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Maleny Precinct master plan work to start in January

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."

Keep an eye on your water use

In spite of the daily promise of storms around Maleny rain still eludes the catchment of Maleny's town water supply.

Presently water is being trucked to Maleny township in an effort to maintain levels in the town weir.

The Queensland Water Commission reports that Maleny residents have reduced their usage from 225 litres to 216 litres per day over the last couple of weeks.

This is still above the targetted level of 200 litres per day.

Water restrictions are now in force. As a result of those restrictions gardens and lawns cannot be watered between 10am and 4pm when evaporation is at its highest.

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Truthful Jones Tells...



That he was out driving recently with his elderly sister. She could barely see over the dashboard of the large car. As they were cruising along, they came to an intersection. The stoplight was red, but they just went on through. Truthful, sitting in the passenger seat thought to himself "I must be losing it. I could have sworn we just went through a red light."

After a few more minutes, they came to another intersection and the light was red again. Again, they went right through Truthful was almost sure that the light had been red but was really concerned that he was losing it.

He was getting nervous.

At the next intersection, sure enough, the light was red and they went on through.

So, Truthful turned to his sister and said, "Colleen, did you know that we just ran through three red lights in a row? You could have killed us both!"

Colleen turned to Truthful and said, "Oh, am I driving?"

Morale *Don't laugh as we will all get to the time in our lives where this could easily happen to us all.*

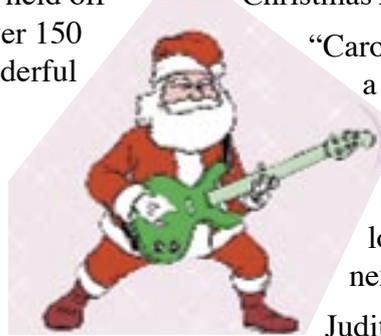
Carols at twilight...

Maleny RSL Cenotaph Gardens were aglow on Saturday evening, the trees sparkling with more than 900 fairy lights. Although the rain clouds looked threatening, the much anticipated rain held off and an audience of over 150 people enjoyed a wonderful evening of carols and readings.

The children played on the grass and most of them eagerly took part in a competition to "Name that Carol" with unfortunately far more competitors than prizes. However, Chris Brooker of Maleny RSL saved the night with an offer of soft drinks for all the children involved.

Maleny Singers were in great voice and were well supported by the splendidly exuberant sound of the

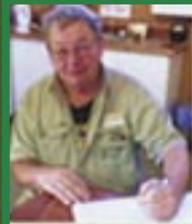
Nambour Salvation Army Band under the baton of their conductor Graham Stringer. The audience gave generously to the collection in aid of the Salvation Army's Christmas Appeal.



"Carols at Twilight' was a great success and is obviously here to stay with people already eagerly looking forward to next year's event.

Judith Caradine

Christmas greetings from the **Baby Gorillas** at Paint Place, Maleny 6/14 Lawyer St, Maleny



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Woodworker's Guild

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Cheers Pres Dave



Who remembers the old days
Making a canoe from galvanised roof The first motor vehicle that you owned? Mine was a Austin A40 Utility that kept blowing head gaskets....

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Energy Assessments generate \$200 for Maleny Light Horse

Home energy assessments booked as a result of an item in newspaper columns by Member for Fisher Peter Slipper have raised \$200 for the Maleny Light Horse.

Member for Fisher Peter Slipper has his house assessed for energy and water use by Ross Smith of Eco-Fit Australia.

One of the local assessors, Ross Smith of Eco-Fit, agreed to donate \$20 to the Maleny Light Horse for each assessment generated through Mr Slipper's columns.

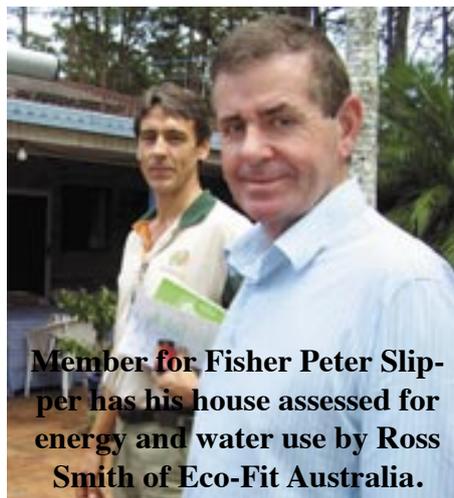
"This was a generous offer that has ensured that local residents are taking up the offer for a free home energy assessment, while also benefiting a wonderful community organisation. It's a win-win situation," Mr Slipper said.

Mr Slipper, the Federal Member for Fisher, said the free are now available under the "Green Loans Programme", and provide homeowners with a report that outlines

recommendations for improvements to household energy and water use.

"This is an opportunity for local homeowners to get an idea of where they're at with regards to energy and water use, and get advice on how they can improve, which can in turn help save on power and water costs," he said.

To book an assessment, contact the Australian Government Green Loans Programme on 1800 895 076



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The "NUT" Award

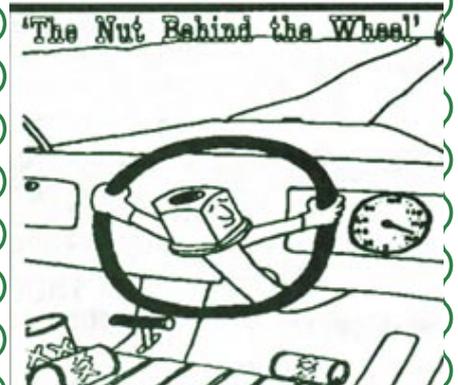
It matters little what the monetary penalty is or how much education is given there are some drivers who just will not take notice of the road rules.

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:-

There were a couple of unmarked police vehicles prowling the area at the moment.

Drink driving - seat belts and illegally using mobile phones and driving are the targeted offences - You have been warned..

Mum's favourite Recipes

Aussie Rissoles

- easy evening meal on these warm afternoons.

Ingredients

- * .75kg prime minced steak
- * 1 large diced onion
- * 2 eggs
- * Teaspoon beef powder
- * 2 tablespoons tomato sauce
- * Salt and pepper to taste
- * 2 large cups fine broken dry bread

Method

Thoroughly combine all ingredients in a large bowl. Mould by hand into medium size balls or patties and fry in hot, oil moistened frypan.

Note- The following one or more "leftovers" can be added to the mixture. Bacon bits, ham bits, handful of peas, boiled or fried rice, grated carrot, etc.

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**You would know
you had a bad day
if you got a
parking ticket as
described below**

The bus stop gambit

Manchester bus driver Chris O'Mahony pulled up at a bus stop in his No 77 to let passengers on. While he was handing them their tickets, a Manchester City Council parking attendant handed him one.

Passengers looked on in disbelief as the warden joined the queue to prepare the parking ticket, deposited the £40 notice and walked off.

The driver, apparently, had parked in a restricted area. The attendant said he'd been told to issue tickets to buses that park.

Council bosses cancelled the ticket and the warden was sent for retraining - hopefully as something other than a warden.

Maleny water supply in jeopardy

Despite Maleny's water supply being in peril as the Obi Creek stops running at the Maleny Weir from where the town water supply is drawn Maleny residents are using more than 225 litres per person per day.

The slowdown of water entering Obi Creek above the weir has been caused by a very dry spring. November brought less than 40mm of rain in the weir catchment.

General water restrictions came into play on December 1st 2009. The Sunshine Coast Regional Council is considering even tougher restrictions if water use does not drop as there is less than 8 weeks of water left in the Maleny town water weir. It is hoped that residents will drop water usage to less than 200 litres per person per day.

About 60,000 litres of water are being trucked to Maleny each week to help eke out the amount of water available in the hope that summer storms will soon bring further falls in the Obi Creek catchment about the Maleny weir.

The future security of Maleny's water supply will be ensured after

the construction of a 9km water pipeline from the Landers Shute Water treatment plant to Maleny. This treatment plant processes water from the Baroon Pocket Dam.

The water filling station at the Maleny Show grounds has been closed for some time and rural residents who need to top up their water supply should obtain it from water filling stations at Landsborough or Beerwah.

In another side to the shortage of water in Maleny the swimming community were hit hard when on the night of Friday 4th December some person broke into the Maleny Centenary Pool and emptied it of water.

Because of the shortage of water in Maleny weir it was not possible to refill it from the town supply. Water had to be trucked in Rod Wild Wild Water supplies. Should the pool have been left empty for any extended period of time there was the possibility of damage being caused to the structure.

Information about how to reduce your water use can be found on the web site <http://waterforever.com.au>

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Taubmans SunProof Max is a durable and self priming water based paint that provides a good level of protection for exterior surfaces, as well as a total UV blackout.

It comes with a 12 year guarantee (*conditions apply) against peeling, flaking and blistering.

Taubmans SunProof Max is suitable for all exterior surfaces and no primer or undercoat is required for timber, masonry, cement, brick and galvanised iron.

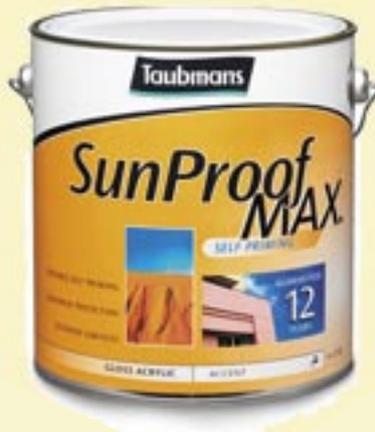
Surface Preparation; Ensure surfaces to be painted are clean, dry and free of contamination. In hot and windy conditions or when painting very absorbent surfaces, dampen the surface with water before painting.

Coats; Apply two liberal coats by brush, roller or spray. Do not overspread. Keep brushes and rollers working freely by rinsing occasionally in clean water.

To clean up clean in water and do not dispose of waste down drains.

Coverage; Up to 16m²/litre can be expected, depending on nature of surface. Coverage will be lower on rough or absorbent surfaces. Recoat after 2 hours at 25°C and 50% relative humidity.

Directions for new work; Timber - **Weathered** (greyed) timber must be sanded to original timber surface. **Tannin rich timbers** such as cedar should be primed with Taubmans Prep Right Wood Primer or Taubmans 3 in 1 **Galvanised Iron** - Thoroughly degrease new surfaces.



Weathered surfaces should be thoroughly cleaned before painting.

For structural galvanised iron,

abrade with 240# paper to remove chemical treatments and allow full adhesion.

Cement Render/Concrete - Allow concrete, cement render and mortar to cure for 28 days before painting.

Steel - Remove rust and prime with Taubmans Prep Right Iron and Steel Primer or White Knight Metal Primer.

Always stir paint with a 25mm wide flat stirrer in a circular lifting motion for at least 5 minutes before use.

Temperature are important to a good paint finish. Do not use at temperatures below 10°C, above 35°C or when humidity is excessive.

Taubmans Sunproof Max is available at Maleny Paint Place. It is available in a gloss and low sheen.

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Woodford Folk Festival is setting the scene at sunset

The time is approaching for Woodford Folk Festival and the amphitheatre is gearing up for an even better year than last. Woodford Folk Festival is blessed with a natural amphitheatre than can hold up to 15,000 festival goers. Apart from being a beautiful scenic place it has held many vital roles within the festival proceedings since 1994.

As a venue for ceremonies it creates an ambience that the festival vibe depends on and allows for perfect vantage points from any area, it is perhaps, the jewel in the crown of the festival site.

This year the festivals biggest arena plays hosts to a number of acts including; Paul Dempsey, Lisa Mitchell, The Panics, Whitley, The Middle East, Clare Bowditch and festival favourites Jon Butler Trio.

Woodford Folk Festival aims to give amphitheatre goers the chance to dance, sing or just lie back, listen and stare at the stars.

If the main acts aren't exciting enough then this year sees two notable and exciting changes, the little stage alongside the main amphitheatre and the Sunset Sessions.

The little stage

The little stage is appearing for the first time at the festival and provides artists a short slot to entertain and amuse audiences whilst crew set up stage for the larger music acts. Featured acts will be emerging talent and firm festival favourites from the world of music and cabaret.

The Sunset Sessions

This year Woodford Folk Festival has special plans at the amphitheatre on evenings when no ceremonies are held. Playing on four separate sunsets Deep Blue Orchestra are set to enthral audiences with their own unique style of modern orchestral music.

Their first show '1.0 The Preview' wowed audiences in 2008 and this year they are set to provide the Woodford sunset soundtrack with their new show '2.0 the dream'. Deep Blue Orchestra can transport audiences to another space and time with their diverse sound ranging from the dramatic to the ethereal.

As Queenslanders themselves

Woodford Folk Festival is proud to present such a unique act at such an important time of day. The energy with which they perform has gained them a buzz making them one of the must see acts at this years event.

Ceremonies

When all is said and done Woodford Folk Festival wouldn't be what it is without its trademark ceremonies and on the final of another year thousands of people will gather together in the traditional burning of a wooden edifice and celebrate in a the forthcoming year.

Tickets are available on the Woodford Folk Festival website www.woodfordfolkfestival.com or call the Queensland Folk Federation on 07 5496 1066.

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