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Our Thoughts

This coming weekend is another milestone in Queensland's future. It is election day.

Politicians are suppose to represent the people of their electorate. Today, no longer do they do this service for the individual.

Politicians from all major parties have to "toe the party" line - irrespective of whether it is for the common good of that electorate.

Today much of the information released by politicians is created by media spin doctors and the politician has to merely follow the script.

One could be excused for thinking that "No longer do elections belong to community individuals". If this is so the fundamentals of a democracy must be at risk.

Perhaps this is a great time to cut political administration spending and do away with states within Australia as today they appear to be in excess to what is needed to ensure effective administration of Australia.

By cutting the number of levels of government there should be more accountability placed on the remaining levels of government thus reducing the ability of those levels to buck pass responsibilities to someone else.

Think about it and make our politicians realise that the system has to change for the better.

Until we put pressure on government to work more efficiently and provide the services that we as individuals pay for through our taxes we cannot expect things to get any better.

What a mongrel act

Police are investigating an apparent dangerous joke where industrial wire was strung across Point Cartwright Drive in the vicinity of Kawana Shoppingworld on the early hours of Saturday morning.

The wire had been stretched across the busy road at about head height.

The driver of the car that hit the wire thought that somebody had thrown a bottle at his windscreen which shattered in the incident.

Whilst this incident did not happen in our area it should be very worrying to us as many of us use that road on a regular basis.

One can only imagine what would have been the ending if a motorcyclist had ridden into that wire.

This type of behaviour is becoming more common. Often we hear about objects being thrown onto traffic passing under an overpass.

What are we as a community coming to when we can set a trap like this with the obvious purpose of injuring some poor unsuspecting motorist.

Whilst the people who did this may think that it was a practical joke it was certainly much more serious.

They should be dealt with as potential murderers as somebody's death could have been the result of this incident.

Somebody in that area must have noticed those involved as that area is not an isolated area, even at that time.

If somebody did see the offenders in this instance they too have a duty of care to report their sightings to the police. Who knows - it might be a member of their family next time to be the victim.

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Truthful Jones Tells...



that he is terribly concerned about the state of the world's economy. He considers that the economy is actually a shambles.

Outside the small, independent Maleny Banking establishment a crowd was gathering, all anxious about their finances.

Tell us the facts,' shouted Jim Hanagan. 'Remember, I was one of the first people to deposit money with you!'

'Indeed you were,' said Banker Kennedy. 'And because of that you are what we call a preferential creditor.'

'A preferential creditor!' shouted Hanagan, louder than before. 'What does that mean?'

'Well,' said Kennedy. 'It means that you will be the first to know there's nothing to come!'

Morale: During this time of financial hard times there is no way that the individual can outwit the banks of the world.



It might be a downturn but we all can survive

If you keep up to date with news in the media you cannot be blamed for thinking that we all are in a most dire financial situation.

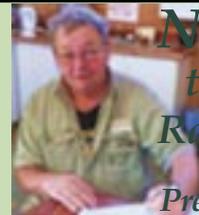
Times may be tough but there is every reason to believe that our area can buck the trend if we are really fair dinkum.

The local solution is really not too difficult. The solution is simple!

If every single one of us in the Maleny area purchased everything that we need, where possible locally.

This would sustain the local economy thus local jobs. It is those local jobs that creates local wealth.

Can you do your bit to ensure that the Maleny economy survives.



News from the Blackall Range Woodies with Pres Dave Bannister

Open Day was a great success

The club open day held last weekend was a great success.

I am sure that we will gain a number of new members as a result.

The raffle winners were:

1. Marj Blowers - Canoe
2. Stan McCallum - Squatters Chair and table

Also there were two unclaimed prizes on the Chocolate Wheel:

180152 - Blue 4 - a Jewellery Box;

180155 - Red 23 - a Pepper Mill

Please contact the club if you have either of these tickets so that we can get your prize to you.

Thanks to all who attended.

Hope that you enjoyed your visit and thanks to the club members who put so much effort into the day.

News from the

Maleny District Sport & Recreation Club inc Maleny Redback U15 Cricketers beaten by Wamuran

The Maleny Redbacks Under 15 side played Wamuran in the final at Burpengary last Sunday and lost the season ending game.

Wamuran won the toss and batted and were all out in the 50th over for 147. Maleny bowlers Dylan Davies bowled well and took 2

for 14, Daniel Hand bowled with some fire and pace and took 2 for 19, George Newman mesmerised the batsmen with some fine off spin ending up with 1 for 12 and Harrison Canton took 4 for 11

The Redbacks batted and were all out for 100. Dylan Davies made

20, Ben Edwards 17 and Nick Selman 10.

This the end of this season for the boys but another season will soon be here.



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Australia Zoo Wildlife Warriors present

Australia Zoo Wildlife Warriors Presents:

Conservation Conversations

Conservation Conversations are a series of free information sessions about Australia Zoo Wildlife Warriors and the wildlife conservation projects we support within Australia and around the world. Learn about some amazing animals and how you can make a difference to our environment and wildlife.

Thursday 26 March: 5:00pm-6:00pm Australian Wildlife Hospital conference centre Australia Zoo Wildlife Warriors – live a little on the wild side!
Thursday 23 April: 5:00pm-6:00pm Australian Wildlife Hospital conference centre The Australian Wildlife Hospital – save one, save the species.
Thursday 21 May: 5:00pm-6:00pm Australian Wildlife Hospital conference centre South-east Asian wildlife conservation – tigers, elephants and orangutans.

What you get:

- A presentation from one of our talented staff (feel free to bring your cameras – they're gorgeous little beauties!)
- Lucky door prizes
- Light refreshments

Booking is essential for catering purposes.

For more information and to book:

Phone: 1800 334 350

Email: info@wildlifewarriors.org.au

Join us in celebrating our wildlife and conservation and get to know the locals making a difference!



Mum's favourite Recipes

Potatoe & Cheese slice

- a great finger food with a cool drink.

Ingredients

- * 5 medium new potatoes
- * 1 1/2 cups grated quality cheese
- * 1/2 pint fresh cream
- * Little garlic salt
- * Black pepper
- * Nutmeg

Method

Peel and slice the potatoes in thin rounds. Grease an oven dish and put a layer of potatoes in the dish and sprinkle with garlic salt, black pepper and a little nutmeg. Cover with grated cheese. Repeat this procedure until dish is full. Pour cream evenly over the top and cover the dish. Bake in oven at around 350°C - 400°C for 2 hours.

Variations can include onions, ham, bacon, sprinkle of beef or chicken powder, etc.

The "NUT" Award

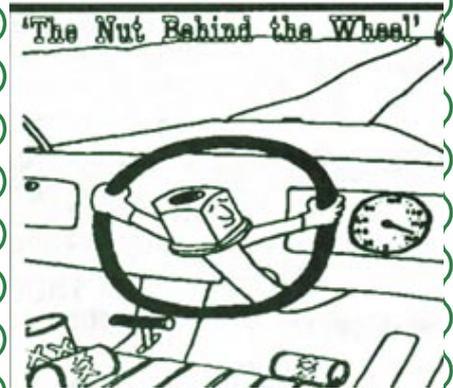
It matters little what the monetary penalty is or how much education is given there are some drivers who just will not take notice of the road rules.

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: - those skateboarders who skate down Bunya Street from the direction of the alenby High School.

It is just a matter of time beforre somebody reaches a bloody end at the "Pumphouse Corner" where Bunya Street and Landsborough Road meet.

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Another paint hint
from Maleny Paint Place

What accessories do you need to do that great paint job!

Checklist

- * Recommended Paint Roller
- * Matching roller frame
- * Matching paint tray and tray liners
- * Drop Cloths
- * 3 metre aluminium extension pole
- * Masking Tape
- * Synthetic Paint Brush 60mm
- * Paint Mixer
- * Filling knife
- * Synthetic Paint Edger 38mm
- * Paint Pads for varnishing
- * Correct surface preparation filler
- * Sanding blocks

Before you tackle your paint job, it is important that you make sure you have the right equipment. Taking shortcuts or using low quality equipment can cost more time and expenses in remedial work.

Specific paint rollers, brushes and tools have been developed for every painting application. Choosing the right equipment and using the correct technique will result in a painting job that is faster, cheaper and easier to use than alternative methods.

Selecting the correct brushes

Since the majority of homes use water based paints or oil based paint, a good quality synthetic brush is the brush of choice as they can be used for both water based and oil based paints.

The best synthetic brushes on the market are the Sellaes Spirit range of brush which are made of specially conditioned Dupont Tynex and Orel filaments.

These high quality filaments give better pickup and even release with complete coverage over a larger area. Your job will go faster and smoother no matter

what the surface. And when you're finished, clean up is easy.

Sellaes Spirit brushes have bristles that are "tipped" and "flagged" during manufacture to give even better paint pickup, greater coverage and easier application.

Different filament lengths are carefully blended for superior pickup and just the right number of filaments packed into the ferrule for a "full feel" and proper paint release.

In contrast a hog bristle brush is ruined by water based paints as they absorb the water in the paint.

The bristles become limp and the brush loses consistency and uniformity of application. Because

of the rough texture of hog hair bristles, the paint gets clogged in the bristles making it difficult to clean.

Spirit has a wide range of brush sizes including the 38mm, 50mm, 60mm and 75mm brushes. The range also includes the 38mm Edger, 50mm Edger and 60mm Edger brushes designed for trim work and use in tight areas. If you are very skilled you maybe able to manage with a standard 60mm brush, how-

ever we recommend you purchase an Edger brush for more detailed work.

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News from Maleny Bowls Club
by Chairman Ian Hansen



Once again the weather played havoc with Bowls last week with three of the four scheduled games having to be cancelled. The only matches played were on Sunday when the first round of the Men's Pairs were contested.

On a heavy green[only to be expected because of the weather] eight pairs did battle for a spot in the semi-finals. Two of the results could possibly be classed as upsets.

In the first of these Ewan Sweeting and Brett Scott defeated Ian Hansen and Curley Petersen 20 shots to 18 and in the other, Ernie White and Tony Turner accounted for Bas Crain and Ken Jackson 22 shots to 15. Tony Turner was the star as twice he turned a five shot deficit into a one shot up which evaluates to a 12 shot turnaround and undoubtedly was a major factor in their victory.

The other two matches went as expected with Paul Kemp and Ray Oldfield defeating Peter Duffy and Dennis Lankester but not without a struggle by 21 shots to 16 and John Kapetanovic and Nev Littler proving too strong for Keith Holdway and Don Ginns winning 34 shots to seven.

Congratulations to the victors

and commiserations to the losers.

Friday evening's Sponsors' Prize winners saw only one of the winners present which happened to be Vince Slade who won the Live Life Villages prize which was the third consecutive week it has been won.

The other winners would have been: Russell Thomas for the IGA now worth \$140 this week, John Bland for the Full Monte and John Wildman for Beechwood Bakehouse. The Full Monte are relocating to Witta but are still going to be Sponsors. We appreciate your generosity and hope everything goes well for you at Witta.

This week will be a busy one if the weather remains fine. Tuesday there was the Jackpot Pairs/Triples, Thursday is the Mixed Nominated Triples at 9.30 for 10.00a.m., Friday is Social Bowls and Saturday the first round of the Ladies Singles is to be played at 8.30 for 9.00a.m.

The Rugby League Tipping Competition begins this week so you have had a chance to gauge the prospects of the teams after their efforts in Round 1.

Tips need to be in by Friday evening and the cost is \$50 up

front or \$2 per week, whichever suits.

A reminder about Trivia Quiz Night on Saturday, March 28th. Get your team together for an enjoyable evening which will stimulate the grey matter.

Good news this week was the confirmation of Live Life Villages Sponsorship of \$1 500 for Bowls Days as well as their \$20 per week IGA vouchers.

Our sincere thanks for their most generous continued contribution to the Club. The first of their sponsored days is planned for Wednesday, April 8th, with the others on Wednesday, June 10th and the last on Wednesday, September 23rd.

They will most likely be Club Selected Mixed Triples but more information closer to the date the first of which isn't far away.

Have a good week and enjoy your Bowls.

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This week with Peter Slipper M.P.



Volunteers

It was great to recently be able to announce significant funds to assist volunteers and volunteer organisations in Fisher.

I am a strong supporter of volunteers as they make a vitally important difference in the community and help to make Australia the wonderful place that it is today.

Some 36 organisations shared in funding of some \$107,000, to be used for small equipment items such as computers, furniture, printers, barbecues, first aid kits, fridges, sports training equipment as well as reimbursements of some travelling expenses for volunteers.

Local organisations that received funds included: Beerwah and District Swimming Club: \$1154; Beerwah State School: \$1522; Friends of Pattermore House, Maleny: \$2448.60; Glass House Country Bowls Club: \$3400; Glasshouse Country Horse and Pony Club, Beerwah: \$4087.28; Glasshouse Country Meals on Wheels, Beerwah: \$2500; Glasshouse District Little Athletics, Beerwah: \$4000; Glen-

view Mooloolah Tennis Club, Mooloolah: \$1549; Landsborough Area Community Association: \$3133; Maleny Arts Council: \$1140; Maleny History Society: \$4129; Maleny Rangers Soccer Club: \$1590; Maleny Swimming Club: \$1050; Partners of Veterans, Mooloolah: \$2100; Suncoast Hinterland BMX Club, Mooloolah: \$3600; Tibros Netball Club, Glasshouse Mountains: \$2069.50.

More information on the "Volunteer Grants Programme", including application forms and guidelines, is available at www.fahcsia.gov.au or by calling the toll-free hotline on 1800 183 374.

Uni job placements / work experience

An initiative that may be of interest to local business owners who need staff is "The Brolga Project", which aims to offer university students who must do work experience as part of their curriculum an opportunity to gain that work experience with short-staffed businesses in rural and regional areas.

The Brolga Project was

launched at the Queensland University of Technology last October and now has the involvement of ten universities stretching from the University of Adelaide to the James Cook University in North Queensland.

The promoters have attracted considerable interest from students and businesses alike and now have some 170 interested students on their books who are interested in working in regional Australia.

The promoters of The Brolga Project believe it is also an opportunity for students to experience life in a smaller community, possibly leading to a decision to reside in the community for a longer term.

For further details contact The Brolga Project at www.brolga-project.com.au

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