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Our Thoughts

Councils must spend \$300 million by Sept next year from Federal Money to help "kick start" the Australian economy.

The Sunshine Coast Regional Council was allocated \$1.345 million of the \$250 million local government package with another \$50 million is still to be allocated.

The "Roads to Recovery" program aims to direct federal funding straight to councils.

The money would be available under the Regional and Local Infrastructure Program and will be allocated by the end of June next year.

Council will be able to apply for funding to build or to repair existing public parks, town halls, community centres, swimming pools, sports grounds, libraries and tourism infrastructure.

The remaining \$50 million would be for strategic community infrastructure projects needing larger-scale funding such as sports stadia or swimming pools, with a minimum allocation of \$2 million.

Councils will be required to submit proposals for funding.

What great timing and what a great way to "kick start" the Maleny Precinct program. If our council fails to take advantage of this program then it would be extremely negligent.

Times are tough economically but you can help - *shop locally*

Local businesses are finding times are tough. Whilst there may be some rare exceptions, the news isn't good.

In short, people have stopped spending on most things that aren't considered essential.

This is not good news for our own areas businesses nor for the local consumer. If local spending stops, jobs will be at risk and the convenience of being able to "just duck into town to get it" will be lost to our town.

Now with Christmas approaching is the time to show local support for local businesses as they support local groups all year round.

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MALENY SOCCER

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THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF MALENY RANGERS SOCCER CLUB INC WILL BE HELD ON SUNDAY THE 30TH NOVEMBER 2008.

Location: AT THE BIG BARREL WINERY, 269 LANDSBOROUGH/MALENY Rd.

Time: AT 4-00 PM. THE MEETING WILL BE FOLLOWED BY LIGHT REFRESHMENTS.

Maleny R.S.L. holding a Rhythm & Blues night

Maleny RSL is holding a Rhythm & Blues night on Saturday 29th November. Doors open @ 6pm.

This is a fundraiser by the RSL for the RSL. There will be a licensed bar operating. Coffee/tea, cake will also be available. Sorry no BYO alcohol.

The artists are Brian Fraser and Pop Standen who are very well known within this genre. Commencing approx 7pm, we expect a show of at least 2 and a half hours.

Cost is a minimal \$10 per head.

This will be a very enjoyable laid back evening so why not get a group together for a great night of entertainment.

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Truthful Jones

Tells... that he has been advising Her Majesty, Queen Elizabeth II on her coming Christmas Message and it will be-

To the citizens of the United States of America from Her Sovereign Majesty Queen Elizabeth II.

In light of your failure in recent years to nominate competent candidates for President of the USA and thus to govern yourselves, we hereby give notice of the revocation of your independence, effective immediately. (You should look up 'revocation' in the Oxford English Dictionary.)

Her Sovereign Majesty Queen Elizabeth II will resume monarchical duties over all states, commonwealths, and territories (except Kansas, which she does not fancy).

Your new Prime Minister, Gordon Brown, will appoint a Governor for America without the need for further elections. Congress and the Senate will be disbanded. A questionnaire may be circulated next year to determine whether any of you noticed.

To aid in the transition to a British Crown dependency, the following rules are introduced with immediate effect:

1. The letter 'U' will be reinstated in words such as 'colour,' 'favour,' 'labour' and 'neighbour.' Likewise, you will learn to spell 'doughnut' without skipping half the letters, and the suffix '-ize' will be replaced by the suffix '-ise.' Generally, you will be expected to raise your vocabulary to acceptable levels. (look up 'vocabulary').

2. Using the same twenty-seven words interspersed with filler noises such as 'like' and 'you know' is an unacceptable and inefficient form of communication. There is no such thing as U.S. English. We will let Micro-

soft know on your behalf. The Microsoft spell-checker will be adjusted to take into account the reinstated letter 'u' and the elimination of '-ize.'

3. July 4th will no longer be celebrated as a holiday.

4. You will learn to resolve personal issues without using guns, lawyers, or therapists. The fact that you need so many lawyers and therapists shows that you're not quite ready to be independent. Guns should only be used for shooting grouse. If you can't sort things out without suing someone or speaking to a therapist, then you're not ready to shoot grouse..

5. Therefore, you will no longer be allowed to own or carry anything more dangerous than a vegetable peeler. Although a permit will be required if you wish to carry a vegetable peeler in public.

6. All intersections will be replaced with roundabouts, and you will start driving on the left side with immediate effect. At the same time, you will go metric with immediate effect and without the benefit of conversion tables. Both roundabouts and metrication will help you understand the British sense of humour.

7. The former USA will adopt UK prices on petrol (which you have been calling gasoline) of roughly \$10/US gallon. Get used to it.

8. You will learn to make real chips. Those things you call French fries are not real chips, and those things you insist on calling potato chips are properly called crisps. Real chips are thick cut, fried in animal fat, and dressed not with catsup but with vinegar.

9. The cold, tasteless stuff you insist on calling beer is not actually beer at all. Henceforth, only proper British Bitter will be referred to as beer, and European brews of known and accepted

provenance will be referred to as Lager. Australian beer is also acceptable, as they are pound for pound the greatest sporting nation on earth and it can only be due to the beer. They are also part of the British Commonwealth - see what it did for them. American brands will be referred to as Near-Frozen Gnat's Urine, so that all can be sold without risk of further confusion.

10. Hollywood will be required occasionally to cast English actors as good guys. Hollywood will also be required to cast English actors to play English characters. Watching Andie Macdowell attempt English dialogue in *Four Weddings and a Funeral* was an experience akin to having one's ears removed with a cheese grater.

11. You will cease playing American football. There is only one kind of proper football; you call it soccer. Those of you brave enough will, in time, be allowed to play rugby (which has some similarities to American football, but does not involve stopping for a rest every twenty seconds or wearing full kevlar body armour like a bunch of nancies).

12. Further, you will stop playing baseball. It is not reasonable to host an event called the World Series for a game which is not played outside of America. Since only 2.1% of you are aware there is a world beyond your borders, your error is understandable. You will learn cricket, and we will let you face the Australians first to take the sting out of their deliveries.

13. You must tell us who killed JFK. It's been driving us mad.

14. An internal revenue agent (i.e. tax collector) from Her Majesty's Government will be with you shortly to ensure the acquisition of all monies due (backdated to 1776).



God Save the Queen!

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Blackall Range Woodies hold Wood Expo

The Blackall Range area is the home of many talented arts and craft groups. One such group is the Blackall Range Woodworkers. This group has a membership of over 300 and meets at their woodworker's shed in the Montville Sports-ground.

The Blackall Range Woodies are holding a wood expo at the Montville Village Green on November 29th and 30th where they will have on display items that they have crafted.

The display will show the fine talents in wood crafting that many of the members have.

This will be a great opportunity for anyone living in the Sunshine Coast hinterland area and who is looking for a new hobby to find out a bit about this group and see if it is the sort of hobby that they could become involved in.

This group would be not only one of the best equipped woodworkers groups in Australia but one of the best talented. That does not

mean that you have to be a talented woodworker to join. Many of the experienced club members pride themselves on being able to help new comers to woodworking to be able to quickly learn many of the tips that make a good woodworker.



Photo above: President Dave Bannister with members with display of some of the hundreds of toys made for the kids christmas project.

This group also prides itself on the amount of voluntary work it does for many local community organisations. One of their most popular projects is the christmas toys for kids projects which they conduct to assist the Salvation Army Toy appeal.

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 those cars who in the recent heavy rain have to travel so close behind the car in front that there is absolutely no way they could stop should something unforeseen happen there is no way that they could stop before hitting the car in front.

Mum's favourite Recipes

Sesame Chicken Kababs

- easy evening meal on these warm afternoons.

Ingredients

- # 1 small celeriac - # 1 lemon, halved - # 2 tsp lemon juice
- # 1 cup good quality mayonnaise - # Flaked salt and cracked black pepper
- # 1 tbsp Dijon mustard - # 2 limes, cut into cheeks # 1 tbsp chopped chives
- # 1 tbsp chopped oregano - - # 8 slices smoked salmon

Peel celeriac thickly, cut into quarters and place in a bowl of water with the halved, squeezed lemon. Combine mayonnaise, mustard and lemon juice in a bowl and stir well to combine. Season to taste. Remove celeriac from water, drain and shred pieces using the grater disc on a food processor (or use a hand grater). Mix immediately with the mayonnaise.

To serve, add oregano and chives to celeriac mixture and stir to combine. Pile celeriac onto four serving plates and top with curls of smoked salmon. Accompany with lime cheeks and cracked black pepper.

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Another paint hint from Maleny Paint Place

What do I need for that job?

Choosing a Roller Frame

Rollers and frames come in three basic sizes, 180mm, 230mm and 270mm. The 180mm to 230mm sizes cover less surface area but are lighter and easier to work with.

Choose a strong roller frame that is not easily bent and the cage assembly is tight and spins freely. Ensure the handle has a comfortable grip and that it is aligned with the centre of the cage for improved stability and even application pressure.

The roller frame should have a cap at each end to prevent paint from collecting inside the cover and to allow it to roll smoothly.

The frame grip should be comfortable and have a hollow threaded end to fit an extension pole.

Choosing the Correct Roller Covers

A high quality roller cover should have a phenolic core that will not soften in water and will withstand every paint solvent.

Roller covers are made in varying thicknesses, each one designed for a specific surface texture - smooth, uneven or rough. A thickness or nap of 6mm is for very smooth surfaces, 12mm for slightly uneven surfaces and 20mm for rough surfaces.

Rollers can be made from foam, synthetic fibres and lambswool and offer different benefits:

Foam rollers

Because they are seamless, these

rollers lay down a smooth, lint-free coat of paint.

Since you can lay down paint faster without brush streaks with a foam roller, trim and edge foam rollers are ideal for reaching into corners and adjacent walls and ceilings.

Since foam itself does not absorb paint, foam rollers clean up easily with water if you are using acrylic paint or with the correct solvent if you are using paints other than acrylic.

Synthetic or synthetic /lambswool blend rollers

Due to the man made fibre they are very durable and able to cope with constant trade use.

The denser fabric traps more paint when loading. Stronger roller action is required to release the paint.

Lambswool and Mohair

Being a natural animal fibre, it has inherent properties of durability, and will stand the test of time.

The natural oils make it easy to clean compared with regular synthetic fibres, thereby further enhancing the roller lifespan.

Lambswool is a soft and fine fibre, ensuring perfect paint pick up and release without overloading and paint splatter.

The fine wool fibres of the mohair rollers guarantee a highly specialised mirror finish, and can be used for all gloss paints as well as varnishes, epoxies, enamels and polyurethane clear coatings.

The Roller 'nap' refers to the thickness of the rollers surface. A 6mm nap is recommended for flat wall and ceilings. 12mm nap for surfaces with small imperfections and 20mm nap for textured surfaces.

Where to use Paint pads

These are made of foam rubber. A good quality paint pad should have a relatively strong plastic handle.

The foam should not peel off the base or fall apart easily. They are recommended for water based paint or varnishes. They are particularly good for applying clear varnish on windows, furniture and doors.

All of the above painting accessories are available at Maleny Paint Place.

Paint Place, Maleny



6/14 Lawyer Street,

Maleny. 4552.

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WHY IS IT SO?

Is glass thicker at the bottom



You might have heard somebody say, "glass is a liquid, and old windows that are thicker at the bottom prove it". Are they right?

Well, if you look at old windows, you'll see that some of them are thicker at the bottom. But it's nothing to do with the glass flowing, and all to do with how the glass was made into a flat sheet.

The glassblower would blow some molten glass into a large sphere, and then spin it until the sphere turned into a large disc - spinning vertically. Then the molten glass would be flipped from vertical to horizontal, and plonked onto a flat surface. Even after it was polished, it was still a fairly wavy sort of glass.

When the glaziers would install it in a window, they would normally do it with the thick bits at the bottom and the thin bits at the top.

Astronomers would have noticed if glass flowed. They've been making and using telescopes, with large glass lenses, for well over a century. Lenses need a shape that is accurate to roughly 50 billionths of a metre. Not one astronomer has ever complained that their old lens is unusable because the glass has flowed.

If you want to see glass flow at room temperature, you have to wait at least 10,000 million million million times the age of the universe! It's enough to make your eyes glaze over.

Maleny Performing Arts Group Christmas Concert – bookings open!

The Maleny Singers and Maleny Players are delighted to be performing together for the community for the first time this coming Christmas Season.

Under the banner The Maleny Performing Arts Group, the newly formed group will present "A Festival of Christmas Music" once only, on Saturday 13th December.

The performance will be a late matinee, music-filled performance at 4.30 pm in the Maleny Community Centre.

Bookings are essential, as this is a one-off, one time Christmas spectacular!

The family-friendly concert programme includes Christmas carols, favourite Christmas themed songs and....a couple of entertaining surprises!

Come along and bring all the family as not only will it be a show to remember but it will get you into the Christmas spirit

Tickets are available at The Bower Bird, Maple St, Maleny \$10.00 adults, (conc. \$8.00) children \$5.00 and family ticket (2 adults 2 kids) \$20.00. Enquiries 5494 3381.

The Maleny Gym Christmas Party

The Maleny Gym Christmas party will be held on the 5th December at the R.S.L. Hall.

Contact the Gym for further details



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This week with Peter Slipper M.H.R.



Skin Cancer Protection

Australia currently has the highest rates of skin cancer in the world, with figures suggesting some two out of three Australians will be diagnosed with a skin cancer before they turn 70.

The Australian Safety and Compensation Council has released its updated "Guidance Notes for the Protection of Workers from the Ultraviolet Radiation in Sunlight". The guide aims to help workers and their employers be able to as-

sess and minimise exposure to solar ultraviolet (UV) radiation at work, therefore also minimising the health risks.

The "Guidance Note for the Protection of Workers from the Ultraviolet Radiation in Sunlight" is available for free at the ASCC website: www.ascc.gov.au

Information about the Cancer Council Australia is available at www.cancer.org.au

Spinal damage campaign

A new Government campaign will repeat the message to urge people to take precautions in every day life to protect your spine.

Four new Community Service Announcements (CSAs) have been launched in association with the Spinal Injuries Association. They aim to raise awareness about the risk of spinal cord injuries and to encourage people to please take care.

The Spinal Injuries Association reminded people that it can take only a split second decision to change your life forever. Common precautions include checking the depth of water to

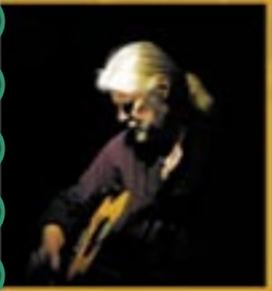
ensure its safe to dive into, taking care on the roads and while playing sport.

Korea Badge

Applications are now open for eligible veterans for the "Returned from Active Service Badge" for service in post-Armistice South Korea. The badge has been made available to personnel who completed 30 days in South Korea during the post-Armistice period, from 28 July 1953 to 19 April 1956.

Apply to Directorate of Honours and Awards, T-1-49, Department of Defence, CANBERRA ACT 2600.

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