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More for power

We are about to pay even more for power in 2011 after the Queensland Competition Authority announced a recommended power price rise of 5.8%.

This is the lowest percentage price rise since privatisation.

The average household will now be paying approximately \$1800 per year for power, a rise of over 50% in the last 4 years. This is a higher rate of increase than the inflation rate.

Each year since the privatisation of the electrical industry there has been price rises in excess of the inflation rate.

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Oh deer!

...what a cow.

One might have wondered why the cow statues at the gateway to the Woolworth's carpark cost so much, but it has now been revealed where that money was spent.

They were very special cows in that they had the ability to grow antlers, and overnight become reindeers.

Who would have thought that this was possible in Maleny.

What a great surprise to

those who drive past each day.

Unfortunately it appears that Rudolph was forgotted as there are no red noses in sight!

Who knows - next year the tree that just happened to appear in the round about at the entrance to the Riverside Shopping Centre might just grow some christmas lights.

Just another advantage to living in Maleny!



My dear Mum's logical sayings

Irony



Saying: -Keep crying and I will give you something to cry about?'

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BEST WISHES TO YOU ALL. FROM PAINT PLACE, MALENY

May 2011 be a good year, full of good health and merriment.

Thanks for your support in 2010

And we wish that you get all the fastest lanes in the supermarket for the coming year.

Your keys right where you look.

A good sing along song on the radio.

And Peace on Earth in 2011.

*We will be closed between
Dec 25th and 29th.*



Woodford Folk Festival Internationals

The world just loves coming to Woodfordia. And this year is no exception as a top international line-up of performers is again threaded through an exceptional program.

The USA, Canada, the UK and Scandinavia are principal providers of a wide range of wonderful talent with some added exotic infusion from places such as Ecuador, Senegal, Germany, Japan and New Caledonia.

The six-day Woodford Folk Festival takes place from December 27 to January 1 inclusive.

For more info visit www.woodfordfolkfestival.com

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Ebenezer kids send Christmas wishes!

We have received a message from Ranji and the kids from Ebenezer for Maleny people.

“Our kids join me in wishing you a Merry Christmas and a blessed and prosperous 2011.

We are so grateful for your continued support, love and invaluable help. We appreciate you so much.”

Ranji says that she is taking a three week break to spend time with her family and grandkids, who have been asking their parents for the past two weeks, “How many sleeps before Nannie comes..”

Ranji has had a busy year so she will take a break and try to forget Ebenezer for a while, if she can.....!!!!

The Ebenezer Trust School celebrated its 5th Christmas Party recently and this was a great time for a celebratory party. It

was a party for the young and the old, for students and for teachers and even for babies!

The teachers, children and all Ebenezer Staff joined together in a day of fun and laughter as they played games, and had competitions.

They sang Christmas songs, recited poems, and performed a Christmas nativity play, African style!

Because most of the kids won't get any Christmas presents each of the

students also got a hamper full of goodies and apples to take home. Getting the hamper was a great treat for them.

“It is important that we always make the closing day of our school a memorable one for each one of them. It was a great time!” said Ranji.



Check this video from Ebenezer - (cut & paste link into your browser!)
<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pl0TBr1Mg4s&feature=related>

Mum's favourite Recipes

Easy Quiche

- a quick & easy!

Ingredients

* 4 eggs * 1 cup milk * 3 tbsp melted butter * 1/2 cup SR Flour
* 1/2 cream * 1 1/2 cups grated cheese * 2 cups of your choice of filling (eg onion, capsicum, zucchini, mushrooms, bacon, ham, salami)

Directions

Mix the eggs, flour, milk, cream and butter.

Stir in the cheese and fillings. Pour into a 24cm quiche dish.

Bake on 180 Celsius for 40 minutes or until set.

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 all those vehicles that just have to chance their arm and drive into flooded waters. It is disturbing to hear on the news about the number of vehicles that have to be pulled from flood waters covering roads.

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Truth-ful Jones Tells... he heard about his nephew who



is an airline pilot for QANTAS. While taxiing at London 's Airport he heard the following conversation between the crew of a US Air flight departing for Ft. Lauderdale who had made a wrong turn and came nose to nose with a United 727.

An irate female ground controller lashed out at the US Air crew, screaming: "US Air 2771, where the hell are you going? I told you to turn right onto Charlie taxiway! You turned right on Delta! Stop right there. I know it's difficult for you to tell the difference between C and D, but get it right!"

Continuing her rage to the embarrassed crew, she was now shouting hysterically: "God! Now you've screwed everything up! It'll take forever to sort this out! You stay right there and don't move till I tell you to! You can expect progressive taxi instructions in about half an hour, and I want you to go exactly where I tell you, when I tell you, and how I tell you! You got that, US Air 2771?"

"Yes, ma'am," the humbled crew responded.

Naturally, the ground control communications frequency fell terribly silent after the verbal bashing of US Air 2771.

Nobody wanted to chance engaging the irate ground controller in her current state of mind. Tension in every cockpit out around Gatwick was definitely running high.

Just then, an unknown pilot broke the silence and keyed his microphone, asking: "Wasn't I married to you once?"

Morale; It doesn't matter what are the circumstances - never upset the female of the tribe.

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Storms to continue into new year

The recent bout of storms hitting our area is expected to continue into the new year.

Our area has been somewhat lucky during the recent storms in that no major damage has been reported as to date.

S.E.S. spokesperson, Jarod Ashcroft said that immediately prior to any storms it is important to:-

- * Move your car under cover or away from trees.
- * Secure loose outdoor items.
- * Avoid driving, walking or riding through floodwaters.
- * Seek shelter, preferably indoors and never under trees.
- * Avoid using the telephone during a thunderstorm.
- * Beware of fallen trees and powerlines.

and remember in case of problems remember the number below:

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- RISING FLOOD WATER
- FALLEN TREES ON BUILDINGS
- DAMAGED ROOF

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

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Let the work begin!

After Councillor McKay's Precinct Advisory Group unanimously recommended the provisional leased boundaries for the sporting areas, Council then gave the green light to MDSRC for the preliminary works that got underway last Friday.

Rain stopped 'play' temporarily but fencing, slashing and gate installation will recommence once the weather improves.

Fortunately, the area you see in the photo on the Precinct (behind Erowal) offers excellent drainage despite providing some of the flattest land in Maleny.

The first task is to survey the precise location of the playing fields and athletics track, mindful of player safety and proximity to Obi Obi Creek. This will require upgraded fencing, some new gates, slashing and improved access.

Early in the New Year slashing should be completed and the four fields and athletics' track pegged out.

MDSRC will then plan holding an open day for everyone to visit

the site to get the feel of the huge potential of the land for sporting facilities.

"It's been a long haul but definitely worth the wait for Maleny's sporting clubs and their members who have long planned to get hands-on with four new playing fields and an athletics track on the community Precinct" said MDSRC President, Mike Norman, "But things are now on the move, and 2011 should see real progress in creating these much needed facilities."



Still Looking For Your Christmas Tree?



Then pop into the Maleny Driving Range this week-end!

The Maleny Golf Club will be selling Christmas trees (freshly sawn pine trees) as a fund-raiser:-

where: Golf Driving Range
(Porter's Lane North Maleny)

when: Saturday 18th Dec 9.00am till 5.00pm
(& Sunday 19th Dec if there's any left)

cost: from \$10 - \$20

Be early if you want one - and help support the fund for the first 9 holes!



It's seven years since Caloundra City Council persuaded Steven Porter to sell his family dairy farm for golf and sporting activities.

"Steven is delighted to see his farm being transformed into sporting facilities and a golf course for Maleny and the hinterland" said Mike.

Members of MDSRC who are keen to assist in the volunteer workplan for these preliminary works are asked to contact Mike on regent12@bigpond.com so that a schedule can be properly organised in the new year.

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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



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With the continuing rain periods most of us are having trouble with mould.

Mould is a type of fungi that lives on plant and animal matter. Mould grows best in damp and poorly ventilated areas, and reproduces by making spores.

Airborne mould spores are commonly found in both indoor and outdoor environments. When they land on damp spots indoors, they may begin to grow and spread.

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This week with Peter Slipper M.P.

Recognising Great Australians

I urge local residents to consider nominating hardworking locals for the Fisher Community Australia Day Awards 2011.

This is a great way to recognise an individual who or a community group that has worked hard to make a difference to their community.

Nomination forms are available from my office at Buddina or by phoning 07 – 5444 4888. Forms can also be emailed.

The annual awards are held on January 26 each year to give public recognition to those local residents who make significant contributions to the region in the areas of community service, commerce, the arts or sports.

Each year, many dedicated locals give up considerable amounts of their own time to give something to their community; and most often they do it with no expectation of anything in return.

The Community Australia Day Awards are an opportunity to give public recognition to all those people who make these self-less sacrifices to help to make the region the great place that it is. I urge anyone who knows someone who deserves such recognition to hurry and nominate them.

Nominees will be considered for the awards of “Citizen of the Year”, “Young Citizen of the Year” and the “Wortley Youth Encouragement Award”.

Community organisations will also be considered for the Des Scanlan Memorial Shield.

Christmas advice

As locals begin preparations for the Christmas season, it’s important to remember to take extra care with food storage and preparations in the hotter summer months.

This is an issue all year round with some 5.4-million cases of food poisoning annually, but the warmer weather and the presence of more flies over summer makes it particularly important around this time of year to be mindful of food handling rules.

Some handy hints include: check that your fridge is running at 5 degrees C or below, don’t let raw meat and chicken drip onto salads and deserts that won’t be cooked again, don’t leave foods like pizza leftovers on the kitchen bench overnight – instead, once they have stopped steaming place them in containers in the fridge, make sure sausages and mince are cooked until there is no more pink left in the centre.

Make sure you regularly wash your hands and dry them thoroughly be-

fore touching food. These simple guidelines will help you avoid being struck down by a dreaded stomach bug.



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