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The Zonta Club for the Blackall Range has a new President

Members of The Zonta Club for the Blackall Range have elected Lorraine Duffy as their President for the 2011-12 year.



Lorraine's many years of experience with Zonta and her enthusiasm, coupled with her sense of humour, will

undoubtedly encourage the Zonta members to forge ahead with the many valuable existing and new community service projects.

The Service projects of the Zonta Club are aimed to benefit the local community and embrace the ethos and spirit of Zonta International.

The aims and goals of Zonta International are to provide Service and Advocacy through projects that endeavour to improve the health, education, economics and political status of women and girls.

The members of the Zonta Club on the Blackall Range are looking forward to a very rewarding and exciting year.

Maleny Rural Fire Brigade to hold an information seminar

The Q.F.R.S. combined Brigades of Maleny Rural Fire Brigade and the Maleny Urban Auxiliary Brigade will be conducting a Fire Awareness and Information Workshop at the Maleny Neighbourhood Centre 17 Bicentenary Lane, Maleny on the Thursday 25th of August commencing at 7pm.

The workshop is titled "Are You Bush Fire Prepared?"

All Land Owners and Community Members are invited to attend this informative workshop. This workshop will address the need to prepare for the coming fire season and what you can do to help yourself.

Tea and coffee will be provided.

For further inquiries, please contact Norm or Donna Lewis on 54999 112 or 0414 966 567.

Prior to the workshop there will also be a pre promotion of this workshop with a stand outside the Maleny Newsagency this Saturday 6th August between 8a.m. and 1p.m. and again on Wednesday the 17th August at the same place and times.

This will be a further opportunity to put questions about fire safety and hazard reduction to members of the brigades.

Senator Barnaby Joyce to visit Maleny

Senator Barnaby Joyce will be the guest speaker at a luncheon at Tranquil Park Resort, Mountain View Road Maleny on Wednesday 10 August, at 12m.d.

He will be the guest of local Member for Glass House, Andrew Powell MP. "Barnaby is one of the more well known political faces in Australia and he has certainly made an impact on the development of politics in Queensland.

Members of the community are invited to attend a lunch event in Maleny and have the opportunity to meet Senator Joyce who is keen to meet with locals and hear about the issues that are pertinent to them.

Mr. Powell said, "Guests at these events will also have the chance to hear Barnaby discuss his passion for all things politics and gain an insight into his background and beliefs."

Those wishing to attend should contact Bob Aitken by phone on 5494 3594 or email shannfield@bigpond.com before Monday 8th August.

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Prepared - that is the Maleny SES Group

The State Emergency Service (SES) forms a part of Emergency Management Queensland (EMQ).

State Government and Local Government maintain an important partnership in assisting SES volunteers to provide a valuable volunteer emergency service to their local communities.

The SES is a volunteer organisation and is designed to help Queensland communities in times of emergency and disaster. Each year the SES receives thousands of calls for assistance.

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skills needed during times of extreme incidents including; rising flood water, fallen trees on buildings, damaged roof, storm damage.

Maleny has a very strong SES group that stands ready to assist the community. The area covered by this group surrounds Maleny, Montville, Witta, Reesville, Conondale and North Maleny. Should you ever need the services of the State of Emergency simply ring 132500.

If you wish to become a member of the Maleny SES Group you would be most welcome. There are many tasks that need to be done and people can personally choose what level of participation they wish to have. Uniforms and training are supplied free to the individual.

For more information about the Maleny SES Group contact 1300 960 368.

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Mum's favourite Recipes



Curry Beef

- always a great easy meal!

Ingredients

- * 1 tablespoon canola or olive oil
- * 2 cups beef stock
- * 2 cloves garlic, finely chopped
- * 1 onion, large, finely chopped
- * 1 tablespoon tomato paste
- 500 g blade bone or oyster blade steak, trimmed and cut into cubes
- * 2 teaspoons garam masala
- * 3 fresh coriander roots, scraped and chopped
- * 1 small red chilli, seeds removed and chopped
- * 1 medium eggplant, trimmed and cut into cubes
- * 3 tablespoons reduced fat yoghurt
- * 2 tablespoons chopped coriander leaves

Method

1. Heat oil in a saucepan and cook the onion and garlic over a medium heat until soft but not brown.
2. Add the meat and brown on all sides, then add the garam masala, coriander roots, chilli, tomato paste, eggplant and beef stock.
3. Cover and simmer for 45 minutes to 1 hour or until meat is tender. (Remember to use a low heat to prevent the meat from becoming tough.)
4. Stir in the yoghurt and coriander and serve.

Note: This dish is best eaten the day after it is made.



Dodgy Brothers & Shonky Sheilas join the RSL Maleny Sub Branch Regular Monthly Bus Trip

Dodgy Brothers Bus Trip

The next Dodgy Brothers and Shonky Sheilas RSL Bus Trip is on Tuesday August 9th. It will be to the Nambour Museum and learn about "The Shea" where lunch will be served in the traditional manner by young wenches.

The bus departs town at approximately 8.45am and returns at 2.30p.m.

The fare \$5pp bus only and lunch cost is just \$10.

Lunch is all prearranged and monies collected on the bus. To make a booking ring the Maleny RSL, phone - 5499 3717.

The "NUT" Award

It matters little what the monetary penalty is or how much education is given there are some drivers who just will not take notice of the road rules.

They are not only a danger to themselves but they are a danger to other road users who have no control over the prevailing situation, not through their actions but the actions of the inconsiderate drivers.

Each week we will bring you the contender for the weekly "NUT" award - that is the weakest part of the car's safety - "The Nut behind the wheel"...

Let us see if we can do our little bit to improve road safety around our town.

If you know the person mentioned please have a quiet word to them.



This week's award from one of our readers goes

to: - the driver of a silver double cabin utility who reversed into the rear of a car and boat parked in the Woolworths Car Park, Maleny on Sunday morning the 24th July. The utility then drove off without stopping.

Your number was apparently taken and given to the other person involved.

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Maleny Library Coming Events

Genealogy and Family History
Sunshine Coast Libraries offers a special service for those people trying to trace their family history.

Not only are we lucky enough to have access to some of the best resources and databases, the library also has experienced genealogists who can help you with your detective work.

Available on the public computers in the Sunshine Coast Libraries branches only. Bookings for these computers are required (select your branch from the 'Book a computer' drop-down menu).

Please contact your local branch library for more information..

The family history service is staffed by volunteers and circumstances occasionally prevent them from being available as per the above timetable. We recommend calling your local branch to ensure that the volunteers are in the library before you come in.

Alternatively, great websites are listed in the Database/Internet Resources section.

Phone Maleny Library on 5435 3100.



Maleny RFB Roundup

with

Donna & Norm Lewis
Volunteer Community
Education Officers



The Queensland Fire and Rescue Service and the Queensland Forestry Service are carrying out fire reduction burning in the forests of approximately 1000 hectares of Department of Environment and Resource land and Forestry Plantations Queensland (FPQ) Pty Ltd plantation in the Beerburrum-Woodford area over the past week or so.

The hazard reduction burning is aimed at lessening the threat of wildfires in the coming months.

This is an indication of the possible seriousness of the coming summer fire season.

With the extra wet periods that we had last summer and autumn there has been a prolific growing season for natural vegetation.

It is important for people in rural areas to ensure that their properties, especially around homes and buildings are in a safe condition.

Now is a good time to take any precautionary action needed to move into the coming fire season in a safe condition.

Depending on the coming weather, in another month or so it may be getting too late to take some precautionary hazard burning.

For more information about what steps you can take to reduce risks to your property or how to obtain the relevant permit contact Norm and Donna Lewis on 07 5499 9112.

Do you want to buy "Stone Cold" on DVD

Stone is a quiet chief of police in a cold, gray seaside town. When a serial killer strikes, this-tough cop is in the thick of it. Add his girlfriend, an ex-wife and a sexy defense attorney and things really heat up.

Stars Tom Selleck, Viola Davis, Mimi Rogers.

Tom Selleck stars in this television movie adaptation of Robert B. Parker's novel as New England police chief Jesse Stone. After a serious gig as a top homicide detective in Los Angeles, Stone settles in a small town along the coast of Maine where he leads a relatively simple life.

But things for Stone and the other inhabitants of Paradise are thrown into chaos when a dead body washes ashore, and a high school student confesses to being raped by not one, but several attackers.

Drawing on his experience as a big city investigator, Stone must find the culprits before his peaceful town turns into the playground of a serial killer.

To buy this DVD you simply click on this link when connected to the internet and then look for the search field at the CD Universe tab on the HG Gig Guide web page.

At the CD Universe web site enter the film title into the search box and it will take you to the shopping cart.

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NEV WATSON

...Another Maleny identity is lost

Part of the recent history of Maleny has been lost with the passing of local identity, Nev Watson.

Most Maleny people, even they newly arrived would have met Nev Watson as they travelled the streets of Maleny.

The Watson family have been involved in the very fabric of Maleny life since the late 1930's. Nev and his brother, Doug have provided transport needs to Maleny since the 1940's when they bought a transport business in Maleny and started a bus service carrying goods and passengers from the Landsborough Rail Station to Maleny and the surrounding district.

Because it was war time Nev, then aged 15 years met each train in Landsborough in his bus and carried passengers back to Maleny. That was the beginning of his long association with the Australian transport industry and transport around South East Queensland in particular.

During his time as a truck driver, Nev would have travelled close to TWO million miles, much of which he carried molasses from Bundaberg around Queensland and Northern New South Wales. This was carried in tankers and was used as stock food.

Nev and his brother Doug also were the proprietors of Watson's Garage in Maleny, the business whilst not owned by the Watson Brothers today is still operated as a garage and is in the same building.

Nev was also well-known for his prowess as a lawn bowls player. He has played lawn bowles with the Maleny Bowls Club for almost 50 years. On several occasions he was club president and for a number of years has been the Club Patron.



Nev (on right) at his 80th birthday

He was a tireless worker for both the Maleny Bowls Club and the Maleny Show Society.

More recently people would remember Nev for his sunny personality. He would walk the streets of Maleny daily greeting everyone he passed, even though he might not even know them personally. Those who didn't recognise Nev would surely have noticed his favourite hat.

Nev died on July 24th, 2010 following a long illness. During the period of his illness he didn't complain, but still tried to walk down Maple Street, Maleny each day greeting those he met.

About 500 Maleny people attended his funeral which was held at his beloved show-grounds. The ceremony was held in a manner that Nev would have found fitting.

Whilst there was much sadness there were many tales from the past, some true, some nearly true and some of dubious veracity. He would walk down Maple Street, Maleny each day greeting those he met.

About 500 Maleny people, of all age groups - young and old attended his funeral which was held at his beloved show-grounds. The ceremony was held in a manner that Nev would have found fitting.

Whilst there was much sadness there were many tales from the past, some true, some nearly true and some of dubious veracity.

The service contained a number of his favourite songs and not a sound was heard and there were many wet eyes being hidden during the rendition of the song "The Man in the Picture" which in so many ways describes how people thought about Nev.

Travel safe Nev

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Truthful Jones Tells... he heard about



when he was at work he always knew when he was in trouble by the following hints;

...the new policy on sexual harassment included a photo of me.

...the Security guard made a complete inventory of my work area.

...my assistant began responding to my memos with, "Yeah, whatever."

...I got a "It's for you loser" waw receiving e-mail, & not a chime.

...my new Pentium was replaced with an 386sx-16 last weekend.

...the Human Resources Dept requested an update of my arrest record.

...the Boss asked if I still had a copy of my 5 year contract.

...I noticed co-workers measuring my office when I arrived at work.

...my parking spot was relocated next to the dumpster.

...my secretary sez things like "Get the phone, my nails aren't dry."

...three people began helping me write a "desk manual" for my job.

...the LAN suddenly began backing-up my computer every 10 minutes.

...a large paper recycling box was placed next to my file cabinets.

...the receptionist began saying "Who ????" to anyone calling on me.

Support your local Businesses

Who says that social networking is only for the youngsters?

One of the things that amazes me about the continuing substantial growth of social networks such as Facebook and Twitter is that older users account for most of the growth in the UK.

Facebook use among over-50s in the UK has risen faster than any other group, according to research firm Nielsen.

Overall, membership of the social network grew 41% between 2009 and 2011. Among older users the figure was 84%.

Should a similar survey be conducted in Australia it would appear that the results would be similar.

In May 2011 Twitter enjoyed a record month, reaching 6.14 million unique visitors - a 34% increase on the previous month. The number of women aged over 65 using the site grew by 96% over the same period.

The latest UK study was commissioned by the UK Online Measurement Company (UCOM), which is funded by advertisers and media agencies.

This survey indicates that there is a big change in the way that people are not only socialising, but how they get their news and other information.

This is a good indication that local community groups need to consider these social networks as a means of keeping in touch with members.

It is also becoming a more important means for authorities to keep communities informed during emergencies.

MALENY BOWLS CLUB FRIDAY SOCIAL BOWLS

Find out who is "King of the Week"

...get a free drink at the club each day of the week.

Must be there Friday afternoon to win for the next week.

Why not join as a social member and enjoy all the benefits of the club?



Blackall Range

Woodworker's Guild

To read a copy of the Club's latest newsletter simply click on this logo when connected to the internet. You will be taken to the index page of the Club's web page. Pick the relevant date.

Cheers Pres Dave

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Over recent times there has been a resurgence in the popularity of researching ones family history.

Local, Jack Frost of the Irish and Scottish Shoppe which is located in "Connemara Cottage", Montville has already done much of the work on Irish, Scottish and English names.

Jack also specialises in supplying Heraldic Family Name products as Keepsakes/Souvenirs or for use at Family Reunions.

As manufacturers, they also provide their range of heraldic products from their workshop in Maleny.

All products can be supplied 'standard' or adapted to include both your family Arms or Clan Badge, with a suitable notation as to details of your Family Reunion, where product so provides.

For further information about your clan his web address is:

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Origin & Arms of
The Family Name

Carrall

O Cearbhaill Moe Carvill
The O Carrolls trace their ancestry to a 3rd-century King of Munster, Oilioll Olum. Their name comes from *Cearbhal* (warlike champion), one of King Brian Boru's leading swordsmen at the Battle of Clontarf in 1014. Until the arrival of the Normans in 1170 there had been six different O Carroll septs headed by O Carroll Ely (Tipperary and Offaly) and O Carroll Oriel (Monaghan and Louth). Much of their Tipperary territory was annexed by their powerful neighbours, the Norman Butlers. They were dispersed to various parts of the country, most particularly to Co. Offaly.

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Harvey's 100 years of Maleny To get a pig to market!

In the early 1900's hand in hand with dairying, and whilst butter was the important product farmers kept pigs as a secondary income.

The success and profitability of the pork industry depended on the ability to easily grow corn. Luckily, it was found that corn grew very well throughout the area.

For the pigs to be profitable they had to be transported to market.

The Blackall Range area earned a reputation for producing some of the best porker and bacon pigs in the state and this in part was due to the quality of the corn that was grown in the area.

To be paid, the farmers had to transport the pigs to the Queensland Bacon Co-operative Association in Brisbane where they would be slaughtered and turned into bacon.

They were taken from Landsborough to Brisbane by rail - no worries, but getting them to Landsborough was another matter.

At this time in history there were no vehicles for transporting the pigs to market.

Over the next couple of months we will be bringing some stories as told by Harvey Bryce from Maleny's past.

Harvey is well versed in Maleny's past and is heavily involved in the Maleny Historic Society.

Once a month a "pig drive" was organised from Kenilworth to the Landsborough Rail yards.

The "pig drive" consisted of a couple of men on horseback driving the pigs "on the hoof".

Along the way they would pick up pigs from the various dairy farms. Pigs would be ear tattooed with the farmers

mark so that they would be able to be identified at the end of the journey.

One of the drovers would lead the pigs along the track. He would have a bag slung over his saddle. The bag had a small hole in one corner so that corn would dribble out of the bag as he rode along.

The pigs would happily follow along eating the corn as they walked along. The corn in the bag would be topped up at each farm.

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Herds of hundreds of pigs were common place.

Roads in that time were dirt tracks of two wheel ruts. There were no bridges across creeks.

At each creek crossing it was necessary to drive all the pigs into the water and get them across. This would be a difficult task as the pigs would not be very interested in climbing down river banks and back up the other side.

On reaching Landsborough the job was still not over. The pigs were yarded and then sorted into groups that were owned by each farmer. They would then have to be weighed as they were purchased by the Bacon Co-operative on the basis of landed weight.

The Factory Floor from Pig to Bacon

Once the pigs arrived at the factory in Brisbane they then had to be processed in a very short time.

The general progression of production from pig to bacon starting by unloading the pigs from the rail wagons into the pig pens.

The pigs were herded

from the railway siding in the pig pens at the the factory. The processing began at the killing floor where the pigs were quickly killed and bled.

The carcass were then put into the scalding vat where the hair was removed by the scudding machine

The slaughter men removed the intestines and the carcass was inspected by Government men - intestines to the sausage section.

The carcass was hung and sent to the chiller rooms for overnight storage.

The carcass was then cut up into the various saleable parts.

Some of the meat was put into the curing vats for a period of six weeks.

Following this the cured meat was washed and dried.

The meat was then hung in the smokehouse overnight - smoke from smouldering sawdust.

(The pork was then bagged and sent to the railway truck which would come into the factory and sent to the retail shops.

Some meat went to other departments in the factory where many different types of sausages were made.

Everything from the pig was used in other products such as fertilizer.

It is said that everything from the pig is used - everything that is except the pig's squeal.

So whenever you enjoy a feed of pork think about the work that goes into preparing it for the kitchen.

Also when you hear somebody say, "I wish that we could have the old days back - it was so much easier then" think about the hard work that our pioneer families had to endure.

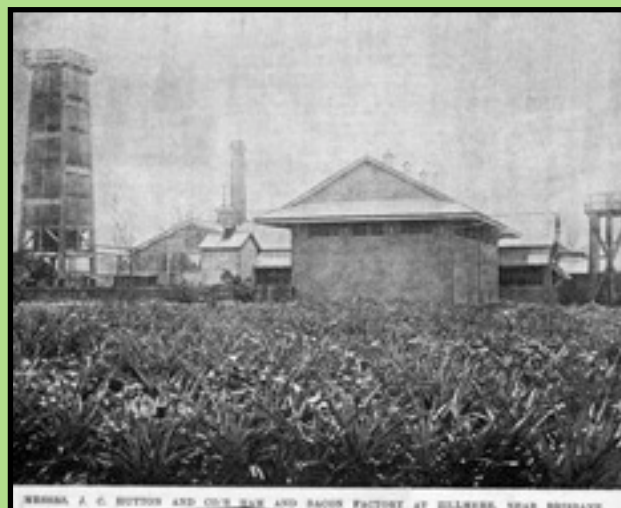


Photo left shows the H.C. Hutton Bacon Works at Zillmere, Brisbane in 1896.

Notice the pineapples growing in the foreground.

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Sunshine Coast Council prepares for carbon tax!

Irrespective of your opinion about the introduction of a carbon tax there is one thing that is inevitable. That is that something has to be done about climate change.

Sunshine Coast Councillor, Cr Keryn Jones said "Sunshine Coast Council has long recognised the need for change when it comes to the impending introduction of a carbon tax and have been taking action."

Early preparation for the introduction of a carbon tax has paid off, with the organisation in a better position than most other local governments.

Environment Portfolio Cr Jones said the weekend announcement of a proposed carbon price of \$23 per tonne will be absorbed by the council with little pain thanks to more than three years of hard work.

"Council has been working to reduce greenhouse gas emissions across the region to cut the community's exposure to the anticipated carbon tax," said Cr Jones.

The target for council is to be a carbon-neutral organisation by 2020.

Work is already underway to address council's largest emissions including those from council's landfill sites."

The strategy aims to:

- * reduce greenhouse gas emissions.
- * cut oil dependency.
- * help the Sunshine Coast's transition to alternative energy sources adapt to the prospect of climate change.
- * build business capacity for the council and the region.

"Council's 2010 Energy Transition Plan focuses on ways to build low carbon market opportunities and help our community prepare and respond to changing energy costs," Cr Jones said.

Council has also approved \$2.2 million towards three council-implemented spearhead energy projects. In addition, the plan helps to facilitate renewable energy projects such as the recently approved 10-megawatt solar farm at Valdora."

Council has also been working with the community on the:

- + Living Smart program since 2008 to help reduce household carbon footprints and energy costs.
- + ecoBiz program with Sunshine Coast businesses to reduce energy consumption and costs.
- + Energy Conservation Communities program, in partnership with Energex to bring energy conservation to local communities.

Council has also begun developing a Community Emissions Reduction Plan to reduce emissions further and investigate participation in a future emission trading market.

The Musings of an old codger!

Depending on your political persuasion you might say that this is just a political rant, but that is far from what is intended.

It is more a concern as to why Queensland's finances are in such a dire condition after such a profitable decade. Why is it that the average Queenslanders is finding it more difficult to make ends meet as the cost of essential utilities continue to rise at such high rates.

When one looks at some of the state projects completed over the last decade one must ask is it poor planning that has left us with a rusty desalination plant, a barely used recycled water pipeline, hundreds of millions wasted on a dam near Gympie that won't be built, and now a dam, The Wyaralong Dam that won't be connected to the grid for years.

Along with other decisions such as the privatisation of the electricity industry and the amalgamation of councils, along with the setting up of Water Authorities, can we afford the present decisions that are being made.

The living standards of our community members are declining at a fast rate.

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This week with Peter Slipper M.P.

Bronwyn Bishop visit

It was great to be able to host Australian political legend Bronwyn Bishop as a special guest of a number of functions in Fisher last week.

Mrs Bishop spoke at a breakfast at Beerwah, visited aged care facilities in Maleny and also Caloundra, and was keynote speaker at the 11th annual Sunshine Coast Seniors Forum.

Small Business forum

With economic conditions adding further challenges to small business, Shadow Minister for Small Business Bruce Billson will speak at a small business forum on 30 August at Lake Kawana Community Centre.

Contact my office on 5444 4888 for details and to make bookings for catering purposes.

Walk Festival

The Sunshine Coast Walk Festival will be held from 19-28 August. One of the main events of the festival is The Montville Walks Day on Sunday 21 August.

An interesting feature of the Montville Walks Day is the "Artists in Residence Walk" which will feature a potter, oil painter, wood turner, bead making and many more local artists.

For further information, visit the website www.sunshinecoast-walksfestival.com.au

Parent Support

As a father of two children I know that being a parent is a wonderful, exciting experience with many challenges— unfortunately, as said many times "parenting does not come with a manual" and sometimes parents need help.

Lifeline Sunshine Coast is currently offering free parent support counselling sessions you can phone Lifeline on 54092600 for more information.

Small Business Forum

Federal M.P. Bruce Billson, Member for Dunkley and Shadow Minister for Small Business is joining me in a forum on August 30th between 10a.m. and 12m.d. at the Lake Kawana Community Centre, Sportsman's Parade, Bokarina to meet small business owners.

We would like to hear from small business owners to find out their views and how the federal government can support small businesses in this tough financial climate.

Bookings are essential for seating and catering purposes. To make a booking phone 07 5444 4888 or email richard.bruinsma@aph.gov.au by Friday August 26th.

Don't forget the census on Tuesday August 9th

The census which is completed each fifth year.

It is the largest statistical operation undertaken by the Australian Bureau of Statistics.

It forms the basis of where the government is going to allocate community sporting and other facilities.

Don't forget to complete yours on August 9th.

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