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Division 5 Meet the Candidates - Breakfast

The Maleny Chamber of Commerce is hosting a "Meet the Candidates Breakfast" for Division 5 Candidates for the upcoming Sunshine Coast Regional Council election. This breakfast is for Maleny business people and is provided by the Maleny Chamber.

The election, to be held on March 15th is to elect the first representatives for the new Sunshine Coast Regional Council and as such is of vital importance to the future development of the region.

The newly-elected Candidates will play a pivotal role in framing that future development and as such the elected councillors on this occasion have an influencing role in how the region develops in the future.

The breakfast in this instance will be held at Maple 3 Cafe, Maple Street, Maleny on Tuesday March 11th commencing at 7.30a.m. It is expected to finish at 8.30a.m.

There is a limited number of seats available so registration is required. Registration can be made through Top Notch Business in Maple Street, Maleny or by phone on 5494 3677.

If you prefer to email your registration then use the following email address:-
sales@topnotchbusiness.com.au

Bowls.... not only for the old

The game of lawn bowls has long had the reputation of being played under very staid and strict conditions by people of the more mature age group.

Well, that all changed last Sunday at the Maleny Bowls Club

and had a great family day together.

The day was a great charity day and family fun day.

About 100 people attended in great Maleny summer weather after the long bout of wet.

The Apexians day would not



when the Maleny Apex Club played for the annual business trophy. Who won? Who cares as long as it was fun! The real winner was the game of bowls and those people who attended

have been complete without their famous B.B.Q.

To those who missed the day all one could say would be "don't miss the next one".

Don't forget - Maleny Paint Place has moved

Maleny Paint Place has finally taken the plunge and shifted premises. Moving from 12 Bunya Street to Shed 6 / 14 Lawyer Street, Maleny has been a project under way for a couple of months now and the task is coming to an end.

The new premises (in the same sheds as Maleny Motor Trimmers) has more space. Car parking is easier and is available right in front of the shop making it easier to get your paint right in to your car.

Call in and have a look at the new premises soon. *You'll be surprised.*

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Truthful Jones Tells...



That his wealthy brother took his nephew on a trip to the country, for the sole purpose of showing his son how it was to be poor.

They spent a few days and nights on the farm of what would be considered a very poor family.

After they returned from the trip, the father asked his son how he liked staying at the farm.

"It was great, Dad!" the son exclaimed.

Surprised at his son's response, the father asked, "Didn't you see how poor people can be?"

"Oh, yeah," said the son.

"So what did you learn from our trip?" asked the father.

The son responded: "I saw that we have one dog and they had four. We have a pool that reaches to the middle of our garden and they have a creek that has no end. We have imported lanterns in our garden and they have the stars at night. Our patio reaches to the front yard and they have the whole horizon.

We have a small piece of land to live on and they have fields that go beyond our sight. We have servants who serve us, but they serve others. We buy our food at the store, but they grow theirs fresh. We have walls around our property to protect us, they have friends to protect them."

Needless to say, the boy's father was speechless.

Then his son added, "It showed me how poor we are."

Truthful says that the moral of the story is: "Too many times we forget what we have and concentrate on what we don't have."

**People are like beer -
Some are better than others.**

Another paint hint from Maleny Paint Place

Proper interior paint preparation of your walls and ceilings before painting will often encompass more work than the actual painting. Up to 75% of the work can be getting a surface ready for painting.

Wall preparation for painting is more than covering the floor. If you don't intend to do the preparation right then don't bother painting at all.

The amount of painting preparation needed depends on three factors; (1) If the surface is in relatively good condition and previously painted, (2) If it shows signs of severe wear and tear, or (3) If unpainted and needing many steps before the finish paint can be applied.

Many of the basic interior painting preparation steps are relevant to all situations, whether a room is in good shape or needing extensive repair.

Situation 1 Room in Good Condition and Previously Painted.

The easiest rooms to paint are in good condition needing only minor wall preparation for painting. Covering and pro-

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tecting non-painted surfaces is always a good place to begin.

This includes moving the furniture away from the walls toward the center of the room. If possible, remove as much furniture from the room. The less obstacles the easier the room is to paint.

Repair can be pulling a few nails no longer needed for hanging pictures and filling small holes with light weight spackle. Minor cracks in the walls can be filled with the same spackle. Now is a good time to check the caulking around windows and where the trim meets the wall, this includes all of the base and casing. If the trim is painted recaulk with a good siliconized acrylic caulk or elastomeric caulk.

Minor stains on the surfaces needing paint should be washed with mild soap and water or primed with a stain blocking primer if they can't be removed by washing. Now the interior painting can start. Apply the same type of paint that is on the surface or choose a good interior primer that is compatible with the finish paint.

When accomplished correctly painting will add real value to your home, not just improving its resale value. Lower utility bills and an emotionally pleasing environment are possible when using the best painting ideas and techniques.

For more information about paint or "how to hints" click here to go to the

**Maleny Paint Place
web page.**

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Peter Slipper advises about broad-

Peter Slipper M.H.R. said recently, "I am pleased that local families, businesses and individuals will benefit from increased broadband services introduced recently by Telstra."

This followed a Telstra announcement about improved high speed broadband services for parts of the Sunshine Coast and Caboolture. This improvement will have a dramatic impact on internet speeds for some 93,000 local residences.

Telstra has announced it will activate high speed ADSL2+ at some 900 telephone exchanges across Australia. In total, it says it will benefit some 2.4million consumers across the country.

The improved services will provide benefits in the areas of business, education, communication, entertainment, health care and productivity.

The new services came on line for Maleny, Montville and Flaxton last month.

Superannuation

Superannuation is a vital element of Australian life. It is important that superannuation services are managed efficiently and effectively because they deals with the retirement savings of virtually every worker.

That said, a group dedicated to providing an efficient and ongoing method of consultation with the superannuation industry has held its first meeting in Canberra.

The Superannuation Advisory Group consists of various experts in the field and aims to help ensure that Australia's superannuation system functions efficiently and effectively.

A good superannuation system is vital for building an adequate and secure retirement income for Australian workers.

The Superannuation Advisory Group will also consult with Government on the various financial matters that arrive in the superannuation sector.

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 young males who on last Tuesday arvo rode their skate boards down Bunya Street towards the primary school from the direction of the high school. They did not appear to look for traffic coming from Landsborough Road as they continued on towards Maple Street. Youth are not immune to DEATH.

Mum's favourite Recipes

Apricot Chicken

- my Mum's favourite.

Ingredients:- * 1 kg chicken pieces - * 1 packet french Onion Soup - * 1 can Apricot Nectar

Directions: Roll chicken pieces in flour, place in casserole dish. Heat soup with apricot nectar till it thickens and pour over chicken pieces. Bake moderate oven about 1 1/2 hours. Serve with fluffy boiled rice.

That's the usual recipe, but I always add vegetables. I often throw in 4 small potatoes, 3 carrots, some frozen peas, & an onion.

Ed: *Someone asked me if I do any cooking at home. Well, I couldn't even boil water but I do remember most of these recipes that I found in my Mum's messy hand written recipe book. She was a good cook and could always cook something from almost nothing.*

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Walkway plans released by council

A walkway joining Maleny township to Gardner's Falls have been released by Caloundra City Council. These plans have brought this project closer as a result of land donated to council by the Cloudland Developers. Cr Dick Newman said that removing the footbridge across Obi Creek at the rear of Woolworths building from the plans had removed one major obstacle in this project.

This walkway was first mooted some years ago by then Caloundra City Councillor, Winston Johnston who had plans for a walkway commencing at the Maleny Showgrounds following along the banks of Obi Creek. At the time he donated part of his land in Coral Street to allow for this walkway.

Obi Creek is an important environmental area as it is one of the few creeks in the area that runs continuously. It is the home to many water animals and birds including the famous "Obi platypus".

The final piece of land needed to finalise this plan is behind Riverside Shopping Centre and discussions are underway in respect to this last link.

Another problem associated with the Riverside Shopping Centre relates to the now closed vehicular laneway from the car park into Teak Street. Candidate Winston Johnston said, "From discussions I have already had I am sure that I can come up with a solution to this problem within a month if I am elected in the March 15th election."

Anecdotes from my Liberian logbook, 1969 – 1971

From a human rights reports for UNHQ in 1996.

(Cont from last week)

There was an area where a Nigerian peacekeeping contingent was deployed for several months, and they were in the habit of encouraging very young Liberian girls from



More stories from local mining drilling expert, Maleny resident and author about incidents

that he witnessed during his journeys into third world countries.

the nearby displaced persons camp to visit and seducing them with rice and a little money.

The girls were nine or ten. Then a Ghanaian contingent established a camp nearby, who were more generous. They would give a whole can full of rice as compared to more paltry handful from the Nigerians. So the girls started fre-

quenting the Ghanaian camp more than the Nigerians.

One day dead little girls started appearing on the path from the displaced persons camp to the Ghanaian camp but not on the path to the Nigerians. The girls had been decapitated and their heads inserted inside their nine year old vaginas.

In the opinion of the investigating officer, this was a message to the girls from the Nigerians that it wouldn't be worth it to frequent the Ghanaians for the sake of a little extra rice.

And these were the peacekeepers.

Woodies Open Day This Saturday

The Blackall Range Woodworkers Guild members are holding an open day this Saturday (March 8th 9am - 2pm) at their workshop, Montville Sports Ground.

There will be woodworking displays along with displays of some of the items that have been lovingly crafted.

For people who may be interested in taking up a new hobby then this is a great time to chat with some of the more experienced members are what is available.

There will also be a cool drink and a bit to eat.

E.I. finds another victim

The Conondale Bush Racing Association has had to cancel their annual Easter Rodeo at Smith's Property Conondale because of uncertainty about E.I. movements as a result of the recent horse flu epidemic.

The rodeo has been an Easter Sunday tradition for the past 32 years but is sure to be back in 09

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