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Our Thoughts

We are about to see the closure to vehicular traffic of the laneway between the Riverside Shopping Centre and Range Hardware.

This will further pressure traffic flow in Maple Street at the entrance to Riverside Shopping Centre. As featured in The Range News of 2nd March a roundabout is to be built at the intersection with Coral Street. This roundabout will further interrupt the flow of traffic in this area. Such a small roundabout will cause its own problems.

It should never have been allowed to get to this and the laneway should have been a condition of approval for the original Riverside Centre development.

Even now the Caloundra City Council should do all in its planning power to stop the closure of this laneway.

WHAT DO YOU THINK?

Last week I intimated that some people had suggested that we should look at some more colour and style in our weekly newsletter.

Well, I thought I would give it a try, taking into account our reasoning in the past for the style of newsletter that we had used as explained in last weeks newsletter.

This week is a trial to see how big a file for downloading and convenience. We will see how it goes and who knows, this may, or may not become the basic style.

Please let me know your thoughts on this style and what changed you would like to see made.

Email your suggestions to thegrapevine@westnet.com.au

What a mongrel act

Following our story in last week's newsletter about the male person found dead in his house on the Gold Coast 18 months after he died we received this letter from one of our readers.

It brings a bit of a chill to my spine to think about what could happen in our very own community.

"Once I thought that awful happenings were something that I read about in the paper, or heard on the news. They happened elsewhere.

I thought I'd let you know about what happened in our neighbourhood on 20 February. The people who bought a neighbour's house in the Mary Cairncross Drive area had two dogs, a labrador and a beagle.

They're responsible pet owners, built a fence to keep them in at the side of the house. At approximately 1.00am on the morning of 20th Feb someone took the beagle from under the house. The dog yelped loudly as it was carried off into the back yard and was not seen for several days. It seems that the dog was put into a bag and beaten to death. Its body was

dumped in the bag in the yard next door several days later.

The owners alerted the neighbours as to the type of person living in this vicinity and also warning us to be very vigilant with their dogs. The police have been alerted. No one complained to the council or to the owners about the dog yapping. It seems that it did yap occasionally, but we were not aware.

I've seen the owners, told them how sorry we are that their pet was abducted and killed in such a tragic manner. Hope I've assured them that we would never do such a thing to their pet. I've suggested they write a letter to the Range News, let people know what people do. These kind of people need to be caught.

We're all looking out our doors wondering who could do such a thing. Everyone is under a cloud of suspicion by our neighbour. We obviously don't know our neighbours even though most have lived here for many years. It's just awful for someone to do this to someone's little pet."

....name supplied

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Truthful Jones Tells us that staff training taught him that we all should be thinking on our feet! He outlined a situation that happened at his local I.G.A. Supermarket.



A man walked into the produce section of his local I.G.A supermarket, and asked to buy half a head of lettuce.

The boy working in that department told him that they only sold whole heads of lettuce. The man was insistent that the boy ask his manager about the matter.

Walking into the back room, the boy said to the manager, "Some old b... wants to buy half a head of lettuce." As he finished his sentence, he turned to find the man standing right behind him, so he quickly added, "and this gentleman kindly offered to buy the other half."

The manager approved the deal, and the man went on his way.

Later the manager said to the boy, "I was impressed with the way you got yourself out of that situation earlier. We like people who think on their feet here. Where are you from son?" "New Zealand, sir," the boy replied.

"Well, why did you leave New Zealand?" the manager asked.

The boy said, "Sir, there's nothing but bigots and rugby players there."

"Really," replied the manager?

"My wife is from New Zealand!"

"Really??" replied the boy. "Who'd she play for?"

This week's Saying

A lie gets halfway around the world before the truth has a chance to get its pants on.

Lack of will power has caused more failure than lack of intelligence or ability.

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 and press button until only gas escapes. To clean 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 is the first paint company to produce aerosol paints that are community and environmentally friendly. White Knight craft paints and aerosol paints are available at Maleny Paint Place, 12 Bunya Street, Maleny.

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Happy Birthday Maggie

When a girl turns 30ish what does she want to do for a birthday party?

Local lady bowler, Maggie invited her friends to a social game of lawn bowls and a B.B.Q. party.

This she did last Sunday and with great weather the day was a fun day for all who attended.

If you are looking for something different for any birthday why not contact the Maleny Bowls Club and organise a social day of bowls. After all, barefoot bowls is becoming an increasingly popular social activity in Brisbane and along the coast.

No special skills are needed except the want to have a fun time.

Photo Below:- Part of the group of Maggy's friends.



Jobs from Cadet

An increasingly important part of CADET Training & Employment's business are short and long term projects utilising both State and Federal Government funding.

All of these projects provide training & employment assistance to participants with the ultimate goal of assisting them into further training or employment.

Many of the projects include work experience and allow participants to gain new or updated skills that will assist them into employment. At the conclusion of most projects, ongoing job search assistance is provided for a period of time. Some projects allow participants to be paid a training wage.

For more information about projects that may be operating in your area or to discuss ideas for potential community projects, contact CADET on 136 386.

INTERFAITH FESTIVAL A SUCCESS

The inaugural National Interfaith Festival has come and gone. Whilst the inclement weather may have initially frowned upon it on the days the "Weather Gods" smiled. Even the heavy shower on the Saturday afternoon started after the main presentation started in the main pavilion but stopped before it finished allowing all to get to their cars dry.

Whilst the crowd numbers may have been down a little on what was expected we must remember that this was the first.

The main benefit of this type of festival is bringing the various religious groups together so that some steps towards understanding of each other's religious beliefs.

Listening to The Religious Speakers it may appear that some religions would have more difficulty in accepting others beliefs than other religions but they all left no doubt that they all want religious world peace.

When asked what he thought of this festival, Woodford Folk Festival C.E.O., Bill Hauritz who attended this festival as a spectator said, "This is the first and it takes 3 or 4 to get a real feeling for where it is going. But, I think that this is the first of many festivals to come. It has a great feel."

Jobs from Hinterland Employment Services

Senior Electrical Compliance Officer

Our employer is seeking a tertiary qualified technical officer preferably with a Batchelor of Electrical Engineering or alternatively in depth experience in testing and assessment of electrical appliances to the Australian and IEC Standards. Previous experience in typesetting would be a distinct advantage. The job would involve assessing electrical and electronic methods to clients on non-compliant products at a high level.

Location: Sunshine Coast Hinterland (QLD) Type: F/Time - Salary based 75K - Hours: 40

Electrical Appliance Technician

Looking to work in the Sunshine Coast Hinterland region then this position could be just for you. Our employer is seeking a tertiary qualified compliance technician preferably qualified with an associate diploma in electrical/electronic engineering or equivalent. Previous experience in Type testing would also be a distinct advantage. The job would involve assessing electrical and electronic products to National and/or International standards, and offering compliance methods to clients on non-compliant products.

Location: Sunshine Coast Hinterland Type: F/Time (Above Award) Hours: 38

To express interest in these positions or to receive full job description please forward recent resume together with checkable references by email to employment@hinterland.biz

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An insight into Maleny History

Maleny Historian - Harvey Bryce



ABOUT 100 years ago when dairy-ing started on the Range and people started to make a living, transport became a necessity and a problem.

The butter was carried to Landsborough Rail by bullock wagon, then horse team and then, when the roads were made - by truck. There are a million funny stories about the horse teams being bogged and pulled out by the bullocks but the truck drivers were a breed of their own. One driver could coast his loaded truck almost everywhere - to save petrol. He had the record for the quickest trip down the old range road with a load of pigs to the station and became so good at it he claimed he could also coast from Landsborough to Maleny!

Another took a load of tennis players to Palmwoods. On arrival, he was asked by his dishevelled and visibly shaken passengers

"why such a fast a trip?". He explained that he had no brakes and he couldn't use the gears because if he didn't coast he wouldn't have enough petrol to get back up the range.

Our first bus from Maleny to the station at Landsborough spent most of its life, in the wet season, behind a team of horses -two horsepower bus.

The groceries were usually sent out to the farms by the cream carrier and in the early days by horse sulky. One such carrier had chicken wire hung under the sulky to carry the meat and keep it out of the sun. The old blue dog kept the road clean by licking up the drips.

In the 50s we went to school in the cream carriers' trucks and sat on boards across the back of the truck. Plenty of fresh air, sunshine and had to put up with no air-conditioning.

Visit the Maleny Historical Village web site at www.hinterlandgrapevine.com (Community Groups & Follow prompts)

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