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"We need to stick together": Jordie Marriott owner of The Cocoa Tree Cafe in Palmwoods urges people to support locals.

## Cocoa Cafes, bars & restaurants under pressure

LOCAL businesses are bracing for a sharp decline in trade after the Prime Minister's announcement on Sunday of closures to restrict the spread of

Pubs, clubs, hotels, bars and nightclubs that supply alcohol under a general licence were restricted from opening from noon Monday.

Restaurants and cafes are still allowed to serve takeaway drinks and meals. Bottleshops remain open.

Jordie Marriott of the Cocoa Tree Cafe in Palmwoods hoped the community would get behind local businesses while remaining safe and taking care of vulnerable people.

"We need to stick together, otherewise we're in trouble," she said.

Jordie said her whole menu was still available and customers could phone ahead to place orders.

"I feel really sorry for bigger businesses that can't do takeaways. Luckily we have a loyal customer base and a lot of our locals have said they will be

## Leaders urge calm, locals unite

HINTERLAND businesses and community leaders urged people to stay calm in the face of fear and deteriorating trading conditions caused by the COVID-19 pandemic.

Hospitality, tourism and retail industries are among the hardest hit by measures announced Sunday by Prime Minister Scott Morrison to control the Coronavirus out-

The "stage one" shutdown in Australia includes pubs, clubs, nightclubs, gyms, indoor sporting venues, places of worship, cinemas and entertainment venues.

Restaurants and cafes will only be

allowed to provide home delivery or takeaway services. Bottleshops can remain open.

Other businesses not on the list could stay open, as long as they adhered to social-distancing measures such as ensuring there is four square metres for each person on the premises.

Indoor gatherings are still limited to fewer than 100 people. The latest measures were introduced after people flaunted prior recommendations.

#### What must close:

· Pubs, clubs, hotels, bars and night-

clubs that supply alcohol under a general licence (but bottleshops, takeaway meals and accommodation can continue);

- gyms, indoor sporting centres, casinos;
- cinemas, nightclub or entertainment venue of any kind
- · Restaurants and cafes (but takeaways and deliveries can continue);
- · Places of worship (but weddings and funerals can continue).

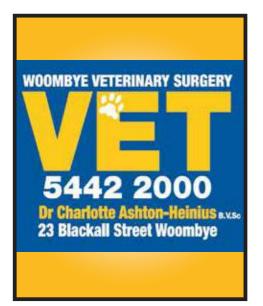
Queensland Schools remained open at time of writing. On Sunday Queensland had 38 new confirmed cases of novel coronavirus raising the state total to 259. Two were from the Sunshine Coast.

The patients consist of 22 males and 16 females between the ages of 19 and 76.

Leaders have stressed that people should cooperate with the measures by keeping their distance, cleaning hands thoroughly, and not going out and congregating.

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#### Sunshine Valley Gazette

## Hinterland spirit shines amid crisis

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

IT has been an interesting moment in time to take over a business. In the past week we have spoken with many business owners and advertisers in our area about how the COVID-19 emergency has impacted them, and the future they are facing. This future is uncertain. It's clear this is a time for everyone to stand up for one another. Those most at risk are our seniors or people with chronic health issues.

Hinterlanders have generally demonstrated tremendous calm and compassion for those worse off, such as those who are losing their jobs. And it has reaffirmed our decision to purchase *The Sunshine Valley Gazette*. Having owned and operated *The Range News* in Maleny for 10 years, connecting caring communities and the businesses that serve them has been the most rewarding aspect of our business life.

While it may be a different story in our capital cities, here in our little corner of the world we are witnessing people at their best, supporting and caring for each other.

We all have our part to play in preventing the spread of this terrible virus. But being socially isolated does not mean you are alone. We hope *The Sunshine Valley Gazette* will continue to inform and connect our community. The paper will be available every fortnight at the usual collection points, and will also be available online. You can view it on our website SunshineValleyGazette.com.au

We look forward to building on the wonderful platform that Kerry Brown has established with so much passion, over the past 8 years. We've tried to bring timely news to you this week amid the constantly changing situation which makes it difficult, so keep your eye on official sources for updates. Thanks to our representatives for scheduling special columns this week. It is important that we hear from our leaders at a time like this.

## Act responsibly. Don't congregate, says Mayor

THE community needed to take the COVID-19 pandemic seriously and follow the instructions from Federal and State authorities, Sunshine Coast Council Mayor and Chair of the Local Disaster Management Group Mark Jamieson said on Monday.

"You only need to look at the stringent measures that have been put in place in the UK, the USA and other nations to understand what is likely to occur if we do not strictly follow the instructions around social distancing, personal hygiene and not congregating in large groups," he said.

"The best health advice is that social distancing is the most effective tool available to combat the spread of COVID-19 in our community. So I am saying to all residents of the Sunshine Coast – keep your distance from one another, act responsibly and safely and don't go out and congregate.

"Do it now, stay safe and think about

the health and safety of those around you," Mayor Jamieson said.

Council released a further business support package on Monday. Council will contact affected businesses to discuss additional support measures including:

- Dedicated staff to assess temporary use ermits
- Additional staff focused on building and plumbing approvals to ensure continuity of work/approvals
- Representations made to the State Government on kitchens and liquor licensing and Federal Government on stimulus to support sole suppliers
- Relaxation of curfews in relation to deliveries of essential items to supermarkets and pharmacies.

Visit the Business Support page at sunshinecoast.qld.gov.au/Business for the full list and up-to-date information.

## Time to show care, support local

From **Andrew Powell**State Member for Glass House

I WON'T sugar-coat it. We're all going through a pretty scary time right now.

Most of us have not witnessed a virus like COVID-19 in our lifetimes, and it can be especially scary if you're elderly or living with a disability.

Now is not the time to turn on each other or be selfish and hoard essentials.

It is the time to show compassion and care for each other ... to be Australian and to look out for your neighbours.

Let me also reassure you, there are no shortages of food, sanitary items or medicines.

Supermarkets have struggled to keep up with the extreme increase in demand for certain items, but to help combat this we passed legislation in Parliament last week to allow supply trucks 24/7 access so we can fill those shelves again.

If you've had to self-isolate and don't have anyone around to bring you groceries and are running out you can call 13HEALTH for an emergency delivery.

#### Time to keep a distance

Yes, it is the time to keep a little extra distance (ideally 1.5m) but that doesn't stop you getting out and about — and it would be great if you could continue to support our local small businesses.

There's only so much I can fit in a column, but if you're looking for any specific information on COVID-19 as an individual or business please email or phone my office.

If you need anything at all ... groceries delivered, scripts filled, a ride to an appointment, please also let me know.

If I can't help personally, I might be able to put you in touch with a person or organisation who can.

Please reach out, we are all in this together and the only way we'll get through it is by working together.

#### No need for hoarding, says Maleny IGA owner

MALENY IGA owner Rob Outridge has assured shoppers supermarkets were not going to run out of groceries.

"We've got certain lines that are under pressure in terms of supply but they will come back online pretty soon if the consumers remain calm," he said.

He said hand sanitizer, some tinned goods, flour, & toilet paper were under pressure.

"They're rationing us on lines like that but it will come back soon. The course we've taken in terms of rationing people to two items per customer is going to buy the distribution system time to recover so we can get it into the stores.

"Our shelves are improving because of the two items per customer limit. The supply system is very robust. We'll be okay. People just have to take their foot off the accelerator a bit."

Mr Outridge said local shoppers were reacting well.

"In a small community everyone knows you and people behave."



Rob Outridge



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Brady's Fruit owner Col Pearce ... "I have to just keep working. I have to keep feeding people."

## First priorities are elderly & customers: businesses

DESPITE being under enormous pressure kindness and compassion are prevailing as the hinterland community rallies to support each other.

In small towns where everyone knows each other the situation is bringing out the best in people.

"I woke up last Monday morning and it was a whole new world," said Col Pearce from Brady's Fruit in Palmwoods.

"I believe what happened was a lot of people went shopping and couldn't find anything. It was just like — bang.

Mr Pearce said his main concern was making sure his customers had access to fresh produce.

"I have to just keep working. I have to keep feeding people."

Mr Pearce said demand and costs had increased significantly. He said many people didn't realise that pre-existing drought conditions had already forced fruit and vegetable prices higher and increased demand just added to that pressure.

Gerald Roberts of the North Coast Mower Centre said he had noticed some fall off in trade and expected it could probably

"It's a terrible situation and the uncertainty is awful for people, particularly the elderly. But at the end of the day I'm probably luckier than many businesses. People still have to mow their grass, so, thankfully we're okay. But I feel terrible for the other people and businesses who are affected."

Brian Birrell from Woombye Seafood said it was important for people to maintain the precautions that had been put in place in order to help keep vulnerable people safe.

"Everyone needs to respect what the government wants us to do, in terms of restrictions, and look after the older people. It's not a joke," he said.

"Businesses will suffer there's no doubt.

Everyone has to be careful and mindful. The way I look at it if people learned to sanitise and stay home if they're sick we'd all be better off."

Nathan Spring from The Local Gym in Woombye who was forced to close his doors Monday was more concerned about people who had lost their jobs.

"We've had such good support from members," he said. But some people have cancelled because they've lost their jobs. We feel worse for them than we do for ourselves if you know what I mean."

Like everyone he was uncertain of the future but he remained hopeful and urged people to keep things in perspective.



Gerald Roberts of North Coast Mower Centre: "I feel terrible for the other people and businesses who are affected.'

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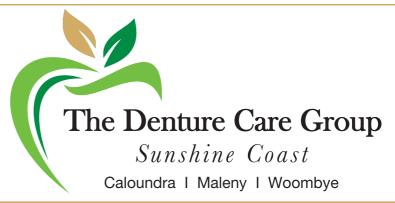
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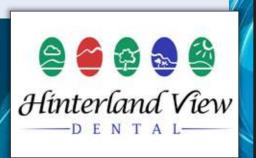
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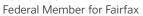
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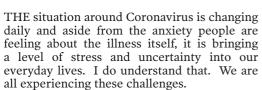
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## Government support available

Ted O'Brien





So I wanted to assure you that the Government is taking COVID-19 very seriously. The situation is being monitored constantly and updated daily, based on the best advice from the nation's leading health experts. We are also focused on keeping the country running because we will get through this. As the Prime Minister said, this is about saving lives and livelihoods.

It took just one day for the Parliament to unanimously pass the second tranche of our economic support package – an additional \$66.1 billion. That's on top of the \$17.6 billion package announced only a week earlier.

For families, this latest package includes: Coronavirus supplement: to be paid at \$550 per fortnight for the next six months on top of the JobSeeker Payment (Newstart), Youth Allowance, Parenting Payment, Farm Household Allowance and Special Benefit. Asset test and waiting periods for the JobSeeker Payment have also been waived.

**Payments to households:** in addition to the \$750 stimulus payment announced on 12 March 2020, the Government will provide a further \$750 payment to social security and veteran income support recipients and eligible concession card holders (excluding those now eligible for the Coronavirus Supplement).

**Superannuation:** The Government will allow individuals in financial stress to access up to \$10,000 of their superannuation in 2019-20 and a further \$10,000 in 2020-21. The Government is also temporarily reducing the superannuation minimum drawdown requirements for account based pensions and similar products by 50%.

There is also billions of dollars in new measures to support businesses. Up-to-date, information, including eligibility details for the measures outlined above, can be found at www.australia. gov.au

## Hygiene and distance our best weapons: PM

Extracts from the Statement by the Prime Minister Scott Morrison, Sunday March 22

AUSTRALIAN governments are focused on working together to slow the spread of coronavirus (COVID-19) to save lives.

Every extra bit of time allows us to better prepare our health system and put measures in place to protect Australian lives

We will be living with this virus for at least six months, so social distancing measures to slow this virus down must be sustainable for at least that long to protect Australian lives, allow Australia to keep functioning and keep Australians in jobs.

The Prime Minister, state and territory Premiers and Chief Ministers met on 22 March 2020 as the National Cabinet. They agreed to further actions to support social distancing measures already put in place and protect the Australian community from the spread of coronavirus.

Practicing good hygiene and keeping a healthy physical distance between individuals is our most powerful weapon in fighting this virus and saving lives. The failure of some businesses and members of the public to do this puts people's lives at risk.

We need every Australian to do their bit to save the lives of other Australians.

Leaders thank those members of the public who are adhering to social distancing measures. However, leaders expressed their disappointment at some members of the community who are disregarding social distancing measures and putting the lives of older and vulnerable Australians at risk.

If we want to slow the spread, everyone must implement appropriate social distancing in accordance with state and territory laws.

#### Places of social gathering

National Cabinet agreed to move to more

widespread restrictions on social gatherings. Premiers and Chief Ministers agreed to implement, through state and territory laws, new Stage 1 restrictions on social gatherings, to be reviewed on a monthly basis.

Australians should expect these measures to be in place for at least 6 months.

The following facilities will be restricted from opening from midday local time 23 March 2020:

- Pubs, registered and licenced clubs (excluding bottle shops attached to these venues), hotels (excluding accommodation)
  - Gyms and indoor sporting venues
- Cinemas, entertainment venue casinos, and night clubs
- Restaurants and cafes will be restricted to takeaway and/or home delivery
- Religious gatherings, places of worship or funerals (in enclosed spaces and other than very small groups and where the 1 person per 4 square metre rule applies).

Other facilities are not impacted, but will be considered under stage 2 restrictions, if necessary.

These measures also apply to outdoor spaces associated with the above venues.

Leaders noted that these enhanced measures build on existing measures to slow the virus and save lives:

- No non-essential gatherings of more than 500 people outside or more than 100 people inside.
- All non-essential indoor gatherings of less than 100 people must have no more than one person per 4sqm. All Australians should expect their local businesses to be following this rule.
- Where possible, keep 1.5 metres between yourself and others
- Avoid non essential travel
- Restrictions on entering aged care homes to protect older Australians

We will consider further restrictions if current measures are not adhered to.

## We're all in this together

From **Marty Hunt** State Member for Nicklin



WE are in this together. That's the message from the Prime Minister and it is certainly true. We're facing a tough health and economic challenge that cannot be underestimated. Everyone must do their bit to reduce the spread of the Corona (Covid-19) virus. The simplest message among all the others is to maintain physical distancing. This is something we can all do and minimising contact with other people as much as possible.

With all the cancelled community events, meetings, forums and social gatherings we will all see a lot less of each other over the coming months as we avoid contact and virus spread. For my electorate office this means wherever possible we will deal with matters via phone or email but rest assured I am working every day to help in any way I can.

It is my job as your elected representative to assist and to advocate to the State Government for what our community needs. Now is not a time for political point scoring but it is also not a time to stay silent for what our community needs, and we believe some extra measures should be rolled out as other States have done. That is why we have called for more initiatives from the Palaszczuk Government to assist people and businesses with payroll tax relief (not just deferral of the bill), freezing rego/power/water bills and to fast track some Government projects that can keep people working.

Look after each other, particularly our most vulnerable and seniors. It's time for that great Aussie culture of mateship to come to the fore. Be patient and kind to each other and understand that things will be different for a while but we will get to the other side together.

It's important also with things changing by the hour to keep yourself up to date. The very best website is www.australia.gov.au which has all the latest official information that can be relied upon. Please call 54064100 or email my office nicklin@parliament.qld. gov.au if there are any State matters. We are in this together and we stand ready to help.

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**Rachel Robertson** 



 $Amanda\ Chapman\ from\ Woombye\ Butchery\ ...\ \ "We're\ trying\ to\ make\ sure\ we\ have\ enough$ 

### Brisbane buyers add pressure to already busy Woombye Butchery

AMANDA Chapman from Woombye Butchery said she was surprised by the number of panic buyers coming from Brisbane hoarding meat.

While she would appreciate the extra business under normal circumstances the surge in trade put additional pressure on her business at a stressful time.

"It's a double edged sword because the biggest thing for us is that local people who have supported us since day dot are taken care of," she said.

"We're working hard to make sure we

have enough for our locals and for our aged care facilities. They rely on us."

Ms Chapman said the increase in demand meant it was costing her more to buy product but she had to honour existing contracts with bigger customers, such as aged care facilities.

It was a constant battle to keep prices as low as possible while maintaining supply to

Ms Chapman said she had been putting meat aside for regular customers so they would not be caught short.

## **Locals encouraged to** keep an eye on neighbours

SUNSHINE Coast Council is encouraging all residents to look out for their neighbours particularly those who are most vulner-

Sunshine Coast Council Mayor and Local Disaster Management Group Chair Mark Jamieson said the Sunshine Coast community was well-known for its generous reputation and called on everyone to get on

"What we're asking people to do is please reach out and check on your neighbours, especially our older neighbours," Mayor Jamieson said.

Council's #covidkindness platform will explore weekly themes to encourage residents to Stay Connected, Stay Informed, Stay Healthy, Stay Playful, Stay Creative and Stay Neighbourly to help combat social isolation, loneliness and community discon-

This is part of council's existing At Home

in my Neighbourhood program, which encourages connected neighbourhoods and can encourage a better quality of life, feeling safe and engaged and an overall sense of belonging.

Like many acts of kindness starting to emerge online, Council officers have developed a free postcard that can be downloaded from council's website.

Residents can print out the postcard and pop it in their neighbour's mailbox using good hand hygiene or screenshot and send to their neighbours electronically.

Anyone is welcome to use this and council urges residents, businesses, community organisations and other councils to share it with their communities.

It encourages people to get to know their neighbours and assist those who may be isolated or cannot get out and travel around or having difficulties coping, particularly during the COVID-19 pandemic.

#### Some businesses in survival mode

Kerry Brown President **Hinterland Tourism** 

NO-ONE could ever have imagined this crisis would unravel so fast.

The worst thing we can do is panic and make bad decisions, it is a time to make the conscious effort to be calm and careful.

This will pass and life will resume.

Government acknowledges COVID-19 is a huge challenge and when the opposition leader, Anthony Albanese, said it is "time for solutions and not arguing", it demonstrated a bipartisan approach.

A small comfort in troubled times.

While they forge on, we can't solely rely on Canberra, now is the time to look after

each other. The tourism and the hospitality industry have already been hit hard. It is a time to embrace change and opportunity.

Some eateries and pubs are doing takeaway meals.

If possible it is so important to support these local businesses.

Sadly others, like our accommodation houses and wedding venues are in survival mode as they have no way to diversify.

Hinterland Tourism will support these businesses through this difficult time, even if it is just a phone call to touch base.

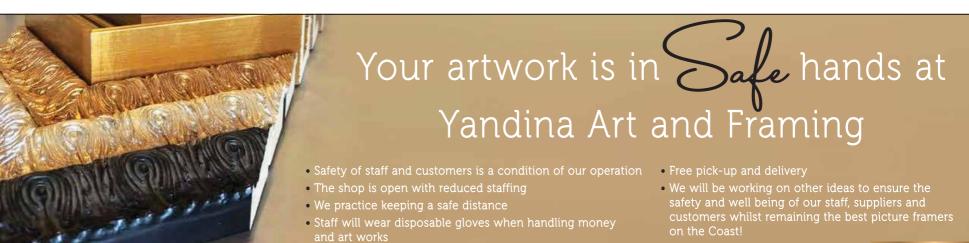
We all need to check on each other through this, even the person you consider the most capable, because you never know what their reality is.

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### Firm bucks trend, backs Nambour



From left, Member for Fairfax Ted O'Brien, conveyancing manager Jo Leis, Lawyer Andrew Gardiner, Kellie Leis and Div 10 Councilor Greg Rogerson celebrate the opening of Andrew Gardiner Law in Nambour.

ANDREW Gardiner Law is encouraging more businesses to invest in Nambour as it announces its expansion into the hinterland.

Director Andrew Gardiner, who has practiced law for nearly three decades in Mooloolaba, decided the addition of the Nambour location would better serve hinterland clients who may prefer to handle their legal matters locally.

"Our firm wants to be a part of the communities we service and we believe Nambour will have a strong future if other businesses get behind the town," Mr Gardiner said. "Nambour was the original business heart of the Sunshine Coast, and I applaud the recent upsurge in support for its reinvigoration.

"By opening a branch office in Nambour, I am proud to help shine a spotlight on this regional centre and its vitality remains critical to the Coast's economy."

Member for Fairfax Ted O'Brien – who has been actively working on the revitalisation of Nambour – said this move was a step in the right direction. "Businesses like Andrew Gardiner Law are recognising that Nambour's decade of change is upon us," he said.

"By expanding into the Nambour market and adding premises to better serve local residents, Andrew is standing alongside other business owners who see the potential in Nambour and want to be present for its evolution."

Mr O'Brien started the "Reimagine Nambour" project which is designed to transform the local economy while retaining its distinctive cultural identity in the midst of crime and drug issues.

Joining the Andrew Gardiner Law team at the Nambour office include conveyancing managers and sisters, Jo and Kellie Leis.

The sisters are highly regarded on the Coast for their wealth of knowledge of corporate law and conveyancing, and their strong network of long-standing business relationships. The new office is based at 8 Queen Street, Nambour.

## Time to reach out to help business and community

from Grant Palethorpe Vice President

Woombye Community & Business Association

WE all love Woombye, we are a small close community, but no means immune by what is happening around us.

In the last fortnight we have all witnessed massive changes in the way we can go about our daily life.

The latest announcement by the PM has seen the Pub, Bowls Club forced to close.

Our cafes are restricted to take away service only. Our two gyms have closed, as has the Sunshine Coast Gymnastics Academy.

Given the situation with COVID19 the Woombye Community & Business Association (WCBA) has reprioritised our current projects. We are committed to assisting the residents of Woombye (and district) and our wonderful businesses.

Now more than ever before we do need to look after each other, our children, our older folk, and our businesses.

With social distancing in mind, use the telephone to keep in touch, everyone reacts differently to stressful times. A telephone call to someone will make a difference.

The cafes and restaurants are adapting to the new rules and are offering take away and even home delivering.

Businesses like the Woombye Rural Supplies are offering phone ahead service, pay over the phone and they'll bring the goods to your car.

During this time, we really do need to think outside of the box.

#### How can the WCBA help?

We have 2 initiatives. Utilise our social media platforms as a central point of contact.

If all businesses also post updates to our social media pages, residents can simply visit our page as a central point of reference.

We will also continue to post important public information from reliable sources.

Not everyone uses Facebook, so that's where we should pick up the telephone and ring the neighbour.

Our social Media Platforms:

- Facebook: Woombye WCBA & Friends Woombye WCBA & Friends - Home
- Instagram: woombye\_w.c.b.a www.instagram.com/woombye\_w.c.b.a/

#### Start a support network

We all know someone who's elderly, has a low immune system, frail, or in poor health. We most probably have a neighbour who is going to find it difficult over the coming weeks and months.

We are keen to form a support network. It might be to pick up their prescription, bread, milk, paper.

Even a chat (from a distance) over the fence or a phone call.

Social isolation will be difficult for some, as a community we can make a difference. At this early stage we aren't certain how this will play out.

Obviously, everyone's health is first and foremost.

If all this idea achieves is making someone's day a little easier then it's a success and really reflects on why we all love living here in Woombye.

We welcome anyone interested to email the WCBA on woombyecommunity@gmail. com, with the subject line 'Woombye: our place our family'

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**INDEPENDENT FOR DIVISION 5** 



## \$50,0000 to local groups thanks to Sundale

A GENEROUS \$50,000 in funding will help locals in need thanks to the Sundale Community Foundation.

The Foundation's third annual grants were presented to 13 charitable organisations at a presentation at Nambout RSL last month.

Sunshine Coast Mayor Mark Jamieson joined Foundation Chair Caroline Hutchison to present the third year of grants.

"I regularly say that our community organisations are the backbone of our region and I am delighted this support is being made available to assist a range of projects in and around Nambour," Mayor Jamieson said.

The Foundation also partners with Sundale Limited and Ken Mills Toyota.

Each donated an extra \$5000 to Nambour Meals on Wheels and Nambour St Vincent de Paul Society respectively.

Sundale CEO Danielle Mackenzie said the Foundation was established in 2015 by Sundale Ltd with the aim of extending the charitable influence of Sundale through financial grants for worthy projects around Nambour.

"One of Sundale's core values is striving to make a difference to people's lives every single day," Ms Mackenzie said.

"These grants will do exactly that."

A spokesperson for Meals on Wheels said the funds were used to buy new eskies to transport meals to clients and a new freezer and shelving for their cold room. "The whole point is to guarantee food safety so that everything we provide is healthy and nutritional for our clients," she said.

**Grants Recipients:** 

Coast2Bay, Palmwoods Community Kindergarten, Lily House, Nambour Community Preschool and Kindergarten, Compass, Nambour Meals on Wheels, Daniel Morcombe Foundation, Spiral Inc, St Vincent de Paul Society Queensland, PCYC Sunshine Coast, Wildcats Soccer Club, Nambour Community Centre and the Mapleton State School P&C.



**Background:** 

\$1 million was gifted by Sundale Ltd to kick-start the Foundation.

That \$1m has been invested thanks to the Sundale Community Foundation Board of volunteers.

Earnings from those funds are distributed in community grants each year.

Visit the Sundale Community Foundation website http://www.sundalecommunityfoundation.org.au for further information. Applications for grants between \$1000-\$10,000 close 31 August 2020.

Above: Sundale Board Chairperson John Woodward, Jennifer Waldroff from Meals on Wheels Nambour and Sundale Ltd CEO Danielle Mackenzie.

Top right: All kids in the Nambour Wildcats Soccer Club will soon be provided with a kit of Wildcats gear thanks to the Foundation.

Right: Mark Jamieson, Caroline Terry Hutchinson and the team from Nambour Community Centre.





# Sponsorship applications closing soon

Heritage Bank Palmwoods Community Branch sponsorship applications close 31 March 2020. If your community group is from the Palmwoods area and would like to apply, please speak to one of our team for more information.



Visit your local community branch at Palmwoods Plaza or call 5399 8070.

#### Hi! I'm Tracy,

I am a long serving high school teacher of English and The Arts, mother of two and an active participant in environmental projects locally and internationally. I have lived in the Hinterland for over 12 years and believe the Sunshine Coast is a beautiful and unique part of Queensland that we need to preserve and protect.

I think there is genuine concern in the community for the direction of our Coast, as the population increases and the effects of Climate Change are becoming more dangerous every season.

By running as a Candidate for The Greens, people know what I stand for. I am being honest and upfront about my values. It is an honour to stand as the Candidate for Division 5 to represent my community. I look forward to sharing my vision for a society of equality, ecological sustainability and justice, for all of us



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- ▲ Modernise local laws to address changes in road usage and improve parking conditions.
- ▲ Increase pedestrian, mobility scooter and cyclist safety.
- ▲ Provide resources and support for community service providers including affordable housing, family violence support and disability services.

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- ▲ Better prepare for more frequent and more intense bushfire and flooding events.
- ▲ Improve the Coast's capacity to care for injured, rare and threatened wildlife.
- ▲ Declare a Climate Emergency.

#### Hi! I'm Sue,

Like most locals, I feel shut out of local government decisions, and I am fed up with seeing the impact of poor development. Our community needs to be heard and our voices respected. It's time for change, and for new people who interact differently. As your Division 10 representative in Council, I'll stand up for people, not profit. I'll give locals a real say in decisions and how we plan for the future; a future with increasing densification and the impacts of climate change. I'll ensure our community is active, sustainable and connected.

The Sunshine Coast Hinterland has been my home for over 37 years, and where I raised my daughter and son. I currently reside on rural acreage with my extended family and a menagerie of birds and animals. I am a small business owner, and



have extensive experience in banking, finance and business management, along with committee and finance roles in community and not-for-profit organisations.

Will you support me?

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Tanya Outridge, Kerry Brown and Cameron Outridge. Kerry is holding the first copy of the paper, Tanya and Cameron the most recent.

## New owners at Sunshine Valley Gazette

by Cameron & Tanya Outridge

WELCOME to our first edition of the *Sunshine Valley Gazette*. This week, we took over this much-loved paper from the wonderful Kerry Brown, who has dedicated herself to building it up since 2012.

Knowing the sense of community in the area, Kerry suspected that a truly local paper filled with local news and stories could provide a valuable resource and service to residents. And her hunch was confirmed as the paper grew in size, distribution and popularity.

Our first experience of Community newspapers was when we bought *The Range News* in Maleny in 1997. We enjoyed a similar experience of immersing ourselves in a small community, publishing community news and helping small businesses to grow, before selling the newspaper in 2006.

In our current digital marketing agency we work with business owners, telling their stories, and helping them to market their businesses online. But we missed the sense of connection that comes with community papers. In particular, we missed being part of vibrant, thriving communities like those here in the Sunshine Valley.

There is a genuine spirit of camaraderie between people which is unique to smaller, rural communities, and is essential for community newspapers and small businesses alike, to flourish.

We loved that there are so many family businesses here, providing services to their local customers, with so many stories to tell.

Like every other business owner in the country today, we are faced with unique challenges to which we must adapt. We will need to find the best and safest ways to serve our readership and advertisers. With that reality in mind, we will be publishing each edition in full on our website SunshineValleyGazette.com.au

We will regularly update important news and events on our website and on our Facebook page www.facebook.com/SunshineValleyGazette/. We encourage you to Like our page so that you can stay in touch with local news and information as it comes to hand.

We will also be using both platforms to promote our wonderful advertisers, many of whom face tough times in the coming months. We're here to help business owners in the area find ways to market effectively through the next six months.

We look forward to hearing from community groups, with your news and updates, and readers' letters and story ideas that we can bring to you.



Val and Col Saunders cut a cake to honour their 25 years service.

#### Palmwoods Club honours couple for long service

CLUB stalwarts Val and Col Saunders were recently recognised for 25 years service to the Palmwoods Bowls Club.

"Little clubs like ours rely on volunteers such as Val & Col," said Club Chairperson Glynis Myers. "Volunteers are hard to find and it is important to recognise the work they do. Val and Col have been members for 25 years and heavily involved in various fund-raising to finance additions to the facility."

Val was President of the Ladies Section and also Social Director for the Club. Both Col and Val have volunteered at the Craft Day, Invisits and Fiesta, not only volunteering, but also baking for most of these events. Val was a top bowler until she became ill playing in the District pennants, winning the District 4s and District 3s in various years. She also won many club championships.

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## Nambour RSL closed until further notice

ON Sunday, March 22, the Prime Minister Scott Morrison announced that Licensed Clubs, along with many other non-essential services, must cease operations from midday on Monday, March 23.

"In light of this ruling, we have made the difficult decision not to open today, March 23, and remain closed until permitted to re-open," said Nambour RSL CEO Suzanne Long.

Ms Long assured all staff, members and guests that the club would re-open as soon as possible.

"When this time comes, we'll need your support more than ever, to visit and enjoy your community club, just like you've always done. We will continue to follow the directions of all Government levels, with the health and wellbeing of our community our top priority. We look forward to welcoming you back to the Club soon and will update you through our communication channels when we know more."

## Old Ambo Galleries closes temporarily

NAMBOUR'S Old Ambulance Station has closed its exhibition gallery and suspended exhibitions and gallery events until further notice.

"We are concerned about the safety and wellbeing of you, your family and your friends as the current situation in Australia is unfolding in regard to COVID-19," said Old Ambulance Station Board President Michael Doneman in a statement.

"This will be effective immediately and includes upcoming exhibition openings. "These are very peculiar times as we all navigate our way through this together. While our day-to-day lives are being impacted upon — please remember the power of the arts."



#### Nine Excellence Awards for Ken Mills

KEN Mills Toyota won nine Excellence Awards at the 2019 Dealer of the Year Awards, Queensland.

Among the winners, the Service Department took out Best Metro Dealer in Queensland for service. For the second year running, Ken Mills are Queensland's No 1 Dealer for Finance & Insurance and Business Managers Luke Teys and Regan Payne took Gold & Silver in 'Business Manager of the year' respectively.

"A big thank to all our staff for their contribution to these results," a spokesperson said

Photo: Back Row, from left, Shawn Loffler, Nambour Sales Manager – Bronze Sales Excellence; Regan Payne, Nambour Business Manager – Silver Business Manager of the Year; Luke Teys, Maroochydore Business Manager - Gold Business Manager of the Year; Mark Pagett, General Manager - Toyota Access Dealer of the Year, John Upson, Maroochydore Service Manager.

Front Row, from left, Brad Fisher, Nambour Sales Executive; Tony Hunter, Nambour Service Manager – Silver Metro Service Dealer Excellence; Kim Smith, Executive PA – Bronze Business Management Excellence; Kimberley Rider, Marketing Manager – Bronze Brand & Guest Experience Excellence; Brett Mills, Dealer Principal – Toyota Finance & Insurance Dealer of the Year; Jeff Aslett, Parts & Accessories, Bronze Parts Excellence.

## Council reviews business charges

SUNSHINE Coast Council will assist local business with commercial fees and charges relief as part of an economic package to help them cope with the impacts of the novel coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic.

Following approval from council at a March 19 Ordinary Meeting, the Chief Executive Officer is authorised to exercise discretion to review and, if required, waive, commercial and cost recovery fees during the National declared emergency.

This will give council officers greater agility to assist businesses following the recently introduced significant public health measures.

Short term accommodation property owners wishing to change their offering to long term accommodation will be able to seek a review of their general rates category.

In addition to assisting with local fees and charges council will, where possible, add extra staff to key processes to accelerate approvals.

The finance team will do everything it can to expedite the processing of payments and will target paying the invoices within seven days, provided all of the information has been provided, and the goods have been received or the services delivered within contractual arrangements.

Council pays suppliers, on average, \$30 million per month, and half of our invoices are paid within seven days. Speeding payments to suppliers will inject \$15 million into the local economy sooner.

Visit council's website for more information on council, Federal and State government assistance available during COVID-19.



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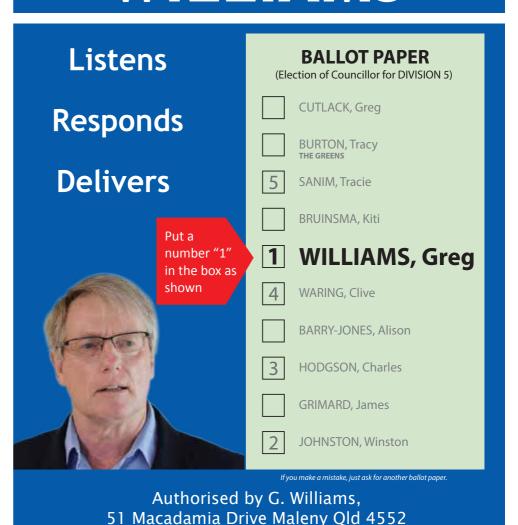
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## **1** Greg WILLIAMS



for G. Williams (Candidate)

## JUST VOTE 1 BARRY-JONES Alison

Division 5 Independent Candidate

Division 5 is the JEWEL in the crown of the Sunshine Coast. It's stunning scenery and natural appeal is second to none.

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My absolute priority is to make sure that we have a strong voice in Council and Division 5 receives the necessary funding allocations and level of support I firmly believe it so much deserves. My proven track record of delivering in the arts, environment, tourism, education and business sectors is unmatched. Harnessing our collective intelligence to ensure that Division 5 is preserved and enriched by the decisions we make as a community and in Council are paramount.

Together, and in step with community wishes I shall deliver open, honest, productive representation.

#### I AM COMMITTED TO:

- ✓ Open consultative government and respect for community wishes and your town plan.
- ✓ Enforcement of environmental degradation laws and curtailing noise pollution and urban sprawl across the hinterland.
- ✓ Council providing two dump vouchers and one roadside pick up of furniture items.
- ✓ Support and encourage agriculture, cottage industries, tourism, small business and developing clean high tech and other industries.
- ✓ Facilities which cater for youth activities in sport, music and art.
- ✓ Improved local transport, parking facilities and pathway bikeway interconnectedness.
- ✓ Fighting for additional funding to overcome RURAL road neglect.
- ✓ Cleaner water ways and marine life protection.
- ✓ Accessing faster more efficient internet reception.
- ✓ Parks and gardens- adopt a park programs and support for all self-motivated community-based organisations
- ✓ Providing wholesome regional community entertainment and sporting facilities for the residents.
- ✓ Road planning to better reduce traffic gridlocks.
- ✓ Improving sewerage recycling and waste management schemes.
- ✓ Responsible pet ownership including animal welfare for our wildlife.
- ✓ Humane management of ferrel animals.
- ✓ Explore more deeply options Council can act on to address the housing crisis.
- ✓ Lobbying for State and Federal funding for the long-awaited Regional Arts, Convention, and Multipurpose Exhibition Centre.
- ✓ Support State Emergency, Lifeline, Legacy and all other valuable Community and Welfare Agencies.
- ✓ Continue to improve and upgrade disability access infrastructure.
- ✓ Improve efficiencies in Council reducing unnecessary obstacles and red tape.
- ✓ Supply a free Refuse dump Voucher for each rate notice
- ✓ Become positive in helping community organisation reach their goals and fundraising initiatives.

#### WHAT ALISON HAS DONE FOR YOU AND YOUR FAMILIES

- Gained a University for the Sunshine Coast and initial funding for USC.
- TAFE Colleges and Campuses both at Nambour and
- The Mountain Creek High School.
- The USC Innovations Centre in partnership a place to build smart business.
- The sports Tartan track at USC.
- First Virgin Airlines direct flights to the Sunshine Coast.
- The inaugural New Zealand to the Sunshine Coast flights and the simulator pilot training facilities.
- State funding for the Southern Access Road (Maroochy Blvd).
- Sunshine Coast Group Training Company to train
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- Major upgrade of Caloundra Maroochy Water ozone water treatment.

- The establishment of the Arts Incubator in Howard St Nambour.
- Sippy Creek Animal Refuge rescued from Council closure Alison is a Life Member. Thanks to amazing management and staff it is be one of Nations best.
- Negotiated with Government to have 'SUNSHINE COAST' our legal destination name and had signs erected by Main Roads on our highways.
- Erected all tourist drive signs across the Sunshine Coast to encourage tourism patronage especially for Hinterland drives.
- Won the PGA golf tournament held for many year at the Hyatt Coolum.
- Hosted CHOGM and the 2000 Olympic relay.
- Gained State Government feasibility funding for the Arts, Convention and Entertainment Centre, a project of which I am currently President.

- Construction of the Coolum Boardwalk.
- Reinstatement of the Maroochydore Beach by means of sand bag and concrete groins.
- Moved the Green Levy to be introduced by Council.
  (Allan Kurlin) moved the final motion.

   Environmental degradation laws were enforced for.
- Environmental degradation laws were enforced for the first time under my leadership.
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   Part of the Cully Kerr- lones Council reduced the
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**Alison Barry-Jones OAM** 



**Ballot Paper Name** 

## **Candidate Division 5**

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#### JUST VOTE 1 FOR ME

or if you wish but not necessary, you may number in order of preference some or all of the other candidates.

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## **Beard gone for Leukaemia fundraiser**

MEMBER for Glass House, Andrew Powell MP, has joined forces with the Leukaemia Foundation and shaved his beard off to help shave the world from blood cancer.

Andrew recently visited the talented Shandelle Terry and Renee Harris from Barbers of Maleny to go under the knife and have his iconic beard shaved.

have his iconic beard shaved.

"I was nervous!" Mr Powell said. "I've had the beard on for five years now, having only shaved it once during a family holiday and was grateful then it grew back pretty quickly."

The Glass House community raised \$544.63 to support Andrew's beard shaving expedition and more than 100,000 Australians currently living with blood cancers like Leukaemia, Lymphoma and Myeloma.

"Whilst I am a bit skeptical about my new look, I'm thrilled to have been able to raise this money for the Leukaemia Foundation in such a fun way that engages the broader community."

This was Andrew Powell's third year participating in the World's Greatest Shave, but his first year shaving his beard.

In previous years, he has dyed it.

"I know there are people who were pretty upset that more donations went towards colouring my beard last year. Obviously, they were eager to see it go since I quickly went above and beyond my \$500 fundraising goal!"

Funds raised through World's Greatest Shave is critical to help the Leukaemia Foundation continue to support local families affected by blood cancer through advocating for equal access to new therapies and treatments as well as providing educational, emotional and practical support such as transport and accommodation, all at no cost.

"There's definitely a bit of a cool breeze hitting my face now, but the next decision to make is whether I keep the beard off or grow it back ... stay tuned!"

A fresh-faced approach ... Renee Harris, left, and Shandelle Terry from Barbers of Maleny shaved Andrew Powell's beard for charity.

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#### **Anzac Day Cancelled**

PLEASE be advised that in accordance with national measures to counter the current coronavirus pandemic, Anzac Day Commemoration for 2020 at Buderim is regrettably cancelled.

Many thanks to all individuals and groups who intended to participate or have been involved already in active preparation for Anzac Day.

#### Friends of Maleny Library

FRIENDS of Maleny Library Sunshine Coast has suspended all Book Sales until further notice.

Our monthly book sales are usually held in Maleny Library on the first Saturday of the month.

#### Nambour Garden Club

DUE to the precautions being taken to limit the spread of Covid-19, Nambour Garden Club meetings are suspended until further notice

In the interim please feel free to contact Karel on 0490 415 067.

#### Belli Hall Committee

DUE to the coronavirus the Belli Community Hall Committee has decided to postpone the dances until further notice.

For more information go to our website bellihall@gmail.com or our Face Book page.

#### Mapleton Hall Markets

MAPLETON Hall Country Markets for 28th March and 25th April have been cancelled.

The Coronavirus has had a significant impact on everyone.

This situation is unprecedented, evolving and challenging for all involved.

Whilst this is outside of our control, we will keep you posted as to when we start again. Thank you for your patience and support.



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## THESE ARE THE MAYORAL AND COUNCILLOR CANDIDATES THAT WE WOULD ENCOURAGE YOU TO SUPPORT:

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Dealer Principal Brett Mills & Kimberley Rider of Ken Mills Toyota, who donated \$5000 to June Chandler, left, and Angela Jacobs of Nambour St Vincents De Paul.

## **Grass-roots grant gets kids into school uniforms**

AFTER 18 years in Nambour, Brett Mills loves nothing more than giving back to the community that has supported his business.

The Ken Mills Toyota Dealer Principal paid tribute to Nambour, the Sundale Community Foundation and his chosen charity, St Vincent de Paul Society at the recent awards. The \$5000 donation will help provide uniforms and shoes for schoolkids in need.

"What I love about this Foundation is the absolute grass roots giving," he said. "We know that when we contribute, our money makes a huge difference on the ground. It's a privilege to be able to partner with this grants program to, in turn, support these locals and organisations who give so much.

"The favourite part of my job has become giving back to the community that supports

us. This year, being able to contribute to the lives of young kids and children in school is something that is close to my heart and where I would like my charitable donations to go."

Angie from St Vincent de Paul said the \$5000 helped children fit in at school. "A lot of children have never had new shoes or a new uniform so what we did was provide two pairs of shoes and a new uniform to all the kids that came to us," she said. "That makes them feel part of the school and not get bullied, because you can imagine what it's like to go to school looking different."

Mr Mills said his award winning company continued to enjoy a strong association with Nambour. "Nambour locals are passionate advocates for the region and strongly support their community with an incredible depth of grassroots projects," he said.

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### **Division 10**

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**Open field vies for Rogo's** old stomping ground

THE departure of long-serving councillor Greg Rogerson leaves a huge experience gap and the position open to a field of seven.

The prospect of representing this diverse division has drawn a wide and talented group of candidates. The decline of Nambour CBD and the best way to fix it has become a hot issue during the campaign.

Suggestions have included: bringing accommodation into town; capitalising on the recent special entertainment precinct designation; encouraging start-ups into town; new street-scaping and restoring the old façades of historic buildings.

#### Where to vote:

- Burnside: Burnside State School, 51 Blaxland Road.
- Eumundi: Eumundi School, 22 Caplick Way.
- Kenilworth: Kenilworth Community Hall, Elizabeth Street.
- Kureelpa: Kureelpa Public Hall, 2 Jewett Road. • Mapleton: Mapleton State
- School, 24 Flaxton Drive. Nambour: Hungerford Hall,
- Nambour State College, 7 Carrol St. • Nambour West: Nambour
- Heights Bowls Club, 54 Isabella Ave. • Yandina: School of Arts Hall, 11 Farrell Street.

#### **Keith Campbell:** support & investment young new leader

Camp-Keith bell is independent self-funded. His family has lived around Div 10 for six generations. He has worked community groups for



40 years & spent 25 years as a senior design draftsman. He says Div 10 deserves appropriate investment & support for kerbside clean-ups, tip vouchers, safe footpaths, sealing gravel roads, replacing sewage pumpouts. He values face-to-face engagement, open Council operations, Nambour revitalisation, parking solutions, green corridors, responsible spending & preserving rural charm.

#### Paul Monaghan: listen and act

I have a long history of involvement volunteering and giving back the community. I am hardhonest, working, trustworthy and



incorruptible. I will listen, and act on what is best for Div 10 residents and the Coast. I stand for: fixing parking & allowing fringe parking on narrow streets; reducing wasted spending; re-purpose old council assets to clubs etc; allow non-essential staff to fight rural fires on full pay; more dog parks and off leash areas/enclosures; and bringing back kerbside collections. I vow to listen to my constituents and act on their desires.



Cortney Claridge brings brave new leadership to Division 10. Cortney's passion for service and community has shaped her to be a hard working,



result driven, listener. If elected she will engage with members of the community and community groups to provide strategic leadership to the council and broader community. Cortney believes in service above self and will cultivate a culture of collaboration and diversity. She is a genuine independent and is looking to activate all the potential Division 10 holds.

#### Hilary Wallace: local knowledge

This election is about selecting the right person, with the best skills, knowledge and experience to get results for Division 10.

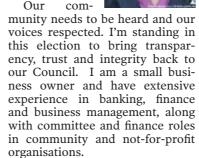


I have worked in Government on the Coast for the past 17 years, seven as Cr Greg Rogerson's assistant. I understand what's required of a Councillor with an in-depth knowledge of how to navigate complex Council processes.

I am Independent and have lived in Division 10 for 17 years. I am honest & realistic with a genuine interest and commitment to make our community a better place to work and live.

#### Sue Etheridge: trust and integrity

Like most locals, I feel shut out of local government decisions, and I am fed up with seeing the impact of poor development.



#### Matthew Filippi: integrity, leadership

Matthew Filippi of Burnside, an experienced leader with 18 years of service in various government roles, including with the Army, Immigration,

Division 10

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Division 5

& Federal Police. He has seen firsthand the importance of transparency, inclusivity and common sense in decision-making. Matthew aims to ensure integrity and value for money decision-making. Priorities: better maintenance of facilities, road sealing, bulk rubbish pick-up, waste voucher scheme, housing affordability, generating jobs, and equitable allocation of funds.

#### David Law: strong communities

I am fully independent, have lived in Nambour for 18 years and have never belonged to a political party. I was the first manager of the Children's



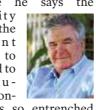
Therapy Centre and have run disability services across Australia in the not-for-profit sector. I stand for strong communities, environmentally and socially responsible development, the re-creation of Nambour town centre, encouraging mental and physical health and wellbeing, the creative arts and equity for our hinterland towns. I am genuinely here for good.

#### **Mayoral Candidates**

#### Michael Burgess Don Innes

Michael Burgess is standing for Mayor because he says the

inability the of current council to respond to community con-



cerns is so entrenched that there is no option but to replace the existing administration.

This region has an opportunity to establish itself in a unique position in the world. But Council has failed to acknowledge the importance of local business as the most vital pillar of the local economy.

Don Innes is a fiercely independent Mayoral Candidate. His objective is to use his



Coast and its community. Priorities include: Task forces working with precincts to drive business; Setting up a Peak Body for Retail; Marketing & Retail con-Drawing sultancies; Business Chambers members into specific market segments; and working with Sunshine Plaza and Kawana Shopping Town on key areas.

#### Mark Jamieson

Mark has been the Mayor of the Sunshine Coast Council (the fifth

largest local government in Queensland)



since April 2012, having been re-elected for a second term on 19 March 2016 with 76% of the vote on a two candidate preferred basis.

Mark is leading a transformational agenda to position the Sunshine Coast as one of Australia's leading city regions one that is healthy, smart and creative.

#### Chris Thompson

Chris is running for mayor because he believes in fighting for

the future of the Sunshine Coast. M a n y people he has



spoken with have said they feel the Sunshine Coast is losing its lifestyle, local community concerns are ignored and there is no transparency in Council's decision making. Chris agrees and wants to respond before it's too late. Chris will lead with integrity, and stand up for the Sunshine Coast.



## You Decide 2020

### **Division 5**

THE Division 5 seat is currently held by retiring Councillor Jenny McKay.

voters have raised Issues include transparency in Council and making sure the hinterland receives a fair share of funds and

Deamalgamation has even been raised as a discussion point during the campaign.

#### Where to vote:

- Conondale: Conondale State School, 1700 Maleny-Kenilworth
- Eudlo: Eudlo State School, Cnr Rosebed Street & Highlands Road.
- Glenview: Glenview State School, 6 Leeding Road.
- Landsborough: Landsborough State School, 41 Gympie Street
- Maleny: Maleny State High School, 50 Bunya Street.
- Montville: St Mary's Hall, 1 Memorial Close.
- Mooloolah: Mooloolah State School, 48 King Road.
- Palmwoods: Palmwoods State School, 111 Palmwoods-Montville
- · Witta: Old Witta School Community Centre, 316 Witta Road.
- Woombye: Woombye State School, 95 Pine Grove Road.

#### Alison Barry-Jones: a strong voice

I stand for open, accountable govern-My ment. priority is to ensure that you have a strong voice in Council, so Div. 5 receives



the necessary funding allocations and level of support its collective vision deserves. My track record of delivering community infrastructure in the arts, sport, environment, tourism, trade training, agriculture, education and business sectors is unmatched. Working together will guarantee Division 5 is preserved & enriched by the decisions we make as a community.

#### Charles Hodgson: improved lifestyle

Fifteen years ago, my wife and I moved to the Sunshine Coast Hinterland. We have two sons, one each in primary and high school.



As a video journalist, for over a decade, I have reported on council, publishing my View News website and social media channels.

I know where things can be improved, together with the need to deal with the consequences of faster than expected population growth, while maintaining the character of our towns, our treasured lifestyle and precious envi-

#### Kiti Bruinsma: dediction, fairness

Division 5 needs me because I have the good sense, dedication and fairness to make decisions to make life better for residents.



I'm a small business owner, volunteer at the Salvation Army and The Shack at Nambour, and am involved in various community groups. My late father was a Fiji Government minister who was honest, respectful and dedicated to improving life for the people. I will follow in his footsteps and conduct myself in a way that makes him proud of me.

#### Winston Johnson: calm leadership

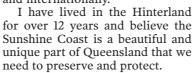
Coronavirus our economy is moving into recession. I will immediately be an experienced, common sense Councilor.



As a community worker and business man with nine years as a Councilor, I experienced three recessions. Through hard work and prudent management my business not only survived, it prospered. My local knowledge, business, financial and Local Government skills will be effective in understanding the difficulties facing Council and voters in the years ahead. I will represent your best interests. Keep well.

#### **Tracy Burton:** eco-sustainability

I am a long serving high school teacher of English and The Arts. I'm a mother of two and an active participant in environmental projects locally and internationally.



If elected, I look forward to realising my vision of ecological sustainability, a fair and transparent council, and justice, for all



My hope is the process is postponed or altered (extend postal voting) so less people are exposed. If elected I will work tirelessly to help my community rebound. We have an opportunity for the community to play a larger role in the way their council conducts business and participate more in envi-

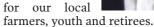
#### **Greg Cutlack:** unified community

Together as a unified community we can work at overcoming the trials and hardship this virus inflicting upon us. The elec-



for the fair representation of our regional community. I am devoted to becoming a powerful representative

I'm fighting



James Grimard:

fair representation

Born and raised on the Sunshine Coast, I am an independent and have no political allegiances.

Regional communities have been dismissed and forgotten for too long, I take seriously my responsibility to be proactive in ensuring that our voices are heard.

I would be honoured to be your representative for our community.

#### Tracie Sanim: vitality & energy

Our Division the largest across the council area and it requires a councillor with vitality, the the energy and the tenacity to dedicate to



the whole of the area. I bring you decades of experience across four states in Local, State and Federal governments in project management, community engagement and building transparency in government. I have experience in delivering waste management projects, water infrastructure development, roads and bridges development, economic development initiatives, and sports groups function without sustainability projects and more.

#### Clive Waring: new ideas & passion

ronmental and social outcomes.

I am a high energy individual with drive, passion, new ideas and methodologies with 40 years in business, so I understand budgets and



working with teams for affordable solutions. I support sustainable development while maintaining Hinterland environment through partnerships with land care groups. As a member of Maleny Commerce, I understand what is important for small business to survive. Reducing red tape is vital so volunteers, community impossible Council compliances.

### Greg Williams: fair funding, experience

I pledge to listen respectfully, consult widely and fairly, equitably & transparently distribute project & service delivery to the whole of Divi-



sion 5. I will draw on 20 years of working with all levels of government obtaining major infrastructure grant funding & delivering community based projects. I will call on teamwork & my legal background to do everything humanly possible to grow the economic pie for our hinterland communities beyond just our fair share of Council funding for delivery of necessary projects & services.



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**AND STAY HEALTHY** 

#### Juicy vegetation brings out possum joeys

Wildlife Volunteers

by Donna Brennan, wilvos.org.au

FIRSTLY, thank you Kerry Brown. You can be justifiably proud of producing The Sunshine Valley Gazette, a publication that has always been informative, educational, optimistic and entertaining. Welcome Tanya and Cameron. We look forward to many more years of enjoyable reading.

This year has not begun well. Australia goes from one disaster to another.

We have seen severe drought, bushfires, floods and now a declared pandemic with

It is a time to care for each other, family, friends and neighbours, rather than making the toilet paper supply a priority.

We have had pandemics occur in Australia since the 1890's but 2020 hopefully sees us being more prepared as a country, and more informed as individuals.

It is hoped this pandemic is short-lived. It is not only the health aspect.

It is going to be devastating for so many people, as they try to make ends meet, financially and emotionally.

Our native animals continue to have their own struggles and WILVOS, through our Hotline 5441 6200, continue to rescue, rehabilitate and release wildlife regardless of world issues.

At the moment there seems to be an influx of possum joeys.



The vegetation is now nice and juicy for possums to eat, but the impact of cars, dogs, cats and tree removal will always be there.

disappear fast with the ever increasing encroaching development.

Calling a new housing development something 'Forest' or something 'Sanctuary' is rather ironic as the area is bulldozed to

In direct contrast, we have the Maroochy RSL, whose staff go out of their way to look after the wildlife, living in the 'concrete jungle' of Maroochydore.

We were invited there for morning tea and again were surprised with a very generous donation. Beautiful people.

They genuinely care about our native wildlife, purchasing nesting boxes for the lorikeets that are still living in the area.

It is inspiring to see people striving to improve conditions for native animals that are living in a CBD. It gives us hope for the future. Thank you all.

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



### **Introducing 'Time & Place'**



Pictured: Main Street Palmwoods looking south towards Palmwoods Hotel in 1917 Palmwoods Railway Yards, A.S. McBaron's General Store and the Palmwoods Hotel. The two-storey timber hotel, originally named the Railway Hotel, was opened on this site in May 1912. It was a constructed by J.J. Mathewson and featured a lattice-decorated pavilion on the upper storey and open verandas. It was renamed the Palmwoods Hotel in 1926. Thanks to the Heritage Library staff for the words and Picture Sunshine Coast for the images.

WHO isn't fascinated by looking back in time through the lens of a camera?

It's especially interesting to compare

the past and the present in this way.

Welcome to "Time & Place" where The Sunshine Valley Gazette will present a photo that gives a nod to the past and helps us appreciate our history.

The above photo is of Main Street Palmwoods looking south towards Palmwoods Hotel in 1917.

If you would like to contribute an historical photo for this section, please email them to editor@sunshinevalleygazette. com.au with a full description, for consideration.

#### Tips for small business in light of COVID-19

From Certified Practicing Accountants (CPA) Australia

CERTIFIED Practicing Accountants (CPA) Australia has released tips for small businesses facing the possibility of significant disruption from the likely spread of coronavirus or COVID-19.

They advise that COVID-19 will be a shock to many businesses that could place their immediate future in serious jeopardy, and there is no way of knowing how long this pending crisis will last.

"For many businesses, likely moves by governments to contain the public health risk may result in a sudden fall in demand for products and services, labour shortages and supply disruptions.

"Businesses must assume that health authorities will ask people to stay home to contain the spread of COVID-19, or that large numbers of people will voluntarily stay home.

This will result in people consuming less and purchasing in different ways. It will also impact staff availability, especially for businesses where employees cannot work from

"As part of a comprehensive risk management strategy there are a range of actions small businesses should consider taking now to prepare them for COVID-19, to place them in the best possible position to navigate through the crisis and prepare to take advantage of the recovery"

#### Small businesses should consider the following advice:

- · Keep up to date with official information on COVID-19 and any directions public health authorities may issue
  - Update your financial statements
- List possible impacts on your business of COVID-19, estimate the financial impact and develop mitigation strategies
- · Perform a financial health check on your business
- · Re-do your budgets with new assump-
- Act now to improve cash flow
- Increase online sales
- Put in place a contingency plan
- Talk to key suppliers
- · Identify employees with critical skills for your business and make sure they can continue working or can be replaced
- Do a reality check on your business
- · If you find yourself in financial difficulty, seek professional advice early.

#### Library open this week, closed next week

Woombye Library Corner by Del Miller

THE word on everyone's lips is Corona Virus and, unfortunately, it is sticking its ugly head into just about every aspect of our lives. It has even affected our library.

The inevitable has happened and our Woombye Community Library will close its doors until further notice.

However, it will still be open Wednesday and Thursday only for those who want to borrow books. We have increased the maximum number of books to be borrowed from seven to fourteen and they can be kept for one month (instead of a fortnight)

#### Hours (for this week only) are:

- Today (Wednesday) 9am-3pm
- Thursday: 9am-3pm.
- Next week: Closed.

Remember, books can take us to another world and help us forget these

As Somerset Maugham so wisely said, "To acquire the habit of reading is to construct for yourself a refuge from almost all LETTER TO THE EDITOR

#### Thankyou to Cr Greg Rogerson

As the current Sunshine Coast Council term comes to a close, we wish to recognise the great contribution that our retiring Division 10 Councillor Greg Rogerson has made to our local community over several terms as our Local Government representative.

Greg has embraced his role with a tremendous commitment and has become a driving force to establish so many progressive projects in our region. His knowledge and support for our local sporting and cultural groups has been outstanding. His tireless and passionate endeavours to support his community are rarely seen in our current political scene and we are so much richer for his contribution.

Residents of the hinterland often feel like they are overlooked with the lack of services by comparison to the heavily weighted Coastal region within Sunshine Coast Council. It has been encouraging to see that both Greg and fellow retiring Division 5 Councillor Jenny McKay have worked tirelessly to address the inequity and those of us with that view can only hope that the incoming Councillors will continue to address this concern.

Clearly, there would be some residents who have not always agreed with all of Greg's actions and decisions but there has been nobody more passionate and committed to such a role in servicing our com-

We extend our thanks to Greg and his family for their untiring and passionate support for our Sunshine Coast region. No doubt after a well-earned rest he will be back working alongside some of the wonderful volunteers that we have in numerous organisations within our region. Congratulations on a job Well Done Rogo.

– Gayle and Graham Morton Coes Creek, Nambour

#### Gazette welcomes letters to the editor

The Sunshine Valley Gazette wants your letter to the editor. Letters are important for vibrant debate and help to build an informed and robust community.

Please keep your letters short (300 words maximum).

All things being equal, preference is given to interesting, shorter letters, on local matters of general interest.

Letters must be accompanied by the name and suburb of the writer, for publication and a phone number or email address, for verification.

We are guided by fairness, balance and the public interest and in facilitating diverse and robust expressions of opinion. Honest debate is welcome but not personal or vexatious insults. Please email to editor@sunshinevalleygazette.com.au.



#### Yandina Historic House featured artist

THE feature artist for March is Anne Yang. She paints in pastel or oil from her home studio in Cooroy.

Living by a lake in a bush-like setting, Yang finds her inspiration.

She was awarded the title of Master Pastellist in 2014 and regularly hosts workshops and demonstrations. You can find her works at The Montville Art Gallery, The Cooroy Butter Factory Artisan Store and Yandina Historic House (www.yandinahistorichouse.com.au), which is open Monday to Saturday from 9.30am-2.30pm in Pioneer Road, Yandina.

## Cannabis seizure: 36 charged

POLICE have charged 36 people with drug offences and seized hundreds of cannabis plants and a large quantity of hydroponic equipment as part of an ongoing operation targeting the production, distribution and trafficking of cannabis on the Sunshine Coast hinterland and South Burnett regions.

Police executed 35 search warrants across the Sunshine Coast hinterland, Fraser Coast and South Burnett over a three-day period commencing March 10 as part of joint operation Oaky.

During the search, police seized 307 cannabis plants, including some up to 2.5 metres tall, 8.6 kilograms of cannabis and 12 hydroponic systems.

Investigators also seized four firearms, two crossbows, a large quantity of ammunition along with a quantity of cocaine and unprescribed regulated drugs.

The total estimated street value of the drugs seized is \$1.85 million.

Senior Sergeant Wade Lee, officer in charge of the Wide Bay Tactical Crime Squad said police will continue targeting drug offences in the region.

"This intelligence-based action by Wide Bay and Sunshine Coast police with the assistance of specialist officers from the State Crime Command has had a significant impact on the local drug market.

"With the assistance of the community, we will continue to pro-actively and collaboratively target and disrupt the production and distribution of drugs in the Sunshine Coast and Wide Bay-Burnett," Senior Sergeant Lee said.

A 45-year-old Mooloolah Valley man, arrested on two weapons charges is due to appear in Court on April 1.

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#### Soap dispensers to be installed in Council toilets

SUNSHINE Coast Council will install and maintain soap dispensers in all public toilet facilities across the region to help combat the novel coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic.

Soap dispensers are being installed to enable the community to comply with the hygiene and handwashing recommendations of the Department of Health in order to slow the spread of the virus.

The soap dispensers will be installed over the coming weeks.

They will be maintained over the next few months, provided council can continue to source supplies.

A Council spokesperson said the arrangements aimed to help keep the community and visitors to our region as safe as possible.

Regular and thorough handwashing is the number one recommendation from all major health authorities, including the Queensland Health Department, when it comes to stopping the spread of coronavirus.

Council public toilet facilities are regularly serviced by council's cleaners.

Council encourages the community to report any dangerous items, hazards or vandalism at parks by phoning (07) 5475 7272.

Council is committed to supporting Queensland Health as the lead agency responsible for responding to COVID-19 and will ensure our community is kept informed.

Anyone with concerns can call 13 HEALTH (13 43 25 84) or find reliable information at www.health.qld.gov.au/coronavirus

For information about other council facilities and services during this time, visit council's website www.sunshinecoast.qld. gov.au.

The website will be updated if changes are made to council's service delivery as a result of COVID-19.

#### Social distancing? Spend quali-TEA time online!

CANCER Council Queensland are encouraging supporters to pop on the kettle and get creative with their Australia's Biggest Morning Tea events by hosting via video chat.

In the current climate, there are many Queenslanders social distancing or working from home.

You can still support Queenslanders affected by cancer through hosting an Australia's Biggest Morning Tea from the comfort of your home.

Get your friends, family or colleagues together over video chat and raise a cuppa and important funds.

Hosting a virtual Australia's Biggest Morning Tea event is not only a great way to raise funds for those in need, but also means you can connect and catch-up with your loved ones during this difficult time.

While social distancing or working from home, it is important to be checking in on your loved ones.

Use your event as a reminder to still spend time with your friends and family.

Every cuppa poured and dollar raised enables Cancer Council Queensland to continue investing in lifesaving cancer research, prevention, advocacy and support programs.

Cancer Council Queensland CEO Ms Chris McMillan encouraged Queenslanders to raise a cuppa and get involved anyway they can.

"One person is diagnosed with cancer every 20 minutes in Queensland – the length of an average morning tea break," said Ms McMillan. "Getting involved can be as simple as hosting an Australia's Biggest Morning Tea over video chat or through making a donation."

To donate or register to host an event, please visit, biggestmorningtea.com.au. Hosts will receive a free kit with everything they need to make their morning tea a success.

#### BCSC Working Bee tackles weeds at Namba Creek

From Norm Moorwood BushCare Sunshine Coast Coordinator normmorwood@gmail.com

BUSHCARE Sunshine Coast is a Sunshine Coast Council program for restoration/regeneration of native bush on council land using groups of volunteers.

Unfortunately, all activities have been suspended for the foreseeable future.

However, on Saturday our regular volunteers met up at 2 metre spacing for some serious weeding at the creek on Saturday.

It was an amazing turnout in the circumstances.

We had the new council rules to follow about not sharing stuff and keeping distances etc, but basically it seemed to be a safe activity in the viral world. Special welcome to Marisa on her first event. Not quite a normal one Marisa, and we hope you enjoyed it enough to come back again.

We weeded from the Doolan St end to near the rail bridge in widely spread patches. The 20 Lomandras were put in blank spaces while weeding down near the creek.

Special job for Glenn was planting the 9 vines obtained to use up the CSA Grant.

They were all installed near extinguished camphor laurel long stumps, complete with long bamboo climbing stakes. Glenn and

Judy also did the Water Test of the good flow in the creek.

We went and had a look at our deep stem planting of last month. One plant seems to be completely missing, and one of the sandpaper figs was looking sick.

The other 7 plants were at least surviving or better.

There presumably will be another working bee, but not until Council lifts its ban on holding these events. Stay tuned.

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## Community sport put on hold

IT is not just the major national sporting events being stalled by coronavirus — everyone from junior netball to club rugby and soccer competitions across the hinterland are being caught up in the storm.

Grassroots **rugby league** has been suspended across Australia until May due to the coronavirus.

Every rugby league team from under-6s has been temporarily shut down.

The NRL confirmed the decision last week, saying that the postponement included not only games but also all training sessions.

Rugby Australia has announced all community and club rugby is suspended until at least the start of May.

The **AFL** has postponed all games, as well as national and state talent programs across Australia.

**Cricket Australia** recommended that all cricket, from amateur to premier, across the country cease immediately.

All community netball competitions are suspended until May 2.

**Football** Federation Australia last Tuesday suspended all grassroots football, including training and matches, until at least April 14.

Everyone should follow updates online from their respective clubs.

Nambour & Districts **Netball** Association advised that: "following conversations with Netball Queensland and a meeting of our Executive Committee, we have decided to suspend the 2020 netball season. This was a difficult decision but one we felt was best with the health and safety of our members and their families paramount in the face of the increasing risk of COVID-19 (Coronavirus)."

"All netball activities will be suspended from this point."

The National Rugby League, in partnership with State governing bodies, last week postponed all Community Club Rugby League in Australia until at least the first weekend of May.

"Community Rugby League is the foundation of our game and we are committed to seeing it flourish, however the health and well-being of our participants, volunteers and communities is our priority.

"We look forward to our Community Rugby League participants returning to the game as soon as expert advice deems it appropriate," a statement read.

Sunshine Coast Rugby Union was working on drafting rugby programs for Senior and Junior competitions so that they can be prepared if rugby commences again on May 2. Clubs will be kept informed of progress.

### Is this the prettiest Bowls Club on the Coast?



Norma Rochow considers her next move.



Palmwoods Bowler Gail Seville concentrates





Palmwoods Bowls Club Games Director Dom Sheridan, Tresurer Angie Griffin and Functions Coordinator Col Mckinlay enjoy a day on the greens.

Note: Photos taken before social distancing measures announced.



Palmwoods Bowls Club relies on Barefoot Bowls Functions to help make ends meet. Luckily they could count on recent birthday girl Kylie Brien, centre, who was celebrating with fellow Palmwoods locals including, from left, Bernie Eddleston, Jan McDougal, Paul Black and Mark (Ghost) Casper. Note: Photos taken before social distancing measures announced.

### Fifth Grade cricket action as Palmwoods take on Nambour



Nambour Fifth Grade opening batsman Richard Bambling is wrapped on the pad by Palmwoods bowler Jesse Robson as wicketkeeper Justin Smith considers an appeal.



Palmwoods paceman Michael Lamb fires one down while Nambour batsman Richard Bambling backs up in the match at Palmwoods.











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#### CORONA VIRUS UPDATES AND HOW IT AFFECTS OUR BUSINESS

As I am sure you know, the Prime Minster last night announced that licenced clubs, pubs and restaurants had to close from midday today, Monday 23rd March. Of course we will be following his directions.

At this stage, our Drive Thru and Bottle Shops are allowed to remain open as normal. We are planning to offer a "take-away food menu" with pick up from our hotel car park. We may also offer home delivery of take-away food and liquor in the area normally serviced by our courtesy buses. We will keep you informed regarding our plans for our take-away food offer and the possibility of home delivery.

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## Gazette Sport



## **Woombye hosts Coast Ladies Pairs bowls titles**

WOOMBYE Bowls Club hosted the Sunshine Coast District Ladies Bowling Association's Pairs Championships over the past two weeks.

In a closely-fought, rain-delayed Final, Yvonne Walsh and Jenny Lonie from Tewantin Noosa Bowls Club were victorious in an exciting game, winning 19-18 against Andrina Naish and Lorraine Wilmott from The Waves, Caloundra.

Due to inclement weather when the green was flooded, the Final had to be postponed during the 21th end.

The Tewantin Noosa bowlers came back strongly on the second day and took out the title for the second year in a row.

Woombye Bowls Club Board Member Pam Cranney said feedback from bowlers and SCDLBA officials regarding the greens and club support was "very positive".

"A big thank you to our hardworking greenkeeper, Geoff Steele, for his dedication and to our members who helped host the event," Ms Cranney said.

"Congratulations ladies for an exciting Final."

Woombye Bowls Club was scheduled to host the SCDLBA Champion of Club Champions Ladies Pairs in late June, but, at this stage the event has been postponed.



Runners-up from The Waves Caloundra: Andrina Naish and Lorraine Wilmott.



SCDLBA Ladies Pairs Champions: Yvonne Walsh and Jenny Lonie from Tewantin Noosa.

