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Mobile Phones turn 30 years old

Who would believe that the Mobile phone as we know it in Australia is now 30 years old.

Who would have thought when Dick Tracy, comic strip character



introduced the wrist phone in 1931 what would happen within 50 years.

The original mobile phones, commonly called "The brick" were tied down to a car and cost a fortune to own. Battery life was poor and reception was very problematical, but they set the foundation for today's cellular network.

Phones are no longer used only for making phone calls - now smart phones rule the individual's lifestyle.

Today, Australians are addicted to their phones.

✕ Maleny Hospital gets a major boost ✕

-\$6.9 million dollars for a specialist geriatric and management unit.

...FUNDED BED NUMBERS TO RISE FROM 16 TO 24

Queensland Health Minister has announced a \$6.9 million dollar funding scheme for the Maleny Soldiers Memorial Hospital for the establishment of a specialist geriatric evaluation and management unit.

This funding will increase the number of funded beds from 16 to 24 until 2014.

The unit would treat sub-acute patients who require rehabilitation. These patients presently take up one of the beds allocated to general admission patients.

Nursing Director, Mark Sierakowski said, "These beds will be for patients who have had major surgery and are not recovering as fast as they should recover. These patients are normally transferred to other hospitals so that they could get the extra care needed.

This funding will create a number of new staffing positions at the hospital, including nursing staff, specialists such as a pathologist, social workers, nurses, and a pharmacist. There will also be other visiting specialists.

The new unit will be houses in the birthing suite which has not been used for the intended purpose for a number of years.

This program is to help older people to be able to live in their own homes much longer before going into a nursing home. The first patients are expected to be treated by October, 2011.

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Friday 2nd September 2011

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What do you think about broadband internet?

Sunshine Coast residents are being encouraged to log on to give their opinion on all matters broadband. If you subscribe through the remainder of August, you'll enter the competition to win an iPad2 worth \$700.

With the Federal Government's announcement of the rollout of the National Broadband Network (NBN), we are all keen to know when it will reach this area.

The good news which could influence how quickly we get it here is that NBN Co is taking a special interest in the Coast due to Sunshine Coast Council's own efforts. For more information visit:

<http://www.broadbandtoday.com.au/>

Maleny RFB Roundup

with

Donna & Norm Lewis

Volunteer Community Education Officers

Of recent weeks the State and local government agencies have undertaken significant hazard-reduction burning throughout the region, including a massive 500ha clearing in the Beerburrum Forestry plantationsing

Rural Fire Brigades are now encouraged rural landowners to get a fire permit to safely carry out mitigation work on their properties.

The wider community can also begin preparing for a normal fire season about now.

At the present time there is moisture in the top soils which help to make hazard reduction burns safer, but over the past couple of weeks there have been some frosts which dries off the grasses which will now burn a little easier.

Before you light any hazard reduction burn it is essential to check the weather conditions and work with those conditions to ensure that your burn is carried out as safely as possible.

This safe period is limited and as summer comes closer it becomes too late to safely carry out burns safely. Don't leave it too late in the season to act. If you are short of everything except fire, things are going as per normal so don't take any fire too lightly as they can change so quickly. Always work on the principal that all fire fronts 1 hour away, will arrive in 30 minutes.

For more safety information you can contact the Maleny Rural Fire Brigade volunteer members on 5499 9112. For a list of Wardens that can issue fire permits you can visit the web site:

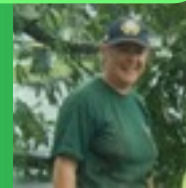
<http://www.hinterlandgrapevine.com/EmergencyServices/MalenyRFB/Wardens.html>

To start a fire without a permit and or complying with the conditions of that permit is an offence and substantial fines can be applied to that offence.

COUNCIL CALLS FOR NOMINATIONS FOR AUSTRALIA DAY AWARDS

Nominations are being called by the Sunshine Coast Council for outstanding locals to be recognised at the fourth annual Sunshine Coast Australia Day Awards.

Mayor Bob Abbot will launch the 2012 awards at the newly opened Art and Ecology Centre at the Maroochy Botanic Gardens on Thursday 1 September at 11am. Nominations are open from 1 September to 30 December and can be completed online. Entry kits can be downloaded from council's website or picked up from customer service centres, libraries, visitor information centres, Sunshine Coast University and TAFE.



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News from Maleny State Emergency Group

The State Emergency Service Maleny Group volunteers have been assisting in the search for evidence in the Daniel Morcombe murder trial.

Daniel Morcome went missing on December 7th, 2003.

The Maleny volunteers form part of the large contingent of SES volunteers who are searching an area in swampy conditions in forestry area near Beerwah.

The search has need not only labour intensive, but is being conducted under the most difficult circumstances as the search area is extremely swampy.

In searching this swampy area some volunteers were required to wade chest deep in muddy swamp water for protracted time searching for anything to assist in the investigation.

An attempt has been made to drain the area, but that task is almost impossible. All of this area was under water during the wet season at the beginning of 2011.

Parts of the area have been searched by volunteers on hands and knees to ensure a very thorough search.

There has been fear by searchers that this torrential water may have washed any evidential pieces away from the area towards the Pumistone Passage.

On Tuesday August 16th the first piece of possible evidence was located when a shoe was found in the primary search area.

Police have taken the shoe to the John Tonge Centre in Sunnybank, Brisbane. This is the HQ for Queensland Health's Forensic and Scientific Services. These tests are expected to take a number of weeks.

One thing that has made the task more pleasant has been the massive support from the community. Many brought food and drinks to the scene. This has raised the spirits of the volunteers.

Maleny SES Group Leader, Ms. Pamyala O'Connor said, "Even though the search conditions are very difficult for the volunteers they are buoyed by the thought that they are doing their part to solve this sad mystery."

For more information about the Maleny SES Group contact 1300 960 368.



MALENY BOWLS CLUB FRIDAY SOCIAL BOWLS

Find out who is
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You can help to change Sunshine Coast local laws

You don't like some of the local council regulations, think other laws should not be law or think that there should be regulation on matters that presently aren't covered in law!

Now is your chance to have a say about what you think should be covered by a law. The Sunshine Coast Council is reviewing its suite of local laws – the laws govern topics such as parking, animal management, permits and bathing reserves – and is inviting the community to make comment between 15 August and 11 September.

Local laws are statutory instruments of law and are ultimately enforceable through the Courts. Local laws provide for the good governance of the many diverse communities in the Sunshine Coast region.

Since council amalgamation there have been three sets of laws covering the same situations depending on where you live. This is not only confusing, but it is unfair.

"Council has developed a suite of proposed local laws and subordinate local laws – reducing the number from 99 to only 13 – with the aim of achieving one functional, easy to understand, enforceable and contemporary suite," Cr Tim Dwyer said.

"So that we can address the issues relevant to communities across the region, it is important for anyone who wants to have a voice in this process to have their say."

There are a number of overarching principles upon which all local laws are based. These include a requirement that a local law should not duplicate State legislation and should be necessary and enforceable.

Local laws are laws independently made by council to deal with issues in the local government area. Council proposes to make seven local laws.

To follow the progress of the proposed local laws and to have your say, visit council's website from Monday 15 August until Sunday 11 September. You can also get information about the proposed local laws, as well as details about information sessions to be held at libraries across the region, from council's Customer Contact Centres, libraries and website.

The Local Government Reform Implementation Regulation 2008 requires council to consolidate its existing local laws by 31 December 2011.

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 a white sedan who reversed into a parking spot in Maple Street, Maleny last Thursday mid morning.

The driver stopped abruptly and then reversed into the parking spot at a fast rate of speed. It was lucky that he did not jump the parking block.

No need to drive without due caution.

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Mum's Favourite Recipe Corn Chowder



Ingredients:

- * 4 rashers short-cut bacon, fat removed
- * 2 large potatoes (500g), peeled and diced (1 cm)
- * 1 tablespoon maize cornflour
- * 440g can corn kernels, drained
- * 4 shakes pepper
- * 1 stalk celery, diced
- * 2 cups water
- * 2 cups Vitasoy Soy Milky Light
- * 1 tablespoon parsley, chopped
- * Chives to garnish

Instructions

In a large saucepan, lightly fry bacon and celery but do not brown. Add potato and cook for 1 minute, stirring to prevent sticking. Add water and cover and simmer for 10 minutes.

Mix cornflour with ¼ cup of Vitasoy Soy Milky Light. Pour the remaining Vitasoy Soy Milky Light into the saucepan and then stir in the blended cornflour. Cook for 5 minutes on a low heat (Do not boil). Add corn, parsley and pepper.

Serve and sprinkle with chopped chives.

Lawyer Street businesses

Local businesses and local communities survive by aiding each other. It is the local small businesses that are the backbone of support for many of the local community and sports organisations.

Not all small businesses operate from Maple Street, Maleny. In fact Lawyer Street is the home to many of Maleny's small businesses.

Many, but not all of the businesses in Lawyer Street provide services for the motorist. When you are looking for this type of service ensure that you check out the Lawyer Street businesses.

There are also building supplies businesses such as landscaping supplies, plumbing supplies, lattice making, blinds and paint supplies. Give these businesses a go.

The Musings of an old codger!

The dust is just settling over the cause of the 2011 South East Queensland Floods and again blame is being bandied around.

The only thing that the flood show is that man cannot compete with the worst that nature can throw when conditions are wrong.

Ever since the beginning of time flood plains have been places where water levels can be unpredictable.

With the recent flooding NOTHING could have stopped low areas from flooding and flood plains are there naturally so that flooding waters can spread out.

Proper planning should not allow developers to build up flood plains thus changing the course of flood waters. In many cases on the Sunshine Coast it is too late as sensitive areas have already been built upon. There is, however still a chance to prevent a catastrophe from happening at to the Caloundra South development.

Increasing insurances on land that is above flood levels is not the answer - why should these people pay for those who make dubious decisions about the safety of their home. Build on flood plains at your own risk.

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Care + Cleaning of brushes & rollers

To get a great finish it is important to use quality brushes and rollers - they are worth the extra cost to get that finish you want.

To ensure brushes and rollers last longer and maintain their original condition they must be cared for correctly.

1. Squeeze as much paint as possible from rollers, brushes and trays back into the paint can for future use.
2. Wipe remaining paint from brush or roller onto an absorbent material such as a rag or newspaper. Allow these materials to dry and dispose of with normal household waste.
3. Wash brush or roller in a large bucket with the solvent recommended for the paint used.
4. Wash brush or roller in a separate bucket of warm, soapy water.
5. Buckets of water

and/or solvents should be left to rest overnight so paint sediment can settle to the bottom.

When paint has settled water can be poured onto grass or garden. Solvent can be retained for future use. Paint sediment at the bottom of the bucket should be wiped out with an absorbent material such as a rag or newspaper.

Allow these materials to dry and dispose of with normal household waste.

6. Shake out excess water from brush or roller.

7. Brushes

Comb the bristles of brushes and shape while still wet. Brushes can be stored hanging up or flat, either in their original packaging or in newspaper. Ensure brush bristle or filament is not stored in contact with anything that can distort its shape.

Rollers

Rollers are best dried and stored standing up to avoid flat spots developing in the nap. Remember to always rinse roller covers in water prior to use to ensure dust and loose fibres do not contaminate your paint.

Don'ts

- Do not stir paint with a brush or roller, always use a paint mixer.
- Never let brushes or rollers soak in water for long periods of time, this may distort brush bristle or roller fibres.

- Never let paint dry on brushes or rollers.

- Do not use concentrated detergent or very hot water when washing as this may damage brush bristle or roller fibres.

Taking a painting break?

Simply wrap your brush or roller in a plastic bag or cling wrap to keep moist and ready to be used as soon as your break is over.

All your painting needs are available from Maleny Paint Place, 6/14 Lawyer Street, Maleny.

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Harvey's reminisces of The Maleny area

Maleny Hospital been a part of the community since the beginning

With the announcement by the Health Minister Geoff Wilson that the Maleny Hospital is about to get a \$6.92 million dollar boost to set up a specialist 8 bed Geriatric Evaluation and Management Unit is a good time to think about some history of the Maleny Hospital.

It was first mooted in 1917 that a hospital was to be built in Maleny. It was to be a memorial to those servicemen and women who served the community in the First World War.

It was not until 1919 that a fund was started to fund the "Maleny Soldiers Memorial Hospital". This fund was a community fund.

The hospital building was erected by Mr Paul Tesch for 1157 pounds and 300 pounds for furnishings. The Maleny Soldiers Memorial Hospital was officially opened on 21 October 1920.

The first hospital was actually a private hospital.



All returned men from the war were treated free.

The first doctors were Dr. Sampson and Dr. Anderson.

Prior to the hospital being opened there was another medical facility which was opened in 1913. This facility was in the form of the dwelling of Dr. Sampson.

In May 1921 this private hospital was re-gazetted as as General Public Hospital, but the name of hospital remained as a Memorial Hospital was retained. The first G.M.O. was Dr. Stark.



Photo above: Dr. Parer

Photo Left shows the original section of the hospital - it was built on land which is where the present Maleny Ambulance Station stands. Over the years many sections were added.

One of the most respected Doctors in the history of Maleny was Dr. Tony Parer. Dr. Parer was Maleny's only Doctor between 1934 to 1952. During his time in Maleny, including the War years he treated patients not only from the Maleny area but Kenilworth and Caloundra areas as well.

Dr Parer was not only the community doctor but community elder. He was instrumental in ensuring that many of the community organisations survived.

Dr. Parer was one of the founding members of the Royal Australian College of General Practitioners.



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Cheers Pres Dave



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Over the years many extra sections were added to the original hospital. There was always serious concern that the building was becoming more of a fire hazard as additions were made.

During the 1930's the administration of the Maleny Hospital was transferred to the Brisbane and South Coast Hospital Board.

Ever since the first establishment part of the constitution of this hospital included the name of the hospital being in memory of returned service people, and no returned service person was to be charged for treatment for injuries suffered as a result of their service activities.

In 1937 the Brisbane and South Coast Hospital Board attempted to charge three servicemen for their treatment. This started a dispute between the Maleny RSL Sub-Branch and the Hospital Board.

This dispute was finally settled with the hospital name remaining as the Maleny Soldier's Memorial Hospital, and still today no service person is charged for treatment to injuries received as a result of their services to the nation.

On new year's day 1963 at about 3a.m. whilst the Maleny community was celebrating the incoming new year a strong rain

depression crossed the coast. Winds were recorded at over 50mph.

Some of the iron sheets of the hospital roof were blown off. At the same time the hospital lost power and the whole hospital was plunged into darkness.

As the 50 knot winds shattered windows and the cyclonic rain poured in through the damaged roof Matron O'Lahty and her staff moved their patients in pitch darkness to the hospital's one new wing. Matron O'Lahty



later became Mrs AHERN, step-mother of Mike Ahern, the local State M.P.

At first light, with the help of local residents the majority of patients were moved to a temporary 'hospital' in Maleny's School of Arts".

In October 1987 the new Maleny Soldier's memorial Hospital was completed and opened. It was located in Bean Street, Maleny, directly opposite the old Maleny Hospital.

Ironically, after so much concern about the safety of the old hospital building it was the new

hospital that was damaged by fire.

Within months of opening it was an early morning fire in the electrical switch room that summonsed members of the Maleny Fire Auxiliary and police to the scene.

Under the watchful eye of Sister Bernice McLennen and the hospital kitchen staff, who had just come on duty the patients were evacuated from the wards into the surrounding garden areas. No persons were injured in this incident.

Damage was mainly caused throughout the building by smoke being sucked through the air-conditioning system.

In 1989 the original Maleny Hospital building was removed

from the Bean Street site. Part of the building was demolished whilst the main body of the building was removed to a location on Reesville Road, Reesville where it was converted into a residence.

It remains there today as a private residence so in just a few years that building will celebrate 100 years of service.

The Maleny's hospital history continues on with the recent 2011 announcement that a further \$6.9 million dollars would be provided to increase the number of beds from 18 to 24 to run through until 2014.

A great day for a walk!

Maleny Precinct starts to take shape

Saturday August 20th dawned crisp and clear - terrific weather for walkers, who took full advantage to experience the various early Maleny Precinct trails with a planned walk over the area.

After a warming cuppa, and a look at the maps, Cr Jenny McKay welcomed everyone and joined the happy treckers.

Starting from Pattermore House, all walks were well attended, with The Friends of Pattermore House delighted to show visitors

the Heritage track to the Old Bails, and from there it was down to historic Reynold's Crossing.

The old road to the creek crossing, and it's proximity to Gardner's Falls was the talk of the day.

Simultaneously, many more visited the expansive new playing fields and the golfing fairways; the sausage sizzle at the driving range topped off a beautiful and busy morning.

After lunch, more walkers visited the planned Creek trails network.

A terrific day out on this magnificent parcel of land, and



an early taste of what is to come on the Precinct, with it's many opportunities for visitors seeking a variety of outdoor experiences.

Maleny Meals on Wheels turns 25

Governments of all levels have repeatedly stated that the Australian population is getting older and thus it is getting more difficult to accommodate them in residential living.

As a result it is becoming more important that older people can be accommodated in their own homes until after in life.

To be able to do this more services need to be provided within communities to assist those older people who cannot fully care for themselves.

Meals on Wheels is just one community voluntary organisation that is doing just that and has been doing so for many years, since 1952 in fact.

Meals on wheels was started in South Melbourne in 1952 by a single volunteer who wanted to

help her house bound neighbours.

The Red Cross Association of Australia realised the need for the service and took over this one person service and spread it throughout Australia.

The Australian Meals on Wheels Association is now a separate entity itself with local associations throughout Australia.

The Maleny Meals on Wheels group is celebrating 25 years of service to the Maleny community.

Maleny Group President, Jack Wilcox said that for many elderly community members the volunteers delivering the meals are more than just meal delivers as they are often the only regular visitors that those elderly people see. He continued, "Thus they

become the "watch-persons" for those elderly ensuring that they receive any other necessary help they need.

In the 25 years of meals being delivered in Maleny volunteers have travelled over half a million kilometers and delivered approximately 72,000 meals.

The group presently has more than 90 volunteer delivery people ensuring that the meals, which are prepared by the Maleny Hospital kitchen staff are delivered to those awaiting them.

New volunteers are always welcome and inquiries can be made by ringing 5494 2421.

People needing this service can speak to their own doctor to arrange for the service to be provided.

Another great volunteer service that assists our community.

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About Weeds

Sunshine Coast Councils Environmental Operations will be raising awareness of the threat weeds pose to our natural environment through eco art.

These sessions will begin with a short film presentation followed by an eco art workshop on September 5th, 2011 between 1.30p.m. and 4.30p.m.

It will be presented by Judy Wolski & Leanne Farmiloe.

Join the presentation and learn how to collect, prepare and weave crafty creations using weeds.

Some of the art work will form a weed monster sculpture to be on display at the Art & Ecology Centre. Please bring a water bottle and snack if required.

This event will be held at the Maleny Library Meeting room. Whilst this is a free bookings are essential

This program is a free program, but bookings are essential. The library details are: Maleny Library, 5 Coral Street, Maleny - Phone (07) 5435 3100.

What can we do as individuals to help the environment

There is a problem with the environment, but a tax won't fix it!

There is growing evidence that mankind is having a big effect on the earth's climate. This generation has it in its hands to stem that damage.

The easy step to fixing the carbon problem is to apply a tax to part of the economy and the matter will be resolved.

What this will do is create another government bureaucracy and add to the carbon problem by increasing administrative processes.

As individuals there are many things that we can do as individuals to have a real effect. This is just one.

One of the simplest ways to slash carbon emissions is by growing, sourcing, buying and using as much local food as possible. Not only does this reduce food miles, but ensures that food is fresher and thus better to eat.

We in Maleny have a great opportunity to use local produce sourced from local markets and businesses sourcing local produce.

This reduces the need to transport goods from the farm gate to a far-off central storage, then refrigerating for periods of time then transporting those goods back to the marketplace.

Ask your supplier where produce is sourced. If enough consumers want local produce then retailers will stock it.



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The Maleny Library makes something of our weeds

Weeds are a curse and need to be controlled, but on this occasion they have become the subject of a series of short movies and artwork produced locally by local artists.

This COMA exhibition will be opened at Maleny Library on Friday 2nd September starting at 5.30pm.

Friday 2 September 5.30pm;
in Maleny Library (bookings essential 5429 6222) *Maleny Images 9: Introduced* - COMA art exhibition official opening: display continues in the library 28 August - 10 September.

Monday 5 September 1.30-4.30pm;
in Maleny Library (bookings essential 5429 6222): FREE: *Weaving with Weeds* practical arts workshop with Judy Wolski; with screening of samples from four locally-made films about local invasive weeds:

Weeds, Wonderful Weeds! (Jill Morris); *Weeded Out* (Leanne Farmiloe); *Slow Down - Everything's Connected* (Jess Begun); *Code Red: Madeira* (Christine Elcoate).

Friday 9 September 5.30pm;
in Maleny Library (bookings essential 5429 6222): Screening of the four films (as above); weeds in poetry and song. *Friends of the Library* fund-raising event (\$5 adults; children free) offering drinks (non alcoholic) and nibbles.

perform voice-overs as the weeds, Heather Gall's weed paintings adorn cushions; Leanne Farmiloe's original music and song with poetic script and production by award-winning children's author Jill Morris.

Weeded Out - animation comedy: Cane Toad and Scotch Thistle travel to Canberra, demanding re-classification on the grounds of long-term Australian residency. Cartoon characterisation of Julia Gillard, Kevin Rudd & Peter Garrett. Maleny actress Joy Marshall is voice-over for Platypus. Script, music & cartoon drawings by Leanne Farmiloe.

Slow Down - Everything's Connected: documentary exploring weeds in long-term ecology, via interviews



Weeds, Wonderful Weeds! - tongue-in-cheek artistic documentary highlighting the beauty of seven of the most challenging invasive weeds. Seven Maleny Players

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.....the week of weed movies continued

with local environmentalists, using a touch of animation. Produced by Jess Begun, whose last film was the documentary *Laugh with Me* about Jill Jordan.

Code Red: Madeira: comedy melodrama by Hunchy artist Christine Elcoate, about a Maleny couple who discover a piece Madeira Vine on their property and call in a team of mates to help locate the source: willing but distractable

weeders, a helicopter pilot neighbour and a 'tree climbing weedbuster' from SEES (State Environmental Emergency).

Thanks to the same team: there will also be a series of eco-art practical workshops in weaving and dyeing with weeds to contribute to a Weed Monster sculpture, in the new \$3million Arts & Ecology Centre in Maroochy Bushland Botanic Gardens on 3 September, 10

September, 21 & 28 September (some adult, some family - all free) Bookings are essential.

For further information phone coordinator Jill

Morris on 5494 3000.

The four films will be screened, with allied arts workshops, in libraries throughout the shire between the 5th and 9th of September.

Bookings can be made by phone through the Maleny library on 5435 3100.

Relay for Life

It has now become a tradition for Malenyites to take part in the annual Relay for Life Fundraising event at the Maleny Showgrounds.

In 2011 it will be held on the weekend of October 8th and 9th. As usual all funds raised goes towards the Cancer Council of Queensland who provides cancer-related services across the state.



Now is the time to get a team together to take part.

For more information about this event contact Dot Billingham on 5451 6000

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Truthful Jones tells us about some of his happenings

Truthful tells us that he recently received an email from the Prime Minister, Ms Julia Gillard and as a keen golfer he is concerned as the

email states;

"I, the Prime Minister of Australia, Ms Julia Gillard am appointing a Golf Commissioner. He will change the face of Golf as we know it. In the interest of the people of Australia that Commissioner will be appointed from the ranks of card carrying Labor Union Officials."

It will be the job of this commissioner to ensure that the following changes be made for people who play golf.

New changes will see anyone with a handicap below 10 copping a 35 percent increase in green fees. Anyone with a handicap of 18 or above will receive \$20.00 each time they play a round.

In addition, a player will be limited to a maximum of one birdie or six pars in any given round of 18 holes. Should those numbers be exceeded then a penalty of 5 shots will be added to that person's scorecard for each indiscretion."

Ms Gillard continued, By implementing these important changes to the game the game will be fair for all that play. The enjoyment of playing the game should have nothing to do with ability, hard work, practice and responsibility."

The Federal Government has allocated \$75 million of taxpayers dollars to advise golfers of these important changes to their game and the reasons those changes are necessary.

These rule changes are to ensure that a maximum number of people enjoy the game of golf.



Do you want to buy "Prince William's Wedding to Catherine" on DVD

From the BBC, join HRH Prince William and Catherine Middleton at Westminster Abbey as they celebrate the momentous occasion of their marriage. Relive and treasure their special day with this souvenir DVD, containing two hours of coverage from the BBC.

This DVD includes Catherine's breathtaking arrival at Westminster Abbey, the full ceremony, the carriage procession and the traditional balcony appearance at Buckingham Palace.

To buy this DVD you simply click on this link when connected to the internet and then look for the ABC Shop page logo on the HG Gig Guide web page.

At the ABC web site enter the film title into the search box at the top left side and it will take you to the shopping cart.

Slap a Pollie

Feel Frustrated with politicians - here is a chance to give a pollie a slap.

It won't give do you much good, but it might relieve some of that frustration. Go to the website below.

No political colour is exempted!

<http://www.slapapollie.com/>



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This week with Peter Slipper



Youth Leadership nominations

Nominations are invited for the Sunshine Coast Youth Partnership Future Leaders programme.

The programme provides young people with training in leadership as well as mentoring in event management. They also have an opportunity this year to assist in organising a music and arts festival.

For details, contact info@sunshinecoastyouth.com or phone the Sunshine Coast Youth Partnership at 5479 0070.

Veterans Forum

I am hosting a Veterans Forum with special guest speaker Shadow Minister for Veterans Michael Ronaldson, on September 2.

All veterans are invited to attend.

For enquiries and to book a place, contact my office on 5444 4888.

Small Business forum

With economic conditions adding further challenges to small business, Shadow Minister for Small Business Bruce Billson will speak at a small business forum on 30 August at Lake Kawana Community Centre.

Contact my office on 5444 4888 for details and to make bookings for catering purposes.

Highway widening

Support has been strong for my petition calling for the Australian

Government to widen the Bruce Highway to six lanes between Caboolture and the Sunshine Coast.

Anyone wishing to have a copy of the petition in their offices/outlet to collect signatures for this worthy cause can contact my office at 07-5444 4888.

I have spoken in the Australian Parliament on the issue numerous times and also written to the relevant Minister and the Prime Minister about the issue.

It is very important that we get upgrades to the highway to ensure it is as efficient and safe as possible and able to meet the demands of our growing population.

I'm urging concerned Sunshine Coast residents to make an effort to add their names to the list so we can put pressure on the Government to address this vital need.

The petitions are also available for signing at my office at the corner of Point Cartwright Drive and Nicklin Way, Buddina, and also at the office of Andrew Powell MP, 70 Maple Street, Maleny.

Somalia Military Service

Ex-service personnel former members of the ships' companies of HMA Ships *Tobruk* and *Jervis Bay* may be eligible for the Australian Active Service Medal with Clasp 'SOMALIA'. For details visit:

www.defence.gov.au/media/departamentalpl.cfm?CurrentId=11705

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- * **Electricians**
- * **Plasterers**
- * **Plumbers**
- * **Colour Consultants**

More will be added to our list as time goes on and we are satisfied that we can recommend their services with confidence.

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when connected to the internet to go to a new website for Maleny Tradespeople.

www.malenytradesmen.com

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