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# 'Trees of Hope' to make a ton of difference this Christmas

THE Shack Community Centre is hoping to make a ton of difference to homeless people and vulnerable couples and families this Christmas.

The team's Trees of Hope Appeal launched at Sweet and Flour Cafe Nambour on November 1 to provide much-needed items to those less fortunate.

The Shack are encouraging everyone to pick up a specially marked box or a bag and fill it with items for donation to the needy.

"Last year we delivered 6000 kilograms of food, so this year we would love to do even more," said The Shack's Imogene Dowler. "It'd just be incredible. And we'd like to give to as many people as we can, we're going all the way from Caloundra to Gympie, which is awesome.

To take part all you have to do is collect Trees of Hope hamper bags or boxes from local Heritage branches, Mitre 10 stores or from The Shack. Then fill them with the items indicated on the list provided.



HOPE: Imogene, Dale and Donna Dowler from the Shack Community Centre in Nambour recently launched their Trees of Hope Christmas Hamper Appeal where you can grab a bag or a box and fill it with items for the needy.

# City Hall budget blowout

SUNSHINE Coast Council's new city hall will cost another \$20 million more than expected, a review has found.

The now-\$100 million estimate is \$40 million more than the \$59.9 million figure Council announced in a December 2019 press release and \$20 million more than an updated estimate released last year.

When completed, City Hall will accommodate more than 700 council employees and consolidate offices in Caloundra, Maroochydore and Nambour as the main administration

Council says it will retain staff and facilities at both Nambour and Caloundra.

But Nambour is widely seen as the loser

in the deal, with the inevitable loss of admin employees from the normally bustling Eddie De Vere and Fred Murray Nambour offices.

Council blamed rising construction costs for the latest blowout and, remarkably, said furniture wasn't originally budgeted for.

Div 5 Cr Winston Johnston was not impressed at inheriting a problem created under the previous administration. "It's extremely disappointing," he said. "It should have been scoped far better initially, but it's easy to look back and it could be lot worse.

"Some of the extra funding is for a contingency fund which may not be used and also for fit-out for the eighth and ninth floors which weren't in the original scope. We haven't yet made a decision on those floors on whether we use them or lease them out.

"We are also fortunate that there was a fixedprice contract for the building fees so we've avoided up to 25 percent increase in building costs which have occurred since the contract was signed in December 2019.'

Div 10 Cr David Law said the latest blowout would have no additional effect on Nambour staff numbers which were always expected to halve from 400 to 200.

"I'm confident that Nambour will be not further disadvantaged by this decision at all," he said. "And I will do everything I can to keep it that way. There will still be at least 200 staff remaining and there will be an upgrade of the library. There will still be a customer service center and the work that the council team are doing at the moment will help us identify what else will be made available in those buildings for the benefit of the community.

"So from Nambour's point of view, the situation is not optimum but it's a lot better than when I started in April last year.

"I'm disappointed that the contract is going to overrun and I'll do what I can to make sure it's as small as possible the outcome for Nambour remains the same. And I'm always looking out for making sure that Nambour, and the whole of Division 10, is not disadvantaged by these

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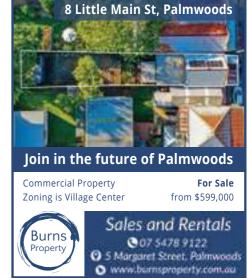
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Lyndel Grant checking hanging baskets for the

# Zonta's Maleny Kiosk Garden Stall a must for local gardeners

ZONTA Blackall Range members are busy preparing plants for a garden stall they will hold in the Kiosk in Maple Street Maleny on December 1, timed for summer planting and Christmas.

Zontians will be on hand from 9am to sell plants, jams, preserves and baked goodies, and they are urging people to come early as plants will disappear quickly.

"Everything is green or blooming and great quality and variety, with well-established succulents, day lilies, hydrangeas, geraniums and flowering plants," said Zontian Lyndel Grant.

"We have some stunning hanging baskets already planted for summer gardens, which we expect will be very popular.
"The jams, preserves and baked goodies are

all home-made, there will be bags of macadamias for sale and a raffle for a great Christmas hamper," she said.

A range of hand painted pots would be a special feature of the stall with Christmas shoppers in mind.

The stall will raise funds for Zonta Blackall Range and their work to raise awareness of domestic and family violence, in line with Zonta's worldwide action for women since its beginning 102 years ago. Locally Zonta supports the Women's House for homeless women and is a founding member of the Speak UP Now group, highlighting the support available for victims and perpetrators of domestic and family violence in the community of the Blackall Range.



RangeCare CEO Greg Mannion, Life Member Jim Coles and Board Chair Lenore Simpson at the AGM

# 'People are good for me,' says RangeCare's new life member

RANGECARE'S oldest volunteer Jim Coles, 91, was honoured on Friday (November 5) with Life Membership at the organisation's AGM.

Jim, who helped build RangeCare from the ground up, and has been volunteering there since 1993, said he enjoyed every minute of his

"I'm proud of what this place has done and I know the work that's been put into it to get things going and it's getting better all the time," Jim said. "I'll be part of this for as long as I can. It gives me great satisfaction to work here and to do the job I'm doing. So to get a life membership, that's a bonus. I still like to meet people. People are good for me."

RangeCare's volunteer coordinator Cara Doherty said Jim was a very highly regarded and much loved volunteer. "He's our longest serving volunteer, so he's seen some huge changes over

the 27 years that he's been with us," said Cara. Jim started initially as a part of a small group of founding members, and he was heavily involved in significant fundraising to build the current RangeCare facility at Flaxton. "In more recent times, Jim's been heavily involved in our Op Shop in Mapleton where he's much loved by the team of volunteers there as well as customers that come in just to have a chat with him.

"Not only is he our longest serving volunteer, but he's also currently our oldest volunteer. So at 91, it's really quite amazing that his contribution to the organization and his commitment to serving the community still stays strong. And he still definitely has that energy, enthusiasm, and passion for what he does.

"He was just so generous with giving of his time," said former Op Shop supervisor, Bev McMullin. "And I think he's a huge inspiration to other volunteers. And the fact that he's been doing it for so long and still loves it with drive, commitment, and passion ... he's very dear and special to me. And he just made my life easy as a manager. You just want all volunteers to be like









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The men, women and animals who took part in Sunday's Beersheba Day parade in Woombye. Photo courtesy: Averil Crebbin of Picture The Moment Equine.

#### **Beersheba Anniversary**

# 'The bullets got thicker. Three or four horses came down'

CROWDS lined Woombye's Blackall Street on Sunday (October 31) to mark the 104th anniversary of the famous mounted charge of the 4th Light Horse Brigade into Beersheba.

The Memorial Service, organised by the 2nd Light Horse Regiment-Woombye Troop, was reminded of the battle of Beersheba which took place on 31 October 1917 as part of the wider British offensive, collectively known as the third Battle of Gaza.

The final phase of this all day battle was the famous mounted charge of the 4th Light Horse Brigade, the last cavalry charge in history.

Commencing at dusk, members of the brigade stormed through the Turkish defences and seized the strategic town of Beersheba.

The capture of Beersheba enabled British Empire forces to break the Ottoman line near Gaza on 7 November and advance into Pales-

#### **Excerpt from Woombye Troop President** Ian Malcolm's address to the Service:

Of the charge Trooper Edward Dengate would say: "We got mounted, cantered about a quarter of a mile up a bit of a rise, lined up along the brow of a hill paused a moment, and then went at'em. The ground was none too smooth, which caused our line to get twisted a bit ... Captain Davies let out a yell at the top of his voice ... that started them all, we spurred our horses ... the bullets got thicker ... three or four horses came down, others with no riders on, kept going, the saddles splashed with blood, here and there a man running toward a dead horse for cover, the Turk's trenches were about fifty yards on my right, I could see the Turk's heads over the edge of the trenches squinting along their rifles, a lot of the fellows dismounted at that point thinking we were to take the trenches, but most of us kept straight on. Where I was, there was a clear track with trenches on the right and a redoubt on the left, some of the chaps jumped clear over the trenches in places, some fell into them, although about 150 men got through and raced for the town, they went up the street yelling like madmen.'

Captain Robey was at their head.



Riders at Sunday's service in Memorial Park

Captain Jack Davies followed Robey's men towards the town and shouted when three miles away: "Come on boys Beersheba first stop!".

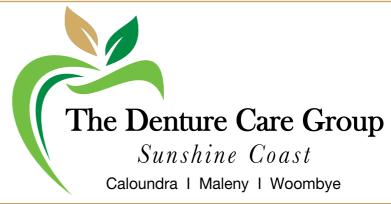
The success of the charge was in the shock value and sheer speed in which they took the town before it could be destroyed by a retreating

31 light horsemen were killed in the charge and 36 were wounded. Some originals from the Brigade who had enlisted in 1914 such as Edward Cleaver and Albert "Tibbie" Cotter, a famous Australian cricketer, were killed. At least 70 horses died in the Charge.'

Sunday's parade featured Lighthorse men and women from Gympie, Maleny, Woombye, Hervey Bay, Brisbane and Plainlands, Red Cross nurses in period uniform, the Salvation Army band and a piper and drummers leading the

Wreaths were placed during the service by Member for Nicklin Rob Skelton, Div 5 Cr Winston Johnston and WCBA President Debbie Kimber in recognition of those that took part in this famous battle and charge.









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

- ▶ Nov 12-14: Maleny Handmade Christmas Markets 10am-3pm Maleny Community Centre
- November 12 to 15: Montville Art Sale to help Lions. Paintings by four local artists will be on sale at the Lions Art Sale at Camphor Cottage Montville. See page 12.
- November 13, 14, 20, 21: Maleny Arts and Crafts Group clay workers are presenting their Warm Earth Exhibition at the MACG workshop at the Maleny Showgrounds. Opening hours are Saturday 13 and Sunday 14 November, 9-4, and Saturday 20 9-4, Sunday 21, 9-3, November.
- ▶ Saturday November 13: Baroque Brilliance Concert, from 2pm Eudlo Hall. Bookings www. pacificchamberplayers.com or tickets at the door.
- ▶ Sunday November 14: Palmwoods Bowls Club Family Fun Day which will be an exciting culmination of the 90th Birthday celebrations for everyone to enjoy. Story Page 14.
- November 14: Ignite Church opens new auditorium at 29 Short Street Nambour at 9.30am. Story Page 17.
- November 14: Death & The Maiden small hall chamber music concert at Eudlo Hall from 3pm. Tickets via events.humanitix.com.
- November 19-21: The Travelling Film Festival returns to Nambour's Majestic Cinemas the weekend of 19 November. See Page 10.
- November 19 & 20: Woombye Community Library Balcony Book Sale on Blackall Street from 8am until noon.
- ▶ Nov 21: Maleny Singers and Brisbane City Pops Orchestra perform Gold and Silver in the Maleny Community Centre at 2pm. Contact Claire malenyartscouncil@gmail.com.
- ▶ Monday Nov 22: The mobile hearing bus will be visiting the Shack at Nambour, 19 Price Street Nambour.
- ▶ Nov 25-Dec 23: Thursday evenings 5pm to 8pm, Christmas nights @ the Nambour Museum featuring SANTAtrain, Museum trains under the Christmas lights and get your photo taken with Santa. Free kids Christmas/Holiday activities.
- Nov 26: Maleny Country Fair 3.30 8 pm Maleny (Primary) State School Oval.
- Saturday November 27: Kim Kirkman and Daniel Donahaye will launch their new CD Beacon Of Love music of the heart, at St Georges Anglican Church Maleny at 11 am.

- ▶ Saturday November 27: Festive Fashion Showcase, Sanctuary Park Church of Christ. Details Page 17.
- ▶ November 28 3pm: Palmwoods Hotel Cash and Country country rock music show. Tickets via hotel Facebook page or palmwoodshotel.
- ▶ December 1: Zonta garden stall in the Kiosk in Maple Street from 9am. Details Page 2.
- Friday December 3, 5pm -8pm: The annual Mapleton Light the Lights Christmas event at the Mapleton Lilyponds Park. Santa will be there with gifts for the children. Lots of yummy food and drinks plus a monster raffle.
- ▶ December 4: Montville Festive Street Fair 4-7pm. Details Page 11.
- ▶ Dec 10: Maleny Singers Christmas Concert Maleny RSL.
- ▶ Dec 10: Maleny Late Night Christmas. Shop, Eat and be Entertained! from 5pm-8pm Maple Street.



#### **Maleny Arts and Crafts Group clay workers**

THE Maleny Arts and Crafts Group clay workers are presenting their Warm Earth Exhibition over two weekends, taking an opportunity to show off their very best and most sophisticated work.

Visitors will be enchanted by the beautiful range of unique items, wonderful gifts for Christmas, or something to grace a special place in a home. Venue is the MACG workshop at the Maleny

Showgrounds, and opening hours are Saturday 13 and Sunday 14 November, 9 - 4, and Saturday 20 9 - 4, Sunday 21, 9 - 3, November.



# Rumble under the canvas: Challengers mix it up with Brophy's champs at Crushers

THEY came from out of the woodwork to take on Fred Brophy's best boxers.

They left bruised and battered but with the admiration and respect of a crowd of nearly 400 people who packed the fight marquee set up on the footy field at Nambour Crushers last Friday week October 29.

Courageous local challengers from Nambour,

Woombye, Palmwoods and further afield duked it out with the experienced Brophy's crew, much to the delight and awe of the crowd.

A Fred Brophy crew member said it was one of the best organised events the Troop had attended and gave full credit to the team from Nambour Crushers for hosting such a great night. All funds raised go to the club.

#### Outcome for Nambour the same despite blowout

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major capital projects that generally happen in other divisions.

Work on City Hall, illustration right, is currently in the construction phase, with the base building now largely complete and the construction of the fitout starting.

The revised completion date is now October 2022, with staff planned to start moving in from November 2022. Councillors were expected to vote on the matter at a special meeting scheduled for Monday (November 8).

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# A helping hand at Christmas time

"Heritage Bank branches across the Coast, and Gympie have jumped on board and are opening their doors as food drop off and bag collection points," said Imogene.

"We love being able to be a part of the community, bringing a little bit of hope and joy. And we know people really need it this year, especially with what's been going on in the world.

Imogene said people could choose to provide for a family a couple or a single person.

"The list includes things that are non-perishable, and all things that some people can't afford over that Christmas season.

"We've got a bag for the singles and a box for couples and families. And we also like to give out some toys for the little kids.

"And then, for the teenagers, they get a backto-school backpack, which is pretty amazing. Because sometimes parents just can't afford that, after the Christmas period."

Imogene said she loved witnessing people's reactions when they received the hampers.

"It's pretty indescribable, I'm not going to lie. Seeing people's faces just light up. I've been doing this for a long time and just to be able to see that joy that comes into them, because it's been such a trying year for people. And not just people who are homeless or living on the streets - it's been difficult for everyone. And this just brings a little bit of light into the community at this time of year.'

Imogene said it was not hard to decide who to give the hampers to.

"It can be sometimes pretty obvious. Sometimes not so obvious. But we try and just see where they're at and have a normal conversation with them, like 'Hey, how's your day going?' And then, slowly, they'll start to open up about how they're doing and how they've actually really been struggling.

"For me personally, I just think it really humbles you and makes you appreciate what you do have. It's just an amazing time to be able to give back to other people who need it this season."

Imogene said she was especially keen to support young people. "There's so many young people out there on the streets and they need other young people to get by them and say, 'Hey, it's okay. We're here for you'."



Heritage Bank Mobile Lending manager Sandy McCulloch and Dale Dowler.

▶ To take part all you have to do is collect Trees of Hope hamper bags or boxes from local Heritage branches, Mitre 10 stores or from The Shack. Then fill them with the items indicated

on the list provided. Mitre 10 Stores: Kunda Park, Nambour, Cooroy, Gympie. Heritage Branches: Caloundra, Kawana, Maroochydore, Palmwoods, Nambour, Noosa.



# CD launch and morning tea at St Georges Maleny

KIM Kirkman, pictured, and local composer Daniel Donahaye will launch their new CD Beacon Of Love music of the heart, at a morning tea and short concert at St Georges Anglican Church, 2 Walker St Maleny on Saturday November 27 at 11 am.

The CD, the second in a series from the pair, features new musical settings of psalms, scripture and poetry. Kim and Daniel, Paige Allen, Diane Jensen and Amy Jansen will perform items from the recording at the launch.

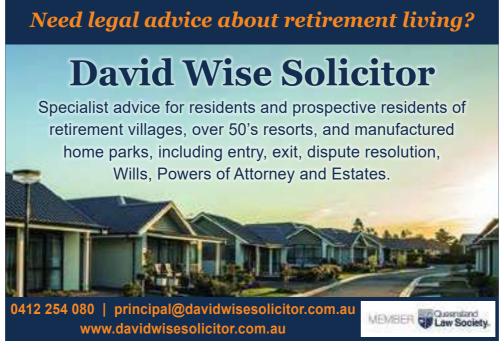
Born in France and educated in England, Daniel Donahaye retired to Maleny 20 years ago where he has sung bass with Kim Kirkman's choirs and practised his love of music and com-

The music in the CD is performed by soloists under the baton of Kim Kirkman and includes not only psalms and biblical passages set to music but also English romantic poems such as Shelley's Ode to the West Wind, Keats's Eve of St Agnes, and poetry of Wordsworth.

The ticket price of only \$15 includes a copy of the CD and morning tea provided by St Georges Guild. The artists will donate all proceeds to St

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Kingsley Goggan ... "I am planning to donate \$1 for each candle I sell to charity".

# Business spirit burns bright in 11-year-old

ENTREPRENEURIAL Palmwoods boy, Kingsley Goggan has celebrated the first birthday of his business 'Kings' Fiery Candles', having initially started it to earn some pocket money.

"At first, I didn't want to keep asking my mum for money and I wanted to buy a guitar," Kingsley said. "So she suggested that this might be a good way to earn some money."

Kingsley was only 10 when started learning candle making alongside his mum, Linda Goggan. Linda is the owner of Sacred Body, in Little Main Street Palmwoods.

"I actually really love making candles and experimenting with fragrances," said Kingsley. "I make hand poured soy candles and so far I have developed 6 fragrances which include Pink Sugar, Coconut Lime, Driftwood, Vanilla, Sandalwood and Passionfruit. I am excited to expand my range to include tea light and jumbo candles, and essential oils.

Kingsley has co-designed the packaging and is launching a beautiful soft gold jar in time for Christmas. "The other best thing about my business is that I get to talk to lots of new people, even though it is taking me out of my comfort zone a bit," he said. "As my business is growing, I am planning to donate \$1 for each candle I sell to charity at the end of each month. And I have also been able to buy my guitar, so I'm pretty happy about that!

▶ Kingsley sells his candles on Saturday mornings between 8.30am and 11.30 at 8 Little Main Street in Palmwoods. You can also order candles from his website www.kingsfierycan'It's about building lives and building futures'

# Housing project aims to be a part of a sustainable solution for homeless men

A tiny house project in Nambour aims to do more than just get homeless men off the streets.

The Shack's Pastor Dale Dowler said the landmark initiative's goal was to encourage the residents to 'graduate' and live meaningful

"This is not just a roof over your head for a while," said Mr Dowler. "It's about building lives and building futures. We're going to provide a program to encourage personal and social growth and responsibility.

"We've seen the revolving door, over 20 years, of people coming into accommodation with no life skills programs or support around them and they just exist ... and then they go back to their old life. That's not what this is about. We want them to be able to sustain their improvement once they

Mr Dowler said men would have to comply with in house principles set down during the application interviews. "No drugs or alcohol. No sleepovers or anti-social behaviours will be tolerated," he said. "

The Gen 1 Men's Housing Project consists of seven small units on a regular sized housing block that will house five men and a caretaker. The seventh house will be used as a common meeting space.

Residents will have body corporate meetings and rules to comply with and the men will abide by a roster to maintain the property which is gated and coded.

"The application process will be made through The Shack, and we've been here 20 years so we know who's going to be able to cut



Pastor Dale Dowler with his daughter Imogene on the site of The Gen 1 Men's Housing Project, Nambour.

it," he said.

The project is experimental by nature. But, looking ahead, Mr Dowler, who this year received an Order of Australia medal for his charity work, hoped similar projects might be copied and rolled out by councils and charities around the country.

"It's a new thing. It's a model that will evolve as we learn."

The Shack received a \$500,000 federal government grant in 2019 and the land was donated.

Pastor Dowler said the Gen One project represented a small win for a region that does not have specific

housing for men.

While it will hardly put a dent in the area's housing shortage it will have a huge impact on the lives of men and their families.

"It's seven units on a normal sized block so it will be a great model for what can be done in the future. This cost structure means the men will pay undermarket

A full-time caretaker would support the residents and negotiate the waters to community living.

Pastor Dowler hopes to have the first residents in by mid to late January. The units have been

designed to accommodate children if the residence have shared custody of their children, but this too will be discussed at the application interview.

"It will be a bit tight, space wise, but it's better than not having visits at all because you're living rough,' he said.

He expects residents to rotate through the program in about 6-12 months. "It takes about a year for most people to be able to live a normal life. Their body, soul and spirit have to be brought back into order. Particularly if you have long term life issues.



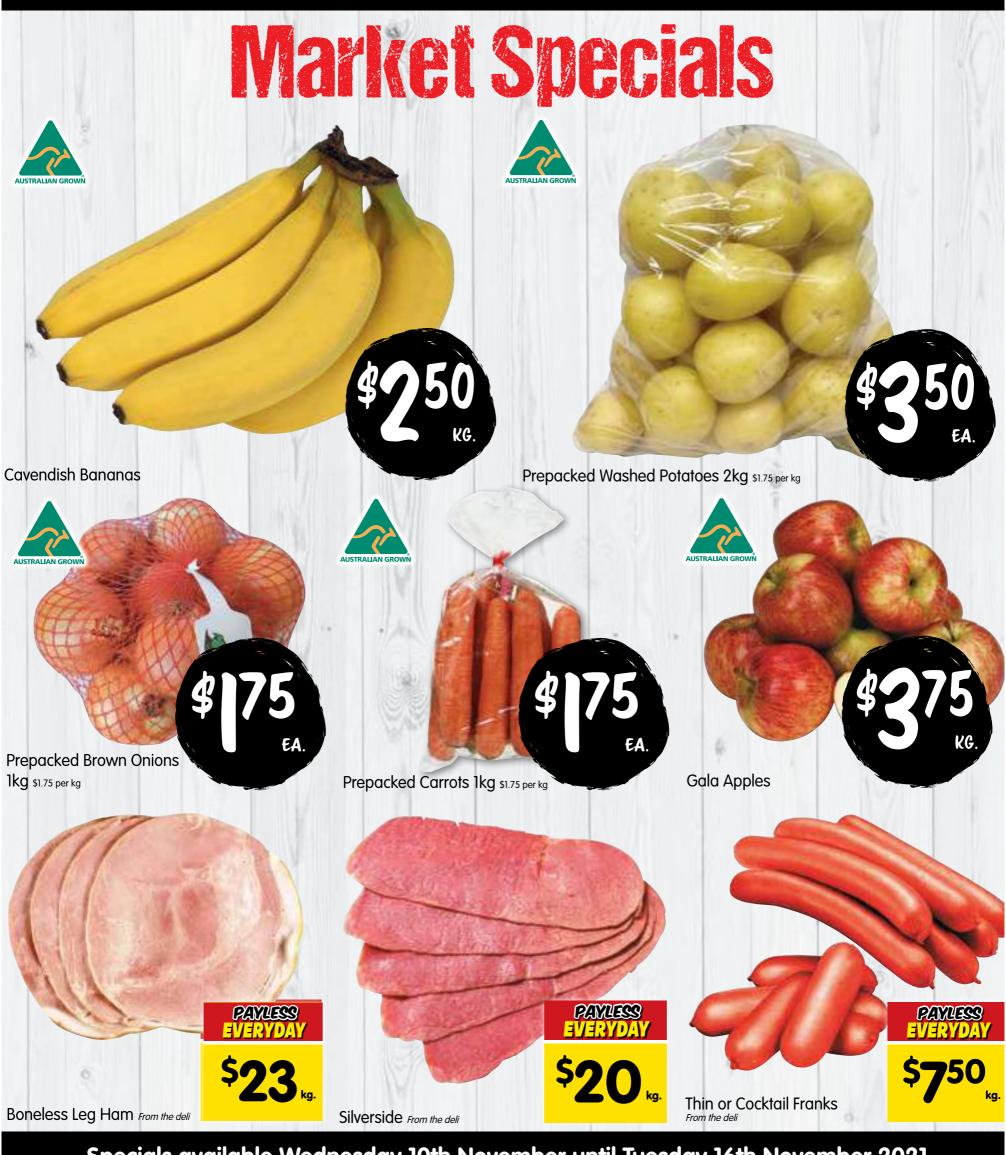


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#### The young Member for **Glasshouse impresses**

A recent young visitor to Queensland Parliament was Connor Keogh, from Reesville, who participated in the Queensland Youth Parliament as the "Member for Glass House"

Actual Member for Glasshouse Andrew Powell said Connor was an impressive political aspirant. "Although I've expressed some nervousness with how comfortable he looked in Parliament, it was great to see our future leaders like Connor being interested in our system of government and serving his community," Mr Powell said.

#### **Housing and Homelessness** 'Drop in' Sessions

IF you or someone you know is experiencing housing stress or are homeless, Thursday 11 November the Sunshine Coast Housing Network are hosting a roadshow at the Nambour Community Centre from 10am.

Chat to the people who can provide information and support to guide you through this accommodation crisis.

Where: Nambour Community Centre, 2 Shearer St, Nambour

When: 10am - 12pm, 11 November 2021.

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From left, Nambour Meals on Wheels volunteers Viiu Benson and Jess Madsen with Service Manager Jennifer Waldroff and President Ray Barber.

# **Meals on Wheels celebrates** 50 years delivering goodness

NAMBOUR Meals on Wheels marked 50 years of delivering food and a friendly chat with a celebration at Grounded Cafe Woombye last Friday afternoon (October 29).

"We deliver healthy meals to clients' homes to not only ensure their nutritional requirements are being met, but to provide regular social contact and a friendly check to see all is well," said Service Manager Jennifer Waldroff.

Included among the people celebrating was volunteer Viiu Benson who has been delivering goodness for 37 of those 50 years.

"I wouldn't have missed it for anything," said Viiu of her outstanding record. "You work with nice people and the people we deliver to are lovely. They become like your family and you can't stay home.'

Viiu, 84, said as she got older the workload became such that she recruited her son, Lauri Pesonen, to help.

"Mum said 'if you don't come and help me I'm not going to be able to do it all by myself," said Lauri.

Meawnhile Jessie Madsen has been with Meals on Wheels for 27 years. When asked why she volunteered the 82 year-old joked ironically that she "enjoyed helping the elderly".

The event coincided with Seniors Month and was supported by COTA.

• Nambour Meals on Wheels is at 21A Price Street, Nambour. Call Jennifer on 5441 3543 if you would like to volunteer or you would like to start receiving meals.



Presentation to Cittamani Hospice: From left, **Nambour Orchid Society Secretary Alison** Parkes, Melanie from Cittamani and Society

### Just beautiful. Orchid Society's support for Hospice continues

NAMBOUR Orchid Society continued its support for Cittamani Hospice Services by contributing proceeds from the Orchid Species Show held at the Buderim Uniting Church Hall on Saturday

"It was a stunning display and a successful outcome for the efforts put in by our members," said Nambour Orchid Society president Gina McMonagle.

"With every good result we have, it means that our ongoing support for Cittamani Hospice Services can continue with substantial donations to assist them in such a worthwhile cause."

Cittamani Hospice Service provides professional palliative care to people who are dying, and their families. They offer compassionate care and honour people's individual choices. They aim to provide the highest quality service from the time of diagnosis through to the bereavement period.

#### **Diddillibah Hall Committee**

KNOW it? Love it? New faces are wanted on the Diddillibah Community Hall Committee and to help with organizing the Christmas Carols this year. Also family stories for the Diddillibah book that is currently being written. Contact John on 0411 429 381.



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# **Duck Pond sediment control** measures an eyesore: resident

A project to install a bio-retention basin on Nicklin Road, Palmwoods has been criticised as an eyesore by a resident in an adjoining prop-

The Sunshine Coast Council project began about six months ago to help control sediment for the Kolora Park Duck Pond.

"Unfortunately after clearing an area the project has ground to a halt leaving significant impact to the local area," said the resident.

I have contacted council but this is currently not having an impact. This project has become a real eyesore along Nicklin Road for well over six months. Nicklin Road forms part of the Palmwoods Heritage Walk and it is really sad to see a council-driven project, grind to a halt and left in such a poor state for homeowners and the local community.

'This is on the back of a community meeting at the Duck Pond last year in which the council and local councillor advised that this was the first stage to assist with the reduction in silt deposits in the duck pond.

I have spoken to a number of residents who are very disappointed in this and how it has been handled?

Div 5 Cr Winston Johnston said problems became evident after vegetation was initially removed and Council was working to finish the project as soon as possible. But he could not put a timeframe on completion.

"Council has received the final reports from the consultants on both water quality and soils. We were trying to establish whether there were any reasons (eg chemistry, moisture content or plant needs) that plant growth may be affected on our project site. We were particularly interested in why established or juvenile tree species were not observed within the project area while they were observed upstream.

"These results are guiding our plans for the project site and our expectations for what we can deliver to the community.

Cr Johnston said, as part of the 'dewatering' of the works site, pipes had been installed to capture and move water from the upper area stormwater inlets, through the works area, and onto the Duck Ponds. "This is facilitating a more constant supply of water, and it has been noticed the Duck Ponds water has been improving."

Cr Johnston said revegetating the area was presenting difficulties.

"As we cannot get machinery or people safely into the area, we are exploring options to

'hydro-seed' into the area.
"Officers cannot as yet put a timeframe on the outcomes, however council is working to get a suitable long term solution, and get our contractor back onto site ASAP. We are also mindful that it is now wet season and it may be prudent to resume works after wet season, to avoid issues with erosion and sediment control.'

# Yandina's historic luxury country estate hits the market

ONE of the oldest properties on the Sunshine Coast, the historic Yandina Station, established in 1853, is on the market.

The luxury country estate and working cattle property on 218 acres is currently operating as a function and event venue with full catering and liquor licenses.

Yandina Station has run cattle since 1853, making it the oldest cattle property on the Sunshine Coast. Today the current property of over 200 acres still operates as a working cattle farm and is home to the Bando Brahman stud.

Yandina Station was established as Yandina Cattle Run in 1853 by two pioneering brothers, Daniel and Zachariah Skyring, who had arrived from England in 1833 with their father, Daniel Budd Skyring. By 1856 it was the Head Station for four cattle runs; Yandina, Canando, Whidlka-Whidlka and Pooreema. This is where the region and the property's luxury cottages got their names. The Homestead, now lovingly restored, is also the oldest continuously lived in dwelling in the region.

The homestead and associated buildings

overlooks the property and are surrounded by manicured gardens and lawns with expansive views, open spaces and cool sea breezes.

Building approvals are current for 25 cottages (3 have been built) and a common/conference room (not constructed).

The 1870s homestead's original 12-inch white beech boards are still in place as are the original hardwood walls and floors. The timbers of the house remain unpainted.

The original dairy has been transformed

into a versatile all-weather venue. The Garden Pavilion and Bar, is a new addition to the property. There are 3 luxury cottages set peacefully amongst Eucalypts and Moreton Bay Fig trees.

A fully established irrigated orchard produces limes, lemons, apples, pears, passion-fruit, kaffir lime, mangoes, bush lemons and mulberries.

Agent Greg Young (0488 238 988) said the property's three main activities - functions, accommodation and cattle - along with the existing building approvals, presented an exciting business opportunity.

### New equipment for Compass Cafe

STAFF and Trainees at the delightful Compass Garden Cafe located at the Maroochy Bushland Botanic Gardens have been very excited to receive new equipment thanks to a grant from the Buderim Foundation.

"The new POS machine will assist the Trainees in their ordering and cash handling skills, and the new freezer, grill, milkshake maker and crockery will be invaluable during these perfect Spring days when the cafe gets very busy," said Compass Institute representative, Alison Stockel. "It's a really lovely café set up amongst the trees and is a great place for a cuppa. The Buderim Foundation does an amazing job of



supporting local charities. Make sure you stop in and say hello for a scone and a cuppa.

The Compass Garden Cafe is located on Palm Creek Road, Tanawha.



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# Restaurant Piggybacks on town's growing success

THE owner of two of the Sunshine Coast's most popular Asian-inspired restaurants has brought one of the region's most renowned restaurant buildings back to life.

On Thursday (November 4) Tony Kelly opened his third Asian-themed venue on the site of Clio's at 1 Koorawatha Lane Palmwoods.

Mr Kelly said the new restaurant, Piggyback, was inspired by the DNA of his current Asian fusion restaurants Rice Boy which is located at the Mooloolaba Wharf and Giddy Geisha in the Maroochydore CBD.

"We've invested a lot of time and resources to create a truly unique experience for diners and I'm really proud of what we have created at Palmwoods. I live in this community so I'm keen to offer locals something which quite frankly, until now has only been available along the coastal strip.

"The 180 seat venue will have an Indonesian and Malaysian street food-inspired menu which cherry picks the very best from our two other venues while also offering some new dishes with a special twist such as Banh Mi and Beef Pho which I am quietly confident will be winners.

"We also have a purpose-built yakitori grill so there will be a good selection of sticks of delicious meats and seafoods cooked over charcoal and a full bar which includes a selection of craft beers on tap or by the bottle.

"Palmwoods is such a great location, my family and I love living here and the success of other local diners such as Rick's Garage and The Shed proves that there is a market for venues which have a strong focus on quality food and service," Tony said.

Mr Kelly said the venue would create up to 35 full and part time jobs with a number of employees coming from the local community.

Piggyback is located at 1 Koorawatha Lane Palmwoods and is open seven days. No bookings. Walk in only. www.piggyb.com.au



From left, Tony Kelly with joint owner Elyza Molloy and Executive Chef Mitch Smith.

# **Travelling** Film Festival returns to **Majestic**

THE Travelling Film Festival, presented by the Sydney Film Festival, will return to Nambour's Majestic Cinemas the weekend of 19 November.

Despite all odds, we are thrilled to return to Nambour this year with a brand-new slate of films direct from the Sydney Film Festival," said Travelling Film Festival Manager, Sanam

"We are committed to delivering an in-cinema festival safely and one that audiences will truly enjoy and experience together all through the festival weekend."

The Opening Night film for this year's Travelling Film Festival is The Drover's Wife: The Legend of Molly Johnson. Written, directed and starring Leah Purcell, it is a period Western about a determined mother protecting her children, and a searing reimagining of Henry Lawson's classic short story with an Indigenous female gaze.

Short Australian filmmakers are represented at the TFF Nambour with two Australian short film finalists from this year's Sydney Film Festival being screened - Deafying Gravity and The Moogai.

This year's crop of films also includes the Iranian film, A Hero, winner of the Grand Prix at the 2021 Cairns Film Festival; and the Australian documentary, River, featuring music of the Australian Chamber Orchestra and narrated by Willem Dafoe.

The Sydney Film Festival began its touring program in 1974 and is now the longest consistently touring festival of film in Australia. Over the last forty plus years, the Travelling Film Festival has visited around 70 towns around Aus-

▶ The Festival will be held 19-21 November at Majestic Cinemas Nambour 5441 2954. Info: www.sff.org.au/tff/program/nambour





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# **All Coast** Tyres laying down rubber in Nambour

YANDINA'S All Coast Tyre Solutions is about to commence the next chapter in its evolution with the opening of a new store in Nambour. Goodyear Autocare Nambour at 22 Coronation Avenue has been freshly painted and fitted out, and has reopened as All Coast Goodyear Nam-

"We are extremely excited to be opening in Nambour," said business co-owner, John O'Leary. "It seems fitting that we are moving into a building that has always been a tyre shop. It is a timely launch, because this year marks our 25th anniversary in business on the Sunshine Coast."

"We have been in the Nambour community for a number of years, supporting schools and clubs like Nambour Crushers Rugby League, Nambour Little Athletics and Nambour Yandina United Football Club to mention a few. We know how important community support is, and giving back to organisations is something we have always done," said Peter O'Leary, Co-owner.

Daniel Brook is a Nambour local who has worked for All Coast Tyre Solutions for 15 years, Daniel has progressed his way through the business to take on the Manager's role at the new Nambour store.

All Coast Tyre Solutions owners, brothers, John and Peter O'Leary, purchased their first tyre store in Yandina in May 1996. John had worked in the tyre industry since 1974 and Peter started in the industry in 1986. "When we bought the Yandina business it was a Millard's Tyre Centre, and we changed to Beaurepairs for Tyres in August 1996," John said.

In 2011 John and Peter rebranded to a Dunlop Super Dealer and finally branded themselves All Coast Tyre Solutions.

"This business has presented us with the most



All Coast Tyre Solutions owners, brothers, John and Peter O'Leary, purchased their first tyre store in Yandina in May 1996 and have now opened in Coronation Street.

wonderful learning and growth opportunities," John said. "And we are only getting started. In our industry, there is just so much to learn".

In their ongoing expansion, the brothers purchased the Dunlop Super dealer in Maroochydore in 2016. The growth of that store included a move to Goodyear Autocare on Wises Road in Maroochydore.

Their efforts were formally recognised in 2019 when the business won the title of Dunlop Super Dealer Queensland, and went on to win the 2019 National Dunlop Super Dealer of the year. "These awards were a recognition of the processes, checks and balances and dedication to relationship building and customer service that are absolutely foundational in our business," John said.

The dedication to service is reflected in the fact that 62% of new customers each month are referrals.

"Education and consistency are key," John explained. "We have well defined processes and procedures that ensure a consistent experience for our customers. Getting the little things right and being open with our customers from the get go is reassuring for them. This is one of the main reasons we enjoy so much repeat busi-

The team at All Coast Tyre Solutions takes their time to ensure the job is done correctly. "We are not a race team," said John. "We have a long term, stable team and all of our staff are fully qualified and trained to do a safe job, not a quick one.

Our point of different at All Coast is the safety and care of our customers and their vehicles, getting the little thing right. "Ultimately, our business is all about safety," John said. "From choosing the correct tyre for your vehicle, driving style and habits, to fitting it properly, every one of our procedures has been developed to ensure that your precious cargo is as safe as possible when the rubber hits the

"We are excited the rebranding of our new store in Nambour is completed, from the old blue and orange to a vibrant yellow and blue, right across the road from the Nambour RSL, Peter said.

2021 has proven to be a huge year for the family business as they are also opening a



#### Yandina NewsXPress on the move

AFTER nine and a half years in Steven Street, Yandina NewsXPress has recently moved to a

bright, fresh new home in Farrell Street.
"We broke with tradition a bit because the old shop was always a newsagency," said owner Keith Harms, pictured. "But it has proven to be a good move because there is plenty of parking out the front, to the side and the back, and the new shop is light and bright and spacious. We have had loads of great feedback from our customers."

As well as selling lottery tickets and Scratchies, newspapers and magazines, NewsX-Press has a unique range of collectables, toys and giftware.

"We have put together a range of stock that I think surprises a lot of people," Keith said. "We have Art Spectrum supplies, Diecast model cars, John Deere toys and Edge sculptures. The sculptures certainly draw a lot of attention and are a real talking point," he said.

The shop is also packed with games and puzzles, which proved to be particularly in demand during lockdowns.

"We got very low on our stock of puzzles and have recently topped up, so we have plenty to suit all tastes," said Keith.

"We have worked hard to source beautiful, unusual and quality lines and from the feedback we are getting, I think we have struck a good balance.

▶ Yandina NewsXPress, Farrell Street Yandina. Phone 5446 7403

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Ted O'Brien, David Redfern, Aveen Kerr and Josh Scott and students Patrick Robinson and

## Chicken project a real 'coop' for North Arm kids

A freshly hatched cohort of feathered friends have been warmly welcomed by students at North Arm State School thanks to a \$4,500 Federal Government Grant.

The Chickens for Children project teaches students practical life lessons through collectively nurturing a family of chickens from the incubation period through to adulthood.

Federal Member for Fairfax says that the grant is a real 'coop' for the kids in North Arm.

"This program provides so much more than the simple joy of watching eggs hatch," Mr O'Brien said.

"It's about the learning and growth opportunities that come with the responsibility of looking after another life.

"This is a great local project and I'm proud to support it."

The program was brought to life by the North Arm State School P and C who received the Australian Government's Stronger Communities

North Arm State School P and C President Aveen Kerr says that the project had been a huge success and has seen a markable impact on student outcomes.

"The effect of having the chickens in the classroom has been unbelievable, particularly with the older grades, as they have been so gentle, engaged and passionate," Ms Kerr said.

# How you can pay it forward at local cafe

THE simple act of 'paying it forward' can have far reaching effects and the smallest random acts of kindness can make a huge difference in someone's day.

"Over winter last year, we saw an opportunity to support our community with suspended coffees or meals for people in need," said Nambour's Arden Dawn owner, Kirstie Martin. "The fish and chip shop that previously offered Suspended meals on Currie street had closed down. and we knew that we could provide healthier meals for people in need, with the help from our community".

The idea is simple. You can purchase a coffee or meal when you are buying your own food, and it is suspended and waiting for someone in need. "We have found that our customers have been incredibly supportive and happy to get on board," Kirstie said. "We do extremely healthy, hearty meals and our toasted sandwiches and burgers have been particularly popular."

Kirstie and her husband Lance also promote other organisations in town who help to feed those in need. "There are regular BBQs at the Anglican Church, and meals being offered by The Shack and The Men's Shed," said Kirstie. "We have a list of organisations here for people



Arden Dawn's Ajuna Bahloo pays one forward.

The service is open to anyone in need.

"We don't ask or judge, because it is not up to us to do that," said Kirstie. "We have had people from school aged children to adults of all ages and from all walks of life and circumstances.

"It is a tragedy that there is a need for it at all but at the end of the day, it is wonderful to be in the position to help those who need kindness, compassion, and healthy food, prepared with

#### **Petrie Creek Bushcare**

THIS plant, pictured, is not a weed, but a beautiful flower on a native bush, Cordyiline stricta (Slender Palm Lily). One of several planted around 2000 at one of the Bush-Care Action sites at Florabunda Pocket Woombye. Recent



weed control in that area has revealed a section of still-developing local native bush/wildlife habitat, along Petrie Creek. Petrie Creek Bushcare will be doing more weed control at our sites as well as planting more natives in coming weeks.

#### Next events ...

Namba Creek at 7am on Saturday 20 November. Meet at the Model Railway Park off Florence St Nambour.

Gulung Gung at 7am on Wednesday 24 November. Meet in the carpark behind Repco in Howard St Nambour.

To join in the activities at these events you'll need to come in bush protective clothing including boots/shoes and a hat. For more info see the Facebook Page or Norm 0409 63 99 44.

#### Remembering Bill Bailey

MEMBERS of the Palmwoods community gathered recently to remember Bill Bailey and dedicate a memorial seat built by the Woombye Men's Shed in his honour at Palmwoods State

Bill was one of the founders of the Palmwoods State School Edible Garden project which has been a favourite learning experience with many generations of school children who learn the importance of looking after our environment and the joy that eating freshly grown organic fruit and vegetables brings.

The dedication ceremony and morning tea was attended by his wife Rita, children Jeffrey and Sandra, representatives of the Woombye Men's Shed, members of the community who have volunteered their time over the years and school staff who remembered Bill and his services fondly.

### O'Brien guest speaker at Woombye breakfast

will be guest speaker at a business breakfast in Woombye on November 16.

The event is organised by Woombye & Districts Community Bank Branch.

"People who haven't been to our Business Breakfast before should definitely come along," said Woombye Branch Manager Yvonne Arthur.

"It's an excellent opportunity



to meet and connect with other members of the local community. We want to celebrate the year that has been at our final breakfast for 2021!

"Don't forget to bring a stack of business cards. We will have a card draw for a little prize and an opportunity for you to spruik your business."

▶ The breakfast will be held at Grounded Cafe from 7am. RSVP only as numbers are limited to: woombyemailbox@bendigoadelaide.com.au

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Helen Glanville, Peter Moriarty, Leanne Newberry, Gordon Sutherland, Andrew Elvin, Adam Morley, Jean McRuvie, and Dan O'Brien.

# Coast2Bay marks 30 years

COAST2BAY Housing Group recently marked 30 years as a community and affordable housing provider on the Sunshine Coast with a celebration at the Nambour Tramway.

Robert Skelton MP presented information on the history of the organisation and the growth that now sees the portfolio within the group of companies in excess of 1100 covering community and affordable housing.

Past and present tenants of the organisation provided insights via video on their circumstances and pathway to safe and affordable housing with Coast2Bay Housing Group.

COO Lee Banfield spoke about the 30 year journey that has seen the organisation grow from a team of 2 to the 37 currently employed.

CEO Andrew Elvin presented details on the increased number of tenancies and the number of tenants helped with essential household items via fundraising.

He also spoke of the 10-year strategic plan

and development activity including affordable housing projects at Beerwah and Yandina.

Also included in the development projects will be the construction of 8 new dwellings as part of the Safe Places Federal Government grant.

RISE 2, will provide short-term accommodation for women and children impacted by domestic violence.

Pam Hall, President of the Zonta Club of Caloundra presented information on the first RISE project and the launch of the RISE Foundation.

With the Sunshine Coast population on a steep upward trajectory the need for increased community and affordable housing will be paramount.

A spokesperson said Coast2Bay Housing Group would continue to advocate for increased housing to meet the needs of those who would otherwise be in danger of homelessness.



# Baroque brilliance comes to Eudlo Hall

IT'S the annual Baroque Brilliance concert time to be performed by the Pacific Chamber Players from the Sunshine Coast.

The concerts will be held on Saturday November 13, at 2.30 pm at Eudlo Hall and on Sunday 14 November at Cooroy Memorial Hall at 2.30pm.

The programme will feature the Sunshine Coast's talented players, Donna McMahon, Cathy Roberts, Anna Moores, Andrew Paszkowski, Anne Bowyer, Sharelle Guest, Warren Brewer, Nick Davey and importantly, the multi-instrumentalist, Janet Brewer accompanying on her beautifully locally made harpsichord.

As always, Nancy Tow will be presenting a

very informative talk at 2.00pm preceding the concerts which starts at 2.30pm.

The strings will be performing Albinoni's gorgeous Sinfonia in Bb and then sharing the stage with Sharelle Guest for Teleman's well known flute Suite in A minor; Neil Heymink for Vivaldi's Bassoon Concerto RV498 and Warren Brewer for Torelli's Trumpet Sinfonia in D.

Finally, the players will join together for Bach's powerhouse Brandenburg concerto No 5 and Handel's 'Atlanta' Overture. It will be an afternoon of beautiful and familiar music.

▶ Bookings are available at www.pacific-chamberplayers.com, and at the door, \$28 adult, \$25 concession and \$10 students. Further enquiries 07 5446 8128.

### Community venues under microscope

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SUNSHINE Coast Council is calling any groups who may operate a community venue to have their say for the chance to win a \$500 voucher for their organisation.

Community Portfolio Councillor David Law said the Community Venues Check-In would run for four weeks from Monday, November 8, until Friday, December 3. "The Sunshine Coast is home to a wide range of community venues. They provide important spaces for activities, programs,

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services and events within our community," Cr Law said. "This Check-In includes all hireable spaces for community use and looks at understanding the region's community venues better, their capacity and accessibility, plus opportunities so we can help support them in becoming the best well-used and activated spaces."

For more information visit www.haveyoursay. sunshinecoast.qld.gov.au/community-venues-check

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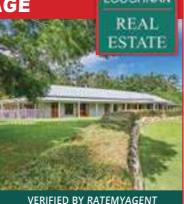
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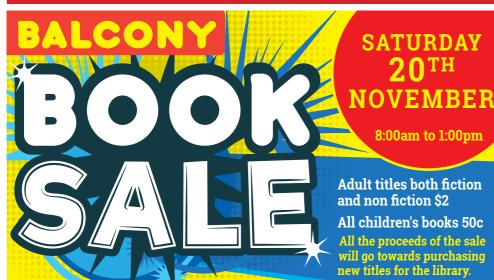
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# Giving Night

LAST Saturday night, community groups and organisations came together at the Palmwoods Hotel at the invitation of the Heritage Palmwoods Community Branch to receive a whopping \$166,445 in funding for a broad range of projects.

"This represents the most funding we have distributed back to our community, and it has been so incredibly gratifying to engage with all of the organisations who made applications. We know that the money will be put to great use," said Director, Audrey Lyttle.

Heritage Palmwoods Community Branch is a joint-venture between Heritage Bank and the local Palmwoods community, represented by Palmwoods Community Branch Ltd (PCB). It was established after 99 local investors raised \$200,000 in capital to help set up the branch in 2006.

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

"On behalf of the Directors and staff of the Branch, I really want to thank everyone who supports our bank. None of this would be possible without community support. And I encourage everyone in our community to contact us to see if we can help you with your banking needs. The more our branch is supported, the more we can contribute to our wonderful community."

You can call the Branch on 5294 0600.



Palmwoods Warriors Football Club Inc received \$4,000.

# Bank pumps \$166,445 back into Palmwoods



Staff and Directors of the Palmwoods Community Branch Ltd (PCB) with the cheque representing \$166,445 worth of funds which were distributed to community groups and organisations at the Palmwoods Hotel on Saturday, November 6.



Palmwoods Cricket Club Inc received \$3,800s.



Palmwoods and Western District Junior Rugby League Football Club received \$8.800.



Suncoast Hinterland BMX received \$8,000.



Woombye Snakes Football Club Inc received \$8,114.



Palmwoods State School received \$9,315



Palmwoods State School received \$4,300.



Mooloolah Primary School P and C received \$3,024.



 $Palmwoods\ Community\ Kindergarten\ received\ \$4,833.$ 

Palmwoods' Heritage Community Branch Working with the Community in 2021



Eudlo State School P and C received \$18,000.



Chevallum State School P and C received \$10,860.



Sunshine Valley Mens Shed received \$4,200.



Palmwoods Community Business Association received \$2,950.



The Little Village Choir Inc received \$4,002.



The Petrie Creek Catchment Care Group Inc received \$3,000.



The Palmwoods Memorial Hall received \$3,000.



Giving Kids Memories received a \$10,000.



Palmwoods Rural Fire Brigade received \$7,624.



Nambour and District Historical Museum Association Inc received \$3,982.



Palmwoods Girl Guides received \$2,558.



Palmwoods Cubs and Scouts received \$3,084.



Hunchy Community Association Inc received \$3,443.



Palmwoods Singers Theatrical Society received \$1,094.



Palmwoods Singers Theatrical Society received \$2,750.



The Compass Institute received \$11,934.



Chevallum Netball Club received \$2,424.



Mooloolah Community Mens Shed received \$2,354.



The Compass Institute Awards Night received \$5,000.



The Heritage Christmas Concert with the Palmwoods Memorial Hall received \$10,000.



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- 20. HEARTY PEA & HAM SOUP (GF / DF)
  - WITH SPLIT LENTILS, SEASONAL VEGETABLES AND BRAISED HAM
  - SINGLE SERVE \$5.50
- 21. ROASTED SWEET PUMPKIN SOUP (GF / DF)
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- 22. CREAMY COCONUT CHICKEN KORMA A MILD CHICKEN CURRY WITH COCONUT MILK BASE SERVED WITH RICE
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- 26. VEGETABLE COCONUT CURRY (GF / DF / VEG) SERVED WITH JASMINE RICE AND STEAMED VEGGIES
- 27. BRAISED BEEF AND ONION STEW (GF / DF) TOMATO & BEEF GRAVY, JASMINE RICE AND STEAMED VEGGIES
- 28. PENNE BOLOGNESE LEAN BEEF MINCE BOLOGNAISE, CHEDDAR CHEESE AND HERBS
- 29. PENNE CHICKEN CARBONARA BACON, MUSHROOM, PARMESAN, HERBS & CREAM

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- 30. HAM & PINEAPPLE PIZZA (READY MADE)
- 31. MEAT DELIGHT PIZZA (READY MADE)

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- 32. CARAMELISED ONION & CHEESE PIZZA (READY MADE)
- 33. CHICKEN, BRIE & PROSCIUTTO PIZZA (READY MADE)

49. CHICKEN SCHNITZEL - SERVED WITH VEGETABLES

51. MARGHERITA PIZZA - TOMATO BASE, CHERRY TOMATOES,

52. BUTCHERS BLOCK PIZZA - TOMATO BASE, CHICKEN, BEEF, SALAMI,

HAM, BACON, ONION, CHEESE & HOLLANDAISE SAUCE SWIRL

53. SUPREME PIZZA - TOMATO BASE, SHAVED HAM, SALAMI, ONIONS,

CAPSICUM, PINEAPPLE, MUSHROOM, OLIVES, ANCHOVIES & CHEESE

50 CHICKEN PARMIGIANA - SERVED WITH HAM

NAPOLI SAUCE AND VEGETABLES

CHEESE & BASIL

- 34. SAVOURY ZUCCHINI MUFFIN (VEG)
- 35. CREAMY GARLIC PRAWNS SERVED WITH RICE
- **36. SEAFOOD MARINARA FETTUCCINE**
- 37. PENNE PASTA WITH MEATBALLS
- 38. CHARDONNAY RISOTTO (GF / VEG)
- PUMPKIN, SPINACH, FETA & PINENUTS
- 39. RISOTTO (GF) CHICKEN, BACON & MUSHROOM
- 40. CREAMY TUSCAN CHICKEN PASTA CREAMY GARLIC SAUCE WITH SPINACH AND SUN DRIED TOMATOES
- 41. FETTUCCINE CARBONARA CLASSIC STYLE WITH SALTY CURED PANCETTA, MUSHROOM & CREAMY SAUCE
- 42. MEDITERRANEAN VEGETABLE FETTUCCINE TOMATO & HERB BASED NAPOLI WITH ZUCCHINI, CHERRY TOMATOES, CAPSICUM, OLIVES, FINISHED WITH SHAVE PARMESAN
- 43. BUTTER CHICKEN MARINATED GRILLED CHICKEN BREAST COOKED ON THE GRILL & SIMMERED IN A SMOOTH SAUCE OF TOMATO, CASHEWS, ALMONDS
- 44. LAMB ROGAN JOSH MARINATED DICED LAMB COOKED WITH ONION, TOMATO, GINGER, GARLIC, HERBS, SPICES & CORIANDER
- 45. BEEF MADRAS BEEF CURRY PREPARED IN ONION, **COCONUT & SPICES**
- 46. ROAST PORK SERVED WITH JACKET POTATO AND SEASONAL VEGGIES & APPLE SAUCE
- 47. CLOUDS GOURMET PIE SERVED WITH A SIDE OF CREAMY MASH POTATO - \$10.00
- 48. BAKED SALMON SERVED WITH ROASTED SEASON VEGETABLES - \$15.00

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55. TROPICAL PARMIGIANA - TOPPED WITH HAM, PINEAPPLE

- 57. CHILLI CARBONARA CHICKEN, BACON, GARLIC, CHILLI, AGED TOBASCO & PARMESAN
- 58. CREAMY PESTO GNOCCHI BACON, SUNDRIED TOMATO, GARLIC, PESTO, CREAM SAUCE & PARMESAN
- 59. HOUSE MADE BEEF RISSOLES SERVED WITH VEGTABLES, CREAMY MASH POTATO & GRAVY
- **60. LAMB AND ROSEMARY FILO'S** SERVED WITH STEAMED RICE
- 61. MONTVILLE GOURMET PIE SERVED WITH MUSHY PEAS AND CREAMY MASH POTATO
- 62. SWEET POTATO, PUMPKIN, SPINACH & FETA FILO SERVED SERVED WITH VEGETABLES

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Holly Hoffman with some decorations.

# It's beginning to look a lot like Christmas

THERE is no doubt about it, 2021 has been a tough year. But, at the Clock Shop in Montville, it's Christmas all year round.

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The list goes on. The range of products that Clock Shop stock can be found at the various Christmas markets dotted all over Germany, half a world away, in a country that is often referred to as the Home of Christmas.

This year why not treat yourself and decorate your home into the very whimsical atmosphere that a German Christmas is world famous for, with traditional and authentic decorations currently in stock and ready to dispatch to your door the very next day. The entire range of Christmas decorations is available both in-store at 194 Main Street, Montville, or via the website at www.clockshop.com.au.

### **Experience true** Tibetan cuisine at **Palmwoods Hotel**

THE delicious and unique flavours of Tibetan cuisine can now be enjoyed on Tuesday nights at the Palmwoods Hotel, following the addition of popular Chef, Jampa to the kitchen team.

"We are absolutely thrilled that Chef Jampa has joined our team," said Marketing Manager, Cassie Orreal. "Many people on the Coast will be familiar with his delicious food, as he owned and operated The Spirit of Tibet in Mooloolaba for nine years, and Jampa's Spirit of Tibet in Forest Glen, for many years."

With roadworks on the Bruce Highway forcing the closure of the Forest Glen restaurant, Chef Jampa has moved to the Palmwoods

"Chef Jampa is incredibly talented and experienced and we love having him on our team," Ms Orreal said. "Patrons are so fortunate to be able to experience his Tibetan food, and Tuesday nights are becoming increasingly busy.'

On Tuesday nights, diners can order from the regular menu or dishes from the Tibetan menu.

"Chef Jampa makes everything from scratch, including his handmade samosas and Momos (steamed dumplings)," said Ms Orreal. "His curries are absolutely sensational, carefully blending traditional Tibetan spices with fresh meats and seasonal vegetables, and his signature dish, Shashi chicken, has become a favou-

YANDINA welcomes Pam and Paul as guest artists at the country music concert on Sunday 21st

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Chef Jampa offers authentic Tibetan cuisine at Palmwoods Hotel.

rite with everyone that tries it; myself included!" You can book your table online by going to the website www.PalmwoodsHotel.com.au or calling 5445 9003.

# **Nambour Hospital treats**

FOUR people have been bitten by snakes on the Sunshine Coast recently.

three for snake bites

Medical staff at Nambour Hospital treated three people for snake bites that occurred at homes at Kenilworth, Burnside and Coolabine within about 24 hours from last Friday night (October 29).

Meanwhile a teenage boy was taken to Caboolture Hospital after being bitten by a snake at Woodford on Saturday night (October



Rosanna Natoli, Col Nation, Roger Bazand and

#### Plein Air Paint Out

THE Sunshine Coast Plein Air Paint Out was held in the last week of October. All works completed during that week are on display all through November at the Ginger Factory in Yandina. There were 18 artists that participated in the week long event that took in many beautiful locations in and around the Sunshine Coast region.

The Ginger Factory have been kind enough to provide a great venue where there are lots of great local works for sale from local painters, fresh off the easel. The pop up gallery was officially opened by Rosanna Natoli with Member for Ninderry, Dan Purdie in attendance as well. The Ginger Factory gallery closes on Sunday the

#### **November Featured Artist** at historic House

THE featured Artist at the Yandina His-House toric Gallery Almeta Lennon, pic-tured. Almeta is a member of the Coolum Art Collective and



has an eclectic style and so her works feature a variety of subjects using colours to create many moods. Her works will be displayed throughout November.

The Gallery is open from 9.30am to 2.30pm Monday to Saturday. Stop in for a Devonshire tea and check out Almeta's work.

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#### Did you know?

Council's Civil Asset Management crews work day and night to monitor, construct, repair, maintain and plan for Council-owned assets for the community. These include roads, bridges, drains, pathways, boardwalks, footbridges and street furniture. They also manage the operation of two quarries at Image Flat and Dulong, supplying around 200,000 tonnes of high-quality local rock products to businesses last financial year. For more details about where to buy your local rock visit Council's website and search, 'Quarry Services'.

#### Turtle season is here

From November to May, look out for turtle tracks, new nests and emerging hatchlings. If you see signs of turtles on our beaches, please watch your step and contact the 'Turtle Care' volunteers via Council's website. These volunteers survey our beaches daily to help monitor these beautiful creatures.

#### One for the calendar

Next Council Ordinary Meeting - Thursday, 10 November at 9am.

#### Help protect shorebirds

Migratory shorebirds are the world's most threatened group of birds and the Sunshine Coast plays a key role in their ongoing survival. Flying more than 10,000 km from the arctic, they spend the summer on the shores of the Pumicestone Passage and Maroochy River to rest and recover for their return journey. Help share our coast with shorebirds by observing from a distance with binoculars, keeping dogs under control and taking your rubbish with you.

#### **Experience the new exhibitions at Caloundra Regional Gallery**

Open until 5 December, I Sea U is a stunning black and white portrait series by photographer Keith Hamlyn who documents his subjects' connection with the ocean, while Hiromi Tango - Healing Garden is a blooming garden of flowers, buds, leaves and vines. Stop by and contribute a flower.

#### Nominate your everyday heroes today

There's just a few weeks left to nominate someone you know for a Sunshine Coast Australia Day Award. And what a great way to say thank you, well done, we appreciate you! There are seven categories to choose from including youth and environmental champions through to sporting gurus and community groups. Head to Council's website and nominate a local champion before 6 December.

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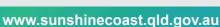














Chadd has released a new menu for Altro Café which stars dishes such as pork bao buns, calamari salad, poke bowls, seared salmon and share options such as pizzas, loaded fries and nachos.

# **Experienced chef brings new** flavours to Nambour RSL

WITH over 25 years in the hospitality industry, Nambour RSL Club's new Executive Chef, Chadd Kitto, is ready and eager to bring positive change to dining-out in the region.

"I am looking forward to bringing excellence and quality to the table at Nambour RSL Club," said Chadd. "I want to give all our members and guests an experience where they love to come for lunch and dinner and are proud to bring their friends to the best Club on the Sunshine Coast."

Chadd has worked in a wide range of restaurants, hotels and clubs throughout Sydney. In the last ten years he was the Head Chef for Momento Hospitality Group at Hillside Hotel with the last four years as Head Chef for Royal Hotel Group at Gregory Hills Hotel.

'We are excited to welcome Executive Chef Chadd to the Team," said Suzanne Long, Chief Executive Officer of Nambour RSL Club. "He is extremely talented, with an impressive culinary background, and we are confident that all our guests will love what he brings to the table."

Chadd has recently released a new menu for Altro Café which stars dishes such as pork bao buns, calamari salad, poke bowls, seared salmon and share options such as pizzas, loaded fries and nachos.

Later this month, he will launch the summer menu in Mosaic Restaurant which will include the menu favourites but will also feature fresh new salads, burgers, ribs, pasta and a refresh of the nightly specials.

Chadd creates all the menu combinations for the special events at the Club. One event not to be missed is the Wine Degustation Dinner on Thursday 25 November. It will be an evening celebrating gourmet degustation dining paired with matching wines. Chadd has tailored a sixcourse tasting menu which complements and accentuates the flavours of each of the wines selected.

Nambour RSL Club is open seven days a week for lunch and dinner. You can check out the menus at nambourrsl.com.au



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# Listen Up! Hearing Australia **Bus coming to Nambour soon**

THE Hearing Australia bus is stopping by Nambour and Maroochydore to offer free hearing checks and raise hearing health awareness in the local community.

With a 12-strong fleet of Hearing Australia buses, the mobile hearing service has provided over 175,000 free hearing checks in communities across Australia since the first bus service launched in

Hearing Australia buses travel around the country, not only visiting busy city centres, but also smaller regional towns where it might be difficult for people to get their hearing checked. The bus also stops by retirement villages and aged care facilities to make it easier for people to have their hearing checked.

The team at Hearing Australia want to help people take control of their hearing health and experience the joy of sound in all aspects of their life.

Healthy hearing is a big part of life. It keeps us connected to the people and life we love. Good hearing plays a significant role in helping people stay active, happy and involved in the world around them.

An estimated 3.6 million Australians are affected by hearing loss, and this is projected to more than double to 7.8 million by 2060, meaning nearly one in every five Australians will be affected2.

A hearing check is a quick and easy way to help identify if your hearing might not be as sharp as it used to be.



Bus Location	Address	When
Salvation Army Family Store	134 Aerodrome Road, Maroochydore	Monday December 20, 9.30am-1.30pm.
Cotion Tree Markets	Cotton Tree Parade Cotton Tree, 4558	Sunday 7.00am - 12.00pm 21 November 2021
The Shack Community Centre Nambour	19 Price Street Nambour, 4560	Monday 9.30am - 1.30pm 22 Novemember 2021
Pharmacy for Life Nambour	123 Nambour-Mapleton Road, Nambour, 4560	Friday 9.30sm - 1.30pm 26° November 2021



As well as having a hearing check, visitors to the Hearing Australia bus can also find information on how to keep their hearing in good shape and view a display of easy-to-use hearing devices for around the home. This includes headsets for watching TV and alert systems for doorbells.

Not everyone who is experiencing problems hearing may need a hearing aid. Sometimes people might just need support listening to the TV at normal volumes, hearing at noisy social events, or hearing their friends and family on the phone.

▶ No appointment is necessary. Hearing Australia will provide hearing checks to any interested adults over 18 who visit the bus on the day. The Hearing Australia team is on hand to guide you through what your next steps may be to help you rediscover the sounds you love.

# Realistic Australian Bird Art exhibition on display at Mary Cairncross Scenic Reserve

IN a Covid-defiant 'Flying higher' stance, The Holmes Prize for Excellence in Realistic Australian Bird Art returns in 2021 to wow Sunshine Coast art lovers.

As of 18 November, 35 exquisite artworks from bird artists all over Australia will be on display at the Mary Cairncross Scenic Reserve in Maleny.

In 2015 Dr Gary Holmes—a keen collector of realistic bird art-accidentally unveiled a niche in realistic bird art in Australia. World-renowned Australian bird artists were competing in bird art competitions globally, and yet there was nothing in their own back yard.

It was then that Dr Holmes and his wife Dr Margaret Anderson set about addressing the void and they haven't looked back since.

Their usual 'Bigger and better' mantra to acknowledge the increasing interest and quality of artworks entered into the competition has been replaced this year with 'Flying higher' after the Covid pandemic in 2020 forced the cancellation of that year's competition.

Fully funded by the Holmes family—with a total of \$20,000 up for grabs—the competition attracts artists of international repute, some of whom are local Queenslanders.

The exhibition is open seven days a week, from Thursday 18 November to Sunday 12 December.

The five winners-Best in Show (\$15,000) and four Awards of Excellence (\$1000 each) will be announced at the official opening on Saturday 20 November by competition judge Steve Parish, internationally renowned bird and wildlife photographer for over 50 years.

Cast your vote for the People's Choice \$1000 award (voting forms available at the exhibition or via the Holmes Art Prize Facebook page, more details to follow).

▶ Visit The Holmes Prize for Excellence in Realistic Australian Bird Art on Facebook for full information and updates.

#### Nambour hosts Toastmasters event

SATURDAY 23 October saw the annual Area 16 contest day for all the Toastmaster International Clubs on the Sunshine Coast (Nambour, Coolum, Bli Bli, Maroochydore, Noosa).

Nambour Club was proud to host this event at the church hall in Currie Street.

Area 16 Director Debbie Holly, also a member of the club, did a fantastic job organising the event with the help of lots of others.

Club President Colin McMahon was the Master of Ceremonies for the event, and did a great job. The Club had four strong contestants taking part. One in each of the competitions: Table Topics, Speech evaluation, Humorous speech and International speech.

Nambour Club had two winners: Bradley Rowlands (humorous speech) and Wendy McLean (table topics). They will be representing Area 16 at the Central Division contest in March 2022 in Hervey Bay - Congratulations Bradley and Wendy and Good Luck for March.

The next meetings of Nambour Toastmasters' Club will take place on Thursday 4 and 18 November and Thursday 2 December - 6.45 for 7pm to 9pm at the Anglican Church Hall, Currie Street, Nambour,

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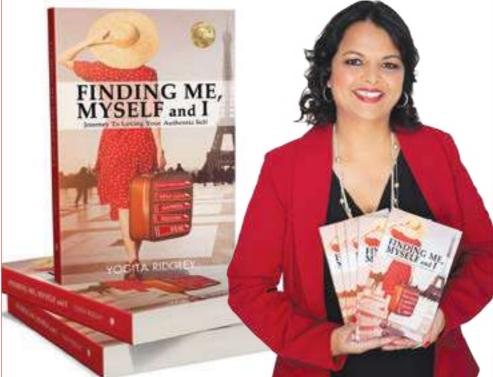
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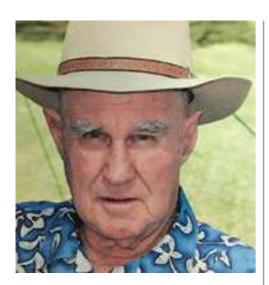
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#### Vale Kevin Alfred Hansen (April 13 1931 — 24th October 2021)

Kevin Alfred Hansen was born on the 13th April 1931 at Wondai Queensland, the first son of Nancy and Alfred Hansen with Colin and

Kevin spent the first years of his life on farms at Leafdale and Mondure. From here the family moved to Biloela where his father became the commission agent and later purchasing a barber shop with adjacent billiard rooms. In 1944 the family went back into farming, moving to 'Calvale' on the Callide Creek in the vicinity of what is now the site of the Callide Dam and Calvale Power Station.

In 1947 the family moved to another farm at Tinana near Maryborough.

It was here that he first met Shirley Schultz whose grandfather owned the property across the road from his family's farm. Kevin and Shirley announced their engagement on the 6th October 1951.

Around this time his parents purchased a farm at Mungungo near Monto.

On the 22nd November 1952 Kevin and Shirley married in Maryborough. After the wedding they moved to the farm at Mungungo and lived in a small cottage that Kevin had renovated from an old barn.

In 1956 their daughter Lorelle was born at

In 1957 the family sold the farm and moved to Kenilworth where they operated a fuel depot along with the cream and mail run. In 1958 their son Neil was born at Cooroy.

After they sold the business in 1960, Kevin and family stayed on in Kenilworth until 1966 working at the saw mill.

After a short time back in Maryborough the family moved to Maroochydore and Kevin obtained a job with Keith Lawrie Earthmoving in 1969 as a machinery operator rising to supervisor. His younger brother John and Clive Plater who would later become his son-in-law, also worked for Keith Lawrie.

During this period Kevin and Shirley built a new home at Kawana.

In 1974 Keith sold the earthmoving business to Thiess and Kevin went to work with Keith building the new marina at Kawana.

From the marina Kevin went to be a Grader Operator with Paveways, a company owned by two former Keith Lawrie Earthmoving supervisors and staffed by many of his former work mates including his brother John and now sonin-law Clive. Son Neil also joined the team at

In 1993 Kevin and Shirley sold their home at Kawana and moved to a small acreage property at Robinson Road, Eudlo where they built a new home to enjoy their retirement years with Kevin establishing an orchard and large vegetable

Kevin's passions and talents in life were many and varied over his lifetime but whatever he applied himself to, you could bet on his total commitment.

Hobbies included fishing, music, CB radio, hunting, gardening and acrylic painting.

Sport wise, he played tennis, football and cricket and naturally he followed all three passionately on television right up until his passing.

Of course family was paramount and he was a keen photographer at every family occasion.

For many years Kevin has been battling skin cancer but as with everything he did in his life he was totally committed to fighting it until he passed peacefully at Sundale Palmwoods on 24th October 2021.

▶ It is a long standing tradition in Eudlo to fly the Australian flag at half mast on the town's War Memorial flag pole on the day of the funeral of long time residents. Anyone wishing this to be done for one of their relatives should contact the 'Honorary Flag Officer', Clive Plater on 5445 0054.



Members of 'Slow down Maleny' are raising awareness of speeding in town.

# Why the rush? Residents urge drivers to slow down around Maleny

A group has formed in Maleny to raise awareness around speeding in the town.

The group says speeding vehicles in and around Maleny have raised concerns for parents of children, dog walkers, horse and bike riders, the elderly, and wildlife carers.

"We all love Maleny," said Slow Down Maleny convenor Andrew McLean.

"And many others love coming here. It's the people and the wildlife that make this place special so why wouldn't we protect them?'

The group has surveyed the community and found hotspots where residents are concerned for the safety of those who get around Maleny without a car.

Slow Down Maleny is also concerned about the amount of animal deaths on our roads. Vehicle speed is one of the major factors.

The group is starting a grassroots campaign leading up to Christmas to help motorists residents and visitors - to be more mindful of the impact vehicles are having on the safety of those around them.

"The world is changing. Healthier communities are made up of healthy people who aren't hurried and who spend more time walking, riding and relating rather than commuting anyway.

"At some point, motorists need to decide whether getting to their destination 30 seconds earlier is more important than protecting people and animals," Andrew said.

"We are not asking motorists to get out and push their cars, but just be mindful of speed around hotspots - schools, wildlife corridors, aged-care facilities, and around pedestrians and riders.

"And maybe even try to drive less."

If you have a fence, business or prominent roadside property, Andrew says you can purchase signs for display from Maple Street

# Review prompts slowdown on **Kenilworth-Skyring Creek Rd**

NEW speed limits are in sight for Kenilworth-Skyring Creek Road, following a review

Member for Nicklin Rob Skelton said the reduction to 70km/h would improve safety for

"Locals have been calling for the speed limit of this section to be reduced for a while now," Mr Skelton said.

"I'm pleased to say a review of the area was endorsed by the local Speed Management Committee, finding that the 70km/h should be implemented just north of Poulsen Road to just past Happy Jack Creek Road.

"The Committee was made up of representatives from Queensland Police Service, Gympie

Regional Council and the Department of Transport and Main Roads.

"Several important factors are taken into consideration when we undertake these reviews including crash history, traffic volumes, types of drivers, geography of the road and its role in the road network.

Mr Skelton urged drivers to keep an eye out for the new speed signs and be aware of the changed 70km/h speed limit.

"I encourage drivers to always drive to the conditions and reduce their speed in wet weather or other adverse conditions," he said.

The reduced speed limit is scheduled to be implemented by the end of 2021, weather and conditions permitting.

# Maleny meeting to discuss elder abuse

From Val France

WE all want to believe we will be safe and cared for as we get older. But this does not always happen. What can we do to ensure the rights and safety of ourselves and our loved ones?

While there has been much publicity in recent years about domestic and family violence, there has been less emphasis on how our elders can also suffer physical, emotional, and financial abuse. Speak Up Now, an initiative of the combined Service Clubs of Maleny and the Blackall Range, is holding a forum on Elder Abuse on Monday 13th December 2021 (9am -Noon). There will be a short film in the form of a drama outlining issues for older people and their legal rights, including Enduring Powers of Attorneys and Wills, followed by a complimentary morning tea. After this a question and answer session will be hosted by Julian Porter from the Suncoast Community Legal Service and well know local, Tove Easton from Easton

Representatives from Centacare Domestic Violence Service, and Relationships Australia Elder Abuse team, will also be available to

Additionally Rev Liena Hoffman will speak about a Conversation Hub which will be commencing in Maleny to enable families to gather to hold 'difficult conversations' related to enduring powers of attorneys etc.

Come along to learn what you can do to ensure your rights to safety in your advanced years. And bring all your questions for the experts. RSVP for catering purposes to Val France 0419 599042 or speakupnowstopdomesticviolence@gmail.com.



### The New Wave Kids Club

THE New Wave Kids Club at the Nambour Wesleyan Methodist Church meets fortnightly on Friday afternoons, and provides an opportunity for primary school aged students to enjoy an afternoon of activities with a short devotion,

and finishing the night with dinner.
"The children are free and safe to enjoy fun together, learning about being part of a team and community," said Pastor Scott Lucas.

Activities are planned by Pastor Scott's wife, Donna. "Our group of devoted adult helpers love to help the children with the activities," Pastor Scott explained.

"We see it as a ministry to the whole family, not just the children who come and join in. We'd love to see new faces at the New Wave Kids

▶ New Wave is fortnightly on Fridays from 4-6pm and it's just \$2 per child or \$5 a family. For more information please contact Nambour Wesleyan Methodist Church on 5476 4263 or by email at revscottlucas@gmail.com.

#### **Woombye Community** Library balcony book sale

There's bargains for everyone at the Woombye Community Library balcony book sale Saturday 20th November. All the books will be on tables on the balcony to keep our visitors Covid safe. Please come along and support the library by purchasing a raffle ticket in our Christmas raffle or buying a secondhand book. All the proceeds of the sale will go towards purchasing new titles for the library. Woombye Community Library is located at 1-3 Hill Street Woombye in the front section of the Hall of the Arts building, and has been here for 100 years. It's a great library with a great selection of adult and children's books, free wifi, and a community computer for anyone to use. The library is open every day from 9 to 12 and 2 til 5pm. We welcome new members, it's free to join and if volunteering interests you, just ask.

Don't forget our sale in on Saturday 20th November from 8 am to 1 pm, Adult titles both fiction an non fiction will be \$2 and all children's books will be 50c. See you there!

#### **Moment** in Time



May Day procession entering the Nambour Showgrounds. c 1926: Throughout the 1920s and 30s, large crowds attended Nambour's annual May Day Festival organised by the Maroochy District Friendly Socities Association to raise funds for worthy causes in the town. On the left of the photo is the house built by Mr. J. T. Low and later owned by Nambour's first bowling green keeper, Mr 'Bob' Dixon. The second house was the home of George and Alice Brockhurst, followed by the house of the Harris family whose dairy farm stretched down to Petrie Creek. The Nambour State College now occupies this land. (Photo: Nambour & District Museum)

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#### 9 Mary Cairncross Avenue, Maleny

Nestled on the highly sought-after Eastern side of Maleny, and capturing views to the Sunshine Coast; this family home is just waiting for its new owners. Lovingly held by the same Maleny family for decades, here is the opportunity to create your forever home. There is scope to add your design plans and style to this established property and reap the rewards for your family for many years to come.

Surrounded by established homes, the property offers unique features like vaulted ceilings and stained glass windows. Solidly built and well maintained, the property also offers immaculate low maintenance gardens across 2005sqm<sup>2</sup>. With a lovely rural outlook and feel, inspection is an absolute must to appreciate everything on offer!

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For Sale Contact Agent **Inspect** By Appointment Only **Rodney Millett** 0477 702 073 rodney@malenyrealestate.com





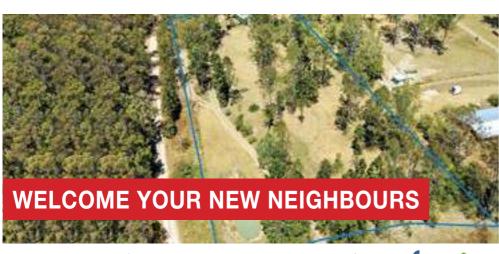
#### 309 Witta Road, Witta

Situated in ever-popular Witta, this three-bedroom Western Red Cedar home offers the perfect home or retreat from the hustle and bustle of the coast or the city. Surrounded by attractive nature; wildlife abounds and offers peace and tranquillity

on this half acre block. Lovingly renovated, the property offers a neutral palette to add your style. The demand from astute buyers looking to purchase in Witta is ever growing and here is your opportunity to enter the market with this very solid home.

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#### 30 Pinto Drive, Condonale

Situated in a very quiet and peaceful position in Conondale, just over 20 minutes drive to the vibrant heart of Maleny, is this one bedroom, one bathroom liveable shed; just perfect for a weekender. The opportunity is here to move in and simply revel in your 2.47 north facing acres straight away or explore the Hinterland and use the property as your city escape. For the growing family there is the opportunity to build your forever home in your perfect location. The dwelling is positioned at the back of the property in an elevated position so you can soak up the spectacular view over the 2.47 acres down to the small dam located at the front of the property.





## SOLD

By Principal **Rodney Millett** 

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Situated in a guiet and highly desirable complex is this three-bedroom townhouse Within walking distance to the vibrant heart of Maleny, you are on the doorstep of cafes, restaurants, shopping, schools, public transport and all amenities. Light and bright, this townhouse offers the opportunity for buyers to enter the Maleny market. Located in leafy Fig Street, investors and owner occupiers alike will appreciate the many advantages of this unit and its investment opportunity. In an elevated position within the complex, it offers a private north facing yard to create veggie and herb gardens and have a space to entertain family and friends. This is your opportunity to gain an entry to the Maleny property market for your new home or your next investment.



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# Ultimate Nambour Heights opportunity

**AGENT'S CHOICE** 8 Albatross Avenue, Nambour

HIGH in the hills of Nambour in one of its most coveted locations, is this immaculate single level home on a 791m2 block with a flat fenced backyard, showcasing a prized easterly outlook across town and beyond, within walking distance to Burnside schools and Nambour Heights shops.

Built to maximise its position, the home is filled with natural light and gentle breezes; and comprises three bedrooms, two bathrooms plus powder room, formal and casual living areas, large central kitchen, north facing alfresco patio, cosy front porch – perfect for a morning cuppa, utility room/study, and double lock up garage with drive-through access to backyard.

Elegant entry, huge bay windows at front to frame vista and invite in sunshine, open fireplace, 2 x split system air-conditioners, interior brick feature walls, good storage, solar hot water, solar power, and lock-up garden shed – are some of the home's attributes, and there is a wonderful warm ambience throughout.

Well established terraced gardens at the front enhance the street appeal of the home and the backyard is child and pet-friendly – the maintenance is quite minimal; it won't take much of an effort to keep it looking as lovely as it does now.

This home has been meticulously cared for, and much cherished by its long-term owners, and there is no immediate money needing to be spent. You may want to modernise a little over time, but there is no rush, and any improvements can be done without fear of overcapitalising in this sought-after location.

Just a few minutes' drive to town amenities, local public and private hospital, and 25 minutes to coast beaches – convenient access to the essentials, as well as all the stunning natural attractions the Sunshine Coast has to offer from national parks and mountains, through to ocean and rivers ... can be savoured at your leisure.

Tightly held, properties in this street are rarely offered to the market," said agent Tristan Brown. "This will sell quickly, act today before that sold sticker goes up," he said.

▶ Contact Tristan Brown 0403 665 643 or John Tobin 0478 664 546 – REMAX Nambour



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# Leafy block close to town

AGENT'S CHOICE 166 Coes Creek Road Coes Creek

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Comprising four bedrooms, one bathroom, two toilets, formal lounge, generous size kitchen with adjacent meals area, alfresco entertaining patio overlooking gardens and beyond to rainforest oasis, separate laundry, and single lock up garage with drive-through access to backyard - this is family-sized living, comfortable and homely

Well-cared for and cherished by long-term owners; features include ceiling fans, split system air-conditioning in lounge, security screens, separate shower and bath, external access from master, a fourth bedroom/home office/multipurpose room in original garage.

Framed by established gardens at front and rear with a terraced backyard and flat grassy spaces for children and pets to play, plus a delightful pond (shared by adjoining neighbours) - the outlook is lush and verdant, and there is an abundance of birdlife.

The home is perfectly positioned at the front of the block, allowing plenty of room at rear to build a smaller dwelling - perfect for a granny flat (subject to council approvals); this allows a

very real opportunity to value-add as well as providing dual living for extended family members or to generate rental income.

Located just a 10 minute walk to local shopping village with a Foodworks, liquor store, cafes, hairdresser, Indian restaurant, and childcare; plus, a short drive to local schools including St John's College, Burnside Schools and Nambour Christian College (via Menary Road route), and only a few minutes into town - it is a convenient location, always in demand.

First time offered to the market since 1998, and with so much potential in popular Coes Creek - this WILL sell so quickly, you must act immediately.

▶ Contact selling agents Richard Krausz (0422 997 810) and Megan Manly (0421 040 807).



# Low maintenance family home, Maleny

**AGENT'S CHOICE** 9 Mary Cairncross Ave Maleny

NESTLED in the highly sought-after Eastern side of Maleny, and capturing views to the Sunshine Coast; this family home is just waiting for

Lovingly held by the same Maleny family for decades, here is the opportunity to create your forever home.

There is scope to add your design plans and style to this established property and reap the rewards for your family for many years to come. Surrounded by established homes, the property offers unique features like vaulted ceilings and stained glass windows.

Solidly built and well maintained, the property also offers immaculate low maintenance gardens across 2005sqm2. Inspection is an absolute must to appreciate everything on offer.

▶ Inspection By appointment only. Contact Rodney Millett of Maleny and Hinterland Real Estate on 0477 702 073.





#### 8 Albatross Avenue

**Ultimate Nambour Heights Opportunity** 

#### **NAMBOUR**





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- maximise light
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Palmwoods Warriors FC Black won the Div 1 Grand Final.

# Palmwoods stars shine at **Sunshine Coast Churches** Soccer awards night

PALMWOODS Warriors FC has had another stellar season with three junior teams making preliminary finals and the Under 11D Mohicans taking out the Grand

Our senior men also had a great season with the Palmwoods Black taking our their Div 1 Grand Final and the Over 35s being Premiers and then runners up in the Grand Final.

The pinnacle awards night for our association also saw bumper numbers nominated for both the Best and Fairest (Adermann Award) and the Representative player Best and Fairest (Terry Reynolds Award). Adermann nominees included Patrick Argue (U17/18), Jack Blakeney (U/15), Mitchell Burford (U/12) and Tianna Groth (U/11).

Nominations for the Terry Reynolds award included Brielle Powell (U/16 G), Ava Morrissey (U/16 G), Lilana Walton (U/13 G) and Thomas Calder (U/10).

Brielle went on to take out the major award much to her delight and surprise. "I was not expecting that at all," said Brielle. "I feel honoured to have even been nominated, but to take out this award with so many worthy nominees is just crazy!"

Palmwoods Warriors is looking forward to encouraging all of our players to play to the best of their ability with many trying out for

representative level football again later this month. "Hopefully with Covid restrictions easing the Nationals can be held again and our players also get a chance to be selected on Queensland teams as well,"

said club spokesperson Tania Skerman. If you'd like to be a Warrior next season follow the club on social media or contact



Brielle Powell, right pictured with her mum Taryn, won Representative Player of The Year.

the secretary@palmwoodswarriors.com. au to secure your spot.

Tania said the club wanted to thank 2021 sponsors: Avena Pluming and Drainage, Nambour Mill Village, Palmwoods Hotel, Thinking Big Finance and Martinuzzi Property Group MPG - exp Australia.

#### **Maleny Golf Club** Results

Tuesday 26th October, 2021: There was a Mixed Stroke Nett Competition played at the Maleny Golf Club played with first place going to Geoffrey Brown with 65 nett, runner-up went to Ian Goodman with 66 nett and third place went to Rod Waldron with 67 nett on a count-back from Jon Fairman, also with 67 nett. Nearest to the Pin went to Larry Fraley on the eighth hole, Don Lemon on the fourteenth hole and Joseph Hackett on the seventeenth

Wednesday 27th October, 2021: The Red Belly Challenge Nett Competition saw first place going to Colin Mcdonald with 71 nett, runner-up went to Phillip Parkinson with 74 nett and third place going to Richard Owen with 75 nett.

Saturday 30th October, 2021: The Men,Äôs A, B & C Grade Monthly Medal Competition saw the results as follows:-

A Grade: first place went to Corey Zammit with 67 nett on a count-back from Mike Finley, also with 67 nett, runner-up went to Garth Bailo with 72 nett on a count-back from Corey Wallyn, also with 72 nett and third place went to Tom Hallam with 73 nett on a countback from Trevor Murton & Greg Childe-Freeman, both with 73 nett.

B Grade: first place went to Paul Griffin with 64 nett, runner-up went to Paul Viertel with 67 nett and third place went to Paul Lutze with 69 nett

on a count-back from Simon Lower and Paul Deal, both with 69 nett.

C Grade: first place went to Neil Gould with 71 nett, runner-up went to Brock Crowther with 72 nett on a count-back from Noel Wieden, also with 72 nett and third place went to Laurence Muller with 73 nett. Nearest to Pin went to Neil Gould on the eighth hole.

Tuesday 02nd November, 2021: Maleny Golf Club held a Mixed Stable Competition with first place going to Annie Ouarmby with 41 points on a count-back from Dennis Brown, also with 41 points. Runners-up went to Dave Scott with 40 points on a count-back from Merv Schulz, also with 40 points and third place went to Chris Pottinger with 39 points.

Wednesday 03rd November, 2021: There was a 9 Hole Stableford Competition played with first place going to Carolyn Thompson, runners-up went to Robin Hay with 14 points on a count-back from Margaret Goodger, also with 14 points.

Wednesday 03rd November, 2021: The Ladies played in their Ladies Monthly Medal Nett Competition which is sponsored by Judi Coey with first place going to Narelle Thamm with 72 nett on a count-back from Toni Bishop and Seri Tytherleigh both

with 72 nett and third place went to Kerry Nieper with 73 nett on a count-back from Barbie Norman, also with 73 nett. Nearest to the Pin went to Toni Bishop on Hole 1 and the lowest putts went to Barbie

Saturday 06th November, 2021: There was a Mixed Stableford overflow competition first place went to Norman Cooper with 44 points on a count-back from Matthew Howie, also with 44 points. Runner-up went to Geoff Smith with 40 points and third place went to Paul Viertel with 39 points on a count-back from Paul Dean, also with 39 points.

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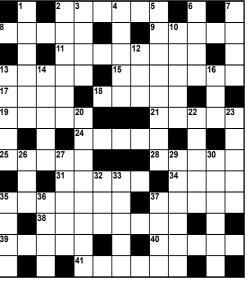
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#### Out and About at **Drop in Sessions**

**David Law** 

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



It's great to be able to meet some of you at my regular Councillor Drop-In Sessions. I recently held one at Yandina, where I spent time with more than 10 local residents for a couple of hours discussing everything from sealing gravel roads, improving and connecting footpaths, waste collection, recycling, electric car chargers, road verge care and maintenance. Keep an eye on my Facebook page for details of the next session and upcoming free tree days.

#### Win a \$500 voucher

Council would like to hear from all community organisations, sporting clubs, religious organisations, schools and other groups who may operate a community venue to take part in the online Community Venues Check-In survey. Simply visit https://haveyoursay.sunshinecoast. qld.gov.au/ and complete the survey before December 3 for your chance to win a \$500 Coles Myer voucher for your organisation. The survey includes all hireable spaces and looks at understanding the region's community venues better, plus their capacity and accessibility as well as opportunities so we can help them in becoming the best well-used and activated spaces.

#### 2022 Sunshine Coast Heritage Calendar

The 2022 Sunshine Coast Heritage Calendar is out now making the perfect gift for friends and

The calendar costs just \$6 and features stunning photos of the great outdoors from days gone by.

Check out the bell buoy washed up on Dicky Beach or the Human Fly!

Images have been contributed from locals who kindly submitted those great images that may otherwise languish forgotten in lofts and old suitcases.

Other images are sourced from council collections.

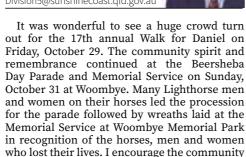
Buy yours at customer contact centres and council libraries.

If you have any questions please contact me at email: david.law@sunshinecoast.qld.gov. au and follow my Facebook page for regular updates: @DavidLawDivision10.

#### **Community Support** for Daniel Morcombe

Winston Johnston

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



to attend their local RSL for Remembrance Day,

Thursday, November 11, to commemorate the

end of the First World War 103 years ago.

#### **Bio-retention basin update**

Residents might have noticed works have been delayed on a project to install a bio-retention basin on Nicklin Road, Palmwoods. Additional water and soil testing of the site has been completed and the final reports are guiding council's plans for the project site. Pipes have been installed to capture and move water from the upper area stormwater inlets, through the works area, and onto the Duck Ponds. This is supplying a more constant supply of water and it's been noticed the Duck Ponds water has been improving. I will keep you updated as we continue to investigate suitable long-term solutions for this basin.

#### On the road

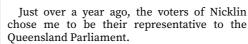
I'm on the road again for my bi-annual tour of roads, streets, parks and lookouts across Division 5. I'm currently more than two-thirds of the way through and should be finished by late-November. I'm on the lookout for assets which require maintenance in our parks and gardens, identify council owned roads in poor condition or in need of resealing. If you see an asset which requires a freshen up or needing maintenance, please don't hesitate to contact my office. If you're commuting between towns and notice a main road needing an upgrade or maintenance, please contact your state member.

Keep an eye on my Facebook page for the latest Division 5 news and information. Visit facebook.com/winstonjohnstondivision5scc

#### Thank you, Nicklin, for the opportunity

**Rob Skelton** 

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



I'm so proud to have the privilege to represent some of the most beautiful, kind and compassionate communities in all of Queensland.

Thank you to the voters of Nicklin for giving me this wonderful opportunity, I'll continue to work hard each and every day to make sure our voices are heard.

#### Celebrating Multicultural Queensland **Program Grants**

Applications are now open for the 2022 Celebrating Multicultural Queensland (CMQ) grants program for projects that will build social connection and cohesion in diverse communities across Oueensland.

The funding is available under two categories. Funding of up to \$40,000 is available for projects that support economic and social participation of Queenslanders from culturally and linguistically diverse backgrounds.

Funding of up to \$120,000 is also available for innovative projects that break down the barriers facing young people from culturally and linguistically diverse backgrounds to build a greater sense of belonging. Applications close at 11.59pm Friday, 10 December 2021.

#### Go West for Less

Queenslanders are encouraged to go west for less, as Queensland Rail rolls out '2 for 1' tickets on all western long-distance services.

Customers will be able to experience the Inlander, Westlander, or Spirit of the Outback train trips to Charleville, Longreach, Mount Isa, and everywhere in between.

Because of Queensland's strong response to COVID-19, we've been able to continue running long-distance and tourist trains throughout the state.

And with Queensland set to open, now is the perfect time to experience the heart of Queensland's outback.

This offer is available through to 31st March 2022. Tickets can be booked through the Queensland Rail Travel website or 1800 872 467.

from **Donna Brennan** Wildlife Volunteers

I am continually in awe of the beauty of our Australian birds.

Sadly many suffering from attacks by domestic animals. It is good to see so many more people now realizing that containing their cats in a cat run or cat aviary has ben-



The Azure Kingfisher.

efits for the wildlife and for the pets. The bonus, of course, is all the beautiful wildlife that then visit our gardens.

It is lovely to hear all the finches, wrens, honeveaters and so many other species celebrating the remnants of springtime.

The invention of 'Smart' phones has been of enormous benefit for wildlife rehabilitators. All those photos showing dates and locations. It is also great to be able to photograph wildlife on the 'weekly weigh-in' day. Taking a photograph while the animal is on the scales, displaying its weight and physical development is interesting.

These details are so helpful to us, especially for future orphaned wildlife.

This week another Azure Kingfisher came into our care. It is just spectacular with its almost irridescent bright blue colouring, with flashes of purple, contrasting with the orange buffcoloured breast. These birds, along with others such as rainbow bee-eaters and spotted pardalotes actually make their nests underground, tunnelling into creek banks, termite nests or embankments.

The Azure Kingfishers are never far from water. Though shy, they can be seen on their usually lone hunting expeditions along water courses. They are so graceful as they sweep in to feed on insects. Australia is a country full of exquisite birds.

#### Plastic chains block emergency exits



Sunshine Coast Commuter Advocate

I noticed that TransLink (Sunbus) were chaining off emergency exits in buses, not all exits - just the emergency exit located directly behind the driver.

There is a 5mm thick yellow plastic chain that is cable tied each end.

How a person with a disability or in a wheelchair could escape, if other exits were blocked, makes for a worry.

I emailed my concerns to Kinetic, owners of Sunbus, and to TransLink.

Sunbus responded that it was part of a 'covid-safety response' and described the chains as 'breakaway'.

They're not.

The seat behind the driver is fully separated by a screen from floor to roof, so it poses NO covid risk to the driver by having someone sit there, and since it's public transport, we're required to wear a mask.

Sunbus did concede that the cable ties would be replaced with a hook at one end to allow easier removal and said that all of their buses had been updated.

Since that communication I've been on 2 or 3 buses where the chains are still cable-tied

I have again passed on my concerns and requested the chains be removed.

TransLink's response was to state that Sunbus said "If this would impede or restrict passengers or drivers from accessing an emergency they would not be in place." and "... would not place the chains in this position if this would breach any safety regulations."

I have been a fire warden and so it struck me as strange that anyone would be allowed to do such a dangerous thing.

In a building there are strict rules to ensure fire exits remain clear, with a 30 penalty point maximum fine.

As at 1 July 2021, that fine is \$4135.50.

Building Fire Safety Regulations (2008) makes it clear that for buildings you can't unduly restrict, hinder or delay a person on an evacuation route and it takes into account the number and mobility of people.

A bus carries more people per square metre than a building - and if a person has a disability then escape could be even more haz-

I emailed the Queensland Fire and Rescue Service (QFES) seeking their opinion and sent them a picture of the cable-tied, chained-off emergency exit.

say that they would not be commenting on the emergency exit blockage, as that was a matter for the bus owners. They did assist me with the statistics for

They called me back a short time later to

QFES attended bus fires over the past 5 years in Queensland.

There have been 64, with the most recent at Brendale last Wednesday, an average of over 14 bus fires per year.

The statistics exclude private companies.

This is covid-induced idiocy. Bus lives matter.

#### **IMPORTANT ASIDE:**

From 1 January 2022, landlords must install interconnected photoelectric smoke alarms (IPSA) in all residential rental properties.

Existing private homes, townhouses and units will require IPSA to be hardwired (240v) or have a non-removable 10 year battery powered type alarm installed by 1 January 2027.

#### **Crossword** Solution

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#### **Happy Birthday** Coast 2Bay

Ted O'Brien

Federal Member for Fairfax

ted.obrien.mp@aph.gov.au Nambour's Coast2Bay Housing Group, a great local charity that supports some of our community's most vulnerable, celebrated three decades last week. I was delighted to join their 30th celebration at Nambour's new Tram Terminus

service to the community. At the event, they kindly acknowledged the multi-million-dollar Federal Government grant we provided the organisation last year to build additional local safe places for women and children escaping domestic violence. Happy birthday Coast2Bay.

and officially congratulate them on their stellar

#### Yandina Bowls Club:

During my Spring Road Trip, I visited the team at Yandina Bowls Club to check-in on the progress of an Australian Government Grant they recently received. While the brand-new electric roller-doors may not make it to the pool room, Chairman of the Yandina Bowls Club Leon reminded me just how important these smaller investments can be to local sporting groups. If you are a local community or sporting group, expressions of interest are now open for the Stronger Communities Programme. Eligible groups can receive between \$2,500 and \$20,000 of Federal Government support. Visit tedobrien.com.au/grants to find out more.

#### **Youth Entrepreneurship:**

I recently announced the winner of the 2021 GI Challenge for youth entrepreneurship, with a \$15,000 prize to kick-start their dream business. If you aren't familiar with this program, the GI Challenge is run by Generation Innovation, a not-for-profit that I founded years ago to unleash the innovative genius of young people.

Each year I am reminded that the Sunshine Coast is brimming with entrepreneurial talent, just waiting to be unleashed. Congratulations to this year's GI Challenge winners, Arno, Josiah and Charlie of LED Plates, and all the budding young entrepreneurs who also participated in the 2021 GI Challenge.

#### Incredible locals visit me at Parliament



In the past couple of weeks, the Parliament of Queensland has been abuzz with amazing young people from the Glass House electorate.

Chloe Lanham, Miss Showgirl from the Maleny Show Society and winner of the 2021 Near North Coast Sub Chamber Finals, represented our region at the State Finals in Brisbane a couple of weeks ago. As part of their visit to the "big smoke", Chloe visited and dined at Parliament. While Chloe missed out to some young women from the west, I reckon she is someone to watch out for in the near future. Growing up on a dairy farm in Conondale, studying towards a Diploma of Visual Arts at Nambour TAFE (from which she will graduate in December), Chloe loves sport, dancing and show volunteering and wants to open a studio gallery café in the Maleny region. Congratulations on your amazing achievements, Chloe!

#### **Bursary winner**

Last week, I was honoured to host Miss Mikayla Crouch, winner of the 2021 Joyce Newton OAM Bursary, at Queensland Parliament. We were joined by Mikayla's parents Raelene and Darryn, two of Joyce's children, Jen and Carl, and panel member Sandy Zubrinich (from the Sunshine Coast Business Council) with her granddaughter Kaija. The evening included a tour of Parliament, dinner in "Strangers", taking in some of the late evening debate and visits from LNP Leader David Crisafulli MP and my neighbour Deb Frecklington MP, the Member for Nanango.

#### Walk for Daniel

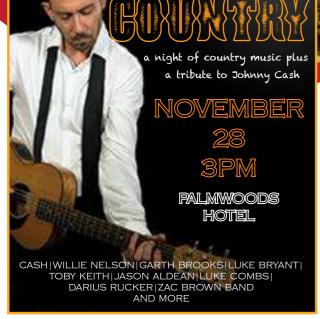
Outside of Parliament, I participated in the "Walk for Daniel" with Bruce and Denise Morcombe, taking the child safety message to Australia. As a parent, I greatly respect and admire the Morcombes for rising above their own family tragedy to provide strength, support and guidance to Australians who are navigating their own child-rearing experiences through an increasingly dangerous world.

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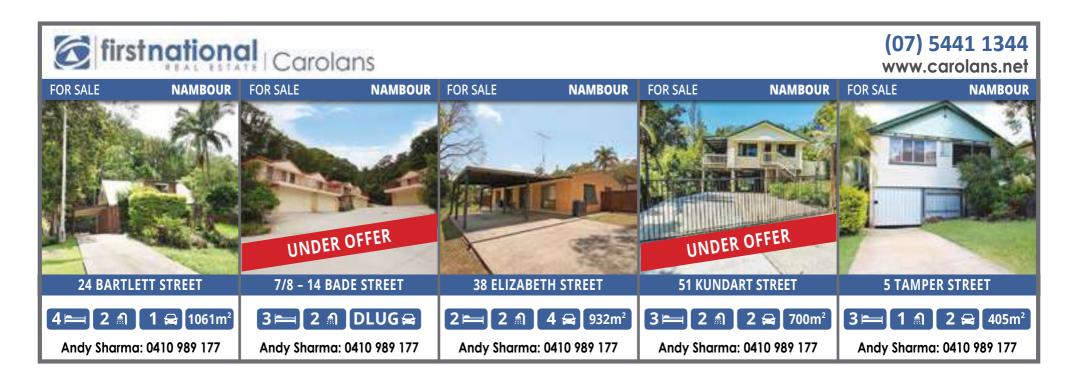
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