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Celebrate Australia Day with the Maleny Apex Club

Australia Day 2012 is on January 26 and commemorates the establishment of the first settlement at Port Jackson, now part of Sydney, in 1788.

To celebrate Australia Day in Maleny it has become the tradition that the Maleny Apex Club holds an "Aussi Day Breakfast" which used to held in Apex Park on the banks of the Obi Creek.

Since the development of this park and the reduction in open space area the ceremony is to be shifted to the opposite side of the creek and will be held at the RSL Hall and Cenotaph.

This makes it safer from a weather point of view, but still retains the Aussie outdoor spirit.

The day will kick off with the Apex Aussie Day breakfast and continue with a naturalisation ceremony being held at 7.30a.m. inside the RSL Hall.

Approximately 20 people will

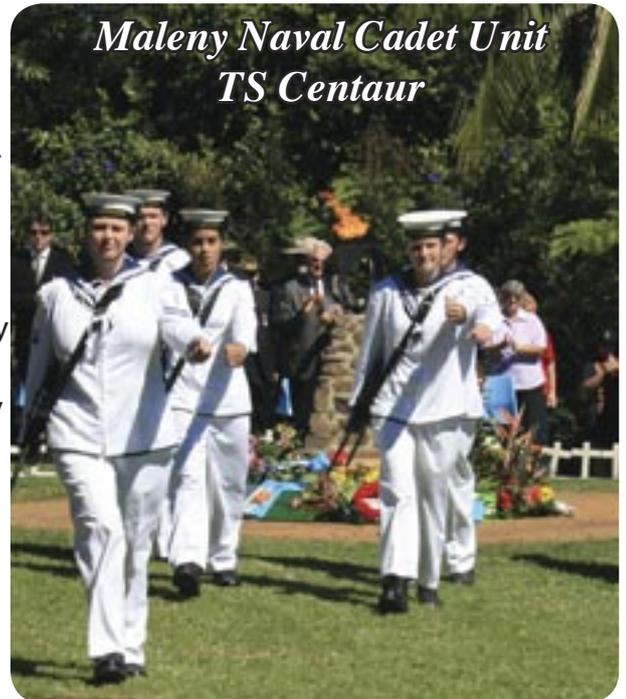
officially become new Australian citizens. The ceremony will be conducted by Mr. Peter Slipper, the Federal Member for Fisher and Speaker of the Australian House of Representatives.

Following this ceremony there will be a further ceremony at the Maleny Cenotaph.

This ceremony will be conducted by the Maleny Naval Cadet Unit, TS Centaur.

This will be followed by some good old Aussie hospitality at the Maleny RSL Hall.

This is your Australia Day so get along and not only enjoy the Apex Breakfast but welcome those who have just become new Australian Citizens.



**Happy Birthday Australia!
Celebrate Rabbie**

Burns Night in Maleny

The Maleny Bowls Club will be celebrating Rabbie Burns with a night of celebrated words and music of Scotland's favourite son, Rabbie Burns.

It will be held on the 21st January 2012 commencing at 6.30pm. at the Maleny Bowls Club.

Entertainment will be by the Maleny Scottish group, Hammer On! who have performed at many Burns Nights over the years.

This will be a great night of Scottish entertainment in Maleny.



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Maleny RSL Sub Branch Dodgy Brothers & Shonky Sheilas Bus Trip



The next Dodgy Brothers and Shonky Sheilas RSL Bus Trip is on Tuesday February 14th, 2011. The location at this time is undecided. As soon as Uncle Chris and the team advise of the location for the day then we will let you know. Lunch will be served "somewhere" in the traditional manner.

The bus departs town at approximately 8.45am and returns at 2.30p.m.

The fare \$5pp bus only and lunch cost is just \$10.

Lunch is all pre-arranged and monies collected on the bus.

These trips have become very popular so it is highly suggested that you book to ensure that you get a seat.

To make a booking ring the Maleny RSL, phone - 5499 3717.

News from the Maleny SES Group



The major events of just 12 months ago are still in our minds. Since then we have been more active in advising residents to be prepared for those types of major incidents.

One of the things that often is forgotten is what to do with the family pet. They too need to be catered for during times of duress. It is just as important to have a plan of action for the pets as it is to have one for other members of the family.

Remember their special needs such as any medications and their favourite play things to keep them occupied.

Remember that animals too could become disorientated or frightened when faced with changed conditions as their environment too may be damaged and completely changed.

Ensure all pets are properly identified; e.g. current registration tags plus an additional identification method; such as implanted microchip or, for birds a leg band. If you have to evacuate your home and your animal has escaped ensure that a notice is in an obvious place so that if that animal is located then it can be relocated with you.

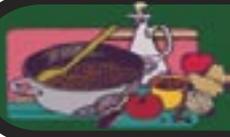
The Maleny SES Group trains on Monday Nights at the SES HQ in the showgrounds (the big green building on the left). Training starts at 7pm (be there at quarter to seven just to be early) and finish about 9.30 pm.

Why not become a member of the Maleny SES Group.

Follow Maleny SES on Facebook at <http://www.facebook.com/malenyses>.



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Mum's favourite Recipes

Buttered Chicken

Ingredients

- * 1 tablespoon olive oil
- * 60g butter
- * 1 cup tomato puree
- * 750g chicken thigh fillets, trimmed, quartered
- * 1 onion, finely chopped
- * 1/3 cup thick natural yoghurt
- * 1 tablespoon grated fresh ginger
- * 1 garlic clove, crushed
- * 2 teaspoons ground coriander
- * 2 teaspoons ground cumin
- * 1 teaspoon garam masala
- * 1/4 teaspoon chilli powder
- * 1 1/2 cup thickened cream

Directions

1. Heat oil and half the butter in a large, heavy-based saucepan on high. Cook chicken in 3 batches, for 3-4 minutes each, until browned. Transfer to a plate.
2. Reduce heat to medium and add remaining butter. Sauté onion, ginger and garlic for 1-2 minutes. Add coriander, cumin, garam masala and chilli powder and cook, stirring, for 30 seconds, until fragrant. Blend in tomato puree and season to taste. Simmer for 4-5 minutes, until slightly reduced. Turn heat to low.
3. Return chicken to saucepan with cream and yoghurt. Simmer for 15-20 minutes, until chicken is cooked through.

Ladle into bowls, sprinkle with almonds and coriander.

Serve with rice.

A Mac is as good as it looks.

The latest dual-core Intel Core i5 processors come standard on Mac mini. Choose a 2.3GHz or 2.5GHz dual-core Intel Core i5, or configure Mac mini with an even faster 2.7GHz Intel Core i7. With up to 2x the performance of the previous generation, Mac mini keeps up with computers twice its size.¹

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Apple links to purchase online!***

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. Sometimes this is because they are not aware that road rules change from time to time.

One of our readers suggested that we should have a quick refresher of some of those rules.

The most dangerous thing about travelling in a motor vehicle is still the "NUT BEHIND THE WHEEL".



What is the new rule regarding U-turns over single continuous white lines?

Do a U-turn over a single continuous centre line and you risk being fined \$180 and three demerit points.

Therefore as a driver, you must not do a U-turn across:

- double continuous centre lines
- single continuous centre lines
- a single continuous centre line to the left of a broken line.

Take care in Maple Street.

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Local naturalist Grant talks nature

Australian Water Dragon - “*Physignathus lesueurii*”

I have often been taken with the look on faces of patrons of Maple 3 Coffee Shop in Maleny Street, Maleny when they first see the Australian Water Dragon, scientific name, *Physignathus lesueurii*, wandering around the deck.

Some people are fascinated whilst others are petrified of them. Mostly children are captivated by them.

The Australian Water Dragon includes the Eastern Water Dragon and the Gippsland Water Dragon. It is an arboreal agamid species native to Eastern Australia from Victoria north to Queensland, there is also a small population in the south-east coast of the State of South Australia.

Australian water dragons have long powerful limbs and claws for climbing, a long muscular laterally-compressed tail for swimming, and prominent nuchal and vertebral crests.

Australian water dragons are extremely shy in the wild, but readily adapt to continual human presence in suburban parks and gardens. They are fast runners and strong climbers.

They have adapted to the

continuous procession of people into Maple 3 Coffee Shop and can be seen within inches of people enjoying their morning coffee. They await morsels of food from the diners.

These creatures in the Maleny area are the Eastern Water Dragon and can be seen in many locations along the banks of Obi Creek.

Maleny Paint Place in Lawyer Street also has a colony at the rear of their shed. This colony also has become used to people coming and going and thus they can be seen basking in the sunshine on the concrete

driveway.

Males exhibit displays of aggression toward other males including posturing and chasing. This can be seen at Maleny Paint Place as there is one dominant male who does not

like any of the other water dragons sitting in his favourite spot in the sun. He is quick to chase any offenders.

Australian water dragons hibernate over winter. During spring, usually in early October, the female excavates a burrow about 10–15 cm

(4–6 inches) deep and lays between 6 and 18 eggs.

As its name suggests, the Australian water dragon is associated with water and is semi-aquatic. It can be found near creeks, rivers, lakes and other water bodies.

Australian water dragons are prey to snakes, cats, dogs and foxes.

Juvenile water dragons tend to feed on small insects such as ants, spiders, crickets, and caterpillars whilst the adult diet includes small rodents such as baby mice along with insects.

They can be friendly little critters.



About the Author

Long termed Maleny resident, Grant Meyer loves photographing insects, animals and native flowers.

Over the coming issues he will bring us some photos of some of the natural scenes that he has witnessed along with an explanation of the story surrounding the photo.

The story is often as interesting, if not more than the photo.

The photos shown in this series of stories are taken by Grant and are available for sale from him.

He can be contacted on mobile phone 0404 606 677.

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Gypsy Jokers visit Maleny

On Saturday January 14th saw the Gypsy Jokers Motor Cycle Gang visited Maleny for lunch.

About 150 Gypsy Joker motorcyclists accompanied by about 30 uniformed and plain clothed police paraded through Maleny at about 1p.m.

Police in police vehicles with warning lights and a helicopter overhead kept an eye on the motorcyclists as they descended on food shops in Maleny.

The motorcyclists eventually left Maleny headed towards Kenilworth where it is believed that they would camp overnight.

The Gypsy Jokers Motor cycle club was formed in April, 1956 in San Francisco, California.

The Gypsy Jokers presently have a strong presence in Western Australia, South Australia and New South Wales.

It is believed that this ride of the group is an attempt to increase membership in Queensland and establish a higher profile presence in Queensland.

Many members have been convicted of serious criminal offences, including murder.



Another attempt to get at your money illegally!

We often receive emails claiming to be from legitimate organisations looking for your personal details. Often these emails are not what they appear to be and can be an easy way for you to be robbed via the internet.

Presently doing the rounds there is an email claiming to be from ANZ Bank Australia, complete with official-looking email address and attachment. The email message reads:

"Your ANZ Bank Account is currently locked, and only after you download the attached form and verify your account information, the account will be unlocked and ready for use."

When opening the email's attachment, you see an ANZ-branded form prompting us to enter credit card details before the 'account can be unlocked'.

This is just a crafty attempt to access the credit card details of unsuspecting victims.

The next step would be for some criminal to withdraw all your funds from that account.

If you receive that email immediately delete it and whatever you do, do not reply to it.

If you have already received that email and have replied then it is important that you should immediately contact YOUR bank to not only check that your account is still in tact, but to have your security details changed.

Maleny RFB Roundup



with

Donna & Norm Lewis
Volunteer Community
Education Officers

Last week for a few days there was a large amount of smoke in the air around the Sunshine Coast.

This did not indicate any fires in the area. The smoke was in fact coming from the fire on Moreton Island that had been burning for a couple of weeks.

The fire burnt about 10 percent of Moreton Island. The fire started from a wildfire after a vehicle fire near Cowan Cowan on January 4.

Much of the fire was in the hills and was inaccessible to the firefighters for some days.

The smoke clouds covering the Coast were not expected to cause concern. Any time that bush fires do cause any person breathing problems then they then should seek medical attention.

Should anyone notice rural bush fires burning it is important to notify the Queensland Fire Service as the sooner the fire is attended to the easier it is to extinguish.

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

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Truthful Jones Tells... he heard about when



a man that he knew goes into a bar with his dog. He goes up to a local coffee shop and asks for a coffee.

The coffee shop owner says "You can't bring that dog in here!" The fellow, without missing a beat, says "This is my seeing-eye dog."

"Oh man," the coffee shop owner says, "I'm sorry, here, the first one's on me." The man takes his coffee and goes to a table near the door.

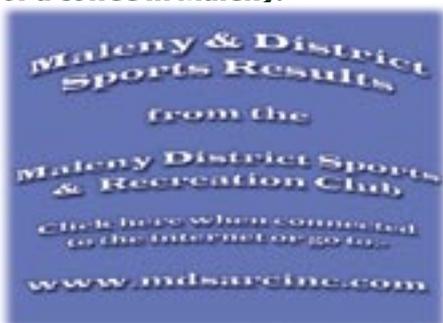
Another well known Maleny resident also walks into that coffee shop with his Chihuahua. The first male sees him, stops him and says "You can't bring that dog in here unless you tell him it's a seeing-eye dog."

The second man graciously thanks the first man and continues into the coffee shop. He asks for a coffee. The coffee shop owner says "Hey, you can't bring that dog in here!"

The second man replies "This is my seeing-eye dog." The coffee shop owner says, "No, I don't think so. They do not have Chihuahuas as seeing-eye dogs."

The man pauses for a half-second and replies "What??! They gave me a Chihuahua??!"

Morale: You should never judge a "seeing eye dog by its size nor a dog lover by his determination to take his dog with him when going for a coffee in Maleny.



Maleny Library Coming Events Book Start

On January 27th, 2012 between 10.30a.m. and 11.00a.m. there will be a fun, interactive program for babies, to promote early literacy.

It is aimed at young ones between the ages of 0-2 years.

It will be held in the children's area of the Maleny Library.

This is a great initiative to stimulate younger children and introduce them to library activities.

This is but one of the regular activities designed to introduce those younger members to libraries.

They are fun events.

This program is a free program, and bookings are not required for this event.

The library details are: Maleny Library, 5 Coral Street, Maleny - Phone (07) 5435 3100.

Shorty Awards

The Shorty Awards honor the best of social media, recognizing the



people and organizations producing real-time short form content on across Twitter, Facebook, Tumblr,

YouTube, Foursquare, and the rest of the social Web.

These awards were started in 2008 to foster online content to ensure a continuous amount of interesting information being provided via the internet.

Weekly the Hinterlandgrapevine Online News web site brings you local news and information.

If you think that it provides a useful and informative service why not nominate it for a shorty award in the news section.

The nomination period is January 3, 2012 through February 17, 2012 on Twitter.

To make the nomination go to the web site below and follow the links to make the nomination.

<http://shortyawards.com/category/newspaper>

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Do you want to buy "Macca Australia 100 hits" on CD

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The 100 Best Songs from 30 Years of Australia All Over features tracks spanning the 30 years of this national radio program including dozens of tracks by independent artists only available on this compilation.

The track list has been compiled based on extensive listener feedback from the three decades of the program.

To buy this CD you simply click on this link when connected to the internet and then look for the ABC Shop page logo on the HG Gig Guide web page.

At the ABC web site enter the film title into the search box at the top left side and it will take you to the shopping cart.



Home builders grant extended

The Queensland Government has attempted to boost the building industry with a \$10,000 grant available to Queenslanders who are buying or building a new home worth less than \$600,000.

This grant was to be terminated by the end of January but is now extended until the end of April, 2012. Whilst there was over \$140 million dollars allocated to this project applications were slow and much of that money remained unclaimed.

Building activity for residences over the past 12 months has dropped by over 20 percent putting pressure on jobs in the construction industry.

This increased time limit will allow those who want to build a new home more time to arrange their finances.

Maleny Rangers Football Club

Sign-on for 2012

Venue: Maleny Showgrounds, Main Pavillion

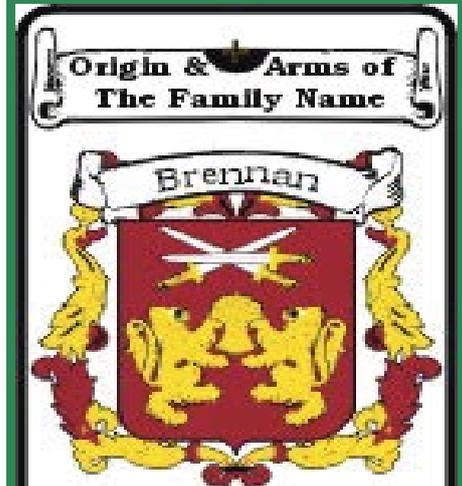
Dates: Sunday January 29th & Saturday February 4th between 9AM to 2PM on both days.

*Payment by cash, cheque, credit card (Visa/MasterCard)

NB: All new players require proof age document (birth certificate, passport or letter from school).

For further information visit the club web site at www.malenyrangerssoccer.com or ring Clive Brodner on 0428 148 678.

LET US FIND OUT A BIT ABOUT OUR SURNAMES



In modern Ireland there are many Brennans.

Whilst at times one is met with the prefix "O", the form MacBrennan is seldom found. The simple form Brennan is used in the anglicised form of the two quite distinct Gaelic Irish surnames O Braonain and Mac Branain.

MacBranain was chief of Corcaighlann, the old name for a territory in the eastern part of Co. Roscommon.

The present day Brennans of counties Roscommon,

Sligo and Mayo are nearly all MacBrennans. The principal O'Brennan sept was that of Ossory and chiefs of the Ui Duach in the northern part of Co. Kilkenny, however, their influence waned as English power became paramount.

For further information about your clan contact Jack Frost - his web address is:

<http://www.irishscottishshop.com.au/>

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The Musings of an old codger!

With the number of weekends available for the running of a Queensland election are quickly running out the Premier Ms Anna Bligh is certainly keeping her thoughts secret.

Even ALP candidates have no clues as to when it will be called.

Over the decades the various governments have played games with the people of Queensland.

Surely it would be more convenient to have fixed terms of parliament with elections being held on a set day.

This would remove the uncertainty of scheduling of the event not only for the parliament itself, but businesses and the voters.

It would also remove the games that governments play.

This weeks Special

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On the Shalex web site at <http://www.shalex.com.au/sealit.html> and down the right hand side there is a downloadable file named "**Sealing Tanks & Troughs Guide**" which will give a complete and detailed instruction about how to complete this job successfully.

This product is also good for sealing fibro or concrete tile rooves.

Sealit Multipurpose is available now at Maleny Paint Place, 6/14 Lawyer Street, Maleny.

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This week with Peter Slipper M.P.

Australia Day Volunteer Awards Ceremony

This year's 12th annual Fisher Australia Day Awards has seen a record number of nominations which will provide for a wonderful day of celebration of our nation and those who contribute to it.

"We are a very fortunate people to live in a wonderful nation that is the envy of the world, and Australia Day is an opportunity to consider our great nation and give thanks to those in our community who are a key part of our fortunate lifestyle" says Mr Slipper. "I am privileged to be able to acknowledge the many volunteers who selflessly give to our Fisher electorate."

The awards ceremony will take place at the Lake Kawana Community Centre from 2:30pm and is open to everyone. We do ask you RSVP to Richard.Bruinsma@aph.gov.au or 5444 4888 for seating purposes.

Bruce Highway Upgrade Consultation

I have always supported the upgrade of the Bruce Highway however not at the detriment to existing businesses, tourist attractions and local residents.

This is why for several months, I have been in consultation with the Federal Government to ensure the

concerns of existing Sunshine Coast businesses and residents are being considered as the Federal Government looks after funding Main Roads projects.

This is why I have organised a community forum on Sunday 29 January at 6pm in the Aussie World Function Centre to discuss the current draft plan as well as encourage Sunshine Coast residents to have their say by contacting Transport and Main Roads Department directly.

I have also invited Federal, State and Council representatives as well as the Dept of Transport and Main Roads to be in attendance so everyone can work together for the best outcome.

Further details of this can be found on my website: www.peterslippermp.com.au

If you are unable to attend the community forum, I encourage you to email brucehwycr-sm@ghd.com or call 1800 706 917 with your concerns.

The deadline for public consultation is mid-February.

Please take care on our roads!

SIXTEEN people killed in 19 days is just too many - please drive carefully on our roads.

Support your local Businesses

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Lawyer Street Businesses

Don't forget that there are a number of businesses in Lawyer Street, Maleny who offer products and services.

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