was very warm, the pitch was firm and the game was played at a furious pace much to the delight of onlookers.

At the end of the match the Caloundra team ran out comfortable winners 60-0 but none of the 100 strong crowd gathered on the hill and sidelines were disappointed with the effort put in by the boys from Eumundi. In true Dragon's Spirit, they competed for the full 80 minutes of playing time.

Eumundi coach, Dan Cooper, continues to be impressed by the positive attitude of the players in his squad and their willingness to learn and develop as Rugby players. The team is really starting to bond well with a full squad of 23 players turning up for matches each week to enjoy all that the game " played on heaven " has to offer.

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