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New phone number to report police matters

Not all matters reported to police are urgent and as such attendances are prioritised to ensure that urgent matters are quickly attended.

For urgent matters ring 000 and that will get you urgent attention.

For other minor matters there is now another phone number to ring - that is 131444 and it is known as policelink.

Police Commissioner Bob Atkinson said the \$54 million Policelink service will operate 24 hours a day, seven days a week. This new service will operate from a new call centre at the Emergency Services Centre at Zillmere in Brisbane's northside.

The Queensland Police Service receives approximately 450,000 triple-0 calls a year, but only around four per cent of these relate to a time critical or life threatening incident.

This service is expected to help reduce pressure on police at the coalface attending to urgent matters.

The introduction of this number brings Queensland into line with other Australian states.

Climber falls for Australia

An American tourist who has been in Australia for only four days "fell for Australia" in a big way on Sunday August 8th, 2010 when he slid approximately 40 meters down a steep section of Mount Beerwah in the Sunshine Coast Hinterland.

He had to be treated and winched off by the AGL helicopter crew and other emergency service personnel.

The climber suffered a compound fracture of his thigh and was airlifted to Royal Brisbane Hospital where he was admitted in a stable condition.

The walking track on Mt. Beerwah has been closed for over 18 months by the Queensland Parks and Wildlife Service because the track has been rated as dangerous.

The track is barricaded off and walkers have to walk around a physical barrier on the track and go past four "closed" signs to access the track.

Mount Beerwah is described as a difficult climb and much more difficult to descend.

The injured walker, aged 22 was one of a group of five people who were located in the prohibited area.

The remaining people in the group were assisted back down the mountain by SES volunteers.

A Queensland Fire and Rescue

spokesperson who attended the scene said, "The reason the mountain is closed is because it's dangerous. We have to go in and rescue hikers who don't care about their own safety. It's just stupidity."

An Emergency services spokesperson said that it is believed that it was the actions of an inexperienced walker that led him to fall from a 120 metre height, and not an instability in the climb.

The spokesperson continued, "The man could have lost his life. He is extremely lucky to be alive."

There is a \$350 fine for disregarding the signs. Police are investigating if any offences were committed in this instance and charges could follow.

Female motorcyclist injured at Green Park

A 36 year old female motorcyclist was injured at Green Park, Conondale on Saturday July 31st, 2010 at about 4.30p.m.

The woman who competing in an organised motorcross event at the time suffered a dislocated shoulder.

She was airlifted to Royal Brisbane Hospital in a stable condition by the AGL Action Rescue Helicopter.

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Woodford Festival site hosts another successful event

Another successful festival has been hosted by the people who organise the Woodford Folk Festival and The Dreaming Festival.

More than 32,000 people attended the three-day festival which featured nearly 100 bands.

The Splendour in the Grass festival has been held in Coffs Harbour for the previous 10 years but this is the first time it had been held in Queensland.

At this time the festival organisers are not able to advise if the festival will continue at this site, but largest festival at Byron attracted 17,000 whilst this festival attracted over 30000.

Each festival supports local businesses in the area.

Soon we won't even have fresh milk!!

Recently stories in major newspapers have bemoaned the fact that major milk producers are taking advantage of local farmers by continuing to lower the price that they offer on the purchase of raw milk.

It has been suggested that the price offered to farmers for their milk dropped from 56.23c to 49.19c a litre and a large volume is bought for as little as 30c a litre.

Long-time local dairy farmers advise that the cost of production to them of milk is calculated to cost at least 50 to 55 cents per litre.

Because of this price discrepancy it is expected that more farmers will leave their farms. This is on top of the numbers that left after the deregulation of the dairy industry about 10 years ago.

This is another instance of Australian companies being bought out by foreign companies in an effort to make a quick profit.

The 3 major players in the Australian milk market are Pura and Dairy Farmers who are owned by Japanese companies and Pauls which is owned by an Italy company.

This is a great opportunity to really support another local business, Maleny Dairies.

Maleny Dairies is a third generation Maleny family owned business situated in McCarthy's Road, Maleny.

With the advent of milk industry deregulation the Hopper family realised that they could not survive resultant drastic drop in income, so they decided to fight back by building a milk processing plant in Maleny.

This not only helped themselves, but the other local farmers who supply raw milk to Maleny Dairies for processing.

Maleny Milk is readily available at Maleny shops. By purchasing Maleny Dairy products you are helping to provide local jobs for local friends and relatives.

Not only that you are helping the environment as the dairy products are not transported over vast distances to get from the farm onto our tables.

This is just another little thing we can individually do to help our community to prosper.

Apple iMac

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What should the Sunshine Coast offer residents in 2030?

It is a timely question given the region's rapid growth. And it is a question Sunshine Coast council has decided to pose to the public.

Sunshine Coast Council Mayor Bob Abbot has launched a programme called, "Zooming into 2030 competition". It is a council-community initiative to give local residents a chance to have a say about how they see the area develop heading towards 2030.

Mayor Abbott said, "Captions must start with, "In 2030 I hope that ..." and contestants must submit a picture or create an image of how they would like the Coast look like in 2030. It should contain no more than 25 words.

Cr Abbott's view is that he hopes that the Sunshine Coasts environment remains healthy enough so that his grand-children can still catch a feed of fish.

There are prizes worth \$2000 with an overall mayoral prize of \$1000 will be awarded across the three categories, 13 and under, 14 to 21 and open.

This is a real opportunity for individuals to have an input into the coasts future livability.

Entries must be in Council hands by 5pm on September 17.

Further information about the competition is available on the Sunshine Coast council's website www.sunshinecoast.qld.gov.au.

Mum's favourite Recipes



Stir fried roast duck with snow peas and noodles

- A great favourite!

Ingredients

- * vegetable oil * 1 tbsp finely chopped ginger * 1/4 cup water
- * 1 clove garlic * 2 cups trimmed snow peas * 4 sliced green onions
- * 1 boned and sliced Chinese roast duck * 2 tbsp light soy sauce
- * 2 tbsp oyster sauce * 1 very finely sliced lebanese cucumber

Heat 2 tbsp vegetable oil in a wok over high heat and add 1 tbsp finely chopped ginger and 1 clove garlic, finely chopped, and stir-fry for 30 seconds.

Add 4 sliced green onions and 2 cups trimmed snow peas and stir-fry for 1 minute. Add 1 boned and sliced Chinese roast duck and stir-fry another minute, then add 1/4 cup water, 2 tbsp light soy sauce, 2 tbsp oyster sauce and bring to the boil and stir-fry for a further minute or until duck is heated through.

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 male driver of the yellow sedan parked in the disabled car park in Maple Street, Maleny last Tuesday morning.

Didn't look too much wrong with your ability. - By the way there were a couple of parks at the time in front of Colin James.

Do you know somebody who has been reported as a missing person?

Do you realise that each year an average of 4700 are people reported missing.

In Queensland the Police Service's recovery rate is 99.5%. But, there are still approximately 260 people on the long term missing persons register (dating back to 1970).

Not every person who goes missing does so under suspicious circumstances.

There are some people who go missing for a number of personal reasons and they do not want to be located.

If a person has been reported missing and does not wish to be located, it is important they make contact with police. Once police have verified that a person is safe and well their whereabouts remains confidential but they are taken off the police missing person's list.

Each year Australian police services have a week dedicated especially to highlighting the need for missing people to contact relatives.

This year the theme of that week is "When someone goes missing a day spent waiting is a day lost", aiming to dispel the myth that you need to wait 24 hours before reporting a loved one or friend missing.

Detective Senior Sergeant Damien Powell, Officer in Charge of the State Crime Operations Command Missing Persons Unit believes information from the public is crucial to any missing persons investigation.

Anyone with information about a person they believe may be a missing person should contact Crime Stoppers anonymously via 1800 333 000 or crimestoppers.com.au 24hrs a day.

Local politician returns home!

State MP Andrew Powell, member for the Glasshouse electorate is finally returning home to his proper electorate after spending the last 18 months headquartered in Caboolture. The shift should be finalised before the end of September 2010.

The seat of Glasshouse underwent boundary changes after the last election. The electoral boundaries now covers an area from Conondale and Flaxton in the north, to Mt Mee and Bellmere in the south. The new electorate office is now situated at 70 Maple Street, Maleny which is not only centrally located in the electorate, but is the largest CBD.

"It has been a little strange being the Member for Glass House and operating from an office in Caboolture, outside of the electorate," Mr Powell said.

Mr Powell continued, "Being centrally located in

Maleny will mean less driving time for me and my staff – a win for the electorate. Less time on the road means more time delivering outcomes for the electorate."

Mr Powell also said that he is committed to holding mobile offices throughout the electorate every couple of months and if an elector is not able to attend those or get to the new office then he undertakes to visit the elector.

Another service offered through the electorate office, with a couple of days prior notice for community groups will be the availability of photocopying facilities.

As they become available we will advise you of the new contact details for the new electorate office.



My dear Mum's logical sayings



**Logic
Behaviour Modification.**

SAYING
"Stop acting like
your Father".

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Rainwater tanks now need a building permit!

For some time now the Governments and local authorities have attempted to prevail upon people that it to help the environment by installing rainwater tanks to supply water to toilets and cold water laundry use to reduce our reliance on water storages.

People in the Sunshine Coast Council area who install a water tank, now officially known as a "water-bank" with a capacity of 3000 litres or over has to obtain building permit before installation.

Before commencing you must obtain a compliance approval (approval of plans) for the proposed work. This is obtained by completing Forms 1 + 2 and submitting them to the local authority.

The installation then has to be inspected by a "qualified plumber" when completed.

The Council will then issue a compliance certificate when the regulated work has been satisfactorily completed.

An annual fee for testing this system and council registration may be incurred.

Is this the first step towards placing a fee on rain water captured in that system.

All of this is on top of the heavily increased bureaucracy brought into being with the formation of Unity Water, the newly-established group that is now in charge of water services, taking over from the Sunshine Coast and Moreton Bay regional councils.

This body was forced upon the councils by the Queensland Government when provision

of residential water was privatised.

There are also a number of other new bodies involved in the water bureaucracy;

Seqwater – catches, stores and treats water by managing catchments, storages and water treatment plants.

WaterSecure – supplies desalinated water to the water grid and supplies purified recycled water to power stations and other customers

LinkWater – manages, operates and maintains SEQ's potable bulk water pipelines and moves water from dams and other sources through bulk pipeline networks.

SEQ Water Grid Manager – operates the water grid and oversees the flow of water.

Since these bodies were set up about 10 per cent of residents have questioned the bills, with many recording an unusually high rate of water consumption.

It has not only been Sunshine Coast residents who have been charged massive increases in

the cost of water. Residents in the Brisbane, Ipswich, Lockyer Valley, Scenic Rim and Somerset council areas have also had price rises of an average of 10.7 per cent.

Water from Sunshine Coast water facilities is being taken south to other S.E.Q areas, but there are no facilities to bring water back should there be an incident involving disruption of water supply to the Sunshine Coast.

It can well be said that we have short memories and it was only a couple of years ago that S.E.Q. was in the grip of a severe drought and any government would have been expected to take reasonable steps to ensure safety of supply of water for Queenslanders.

For years prior to this there was very little action taken to plan for this eventuality.

People need to learn not to waste precious water, even now when we have plenty.

More needs to be done now to ensure water security, but increasing bureaucracy, regulations and spending money with such gay abandon is not the answer.

Privatisation has been tried in a number of places around the world and it is hard to find any place where it has worked in favour of the consumer. In fact in many of those locations calls have been made for governments to intervene.

Privatisation is not the answer - it is sucking people's ability to survive within our society with a reasonable standard of living.



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Truthful Jones Tells... he heard about his mates wife



who is a blonde and she had just gotten a new sports car and was out for a drive when she accidentally cut off a truck driver. He motioned for her to pull over.

When she did, he got out of his truck and pulled a piece of chalk from his pocket. He drew a circle on the side of the road and gruffly commanded to the blonde, "Stand in that circle and DON'T MOVE!".

He then went to her car and cut up her leather seats. When he turned around she had a slight grin on her face, so he said, "Oh you think that's funny?"

Watch this!" He gets a cricket bat out of his truck and breaks every window in her car. When he turns and looks at her she has a smile on her face.

He is getting really mad. He gets his knife back out and slices all her tyres. Now she's laughing.

The truck driver is really starting to lose it. He goes back to his truck and gets a can of petrol, pours it on her car and sets it on fire.

He turns around and she is laughing so hard she is about to fall down.

"What's so funny?" the truck driver asked the blonde.

She replied, "Every time you weren't looking, I stepped outside the circle!"

Morale: Everything in life means something different to each individual and not everyone sees the same event through the same eyes.

Never judge another persons reactions through your own preconceived ideas as they may not see those ideas as you do.

Council Rates here now!

Rates notices will arrive in letterboxes for 153,000 Sunshine Coast properties over the next few days, as council today started mailing out its first rate run of the 2010/11 financial year with a value of \$136 million including the state government fire levy.

Finance and Business Executive Director Greg Laverty said all rate payers should try to take advantage of the offered five per cent discount off general rates.

"If rates are paid by August 20th, for eligible pensioners there is no maximum limit on this discount but it is capped to a maximum of \$100 for non-pensioners," Greg Laverty said.

For rates enquiries, you can email council via rates@sunshinecoast.qld.gov.au or phone (07) 5475 7542 between 8.15am and 5.00pm, Monday to Friday.

Click here to go to our "Gig Guide" (Must be connected to the internet at the time)



MALENY BOWLS CLUB FRIDAY HAPPY HOUR

Each Friday Afternoon

From 5p.m. - 6p.m.

Special Social Hour Pricing

Pots Beer - \$2.50

Wine - \$2.00

Stubbies - \$2.50

Be there for the members lucky draw - Btn 5p.m & 6p.m.!

Find out who is "Mug 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?

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Our Green Hint



Reduce, reuse and recycle tips

1. Put your recycling bin or bags next to your dustbin; that way it is just as easy to recycle as to throw it away.

2. Do you always seem to end up with hundreds of plastic bags? Why not buy reusable ones (available from most supermarkets) and leave them in your car so they are to hand when you do the weekly shop.

3. If you have old mobile phones lying around, unused in drawers, consider recycling them.

Many organisations will even pay you or donate money to charity on your behalf.

4. Switch off your computer monitor when not in use. Even if only for 10 minutes. Your monitor uses twice the energy of your PC.

5. Use the stairs rather than taking the lift. Not only will you be reducing energy usage but increasing your fitness.

6. Switch off your mobile phone charger when it is finished charging.

If you don't it will keep drawing almost as much energy as when charging and you will generate 35-70 kg of avoidable CO2 each year.

In fact 95% of the energy used by mobile phone chargers in Australia is wasted energy.

Wasted energy is costing you money....

Your money at work with Ebenezer!

Over the last few weeks we have featured some news from the Ebenezer school in Livingstone.

This charity is now about 10 years old and during that time the lives of many young African kids have been changed for the better.

Last week a dance was held in Maleny, organised by the Friends of Ebenezer. The holding of this dance, whilst being a great fun night had another important function and that was to raise funds to continue the work of the Ebenezer School.

I thought that this week we might be able to meet some of the young people that have benefited from the opportunity of attending the school.



Leah, one of our first orphan girls in 2001, is now the Headmistress of the Ebenezer Trust School.

Her brother, Yande is now doing a 4 year IT degree course.



One of our first street-kids, Morgan,



is also in University doing a 4 year IT degree course.

Rachel is in College and doing a computer course and



plans on entering University after that. Austin works as a chef

at the Sun International Hotel.

The Ebenezer School has brought some maturity and stability into the lives of these young people who were once hopeless children.

They have now found new hope and a reason to live. It has not been easy to bring certainty to these children but you can help to continue this important work.

These young lives were wrecked by the storms of life and society had dealt them cruel blows. They had no place to turn, no one to care, no reason to live and no hope in sight until they came into the care of the Ebenezer School.

To help this important cause you can talk with Lenore Burton on 54296154.

We will bring more news from Livingstone in future editions.

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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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Another paint hint

from Maleny Paint Place

A craft project made easy

Painting with an Aerosol Can

To remove a child proof cap insert a screwdriver in the cap and lever it up. The horizontal setting is used when spraying up and down. Press button until only gas escapes.

To clean the nozzle after use and prevent blocking turn the can upside down and press button until only gas escapes.

Project Check List for Aerosol Painting;

1. Clean the surface you are about to paint with a suitable cleaner eg; Sugar Soap, turps etc
2. Have lots of rags handy for any cleaning.
3. Drop Sheet to protect from any over spray, overspray can travel long distances so make sure you cover a wide area.
4. Masking Material eg; tape, newspaper, cardboard to ensure the paint goes on the areas you want it too and also to protect surrounding areas from paint.
5. Sand paper to prepare the

surface, try using a dust mask to protect yourself from the dust.

6. Have available turps or Rust Guard Solvent for clean up.

7. Wearing gloves will protect your hands from paint.

Did you know that White Knight Paints was the first paint company to produce aerosol paints that are community and environmentally friendly.

Some of the White Knight range of craft paints include;

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With these products you can complete many craft projects.

White Knight craft paints and aerosol paints are available at Maleny Paint Place, 6/14 Lawyer Street, Maleny.

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This week with Peter Slipper M.P.



Big deal out of small business

It's enterprises like ThinLinX that remind us all why it's so important to support small business on the Sunshine Coast.

ThinLinX is about to go global with its Hot-e, a small computer that can match the multi-media capabilities of your traditional PC. The product's attracted strong interest from Microsoft and will hopefully hit the market by Christmas.

I recently toured ThinLinX's studio at the Innovation Centre, Sippy Downs, to underline my election pledge to support and foster employment opportunities on the Sunshine Coast. A key way to create jobs is to help small businesses survive and thrive.

Milk madness

The case against Maleny's Maple Street Co-Op will soon be over but it's a shame it's gone this far. The waste of resources has been disgraceful.

The business is accused of 'misleading the public' over the sale of un-pasteurised milk. The case has been before a court on six occasions, each time involving Queensland Health staff. The

magistrate is expected to announce his decision sometime this month.

I'm not about to enter the debate about raw milk for human consumption. What does concern me is that excess effort and money has been poured into what's essentially a trivial legal matter.

The State Labor Government doesn't have its priorities straight.

Sports stars rewarded

It's a thrill to show my support for the Sunshine Coast's emerging sports stars. The Australian Sports Commission has accepted my recommendations for the latest round of Local Sporting Champions Grants.

Eleven local athletes will each receive \$500. They include volleyballer Georgie White, canoeist Matthew Gilliman and swimmer Emily Marshall. The programme gives financial assistance to young sportsmen and women who are participating in a state or national competition. The money can go towards travel, accommodation, equipment or uniform costs.



Check out the prices at a Maleny Business

You will be surprised - they are as competitive as you will find down the coast.

Shopping locally not only gets you a great bargain but you are shopping with a friend.

Local businesses support local community groups and provide jobs to local people - shop with a friend today to keep your community economically healthy.

We can supply the names and phone numbers of the following "RELIABLE" tradespeople.

⇒ **Landscapers**

⇒ **House Painters**

⇒ **Electricians**

⇒ **Plumbers**

⇒ **Plasterers**

⇒ **Stock Transport**

More will be added to our list as time goes on and we are satisfied that we can recommend their services with confidence.

Click here when connected to the internet to go to a new website for Maleny Tradespeople.

www.malenytradesmen.com

Support your local Businesses

Local Businesses offer support and services to you and your business. They also provide local employment. Why not support them.

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