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Early Warning

The government is in the process of setting up an "early warning" system involving mobile phones to be used in case of "catastrophic" events.

This scheme will cost in excess of \$1 million per year just for Queensland and 17 cents per phone call.

Does the cost of this scheme make it worthwhile? Particularly since mobile phones are very limited in reception areas.

Wouldn't warnings via radio and television be just as effective?

Would that money be better used in other areas such as health?

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Maleny & District Sports Results
from the
Maleny District Sports & Recreation Club
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www.mdsarcinc.com

Maleny water shortage not over yet!

December 2009 and January 2010 have proved to be reasonably wet months for Maleny.

Since the first of December 2009 until now there has been approximately 12 inches or 300mm of rainfall in the vicinity of the catchment for the Maleny township weir which is situated on Obi Creek north of the Maleny Showgrounds.

Whilst the rainfall may have caused the grass to grow a

bit faster the ground in general is still very dry.

The area is still in need of further rainfall. In spite of the recent rainfall Obi Creek is still not running and there is only a slight trickle running over the wall. *(See photo below)*

Without further rainfall in the next couple of months water will once again be in short supply for the town water supply.

Construction of a 8.8km pipeline from the Lander-shute water treatment plant is due to commence in the immediate future to provide for Maleny's future water supply.



*Who remembers the old days
When there was always a good feed of fish
in the local river or creek....*



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Truthful Jones Tells... he heard



that Three nuns from the local church went to Melbourne where they attended the AFL final at the MCG. This was to be one of the highlights of their life.

Three men were sitting directly behind.. because their habits were partially blocking the view, the men decided to badger the nuns hoping that they'd get annoyed enough to move to another area.

In a very loud voice, the first guy said, "I think i'm going to move to Brisbane.. there are only 100 nuns living there.."

Then the second guy spoke up and said, "I want to go to Tasmania.... there are only 50 nuns living there.."

The third guy said, "I want to go to New Zealand... There are only 25 nuns living there..."

One of the nuns turned around, looked at the men, and in a very sweet and calm voice said, "why don't you go to hell ..There aren't any nuns there!"

Morale; Even at the best of times or the worst of times one can never get lost - there is always somebody to tell you where to go.

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Cairncross Views to be hidden!

How often have you been to Mary Cairncross Park for a quiet walk through the rainforest, a cup of coffee and a longing view towards the Glasshouse Mountains and the sea.

This is a very popular spot for tourists to the area. The view is "worth a million dollars" and has appeared in a number of television shows and advertisements. It has been a trademark view associated with Maleny and the Sunshine Coast Hinterland.

Well, if you like that view or even if you have not seen it before then you had better go and enjoy it whilst you can as it will not be there much longer.

Over the last couple of

years the modest farm house that sat on the noll below the view disappeared and a very large mansion has been built on the site.

Well, now a large number of trees have been planted opposite Mary Cairncross Park in the last week? They've been planted within an electrified fenced area.



The view that has been enjoyed by so many for so long will soon be gone - most likely forever.

Unfortunate for the areas tourism programs.

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The power of the internet to save you time

How often have you gone to renew your drivers licence at the Maleny Police Station to find that almost everyone in Maleny is there to do the same thing. With increasing population growth in the area that waiting time is sure to get longer.

Well, here is one way that the power of the internet can help you. You can apply to renew your Queensland driver licence up to six weeks before it expires.

It is now possible to renew your open Queensland drivers license in certain cases via the internet - thus saving you time and convenience. It can be renewed at your leisure.

Your notice of renewal now comes complete with a renewal reference number and this number allows you to renew your driver licence online. When you are about to renew it you will need that refer-

ence number, your drivers license particulars and a visa card.

Visit the State Transport web site <http://www.transport.qld.gov.au> and look for the license renewal prompt on the top right hand side of the page. Simply follow the steps and the task becomes fast and easy.

A renewal label will be sent in the mail within five working days. The label will include your name, a unique security number, your licence effective and expiry dates, and your licence type and class/es.

On receipt of this label, you must promptly attach the label to the back of your existing driver licence in the space provided for change of details label.

Much simpler and quicker and much more convenient!!!

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 male driver of the very deep green station sedan travelling from Caloundra towards Landsborough at 3.30p.m. on Sat Jan 16th. First out the window was thrown an empty Coke can then a paper bag, likely had held lunch then a bit further on a cigarette packet. What a slob!

Mum's favourite Recipes

Choco Hot Pots

- I wasn't too keen on these but my sisters loved them!

Ingredients

- * 2 cups self raising flour
- * 8 oz milk (normally powdered)
- * 1/2 tsp salt

Directions

Home Method

Mix flour and salt. Make well in the centre and add milk, mixing with a knife to form a moist dough. Turn into a greased 7" tin. Bake in hot oven for 25 minutes, then turn onto wire cooling tray.

Variations can be the addition of either sultanas, dried fruit, herbs, sugar, 2oz butter, lemon, etc

Best cooked in a camp oven which is a cast pot and lid. The mix is placed inside, lid put on and entire covered in hot wood coals till baked.

Camp oven sometimes placed in a hole dug in the ground and surrounded in hot wood coals till cooked.

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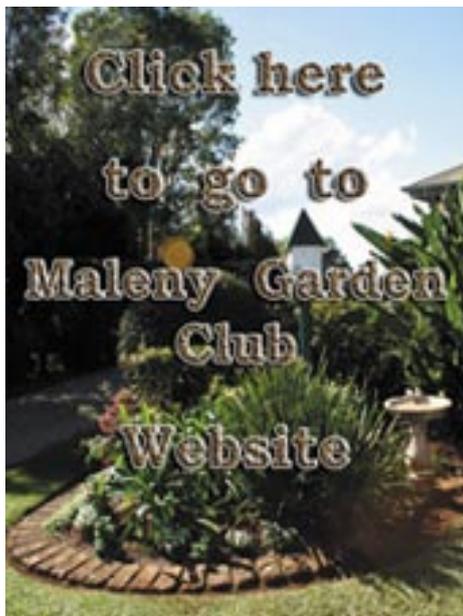


Blackall Range

Woodworker's Guild

To read a copy of the Club's latest newsletter simply click on this logo when connected to the internet. You will be taken to the index page of the Club's web page. Pick the relevant date.

Cheers Pres Dave



This weeks Special

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Let us quote on that paint job now -

Another paint hint from Maleny Paint Place

Want to waterproof chipboard furniture - Norglass epoxy wood treatment is the go

Do you need a product to waterproof chipboard furniture then Norglass Epoxy Wood treatment is the go. It is a thin two-pack solution of epoxy resin compounds to lock out moisture and waterproof timbers and it is ideal on chipboard furniture and flooring as a waterproof barrier.

This product then can be painted over with any type of paint, water based, solvent based or chemically after the appropriate curing period.

It is a clear product when cured and can be expected to give a coverage of up to 10sq. metres/litre depending on timber density.

Under normal circumstances it should be surface dry in 1 hour and can be recoated after 48 hours

Being a two-pack product all mixed product should be used immediately so only mix enough for your immediate need. The mixing ratio of 1 to 1 is explained on the can and use the

appropriate Norglass thinner for that product.

For proper preparation ensure that the timber is clean and dry.

Where the wood has lost a substantial amount of its original value through dry rot it is advisable to cut out the worst affected parts before treating the remainder.

To apply simply mix an equal volume of NORSEAL Base and Hardener, stir thoroughly and let stand for 5 minutes before using.

Apply the product to the bare wood by brush or paint roller in a liberal manner. Where the wood is very porous, go back over the area after a few minutes with another wet application. The softer the timber the more NORSEAL should be applied to drive it deeper into the surface. Once the NORSEAL has cured, further applications cannot penetrate and will remain on the surface.

However a second coat is worthwhile as an insurance against "missed" areas on the first coat.

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This week with Peter Slipper M.P.



G'Day USA

The annual promotion G'Day USA will be held again this month in Los Angeles, New York, San Francisco and San Diego.

It's a great event at which Australian businesses are able to promote their goods and services to the USA.

The aim of the event is to promote Australia as an "innovative, sophisticated economy with leading edge research technology, goods and services".

The event runs to January 22. For further information, visit www.australia-week.com

For further news and information from the Australian Trade Commission (Austrade) visit www.austrade.gov.au/mediacentre.

Celebrate Australia Day

While on the subject of Australia, I encourage readers to take time this Australia Day on January 26 to remember the many good things that make our country the envy of many nations around the world.

We are a happy, tolerant and ac-

cepting nation; we have a relatively high living standard and we live in relative peace.

On top of that, the region boasts an enjoyable climate, great beaches and warm friendly residents.

We have much to be thankful for.

I will this year be hosting the 11th annual Fisher Community Australia Day Awards, to recognise local residents who make significant personal sacrifices to make our community a better place to live.

While few volunteers make their contribution with the expectation of receiving recognition, I believe acknowledging these people should be part of our community Australia Day celebrations.

These dedicated and hardworking individuals deserve to know that we are aware of what they do for us and we appreciate it.

Work Safety

The Australian Safety and Compensation Council (ASCC) is designed to promote safety in the workplace.

It is also mindful of the need to

ensure that the breadwinners in the family are kept safe in the workplace so as to be able to continue providing for their loved ones.

For further information about this issue, visit the ASCC website at www.ascc.gov.au

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