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Australia Day Awards

Nominations are open for the Fisher Community Australia Day Awards.

These awards recognise local residents who have made a significant contribution to their local community.

For a nomination form, contact Richard in the office of Hon Peter Slipper, Federal Member for Fisher on 5443 3555 or at richard.bruinsma@aph.gov.au

HAVE FUN - IT IS SENIOR'S WEEK!

Friday August 15th saw policy and program portfolio councillor, Jenny McKay officially launched Seniors Week 2008 on the Sunshine Coast at the Maroochy Baptist Centre, Maroochydhore. It runs from the 23rd – 31st August.

“Seniors Week plays an important role in encouraging the older population to stay active while also introducing them to new opportunities,” Cr McKay said.

For further information about activities happening during this week, pick up a Calendar of Events at the Maleny library, or online at www.sunshinecoast.qld.gov.au

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Climate Change - what of it?

Following on from a story in last weeks issue about climate change and the change of mind by Federal Government advisor, David Evans we need to look at the other side of the question.

Do we have climate change or global warming and what is the difference? Global warming refers to the gradual increase of the Earth's average surface temperature, due to greenhouse gases in the atmosphere.

- Climate change is a broader term that refers to long-term changes in climate, including average temperature and rainfall, as well as changes in the seasonal or geographic variability of temperature and rainfall.
- For our childrens sake we need to be sure of the consequences of living into the future without changing the way that we live today. People have the ability to change our climate on a local level through the building of cities and the altering patterns of land use. Just remember how the Sunshine Hinterland land use was changed when white man came to the area by clearing large areas of timber and running cattle.

Some old timer residents have stated that they can remember many nights when the sky was red from the fires burning red cedar trees were everywhere.

Climate change has the poten-

tial to be one of the greatest economic, social, and environmental challenges of our time.

There is little doubt that there is changing rainfall patterns, reducing water availability in Australia and increasing the frequency of severe weather events such as bushfires and storms. Australia – already the driest inhabited continent on Earth – is particularly vulnerable to climate change.

Whilst it may be argued that the evidence for global warming is based on inexact science there is no doubt that the deserts in central Australia have began a march towards the coast on almost all fronts. Apart from the north west of Australia records show that since the late 1940's there has been a decline in regular rainfall figures. Rainfall now is more likely to come as a result of severe weather.

These changes do not affect only Australia as we have seen devastation in nearly every country on the face of the earth over the last 5 years.

Now it is important that you make up your own mind about the real situation. Is it a myth or a tragic event?

For the future of our kids and grandkids, whatever we do we have a responsibility to leave the earth in the same condition as e came to it as it is their future as well.

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Truthful Jones Tells... us that he



joined three farmers from Conondale and three University students from Buderim who were going to a conference on climate change in Brisbane and they all traveled by train from Landsborough to get there. At Landsborough station, the three university students buy their three tickets and watch as the three Conondale farmers buy only a single ticket.

"How are three people going to travel on only one ticket?" says one student.

"Just watch and you'll see," answers a farmer.

They all board the train and the students take their seats and watch as all three farmers cram into a restroom and close the door behind them. The train departs and shortly afterward, the conductor comes around collecting tickets. He knocks on the restroom door and says, "Ticket, please."

The door opens just a crack and a single arm emerges with a ticket in hand. The conductor takes it and moves on.

The students see all this and agreed it is quite a clever idea. So after the conference, the students decide to copy the farmers on the return trip and save some money. When they get to Roma Street station, they buy a single ticket for the return trip. But to their astonishment, the farmers don't buy a ticket at all.

"How are you going to travel without a single ticket?" says one student.

"Just watch and you'll see," answers a farmer.

They board the train. The three students cram into a restroom compartment and the three farmers cram into another one nearby. The train departs.

Shortly afterward, one of the farmers leaves his restroom, walks over to the students stall, knocks on the door and says, "Ticket, please".

Morale: Don't underestimate some persons ingenuity because of pre-conceived thoughts about other peoples intelligents.

Another paint hint from Maleny Paint Place

Make a handy chalk board at home

You can made a handy chalk board for your children in their room by painting the inside doors of a wardrobe using Chalkboard paint

This creates a fun, creative surface for your child, but one that can be hidden when play time is over.

As with any painting project, surfaces preparation and priming are important to ensure not only that the finish looks great but lasts through many years of use.

Chalkboard paints are available at Maleny Paint Place.

To get the job done just follow these easy steps:-

1. Step One - Surface Preparation:

- *dull any glossy areas of wood ("mill glaze") by sanding with medium (#120) grit garnet paper; wear eye protection, dust mask and work gloves*

- *fill any gouges with wood filler and let dry. Then sand flush*

- *lightly sand the entire area to be painted with fine (#220) grit garnet paper, then dust off with clean*

of topcoat, stain blocking and sheen or gloss uniformity. Use a top quality stain blocking primer such as Zinzzzer BIN.

White Knight chalkboard paint is supplied in spray cans or as a brush on and in black or green colours.

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3. Step Three - Paint on the chalkboard paint in the color of your choice, following manufacturer recommendation for application (either roller, foam brush or nylon brush).

Two coats will give you the most durable finish. The surface requires a one week to cure before use. It is also recommended to 'condition' the chalkboard by lightly rubbing chalk held horizontally over the entire surface, then washing the surface with a damp cloth.

Your 'chalkboard' will then be ready for years of use.

To personalize the chalkboard, consider stenciling around the outside perimeter of the chalkboard



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Make friends - bushwalk with a club...

These days, everyone is concerned about nature and wants to get into the great outdoors. Bushwalking with a club is one way to do it without getting stressed. In the interests of safety there is always a leader who knows where they are going, has been there before and can tell you what is coming up.

The Brisbane Catholic Bushwalking Club has members from all across South East Queensland and their walks are also without boundaries throughout the south east corner not only for the experienced but beginners. Further information can be obtained via their website www.geocities.com/briscathbushclub/



Mum's favourite Recipes

Sesame Chicken Kababs

- easy evening meal on these warm afternoons.

Ingredients

- * 2kg diced lamb
- * 1/2 tsp ground turmeric
- * 250ml (1 cup) plain yoghurt
- * peanut oil
- * 6 onions, sliced
- * 4 cloves garlic, crushed
- * 2 tbsp fresh ginger, grated
- * 2 tbsp ground coriander
- * 3/4 tsp ground cardamom
- * 3/4 tsp ground cumin
- * 1 tbsp poppy seeds
- * 10-15 birds eye chillies, split, deseeded and finely chopped
- * 150g blanched almonds, roasted lightly and ground salt
- * bouquet garni of 3 cinnamon sticks, 6 cloves, 4 whole star anise, a couple of bay leaves and peppercorns
- * 1 bunch fresh coriander, rinsed, the leaves picked from the stem

Serve with rice pilaf, yoghurt, mango or tomato chutney and plenty of pappadums to scoop up the curry.

Method

Mix the lamb in the yoghurt and turmeric and refrigerate overnight.

Heat a large pot over a medium heat, add a generous splash of oil and cook the onion until clear. Add the garlic and ginger, stirring well and cooking only briefly as garlic burns quickly and easily. Add the marinated meat and stir through the onions well. Dust the spices over the top and add poppy seeds, chilli, almonds and about a teaspoon of salt. Stir well to combine. Bury the bouquet garni in the centre of the pot.

Cover and cook on the lowest heat for 90 minutes, stirring periodically.

Remove the lid and cook a further 45 minutes, or thereabouts. The meat should be tender but not breaking down. Check seasoning. Add coriander leaves just as you serve.

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 who continue to drive in such a manner that sees the continued rate of deaths on our roads. Daily you can see any number of drivers who are a tragedy about to happen. Unfortunately, it is often the unsuspecting innocent driver that pays the greatest price.

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WHY IS IT SO?

Hair turns white over night

Have you ever wondered how a person's hair turned grey over night?

It's because of a skin disease called alopecia areata. The hair can't actually turn white overnight, because all the hair is "dead", and the only way you can make its colour change is with dyes.

Hair gets its colour from a chemical called melanin, which is pumped in by cells at the base of the hair follicle. As your hair goes grey, these cells at the base stop making melanin. So some hairs will be their normal colour, but some (the ones without melanin) will be completely white. So here's a great truth - there's no such colour as grey hair. Grey hair is dark hairs, with the newer white hairs mixed in.

So how can somebody's hair turn white overnight? Easy, they first have grey hair (which is actually the mix of dark hair and white hair) - and then all the dark hair falls out over a few days.

This could be caused by a disease called alopecia areata, where your hair, for no apparent reason, simply falls out. Unlike common balding, alopecia areata is just as likely to happen in women as in men.

So if you've got grey hair, and those few remaining dark ones bail out, bingo - instant white hair! It can't happen overnight, but it can happen.



The more things change the more they remain the same!

One could be forgiven for thinking the cutting (right) came from one of our papers this week.

In fact the cutting came from the Nambour Chronicle on the front page on *Friday 8th June, 1951*.

Things aren't too much different through the generations and the worries are about the same - roads - taxes - health and the rising cost of living.

I received a telephone call today from a Maleny resident and to be polite I said, "How are you today?" to which she replied, "I am wonderful. I don't have bombs dropping on me, I am not starving, I have a secure and warm bed. What could possibly be wrong in my life."

If only we could all have a bit of this philosophy.

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Q'ld. Roads Should Be Modernised

To Reduce Accident Toll

Queensland roads should be modernised to cope with volumes of traffic and populations increasing with the progress of the States.

The argument that the States could not afford the expenditure was not convincing, particularly as only 6d. out of each 10d. tax per gallon of petrol was passed by the Commonwealth to the State Road Construction Authorities, states the R.A.C.Q. bulletin.

Eighty per cent. of road accidents are probably or possibly avoidable. Heedlessness, lack of consideration for others, bad manners, aggressiveness, and judgment not sufficiently attuned to the inadequacy of most of our roads are the main causes of accidents."

Guinea Pig Show

There will be a guinea pig show on Sunday, 24th August, 2008 at the Bli Bli Hall, Willis Road, Bli Bli commencing at 10.00 am.

I am reliably told that people from the hinterland area attend and are interested. For further inquiries ring 5446 0720.

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Seniors & Computers

For those Sunshine Coast seniors who thought that getting started on a computer was too hard! Here is an ideal opportunity to have a look and find out what it is all about - AND GET A CUP OF COFFEE at the same time.

This computer information session is part of the Seniors Week celebrations hosted by the Sunshine Coast Regional Council.

When & Where: Wednesday 27 August from 9:30am to 10:30am at the Caloundra Library, Omrah Ave Caloundra.

"The War Within"

Another event organised by the Caloundra Library is a "Meet Author Don Tate who wrote the book, "The War Within".

This event is on Friday 29th August from 10am

Author Don Tate will talk about his recently-released book *The War Within*. It is a memoir of his life growing up in Brisbane, through his time as an infantryman in Vietnam, to life after the war. He will also be showing a DVD of historic coloured movie film he took with a Super 8mm movie camera whilst serving in Vietnam as an infantryman in 1969.

Bookings are essential for both events.

For further information contact:
Caloundra Library - Phone 5491 1255 or 5475 7272.

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News from Maleny Bowls Club

by Chairman Ian Hansen



In the second round of Men's Pennants on Saturday, both sides were once again beaten. Team A registered a Draw and a loss against Noosa Heads while Team B suffered two losses at the hands of Maroochydore Beach. This week, Team A travels to Mooloolah Valley but Team B is at home to Coolool Beach.

Hopefully, there will be better results to report next week. The Ladies have also started their Pennants. Our Ladies are combined with Mooloolah Valley and last Monday travelled to Headlands for their first matches. They play two matches of 21 ends making it a somewhat exhausting day. Last week they lost both their matches and Monday of this week they are the hosts at Mooloolah Valley.

Last Tuesday's winners with two wins plus 22 were the Triples combination of Cliff Deans, Tom Jollow and Paul Kemp. The Touchers went to Tom Jollow, Margaret Ginns and Terry Halliday, Doreen Bazzo won the raffle but the Jackpot wasn't won.

Thursday's Nominated Mixed Triples were actually won by the Pairs Team of Dennis Lankester and Helga Falcongrien with two wins plus 19. The runners-up with the highest margin in the second game were the Mooloolah Valley combination of Ede Clark, Lloyd Walker and Judy Walker with the modest margin of plus six. Ray Green was the lucky raffle winner. This is a

really enjoyable day of Bowls and it would be great to see more Maleny Teams competing. The sheets are up for both the Nominated Mixed Pairs and Triples for September so please try to organise yourself to play in one or both of these events.

Friday, there were only eight players and the winners with plus 11 were Brett Scott and Bob Caulley. Ryan Boroughs won the raffle and the only Sponsors' Prize Winner present was Ladies President, Helga Falcongrien, who won the IGA prize. The other winners would have been: John Bland for Maleny Paints, Di Caldicott for the Full Monte, Mike McAuliffe for Beechwood Bakehouse and Wolf Gratz for Qld. Villages now worth a neat \$100 this week.

This week there is Ladies Pennants on Monday, the usual Jackpot Tuesday, Ladies Only Day on Wednesday, Social Bowls on Friday and Men's Pennants on Saturday.

Our Bar Attendant, Candice, goes into Noosa Hospital this week for surgery. We wish you all the best for a rapid and complete recovery. We will certainly miss you.

Finally, thanks to Simon Moore for his generosity last Friday to enable the proceeds of the raffle to be given to Candice to help with her expenses.

A much appreciated gesture Simon.

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This week with **Peter Slipper M.H.R.** Local school leaders to attend binge drinking policy seminar



Two senior students who attended the Fisher Youth Forum on teenage binge drinking have been invited by Opposition Leader Brendan Nelson to attend a policy seminar on the issue in Canberra, Member for Fisher Peter Slipper said.

The two students, Angela McGuinness, of Mountain Creek State High School, and Rhys Reynolds, school captain at Beerwah State High School, will join Mr Slipper as speakers at the seminar in Canberra tomorrow (19 August 2008).

"It is a wonderful achievement for these two students to be asked to give their input in a process that is developing policy to help address this serious social issue," Mr Slipper said.

"These two young people represent the collective concerns of many senior students around the region; they are determined to help find answers to a serious social issue that potentially impacts their friends and peers and the community more widely."

Mr Slipper will also attend the policy seminar where he is delivering a key presentation about the dangers of binge drinking.

"Binge drinking is unfortunately still promoted as being the 'done thing' by some sectors of the community, but it is actually a serious social problem that has the potential to cause injuries and accidents that have life-long impacts," Mr Slipper said.

"This policy seminar in Canberra will help in the development of policies that address teenage binge drinking - communities should not shy away from trying to tackle this issue, in particular to encourage young Australians not to take these risks that jeopardise their chances of a successful future."

Mr Slipper organised the inaugural Fisher Youth Forum, held in late July, which had binge drinking as its topic. Some 70 students from 13 high schools in the area attended the event.

This week's Saying
A crisis is when you can't say: "let's forget the whole thing".
.....Think about it

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