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Our Thoughts

A new sports and recreation group has been formed in Maleny as an umbrella organisation for all sport and recreation organisations within the district.

Such an organisation has worked exceedingly well at Glasshouse with the Glasshouse Sports and Recreation Club representing various organisations in the area for a number of years.

Such an organisation in the Maleny area should not only be a great asset for the area but a co-ordinating body.

A NOTE FROM PAULINE!

Am sitting in a tiny internet cafe in the ancient walled Italian city of Siena.

Great to be able to read about home and in full colour. So thank you for your Hinterland Grapevine.

I shall be in the UK, in Cambridge on March 15th, and will no doubt have a fleeting moment of introspection when the community is going to the polls. I feel sad the era of intimate local government is over. But am fortunate to have been a part of it particularly in the hinterland.

Pauline Clayton.

Ed: It is amazing where people are when they read "The Grapevine".

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AFTER SUICIDE INFORMATION AND SUPPORT EVENING FOR PEOPLE BEREAVED BY SUICIDE

Losing someone to suicide is a traumatic and devastating experience that can shatter the lives of those left behind struggling to survive their loss. In response, the StandBy Suicide Bereavement Response Service continues its efforts to meet the needs of bereaved people by hosting this important evening.

Guest speaker, Eileen Geeson from Time to Talk Counselling, will provide an overview of loss and grief and the impact of suicide bereavement. Information on managing grief and self care will also be provided with opportunity for questions, sharing and participation.

The evening is specifically for people who have been touched by suicide and will be held on

Monday March 17 th between 6.30 p.m. – 8.30 p.m.

It will be held in the CWA Room, Maleny Community Centre Cnr. Bicentenary Lane & Coral Street Maleny.

A light supper provided will be provided. For more information please phone 5455 3322.

If you want further information about this self help group you can make contact through the channels below.

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You don't have to find your way through this very traumatic time alone. Whilst nothing can undo the circumstances there is assistance available.

Maleny "Wood Expo" to go ahead this year

Planning is well underway for the 2008 Maleny Wood Expo, also known as "From Chainsaw to Fine Furniture Wood Expo".

The festival is to be held at the Maleny show grounds on May 3rd and 4th. The Expo celebrates Australian native timber with a host of demonstrations, displays and entertainment.

Barung President, Heather Spring said that Caloundra City Council was providing assistance with the running of this year's event.

This wood expo is where wood artisans' individualistic styles are highlighted in functional items from contemporary fine furniture to rough 'bush' furniture and everything in between. The feature exhibition, the Wootha Prize competition exhibition comprises pieces from across Australia.

Barung are looking for volunteers who are available to help out in the lead-up to this Expo or in fact on the days. If you are able to help out then contact Jane Williamson on 5494 3151.

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Truthful Jones Tells...



us that he was told this information by someone who should know:

The parish priest offered a Nun a lift to the local convent.

The Nun got into the front passengers side seat of the car and crossed her legs, forcing her gown to reveal a leg.

The priest was so shocked he nearly had an accident. After controlling the car, he stealthily slid his hand up her leg.

The nun said, "Father, remember Psalm 129?" The priest removed his hand. But, changing gears, he let his hand slide up her leg again.

The nun once again said, "Father, remember Psalm 129?" The priest apologised. "Sorry sister but the flesh is weak." Arriving at the convent, the nun went on her way.

On his arrival at the church, the priest rushed to look up Psalm 129.

It said, "Go forth and seek, further up, you will find glory."

Truthful believes that the moral of this story is: ***If you are not well informed in your job, you might miss a great opportunity.***

Click here to go to our "Events Guide" (Must be connected to the internet at the time)

This week's Saying
There's no need to fear the wind if your haystacks are tied down.
.....Think about it

Another paint hint from Maleny Paint Place

Basic Interior Paint Preparation Steps

Here are some interior house painting steps that apply to most rooms and surfaces, including walls and ceilings. Any combination can be used to prepare a wall for painting.

1) Remove as many large items and furniture as possible. If any remain, move these items to the middle of the room. All interior painting projects will be easier if the room is mostly empty. A fully empty room is the easiest to paint.

Cover the floor with drop cloths.

2) Paint has a way of finding the smallest uncovered area, even from across the room. Make sure to cover all items, including the floor completely. Protect any remaining furniture with lightweight plastic drop cloths. Pay attention to the area directly next to the wall. The drop cloth can easily move away from the wall as you walk on it.

3) Remove all pictures and hanging items from the walls and ceiling. Nails and hangers can be removed and the holes patched with light weight spackle if you don't

This weeks Special

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require their use in the future. Replace the screws in the switch plates.

4) If walls are excessively dirty then they should be cleaned. Areas of concern are kitchens, especially near the stove and sink, and bathrooms. Greasy deposits and soap scum will interfere with the paints adhesion. Most mild soaps can be used on light deposits of dirt and tri-sodium phosphate will make quick work of any heavy deposits of grease or dirt.

5) Remove all electrical switch plates and outlet covers. Reinstall the screws so they will not become misplaced or lost. Light fixtures can also be removed as long as you are confident working with electricity. Removal of these items will make the painting faster and produce a better look. If the light fixtures are not removed, wrap it with blue painters tape and masking paper.

Masking will protect those unpainted areas.

6) Protect the base, window-sills and doors from paint splatters with plastic, masking paper or wide tape. If the tape will be attached for two or more days use blue painter's tape, this tape won't seize to the surface as easily as ordinary masking tape.

The more you apply masking techniques and protect non-painted areas, the less time needed to clean splatters and drips.

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For more information about paint or "how to hints" click here to go to the

Maleny Paint Place web page.

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Are you a budding film maker?

Federal Member for Fisher, Peter Slipper M.H.R. said today, "The Federal Government is urging budding film-makers to capture their local stories for the 2007/08 Hope Awards.

The Hope Awards is an Australian mental health community initiative – sponsored solely by Eli Lilly Australia. The Awards aim to reduce the stigma attached to mental illness. Entrants are asked to create a realistic, positive portrayal of individual journeys with mental illness.

The 2005/06 programme saw 55 entries. The 2007/08 short-listed films will be available on a new compilation DVD in time for Mental Health Week in October 2008. Email: hopeawards@lilly.com if you would like to pre-order your 2007/08 DVD or if you would like to view a copy of the 2005/06 finalists.

The rewards for successful entrants are substantial. A winner and runner-up in each of the two categories (Drama and Documentary) will share \$20,000.

The Hope Awards give us a chance to make positive changes in the lives of both people with mental illness, and those who care for them.

Entries close on Friday 28 March 2008. For more information log onto www.hopeawards.com.au

Money goes begging at Maleny Bowls Club!!

Did you know that at 6p.m. each Friday night after social bowls there are a number of prizes up for grabs for members. All you have to do is BE THERE.

Unfortunately, last Friday evening none of the Sponsors' Prize winners were at the Club so they couldn't claim their prizes. Had they been present the winners would have been: Frank Geritz for IGA now worth \$60 this week, Brian Emmerton for Maleny Paints, Ben Gills for the Full Monte, Wayne Peters for Beechwood Bakehouse and Glenda Wilson for Q'L'D Villages now worth \$140 this week. The raffle was won by David Wilson. *Why not be there to give yourself a chance to win?*

The "NUT" Award

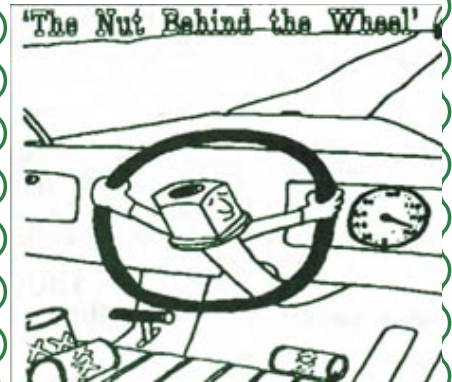
It matters little what the monetary penalty is or how much education is given there are some drivers who just will not take notice of the road rules.

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 older male driver of the dark green holden station sedan who on Thurs morning overtook a truck AND a line of cars travelling up the range from Landsborough OVER DOUBLE LINES forcing a white ute towing a trailer coming down the range to take avoiding action. To the SS driver "YOU ARE A BLOODY IDIOT".....

Mum's favourite Recipes

Zucchini Slice

- easy and quick.

Ingredients

- * 5 eggs, beaten
- * 375gm grated zucchini
- * 1 large chopped onion
- * 1 cup SR flour
- * 1 cup grated cheese
- * 1/2 cup oil

Directions

- * Combine and put in a greased lamington tray
- * Cook for 50-60 minutes in moderate oven

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Anecdotes from my Liberian logbook, 1969 – 1971

Two small charter companies had small aircraft flying up and down the coast looking for custom, and if they saw you waving from an airstrip they swooped down. One time, half way back to Monrovia we touched down and four large Liberian ladies with a freshly slaughtered and bleeding cow crammed into the back seats. The pilot and I kept the windows open to enable us to breathe, and let the flies escape

Whenever some senior government minister decided on a junket to Paris, he would initiate a scam to fleece the foreigners to raise the fare. Thus it was decreed that all expatriates had to undergo a road test. The police visited the mine and we had to produce our Liberian and foreign drivers licence, a passport photo and one dollar, for which in return we received a certificate saying that we knew the rules of the road.

President Tubman had decided to

run another term, his seventh. He had just celebrated his 76th birthday, and to pay for it, a notice was sent to all companies with a list of suggested voluntary donations from the employees pay packets, payable monthly for five months. The lowest was \$33, and in my case my donation would have been \$350. Mine management gave a gift which ended that rort. During one election the President polled 2.5 million votes, a 100% victory. The population of Liberia was 1.5 million.



More stories from local mining drilling expert, Maleny resident and author about incidents

that he witnessed during his journeys into third world countries.

The patois of the Liberian could be very entertaining, as the basis of their language was English. All food was 'meat', and the best food was 'sweet'. The sweetest meat

of all was smoked monkey, the epitome for the indigenous gourmet. Thus the greatest superlative was, 'it was so good, it was sweet all past monkey meat'. I often observed women walking to the market with smoked monkeys in flat baskets on their heads. The law stated that the arms and hands must still be attached – to forestall the barbaric practice of smoking unwanted babies and selling them as 'sweet meat'.

Liberians were very fast to sue. To say 'shut up' could cost \$40, and 'black monkey' up to \$1000. One expat was forced to pay \$1,000 for a 'child he had fathered seven years previously' when he had worked on a earlier assignment in Liberia. He quickly paid up to prevent further embarrassment, especially as he had just recently married. A British doctor, certified a woman insane, and that certification was backed by the British Medical Association. She however, was a relative of the vice-president, so the doctor was placed in custody, then bailed for \$50,000.

Once, my house boy was caught in an uncompromising position when a mine worker returned home unexpectedly and found him in bed with his number four wife. Taken to court he was charged with 'attempted murder', and released on a bail of \$5. I gave my house boy \$5 to pay his bail money, as his Xmas present. (Continued next week)

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