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## **Maleny Rangers Football Club - Sister Club sets up in Ghana**

Due to the unstable political climate in Burkina Faso, Madhu Kazony set about finding a new venue to create a sister club for Maleny Rangers FC.

Ghana borders Ivory Coast and Burkina Faso in West Africa and has a hot and humid climate not unlike Queensland. This region has a history of guinea worms disease (dracunculiasis) a parasitic worm infection occurring mainly in Africa which is caused by a large nematode (roundworm) which penetrates the gut wall after having been ingested by people who have been drinking infected water. This is a painful and debilitating disease and the cycle is ongoing

due to the lack of safe drinking water in some areas.

On arrival in Ghana Madhu met with an Ananda Marga monk who has built, with the help of overseas donors, a water filtration plant which provides potable water to 26 communities in the area.

This same monk also created a soccer team, under the name of Red Scorpions of Mafi-Zongo, comprising of players between 16-20 years, to help motivate the youth.

When Madhu left Maleny earlier in the year, he took with him some items donated by our club including some jerseys which were worn during a recent 'friendly match' he organized between Red Scorpions

& 'Maleny Rangers', the result of which was a 3-0 win in favour of 'Maleny Rangers'.

With the help of donations and fund-raising efforts we hope to be able to send some much needed equipment to the Red Scorpions to assist these very enthusiastic soccer players, many of whom have no proper footwear – some have none, to continue to build their club.

Maleny Rangers is proud to be the sister club to Red Scorpions; they may lack basic equipment, what they don't lack is motivation and a passion for the game!

Visit the Maleny Rangers Soccer Club Inc. web site:

[www.malenyrangerssoccer.com](http://www.malenyrangerssoccer.com)



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# Hinterlandgrapevine Online

## The Hinterlandgrapevine

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## Volunteering

Volunteering Sunshine Coast does a wonderful job in organising volunteers and volunteer services in the area.

Volunteers fulfil a very important and valuable role in the community, but it is often overlooked or not recognised by the wider community.

The organisation holds an annual race day to coincide with National Volunteers Week (held in mid May annually) and to recognise its many valued volunteers; however, due to the economic situation, the event was this year cancelled due to the lack of a sponsor.

Along with general racegoers, the event usually attracts about 2500-3000 volunteers, who look forward to the enjoyable day each year, and the organisation advises that the cancellation has been met with considerable sadness and disap-

pointment from volunteers.

The race day is a wonderful event that helps to say thanks to volunteers who give so much of themselves to make the community a better place.

Any business people who may have an interest in supporting this race day next year please contact Cheryl Harris at Volunteering Sunshine Coast on 07-5443 8256.

## How Safe is your computer?

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## In Concert "The Art of Song"

The one and only performance of The Australian Chamber Musicians will be held at the Maleny Uniting Church (Landsborough / Maleny Rds), Maleny on the 22nd May 2011 at 2p.m.

Tickets are \$25-00 pp and will be available at the door. All proceeds will be shared between the Maleny R.F.B. and The Montville Primary School-Chaplaincy Programme.

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## The great Conondale walk - second time around

For the second year in a row, Member for Glass House Andrew Powell MP will walk the 35kms from Little Yabba Creek in Conondale to Tesch Park in Maleny to demonstrate the need to complete the upgrade of the Maleny-Kenilworth Road.

The official part of the day started at 6a.m. on a chilly morning at Little Yabba Creek when Andrew and a small band commenced walking.

“The main focus of this walk is to demonstrate my ongoing commitment to securing Main Roads funding to complete this desperately needed upgrade. We thought the road was in bad shape before

the floods earlier this year but now following more damage to Grigor Bridge at Conondale and numerous landslips the road is in a truly deteriorating state.” Said Mr. Powell.

The issue of funding for this road is not something I will give up on.

I am committed to seeing this road upgraded and

I will make this same walking trip every year until it happens,” Mr Powell concluded.

This walk will also be a chance to raise some much needed funds from community members and businesses by sponsoring his walk. All money

raised will be going to the Maleny State School and Conondale State School Chaplaincy Programs.

*Photo left shows Andrew Powell depositing donations into the collection tin at Conondale.*

“I have been a long time supporter of Chaplains in our local schools and I saw this as my chance to promote the great work they do for our kids.” said Mr. Powell.

“My thanks go out to the volunteers from both school Chaplaincy committees for their contribution. A big thank you also to those businesses and community members who donated food and drinks to keep the walkers refreshed.” said Mr. Powell.

*(Photo below - The Walking Team”*



## The Australian Ballet's virtual leap for regional audiences

Irrespective of your thoughts on the NBN for Australia the first connections have been made on the Australian mainland with the regional town of Armidale in New South Wales.

From this what benefits can we look forward to in the future. One of the benefits is that regional Australians will have the ability to see more live events as they happen in major cities.

Ballet fans in the Sunshine Coast can watch a live performance of The Australian Ballet for the first time over the Internet, in a groundbreaking collaboration with Principal Sponsor Telstra.

Utilising the latest in digital technology, Telstra BigPond will live

stream the final performance of Bodytorque. Muses from Sydney Theatre on Sunday 29 May at 3pm (AEST) via <http://bigpondvideo.com/ballet> to audiences nationally and worldwide.

Telstra Country Wide Area General Manager, Sunshine Coast, Kris Carver said the live stream would give local ballet fans the chance to enjoy a world-class performance without having to travel to a major city.

“Our technology will introduce The Australian Ballet to new audiences around the nation. BigPond’s broadcast will give the Sunshine Coast the chance to experience the skill and artistry of our country’s most talented ballet dancers from

the comfort of home,” he said.

The Australian Ballet’s Artistic Director, David McAllister said he is delighted the company is taking this leap onto the virtual stage, particularly with popular Bodytorque. Muses.

“It’s exciting that all of Australia can have the opportunity to be part of our audience. And it’s fitting our first live streaming event will be as part of the experimental Bodytorque program which is known for pushing the boundaries of ballet into the future,” McAllister said.

This is just the beginning of a new frontier for rural residents as they will be able to enjoy events that city folk have enjoyed for decades.

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## Work starts on The Precinct Project

Maleny's historic Pattemore House leads the way with work commencing to upgrade the premises. This house has also been known as "Fairview".

This is the first actual construction on The Precinct project and the house will be the first piece of infrastructure to be put to public use.

"The house will be conserve for public use," said Gail Denver, Secretary of the Friends of Pattemore House Society. The Friends of Pattemore House was formed in mid 2008, and currently has many members, include several Pattemore descendants who at different times residend in this historic house.

The job will involve, along with

making the house cyclone-proof using tie-down bracing, making toilets accessible, installing ramps for wheelchairs and fitting fire alarm devices. This work is necessary to bring the heritage house up to public building standards.

Local Sunshine Coast Councillor, Ms Jenny McKay said she was pleased to see work starting.

She continued that the house will be able to be used by other precinct groups, council, and potentially other groups as a public events location.

"The conservation of Pattemore House is a big step in preserving Maleny's history and culture and it's wonderful that the house is part of the precinct." said Ms Denver.

## 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:* - the drivers of the black holden ute and the dark blue falcon sedan racing along Simpson Street, Beerwah on Wednesday last about 11.30a.m.

There were TWO near misses as a result of your reckless driving. Both drivers are IDIOTS of the first order!

## Mum's favourite Recipes

### Creamy Tuna pasta

- a great easy Sunday night meal.



### Ingredients

- \* 350g fettuccine or spaghetti
- \* 2 tbs olive oil
- \* 1/2 onion, chopped
- \* 2 garlic cloves, crushed
- \* 1 cup (250ml) thin cream
- \* 2 tbs sundried tomato paste
- \* 425g can tuna in oil, drained
- \* 1 cup (150g) frozen peas
- \* 1 tbs chopped flat-leaf parsley
- \* 100g semi-dried tomatoes
- \* 2 tsp capers, rinsed, drained

### Directions

- 1 Cook pasta in boiling salted water until al dente. Drain and toss with half the oil.
2. Heat remaining oil in a large frypan over medium heat, add onion and cook 2-3 minutes or until softened. Add garlic and cook for 1 minute. Stir in cream and paste, add tuna and peas. Heat gently for 1-2 minutes.

Stir in half the parsley with the tomatoes and capers, add pasta and season. Stir until just heated through. Serve sprinkled with remaining parsley.

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A brief insight into the history of Maleny & District and other things

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## Harvey's 100 years of Maleny

# Maleny: "One Light Town"

Landsborough was originally known as Mellum Creek, the locality was first taken up for farm selections in 1871. The rudimentary settlement was used as a stopping point for Cobb and Co coaches making the run to the Gympie gold fields.

It became the centre of the Landsborough Shire Council after the council was set up in 1912.

Following the end of WW1 the town areas were beginning to become established and as a consequence the Landsborough Shire Council

Photo below shows a celebration welcoming serviceman back home after WW1. The gas light can be seen in the middle of the photo

decided that these areas needed street lighting and so they proceeded to erect town lighting. Not the efficient system that we have today, but a gas system based on acetylene gas.

The first such light was located in Landsborough in the centre of Landsborough township. It was soon

*Over the next couple of months we will be bringing some stories as told by Harvey Bryce from Maleny's past.*

*Harvey is well versed in Maleny's past and is heavily involved in the Maleny Historic Society.*



followed by a similar light for Maleny. This light was erected in Maple Street in front of Cooke Park.

At that time Cooke Park was a cattle and calf sale yard. At this time there were up to 32

wagon teams using the area to deliver, not only to the sale yards, but general freight around the growing township.

During this time NO wagon actually damaged the light. It was not until the late 1940's that electricity came to Maleny in. Until this farms had their own generators and they were used primarily for running their milking plants and some lighting.

The original gas lamp can now be seen at the Maleny Historical Museum.

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## Truthful Jones Tells... he heard about



Truthful tells us that in his younger days he was always having to think up new excuses to write on his notes to the teacher. He tells us that some of the excuses he used are noted below;

**Dear School:**

- 1. Please excuse Truthful from being absent on Jan. 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, and also 33.**
  - 2. Please excuse Truthful for being. It was his father's fault.**
  - 3. Chris will not be in school because he has an acre in his side.**
  - 5. John has been absent because he had two teeth taken off his face.**
  - 6. Truthful is under the doctor's care and should not take fizical ed. Please execute him.**
  - 7. Truthful was absent yesterday because he was playing football. He was hit in the growing part.**
  - 8. Please excuse Truthful from P.E. for a few days. Yesterday he fell off a tree and misplaced his hip.**
  - 9. Please excuse Truthful Friday from school. He has very loose vowels.**
  - 10. Truthful was absent Dec. 11-16, because he had a fever, sore throat, headache, and upset stomach. His sister was also sick, fever and sore throat, his brother had a low-grade fever. There must be the flu going around, his father even got hot last night.**
  - 11. Truthful was absent yesterday because he had a sore trout.**
- Morale; Over time nothing changes - only goes through cycles. Excuses for missing school have always been a part of a young males life and so they will remain in the future.**

## Maleny RFB Roundup

with  
**Donna & Norm Lewis**  
Volunteer Community  
Education Officers



Norm has also been invited to the National Volunteers Summit to be held in Canberra on the 30th and 31st of May.

Norm is one of only 12 volunteers selected from the Rural Fire Service as part of Queensland Fire Rural Service to attend this national event.

The Summit aims to bring together like-minded volunteers, (I quote from the invite) to collaborate, learn, share, develop strategies...."partnerships, experiences, Solutions"

The Maleny Rural Fire Service Group intends to be at the Maleny Show and do a combined training exercise with members of the Maleny Urban Brigade.

We also did a combined exercise with the Maleny Urbans (19th April?) and intend to continue our group training sessions at least twice a year, which we enjoy.

It has been approved for our Brigade area to have a new Fire Danger Rating Sign. It is expected to be positioned on the Maleny Landsborough Road on the corner of McCarthy Road.

We are hoping to have the AGM of the Maleny RFB in July this year. There will also be an election of Brigade Officers.

## MALENY BOWLS CLUB FRIDAY SOCIAL BOWLS

Find out who is "King of the Week"

...get a free drink at the club each day of the week.

Must be there Friday afternoon to win for the next week.

Why not join as a social member and enjoy all the benefits of the club?



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# ANDREW POWELL MP

Member for Glass House



## Community Golf Day



If you're like me, there's never enough time to enjoy a round of golf. So I've decided to mix business with pleasure and organise the inaugural Glass House electorate Community Golf Day at the Woodford Golf Club. Hope you can join me.

*Andrew*

**When:** Tuesday 31 May 2011

**Time:** 7.30am for 8am (shotgun start)

**Where: Woodford Golf Club**

Golf Course Rd, Woodford

**Format:** Callaway

**Cost:** \$50 per player (includes green fees, lunch and complimentary drink)

Electric carts are available at additional cost, please book directly with the club

**Prizes:** For teams, individuals and novelty competitions (e.g. nearest the pin)

**Sponsorship:**

Sponsorship packages available  
Contact Winston Johnston for more details (M: 0428 995 499)

### About the Callaway Format

The Callaway System is a sort of 1-day handicapping system that can be used in events where most of the golfers do not have real handicap indexes. When the Callaway System is in use, all competitors tee off and play stroke play, scoring in the normal fashion with one exception - double par is the maximum score on any given hole (i.e., on a par 4, 8 is the maximum score). Following the round, gross scores are tallied. Based on each golfer's gross score (using the double par maximum), each golfer tallies up a prescribed number of worst scores from their scorecard, then applies a second adjustment that may add or subtract additional strokes. Utilising the Callaway System requires consulting a chart to determine a handicap deduction and handicap adjustment.



# ANDREW POWELL MP

Member for Glass House



## Player Registration Form

Please complete and mail with payment to PO Box 560 PALMWOODS Q 4555

Team Name: \_\_\_\_\_

- |                                      |       |         |
|--------------------------------------|-------|---------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Player Name | _____ | \$50.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Player Name | _____ | \$50.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Player Name | _____ | \$50.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Player Name | _____ | \$50.00 |

Total: \_\_\_\_\_

Method of Payment

- Cheque (To "LNP Glasshouse SEC")
- Cash
- Visa
- MasterCard
- Amex

Team Contact Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Credit Card # \_\_\_\_\_

Exp. date \_\_\_\_\_

CVC No. (3 digit  
Security No on back)

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

### LNP Glasshouse SEC

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## LET US FIND OUT A BIT ABOUT OUR SURNAME

Over recent times there has been a resurgence in the popularity of researching ones family history.

Local, Jack Frost of the Irish and Scottish Shoppe which is located in “Connemara Cottage”, Montville has already done much of the work on Irish, Scottish and English names.

Jack also specialises in supplying Heraldic Family Name products as Keepsakes/Souvenirs or for use at Family Reunions.

As manufacturers, they also provide their range of heraldic products from their workshop in Maleny.

All products can be supplied ‘standard’ or adapted to include both your family Arms or Clan Badge, with a suitable notation as to details of your Family Reunion, where product so provides.

For further information about your clan his web address is:

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Origin & Arms of  
The Family Name



Allen

The surname Allen is widespread throughout England, Scotland and Ireland in many forms. It is thought to derive from the pre-Christian Gaelic and Breton personal name Ailin, which loosely translates as ‘Little rock’, from the Gaelic ailin, a diminutive of ail meaning ‘rock’. From early times the spelling form has varied considerably and included Eilian to Ahwyn and Alleyne, whilst in more recent times Alan, Allan and Allen are common usage. St. Alan(us) was a 5th century saint about whom nothing factual is known, whilst another, St. Al(i)an was a 6th century Cornish or Breton saint to whom the church in Cornwall is dedicated.

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## Make the internet work for your business!

Bookings are now being taken for attendance at a series of 10 modules in a government funded training program to assist small business owners get on line or improve their business on line.

This series of lectures will be held at the Hinterland Business Centre Coral Street Maleny every Friday from 27 May. You can book for one, some or all of the the seminars at \$22.00 per person.

Participants will learn how to create their own personal e-business plan and build their own online presence in a bid to grow market share and brand awareness. Every aspect is covered from the basics of building a website from scratch to marketing and e-commerce.

The program looks at the new tools available to bring down costs associated with running a business such as cloud computing and VoIP. There's also a module on how to use social networking and viral marketing

to create new industry contacts.

Making the internet work for your business, is all about using online technologies to drive a business forward and branch out into new marketplaces. These lectures are specifically created for businesses that aren't already online and need the know-how without a hefty price tag.

The series of ten workshops are designed to make it as easy as possible, although if you are online you are encouraged to attend as the workshops also cover how to attract new customers online through social media (Facebook/Twitter/YouTube) and search engine optimisation of your web presence and more.

The ten workshops are titled;

- 01 ARE YOU READY FOR E-BUSINESS?
- 02 E-BUSINESS IN PLAIN ENGLISH
- 03 DEVELOPING YOUR E-

### BUSINESS PLAN

- 04 YOUR GUIDE TO FREE ONLINE RESOURCES AND RESEARCH
- 05 HOW TO BUILD YOUR WEBSITE
- 06 KEEPING CUSTOMERS COMING BACK AND SPENDING MORE
- 07 PROMOTE YOURSELF TO WORLD MARKETS
- 08 SELLING ONLINE MADE EASY
- 09 LATEST TIPS, TRICKS AND NEW TECHNOLOGY
- 10 MAKING THE MOST FROM E-BUSINESS

For further information phone: Phil Rees (Seminar facilitator) on 0422190683

## Maleny R.S.L.

### Next Trivia Night

Saturday 28th May 2011

For full details of RSL Trivia Nights  
Contact RSL on 5494 3717



## State of Origin 2011 Game 1

Wednesday 25th May 2011

co-sponsored by *Maleny High School Interact & Maleny RSL*

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Sausage Sizzle by Maleny High Interact to raise funds

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Remember it is state of origin!!



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While driving in Pennsylvania, a family caught up to an Amish carriage.

The owner of the carriage obviously had a sense of humor, because attached to the back of the carriage was a hand printed sign...

“Energy efficient vehicle: Runs on oats and grass. Caution: Do not step in exhaust.”

This is a return to the past!

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## Blackall Range

Woodworker's Guild

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Cheers Pres Dave

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## Another paint hint from Maleny Paint Place

### What colour suits your home

#### CREATING A COLOUR PALET

There are many theories to creating colour harmony in your home. Your choice of colours can create a range of results from extreme unity, a non confronting scheme that will virtually go unnoticed to extremely complexity which requires careful consideration as it may create a scheme that clashes and jars.

The following information is a basic guideline to help you create your own colour palet.

For those serious about making sure to get the right colour start with a colour wheel.

Colours on a colour wheel opposite each other are referred to as complementary colours.

Those side by side on the wheel are referred to as analogous colours. When selecting a colour palet people usually go for three analogous colours..

Analogous colours are any three colours which are side by side on a colour wheel, such as yellow-green, yellow, and yellow-orange. Usually one of the three

colours is chosen as your main colour with the others used for highlights or a feature.

More striking palets can be created by selecting two analogous colours and one complementary colour.

Complementary colours are any two colours which are directly opposite each other on the colour wheel, such as red and green and red-purple and yellow-green. Nature is full of these sort of colour schemes and is a great source for inspiration for colour palets that work.

Notice the variations of yellow-green in the leaves and red-purple in the flower. These opposing colours create harmonious contrast without clashing.

Three colours tend to be the best palet size as too many colours can get too busy visually.

However that doesn't mean a palet of 4 wouldn't work.

Indeed some designers choose a palet of four or five colours and use different combinations of three, to create a linking colour theme throughout a home.

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*This week with Peter Slipper M.P.*

## **Deputy Speakership**

My tenure as Deputy Speaker has been very successful and rewarding.

As I mentioned in my initial statement in September last year, which was supported by Leader Tony Abbott, I was "happy to serve the Parliament as Deputy Speaker but certainly not on the basis of pairing my vote or guaranteeing confidence and supply to the Government."

I also said at the time: "I pledge that I will carry out this important role with integrity and to the best of my ability."

I am pleased to confirm that this has been the case from day one.

Also, there have been 83 occasions in this parliamentary term in which a division has been called. I have been present to vote on the side of the Liberal National Opposition on all 83 occasions.

I have the schedule of the votes available at my office on request.

## **Community Grants**

I encourage community groups, including sporting groups, to apply for funds under the Volunteer Grants 2011 programme.

Local community organisations can apply for a grant of between \$1,000 and \$5,000 to help purchase a variety of equipment to assist the work of volunteers. Funds are available to purchase equipment, cover the cost of petrol, provide training courses and undertake background checks.

Volunteer groups often struggle

with raffles and pie drives to raise money, and this scheme offers an opportunity to secure much-needed funds through a government programme. I urge volunteer community groups, sporting clubs, as well as school P&Cs and the like, to set aside some time as soon as possible to prepare a funding application.

Further information on the Volunteer Grants 2011 programme and an online application form can be found at <http://www.fahcsia.gov.au/sa/volunteers/progserv/Pages/VolunteerGrants.aspx>

Organisations can also request paper-based application forms by calling 1800 183 374 or by emailing [vg2011@fahcsia.gov.au](mailto:vg2011@fahcsia.gov.au)

Applications close at 5pm on Wednesday 8 June 2011.

## **Seniors Forum**

The annual Sunshine Coast Seniors Forum will be held again this year on July 29.

This is the 11th annual Seniors Forum, and will again include various expert speakers – including Shadow Minister for Seniors Bronwyn Bishop - and displays from around 30 organisations that assist seniors in the community.

To RSVP for the event or for further details please contact my office on 5444 4888.

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## **Maleny R.S.L.**

**State of Origin '11  
"On the big screen"**

**Wednesday 25th May  
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