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“The community told us they would like improved pedestrian access, convenient parking, an attractive and vibrant town centre and the ability to tell the stories of Woombye.” — Cr Johnston

Woombye streetscape plans unveiled

WOOMBYE'S main street is getting a facelift to mark the town's momentous 135th birthday.

The town's golden history has always been part of its country charm. And Council says its enticing character has been embraced in the recent draft streetscape designs for the main street, Blackall Street.

“Last November, council asked the community to share what they loved and what could be improved to enhance Blackall Street, Woombye,”

said Division 5 Councillor Winston Johnston.

“In 1867 one man's personal fortune made the history books as Gympie surged into a gold rush,” Cr Johnston said.

“As word of the boom spread, Cobb & Co coaches frequented the route from Brisbane to Gympie. Along the journey, the coaches stopped in at ‘Middle Camp’ staging depot, a place more commonly known as Woombye.

“From the ideas and feedback

provided in the first stage of engagement, a draft streetscape concept design has been developed, ready for the community's further feedback.

“The community told us they would like improved pedestrian access, convenient parking, an attractive and vibrant town centre and the ability to tell the stories of Woombye.

“I think the community will be pleased that the concept design meets these needs.

“Council's design team has done a

great job in keeping Woombye's traditional country town look and feel while enhancing its appeal to locals and visitors as a relaxed, friendly place.

“We aren't looking to change Woombye's identity, instead enhance what the community already loves about the lively township to improve the day-to-day experience of people living, working and visiting the hinterland town.

“I encourage the Woombye com-

munity to come down to share your ideas with the project team and enjoy a free barbecue at the Woombye School of Arts Hall on Saturday 24 July between 8am and noon.

“If you can't make it in person, then jump online and provide your feedback by visiting council's Have Your Say website from 22 July to 13 August.”

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Tram edges forward with agreement signing

NAMBOUR'S newest attraction has moved a step closer to completion, with the signing of the Commissioning Agreement with renowned kinetic artist, Russell Anderson.

Nambour Tramway Company Chairman and former Division 10 Councillor Greg Rogerson said construction of the 'Edwardian Steam-Punk' inspired Tram was the final, vital step in bringing the highly anticipated project to life.

With the Nambour Heritage Tramway Depot (terminus) building completed and works also completed on the tramway tracks and signalling, Mr Rogerson predicted the tram would be rolling along Mill and Howard Street by middle to late next year.

"While the Commissioning Agreement states a 12 month timeline for completion, The Nambour Tramway Company (TNTCo) Board, is extremely cognisant of their and the hinterland community's overwhelming desire to achieve a 'world class' tram. This means it might take a little longer to build a great tram, rather than force Russell Anderson's hand to conform simply to a legal Agreement with a stated completion date.

"The TNTCo Board wants the best, safest, and most technically advanced tram that we can build, albeit at an affordable price. Hence if it takes a couple months more to complete the build, so be it", Mr Rogerson said.

The Western Tram Terminus is located near Coles Shopping Centre in Mill St and will include an Information Centre that will hopefully bolster tourist venues and businesses within the hinterland, something that the hinterland gateway capital, Nambour, hasn't done for nearly two decades.

Mr Rogerson said he was delighted to sign the agreement and move a giant step closer to seeing Mr Anderson's vision come to life.



Left: Greg Rogerson and artist Russell Anderson sign the agreement to build the battery powered, solar regenerative tram that will feature interactive technology, right.



"Almost all the labour and materials for the terminus build were sourced from Sunshine Coast tradespeople and businesses and now this magnificent, bespoke, tram will also be built right here on the Sunshine Coast," Mr Rogerson said.

"Throughout the entire manufacture we will be continually seeking excellence in build quality and materials used, to give Nambour's tram that lasting longevity that supporters of the project, so rightly demand. A good example of this sought excellence is demonstrated in the current investigation of Ultra/Super Capacitor electricity storage technology instead of Lead Acid Gel batteries, or a hybrid of both.

"The duty cycle of the proposed electrical storage system could be doubled or even trebled with this latest technology. In reality, it might give us a life expectancy far, far greater, than we ever thought possible. And with this longer electrical storage life, we will certainly derive far better financial sustainability in the overall operation of the tram. The balancing act is endeavouring to employ state of the art futuristic, technology against tried and tested technology and making sure we can still achieve a great, long lasting product."

The project has faced criticism locally as a "tram to nowhere", with some saying the journey, only a kilometre in length in Stage One of the Project, terminates only a relatively short

distance away.

Supporters including Member for Fairfax Ted O'Brien predict "a moving piece of street theatre" that will be a key ingredient in sparking life into the Nambour CBD.

The battery powered, solar regenerative tram will feature interactive technology designed by Mr Anderson in his typical vibrant and eye-catching style.

Local Sunshine Coast Engineering Consultants, Covey Associates, will oversee and collaborate extensively with a range of specialty engineers, tradespersons and in particular with Mr Anderson on the build.

Mr Anderson said his interest was in building, primarily an art object, that was also fully functional as a working tram.

"Realistically, this tram's function is not primarily for transport," he said recently.

"It's a tourist attraction. It represents the town's history. I see a lot more potential than it just being a vehicle that transports people. I think it's a lot more than that. Maybe a cultural catalyst or something like that.

"And if it has culture and whimsy built-in and if it has more spirit and life to it, then I hope it may become a springboard for other cultural activities and ideas and artworks in town.

"Nambour has its own energy and hopefully this will be part of that energy."

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The Farm Gym team take the Grindstone challenge in preparation for Saturday's event.

Fitness challenge to raise money for charity

PEOPLE of all fitness levels will put their bodies to the grindstone on Saturday in a challenge to raise funds for vulnerable women and kids.

'Run in Her Shoes' is a charity event where participants walk, run and race together to raise funds and awareness for local charity Lily House.

The event was the brainchild of four women who completed laps of Nambour's Farm Gym obstacle course over 14 hours in 2019.

That event raised \$6000 and Farm Gym Director Acacia Harvison hopes to build on that momentum this Saturday (July 24) from 7am by offering people of varying fitness levels the chance to be involved with the very first 'The Grindstone' race.

"We are so excited to bring light to vulnerable women and families who need extra support and encouragement," said Acacia.

"We truly love supporting Lily House. They are an incredible organisation doing such important work within our community.

"People are welcome to come and join us as

we walk, run or race together. The aim is to shine a light in times of darkness for women and children on the Sunshine Coast.

"We've already had an epic response to this event which means it's going to be so meaningful and fun to work together."

Acacia said the key to the challenge was its accessibility to people of all fitness levels.

"You can bring some friends and have a chat along the way, have a crack on the obstacles or just walk on by. Or you can race against the rest and test what you've got and compete the full 9km course."

• To enter go to: www.eventbrite.com and search for "Run in Her Shoes". The Farm Gym is at 307 Nambour-Mapleton Road farm gym-Burnside. Lily House provides support, life-skills training and a safe living environment for women in crisis. Find out more about the work of Lily House at www.lilyhouse.org.au. If you can't make the event but would still like to contribute you can donate at <https://gofund.me/7fb1683b>



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Thursday July 22-25: Mary Valley Art Festival, Imbil Public Hall, Edward Street, Imbil, enquiries email info@maryvalleyartfestival.com.au

Friday July 23: DJ Robbie Rob at Palmwoods Hotel from 8.30pm.

Saturday July 24: Ageing with Wisdom and Flair, 9.30am-12.45pm, Maleny Neighbourhood Centre 0436104237 / blossomasyou@gmail.com.

Saturday 24 July: Woombye Community Streetscape feedback drop-in session 8am-noon, Woombye School of Arts Hall.

July 24: Rugby Union: Nambour v Wynnum at Nambour, 1pm.

July 24: Palmwoods Arts and Crafts Group Fair, 9am to 3pm at the Palmwoods Bowls Club.

July 24: The Farm Gym is hosting a race day "Run in Her Shoes" raising money for the local organisation Lily House, www.thefarmgym.com.au/run-in-her-shoes

July 24: Sunshine Mitre 10 opening of Nambour store from 8am with TV star Scott Cam (10am).

July 24: Live Music with Kenny Slide from 8.30pm at Palmwoods Hotel.

July 24 & 25: Maleny Handmade Markets 8am-3pm Maleny Community Centre.

Sunday July 25: Rugby League: Nambour v Beerwah at Nambour 3pm.

July 25: 1:20pm Nambour Blue Demons Div 1 Women's hockey v Buderim (2020 GF rematch).

July 25: The Fortunate Sons "A Tribute to Creedence Clearwater Revival" from 3pm Palmwoods Hotel. Tickets: palmwoodshotel.com.au/entertainment

Tuesday July 27- July 31: Relationships, New Directors Season of three one-act plays, Lind Lane Theatre, Nambour, bookings: lindlane.com.

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Thursday July 29: Maleny Chamber of Commerce Christmas in July, 6pm at Tranquil Park, guest speaker, Eric Bailey, tickets: ticketeto.com.au/malenycommercechristmasinJuly

July 29: 5.30pm Tranquil Park — Keynote Speaker Eric Bailey hosted by Maleny Chamber of Commerce. Tickets malenycommerce.org.au.

July 29 to 31: Lind Lane Theatre Nambour presents three one act plays about Relationships. Tickets: www.lindlane.com.au/whats-on

July 29: Friendship Morning Tea with the Maleny Hospital Auxiliary 10am Maleny Community Centre Veranda Room.

Friday July 30: Meet the Cool Locals, exhibition until August 15 at Mary Cairncross Scenic Reserve, artsconnectinc.com.au/meet-the-cool-locals

July 30, 31: Secrets, Maleny Players, also on August 1, Playhouse, Maleny Showgrounds, tickets: Malenyplayers.org/Trybooking

July 30 to August 1: Secrets, a Kabaret from the Maleny Players, Maleny Playhouse, Showgrounds.

Saturday July 31: Premier Football, 6pm Nambour Yandina Utd FC v Buderim FC at Nambour Yandina United FC Field 1.

July 31: Premier Football, 6pm Woombye FC v Kawana FC at Woombye Snakes FC Field 1.

July 31: Rugby Union: Nambour v Caboolture at Nambour, 1.45pm.

Sunday August 1: The Great Obi Clean Up, 7.30am-9.30am. Meet at Tesch Park.

August 1: 1:20pm Nambour Blue Demons Div 1 Women's hockey v Flinders.

Thursday August 5: "A Bit on the Side" Cabaret Dinner Show Live at the Palmwoods Hotel from 6pm. Limited Tickets: linktr.ee/palmwoodshotel

Crushers honour 1971 Premiers

NAMBOUR past and present players marked 50 years since Souths Magpies won the Sunshine Coast Rugby League premiership in 1971.

The reunion at Crusher Park on Saturday featured Nambour First Division side donning classic black and white Souths strips for their match against Maroochydhore.

Nambour sides dominated the Sunshine Coast competition in the 1970s with local teams Souths and All Whites winning seven of the 10 titles.

Souths used to drink at the Royal George Hotel which was owned by gun player Ray Laird while All Whites drank across the road at the Club Hotel.

"Footy in Nambour was just a good time," said Paul Rutledge who played in the 1971 grand final and the son of George, after whom the Crusher Park main field is named.

"It was great to drink at the Royal George, with the cane line in between, you could yell cheek at All Whites from the doors to the bar."

The clubs amalgamated in 1985 to form the Nambour Crushers.

The 2021 Crushers are not going quite as well as the gun side of '71,



Nambour First Division side wore classic black and white Souths strips for their match against Maroochydhore.

currently running second last on the table.

They lost to a polished Maroochydhore 48-20 yesterday.

Women's Div 1 lost 32-22 while Div 2 Men's lost 38-22.

Modern Premierships

Since forming, the Nambour Crushers have won five Sunshine Coast/Gympie Rugby Football League premierships in 1987, 1988, 2003, 2004 and 2005.



Spectators, above left, enjoyed a great day of footy, as did Souths players from the 70s who gathered for a reunion.



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Artist reveals plans for gallery off Maple Street

RENOWNED Maleny artist Gary Myers has been selling his paintings in Maple Street since the 80s. It's the same street his grandfather started a business in 1907 and the same street where his father was born.

Now the Maleny identity wants to strengthen the ties even more.

Gary and his wife Helen Gill have lodged a development application with Council for a shop and public art gallery on an empty block at 72A Maple Street.

The development fulfils an eight year dream to construct a purpose built gallery.

Being in his space will keep him in touch with a responsive public and, unlike many artists, he is comfortable being observed while he paints. The bigger space will also allow him to display more paintings, including larger works, works in progress and some of his private collection.

"There are paintings that I do that are maybe more abstract that I don't show in galleries," said Gary. "Things that I do just for myself to keep my enthusiasm up. So people will be able to view these."

Gary's family has been in Maleny since the 1900s and the area's natural scenes remain the inspiration for most of his paintings.

"My grandfather had a store in the main street from 1907 through to just after WWII. It was down the road where Boxsells is. It was Myers and Waddell, then Myers and Hirst general stores. And they lived where Nagy's Cafe used to be. That's actually where Maleny Art Direct is now and coincidentally Maleny Art Direct is my principle outlet."

One of the most hard working and established painters on the Coast, Gary describes his distinctive style as "impressionism with a bolder than normal palette".



Gary Myers ... "Put a canvas in front of me and I will paint. I not only want to visualise something, I want to express it on canvas". Below: the proposed block off Maple Street.

"I knew early on that I saw things differently and that's what I am determined to put on canvas."

It is a style that has delivered a successful artistic career for nearly 50 years and about 45 solo exhibitions and sees his paintings sell for "from a few hundred up to \$20,000".

"Every painting I do I try to explore something different," he said.

"I think I am lucky though – I just like painting.

"Put a canvas in front of me and I will paint. I not only want to visualise something, I want to



express it on canvas. It is extremely gratifying for me and fortunately, also appeals to others."

Night roadwork to resurface Nambour Connection Road

WORK will start this week on a \$5 million project resurfacing a six-kilometre stretch of Nambour Connection Road.

Member for Nicklin Rob Skelton said the project would deliver improvements for almost 30,000 motorists who use the road each day.

"Our community relies on the Nambour Connection Road as the key link to the Bruce Highway and Maroochydore Road," Mr Skelton said.

"From early August 2021, work crews will begin resurfacing along the road, from the Big Pineapple at Woombye to Panorama Drive at Nambour.

"They will also repair some sections of the underlying road and then reinstate the dual lanes with new asphalt."

Mr Skelton said residents should take care around the work sites along Nambour Connection Road, with the project expected to take about two months to complete, weather and conditions permitting.

"The upgrade at the Erbacher Road intersection finished a couple of months ago, so locals will notice some improvements there, but we appreciate their patience while this work is underway," he said.

"We are ramping up our maintenance program across the Sunshine Coast because these works improve the road and reduce future maintenance costs," he said.

Mr Skelton said work will be done at night, from Sundays to Thursdays, to reduce motorist impacts, while some occasional weekend work may be required.

Single-lane closures, traffic controllers, reduced speed limits and signs will be in place during the works to ensure the safety of road workers and motorists.

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Cath Knijnenburg

Cath Knijnenburg (pronounced Kay-nine-en-burg) is a full-time visual artist working from Queensland's beautiful Sunshine Coast.

With a deep affection for the land around her, and the life that inhabits it, Cath's works are influenced by Australian native flora and fauna – in both literal and abstracted form. The interplay of positive and negative space is used extensively. It defines and implies details that evoke both a strong mood and an extrasensory perception of shape. Cath's contemporary pieces have an open, progressive style that is heavily influenced by her previous graphic design career.

She likes to paint in generous scale on luxurious Belgian Linen giving the pieces high impact in any space. Cath's creations promote a deep sense of life and spirit, that authentically reflect the context and aesthetic of modern Australia.

She is passionate about originality and the vibrancy that the right piece of art can imbue in a room. Cath's work is rapidly gaining popularity, with pieces housed in collections throughout Australia, Asia, the United Kingdom and mainland Europe. Cath paints from her studio on Mt Ninderry, in the Sunshine Coast hinterland where she enjoys the aspect and the garden with her family, and a few furry and feathered locals.



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Mayor Mark Jamieson said the Awards provided an opportunity to bring our local heroes out of the shadows and into the limelight.

"Each year, we recognise and honour outstanding community members and organisations from a wide cross-section of our community through these awards," Mayor Jamieson said. "Some nominees may be well-known whereas others may be quietly working in the background."

"Either way, the nominees all have one thing in common - they are making a difference and worthy of a nomination for our Australia Day Awards."

"This year, we are again looking for the community nominees across many categories, from creative to sport and recreation to environment and sustainability."

"We are looking for our next citizen, senior citizen and young citizen of the year, and then there's the community group or organisation which has made a positive difference to our community."

If you know a person, community group or organisation worthy of an award, nominate them in one of the following categories:

- Citizen of the Year
- Senior Citizen of the Year
- Young Citizen of the Year
- Community Group or Organisation
- Creative
- Sport and Recreation
- Environment and Sustainability

Nominations close November 4. Winners will be announced at a ceremony on January 21, 2022.

You can nominate someone for an award online via council's website.

For more information, visit council's web-site or email events@sunshinecoast.qld.gov.au

Passion for environment guides new direction

AFTER 17 years in real estate Mike Burns, Director of Burns Property in Palmwoods, handed over the reins of his agency to Kira Steinhaus last week.

"I have enjoyed my years of working in real estate in this beautiful area very much," Mike said.

"I will be staying on but also taking some time to enjoy life. The team here have been incredible to work with and I am looking forward to taking my foot off the pedal a little and watching Kira take the agency to the next place in its evolution."

"She is extremely dynamic and brings what I believe to be a unique set of skills and experience to real estate. There are some very exciting developments in the pipeline."

"My working career has been pretty varied and interesting," Kira said. "I have worked in personal development, media sales, financial services and insurance, property education and development, and most recently, here at Burns Property for the past 18 months. Funnily enough, my experiences have dovetailed and led me to where I am now."

"I am passionate about our environment, taking care of it, and the legacy we leave for future generations. It is imperative that we nurture and understand our environment better. The fantastic thing is that when development is done in a careful and conscious way, not only do we protect the land, but property becomes more valuable and holds its value better. With careful planning we can actually absorb the damage that is caused by poor planning."

"As far as property is concerned, the best way you can make an impact is by starting with a block of land. Larger block sizes and stricter covenants are really important. I work with a team of architects, designers and construction professionals to develop blocks and homes to



Kira Steinhaus takes over from popular Director Mike Burns. Kira is looking forward to helping people realise their property's potential.

optimise location and position for the maximum health of the planet and the home. Our developments will be for the owner/ occupier market and I intend to set a trend and raise the bar in this area of real estate."

Tony joins the team

Joining the team is Woombye local and agent, Tony Silver. "I have spent most of my career in construction and 'fell' into real estate, almost by accident," Tony said.

"I was fortunate to have had a few big opportunities straight away, with cattle property list-

ings in Queensland and the Northern Territory. I enjoyed the experience very much and as I have a very strong, life long network on the Coast, I am really happy to be working in real estate locally."

"We have some exciting projects on the drawing board at the moment, and moving forward, we are looking forward to educating people about realising their property's potential and creating a healthier and more harmonious balance between people and property," Kira said.

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Q&A Profile

Community Profile with **Grant Palethorpe** of Place 360 & WCBA

Birth date and/or star sign: Scorpio.

Dream Car: My EH Holden, followed by a 1957 Chevy Nomad.

Ties to area: My parents moved from Melbourne in 1965 when they bought a pineapple farm here in Woombye. I was only a little tacker at the time.

First job you ever had & what was it like: Aside from working on the farm as a kid, my first 'paid' real job was with Win Motors in Nambour. I started straight from school, it was around the time Ray Grace had taken over, I was there only a few months because I received job offers from the 3 banks that I had applied for.

The last television show or movie you loved? Not the last, but it's hard to go past Seinfeld.

One thing on your bucket list? Backpack through Central America.

Best advice you have ever received and who did you get it from? My dad, he wasn't big on words, through his actions he instilled that with hard work, drive and determination you can achieve your goals. He taught the value of making well informed decisions too.

What has been your most memorable moment? Pretty hard to beat having 4 fantastic kids. Backpacking through South America and being at the 2008 AFL Grand Final watching my team Hawthorn win rank up there.

What's one thing you love about Woombye (apart from the people)? The sense of place, a feeling of home, the landscape and real connection. It's an intrinsic feeling that can't be described by words. Coming down Blackall Street the view to the range is stunning.

What would your friends/family say is



Grant Palethorpe is vice-president of the Woombye Community and Business Association which is nearing 100 financial members.

your most annoying habit? Talking too much and wandering off topic.

What is something people don't know about you? Still own my first car, I drive my EH Premier daily, our 40 year anniversary is this October.

What one thing would you like to see happen in the local area? Maintain the village feel of our towns, create better connections to encourage walking and riding bikes. Future new road and infrastructure needs to be appropriately located so that it doesn't destroy the very fabric of Woombye that we love.

Best local activity & why? The simple things like kicking the footy with the kids, Sorry can't pick just one, we are fortunate to be close enough to both the range and the beaches.

What are you passionate about? Places, as a town planner I'm fortunate to be involved in some very cool projects,

I'm excited by the life that occurs in the public spaces, the footpaths and parks where chance meetings with friends occur. Woombye has that buzz along Blackall Street, that's not something a town planner can replicate. It's something that evolves over time. People are drawn to great places, and Woombye is one such 'Place'. Celebrating the local history of a place is a great way for our newer residents and visitors to connect with our town.

Is there a local business, community group, club or person you'd like to give a shout-out to? The Woombye Community & Business Association, I'm on the committee and am keen to grow the association for the benefit of Woombye. The WCBA is nearing 100 financial members, we support our local businesses, community groups and sporting clubs. We engage with all levels of government to advocate appropriate development decisions are made. We are keen to get more local events happening too.



From left, Sheila Oliver, Amanda Matthews, Oriana Packman and Kathryn Barnes in rehearsal for Double Entendre. Photo: Chris Grealy.

Three One-Act Plays at The Lind focus on relationships

TO showcase the wealth of theatrical talent we have on the Sunshine Coast, Nambour's Lind Land Theatre are presenting three one-act plays. Coming straight after the wacky comedy of Sylvia, the play line-up includes the first published play by the Director of Sylvia, Judith Boyd.

Judith wrote Double Entendre in 1992 and her work subsequently won the title of Best Unpublished Play at theatre festivals at Sydney, Tamworth and Port Macquarie.

It concerns four women who meet up once a week in a Laundromat and pass the time swapping stories of their life experiences - or are they only stories?

Double Entendre is directed by long time Lind member Kathy Hickson, and joins The Open Door directed by Mathieu Cadart, and Love or Nearest Offer directed by Hayley Saunders.

The Lind is delighted to present these three plays under the banner of Relationships, and we hope you can join us to enjoy this varied and entertaining selection.

Relationships runs from July 29 to 31. Please go to www.lindlane.com.au/whats-on to book and check for the latest Covid safety information.

Transport heads-up

FROM Monday 2 August 2021 there are timetable changes for the Sunshine Coast and Noosa Bus networks.

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Car restorers to roll up for rare parts at Swap Meet

AFTER a one-year hiatus due to Covid-19 the Sunshine Coast Antique Car Club is ready to roll with its annual Swap Meet held at the wonderful Nambour Showgrounds on July 31.

"This time last year we were commiserating over the lack of an event, but this year it is full steam ahead with preparations for a bumper of a Swap," said secretary Ro Latham.

"People will be able to search for, and hopefully source, that elusive part. Many parts required by restorers are now virtually unavailable as new stock. There will also be auto memorabilia, quality reproduction parts and panels, tool suppliers, model cars, bric a brac and of course, coffee, food vendors and ATM's on site.

"We have well over 300 pre-booked swap site holders and we'd love to see them supported with a great public turn-out."

Sunshine Coast Antique Car Club President Rob Latham (Ro's husband) rebuilds Volkswagen models and said people restored vehicles for both love and money. Either way he said restored vehicles generally held their value very well.

The Swap Meet is open to further casual site holders who were welcome to arrive and register from 10am on Friday July 30 to 5am Saturday July 31.

The Main gates and Bli Bli Road gates of the Nambour Showgrounds will be open to the public from 6am on Sat-



Sunshine Coast Antique Car Club President Rob Latham who restores Volkswagen models loves the challenge of rebuilding within a budget.

urday July 31.

Public entry is \$5 per person and \$5 per vehicle for parking on site.

"This is our only annual fundraising event," said Ro.

SCACC is a not-for-profit company and exists to foster, encourage and advance interest in the history, restoration, care and preservation of old engine driven vehicles.

The club is active in the community through financial donations and attendance at community events. It also conducts events that allow members ample opportunities to enjoy use of their vehicles.

• For more information contact Car Club Secretary Ro Latham scaccsecretary@gmail.com.

Wedding Festival brings back the love

From **Hinterland Tourism**

BRIDES and Grooms to-be are heading to the annual Sunshine Coast Hinterland Maleny Wedding Festival Trail on Sunday July 25 to make their wedding dreams come back to life and win \$5,000 towards their Hinterland wedding.

The 50-million-dollar industry is working together as one to bring back the love in the Sunshine Coast Hinterland, acknowledged as a premier wedding region of Australia, and return weddings to the local and interstate couples who are ready to simply get married and celebrate with friends and family once again.

This year there are 10 Wedding Venues showcasing their stunning facilities along with a variety of Wedding Suppliers and our most unique wedding

accommodation of the Sunshine Coast Hinterland. Be inspired by all the wonderfully creative wedding services on display, from floral and style

design, fashion and photographers to custom transport options, catering, entertainment and much, much more. We have a whole community ready to embrace weddings with our special brand of service and welcoming hospitality.

Couples can take the time to tour the venues in a relaxed but informative one on one way with vendors, so they can imagine their personal touches brought to life by the industry

suppliers who provide local insights and professional advice designed to make their wedding day everything they've ever dreamed of.

Wedding venues and professionals across the entire Hinterland are ready to welcome couples to 'Nature's Wedding Chapel' with stunning scenery and natural attractions creating a captivating backdrop for wedding photos cher-



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The one vow every couple should make is to visit the Sunshine Coast Hinterland this winter to discover how to say "I do" the Hinterland way.

Venues will open from 10am to 3pm for couples and their families to tour.

Each venue has a COVID Safe Plan in place and our wedding professionals are ready to work together as one for the region.

For further information please visit <https://visitsunshinecoasthinterland.com.au/events/maleny-wedding-festival/>

Maleny Wedding Festival Trail Venues

Sunday 25th of July 2021

- Flaxton Gardens
- Mali Retreat
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Briony Stephenson and Michael MacDonald

Farewell Michael Welcome back Briony

"It is with mixed emotions that our much loved Michael, who has been a part of our local Community in Woombye & Nambour, is leaving his permanent role at the Woombye Community Bank to pursue a new career. Michael has been a valuable member of my team and our local community for the past 4 years, and has always been willing to get involved. I am thrilled that Michael will be maintaining his link with our wonderful community by working with us on a casual basis.

"At the same time, I am delighted to announce that Briony Stephenson will be returning to the Woombye Community Bank at the end of this month. Briony is friendly, enthusiastic, and very well respected by both customers and staff alike for her service and support of the local community. We very much look forward to working with Briony once again.

"Please join me in wishing Michael all the best for the future as we continue to see him from time to time, and give a big welcome to Briony."

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Cheers for the local support ... Stalwart Alehouse and Brewery owner Adam Tomlinson makes a toast with his just-brewed Anniversary Ale.

Here's to surviving a tough first year

ONE year after opening Nambour's Stalwart Alehouse and Brewery, owner Adam Tomlinson looks back on a tough year.

He's survived a steep learning curve since his fledgling business opened its doors in the famous Club Hotel building in Currie Street offering his renowned craft beers and pub food.

It was a learning curve that at times appeared insurmountable under the weight of set-up costs, Covid lockdowns and the hopes of a town and a main street in need of a boost.

But he was buoyed by the support of locals who he says have been amazing.

"I'm excited to reach the one year mark, that's for sure," Adam said. "It's been a challenging first year, a very challenging first year. And the quiet hospitality months (February-April) were really tough. Coupled with Covid it's been a long ride. But I'm just really happy to still get through it. And I'm thankful for the local support which has been crucial."

Adam said he was looking forward to some clear space as long as Covid kept its head down.

"So I think the second half of the year will be better because you're coming out of winter, less public holidays, less dead months," he said. "I don't have the pool tables, the dart boards, the pokies, the TAB, all those things. So part of my marketing strategy going forward will be to really focus on tourism coming in."

Adam said food was his other major focus. "I've also working out that, in this game, it's

food first. As much as I want my beers to be number one, people come to eat first. And everyone talks about the food. The drinks too, but people judge you on your food."

On that note Adam said he was looking forward to bringing in a new menu in August, an adaptation of the current offerings.

Anniversary Ale, Christmas in July and Black Forest Porter

To celebrate the first year Adam has launched a special "Anniversary Ale" he hopes locals will enjoy. "So the style is a hazy IPA. I've made 10 kegs so it will probably take a couple of weeks to get through. It just depends on how popular it is. Each year I plan to bring out an anniversary ale."

This weekend Stalwart is also celebrating Christmas in July with the release of a Black Forest Winter Porter Beer. "A porter is a European style beer," said Adam. "It's a dark beer, like a stout. It'll have raspberries, blackberries, and cherries in it."

"So I'll release that for Christmas in July this weekend (July 23-25) and we're also doing a baked ham meal. It will be glazed with the winter porter. And of course the anniversary ale will be on tap."

Adam plans to release a new beer every three to four weeks. "So that will excite some people to see what I'm brewing next. I'm looking at launching a membership club too featuring special offers for members."

Woombye Bank farewells popular employee

THE staff of the Woombye Community Bank held a farewell and 'thank you' breakfast for employee Michael MacDonald at Kimnat in Woombye on July 8.

"Michael has been such a valued and much loved member of our team," said Branch Manager Yvonne Arthur.

"We are going to miss him very much, as will our customers. But we are thrilled that he will be maintaining his link with us on a casual basis."

"During his time with the Branch, Michael has been someone who has stepped up for every fundraising and community event with his wonderful sense of humour and service."

"Michael's new beard might surprise you, but what surprised me more was to learn that when he was a young lad, his hair was down to his shoulders and you were lucky if you struck him wearing shoes or thongs!" said Board Director,



From Left Yvonne Arthur, Michael MacDonald and Stephen Marshall.

Stephen Marshall. "We wish Michael and his family all the very best as he embarks on his new career."



Brimming with goodness ... Mary Martin, far right, and Teresa Forrest from St Vinnies were presented with baskets of supplies for homeless people from teacher Rory Harrington and the year 4 kids at Good Samaritan Catholic College Bli Bli.

Talk about Good Samaritans! College presents baskets of kindness to Vinnies

NAMBOUR'S St Joseph's Conference of St Vincent de Paul Society Queensland received much-needed supplies from a local school recently.

"Mary Martin (Treasurer) and I were invited to speak at the Assembly of Good Samaritan Catholic College Bli Bli about the work we do at St Vincent de Paul in Nambour," explained St Joseph's Conference Nambour President Teresa Forrest.

"Students from Year 4, along with their teacher Mr Rory Harrington, collected five baskets of toiletries across the College to make up into Dignity Packs for the homeless as their contribution to homelessness."

"It was fantastic and we are grateful to receive their support."

Mr Harrington said students had been investigating the impact of homelessness over the past five weeks.

"They have written a newspaper package around this issue, informing people in our com-

munity of the prominence of this issue," he said. "From these tasks the Year 4's have become a passionate group of students that want to make a difference in their community."

"With this in mind they conducted some research and discovered that Vinnies has a winter appeal."

Teresa said the presentation was a wonderful surprise.

"We were overwhelmed and really pleased," she said. "We think the students at the Good Samaritan College are legends."

"At present, some of our members are sewing up drawstring bags to place the products in. They will then be distributed out to the homeless."

Teresa said St Vinnies was still under pressure because of the housing crisis.

"We, along with other agencies are doing our best to house people. There is still a lack of affordable housing across Queensland and many people are struggling with rent stress."

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Nambour Blue demons player Amanda Kenny penetrates the Maroochydore defence.

Nambour Blue Demons on track for yet another grand final

NAMBOUR Blue Demons Division 1 women's hockey team have featured in every grand final in the local hockey competition since 2011, winning eight of 10.

They continued on their winning way with a 1-nil win against Cooloola Heat on Sunday and the week before beat Maroochydore, also 1-nil.

"We had some great momentum and shots on goal from Candi De Smeth but the very talented Cooloola goalkeeper, Chloe Daly, had a cracking game," said Blue Demons Captain Kerryl Brown.

"It was another great performance from Maddy Windell.

"She's a junior, playing her first season in senior hockey and is consistent week in and week out.

"Eva Kersnovske capitalised to give us a 1-0 lead in the second quarter."

"It's a positive outcome for the first game of

our last round before finals. Giving us a lot to build on and identifying areas of growth before we hit the finals."

The wins keeps Nambour on top of this season's ladder after 17 of 20 rounds.

They are destined for the finals which will feature four teams.

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This Sunday, July 25, is a 2020 Grand Final rematch versus Buderim at 1.20pm.

The Blue Demons' run to the finals

- 25 July: 1:20pm v Buderim (2020 GF rematch)
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Memorial Drive, Eumundi before streetscape improvements.

Cash injection for Eumundi

EUMUNDI'S Memorial Drive will receive a \$500,000 boost to deliver streetscape improvements as part of the State Government's \$100 million South East Queensland Community Stimulus Program.

Sunshine Coast Council Division 10 Councillor David Law said the streetscape project was about enhancing aspects locals already loved about Eumundi's main street.

"This announcement is very exciting for our community, as council has been working with local businesses and organisations to find out their values and vision for the main street," Cr Law said. "A draft streetscape design will be presented over the coming months as part of Stage 2's - 'Have we got it right' with an opportunity for the community to provide further feedback. I look forward to releasing more information very soon."

The Eumundi project is part of a \$9.03 million funding injection to kick-start 16 projects

worth more than \$22 million across the Sunshine Coast to improve parks, streetscapes and sporting facilities, provide new playgrounds and generate local jobs sooner than planned.

The funding is in addition to the \$268 million worth of projects announced in Sunshine Coast Council's 2021/2022 budget last month and is matched by \$13.4 million council funding to deliver these projects across the Sunshine Coast over the next three years.

Mayor Mark Jamieson said the upgrades would provide important infrastructure and facilities to meet our community's needs.

"The projects will provide widespread benefit to residents across our region," Mayor Jamieson said.

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‘Music for the Soul’, from Dr Hook to the hinterland

ACCLAIMED British singer-songwriter, poet and award-winning mental health advocate Emily Maguire is performing a series of concerts with her band in the Sunshine Coast Hinterland in September 2021.

Emily is a contemporary folk artist who has toured Europe with American legends Don McLean, Dr Hook and Eric Bibb. Described as ‘music for the soul’ (Maverick Magazine), her songs have been used by Greenpeace and Hollywood, played on national BBC and ABC Radio, and performed in prisons and psychiatric hospitals as well as concert halls and theatres across the UK.

Open about her struggles with bipolar disorder since publishing her first book ‘Start Over Again’, Emily’s experience of mental health recovery and her practice of Buddhist meditation over the past 20 years have strongly influ-

enced her songwriting.

Emily’s Hinterland gigs will take place at Eudlo Hall (Saturday 11 September), Maleny Community Centre (Saturday 18 September) and The Majestic Theatre, Pomona (Saturday 25 September).

Recently relocated from the UK after 12 years away, Emily and Christian are delighted to be back on the family farm in the Obi Obi valley, the place where they released her debut album back in 2004 and used to finance their record label Shaktu Records by making goats cheese. They are in the process of recording Emily’s seventh album which will be released later this year, together with her fourth book of poetry.

• Tickets for Emily’s Hinterland shows are available from TryBooking through Emily’s website at www.emilymaguire.com.

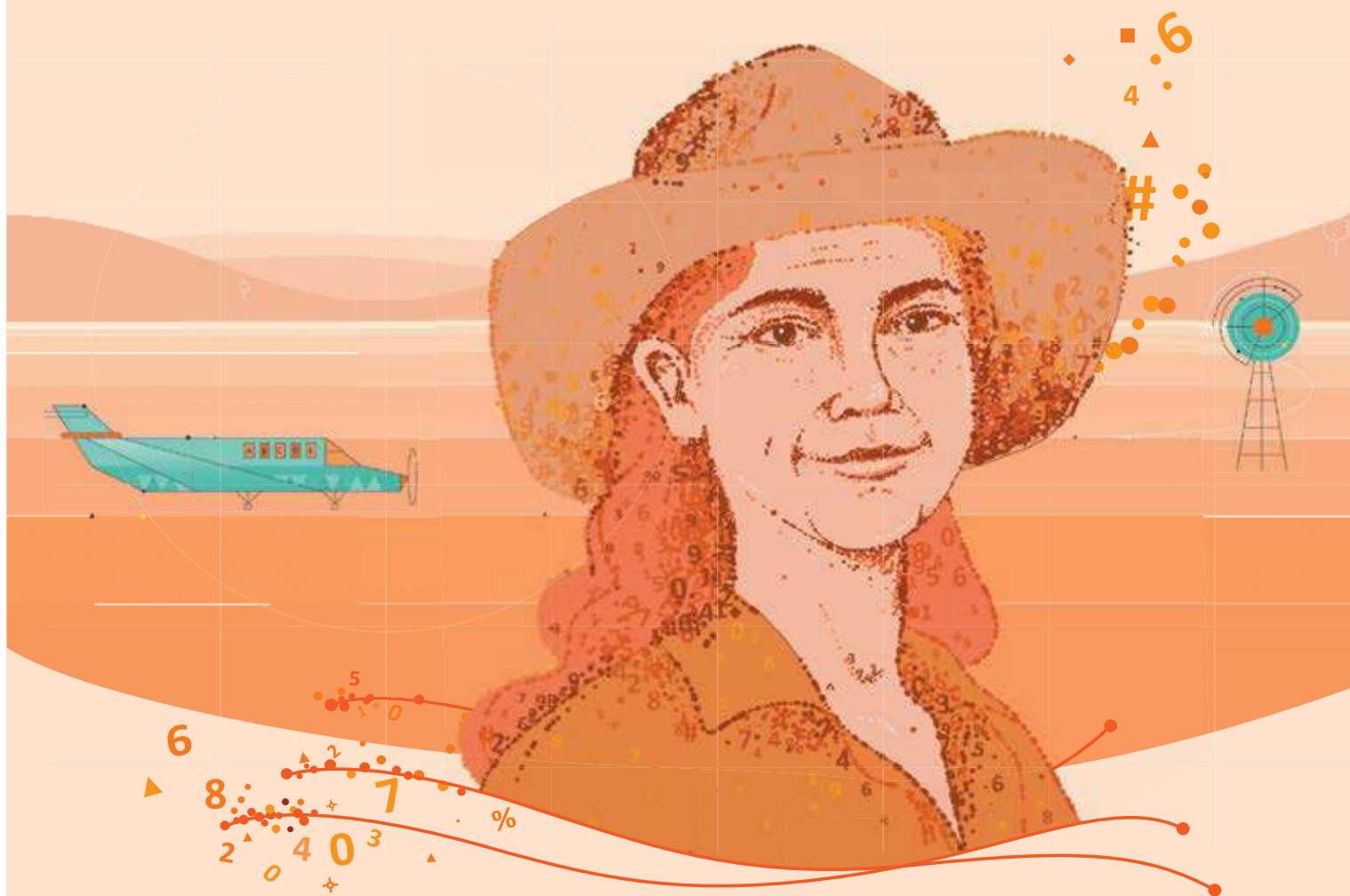


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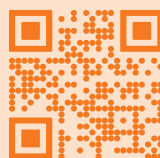
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Sunday Folk Revival – popular concert series returns to Nambour

TOP quality songwriting, a freshly renovated venue and audiences that can hear a pin drop – this and more is on offer at Sunday Folk Revival on August 22 at Nambour’s Black Box Theatre.

After a prolonged break the popular Sunday afternoon concert is back, hosted by Nambour’s own award-winning folk songwriter Karen Law and her talented musical family.

“The aim has always been to bring a high quality show to town and provide a listening venue where these fine musicians can be truly appreciated,” said Karen.

“We are blessed with a great many top musicians in South East Queensland, so for this first show back we don’t need to source acts from over the border.

“I can’t wait to see our loyal crowd back at Sunday Folk and able to enjoy these concerts again. It would be great to see some new faces too.”

Local legend Noel Gardner, previous winner of the Australian Songwriting Association awards, is performing with his partner Alex Bridge.

Noel has been a stalwart of the Sunshine Coast folk scene for many years as well as being part of the organising crew for Woodford and later the Maleny Music Festival.

He has also travelled the country performing, most recently at the Top End Folk Festival in Darwin.

Americana husband and wife duo *Those Folk* will be bringing their multi-instrumental show to the concert. Lawrence, originally from California and Clare, originally from Gympie, feature vocal harmonies alongside guitar, accordion, banjo, harmonicas and percussion. Their heartfelt lyrics tell tales of travels, love, nostalgia and hope.

Finally, host Karen Law will be sharing the stage with two of her children creating a trio of guitars, bass and harmonies with a healthy dose of family banter.

Details

- What: Sunday Folk Revival with Noel Gardner, Those Folk and host Karen Law
- When: Sunday 22nd August 2pm
- Where: Black Box Theatre, Old Ambulance Station, Nambour
- Price: \$20/\$15/\$10 adult/concession/children
- Tickets: go to Trybooking.com and search for “Sunday Folk Revival” or <https://www.trybooking.com/events/landing/789002>

Woombye Streetscape plans revealed. Still time to have say

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Queensland Government, has allocated \$1.55 million to deliver the streetscape improvements.

The State Government has contributed \$500,000 of the total funding under the \$100 million South East Queensland Community Stimulus Program.

Following community feedback, the final designs will be produced, and the actual construction is scheduled to take place in the following financial year 2021/2022. Council will

keep the community updated as the project progresses.

In answer to a *Sunshine Valley Gazette* query about an apparently diminished parking allocation in the new designs a Council Project Officer said: "Council has considered parking requirements in detail and is in active discussions with all current traders on the matter."

Residents can provide feedback by:

- Community drop-in session: Saturday 24 July, 8am-noon, Woombye School of Arts Hall.

- Online survey opens 22 July and closes Friday 13 August 2021.

- Visit, haveyoursay.sunshinecoast.qld.gov.au

About Woombye

Originally called Middle Camp, then Cobb's Camp, Woombye derived its name from the local Aboriginal word "wombai", which refers both to the black myrtle tree (commonly known as the lily pilly, *Eugenia Smithii*) and the axe handle made from its wood. Find out more about Woombye on council's heritage website.



Conceptual Designs for Blackall Street above and, inset, a closer view of the School of Arts Hall.

Letters to the Editor

How to solve housing affordability issue

EVERY house buyer starts off with a mortgage at least \$100,000 more than it should be because of the profit taken by land speculators.

Some of the "New Suburbs" I believe were purchased for a couple of \$100 million & sold off to land buyers for a couple of \$billion.

And the original transaction may well have been financed by money borrowed from working people's superannuation funds. To me it is difficult to understand what these land speculators do for their 10 times mark-up, other than to cosy up to their favourite polliie or probably any polliie will do who has a re-zoning stamp. Its not brain surgery to employ a civil engineer to run a few graders over an ex-pine forest the government almost gifted you.

Then get a town planner to mark out the blocks of an appropriate small size. Despite the number of coloured brochures & billboards they produce telling of the "lifestyle" they have made for us, its not too hard for them to sell a product the people need before just about anything else & for which they are lining up buy. In fact, its so easy to develop & sell I'm convinced even government could do it.

Builders will make their 20% profit on & employ exactly the same number of people building whatever the home buyers want regardless of who contracted the graders & the town planners. In fact, on the Sunny Coast government provision of land from the ratepayer owned vast land bank could both ensure affordable housing & employment for most of our 20,000 construction workers. And the change in direction of our economy from a declining dependent one to exporting vibrancy would provide more jobs building farms & factories.

Of course, one of the big impediments to reducing housing cost is that by doing so in any substantial way, it is feared the value of existing homes will also be reduced.

This is not something any government would survive & they will shy away from developing policies that would cause this to occur.

However, there are mechanisms that would prevent this, it just needs the political will to do it. But the relationship between politicians & property speculators are such that for almost all polliies the speculators are "too big to assail".

— **Michael Burgess, former Mayoral candidate**

Currie St is our main street, not a highway

THE first and most important thing to revitalise the Nambour CBD is to acknowledge that Currie Street is still being viewed as a highway. It is not. The designation of the highway was changed years ago to the Bruce Highway.

Still treating it as a highway today has caused the CBD to be split into two. To rectify this it should be changed so there is no throughway at all.

Radical changes are needed.

For example: Make a lovely mall in the middle of Currie Street (maybe near where the new tram way is). Then it would be a lovely quiet oasis inviting people to get out of their cars and wander the streets window shopping, coffee drinking, tram riding etc.

— **Bev Allen, Nambour**

Block Lowe Street to help calm traffic

I believe that the top of Lowe Street should be closed off to Currie Street, creating an opportunity for a number of short-stay parks right uphill from the PO where they're badly needed.

There wouldn't be an opening at all if H. Lowe's butchery and ice works hadn't burned down in 1946, so it would just be 'back to the old days'.

This realignment has apparently been suggested before according to Tim Smith of the 'Bag Works' shop on the corner, and it must be high time to revisit the idea.

There are many benefits to be had stemming from the changes.

Busses would turn left out of Station Road, along Currie Street to turn into Mathew Street straight past the RSL, where a stop would allow patrons to use the public transport to get there instead of their cars, and then turn right into Ann Street to stop outside the Woolworth's Plaza, thus reducing the procession of people and shopping trolleys across to the present bus stop in Lowe Street.

Since busses would no longer be turning right out of Lowe Street into Ann Street, the difficult and sometimes dangerous right turn would disappear, making life easier for bus drivers and safer for people standing outside the Plaza waiting to cross towards the South side of Lowe Street.

The junction with Lowe Street and Currie Street would also be much safer and more manageable for pedestrians, where at present, the pedestrian crossing lights from the Bag Shop to Nambour Social change from green to red as even the fastest walker gets just half-way across, and when crossing from the Bag Shop to Maccas, the traffic lights allow vehicles turning right to advance out of the view of pedestrians, across the junction into Currie Street at the same time.

There's more to this than the above of course, but I feel that there must be a better way to manage traffic flows and parking spaces in the town, so businesses might be persuaded to return to Currie Street and remain there.

Clearly, the idea will have its detractors, and there will be costs involved, but surely we have to do something, otherwise the vacancy rate for shop premises will grow and hence the problem will only get worse.

— **Tony Bryant, Burnside**

Visual interest will help Currie Street

One obvious way to start improving the situation in Currie Street is to add visual interests: destinations that aren't the existing businesses. We need places to sit and enjoy a cuppa, perhaps, while also having something look at other than the road and plain empty shops. The region has ample history, both Indigenous and colonial, perhaps informative and interactive displays of historical facts incorporated with functional places of interests like seating, can be installed.

Various art installations can be points of attraction, perhaps statues of some sort that are relevant to Nambour in a unique way, not just to the town's past, but more importantly where we're heading. I am aware of the special zoning of the street as an entertainment precinct, and this would certainly be a good thing for the town.

Nambour is an ideal place, a great area for all creative outlets. Music, arts, performances, dining and so on. I believe, Nambour definitely needs to embrace this new direction and take on this identity of creative energy so it will become a unique, vibrant and exciting destination.

— **Mike Korsos, Korsos Photography Currie Street Nambour**

Ted reneged on Rail promise

Ted O'Brien MP has reneged on his 2018 promise regarding fast rail between Brisbane and Nambour in favour of the Brisbane to Maroochydore option.

This change of heart is set to isolate Nambour even further. First we lost the mill, then the hospital and the council, now we encourage visitors to bypass Nambour even more.

We were promised fast rail. We're getting a tram from Coles to Aldi. Ted O'Brien owes his hinterland constituents an enormous apology.

We should be looking to the example of our big sister, the Gold Coast, in order to solve our transport woes. We should have fast rail to Nambour with intermittent transport interchanges at Landsborough and Nambour providing efficient links to the coastal strip. Fast Rail between Brisbane and Maroochydore (and not Nambour) is another kick in the guts for Nambour when we're already on our knees and struggling to stand.

Ted O'Brien's 2018 promise of fast rail to Nambour was never even a viable possibility of coming to fruition any time soon.

Here we are (in 2021) and the struggle is still to get rail duplication to Nambour.

I acknowledge the good work Ted has done for his constituents over the years though I'm wary of the possibility of more unrealistic promises being made in order to win an upcoming Federal election.

We have been betrayed and that

betrayal will be remembered come election time.

— **Anthony Sullivan, Nambour.**

For clarity The Sunshine Valley Gazette asked Fairfax MP Ted O'Brien for a response in the same edition. Following is Mr O'Brien's response — Editor.

A unity ticket is the only way to better rail

IT'S true that Nambour and its surrounding region are currently receiving more Federal Government funding than ever, but I want to go after more. History shows that being proactive, not complacent, is what delivers dividends and before I rattle off some achievements, I want to pay tribute to the local community without whom these outcomes would not have been possible. When we work together, it's amazing what we can do.

Over recent years, I've secured \$395 million for upgrades to the North Coast Rail Line between Beerburrum and Nambour and \$241 million for upgrading the Nambour Connection Road / Maroochydore Road Interchange.

This level of Federal Government funding is unprecedented and comes on top of \$103 million for local roads and community infrastructure grants to the Sunshine Coast Council for works to be undertaken, including in Nambour.

But, my focus hasn't been on big projects alone. The *Nambour & District* publication and Reimagine Nambour were founded under my lead and I have secured funding for a range of other projects including: over half a million dollars for the Nambour Community Centre; half a million dollars for the Nambour Heritage Tramway; half a million dollars for streetscaping in Nambour; three quarters of a million dollars for men's and women's shelters; \$4 million for local business and community groups; more than \$700,000 for indigenous projects and a similar amount for environmental projects.

This is on top of Federal Government services provided through my office or Government Agencies from immigration to social services, and COVID-19 programs such as JobKeeper and JobSeeker supplements and so forth.

Looking towards the future, I have found one topic raised more than others in Nambour, and that's the future of the rail. This makes sense because the North Coast Rail line and the Nambour Station are vitally important assets for the town.

Some people may recall that I secured over \$6 million a few years ago to assess the feasibility of a fast rail link between Brisbane and the Sunshine Coast, with two end locations in mind - Nambour and Maroochydore.

The assessment was done independently and unfortunately concluded that the economics of a link

to Nambour didn't stack up, at this stage. This was heart breaking, but the last thing we should do is pack our bags and go home.

Instead, we must stay united and work to a plan.

Earlier this year, I did the rounds and met with representatives of the business and community sectors, the State Member Rob Skelton, Councillor David Law, long term rail advocate Jeff Addison and others about uniting behind a three-step plan.

Firstly, we need to prioritise full duplication - that is, two tracks - between Beerburrum and Nambour.

The Queensland State Government's current plan for rail upgrades between Beerburrum and Nambour is in two stages. Stage One duplicates the line from Beerburrum to Landsborough, while Stage Two includes line upgrades but not duplication between Landsborough and Nambour.

Nambour deserves nothing less than full duplication.

Armed with support from community leaders and over 5,000 signatures from the community at large, I went to Canberra and advocated for \$5 million to help fund a new Stage Two design that allows for full duplication.

I had success. The Federal Budget in May included \$5 million for this work, on a 50:50 basis with the Queensland State Government.

It is the State Government that ultimately owns and operates the North Coast Rail Line and not the Federal Government. In fact, the \$390 million we have already committed is the first time Federal funds have been allocated to this stretch. We therefore need the State Government on board.

Meeting next week

I plan to meet with State Minister Mark Bailey next week to request the Queensland Government considers full duplication and matches the Federal Government's contribution so a new Stage Two design can get underway.

Secondly, we will inevitably require hundreds of millions of dollars for construction. While this is squarely a State Government responsibility, once a price tag is known from the new Stage Two design, I will unashamedly go after a contribution from the Federal Government.

Thirdly, we mustn't give up on fast rail. When I called for a new Stage Two design, I made my intentions clear. That is, I want to see full duplication - two tracks - between Landsborough and Nambour, designed in a way to accommodate the possibility of fast rail in the future; effectively buying us an option to pursue fast rail at a later date.

I feel so privileged to serve the Nambour community and the Hinterland as your Federal MP, and I'm grateful for ongoing community support. When you're going after big transformative projects, unity is key.

Indeed, a 'unity ticket' remains the only path to better rail.

— **Ted O'Brien, Fairfax MP**

Outspoken Maleny presents Scott Ludlam in conversation

EVEN if you never voted for former senator Scott Ludlam, or his party, you may have been aware of his keen intelligence.

What people probably didn't know about him was the breadth of his curiosity, the stretch of his imagination, or, for that matter, the reach of his ambition.

We don't tend to expect these things in our politicians, more's the pity.

The tag line on the cover of his remarkable new book, *Full Circle*, (provided by the writer Raj Patel) says simply: Australia lost a Senator, the world gained a luminous writer, which just about sums it up.

Ludlam proves to be more than just erudite, he's prepared to draw the very foundations of life into his argument for a better understanding of our place in the world, and the responsibilities that come with it.

• Scott Ludlam in conversation, Maleny Community Centre, Wednesday August 11, 6pm Tickets \$22 Students \$15. www.outspokenmaleny.com



Mary Valley Art Festival breaking records

THE Mary Valley Art Festival, celebrating 20 years of art and culture in the Mary Valley has received record entries in this year's competition. With close to 500 artworks on display, Imbil will be a hive of activity this weekend from Thursday July 22 through to Sunday July 25.

The return of the popular festival was warmly embraced by the creative community who experienced the closure of so many events during 2020, and now the ongoing restrictions for galleries, theatres and live venues. Gympie artist and art teacher Kathy Burden was enthusiastic, "It's just so good to have you back!"

The prize pool of over \$8000 features the \$2500 Bendigo Bank Open Award to the winning artist, and \$1000 to the artist Highly Commended, thanks to Twin Bunya Park.

The festival is open each day from 10am-3pm from July 22 through to July 24 at Imbil Public Hall, Edward Street, Imbil near Gympie. Opening night presentations are on Friday July 23, with shortened viewing on Sunday July 25 from 10am-1pm prior to works being collected.



Regal Paws' owner, Laura Weston with Montgomery and Sharon Hopkins from SCARS.

Pamperers keep mates warm, clean and together

ON the last Friday of each month, Sunshine Coast Animal Refuge (SCARS), The Shack in Nambour, Regal Paws Pet Grooming, and a group of dedicated volunteers band together to support people in need by pampering their four legged companions.

"This initiative is something that we at SCARS are incredibly proud to be part of," said SCARS board member and volunteer Sharon Hopkins. "We were looking for ways that we could actively branch out into the community, and perhaps help prevent people in tough circumstances from having to surrender their beloved pets."

With an awareness of the work being undertaken at The Shack in Nambour, SCARS saw an opportunity to positively contribute by assisting those who are homeless or in very challenging situations to care for their animals.

"The experience has been eye opening and always good for the soul," said Ms Hopkins. "We are in awe of the work being done by Pastor Dale and his wife Donna, and their volunteers. One of the first lessons has been to drop the judgement around people who find themselves in need of the services at The Shack. We have met people from all walks of life, and it is very leveling to hear their stories."

"What immediately struck us was the love and devotion these people have for their dogs. For some, their dog is their only family, and is incredibly precious to them."

"We gather together at The Shack and encourage clients to bring along their pooches for some well-deserved pampering," she said. "Every dog enjoys a warm flea bath from Laura, while their owner has breakfast."

"I started my mobile pet grooming business 12 months ago and I was looking for a way that I could make a positive contribution to our community," said Regal Paws' owner, Laura Weston.

"It is wonderful to be part of this event each month and to be able to help people for whom their dog is their whole world. At the end of the day, we all share a love of dogs."

Twenty year old Laura is also studying dog psychology and training.

"Laura is just amazing with the dogs," Ms Hopkins said. "She has such a wonderful, kind way, and both the dogs and their owners are very comfortable with her."

The entire initiative is only possible due to the incredible support shown to SCARS by the public, and local businesses.

"We could not operate as we do without this support," Ms Hopkins explained. "Most of our activities are dependent on donations. As a part of this initiative, we are able to take along pet food, warm dog coats, blankets, leads, collars and toys. Our SCARS volunteers make the most beautiful fabric, take home bags and we fill them with goodies, as well as things like collapsible water bowls, poo pick up bags and packets of dog treats."

"The best way people can participate is to donate items such as wet and dry pet food, collars, leads, blankets and even worm, flea and tick medication to SCARS. At the moment, shops like K-Mart have nice warm dog coats from \$12, so it is very easy to make a big difference."

"It is an exciting journey to be on with Pastor Dale and we are looking forward to the next dog wash day on Friday the 23rd of July at The Shack."

• Sunshine Coast Animal Refuge www.sippy-creek.com.au. Regal Paws Mobile Pet Grooming www.regalpaws.com.au.



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Volunteer drivers needed to help make a difference

RANGECARE, one of the area's longest running not-for-profit community care providers, is looking to recruit volunteer drivers and home visiting volunteers to support its work within the community.

Serving the local community for more than 25 years, RangeCare helps elderly and vulnerable community members across the Sunshine Coast Hinterland and surrounding suburbs to remain living independently in their homes for as long as possible. This would not be possible without the strong support of our volunteer community.

Michele Crocker, one of RangeCare's Volunteer Coordinators, says that the organisation could not deliver the services it does without their 165 volunteers. "The support of volunteers means that we can make the best use of the funding we receive from the government, and deliver services to a large number of people who are often geographically overlooked," said Michele. She continued, "Our volunteers form part of a very supportive team and their contribution is invaluable and appreciated by all RangeCare staff."

Even an hour or two a week can make a difference in supporting our elderly community members. There are volunteer roles available in Nambour, Flaxton, and Maleny across the Sunshine Coast for drivers to transport people to and from medical appointments, and volunteer opportunities for people to visit clients in



RangeCare driver Sandie Safton is all smiles before collecting a RangeCare client.

their homes for a coffee and a chat as a part of the Home Visiting Program. There are no out-of-pocket expenses for volunteers.

Louise is one of RangeCare's volunteer drivers and has worn many hats in her time, but says meeting new clients and hearing about their life stories means she never gets bored. "It's important to me to try and give back to people, so I think if you're that way inclined, and you enjoy communicating and interacting with all sorts of different people, then yeah volunteering at RangeCare would be good," said Louise.

• For more information on volunteering with RangeCare contact Michele Crocker on 5441 4441 or visit www.rangecare.com.au/volunteer.

'All Things Bright and Beautiful' will be on display at Craftfest and Exhibition

THE Palmwoods Art and Craft Group will be holding their 2021 Craftfest and Exhibition "All Things Bright and Beautiful" on Saturday the 24th of July from 9am to 3pm at the Palmwoods Bowls Club. "What we spend all year making is what we exhibit," said group member, Marlene Earle.

The Palmwoods Art and Craft Group covers a wide range of arts and crafts, for their 70 members. Groups meet weekly, fortnightly or monthly depending on the needs of each group. Members can go to as many sharing days as they please depending on their interest. There are two different types of quilts for their clients. Another quilting group meets on the first Saturday of each month. Some ladies knit or crochet while others prefer hand embroidery.

The patchwork group meets every Tuesday and is involved with making quilt tops for charity quilts. These are then quilted and donated to Sunshine Coast charities in need of quilts for their clients. Another quilting group meets on the first Saturday of each month. Some ladies knit or crochet while others prefer hand embroidery.

"As we have a lot of older, talented women in our group there is always plenty of help and advice for anyone starting a new hobby," said Marlene.

On the day of the exhibition as well as a display of all the beautiful quilts and art and craft,



From left, members Chris Diggle, Jenny Wilcox (president) and Phuong Fordham.

there will also be vendors selling fabric and accessories. "The Patchwork Angel and The Sewing Mill are two of our vendors and they have really lovely materials to inspire," she said.

"This year we have art and craft items for sale and all proceeds will be donated to our chosen charity, Cittamani Hospice Service, which is based here in Palmwoods. There will be raffle tickets sold on the day with prizes drawn every hour, as well as the main raffle with 4 big prizes. The first prize is a quilt and the proceeds of the main raffle will be donated to our charity for the day, Cittamani."

Morning tea, lunch and afternoon tea will be available at the Bowls Club.



From left Cheryl Harris, Fiona Simpson MP, Australia's Champion Town Crier Bob Townshend and I Age Well CEO Tanya Dave.

I Age Well Expo at Nambour

THE I Age Well Expo will take place on August 5, 2021 at the Nambour Showgrounds.

The event was officially launched in Nambour by Australia's champion Town Crier, Bob Townshend and Fiona Simpson MP.

The I Age Well Lifestyle Expo was established in 2017 to empower, connect, inspire and inform our over 55 community on the Sunshine Coast. Over the last 2 years, the expo has grown from strength to strength, attracting a larger audience. It is Sunshine Coast's largest over 55 expo.

Each year the Expo takes the opportunity to work closely with our over 55 community to build community engagement and collaborate with businesses to create unique opportuni-

ties to showcase their brand or service to their target audience.

The goal of the Expo is to open the door of opportunity to the over 55 community, challenge social norms that limit growth and hinder people's potential to live life to the fullest. The intention is to encourage the over 55's to strive to create a community where people not only age well but thrive.

There will be over 100 exhibitors showcasing the best that the Sunshine Coast has to offer the over 55's community. So come along, one and all and enjoy the exhibits, entertainment and food.

• For more information please visit www.iagewell.com.au.

Volunteer brings cultures together in celebration of diversity

DOMINIQUE Cisse thrives on bringing people from different cultures together.

Nothing delights the organiser of the FESTURI Multicultural Music & Dance Festival as much as introducing people from different cultures.

"FESTURI allows people to meet other people from their own cultures," he said.

"But importantly it also introduces them to people from other cultures.

"That's where the magic happens. People are so proud of their heritages and traditions.

"You can see it on their faces. It's a festival of colour and tastes, sights and sounds.

"Something truly wonderful happens when people come together in this way."

Dominique was recently named winner of the Sunshine Coast Volunteer of the Month Award for May in the Human Rights and Migrant Services category.

Over the past two decades, Dominique has served the Sunshine Coast community volunteering 25 plus hours a week and building awareness of multiculturalism.



Jenny McKay and volunteering Sunshine Coast president Matthew Walker present the award to Dominique Cisse.

His main focus is the annual FESTURI Multicultural Music & Dance Festival to be held this year in Woombye August 27-29.

FESTURI build awareness of multicultural communities in the Sunshine Coast and showcases culturally and diverse artists and supports the local culturally and linguistically diverse (CALD) community and artists to develop a high standard of work.

He connects these artists and performers with other festivals and organisations.

Dominique is of French-Caribbean descent and is also a volunteer with the Rural Fire Service.

Nominations close
20 August 2021

Play a role in giving feedback to Council on the ongoing implementation of the Integrated Transport Strategy – whether it be a discussion on specific projects, proposals, or emerging transport related issues.

Council is inviting you to nominate to join its Transport Community Reference Group.

Community input is vital to our success.



Scan the QR code or visit our website to submit your nomination.



Musicians unite to present Baroque opera

HENRY Purcell's only Opera proper, *Dido and Aeneas* is a magnificent example of English Baroque music, with lively dances and passionate aria sections that demonstrate Purcell's masterful compositional and choral writing skill.

Based on a libretto by Nahum Tate, it was first performed in 1689, comprises three acts and lasts about an hour. Filled with dramatic lyricism with a wide range of musical and emotional content, it is a monumental Baroque composition considered to be one of England's

foremost operatic works.

Dido and Aeneas contains all the elements for a successful opera including a shipwreck, sorcery, love and lost love and death.

The Sunshine Coast Choral Society & the Sunshine Coast Chamber Strings will perform Purcell's "DIDO and AENEAS" on Sunday August 29 2021 commencing 2 pm. Gregson and Weight Memorial Chapel, 159 Wisers Road, Buderim. Tickets \$30, Concession tickets \$25. Bookings - call Yvonne 0431 550 713 Afternoon tea will be provided.

Cr Law guest speaker at Sanctuary Park

DIVISION 10 Cr David Law was the guest speaker at Nambour's Sanctuary Park Retirement Community's regular "Catch Up & Chat Session" for residents last Wednesday.

Retirement Living Manager Russell Elms said Cr Law was very gracious to accept an invite and was well received by all residents who attended. Cr Law answered questions from the residents and enlightened them on some of the restrictions council faces in getting and keeping things moving.

"The meeting was very informal with David enjoying a cuppa with the residents," said Russell. All in all a great morning was had by all."

Pictured: Cr Law chats with Val Maudsley, left, and Margaret Kuehne



Historic Nambour CBD properties for sale for over \$2M

THREE historic properties in Nambour CBD were last week listed for sale for offers over \$2 million.

The properties near Coles at 5 Mill Street, 7 Mill Street and 14 Bury Street are for sale by Private Treaty.

The three properties, *pictured*, are being offered for sale together or individually and were originally the housing for workers of the Moreton Central Sugar Mill, built between 1897 and 1917.

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The buildings are currently tenanted to well-established local businesses.

Maleny Golf Club results

TUESDAY 13th July, 2021: The Maleny Golf Club held a Mixed Stableford Competition - A Grade - first place went to Annie Quarmby with 38 points, runner-up went to Ian Michel with 35 points and third place went to Colin Thomas with 34 points on three count-backs, Mike Hallam, Grant Flynn and Ian Goodman, all with 34 points.

B Grade - first place went to Brock Crowther with 43 points, runner-up went to Larry Fraley with 39 points and third place went to Chris Small with 38 points.

THURSDAY 15th July, 2021: There was a Ladies Zone Nett Pennant competition with first place going to Ally Smerdon with 62 nett (grade winner) runner-up went to Susanne Hardy with 63 nett (grade winner) and Penny Edwards with 73 nett (grade winner) on a count-back from Kay Clark and Robyn Powell

both also with 73 nett). The shortest drive went to Jacqui on hole 16, Nearest to the Pins went to Linda Stirling on hole 1, Lynette Black on hole 8, Mo Lawrence on hole 12 and Vicki Jones on hole 17.

SATURDAY 17th July, 2021: There was a Mixed VS Par Competition played with first place going to Ralph Ding with +4, runner-up went to Richard Clayton with +2 on a count-back from Steve Halliwell, also with +2 and third place went to Don Lemon with +2, also on a count-back from David Phillips with +1. Nearest to the Pins went to Marcus Wellington on hole 5, Ralph Din g on hole 12 and Stephen Phillips on hole 14.

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Maestro pianist, Piers Lane, returns for encore performance at Lucas Parklands

WORLD famous pianist Piers Lane will return to the Sunshine Coast in August for two Encore Performances, which could realistically be among his last recitals in Australia for some time.

The London-based concert pianist enthralled audiences at the Lucas Parklands concert hall in May and has now managed to schedule two encore performances at the local venue just before he returns to his home base in London and a busy European schedule.

Maestro Lane will perform the two mid-week concerts on Wednesday August 25 and Thursday 26.

"There was an absolute buzz among guests after both of Maestro Lane's concerts in May and to have him able to return again to schedule two more concerts in August is a real achievement and an outright thrill," Lucas Parklands owner Ian Lucas commented.

"With Covid-19 travel restrictions slowly lifting, the high demand for Maestro Lane will again surge in Europe and England, so I expect he will become very busy; it's possible that we may not get a chance to return in the foreseeable future.

"Piers is a wonderful performer, but he also is incredibly generous with his time, making sure to speak to concert guests and share their thoughts and experiences - he will bring that same energy and warmth to his encore concerts in August."

Maestro Lane arrived in Australia in early May, spending two weeks in quarantine before embarking on a five-month tour of Australia, including concerts in most capitals and major Australian cities, working as artistic director of the Sydney International Online Piano Competition, and the two sold out Lucas Parklands concerts.

At the time of his Montville concerts, he said: "It is extraordinary that you have this place in the middle of the rainforest, and it's so beautiful acoustically, with a lovely Steinway (piano), and



Piers Lane chats to William Erdmann along with Christina Nielsen and Michelle Rommel and Jaidan Rommel Griffin. Mr Erdmann's mother Natasha Erdmann studied with Maestro Lane at the Queensland Conservatorium of Music.

the audience able to sit around and in really intimate contact with the pianist.

"So much of this (chamber) music was written for this sort of occasion... They didn't have massive concert halls in those days so the music was written for people to get in on it, really close up, and that's what you get here at Lucas Parklands; it's really something very special."

The 150-seat Lucas Parklands concert hall is regarded by many as one of the finest performance spaces of its size in the world.

It is set amongst the beauty of Sunshine Coast hinterland rainforest, featuring soft lighting and large windows that deliver a natural backdrop to an acoustically brilliant and intimate room.

Serious diagnosis prompts Kate's natural awakening

YANDINA'S Kate Manley began her wellness and spiritual journey in a manner that many may find familiar.

"When I was given a serious health diagnosis in my 20s, it prompted me to research natural health options," said Kate. "Although alternative and natural health practices were never a part of my upbringing, a purely pharmaceutical approach did not sit well with me because it did not address the underlying causes of my issues.

"I have always been a linear thinker; my formal qualifications are a Degree in Behavioural Science (Psychology), and a Post-Graduate Certificate in Business (Human Resource Management), and so I started to look to Functional Medicine Doctors for answers. And the common thread I found was that alongside an emphasis on lifestyle and nutrition, they also had distinctly spiritual undertones to their information. My curiosity was definitely piqued.

"I started to address my own health with Chinese medicine and acupuncture and in the process I was motivated to undertake a complete lifestyle overhaul. It was a very intuitive process that included spirituality. This was completely novel for me.

"In 2014 I privately began to study more about our spiritual selves and this led me to complete a Certified Health Coach (Institute of Integrative Nutrition), and Usui Reiki Levels I, III & III / Master amongst others.

"It became so clear that our 'health' is an expression of the collective functioning of our emotional, mental, physical and spiritual selves. From there I guess you could say I 'came out' of the spiritual closet, and began to work with women to teach them to rekindle the connection to their own intuition.

"During the past year many people have been forced to question the quality of their lives," Kate explained. "People tell me that they are exhausted by the 'rat race', and they feel they are 'missing' something. They are disconnected from themselves."



Kate Manley ... our 'health' is an expression of the collective functioning of our emotional, mental, physical and spiritual selves.

Kate began facilitating Moon and Tide gatherings, and they have quickly grown in popularity. "These are facilitated women's circles where there is an agreement that there will be no coaching or advice offered, but rather a safe and loving space where women can reconnect with themselves," she said.

"People leave the gatherings elated and grateful and it is just so beautiful to witness women discover a sense of themselves that they may not have been aware of before.

"We are eternally connected to the soul, and I think that we need to be reminded of that. In the end, that is where happiness lies."

The next Moon and Tide Gathering will be held on Sunday 25th of July at 2.30pm in Eudlo. You can book online at www.katemanley.com.au

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Perfectly positioned on a flat 2902m² block is this very stylish 120-year-old Queenslander. Meticulously renovated, this property offers the growing family every modern feature, a fantastic layout, and some very special original features. The heart of the home offers family living at its best; a large modern kitchen with butler's pantry and dining room all flowing to the large deck at the rear of the property. This enviable home is an entertainer's dream with so many spaces to gather with family and friends. There's adventure to be found throughout the grounds for the youngest members of the family and their four-legged friends; with the established gardens and mature trees creating a very private space for everyone.

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TUCKED away from the road, is this 1367m² parcel of land, pictured.

Agent Tristan Brown said the property represented a perfect potential development site with a zoning that could allow for up to six 3-bedroom townhouses (subject to council approval).

Importantly, the site is just a short walk to both private and public hospitals.

The boundary is currently being realigned with wide access on the western side of the front (657m²) block.

"There are a couple of existing older sheds to be bulldozed, creating a blank canvas ready for construction," Mr Brown said.

The block is located just 130-metres to Selangor Private Hospital, 650-metres to Nambour General Hospital and cafes, 750-metres to the Nambour Aquatic Centre (currently undergoing a multi-million-dollar refurbishment), and a 15-minute walk to town.

Mr Brown said the location was prime being so close to major health, retail, and leisure facilities, as well as rail connecting to Brisbane.

"Access to the Nambour Connection Road running north and south; and Nambour Bli-Bli Road connecting



you to the coast and airport, is quick and easy, literally a few minutes' drive down the hill to the lights near the show-grounds," he said.

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PERFECTLY positioned on a flat 2902m² block is this very stylish 120-year-old Queenslander. Meticulously renovated, this property offers the growing family every modern feature, a fantastic layout, and some special original features.

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The heart of the home offers family living at its best; a large modern kitchen with butler's pantry and dining room all flowing to the large deck at the rear of the property.

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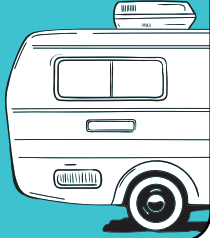
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Woombye Bowls Club hosts Champion Pairs

By TASH ADAMS

FOURTEEN ladies' teams from across the regional bowls clubs descended upon Woombye over the weekend for the 2021 Sunshine Coast District Ladies Bowls Association's Champion of Club Champions Pairs competition.

The 28 women bowlers were from Woombye, Palmwoods, Nambour, Yandina, Glasshouse Mountains, Maroochy-dore, Mooloolaba, Pelican Waters, Kawana, Coolum Beach, Headland Pacific and Tewantin-Noosa.

On Saturday morning the first round results were:

- Woombye Bowls Club 23 def Pelican Waters 11
- Caloundra Waves Bowls Club 20 def Club Maroochy-dore 18
- Kawana Bowls Club 36 def Club Yandina 5
- Coolum Bowls Club 30 def Headland Pacific 21
- Buderim Bowls forfeited to Glasshouse Bowls Club
- Tewantin Noosa 23 def Palmwoods Bowls Club 10.
- Mooloolaba and Nambour were on a bye.

In the afternoon the victors played with Caloundra defeating Woombye 26-4, Club Kawana defeating Coolum Beach 35-5, Tewantin-Noosa



Winners are grinners – Club Kawana's Katelin Inch and Julie Keegan.

defeating Glasshouse Mountains 20-18 and Nambour defeating Mooloolaba 15-13.

There were around 100 spectators cheering their respective team mates and friends.

On Sunday morning it was time for the semi finals with Caloundra's Neeta Chant and Elaine Knights versing Kawana's Katelin Inch and Julie Keegan and Tewantin-Noosa's Mary Williams and Marie McCall playing Nambour's Syl

Fisk and Bev Khrome.

Kawana Waters defeated Caloundra 24-10 while Tewantin-Noosa defeated Nambour 28-14.

The finals were between Kawana and Tewantin-Noosa, with Kawana achieving a resounding win and taking out the 2021 Champion of Club Champions title 32-8.

Katelin Inch and Julie Keegan commented after the win how absolutely immacu-

late the Woombye Bowls Club greens were, commending greenskeeper Geoff Steel on his dedication.

"He's obviously done a wonderful job and as bowlers we couldn't ask for anything better," said Kaitlin.

"For a little country club, they do it very, very well and we will be back soon hopefully."

NYU Football girls try their hand at barefoot bowls



IT was about as far from the strenuous activity of football as you can get, but that was kind of the point.

About forty girls and ladies from the Nambour Yandina United Football Club visited the Yandina Bowls Club last Saturday for a barefoot bowls bonding function and lunch.

Bowls Club president Leon Granzien said he was thrilled to host the players.

"They were hoping the barefoot bowling session will be a way for the soccer girls to be inspired to go on to become soccer playing women," he said.

"It's also a great example of locals supporting locals."

Nambour Yandina United has junior girls teams from under 10s to under 16s all coached by senior women players.

Premier Women's Coach Matt Croskerry said the team-building exercise was aimed at establishing bonds between the teams and across age groups and encourage girls to stay at the club.

"It's a way to get away from the intensity of the training environment and relax and enjoy each other's company," he said.

The Bowls Club also recently hosted the Cricket Club awards night.

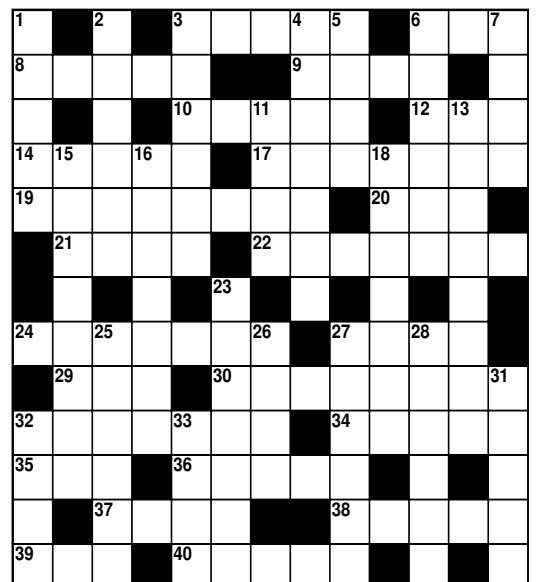
"We had a 109 people here," said Leon. "And we love pro-

moting bowls you never know there may be some budding bowlers among the crew. It's a community sports complex so it's nice to be social."

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