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Winston stands again

The Sunshine Coast Regional Council Election is on Saturday, March 15, 2008. This will be a new experience as this election will be the first for the newly amalgamated Sunshine Coast Council. This first electoral period will be important for setting up the administrative procedures for this council to carry on into the future.

Sunshine Coast Hinterland residents who have lived in the area for some time will remember Maleny-born Winston Johnston. He has announced that he will stand as a Division 5 candidate for election to the new Sunshine Coast Regional Council.

Division 5 is the largest in number and area with about 17,380 voters. Division 5 includes the townships of Palmwoods, Woombye, Eudlo, Mooloolah, Landsborough, Maleny, Conondale and Montville. It is the most diverse nature of the proposed 12 electorates in the new amalgamated council.

Winston previously had a successful career in finance, business, council administration and planning. He started this business and it was first situated in Maleny. He represented Caloundra City Council's Division 1 from 1982-1991. Mr. Johnston said he had the necessary credentials and experience for a place on the team to manage Australia's fastest growing region.

'The new council faces a huge

job,' he says. 'It's going to be a whole new ball game for councillors, requiring a professional mindset and specialised skills to restructure the needs of an entire region into one united organisation. It will also require unprecedented levels of dedication, imagination, vision and experience.'

Mr. Johnston said his aim would be to strike a balance between the demands of regional administration and a commitment to the particular needs of Division 5. 'My approach will be to keep an open mind, make my own assessments and deliver outcomes based on the needs of my community and I will not be a mouthpiece for the aspirations of any pressure group or individual.'

This will ensure local ratepayers retain a prominent voice when it comes to decisions affecting their particular area.

Having lived in Maleny, Woombye and Landsborough, he has developed a comprehensive knowledge of the history and the developing needs of each community, as well as a growing need for, sport, recreation and youth facilities.

As a former Councillor, Mr. Johnston held membership of the following boards: Caloundra/Maroochy Water Supply Board (six years during the planning and construction of Baroon Pocket Dam); Sunshine Coast Tourism and

Development Board (five years); Sunshine Coast University Site Planning Committee (three years); Maroochy Hospital Board (three years).

He is a principal of one of Queensland's largest general insurance brokerages, Your Insurance Broker.

He is now retired and lives at Maleny with his wife Helen. They have two children, Rachel (32) and Winston (30). Both Winston Jnr and Rachel attended school in Maleny.

"Life on the Range has been good to us," Winstone says. "Our roots are here, we have prospered here, our friends and our hearts are here. Now that I have retired from active business, my ambition is to once again represent the community, to whom I owe so much."

Vale Bill

Following our story in last weeks newsletter about Bill Penney being named "Patriarch" of the Maleny Bowls Club it is with sad thoughts that this week we have to mention that sadly Bill passed away last Saturday. Condolences to Bill's extended family. Another Maleny pioneer passes.

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Truthful Jones Tells...



us that he no longer takes emails as seriously as he used to be because the information he got from them has changed his lifestyle as follows:-.

I must send my thanks to whoever sent me the one about cockroach eggs in the glue on envelopes because I now have to use a wet towel with every envelope that needs sealing. Also, I now have to scrub the top of every can I open for the same reason.

I no longer have a lot of savings because I gave it to a sick girl (Penny Brown); who is about to die in the hospital for the 1,387,258th time.

I no longer have any money at all, but that will change once I receive the \$15,000 that Bill Gates/Microsoft and AOL are sending me for participating in their special e-mail program

Or from the senior bank clerk in Nigeria who wants me to split \$7 million with me for pretending to be a long lost relative of a customer who died intestate.

I no longer worry about my soul because I have 363,214 angels looking out for me, and St. Theresa's novena has granted my every wish.

I no longer use cancer-causing deodorants even though I smell like a water buffalo on a hot day.

Thanks to you, I have learned that my prayers only get answered if I forward e-mail to seven of my friends and make a wish within five minutes.

By the way, a South American scientist, after a lengthy study, has discovered that people with a low IQ who have infrequent sexual activity always read their e-mails with their hand on the mouse.

Don't bother taking it off now. It's too late.

Have a good day.

Another paint hint from Maleny Paint Place

PREVENTING AND RESOLVING DRY TIME PROBLEMS

There are several conditions that can effect dry time as solvents leave the surface and polymers cure.

PREVENTING DRY TIME PROBLEMS

Apply paint when conditions for temperature and humidity meet label recommendations. Always allow extra time in cooler temperatures and/or higher humidity. Painting too late in the day may not allow adequate drying time before temperatures drop in the evening.

An important thing to remember in interior painting projects is that increased air circulation will cause a faster dry.

Film Build

Be sure to follow label instructions for recommended square meter. If you apply too thin a coat it may dry too quickly, leaving brush and roller marks; however, too thick a coat may dry very slowly and result in a patterned surface.

Instead, apply multiple thinner coats (rather than fewer thick coats) for a faster dry.

This weeks Special

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Applicator

Too heavy an application using the incorrect applicator can create a heavy, thick film coating that will take much longer to dry. Incorrect (too long) nap length in a roller cover will automatically cause excess application. Refer to specific label instructions for recommended applicators.

Penetrating Finishes

If penetrating finishes such as stains feel tacky or appear to not dry, determine if there was uniform porosity on the surface. Application of a stain over a sealed surface will result in stain pooling on top, which will not feel dry. Before applying penetrating products, perform a porosity test in several places, including areas such as corners that do not get much foot traffic.

Do not apply a second coat of a penetrating product. The first coat will somewhat seal the surface, and the second coat might pool on top.

RESOLVING DRY TIME PROBLEMS

If conditions are causing too slow of a dry time, do your best to adjust these conditions. In interior applications, you may be able to decrease humidity, raise temperatures or increase air circulation. In exterior applications, you will probably have to wait until environmental conditions change.

The applicator you are using may also be a factor in dry time. If the applicator is causing too much or too little product to be applied, switch applicators.

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Maleny Paint Place relocates

Maleny Paint Place, presently situated near the Maleny Primary School is about to take a change in scenery.

As from early February Maleny Paint Place will be found at Shged 6 / 14 Lawyer Street, Maleny. This is in the same complex as Hinterland Auto Electricians and Maleny Motor Trimmers.

The shift to larger premises will allow for an extended product lines and an expansion of paint lines. A trade depot for Watty Account painters is also now included.

The new premises will also allow for easier parking than the present premises. There is parking at the door of the new shop and to access it just drive down the laneway between Maleny Motor Trimmers and Maleny Exhaust & Mechanical. At the end of the laneway there is a turn-around area.

Over the coming months the expansion of lines will include some kitchenware and homeware items.

The improved service is another reason why you can shop locally with confidence.

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.



Mum's favourite Recipes

Macaroni Cheese - usually double
Easy Sunday night's meal!

Ingredients

1 1/2 cups dried macaroni pasta : 1 teaspoon prepared mild mustard (optional) : 2 cups low fat milk : salt and freshly ground black pepper : 3 tablespoons cornflour : 2 rashers rindless bacon, finely chopped : 1 small onion, finely chopped : 2 cups grated tasty cheese : 1 tablespoon chopped parsley : 2 tomatoes, chopped

Method

Boil the pasta in a large saucepan of salted water until tender – about 7 – 8 minutes but check on the macaroni pasta packet for instructions.

While the pasta is cooking, spray an oven proof pie or small lasagne dish, approximately 20 x 20 cm, with non stick baking spray. Preheat oven grill to medium high.

In a medium bowl, whisk mustard, milk, salt and freshly ground black pepper and cornflour together. Drain the cooked macaroni and return it to the saucepan. Stir in the milk mixture, the chopped bacon, onion and half of the grated cheese.

Place the saucepan back on medium heat and stir for 6 – 8 minutes until the mixture thickens. Pour into the prepared dish. Sprinkle over the remaining cheese and place under the grill until golden brown – approximately 5 minutes. Sprinkle over parsley and chopped tomatoes to serve.

Preparation time: 10 minutes - Cooking time: 30 minutes



This week's award goes to: -
To the young male riding his motor cycle last Sunday about lunch time down Maple Street. He was standing full length on the footpegs of the bike and "waving" to friends on the side of the road. He was looking everywhere other than in front of him. The traffic in front of him only had to stop and he wouldn't known in time.

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Chapter 15

Juliette Tango Victor was the call sign of the Cessna 172, the company aircraft. Tango became the nickname of the pilot, who evolved the plot to rob the monthly payroll from Hank's office. Each month, \$5.2 million dollars was delivered to the safe there by the Cessna, for payrolls, fuel and running costs for the construction equipment, and so on. During the heist, all people would be outside, so Tango and two co-conspirators would crack the safe with thermite, and carry the bagged money to the Cessna. The plan had been that they would fly to the remote jungle strip after picking up the leader of the revolutionaries, as his plan was to flee to exile with his share of the money rather than overthrowing the Republic. His ragtag band of followers were to be left to their own fate. Along with Tango and his henchmen.

Despite his constant Marxist rhetoric, Fidel's actual philosophy was I first and I only, a bit like the long past Wild Geese of Africa. Those foreign mercenaries had a catch call, 'first we'll liberate the town, then we'll liberate

the banks'. His take on the word liberation, as in his Liberation Army of Socialism, was thus the same as the Wild Geese.

However, Tango also had his own ulterior motives, and Fidel Campos was not factored into it, although he too, had the same singular liberating philosophy.

A few weeks previously Hank had

flown with Tango for an inspection tour regarding the potential effects of the volcanic eruption and social disruption to the upstream people, when he had spotted the strip being cleared. He received an evasive answer from Tango. Subsequently, Hank organised a police stakeout at that new clearing, which, when the events finally unfolded, resulted in the capture of Tango's confederates, and their escape craft. Albeit unknown to them, their inclusion

was not in Tango's final agenda.

On the day which was to be the finalé of all the hatched schemes, there was no expected massive explosion which was to be the signal, but with the Huey circling, Tango made his run. With two accomplices he quickly broke into Hank's office and the thermite blew off the safe door with a subdued bang. They grabbed the payroll bags which Tango had only delivered that morning, hid them in rice sacks and bolted.

The ensuing drama of multiple double crosses never did pay out any dividends.



We continue with our serialisation of the adventure "La Presa Linda" written by Jervis Sparks.

Jervis Sparks is an international drilling consultant and local Maleny identity.

His profession takes him all around the world, mostly to most remote areas. This has given him an insight into an adventurous life style.

He has previously written a number of technical books and articles for industry magazines and also a book on his life's adventures.

Now he has written a purely fiction adventure novel and we are pleased to be able to serialise it over the next few weeks.

A full copy of this book will be available from the "Hinterlandgrapevine Online" web site in the "Stories of Interest Section"

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This week's Saying
**Beware: Spin too big a yarn
& you'll end up in knots**
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Maleny pool celebrates 25 years

Saturday January 26th - yes Australia Day 2008 is the day that the Maleny Swimming Club is celebrating 25 years of service.

The day will get underway at 10a.m. after the APEX Bar-B-Q in Tesch Park to celebrate Australia Day with a swim clinic which will be held by a former Maleny coach, Sean Crow.

At 12 noon there will be a reunion B.B.Q and fashion parade of past club shirts and togs and an unveiling of new honour boards recognising the achievements of past members and coaches. Maleny businesses and community organisations are invited to nominate a team of four swimmers who will take part in the Mercantile Relay. The aim of this event is to see which team comes closest to their nominated time for the event which will consist

of 8 laps (2 laps per swimmer). Swobs will be taken after the event to ensure that there is no doping scandals.

Let's hope that the water is a bit cleaner than when Tracy Wickham swam the first lap in the pool at the opening just 25 years ago.

Celebrations will continue with a pizza party at 6p.m. followed by a "Dive-In-Movie" sponsored by Youthlinx at 7p.m.

Nominations for the Mercantile Relay can be made by contacting Joyce Newton on 54944448 or Vicki Heading on 5494 2319 (after hours). Nomination fee per team is \$20.00.

See you there!

Don't miss "Possums on the Road"

Local duo, Dale and Patsy Slight are known to many as 'Possums On The Road' singing show and karaoke. In their shows they offer a large variety of music, songs and entertainment.

They regularly perform at Aged Care and Retirement centers and other charity events.

This Saturday night they are appearing at the Maleny R.S.L. Hill, Bunya Street at 6.30p.m. and the show starts at 7p.m.

They ask you NOT to attend if you don't intend to have a good time as a fun night is ensured.

They will perform songs made popular by the likes of Johnny Cash and June Carter, Frank Sinatra and Patsy Cline, Ann Murry and music from the 60's and 70's

Bookings can be made by telephoning 54944990.

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