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Maleny Precinct planning to commence

Work on the Maleny Community Precinct master plan project will start in early January with the appointment of Gamble McKinnon Green (GMG) as the lead consultant.

GMG, who provide landscape architecture and urban design services across Queensland, will lead a multi-disciplinary team to deliver a final master plan to Sunshine Coast Council by June 2010.

Sunshine Coast Division five councillor Jenny McKay said this is a significant step forward for the project and, with everyone working together, predicted a great outcome.

"GMG have commenced their background research and will officially start work on the project on 4 January 2010," Cr McKay said.

"They will build on all the work the Maleny Community Precinct working group and council have done to date.

"Both the working group and

council will continue to work with the consultants to develop a draft master plan by mid April 2010.

"A final master plan is expected to be presented to council by June 2010."

GMG will be assisted by a team of experienced professionals, including urban planner Geoffrey Walker, golf course designer GNP Golf Design, civil engineers Brown Consulting, environmental consultants Stringybark Consulting, and WD architects.

Sunshine Coast Council's Project Director, Partnerships and Engagement, Alan Rogers said that the concept plan for the 122 hectare site, which was approved by the former Caloundra City Council on 22 November 2007, will continue to be the basis for the master plan.

"The master plan is the next stage in bringing the precinct to life," Mr Rogers said.

"It will finalise the detail for the environmental rehabilitation of the site, the golf course layout and the proposed location of the sports fields and clubhouse as well as providing a cost estimate for the precinct and an assessment of the feasibility of the proposed residential areas.

"All the consultants will work to create the best outcome possible for the site and are looking forward to getting started on the project in the new year."

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**Congratulations to the
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First pictures have been obtained by the crew searching for the sunken Australian Hospital Ship; "Centaur". The pictures show the large distinctive red cross on the side.

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Truthful Jones Tells...



that whilst he was at Christmas mass his priest told him that a brother priest and a nun are on their way back from the cemetery in Sydney after the funeral of a parishner when their car breaks down.

They couldn't get the garage to open to fix the problem until morning so they have to spend the night in a B&B. It only had one room available.

The priest said to the nun: "Sister, I don't think the Lord would object if we spend the night sharing this one room. I'll sleep on the sofa and you have the bed."

"I think that would be fine," agreed the nun.

When they prepared for bed they said some prayers and settle down to sleep.

After about ten minutes the nun says: "Father, I'm very cold."

"OK," says the priest, "I'll get a blanket from the cupboard."

After another ten minutes the nun says again: "Father, I'm still terribly cold."

The priest says: "Don't worry, I'll get up and fetch you another blanket."

After another ten minutes the nun murmurs softly: "Father I'm still very cold. I don't think the Lord would mind if we acted as man and wife just for a night."

"You're right," says the priest. "Get your own blankets."

Morale; Even in God's perfect world the wife usually gets the wrong end of the deal. It does not take too long for the male to learn the rules.

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Are you of Scottish heritage?

Trevor Smurthwaite is currently researching Scottish Australian Heritage and is very keen to have information from anyone in the community about their Scottish roots.

Trevor Smurthwaite is descended from the Mclaurins, Stewarts, Bruce and Hunter Clans and directly related to Robert the Bruce. He was Trevor's 21st generation great grandfather and before him all the ancient Kings of Scotland.

2010 is the bicentennial of Governor MacQuarrie who is one of the most prominent Scotsman about whom most people have heard about.

Mr. Smurthwaite said, "I feel it is very important to collate this information soon while some of the history is still in living memory or has been passed down the family either orally or written."

Much of this information about family ancestry is in danger of being lost unless it is collated whilst people still remember. Also, this information is to be passed onto clan organisations in Australia and Scotland so that this history is available to future generations.

To be sure that this information is available to future generations a database with Scottish Australian History will be generated.

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Along with the range of ladders there are a number of other products in the range, products such as work platforms, extendable planks, ladder steps and platforms ladders.

In the ladder range there are both fibreglass and aluminium constructed ladders. When purchasing a ladder should you buy one made from aluminium or fibreglass?

As a general rule, fibreglass ladders are recommended and in most cases mandatory when working in a electrical environment. A fibreglass ladder provides isolation between the user and earth, reducing (but not eliminating) the risk of electrocution.

Aluminium ladders provide little electrical isolation for users, and are therefore not recommended

for use in electrical environments. Aluminium ladders are lighter than fibreglass, and are perfect for use in all non-electrical environments.

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Who would have thought this could happen!

A Sunshine Coast woman is suing Immanuel Lutheran College for a pencil injury suffered when she was in Year 3, some twelve years ago. The injury was an accidental stabbing in the finger with a pencil. The woman is seeking \$25,000 for pain and suffering, \$70,000 for lost earning capacity and \$500 for out-of-pocket expenses.

The woman now says she suffers numbness and cramps in her right forefinger which has affected her ability to work as a hairdresser and to type on a computer.

The woman has trained and worked as a hairdresser, long after the accident so who could imagine that she had a problem with the finger

at that time as it is unlikely that she would have completed her apprenticeship as a hairdresser. Her previous employer said, "She was with me for a year but she never mentioned she had a problem with her fingers, she never ever complained about it."

Does it appear to be reasonable that this claim comes into play now, just one week before limitations of proceedings runs out? If there was a real health problem this matter would have been evident long ago.

Don't dismiss this matter lightly as it could change things for us all through insurance costs if similar claims become common place.

Strange Buildings

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