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Getting in the ginger groove ... Tourism Manager Brenda Bailey and Ginger Boy lead kids and parents in the Ginger Rumble.

Ginger Factory gets back in the groove

THE iconic and much loved Ginger Factory at Yandina was hit hard by the recent COVID lockdowns. But in typical country style, the staff used the time of closure to spruce up the facilities in preparation for re-opening.

"We really are so fortunate to have such a great bunch of people working here," said Tourism Manager, Brenda Bailey. "We were able to access Job-Keeper, and our staff came in and worked tirelessly to clean and refurbish the place. It is looking amazing," she said.

"We have created different shopping zones at the entrance, and used original ginger crates and timber panelling to display our gorgeous ginger and gourmet products.

"People may not realise that we have so many food products here. It is a haven for foodies, with the largest selection of Buderim Ginger products in the world," Brenda said. "Many of them are lines that are not available in supermarkets."

The Buderim Ginger range includes ginger beers and cordial, marmalades and spreads, sweets and ginger pieces. The Ginger Shop also stocks a tempting selection of gifts, gourmet foods, beauty and skincare products, homewares, designer kitchenware, and a large range of honey products.

"Family visitors are the heart of this operation and everything we have done here is geared up to create a fun, relaxing and welcoming atmosphere," Brenda said. "It is a free admission venue and we have 5,000 VIP members who drop in on a regular basis."

"Our venue is predominantly enjoyed and supported by locals. It was such a joy to welcome back our guests who love to come and bring the kids (or grandkids), to enjoy the beautiful

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Yandina festival postponed

'It was just too risky, especially with the ongoing lockdowns around the country'

UNCERTAINTY regarding COVID-19 restrictions has caused the postponement of a festival to celebrate Yandina's 150th Year.

"We had been very much looking forward to holding a huge celebration for Yandina, but the ongoing uncertainty around the COVID situation has made it extremely difficult," said Yandina 150 Year Street Fair Celebration Committee Chairman, John O'Leary.

The committee regretfully made the decision this month. The original date for the celebration was 20th September this year and was going to be combined with the annual Street Fair, which is traditionally held in August.

"The original September 20 (2020) date was chosen because it was the closest date to the Yandina proclamation on the 23rd September 1870," Mr O'Leary said. "We were anticipating crowds of up to 10,000 people for the duration of the event but we all felt that it was just too risky, especially with the ongoing lockdowns around the country."

"It would also be very difficult to organise such a large scale event and do it justice in such a short time frame. It is just too much of a gamble."

Fellow committee member Rev Dave Tidey, of the Yandina Baptist Church said the State and Federal Governments had issued stages of

restrictions being relaxed, but the event would not comply with any of those stages. "The closest we come is being defined as an Expo, but that style of event is simply not do-able because there would be no gates or security. We definitely don't want to be responsible for starting another cluster of infection."

The Committee agreed to hold the live event celebration on September 12 next year.

"We have chosen this date because it falls within the school term and not during the holidays. We felt it was important that local schools were involved," Mr O'Leary said. "It is such a historic time for our community."

In the meantime the committee is organising smaller scale events to mark the historic milestone in an appropriate manner.

The Committee will also be developing a series of articles about the history of Yandina to run online over the coming months.

The focus of the articles will be on the Indigenous history of Yandina, the early settlers, the agricultural history and the historic buildings in the area. The Committee also discussed the much loved annual Street Fair, which will be run in September 2021 in conjunction with the 150 year celebration. Keep up to date with plans on yandinastreetfair.org.au



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Lots to celebrate in business and community life

Editor's Letter by Cameron Outridge
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It's been a huge fortnight for community and business birthdays. The Valdora Community Hall turned 80, the Nambour Garden Club chalked up a 40th birthday, the Maleny Neighbourhood Centre recognised 25 years of community work, and Yandina marks the 150th anniversary of its proclamation.

Speaking of community organisations, it is terrific to see groups coming together again and getting on with life. Sport is also making a return and there is a sense that a little normalcy is being restored.

If you are a member of a community group or sporting club and you would like us to cover what you are up to, please send your news to editor@sunshinevalleygazette.com.au.

Businesses in our neck of the woods have also had a big couple of weeks. There were openings for Stalwart Alehouse and Brewery and The Good Food Fellas, and birthdays and anniversaries for Downtown Burgers, Brown Sugar Espresso and the iconic Yandina Hotel. It is wonderful to see vibrant and unique businesses choosing to launch in our area. The investment of money, talent and energy is creating a momentum that is very exciting.

In the absence of Sunshine Coast Daily print publications, the Gazette is being picked up in double quick time. It is a pleasing validation of our belief that newspapers remain a welcome and vibrant media, particularly in communities like ours. If you would like us to drop copies of the paper in to your business for your customers to enjoy, email tanya@sunshinevalleygazette.com.au

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Tenders called for Nambour station

THE State Government's \$9 million commitment to provide a new Nambour police station has edged a step closer with tenders being called earlier this month.

Police minister Mark Ryan said the \$9 million commitment will support an average of 30 direct full-time equivalent jobs during construction.

The QPS advises that, weather permitting, the construction stage is scheduled to start soon and is expected to be completed in about 15 months.

"Building this kind of infrastructure benefits our world class police service and it also benefits the community," Mr Ryan said.

He said the Palaszczuk Government committed to deliver a new Nambour police station at the last election.

Member for Nicklin Marty Hunt welcomed the move and urged the government to keep the momentum rolling.

"They committed to it over three years ago, and we've only just got the plans going out to tender.

"So that's been frustrating, but it's good to see it's finally moving.

"I look forward to the Nambour Police having a modern policing facility rather than a demountable delivered on the back of the truck 13 years ago to work out of. Our police deserve better than those cramped horrible facilities they're working in.

"For policing in the 21st century you've got a lot of a lot of gear that needs securing – tasers and pepper sprays and firearms and portable computers and a lot of very expensive gear and you need purpose built secure police premises."

"We want Nambour to be a vibrant, happening sort of place to be for families. We've got a great new brewery and bar here now. "We've got Downtown Burgers. We've got a lot of good things happening. A lot of people are coming to invest in Nambour because they can see a future here. Safety is that issue that we have to attack to make sure people feel safe in Nambour."



Imperial Hotel manager Paul Thomas says the aluminium packaging of the crowler helps keep beers fresh.

Eumundi Brews up a take-home solution

Made Local

AFTER requests from beer lovers keen to take home Eumundi Brewery seasonal craft beers, The Imperial Hotel Eumundi has come up with a solution with the introduction of take home 'crowlers'.

So what is a crowler? Essentially, a crowler is a giant, 946 ml or 32 oz aluminium can.

Manager of The Imperial Hotel Paul Thomas says the crowlers will put a big smile on the dial of many customers.

"Our two flagship beers – Eumundi Lager and Eumundi Pale Ale – are available for purchase in cartons, but until now there has been no way for customers to take home our limited release

and seasonal beers," he says.

"The crowler changes that – enabling the small batch seasonal beers we brew on site to be canned and taken home. The aluminium packaging of the crowler helps keep beers fresh and maintains the quality by creating an absolute barrier to light and oxygen – so when you get that crowler home, it will taste as our brewers intended – with the flavour profile intact," says Paul.

New look for Yandina Ginger Factory

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the most popular attractions, and our Bee Show and honey tastings are proving to be extremely popular too," she said.

"The grounds are just a beautiful place to spend time and everyone loves the playground and our lagoon which is home to 13 turtles."

"We have some wonderful boutique shopping in our heritage style village, including Macadamia & Co, Giuseppe's Workshop, Traditional Herbs & Scents, and divine Kokopod chocolate."

The 1km Rainforest walk offers a calm and

peaceful opportunity to reconnect with nature and will be home to the venue's latest exciting interactive attraction to be announced in coming weeks.

"Most recently, we have introduced our dance sessions with Ginger Boy and they are proving to be a lot of fun," said Brenda.

"He does a little dance called the 'Ginger Rumble', and encourages the kids to join in. Then they have the opportunity to have a photo with him. We think it will be a bit of a hit."

• The Ginger Factory is at 50 Pioneer Road, Yandina. Phone 1800 067 686.

YADCA calls for meeting over blind spot danger

By Robyn Anns, YADCA

YANDINA and District Community Association is calling for an urgent meeting with Council, state government and police over a housing development that will result in residents being forced to use a deadly blind corner.

YADCA member David Tidey, who lives opposite the proposed development at 61 Old Gympie Road, warned: "Someone is going to die on this corner."

He has already contacted Council to warn them of the road safety concerns that he and other residents share; and now YADCA has written to Council as well.

All but four of the 39 blocks in the development will be accessed from Colemans Road; but

developers plan to put access to those four allotments on the blind corner at 61 Old Gympie Road.

YADCA Secretary Kahren Wentworth said: "Several YADCA members who use this road regularly are concerned at this proposal, which we believe shows a total disregard for the safety of the community."

"This bend is already well known as a dangerous section of the road and to suggest placing driveways there is astounding," she said.

"We are calling for these four blocks to be removed from the plan or be reconfigured to have access via Colemans Road."

David Tidey pointed out that the development was originally designed 13 years ago. "A lot has changed since then and there is much

more traffic on this road now."

Kahren added: "If it is Council's intention to consider approval of this dangerous plan in its current form, YADCA requests a site meeting with Council, DTMR and a Queensland Police road safety expert for an opportunity to discuss the possible repercussions for residents and other road users."

View the Development Application REC05/0041.04 – 61 Old Gympie Road via development.i on the Council website.

Division 10 Councillor David Law said he would be happy to meet with concerned residents.

"I will be very keen to meet with YADCA and look at the proposal and see if we can achieve some better outcomes," Cr Law said.



Maleny Neighbourhood Centre Management Committee president Ian Demack and artist Brett Campbell ... "People are beautiful when working on a piece of art like this". Mr Campbell was also the artist behind both mosaics at the centre pictured, foreground and background.

It takes a village to create a mosaic

MORE than 100 people contributed to a collaborative mosaic that was unveiled last week to celebrate 25 years of community work at Maleny Neighbourhood Centre.

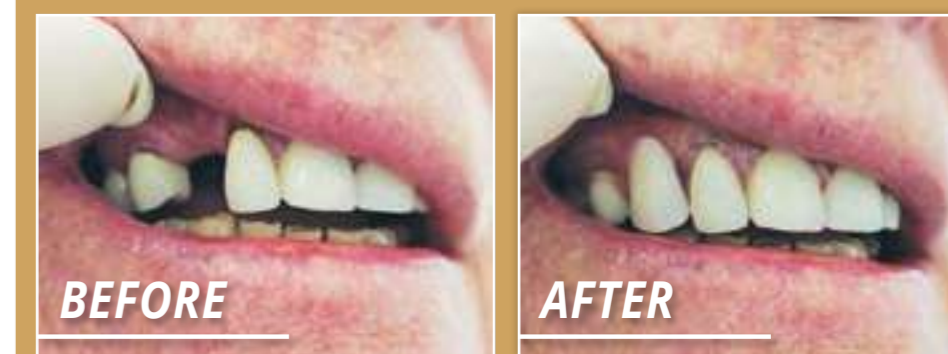
"As many people know, our centre is the heart of our Maleny community," said president Ian Demack. "We deliver a range of important services and have a fabulous cohort of volunteers who support our community. What people may not know is that our centre offers support to individuals, families and communities including Kenilworth, Conondale, Witta, Bald Knob, Mount Mellum, Montville, Flaxton and all the way to Mapleton.

"Over the coming months and into 2021 we

anticipate that the activities of our centre will be pivotal in supporting our community in navigating through the impact of COVID19."

Experienced collaborative mosaic artist Brett Campbell oversaw the intricate artwork which involved coordinating 100-plus community members, staff and volunteers to create the mosaic of 124 pieces. Despite the numbers Mr Campbell said he enjoyed the project. "There were 100 people involved in the mosaic and so there's a lot of energy involved and that's why it's so vibrant," he said. "People are beautiful when working on a piece of art like this. It brings peace and relaxation to everyone involved. It's something that's wonderful, colourful and fun."

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Local clubs get share of \$734k funding

SPORTING groups across the region have scored a much needed boost to keep their fields in shape thanks to Sunshine Coast Council's 2020 Sports Field Maintenance Funding Program.

Forty-six sporting clubs will share in \$734,051 and receive expert advice each year to 30 June 2023 to contribute towards the cost of maintaining their fields.

Economic Portfolio Councillor Jason O'Pray said he was pleased to see the continuation of the popular program that started in 2011.

"Council is assisting clubs to deliver quality playing surfaces for key sporting groups in our healthy, smart and creative region," Cr O'Pray said.

"This funding also injects a timely boost to many local clubs which, unfortunately due to the novel coronavirus (COVID-19), have fallen on tough times."

Community Portfolio Councillor David Law said the funding was a way of ensuring volunteer committees were able to maintain the sports fields at a competition standard.

"We have partnered with these organisations, the committees, groups and mums and dads who work so hard to ensure our youngest and oldest athletes love where they go to train, play and compete," Cr Law said.

"I'm pleased to see this will help our sporting groups continue to thrive within our community, which is a key focus of the Sunshine Coast Community Strategy."

For more information on the Sports Field Maintenance Funding, visit council's website.

Sports Field Maintenance Funding Program Recipients:

- Mooloolah Hinterland Churches Soccer - \$10,525
- Nambour & Hinterland Australian Football - \$5,184
- Nambour Rugby League - \$13,157
- Nambour Rugby Union Football - \$13,157
- Nambour Yandina United Football - \$21,050
- Palmwoods and Western District Junior Rugby League Football - \$3,947
- Palmwoods Cricket - \$28,513
- Palmwoods Warriors Football - \$13,157
- Queensland Police-Citizens Youth Welfare Association - Sunshine Coast Branch (Sunshine Coast PCYC) - \$15,553
- Range United Churches Soccer Club - \$6,578
- Suncoast Hinterland Softball Association - \$10,525
- Witta Recreational Club - \$7,894
- Woombye Snakes Football Club - \$13,157
- Yandina Cricket Club - \$31,105

Have your say on Council's pets policies

SUNSHINE Coast Council is preparing to update the Domestic Animal Management (Cats and Dogs) Strategy for the next 10 years, and they're seeking community feedback.

Council developed three themes to guide the updated strategy, with a goal of creating harmonious co-existence between people, pets and place.

The themes are Educated Informed People, Happy Healthy Pets and Safe and Inclusive Places.

Service Excellence Portfolio Councillor Winston Johnston said whether you were a pet owner or not, your feedback was valuable.

"As our community continues to grow and evolve, so does the diversity of lifestyles and the ways in which pets share in our daily lives," Cr Johnston said.

"We want to know what people think about responsible pet ownership - what does it mean to you and how can council help?"

"The feedback we receive will help to shape the new strategy and the action plan that will help us to achieve the goal of creating harmonious co-existence between people, pets and places."

Have your say via the survey on council's website - <https://haveyoursay.sunshinecoast.qld.gov.au/dams>. Survey closes on August 31.



Maddi O'Leary ... "I hope that when people shop here, they feel free to play with styles".

Where country meets chaos

BOUTIQUE owner Maddi O'Leary says Champagne Lou Lou is the love child of Country and Chaos. And although she is young, it's little wonder Maddi has such an eye for quality and style.

"From as far back as I can remember, my mum took me to antique shops, and shopping for collectables," Maddi said. "I think it was the beginning of my love of old things. I appreciate quality and craftsmanship and I credit my mum with teaching me how to spot it. When I was 14 I started my own market stalls in places like Ocean Street, Fisherman's Road and on the Gold Coast."

"I design my own line of hide handbags and have been selling them at the markets, which was where I was also able to find some of the interesting pieces that I now sell here."

The markets proved to be incredibly successful for Maddi, so much so that with the support and encouragement of her dad, she made the decision to set up a permanent business selling her own handbags, as well as the other fashion items she has an incredible knack for finding.

"I had a pop up shop in Cooloom for a while, but then the opportunity came up for me to move here," Maddi said. "I grew up in Yandina, and the vibe of this place is actually perfect for what I do."

Shop Local. Support Local

Champagne Lou Lou is aptly situated in a quirky, heritage listed shop front and is packed with superb vintage and one off pieces.

"It's a bit of a treasure trove in here for people who love pretty things and one-of-a-kind clothing," Maddi said. "I have preloved and new clothing, vintage, designer, leather, a handmade linen line and my cowhide collection. There are also loads of options to accessorise, with sunglasses, boots and sandals."

Sprinkled liberally amongst the larger items you will find little gems such as silver jewellery, and crystals.

"I take every opportunity to stock products that are sustainable and ethically sourced. I think this is really important," said Maddi. "A lot of my collection comes from Melbourne and Brisbane. I hope that when people shop here, they feel free to play with styles and enjoy being able to mix the old with the new. It's what I am all about, because I'm sentimental like that."

• **Champagne Lou Lou, 4 Stevens Street, Yandina. Phone 0423 010 121.**

Woombye residents remain sceptical

THERE is some light at the end of the tunnel for residents kept awake by air-conditioner unit noise from trains parked at Queensland Rail's Woombye stabling yard. But doubts remain over whether the cumbersome bureaucracy can deliver.

Noise became an issue for residents in February when the trains were first stabled at Woombye. Air-conditioning units are run at "in-service" mode to dry out a mould and odour issue in the near-brand new \$4.4 billion fleet.

Resident Mike Melzer, whose house is particularly affected, said it was mysterious that noise from the air conditioners stopped two nights before an organised meeting between the community, Member for Nicklin Marty Hunt and Queensland Rail officials last Saturday July 18.

"It stopped completely," he said. "And was still off at 9.30 Saturday morning as we headed off to the meeting where we were told by the 'experts' that they had changed nothing. We arrived home from the meeting at 11am and guess what? The air con noise is back!"

Fellow resident James Kasmer was also at the meeting: "Typically, the aircon units on Saturday morning were in complete silence whilst QR Heads were visiting the facility. They commented on how quiet the yard was when they made an internal visit there before our WCBA Meeting."

Mr Melzer said even though the noise returned at 11am on Saturday it had been quieter than previously.

Residents are grateful Queensland Rail has put in place a raft of measures to mitigate klaxon and brake noise and light issues from the yard. But the main concern remains air-conditioner noise.

In its latest response QR will set up sensors in residents' yards to monitor noise from the facility for 48 hours from August 5. It will be another two months before a solution might be found. "Of course the WCBA, myself, the Melzers and Marty Hunt MP said it is unacceptable to expect Woombye Residents to listen to air-conditioners in non-Stabling Mode for another two months whilst a mould solution is hammered out," said Mr Kasmer.

Despite community concerns General Manager (NGR) from the Department of Transport and Main Roads Tim Dighton said noise levels from air-conditioning at Woombye "met Queensland Rail noise standards".

But he said he took residents' concerns seriously. "Queensland Rail and TMR were working together to investigate any potential issues in response to complaints from local residents," he said. "Noise testing is being undertaken in early August 2020 which will identify any potential noise impacts emanating from the Woombye Stabling Yard."

Mr Hunt said Queensland Rail just needed to fix the mould and odour issue. "Once they sort that issue then Woombye needs to be given priority so that the first trains fixed are stabled at Woombye so that we've got repaired trains that don't need airconditioning running 24/7."



Cameron Scott with Sydnie Jones ... "We work extremely hard on our customer service because we want people to walk in the door and immediately feel welcome and comfortable."

The perfect Downtown Burger a blend of art and science

by Tanya Outridge

Shop Local. Support Local

AFTER recently celebrating their fifth birthday, Downtown Burgers owner Cameron Scott says the number one secret to their success, is customer service.

"We work hard on customer service because we want people to walk in the door and immediately feel welcome and comfortable," Cameron said. "My team is amazing at taking care of customers. People in Nambour are very pro business and we have been blown away by the support they have shown us. We respect and appreciate that they choose to support us."

Downtown Burgers is in the old Chadwicks building at 99 Currie Street, Nambour. "It is such a great old building and it lent itself perfectly to our restaurant," Cameron said. "We did a huge amount of work to chip away the layers of paint and plaster to expose the beautiful old bricks."

The brickwork and original timber floors give Downtown Burgers a warm and homey feel. "I spend heaps of time here, so I wanted it to be a nice place to hang out," Cameron said.

Cameron and his staff quickly pivoted to keep the doors open during COVID.

"Online ordering became extremely important and we also started deliveries. Friends and family were delivering for us, and I personally texted everyone who ordered a meal to thank them. The feedback we have received has blown me away. I am just so grateful."

Downtown Burgers offers a wide variety of hearty foods, all freshly prepared onsite. This includes the daily batch of soft pretzel buns. "As far as I am aware, ours are the only ones of this kind in the country," Cameron said. "It is a lot of effort, but worth it as far as we are concerned. The buns have a nice crunch on the outside,

but are soft with a pretzel flavour on the inside. They are vegan friendly, and getting them just right is something of a science!"

If baking the buns is a science, assembling them is an art. "Our buns perfectly hold the burger ingredients, no matter the size of the order, as well as contain the sauce. Because of the texture of the buns, your fingers don't poke through them," said Cameron.

Wings, ribs, chips and onion rings, are also on the menu. Fifty percent of the menu items are gluten free, and most can be adapted. There are also plenty of tasty vegan and vegetarian options from breakfast right through to dessert.

Having grown up in Nambour, and been involved in a number of community organisations, Cameron understands the difficulties they often encounter when it comes to fundraising. "We have always supported community organisations, because of the vital role they play," Cameron said. "We are proud supporters of Smart Pups, the Scouts, and many sporting groups. During lockdown we were able to trade, while community groups did not have that freedom. So I invite community groups to reach out to us if they need a hand to fundraise because we are always happy to help with donations of meal vouchers that they can use for raffles."

This generosity of spirit is well reflected in everything from the welcome you receive when you walk in the door, to the size of the meals. "Our tagline is 'Leave uncomfortably full!'" Cameron said. It's little wonder people keep coming back for more.

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Yandina Hotel gets a timely facelift

by Tanya Outridge

AFTER months of lockdown, the iconic Yandina Hotel has been given a much needed renovation, and re-opened for business again on July 3.

"The Hotel is 129 years old and this is the first time in its history that it has closed its doors," said owner, Rob Kingston.

"The renovations began two days into lockdown. It just seemed like a very good opportunity to get the bigger jobs done and keep my staff employed with the assistance of JobKeeper."

Built on Gympie Road around 1888, the Australian Hotel (as it was originally named) was granted a licence in 1889. In 1891 it was hitched to a team of bullocks and moved on skids to its current site in Stevens Street.

"During the move, the Pub continued to serve beer, it didn't close even then," said Rob. "In fact, while it was moving, the publican's wife was upstairs giving birth! If the walls could only talk it would be fascinating."

The Hotel is Heritage listed and Rob and his team have been extremely respectful of this. "There are some sections of original flooring which needed to be concrete sanded to bring them back to the beautiful pale honey colour they are now," Rob said.

"Newer sections have been designed to fit into the original architecture in an almost seamless way and we have added some quirky touches as well, including timber chairs from Poland and a stunning Blue Gum bench bar which was sourced from a local farm," he said. "It seemed fitting because this was traditionally a Pub for farmers and labourers."

Rob purchased the Pub on July 3, 2017. In that time, he has added upgrades such as air conditioning and new furniture, and has worked hard on the bistro to give it a family friendly feel.

On his third anniversary in the business, Rob reopened the Hotel with just three days notice. "It was a pretty hectic three days, that's for sure," he said.

"We thought we had an extra week, so it was all hands on deck to re-stock and get ready to look after customers again. We also had to prepare for COVID compliance, which is obviously something we all need to be aware of now."

One of the biggest challenges faced in



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re-opening was supplying beer on tap. "You wouldn't believe it, but it was extremely difficult to get kegs in for the opening," said Rob.

"On our first day back we were forced to sell bottled beer because kegs were so thin on the ground. And after months of lockdown, all everyone wanted to drink was draught beer. But by the second day, we had it sorted."

At the moment, the Hotel is serving meals and providing some live music. "Our patrons are really looking forward to a meal out and some entertainment," Rob said. "Hopefully as time passes, and restrictions are relaxed we will be able to offer more live music and dancing."

After her 100 day beauty sleep, Yandina's grand old lady still has some way to go to being fully restored to her former glory.

"Our upstairs accommodation is being given a once over now and will reopen when it is complete," Rob said. "There are sure to be plenty



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THE desire to buy Australian and support Aussie producers and companies is nowhere more evident than at Maleny IGA. In the months following the introduction of their Buy Australian shelf wobblers, the wave of support for Australian products has gained momentum.

"The Wobblers initiative has been extremely successful," said store owner, Rob Outridge. "We felt that there was a groundswell of interest so we were basically testing the water with our campaign. In reality, the response to it has exceeded our expectations," he said. "And it's growing. This is great news for everyone."

With regular shoppers filling their trolleys with all Australian products, it seems that people appreciate the education and choice that the wobblers give them.

"For those who are inclined to lean towards Australian products, the wobblers point them in the right direction, and from there they can make a very informed choice," Mr Outridge said.

more stories in the old girl yet."
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The \$59.6 million City Hall building will be completed in 2022 but will pull much-needed permanent Council employees from Nambour.

New City Hall full steam ahead despite Nambour job concerns

SUNSHINE Coast Council's City Hall project is going ahead despite concerns before the recent election that it was not the right time to be moving services and employees out of Nambour.

Construction will start next month and will be completed in the second half of 2022. "Having had the debate and seeing the reports presented it seems impossible to reverse the decision made by the last Council so now it's about making the best that we can from it," said Division 10 Cr David Law.

"It's about mitigating the impact of the future loss of staff in Nambour and making sure that over the next few years we are able to have some sort of future use for the building to ensure similar levels of employment.

"In the past there was talk that all Council employees would be leaving Nambour, but I am reassured that there will be around 200 council employees staying and working in Nambour as their base.

"That's certainly a better situation than I was expecting. I'm pleased with that outcome and now I have two years to propose a good use out of the Council owned building in the middle of town."

Council anticipates some of its operations will start from the new City Hall by July 2022. "This includes council retaining a significant

presence in Nambour. As the City Hall development continues and logistical decisions are made, Council will consider uses for the operational footprint in Nambour, noting the services to the community will remain.

"The Nambour Activation Plan provides a framework to activate the streets and places of Nambour and in February a planning scheme amendment designated the CBD area a special entertainment precinct."

Council says the building will be a signature civic building in the Maroochydore city centre.

"It will be a major catalyst for the development of the city centre's commercial core and will play a significant role in activating the area."

Sunshine Coast Council Project Director Frances Cayley said local construction company McNab was named the preferred supplier to design and construct the \$59.6 million building.

Ms Cayley said Sunshine Coast City Hall would be home to about 600 council employees and was part of a region-wide workplace strategy to service the community by providing the right people, delivering the right services at the right location.

"Consistent with council's previous decisions, council will retain staff and facilities at both Nambour and Caloundra," she said.

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From left, Maleny Chamber of Commerce Executive Anne Brown, Maleny Jewellers Sandra & Jim Goulton and Chamber of Commerce President Nicole Hilton (standing).

95 businesses sign up to shop local gift card

MALENY residents will have even more reason to shop local after the Chamber of Commerce launched its enterprising Eftpos Gift Card at Maleny RSL on July 16.

More than 50 businesses attended the event to support the business community as well as Div 5 Cr Winston Johnston and Alaina Megson, representing Andrew Wallace MP.

"We have 95 businesses signed up as redemption stores and growing and 8 load-up stores," said Maleny Commerce President Nicole Hilton.

The exciting announcement of the night though was the immediate cash injection of \$20,000 of presale card orders by Rob and Sam Outridge of Maleny IGA.

"They are giving the Gift Cards to their staff," said Ms Hilton. "What a great start for the program. Already these cards are being redeemed

throughout the town.

For the chamber, though, this program enabled us to engage all types of business."

Residents can redeem the card anywhere from restaurants and cafes, retail outlets, hair & beauty, vets, dentists, solicitors, hardware stores, fuel stations, op shops and even a tax agent.

"It's all covered," said Ms Hilton.

You can purchase the cards which you load up to an amount you nominate (starting at \$30) from any of these outlets: Maleny IGA, Maleny Food Co News Room, Maleny Food Co Cafe, The Maleny Bookshop, On Obi Maleny, Natural Fibre Maleny, Purple Palate, Maleny Cheese.

To see where you can redeem the cards go to www.malenycommerce.org.au or present the card when you shop in Maleny with most businesses signed up as redemption stores.

Garden Club's 40th Anniversary

IN 1979 two Nambour ladies from Buderim Garden Club were invited by Garden Clubs Australia to form a Nambour Garden Club.

There were 32 attendees at the first meeting in a local garden in 1980.

Meetings progressed from being held in many beautiful gardens and parks, to the Uniting Church Hall where the large vibrant Club now meets. Some of the inaugural members are still members to this



Nambour Garden Club's first meeting was held in 1979.

day. Over the years the Club has supported many charities, raised funds in times of need during droughts, floods and bushfires, and supported and encouraged many local schools through their garden projects.

In 2005 Nambour Garden

Club hosted the GCA Biennial Convention, and more recently supported the 2019 Norfolk Island GCA Convention.

Plans are complete for celebration of this special anniversary, which had to be postponed as another casualty of Covid.

Jobs on offer with Rail Upgrade

TENDERS will be sought next month for the design and construction of Stage 1 of the Beerburum to Nambour Rail Upgrade on the Sunshine Coast.

The project will include sections of line duplication, as well as station upgrades, new park 'n' ride facilities and new rail passing loops.

Proposed works for stage one on the rail upgrade currently include:

- duplication of track north of Beerburum
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Newsagents going strong, two years on

NAMBOUR locals will be familiar with the friendly faces of Rodney and Marisa Page behind the counter of the Nambour News and Casket Agency in C-Square Nambour. Rodney was born and raised in Nambour, and started out as a Financial Advisor. Marisa's first career was in nursing.

"We both wanted to try our hand at something different and in 2018 we saw this business come up for sale on Gumtree, so we took the plunge," said Marisa.

"When we first started out, there was some interesting and 'ancient' stock we had to get rid of," she laughed. "But since then, we have steadily rearranged things and added new lines."

"Because of the layout of the shop we moved a lot of stock from the upstairs section at the back to the front of the shop, to make it more accessible to our elderly customers," Rodney said.

"We have introduced some really lovely cards, wrapping paper and giftware which is handy for people who are buying last minute gifts. Customers especially love our scented candles and diffusers because they make great, affordable gifts," Marisa said.

Nambour News and Casket Agency have a large range of papers and magazines (including the Sunshine Valley Gazette!), and still offer a

convenient home delivery service to local customers.

"We have introduced a little in-store book exchange, which people seem to enjoy," said Rodney. "Most of our customers still prefer a hard copy book, magazine or newspaper."

Nambour Newsagency is an agent for Cartridge World, which is handy for both businesses and domestic use customers alike. "It saves having to drive to the Coast to replace cartridges," Rodney said.

At the Nambour Newsagency, you can buy Scratchies and Lottery tickets, and even pick up an award winning Beefy's pie.

"You'd be surprised at how many people like to grab a pie while they are here," Marisa said. "We sell them either hot or cold, so you can take them home and heat them up there. They are such yummy pies."

While you are at Nambour Newsagency, keep your eyes open for their regular giveaways, which have proved popular with customers. "Last month's giveaway was a 43" LED HD Smart TV, so you can imagine how popular it was!" Rodney said. "It's a lot of fun thinking up great new things to give away to our loyal customers."

• Nambour Newsagency and Casket Agency, Shop 28, 52-54 Currie Street, Nambour. Phone 5441 2029.



The Maroochy Vehicle Owners Club Inc, who manage the hall and are organising the event, invite the public to the afternoon of friendship and reminiscence.

Valdora Hall Anniversary Afternoon Tea

VALDORA Community Hall was officially opened on 10 August 1940.

It was only a 40sq foot box in those days and by all accounts a lot of good times were had at the Hall by the locals.

An 80th Anniversary celebration will be held Sunday 9th August 2020 from 2pm.

The Maroochy Vehicle Owners Club Inc, who manage the hall and are organising the event, invite the public to the afternoon of friendship and reminiscence.

Tea and Coffee will be provided and a special cake to celebrate 80 years will be cut at 3pm by

Pam Thomson, a true local who has tirelessly supported the Hall for many years.

Pam has now retired from her duties at the Hall and there will be a small presentation for her to say thank you.

MVOC Inc will have their vintage and classic cars on show during the afternoon.

Organisers would like to acquire stories of these good times over the last 80 years if anyone has any.

• Visit valdoracommunityhall.org.au or email valdorahall@gmail.com

St Vinnies to provide extra support to teens

STUDENTS at risk of disengaging from school will have access to extra support to get their lives on the right track.

Minister for Child Safety, Youth and Women Di Farmer said St Vincent de Paul would head up a new Family Support Service in collaboration with Nambour State College.

"The potential of this award-winning program and the young lives it supports is immense," Ms Farmer said.

"It is designed to help ease pressure on families and support teens to stay in school and out of the Child Safety and Youth Justice systems."

"St Vincent de Paul has runs on the board and the experience and capacity to get young lives back on track. They've changed lives with similar services in Queensland and are set to deliver for families on the Sunshine Coast."

Ms Farmer said the new service would

provide integrated support involving every member for the family.

St Vincent de Paul Society State Community and Family Services Manager Ray Snell said the award-winning approach was aimed at providing support to both parents and children.

"Some parents may not have had a very good experience with learning themselves so they may feel challenged or unprepared to support their own children's learning," Mr Snell said.

"We are focussed on working with children and with their parents on whatever issues that are present which may create challenges for their children's engagement and success in their schooling."

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John, pictured, and Lis Allen recently sold their lovely Sunshine Coast Hinterland property, "Dulong Downs".

Graziers sell prized Dulong Downs property

WELL known graziers John and Lis Allen recently sold their prized Sunshine Coast Hinterland property, Dulong Downs. Having been long term residents of the Dulong area for over 20 years, they will be missed by many friends in the district.

Dulong Downs is regarded as some of the finest country in the area and was owned for many years by the Ledger family who ran a highly productive dairy. The Allens ran beef cattle and often topped local sales with their stock.

"The property has 41 hectares of well improved Kikuyu, Setaria and Legume pastures with an extremely good water supply from several dams and a spring fed creek," said agent Roger Loughnan.

Improvements included an architect designed Scandinavian inspired homestead with stunning views to the coast, large machinery shed and steel cattle yards.

"Dulong Downs" is located just 10 minutes to Nambour and 30 mins to Maroochydore. The buyer is a locally born identity who has

been residing in Singapore for many years who plans to relocate with his family within the next year.

The selling price was not disclosed however the most recent listed price was \$2.75m and the sale is understood to be the highest in the area in recent times. According to the agents, demand is very strong for lifestyle acreages given the global pandemic with very limited supply.

Selling agents were the Roger Loughnan Team at Mapleton.



Mark and Kimberley Oates ... "we just loved the atmosphere of Yandina. It's such a beautiful family friendly place."

Here's the scoop: we've got ice cream

A love affair with Yandina and a 20 year dream to start a business together was the driving force behind Mark and Kimberley Oates' recently-opened venture, At Odds Cafe in Stevens Street.

"We owned a Subway in Christchurch, New Zealand together many years ago and it was destroyed during the devastating earthquake," said Mark. "But it gave us our first taste of working together in hospitality and we really enjoyed it."

The couple moved back to Australia and soon earmarked Yandina as a potential place to open their own business again, after Kimberley had worked at the Yandina Markets for DiBella coffee.

"Even though we live in Tewantin we just loved the atmosphere of Yandina. It's such a beautiful family friendly place," Kimberley said. "There is the opportunity to have a wonderful lifestyle here."

"Having kids ourselves, we know how important it is to make the place welcoming and family friendly," Mark said. "And we are also mindful of keeping our prices down, because often it is just too expensive to take the kids out.

It's good for mums to be able to meet for a coffee, and be able to buy the kids a homemade biscuit or sandwich."

The newly installed ice cream cabinet will be of particular interest to the kids, as At Odds is the only place in town where you can buy scoop ice cream.

"We are stocking Everest ice cream which is a beautiful Australian made scoop ice cream," Kimberley said.

"At the moment we have nine flavours in our range, including favourites such as White Chocolate Raspberry, Rock Salt Caramel, good old fashioned Hokey Pokey. And of course, Rainbow for the kids. We will be expanding our flavours as we go."

At Odds Cafe serves fresh, home style food with a particular emphasis on sweet goodies which are baked daily.

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BORN and raised on the Sunshine Coast, Bevan Meiers of Cheap as Chips Concreting has been concreting since 1988.

"I pretty much started in the trade straight out of school, and apart from taking a few years off in between, it is what I have done all my life," he said.

Bevan has worked in Brisbane, on the Sunshine Coast and in Mackay, and has picked up a few tricks in that time to ensure that his workmanship stands the test of time.

"Probably the most important thing about concreting is using good quality products, and not cutting corners," Bevan said.

"There is a reason why there is an Australian standard thickness, which is 100mm and that is because being a natural product, concrete is inclined to crack," he said.

"To minimise the risk of cracking it is really important not to install a thinner layer than this. I know that some operators apply a 75mm layer and this is just not going to give as good a result."

Bevan also uses a high quality concrete to ensure a better and harder wearing result. "I use Cordwells 25mpa concrete, which is a Sunshine Coast product that meets a range of industry and environmental standards," he said. "It is a stronger mix and the end finish is exceptional."

While the materials are more expensive for Bevan to use, he does not pass this cost on to his clients. "The different types of jobs I do include driveways, pathways, patios and shed slabs," said Bevan. "I can do plain, coloured, stencilled, stamped and exposed concrete. It really



Bevan Meiers uses a better quality, more expensive product but doesn't pass that cost on to his clients.

depends on what my customers want. It is my choice to use a better quality, more expensive product, so I don't feel right about passing that cost on," he said.

"At the end of the day, I treat every job as

though it was on my own property, and I am very fussy. If it is not up to scratch for me, it won't be right for my customers."

• Contact Cheap as Chips Concreting on 5442 9580 or 0407 596 553.

Yandina Print safe as News changes focus

THE Courier-Mail will be printed in Yandina as News Corp shifts printing operations from Murarrie to the Sunshine Coast site.

The Courier-Mail, The Daily Telegraph, The Australian and The Sunday Mail will now be printed at Yandina.

The move comes amid a transition to digital-only editions of regional and community newspapers including the Sunshine Coast Daily and associated weeklies.

The vast bulk of the company's regional and community portfolio is now digital-only.

The Murarrie press, in Brisbane's east, which has been operating since 1995 will be phased out by April 2021.

The Yandina site has newer presses with the heat-set printing capability used for magazines, catalogues and inserts.

Yandina, which prints the Sunshine Valley Gazette, will print five dedicated editions of The Courier-Mail for audiences in Central Queensland, Wide Bay, and the Sunshine Coast, as well as its Queensland country and Brisbane metropolitan editions.

In addition it will publish the Queensland, Coffs Harbour, Grafton and Lismore editions of The Daily Telegraph, as well as The Australian and The Sunday Mail.

News Corp said, regrettably, job losses were inevitable.

Rain brings on perfect conditions for mould

Trades Profile

WITH 33 years of experience under his belt, Mark Frawley of Range Carpet Care knows a thing or two about getting carpets clean.

"I generally say I 'almost' know what I'm doing, because every so often I get thrown a curveball," Mark joked.

Mark and his wife Roxanne have operated their business on the Range since moving to the area in 1987.

"Over that time I have certainly learnt to read what type of result I might get, and match it with my customer's expectations. Experience tells you what you can and can't achieve," Mark said. "People think I can work miracles and get extremely hard core spots and stains out but sometimes they are too set in to remove. When I tell people you can get any stain out with a Stanley knife, they generally get the picture!"

"Up here on the Range where we tend to get higher rainfall, mould is a particular problem for many people. This is why ongoing cleaning and maintenance is the key. That applies to upholstery as well. Our body oils stick to fabric, which attracts dirt and this is the perfect condition for mould and mildew to grow," he said.



Mark Frawley has been in business 33 years. He says mould and in the home is a health hazard, especially people with respiratory problems.

"We are continually learning about the dangers of having mould in our home, especially people with respiratory problems. Dirty carpets are a health hazard."

With allergies and sensitivities to chemicals and detergents on the rise, Mark has sourced hypo allergenic products to clean with and they have proven to be both popular and highly effective.

"I have some regular customers who can't even use regular soaps or shampoo, or even wear perfume," he said. "They really appreciate my hypo allergenic range because it does not trigger their allergies. I think I am the only person in the area to use these particular products. But I also have a very nice citrus based product which also does a beautiful job, smells

really good and is less harsh than other chemicals because it is made with citrus peel."

For those with four legged furry family in the house, Mark uses a high power, extremely efficient vacuum cleaner as part of his cleaning process. "I am one of those strange people who loves to see how much dirt is in the vacuum cleaner when I have finished a job," Mark said. "It is so rewarding! And my customers are usually shocked to see how much dirt, dust and hair they have been living with. But they are always reassured that their carpets are really clean when I am done," he said.

"When you have cleaned the same people's carpets for 33 years, I think you can assume you must be doing something right."

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Some of the action from last Saturday's seniors match at Nambour's home ground.

Rugby's back at Toad Park

From Nambour Rugby Union

IT was a great day out for a return to rugby at the Manor with a trial day against Maroochy-dore Swans on July 18.

Great to see Sunshine Coast Junior Rugby Union matches restarted on Saturday July 25. Seniors will resume August 1.

Nambour also hosted an open women's trial between USC and Maroochy-dore on July 18, prior to the commencement of the Nambour teams.

Our first team up was the Under 10s which is a joint team with Maleny to create a Nambour/Maleny Hinterland under 10s side.

This is the first junior side running out in Nambour red in a number of years and is exciting to see.

The team was able to put in a great performance and squared the ledger at 5 tries a piece against an established Maroochy-dore team. Well done to all involved!

Next was one of our first Girls teams in nearly 20 years! The under 17 girls took the field, and were strong from the outset.

They managed to execute and play with flair that entitled them to run up a 5 tries to nil score-line in three 7-minute periods.

It was a great hitout for the Nambour team as the Maroochy-dore Swans girls are considered one of the powerhouses of the competition.

Great work and we can't wait to see what they



can bring out in the season ahead!

Our Senior Men's squad took on a combined A grade and Reserve Grade squad from Maroochy-dore.

The game was a tight and physical and resulted in a number of strong confrontations from both sides. As the trial progressed, there was a number of errors from both sides of which created opportunities to reflect and improve on for the upcoming competition.

Nambour's set piece struggled at times, which caused issues with unleashing the talented backline.

Both teams would agree that there is plenty of positives to take from the trial and look forward to seeing each other go round when Nambour play Noosa Reserve Grade at Maroochy-dore on August 1 and Maroochy-dore play Noosa in A grade.

POINTS: 3 Greg Pelka, 2 Matthew Kelly, 1 Nick Collingwood. Man of steel: Matthew Kelly.

Major upgrades for local clubs

NAMBOUR Aquatic Centre and Yandina Cricket Club will receive major upgrades thanks to \$1.5 million allocated as part of the State Government's Works for Queensland funding.

The funding was announced this month (9 July) and will give grassroots clubs a much needed boost.

More than \$1 million will be allocated to deliver stage two of the new water-play area and a water slide at the Nambour Aquatic Centre, while \$500,000 has been allocated to the Yandina Cricket Club to upgrade the clubhouse and change room facilities including a new roof.

Division 10 Councillor David Law said the funding would enable the projects to be delivered sooner and stimulate the local economy.

"This will create work across a variety of trades and services and when complete they will enhance our options to get active which is another reflection of our healthy, smart and creative region," Cr Law said.

"Once complete these projects will deliver plenty of opportunities for our community to thrive together, from mums and bubs swim classes to local cricketers and their families.

"Through our Sunshine Coast Community Strategy, council is committed to empowering our community to live healthy and active lifestyles."

In announcing the projects, Local Government Minister Stirling Hinchliffe said the positive impacts would be felt almost immediately, supporting local businesses and jobs.



Nambour Aquatic Centre is one of the venues to receive upgrades thanks to \$5.35m in funds.

The projects are two of 13 being delivered across the Sunshine Coast as part of \$5.35 million funding and will be completed by June 2021.

Projects being delivered across the hinterland as part of the \$5.35 million funding are:

- Palmwoods Cricket / AFL change room upgrades - \$500,000
- Yandina Cricket upgrade and addition to clubhouse including change rooms and a new roof - \$500,000
- Maleny Showgrounds upgrade to roads and paths, installation of solar for main pavilion - \$200,000
- Nambour Aquatic Centre - upgrade including splash park and water slide - \$1,050,000



Some excited NetSet participants with co ordinator Denise.

Netballers return at Nambour

NAMBOUR & Districts Netball Association welcomed back players and families to their first 'return to play game day' on Saturday July 18.

The sun was out to welcome new and returning players to resume the competition they started back in March.

Almost fifty NetSetGo participants aged 5-10 years embarked on their netball journey for the first time.

Throughout this program players will engage in skills, drills and games to help them develop into skilled young netballers.

Spectators applied social distancing and happily cooperated with court officials in applying COVID-19 required protocols.

"It was fantastic to see players back on the courts enjoying themselves at netball once again," said NDNA President Matthew Lusk.



Woombye Pink Pandas and Saints Stars happy to be playing netball with their friends again.



Palmwoods Stingers and Chevallum Cyclones go head to head in their return to netball game.

Eumundi Dragons breath fire despite rain

by Doug Toms, President Eumundi Dragons Rugby Union Club

POURING rain couldn't dampen the rugby spirit which was alive and well this weekend on the fields and in the canteen at the Eumundi Dragons Rugby Union Club home on Black Stump road this weekend. It was a fantastic club effort to kick off the 2020 junior Rugby Union season.

Once again our coaches and managers did a sterling job and players seemed to relish the wet conditions with ALL teams putting in outstanding performances. Welcome to our two new members, Matthew in the U11s and Oscar in the U9s, who fit in nicely with their respective teams.

Seems as though we need to flood our fields for future home games so the teams can perform at such a high level!

Only joking, as I'm sure our wonderful caretaker David wouldn't be impressed with the state of the fields after another full day of wet



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weather Rugby. Here's hoping for a season of fine weather, great games and fields that are green and fast with games to match.

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