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DON'T FEEL PRESSURED BY ELEC- TRICAL RETAILERS?

There has recently been representatives of the electricity and gas retailers visiting our area in an attempt to sign up people to "sign up" for one or other of the retailers.

The tactics of the sales people have been very "hard sell" and some of the information may not have been as accurate as possible.

This is one obvious flow-on of the State Government putting the retail arm of the electricity industry into the hands of a private entity.

Irrespective of who is the retailer there is no need for the consumer to feel "pressured" into making a decision to go one way or the other.

Should you feel that your experience with the representative of the electrical retailer was not as it should have been feel free to approach the retailer direct and discuss the matter. This privatisation is only the start and consumers should not be pressured.

If you still feel that your concerns were not adequately dealt with then remember that the Energy Ombudsman offers a free service for consumers.

To contact the Energy Ombudsman there is a toll free phone number 1800 662 837.

What now for Maleny Precinct

The Sunshine Coast Regional Council at an ordinary meeting on August 21st agreed to commence a Master Planning process for the Maleny Community Precinct. This follows the putting on hold of a concept plan approved by the former Caloundra City Council.

The process will take the form of a community working group which will comprise of members of the community, Councillor McKay and other Councillors as along with an allocation of staff resources to work with the Maleny community.

The Council also agreed to identify \$350,000 in the first quarter review of the 2008/2009 Annual Financial Plan for the upgrade to Porters Lane, to later be recouped through the sale of the two rural residential lots on the precinct.

A Sunshine Coast Regional Council spokesman said, "The review process would include briefings about the planning and consultation process to date and a review of the already extensive amount of documentation available about this project."

It is hoped that the site which covers almost 124 hectares will contain a golf course, swimming pool, playing fields and environmental buffers and facilities for a number of other recreational activities

to provide for the Sunshine Coast hinterland communities into the medium future. The Maleny Precinct will be only one of the areas used to accommodate the various community organisations.

Ms McKay said, "There is a new willingness for all the parties to let go of past animosities and work together on this very sensitive issue for the benefit of all the community."

The Maleny Precinct Plan has been on the drawing board for nearly a decade now and a large amount of money has already been spent in the planning process.

MALENY LIBRARY BOOK SALE

On September 5th between 9am and 4pm and September 6th between 9am and 12md the Maleny Library will be holding its annual book sale at the Maleny Community Centre.

This is an opportunity to build your own library of quality books at a great price.

Proceeds from the sale go towards renewing the libraries catalogue of books. You can also donate books from your library for which you have no further use to go to the library's book sale.

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Truthful Jones Tells...



us that his neighbour, Mick and a woman from Montville were involved in a car accident last Friday night. Mick was on his way home from church. There was a lot of damage done to both vehicles but amazingly neither of them are hurt.

After they crawl out of their cars, the woman says, "Wow, just look at our cars! There's nothing left, but fortunately we are unhurt. This must be a sign from God that we should meet and be friends and live together in peace for the rest of our days."

To which Mick replied, "I agree with you completely. "This must be a sign from God!"

The woman continued, "And look at this, here's another miracle. My car is completely demolished but this bottle of wine didn't break. Surely God wants us to drink this wine and celebrate our good fortune."

Then she hands the bottle to Mick. Mick nods his head in agreement, opens it and drinks half the bottle and then hands it back to the woman.

The woman takes the bottle, immediately puts the cap back on, and hands it back to the man.

Mick watches her then he asks, "Aren't you having any?"

The woman replies, "No. I think I'll just wait for the police..."

Morale: It is always better to ensure that all the job is done before you start to celebrate.

Another paint hint from Maleny Paint Place

Wet weather penetrating your brick or masonry walls

Many of us have found that with the continuing wet weather beating on our brick homes there are signs that some of this water is leaking through the brick and into the inner lining

Brick and masonry over time loses the face surface and becomes porous. There is a convenient way to recoat brick and masonry type surfaces.

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APPLICATION - *The best method is a low pressure airless spray or pump up garden spray.*

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Mum's favourite Recipes

Sesame Chicken Kababs

- easy evening meal on these warm afternoons.

Ingredients

- * 3 ripe tomatoes
- * 30g butter
- * sea salt
- * freshly ground black pepper
- * 1 large free-range egg
- * large slice of substantial bread, such as sourdough
- * 12 clove garlic, peeled
- * 1-2 slices raw ham (e.g. prosciutto crudo or jamon) sliced paper-thin
- * fresh herbs, for garnishing (optional)

Method

Halve tomatoes crosswise. Reserve one half. Put the other 5 halves in a bowl and cover with boiling water for 30 seconds. Drain, rinse quickly under cold water and strip off and discard the skins.

Cut each half into 3 or 4 pieces. Select a microwave-safe dish that will just hold the tomatoes without much extra space. Slip in the tomatoes and the butter. Add a little salt and pepper and cover the pan tightly with microwave-safe plastic wrap and cook on 100 per cent power for 3 minutes. Pierce plastic wrap quickly with a knife, stir and cook again for 2 minutes without re-covering. The tomatoes will have melted into a pink-gold thick sauce.

Carefully break the egg on top of the tomatoes. Pierce the membrane covering the yolk twice with the tip of a very sharp knife or a skewer. Spoon a little of the hot tomato over the egg white. Cover the dish, this time with a sheet of paper towel, and cook for 2 minutes. The white will be just set.

While the tomatoes and egg are cooking, toast the bread. It should be well toasted and very crunchy. While hot gently rub the toast with the garlic and then firmly rub it with the remaining cut tomato. The toast will look quite pink at the end of this process and the tomato will be mostly skin and can be discarded. Cut toast in half and divide the ham on top.

Place tomato and egg dish on a heated plate with the Catalan toast on the side.

Garnish with herbs if desired.

Go back a little to leap further.

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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:-

We appear to mention the same types of driving habits on a regular basis but silly things that have dangerous consequences continue to happen.

What is it that drivers don't understand about their responsibility?

WHY IS IT SO? Green Treated Wood and Safety (CCA)

Is it safe to use that green-treated CCA-wood in children's playgrounds, or as fence posts around cattle and other animals? After all, the timber has been soaked in some moderately toxic chemicals, such as copper, chrome and arsenic.

The short answer is that it's pretty safe, so long as you don't burn it. CCA (copper chrome arsenic) is about 35% copper sulphate, 45% sodium or potassium dichromate, and 20% arsenic pentoxide. The arsenic protects the timber against insects, while the copper protects it against fungi. The chromium is there to help the arsenic and copper bond with the wood.

A report in the Medical Journal Of Australia described how a family found the dark side of the BBQ, by burning some CCA-timber off-cuts which they had taken from a building site. As the timber burnt, the vaporised arsenic condensed on their steak and vegetables. Within a few hours after their meal, the man, his wife, his father, as well as the dog, had terrible stomach pains. The dog had eaten a few scraps from the meal. The diarrhoea had gone by two days, but then he began to suffer tingling fingers, numbness of his face, and painful cramps on the left side of his body. Five days later, the skin on his hands began to peel off. Eventually, because he hadn't received a very high dose of arsenic, he got better.

To eat this sort of dose you'd need to chew about 10 or 20 cc of wood per day - roughly the volume of two of your fingers. That's a lot of wood. So the current opinion is that these green CCA-treated timbers are quite safe. However, they do add to the general load of toxins entering the environment because they must eventually leach out, even if they do it very slowly.

This week with
Peter Slipper M.H.R.



Malcolm Turnbull dinner Shadow Treasurer Malcolm Turnbull will be guest of honour at a Sunshine Coast Young Liberal National Party (SCYLNP) dinner Mr Turnbull has been extremely successful in business and is a hardworking and determined member of parliament - he has interesting stories to tell and it will be fascinating to hear him speak at the function.

The dinner will be held at the Innovation Centre on Thursday, October 2nd. Tickets are \$120 per person and are on-sale now. Contact Emma Yabsley for tickets on 0434 354 184 or at turnbulldinner@live.com

Road Blackspot Funding

Road black spot funds Beerwah will receive \$200,000 in road black spot funding for road works at the intersection of Old Gympie Road and Kilcoy-Beerwah Road, to include signals with a turn arrows and a pedestrian crossing for the primary school, asphalt overlay and drainage works. The funds will help improve the road designs in this area, which will in turn help to improve general safety for motorists. The Black Spot Programme was relaunched by the previous Liberal National Govern-

ment and is now in its twelfth year and continues to ensure work is carried out at some of the high risk accident areas across the nation.

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 my office at 5443 3555 or at richard.bruinsma@aph.gov.au

Centaur

It has been comforting to see the growing attention being given to the search for the hospital ship, the AHS Centaur. Despite displaying the red cross insignia of a hospital ship, which should have made it immune to attack, the Centaur was struck by a Japanese torpedo in May 1943 and sunk, causing the loss of 268 lives. The exact location of the ship has remained a mystery for over 65 years. I have been campaigning on this issue for some time and it is comforting to see both the State and Federal government now taking an interest in the search for the vessel.

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Get with the latest Brisbane craze..... and it is FREE

The Maleny Hotel is now 100 years old and the owners and staff wish to celebrate this milestone of 100 years service to the community with you.

Part of that celebration is revolves around the close association with the Maleny Bowls Club. It was the Burnett Family who initially provided the land for the establishment of the Bowls Club.

Maleny, as with most country communities grew around their local hotel.

The single story Maleny Hotel had its beginning in 1907 when it was started and built by Joe Pollock on land purchased from Francis Dunlop. Today, almost 100 owners later and one hundred years the hotel still stands on the original site on the banks of Obi Creek.

Whilst patrons today, especially on weekends are more likely to be families out for a day drive from Brisbane or other parts of the Sunshine Coast in days gone by it was the "waterhole" for bullock teamsters, dairy farmers, farmers and locals and bull-

ock teams and farmers. Cattle carrying cattle or farm produce are more likely to be replaced by city convertibles or expensive motor cycles.

During the 1920's it became the social centre of the community, especially after the Burnett Family took over and added a billiard salon and a barber's shop.

During this time the dining room became famous for its starched white tablecloths, polished silverware and first rate meals. It was also during this period that a second story was added and accommodation added for travellers. During the 1920's Governors from both Queensland and New South Wales stayed there.

This birthday celebration is taking many forms and you are invited to join in the celebrations.

Barefoot bowls has become a must do event in Brisbane so why don't you get your feet on the grass and have some fun in the sun with barefoot bowls too.

It's lawn bowls gone casual and just the thing to

do this Sunday afternoon to help celebrate 100 years of Maleny tradition. What's more it is a good time to get a couple of friends together for an afternoon of fun this Sunday, August 31st at the Maleny Bowls Club for this fun filled day of "barefoot bowls". The day starts off at 10.30am for a 11.00am bowls start.

And HEY!, do you know what? The day of bowls is FREE and you can enter your family or work team by phoning 5494 2013. There are many great prizes to be won.

Bowls equipment will be supplied and don't worry if you haven't played before as there will be many experienced bowlers to show you how and give you the secret hints to success.

And don't worry about their experience too much as on many days they don't bowl too well either so you will have just as much chance of winning the prizes as they do. Well, maybe you will have more chances as new bowlers often start off with beginners luck.

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A little insight into the history of Maleny and District

Maleny has always had top butchers?

Today Maleny has four butcher's shops, including those in Maleny I.G.A. and the Woolworths Supermarket.

Maleny's first butcher shop was opened in 1934 by Snow McKillop. Snow lived his early life in the Redcliffe area before moving to Nambour with his parents after WW1. Snow's grandfather, William McKillop owned a butcher shop in Nambour.



Maleny's first butcher shop—just prior to being pulled down to make way for the Maleny library building.

Snow's father, also named William worked in the Nambour butcher shop as did Snow from the age of 12 years. At this time

there was no apprenticeship scheme to learn the butchering trade. It was all learnt "on-the-job" and with a father and grand-father as butchers it was destiny that Snow would become a butcher. Snow's son, Jim and grandson Bradley also became butchers making it five generations of the family who provided a continuous line of butchers.

Snow and his two brothers recognised the future of the Sunshine Coast and with his brothers opened butcher shops in Palmwoods, Caloundra and Maleny. The Maleny shop was situated in Coral Street, Maleny on the banks of the Obi Creek. This shop had three owners in its history, Snow McKillop, The Heading family and the Summerville family.

The shop was equipped with a cold room that was originally installed in a "butter factory and saw-mill" complex in Conondale.

Before that butter factory ever produced any butter a fire destroyed a big part of the complex and as a result it never produced any butter. The cold room which was largely undamaged in the fire was re-located to the shop in Coral Street which was to become Snow's Butcher Shop. Initially this cold room was cooled by ice until electricity was connected to Maleny township.

During the period when diary was king in the Maleny area the butcher played an important part in supplying meat home delivered. Milk or cream would be brought into the butter factory in cream churns. The cream churns, once washed would be used by the cream carriers who did the shopping for the farmers and pack that shopping into the returning cream churns thus saving the farmers an un-necessary trip into town. In those days it was not always easy or convenient to "slip into town."

Just prior to WW11 a second butcher shop opened in Maple Street, Maleny. This shop is still operating today but with ownership changing a number of times.

This picture was taken sometime between 6 August and 2 September, 1945. Waddell's store is on the right as is Jack Grigor's butcher shop



BUTCHER SHOPS NOT ONLY SOLD MEAT BUT GREW IT TOO

Today butchers are able to purchase their meat carcasses already dressed and ready to sell. In days gone by the butcher was not so lucky, especially in country towns where he had to be self-contained.

Generally, butchers ran their own herd of cattle and pigs, ran their own slaughter-house and prepared the meat right from birth to "ready for the pot". They were skilled in all aspects of the job. Including being able to weigh the meat when making a purchase. Sometimes one may have wondered when the butcher's thumb sat on the edge of the weighing machine tray—it is a wonder that the butcher didn't realise that this caused the weighing machine to weigh heavy.

Remember the early butcher shops with the large wooden meat blocks and the sawdust scattered over the floors as a safety measure to soak up any blood and fat that may have spilled.

Race on for State seat of Glasshouse

The State seat of Glasshouse in the past traditionally has been held by the National Party but following a redistribution in 2000 fell to A.L.P. member, Carolyn Male at the 2001 election and she has held it ever since.

Following the recent redrawing of the seat of Glasshouse boundaries Ms Male has decided to nominate for the safer A.L.P. seat of Morayfield which is a newly-created seat broadly based on Caboolture. This leaves an opening in her old seat of Glasshouse for a new member. Whilst this seat move by Ms Male has the backing of the Premier, Anna Bligh, Ms Male is taking a gamble as it is unknown if she has the numbers with local A.L.P. members in the Caboolture seat to win the pre-selection.

With the changed boundaries of Glasshouse there is a greater chance that it will move back to the conservative Liberal National Party.

Richard Bruinsma presently the P.R Manager for the Federal Liberal Member for Fisher Peter Slipper has confirmed that he would be nominating for pre-selection for the seat of Glasshouse as is former Caloundra City Councillor, Winston Johnston who lives at Maleny for the Liberal National Party.

Public Servant, Andrew Powell of Palmwoods and Marie Jackson of Conondale have also indicated that they are also nominating for pre-selection for the Liberal National Party for the seat of Glasshouse.

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Beerwah Library's Monthly talk

The September monthly talk at the Beerwah Library is by photographer and naturalist, Wayne Ellis. It is entitled, "Birds of the Sunshine Coast". This is a great opportunity to learn about our local Sunshine Coast bird life.

This talk will be on Wednesday September 3rd starting at 1:30pm.

Afternoon tea will be provided.

The Beerwah Library is in Peachester Road, Beerwah.

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