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Solar Panels for electricity

.....the good - the bad and the ugly

If you are installing a roof-mounted solar system on an existing approved house or building, planning approval is no longer required.

This announcement comes as the Federal Government rebate on the installation of the solar panels comes to an end. To make use of the Federal Government rebate application - approval and installation all have to be finalised prior to June 30th, 2011.

It takes about six weeks for approval to be granted so time is running out.

Both the Federal Government and the Sunshine Coast Regional Council wish to encourage the use of solar panels in an effort to reduce

the individual's carbon footprint.

Council's Director of Development Services, Julie Edwards, said council was committed to sustainability and out-dated red tape impediments needed to be removed.

"In addition, the solar industry deserves some certainty on council's planning requirements," Ms Edwards said.

She continued, "The last thing we want is to create unnecessary costs or planning hurdles for people who just want to produce clean, green energy on a small scale."

If, however, you are planning to install any ground mounted solar panels, or any other renewable energy proposal, whether it is urban

or rural, please email council's solar enquiries staff for advice on whether planning approval is required.

The Email address for such inquiries is solarenquiries@sunshinecoast.qld.gov.au

As part of council's commitment to sustainability the council authorises the attendance of Councillor Russell Green at the 5th Annual Sustainable Design and Construction Conference to be held in Abu Dhabi United Arab, Emirates from 22-25 May 2011.

This trip will be funded from the Councillor's Professional Development fund.

Cambroon to get a new bridge over the Mary River!

Better traffic flow and better protection from flooding when Sunshine Coast Council replaces the current "Cambroon Bridge" on Mary River Bridge Road, Cambroon.

Division 5 Councillor Jenny McKay said the current timber bridge had reached the end of its serviceable life. "The current single lane timber bridge is in poor structural condition and is load limited to 2.5 tonnes," she said.

"In order to construct the new reinforced concrete bridge, council will need to close Mary River Bridge Road at the bridge site from 3 May

approximately six months."

Commuters could detour via Eastern Mary River Road and Maleny - Kenilworth Road during this construction period.

Construction of this bridge has also been timed to avoid the summer flood season and the breeding and nesting season of the Mary River Turtle which is endemic to the Mary River and is listed as endangered under state and federal legislation.

Asset Management and Works Portfolio Councillor Ted Hungerford said the "Cambroon Bridge" project was

part of council's 10-year bridge replacement program that maintained a watch on around 400 bridges across the region, including 180 road bridges.

"The Cambroon bridge is one of 80 timber bridges that council will replace over the next few decades with concrete bridges that require very little maintenance and have a 100+ year design lifespan."

Further details on the "Cambroon Bridge" closure can be obtained by phoning council's Customer Service Centre on 5475 7272.

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Maleny Arts and Garden Festival!

Maleny's 18th Art Awards and Exhibition will be held over the three days of the Queen's Birthday weekend, 11th, 12th and 13th June.

This year's exhibition promises to be an enormous success, drawing entries from a wide range of artists displaying their work in several sections, including portraiture, watercolours, oil or acrylics, pastels and mixed media.

The exhibition will take place at St George's Anglican Church, Maleny, and is generously sponsored by local businesses and private individuals. Barbara Fowler, chairperson of the organising committee, said that in tough times, it was really encouraging to see that people were still prepared to support this important cultural event.

The guest judge is Kevin Grealy,

a distinguished ceramist who has worked and taught in the art field for many years.

The weekend is popular for visitors and locals alike, with the Maleny Garden Club's "Gardening On The Edge" featuring a huge display in the Activities Centre at the High School and including several open gardens in the district on the Saturday and Sunday.

Local residents are encouraged to invite friends up to the Range for this weekend, as there will be plenty to see and do.

Entries for the Art Awards close on Wednesday 25 May and entry forms are available from Holden's Gallery, the Maleny Information Centre and various other outlets, as well as the website www.malenyar-towards.com



Blackall Range

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...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?

Easter Art Show voted a success

In spite of the inclement weather the Easter Art Show for the Blackall Range Visual Artists was very busy as patrons studied the art displayed and voted for their favourite painting among the 65 exhibited.

The winner of the people’s choice was Malveen White of Flaxton with her beautiful watercolour painting, Outback Sunset.

Wendy Edmond of the Blackall Range Visual Artists said, “This painting is now heading off to the UK with its proud new owners.”



“The Next Three Days” on DVD

Life seems perfect for John Brennan until his wife, Lara, is arrested for a murder she says she didn’t commit.

Three years into her sentence, John is struggling to hold his family together, raising their son and teaching at college while he pursues every means available to prove her innocence.

With the rejection of their final appeal, Lara becomes suicidal and John decides there is only one possible, bearable solution: to break his wife out of prison.

Refusing to be deterred by impossible odds or his own inexperience, John devises an elaborate escape plot and plunges into a dangerous and unfamiliar world, ultimately risking everything for the woman he loves.

Stars Russell Crowe, Elizabeth Banks, Brian Dennehy, Olivia Wilde and Liam Neeson.

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

Fatal hit & run accident at Palmwoods

Local police investigating the fatal hit and run traffic crash at Palmwoods continue to appeal for public assistance.

In the early hours of Saturday April 30 an 18-year-old man died after being struck by a vehicle in Eudlo Road and the driver failed to stop.

Investigators believe that a 1995-1997 Ford Falcon may be the type of vehicle involved but they are not eliminating other types of vehicles.

Police have released an image of a similar model car (as attached – please note, colour of vehicle has not been determined).

Police are calling for the involved driver to telephone police or attend

a police station to assist with their inquiries.

Anyone with information which could assist police with their investigations should contact the Sunshine Coast Forensic Crash Unit On 54717596 or Crime Stoppers anonymously via 1800 333 000 or crimestoppers.com.au 24hrs a day.



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Truthful Jones Tells... he heard about



his neighbour, John Smith was the only Protestant to move into his large Catholic neighborhood.

On the first Friday of Lent, John was outside grilling a big juicy steak on his grill. Meanwhile, all of his neighbors were fixing fish.

This went on each Friday of Lent.

On the last Friday of Lent, the neighborhood men got together and decided that something had to be done about John - he was tempting them to eat meat each Friday of Lent, and they couldn't take it anymore.

They decided to try and convert John to be a Catholic. They went over and talked to him and were so happy that he decided to join all of his neighbors and become a Catholic.

They took him to Church, and the Priest sprinkled some water over him, and said, "You were born a Baptist, you were raised a Baptist, and now you are a Catholic." The men were so relieved, now their biggest Lenten temptation was resolved.

The next year's Lenten season rolled around. The first Friday of Lent came, and just at supper time, when the neighborhood was sitting down to their fish dinner, came the wafting smell of steak cooking on a grill.

The neighborhood men could not believe their noses! WHAT WAS GOING ON?

They called each other up and decided to meet over at John's place to see if he had forgotten it was the first Friday of Lent. The group arrived just in time to see John standing over his grill with a small pitcher of water.

He was sprinkling some water over his steak on the grill, saying, "You were born a cow, you were raised a cow, and now you are a fish."

Morale: *You can always lead a horse to water, but you may not make it drink and so it is with people.*

Mum's favourite Recipes

Grilled Fish

- fish is always a favourite meal!



Ingredients

- * 1/4 cup (60ml) olive oil, plus extra to brush
- * 12 small (about 50-70g) whole fish (such as small whiting, garfish or sardines)
- * 2 tbs grated lemon rind
- * 2 garlic cloves, finely chopped
- * 2 tbs chopped flat-leaf parsley
- * 1 tbs finely chopped capers
- * Lemon wedges, to serve

Method

Line a shallow baking tray with foil, then brush with olive oil. Clean and scale the fish, then lay flat on the baking tray. Drizzle with 1 tablespoon of olive oil, and season with salt and pepper.

Preheat the grill to high.

Grill the fish for 1 1/2 minutes on one side, then turn over and cook for the same time on the other side.

Combine the remaining oil, lemon rind, garlic, parsley and capers. Place fish on serving plates and spread mixture over top. Serve with lemon wedges.

Australian Sparking wine can hold its head up high!

Australian Sparkling can very happily hold its head up high with a reputation that can match the best of Champagne. Thanks to the championing of regions like Tasmania and Tumbarumba, we are starting to see examples that express purity of fruit and clever wine-making decisions.

The only reason Sparkling is not labelled Champagne is because it does not hail from the famed region in France, although it goes through the same winemaking process and uses the three mainstay varieties; Chardonnay, Pinot Noir and Pinot Meunier.

To find out about some mouth-watering recipes that have each been matched to a style of wine all you need to do is to simply **click on this story when connected to the internet and then look for the Wine Selectors advertisement.**

Take a look at some of the delicious recipes that have been kindly contributed by Selector magazine regular, and celebrity chef Peter Howard.

So whether it's a straight 6-pack of your favourite variety or a mixed pack specially selected for you and delivered to your door, you can be guaranteed it's a better way to buy wine.

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A brief insight into the history of Maleny & District and other things..

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Harvey's 100 years of Maleny Collard's Curse

Right from the start Maleny's future was based on the dairy industry.

Originally the grasses were based on paspalum pastures. One of the problems with paspalum pastures was that during the winter periods it dried off and that forced farmers to hand feed their dairy cattle.

Hand feeding often became a very expensive alternative.

One of the pioneering families who was involved in the dairy industry was the Collard family. Descendants to the Collard family still reside in the area.

Many of the Maleny dairy farming families originally came from the Northern Rivers areas of New South Wales. In that area kikuyu grasses imported from South Africa were being trialled by members involved in the dairy industry. Kikuyu is a perennial ground-hugging grass which spreads by runners.

This grass was not available in the Maleny area at that time.

In 1918 Alf Collard re-visited the Northern Rivers area and he brought back eight kikuyu runners.

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.

Kikuyu grass is a member of the Poaceae grass family and originally comes from tropical east Africa. The Kikuyu Grass is characterised by a very succulent and soft leaf and is quick to recover in the heat. The texture of the lawn is quite soft and is a lighter lime green in colour when compared to other varieties. Because it requires very little maintenance and could withstand the winter

months it was perfect as a stock food.

From those eight runners it wasn't too long before kikuyu grass began to spread through local paddocks.

It was not uncommon to see kids from the various local dairy farms out in rain storms madly planting kikuyu grass runners.

Because Kikuyu grass is so highly invasive of surrounding garden beds it was given the nick-name of "Collard's Curse" by some people - normally those not involved in the dairy industry.

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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 goes to: - the female driver of the small mauve car who on Sunday last about lunchtime was driving out of the Woollworths car park at too fast a speed and not keeping to the left.

It is only a matter of time before you will collide with another car coming into the carpark.

LET US FIND OUT A BIT ABOUT OUR SURNAMES

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:

<http://www.irishscottishshop.com.au/>

Origin & Arms of
The Family Name

Brown

Brown is one of the most common surnames in the English-speaking world, with, for example, some 5000 listings in the London Telephone Directory. The variant *Browne* is also common in all parts of Britain and Ireland; in Galway it is borne by descendants of a 12th-cent. Norman invader called *le Briou*, and has in part been Gaelicized as *de Briou*. The name was generally a nickname referring to the colour of the hair, complexion, or clothing. It may occasionally be from a personal name (*Briou/Briouin*), and also a Germanic name-forming element; some instances as short forms of compound names such as *Briougen*, *Briouvine*, etc. It was also the name of several German and Italian saints.

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Another paint hint from Maleny Paint Place

Give that worn bench top a new lease on life with Rust-Oleum Countertop Transformation

How are your kitchen benchtops looking?

Have they been for a few years and starting to look a bit tired in appearance?

Have you been looking to replace that kitchen, but it is structurally sound and to replace it is going to cost an arm and three legs?

Well, we at Maleny Paint Place do have another option that could be an answer to your dilemma. It is a product called Rust-Oleum Countertop Transformation.

Rust-Oleum Countertop Transformations is the simple, affordable and hassle-free way to transform your worn or damaged laminate countertops into beautiful, durable, new counter surfaces - in a weekend and without the hefty mess and high cost of countertop replacement.

This revolutionary do-it-yourself

coating system gives your countertops the permanent look of natural stone products.

The results are stunningly beautiful, and we guarantee you'll love

the long-lasting, premium quality finish. Just sand, roll, spread, smooth, seal and enjoy!

Countertop Transformations uses a

system of a strong adhesive base coat, decorative colored vinyl chips and a two component clear top coat to create a highly durable finish.

It's never been simpler or more affordable to update the look of your kitchen, bath or entertainment areas.

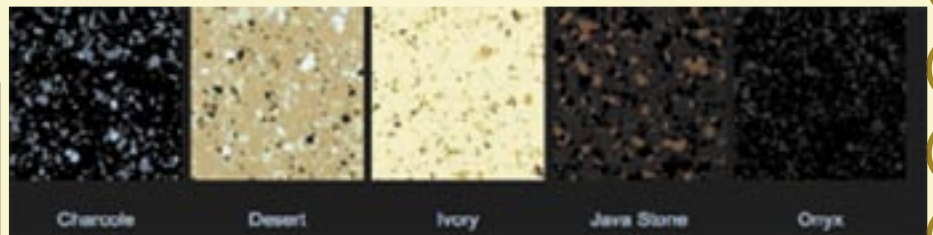
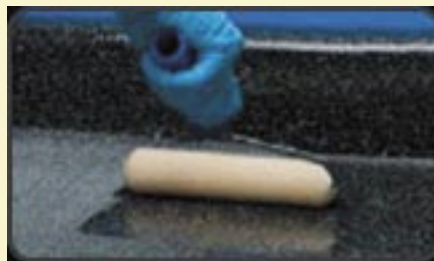
It comes in a number of colours as shown in the photo below. Everything required to do the complete job comes in the kit. The kit also includes both an instructional DVD and printed instructions to aid with the process and coating application.

The countertop is ready for light use in 48 hours and full use after 7 days.

For those who do not want to bother doing the job it is also possible to obtain a quote on completing the whole job just for you.

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This week with Peter Slipper M.P.

Maleny RFB Roundup

with
Donna & Norm Lewis
Volunteer Community
Education Officers



Norm and I have been busy from January with presentations to small and large community groups.

We are enjoying our new role (as Volunteer Community Educators) and happy to deliver our message to any size group- large or small.

So, if your group would like us to come and provide some information about fire safety simply contact the Maleny Rural Fire Brigade

Norm had an information stand at the "BUNYA Festival" in late January. He answered questions and gave out information packs to over 50 people.

It is all about getting to know "our patch" better and growing the connection with the greater Maleny Community.



(Photo above shows V.C.E.O. Norm Lewis with interested people at the Bunya Festival)

More News next week.

Online Privacy

The Asia Pacific Privacy Authorities (APPA), which aims to ensure privacy and the protection of the users of social network websites, is seeking survey information about the habits of users to help them learn more about privacy and networking sites.

The survey is open throughout May, with the findings to be released later in the year.

The survey, along with a short animation, is available at www.privacyawarenessweek.org

The website also includes some tips about social networking and how to ensure your experiences online are as safe and as private as you want them to be.

Privacy Awareness

While on the subject of online privacy, the Australian Communications and Media Authority has some resources available for teachers and students at: www.cybersmart.gov.au/PAW.aspx

Seniors Forum

The annual Sunshine Coast Seniors Forum will be held again this year in late July.

This is the 11th annual Seniors Forum, and will again include various expert speakers and displays from around 30 organisations that assist

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seniors in the community.

To RSVP for the event or for further details please contact my office on 5444 4888.

In Concert "The Art of Song"

The one and only performance of The Australian Chamber Musicians will be held at the Maleny Uniting Church (Landsborough / Maleny Rds), Maleny on the 22nd May 2011 at 2p.m.

Tickets are \$25-00 pp and will be available at the door. All proceeds will be shared between the Maleny R.F.B. and The Montville Primary School-Chaplaincy Programme.

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