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Tamborine Village Lions Club members put in a mighty effort to lay the foundation for their new security storage shed which was completed just before the COVID-19 lockdown was put in place. More photos Page 4.

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## A 'FIRST' FOR NEW COUNCIL MEETING

In response to COVID-19, which was described by Scenic Rim Mayor Greg Christensen as perhaps the greatest challenge ever faced by the region, the first post-election meeting of the new council term was held for the first time via teleconference.

A Welcome to Country was phoned in by Indigenous Elder Aunty Geraldine Page and Cr Christensen acknowledged the region's traditional owners as well as members of the community unable to attend the meeting due to COVID-19 restrictions.

In his opening address, Cr Christensen congratulated Division Three Councillor Virginia West, Division Four Councillor Michael Enright and Division Six Councillor Duncan McInnes on their re-election and welcomed newly elected Councillors Derek Swanborough (Division One), Jeff McConnell (Division Two) and Marshall Chalk (Division Five). He also acknowledged

the contribution of Nigel Waistell, Nadia O'Carroll and Rick Stanfield during the previous council term.

All councillors were invited to make an opening address.

The meeting saw the election of Cr McInnes as Deputy Mayor, Cr Christensen as Chair of the Local Disaster Management Group, Cr McConnell as Deputy Chair of the Local Disaster Management Group and the establishment of the Ordinary Meeting schedule for the remainder of 2020.

Cr Christensen said the Scenic Rim Community Plan, developed in 2011 and updated with renewed community input in 2018, would continue to provide the strategic reference point to guide the council in serving the region.

"Our Scenic Rim Region has progressed a long way over the previous four years. In spite of record floods, drought and bushfires our economic and social fabrics grew stronger," he said.

"In common with many other locations, our region is now facing perhaps its biggest challenge as the current COVID-19 pandemic and response unfold.

"As a result of the current situation, I envisage that a fully renewed regional economy, social fabric and employment landscape is likely to take a number of years." Cr Christensen said that priorities for the new council would be its strategic settings for the first Budget of the new council term. He reiterated his previously expressed view that the council should focus sharply on constraining rates and charges to mitigate short-term financial stress across the region during the current situation and support targeted infrastructure development to accelerate opportunities for recovery.

"Councillors - our work is before us - it is time to embrace it with energy and enthusiasm," Cr Christensen said.

"I look forward to working with you productively over the coming months and years as together we strive, alongside the communities we have been chosen to represent, to create a bright future for the region."

An audio recording of the meeting is available at https://youtu.be/Fxt22hpDK0w . Users may experience some issues with the sound quality.

Meeting dates for the remainder of 2020 are: 11 and 25 May; 8 and 22 June; 6 and 20 July; 3 and 17 August; 7 and 21 September; 12 and 26 October; 9 and 23 November; and 14 December.

## **FREE ARTS DINNERS NOW 'HOME DELIVERED'**

Scenic Rim Regional Council's popular Arts Dinners are now being 'home delivered', with a series of free monthly online events that commenced on Tuesday this week.

A feature of the cultural calendar for the past 13 years, Council's Arts Dinners in coming months will be enjoyed as online get-togethers while social distancing measures continue in response to COVID-19, thanks to a partnership with the South West Queensland Regional Arts Service Network and Arts Front.

Council's Arts Dinners are as much about providing food for thought for the creative community as an opportunity to gather over dinner. They have helped to build key networks in the arts in our region as well as develop ideas and shape the Scenic Rim cultural landscape which contributes to Australia's \$111.7 billion creative industry.

To cater for the changed Arts Dinner format, the evenings will begin at 6.30pm with an online at-home cooking segment by Scenic Rim Regional Food Ambassador Kate Raymont.

After registering at **thecentre@ scenicrim.qld.gov.au** participants will receive a recipe and links to source locally grown produce so they can cook along with Kate at home. They will also receive Zoom and YouTube Live links and be able to have questions answered. Dates and themes for future Arts Dinners - Home Delivery events are:

- Tuesday 26 May Mentoring: What Is It and How to Get Involved?
- Tuesday 30 June Placemaking and Fabrication
- Tuesday 28 July Cultural Tourism Now

Each of the free Arts Dinners - Home Delivery events can be joined in live online or viewed later on YouTube and will include captioning and Auslan interpreters. For further information visit www.liveatthecentre.com.au



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## Safe storage in the new security shed

Following a series of disheartening break and enters at the Tamborine Village Lions Den, members initiated a special project to build a brand-new permanent security shed for the safe storage of all the club's equipment. The break-ins had resulted in the loss of valuable equipment and food items.

The project was made possible by government grant funding, the tireless work of the club's committee and members, and the support of numerous community members and businesses.

One of the key elements of the project was the pouring of the slab and footings which attracted a big turnout of hardworking volunteers.

The club has acknowledged and thanked all those who generously gave their time, products and services to successfully complete the project.

Meanwhile, the club's monthly community markets and projects have been cancelled due to COVID-19 until further government directives.





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## IT'S BUSINESS AS USUAL IN THESE UNUSUAL TIMES

Police are conducting business as usual even during these unusual times. I am sure however, you would have seen the local patrol car at the lookouts moving people on.

These numbers are reducing as the message becomes clearer and I am pleased to say that the majority are not locals. Please take on board that the infringement notices (penalty) for disobeying the Chief Health Officer's direction is a very steep \$1334 for individuals and substantially more for businesses.

It is a last resort to issue an infringement but don't be put in the position of receiving one is the safest bet. All in all, if you have to isolate anywhere and yes, it is a pain in the backside, the Mountain is not a bad place to have to do that. We, like you are hoping we are on the road to recovery and will see an easing in the restrictions.

Make yourself aware and up-to-date of the current Chief Health Officer's restrictions via 13HEALTH (13432584) or the Australian Government Coronavirus app or website **health.gov.au**.

Please be advised that due to the current COVID-19 situation we are limiting the number of people attending the station. You have several options for your issues to be actioned: Urgent calls for service via 000; to report a crime that has occurred but not requiring police attendance immediately to Policelink on 131 444 or via **www.police.qld.gov. au** or Policelink app. If you need to speak to a local police officer, ring the station on 5545 3473 or if no answer ring Policelink 131 444 and leave a message.

### Local issues:

- A reminder to observe the school zone speed restrictions even though many of you are home-schooling
- We currently have possession of the following found property: three bikes, one wheelchair, one inscribed wedding band
- Facebook is a great way to keep connected and informed but some people make assertions about matters that the public don't always have all the facts about. If you have information for the police, please contact us directly.

Regards, A/Sgt Steve Hargreaves OIC North Tamborine Police

## PUT THAT HAMMER DOWN!

There was a young Tamborine-ite, Who injured his arm in a fight.

*He damaged his shoulder, Wrestling a boulder.* 

Building rock walls isn't light!

The COVID-19 isolation has led to us seeing more home and garden renovation injuries than usual. Too many re-runs of 'Love it or List it', combined with too

much spare time, has led to building site bruises.

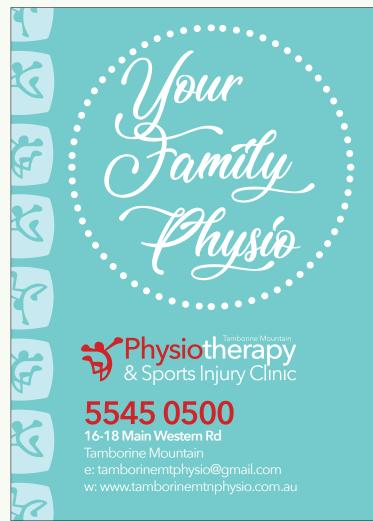
At Tamborine Mountain Physiotherapy we applaud you getting out and using your brains and brawn to improve your environment. so here are some tips for getting the most out of your project, without



getting the most out of your Private Health Fund.

- 1. Be smart Choose a project which is within your capabilities. If you normally spend your days sitting at a desk it's best not to try and landscape your 10 acre block in a week. Also, give yourself regular breaks in a day to avoid overuse injuries.
- 2. Be aware When using ladders, make sure you set up on level ground and have someone else around. Move your ladder into position and don't reach out or overbalance.
- 3. Be safe When using power tools, make sure your work area is clear and be aware of the power cords which pose a tripping or tangling hazard.

This is the perfect time to get out into the fresh air in your garden or work around the house. You can get some great incidental exercise and the satisfaction of a job well done. And if you do get sore from wrestling a rock, you can give Scott or Gary a call on 5545 0500.





Scenic News recently caught up with Kim Heslop at Witches Falls Winery on Tamborine Mountain. Kim and husband Jon built Witches Falls in 2004 after Jon had completed his winemaking degree and gained industry experience in other wine regions of Australia. People called them crazy (and maybe they were) but the proof is in the pudding and Witches Falls wines are known as some of the best in Australia. The winery employs many locals and is a fabulous destination for tourists and locals alike.

#### How long have you lived or worked on Tamborine Mountain and where were you before you came here?

We moved to the Mountain in December 2003, so this is our 17th year here - it has gone very quickly. Prior to that we had spent a couple of years both in the Hunter Valley and Barossa Valley while Jon completed his winemaking degree and got some experience in the industry.

#### What attracted you to this area?

I have family living on the Mountain and we've also lived in Brisbane, so we knew what a beautiful place it was. When we were looking to start the winery, it was the perfect choice as it's close enough to attract visitors from the Gold Coast and Brisbane and also close to the Granite Belt from where we source many of our grapes.

## How did you come to be involved in your business?

After Jon completed his winemaking degree and we had lived down south for a number of years we wanted to return to Queensland. We built Witches Falls in 2004 and we're still going 16 years later.

## What products or services are you most excited about?

For us it has always been about making cracking Queensland wine for the Queensland market. Queensland wine is totally underrated in the Australian market even though the Granite Belt produces exceptional cool climate fruit. We were so excited when we were awarded 5 Red stars by James Halliday as that ranked us in the top 7 per cent of all wineries in Australia.

Also, having to adapt in the current coronavirus pandemic we have started our own home delivery



service called WOW. This way we can deliver our wine, cheeses and ciders directly to people's homes with no contact. It's a service we will continue running after the pandemic. You know what they say, "Necessity is the mother of invention."

#### What is your biggest challenge?

Well, at this exact moment in this crazy world like everyone else reinventing ourselves to remain viable.

#### Who is your typical customer?

Our typical customers are day trippers from Brisbane and the Gold Coast. We do (or did) get a regular stream of overseas tourists but in the main it's South East Queenslanders.

## Do you have a local favourite place to enjoy coffee or a meal?

Well, when the world comes back to some kind of normalcy, I am looking forward to a cold beer and chilli bowl at El Burro!

#### In a normal year do you manage to take holidays? A favourite destination or pastime?

Travel has been a huge part of our lives so we attempt to do as much as we can. Feeling like the next trip will be back to Sri Lanka. It's a fantastic country from the tea plantations in the highlands down to the beautiful white beaches.

#### Last word

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## WINE CHAT with Witches Falls Winery WINE AND OAK – A MATCH MADE IN HEAVEN



Perhaps the most widely recognised vessel for fermenting wine, oak

barrels are an exceptionally varied and adaptable tool. But what makes oak so special? Put simply, wine and oak are a match made in heaven. More so than any other wood, oak is able to impart maturity and smoothness, and thus consolidates an integral aspect of the wine-making process.

In addition to making a wine softer and more palatable, oak can provide a greater depth and complexity than any other form of fermentation. As we like to put it, oaking a wine gives it character. Oak contributes many of the flavours we tend to associate with a good wine, particularly when it comes to reds. Unlike white, red wine is fermented along with its seeds and skins, which affords a greater structure and complexity, as well as stronger tannins. For this reason, reds are mostly oaked, and generally will spend longer in the barrel, in order to mellow out astringency and smooth out flavours.

Interestingly, the act of ageing wine in barrels came about by happy accident. Wanting to make sure they always had enough wine on hand whilst expanding their empire, ancient Romans favoured oak barrels for transportation. Oak was considered superior for its soft nature, which was easier to bend and needed only minimal toasting to sculpt a barrel. As you can imagine, after using oak barrels for some time, the elevated qualities that had been imparted to the wine became apparent; and so marked the birth of oak fermentation.

While contact with wood makes a wine softer and smoother, the degree to which a barrel is toasted provides a multitude of different flavour combinations and potentials. These days, there are two main types of oak used; French and American. Usually imparting flavours of coconut, dill and spice, American oak is typically considered to be bold and strong. On the other hand, French oak is highly regarded for its more subtle tones of vanilla, cinnamon and clove.

In addition to the type of oak, the degree to which it has been toasted is equally as important, and can fall under one of three tiers; Light Toast, Medium Toast, and Heavy Toast.

A light toast imparts only a slight colour change to the wood and provides aromas of caramel, clove and vanilla.

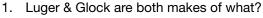
A medium toast provides a more brown-toned wood, as well as aromas of coffee, roasted nuts and cedar.

A heavy toast is a much darker-toned wood, and imparts scents of charcoal, toasted bread and ginger.

So next time you are sitting down to enjoy a good red or beautiful buttery oaked Chardonnay, give thanks to the Romans for that happy accident that led to the discovery of that perfect wine and oak match!

Cheers and stay safe, The Witches Falls Winery Crew





- 2. What is the name of the swing used by acrobats in a circus?
- 3. Fade & Draw are terms commonly used in which sport?
- 4. With three cameras, what is the name of the latest iPhone?
- 5. What musical instrument would you find on the logo of Guinness Beer?
- 6. What is the generation of people born from 1946 TO 1964 called?
- 7. Name the meal made specially for children at McDonalds?
- 8. Which car firm makes the Jazz and City?
- 9. Combined with clay, what other substance makes up the lead in a pencil?
- 10. Which is the heaviest natural element? A) Uranium B) Lead C) Gold D) Plutonium

Answers on page 20

## **DOCTORS: PLEASE TAKE CARE OF YOUR HEALTH**

The Australian Health Minister is worried, the AMA is concerned, the medical colleges are alarmed.

Since the advent of the coronavirus pandemic, there has been a 20 to 50 per cent drop in people seeing their doctor or attending emergency departments. Some of this is understandable: more social distancing means fewer cases of other infections such as gastroenteritis, fewer cars on the road mean fewer car accidents, and attendances for sporting injuries are down as team sporting events are cancelled.

Unfortunately, a lot of this avoidance of attending the doctor with health concerns is due to fear. Fear that going to the doctor or hospital could result in exposure to coronavirus or fear that doctors are too busy dealing with more important issues than an individual's non-coronavirus health problems.

This reaction could ultimately result in an increased number of non-coronavirus deaths as people ignore important symptoms or their chronic health conditions deteriorate. Some emergency departments have noticed a drop in attendances for chest pain. We know that heart attacks will still be happening which means that some people may be risking permanent heart muscle damage. Unfortunately, cancer does not go into lockdown for the coronavirus, nor does heart disease, diabetes, skin cancer or any other medical condition. Will missed opportunities for early diagnosis result in higher death rates in months and years to come?

It has never been safer to see your doctor, whether in person or via a telehealth appointment on the phone or via video link. At Tamborine Mountain Medical Practice, we have gone to great lengths to ensure patient safety with more than 50 per cent of consultations conducted by telehealth, resulting in fewer people in the waiting rooms and easy social distancing.

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Now is not the time to avoid health care. Please take care of your health so as not to become a non-COVID19 pandemic statistic.

Drs Leanne Carr-Brown, Dr Ann Bennett and Dr Jan Zomerdijk **Tamborine Mountain Medical Practice** 





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## JON KRAUSE MP

State Member for Scenic Rim

### **BUSHFIRE PREPAREDNESS AND GOVERNMENT REVIEWS**

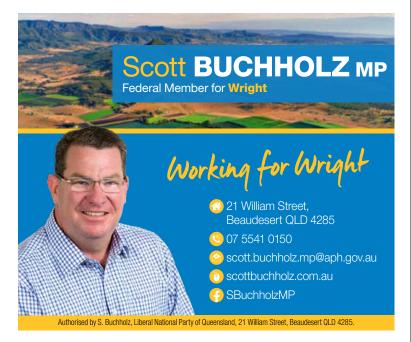
Drier conditions are beginning to set in again, and I urge the State Government to ensure that bushfire fuel loads on Stateowned land (and as much as possible, private property too) are reduced before the dry bushfire conditions set in mid-year. You can assist too by ensuring vegetation on your property is properly managed and kept to a safe load. Keeping yards and paddocks clear of obstructions that might hinder fire crews from accessing property is also important to saving homes and other assets in the event of fire.

We were all devastated by last year's bushfires and I know many locals are still reeling from those events, not to mention COVID-19 now and the water supply issues that came about due to drought before that. The inquiry set up by the Government into 2019's Sarabah/Canungra bushfire – which received only five submissions – failed dismally to listen to the concerns of local firies and others who were affected by the fires. The inquiry' submission period closed while many rural firefighters in our district were still out fighting fires. It was, to put it mildly, a crock. Listening to local knowledge and on-the-ground experience is vital to keeping people and communities safe, and I and the LNP team continue to support an open, transparent inquiry into 2019's events – so we know what went well, what didn't and where gaps need to be addressed.

### **COVID-19: WHAT LIES AHEAD**

We will emerge from this difficult time, and I know there are many ideas about how Australia needs to adapt to continue our prosperity into the future. A key issue that I have argued for consistently over my time as your MP is the need for affordable, reliable energy – above all else. In addition, we need to unlock the potential of businesses, especially micro and small businesses, by making it easier for these businesses to grow and employ. The Institute of Public Affairs estimates that red tape (regulation) costs Australia \$176 billion per year – about 10 per cent of Australia's economic output – making red tape Australia's largest industry. Clearly there is scope for change in this space to maximise the opportunities for growth in the future.

If there is anything I can do to assist you, please call, email or send me an SMS 0401 634 488.





## SCOTT BUCHHOLZ

Federal Member for Wright

### **HEALTH APP PROVIDES A HELPING HAND**

We've seen in recent days growing anticipation in Australia, in many communities like ours that haven't experienced high rates of the Coronavirus, to see some return to normality.

Recently the Prime Minister, Mr Morrison, outlined the framework agreed by the National Cabinet to start to ease restrictions and to map a road out. That roadmap included what it would take to move forward.

One of the key components was tracing of cases and rapid reaction to any outbreak.

One way to do that is to make better use of technology to identify contacts and trace cases.

On Monday the Australian Government launched COVIDSafe, a health app to provide a helping hand to our health workers on the frontline as they fight the coronavirus and stop its spread.

Everything the Government is doing is based on the best medical advice available to us.

We need every Australian to play their part by downloading COVIDSafe today.

By downloading this app, you will save lives and you will protect livelihoods.

The app simply digitises the current contact tracing process that already occurs when an individual tests positive to coronavirus. It collects the same data currently provided to health authorities when a person tests positive.

It is a voluntary tool that speeds up the ability to respond to local outbreaks, and the confidence to know the virus is not silently spreading throughout communities.

The app uses Bluetooth to look for other phones that also have the app installed.

COVIDSafe only keeps contact information for 21 days. This covers the maximum incubation period for the virus and the time it takes for someone to be tested for COVID-19.

The app has one purpose: to stop the spread of coronavirus.

Crucially, this app will ensure health authorities can get the full picture and not rely solely on the memory of an infected person. This will help identify people who might not even know they are carrying the virus – protecting them, their family and the community more broadly

We are winning this battle – but it is not over yet. Let's help our health workers to help us. Just like we did, and continue to do, by staying home.

Please download the app so we can continue to walk to the other side of the bridge and back to normality.

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## Councillor's Comment



#### DEREK SWANBOROUGH DIVISION 1

These are my own personal views. I do not purport to speak on behalf of Council.

Decisions of Council are made only by majority vote, legislative authority or under authority delegated by Council.

### **OPERATING REMOTELY BECAUSE OF COVID-19**

COVID-19 has meant that we have been operating remotely, albeit with a few glitches, and the administration is working to find a solution that allows our meetings to be available to the media and public in real time and can accommodate all the councillors, officers and support staff required to run them.

We firstly met at Beaudesert, observing social distancing and have been issued with equipment to do our jobs. I have a new email address and mobile phone number as follows:

#### Email: derek.s@scenicrim.qld.gov.au Mobile: 0436 351 567

Last Thursday was the post-election meeting of Council and I supported the successful appointment of Duncan McInnes as Deputy Mayor and new Division Two Councillor Jeff McConnell as Deputy Chair of the Local Disaster management group. Cr McConnell has been the SES Controller for Scenic Rim for eight years and I could not think of anyone with better qualifications and experience for his new role.

Meeting times have been set for the rest of this year and will be available on Council's website - likely to be affected by COVID-19 - and it is likely a review of these will occur after the worst of the pandemic.

All councillors were asked to make a short comment at the postelection meeting and my full comments are posted on my public Facebook Page "Tamborine Mountain REXIT". Here I reaffirmed my intentions to proceed to work towards a democratic REXIT and my aspirations for an open and transparent Council that performs for ratepayers and residents and your right to know relevant information.

This week a series of education and induction meetings had been planned (remote I believe unless restrictions are eased) for all councillors.

## CHALLENGE IS WELCOMED, DECLARES SWANBOROUGH

Newly elected Division One Councillor, Derek Swanborough, speaking at the first post-election meeting of the Scenic Rim regional Council, said he welcomed the challenge of meeting the reasonable expectation of all residents by listening and good communication.

He said he was confident the community had elected a team capable of delivering better outcomes, value for money, and infrastructure and services that would protect the environment and improve liveability and lifestyle.

"As everyone is aware, I only had a high-level policy at the last election and that was to solve the high level of rates and the less than acceptable distribution of infrastructure expenditure across the whole of Tamborine Mountain, and by moving to Gold Coast City Council. I received a significant mandate for this but not a majority of primary votes. It is a work in progress to achieve a majority view. The process I am leading will ultimately canvass the entire Mountain community as to their view," said Mr Swanborough.

"In the meantime, as Division One Councillor I, will be providing the highest level of representation to the Mountain, but not only that but to every community in the Scenic Rim. I believe that the principles of local government as outlined in Section Four of the Local Government Act are the key to good government, one that is democratic, and above all transparent with effective processes and decision making in the public Interest. "

"Our councillor responsibilities are set out in section 12 of the Local Government Act and they are many. I am asure we understand fully that we are charged with being accountable to the community for the local government's performance. We must be empowered to do that with no obstructions."

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## Councillor's Comment

VIRGINIA WEST DIVISION 3



#### ANZAC DAY

We have all experienced a very unique Anzac Day this year but one that has been particularly innovative, individual and heart-warming as residents have shared their stories of how they and their neighbours remembered our brave veterans and those who paid the supreme sacrifice, meeting at the end of their driveways.

I know Monarch Drive, Canungra was particularly special as most residents stood on their driveways with candles and wreaths made by their children, and enjoyed being able to share neighbourhood sentiments, from a distance of course. In the background could be heard Bren and George Dalby playing the bagpipes and Tim Hunt sounding the Last Post as they always do each year. It was very moving.

The Beechmont community has shared the most beautiful video of its monument adorned with wreaths laid quietly and individually by residents over night and background music of their local community choir and musicians Paul and Catherine Slingsby. It can be found on the Beechmont Community Network Facebook page. Thank you, David Murphy and your family, for ensuring the Anzac service was as memorable as ever.

I need to make special mention of Cooper and Amy, the Canungra State School captains, who as wonderful role models had to deliver their Anzac messages from home and beside a quiet memorial in D J Smith Park the day before.

### POST ELECTION MEETING

This first council meeting was held last week by teleconference and although it was not the same as being around the chamber table, it is the way we will be meeting for some weeks. Congratulations to Cr Duncan McInnes who was elected as Deputy Mayor again - nominated by Cr Jeff McConnell and seconded by Cr Derek Swanborough. My personal view is one of disappointment for the residents on the eastern side of the Scenic Rim - Beaudesert, Tamborine Mountain, Tamborine, Canungra and Beechmont that they have not had a deputy mayor in this community for a number of years.

As mentioned in my post-election address, I welcome the new councillors on board and congratulate my colleagues who were returned to office. Given the challenges our Scenic Rim community has experienced over the past four years and the current pandemic situation, it is even more important than ever that the new council unites quickly as a team and works positively and productively towards a prosperous future in partnership with our residents and other levels of government.

### WEEKLY EDITIONS

Congratulation to the Scenic News team as you graduate from a fortnightly publication to a weekly edition with continued letterbox delivery. In these times where the printed press is under threat, I know our community appreciate the balanced, informative and local approach you offer.

#### CONTACT ME

In the current social isolation climate I can be easily contacted on 5540 5403 or 0407 630 052; or email: virginia.w@scenicrim.qld.gov.au

Hopefully in a few months I can resume monthly meeting time at Canungra Library.

Virginia West Councillor Division 3 Scenic Rim Regional Council



## Letters to the Editor

Readers are reminded that letters to the editor must show full name of writer for publication.

## PEOPLE HURTING AND COUNCIL BUDGET MUST REFLECT THIS

Well, the election is finally over after three weeks of counting. There were no staggering victories and the new team will have to take note of this and be prepared to listen and respond to each area of the region. I have congratulated the councillors and sent them an email outlining the issues which I think they should consider addressing. The main points I raised with the councillors were:

**Budget:** The first task of the new council will be the setting of the budget for financial year 20-21. This is always a difficult task but even more so now with COVID-19 and the aftermath of the fires. People are hurting and the budget must reflect this. I would expect the following to be considered:

- a salary and performance bonus (as applicable) freeze for councillors, executives and managers
- a review and expansion of interest relief on rates post 30 June for those who can demonstrate financial hardship, and
- a review of spending to identify further efficiencies and cuts.

**Transparency:** As I said in my budget response last year, Council needs to provide a justification for the amount of revenue it needs to raise. A full disclosure of operational expenditure is required and one way to achieve this is to publish the final budget papers.

**Operational expenditure:** There needs to be a more detailed examination of operational expenditure, line by line, if necessary. I never had the support to do this but, it is necessary as we cannot just keep putting rates up as Council demands more money. Zero-based budgeting should be introduced for all sections in one go, not incrementally.

**Capital expenditure:** Every area of the region complains that they do not receive their fair share of this expenditure. The principal of equity needs to be formally recognised and every area should receive some expenditure. If this involves bringing forward an expenditure for an area then so be it.

**Consultants**: The financials for the hiring of consultants are covered in operational expenditure. However, these financials are not discussed

in detail because councillors do not review operational expenditure in great detail. Officers can budget for consultants but the actual approval for hiring a consultant should come from a council motion after a report has been considered.

**Other issues:** I also had a discussion with the newly elected councillors about Council's culture and their actions against me as a councillor but those discussions do not need to be disclosed here.

Handover brief: In my final newspaper column, I said that I would be preparing a handover brief for my successor. This has now been handed over to Derek Swanborough. If you have had an issue which I was dealing with and you would like to ensure that Derek is aware of it, I would suggest that you contact Derek at derek.s@ scenicrim.qld.gov.au and invite him to communicate with you.

Nigel Waistell Retired Councillor Tamborine Mountain

## GOLD COAST COUNCIL COULD NOT BE BLINDLY TRUSTED BY MOUNTAIN

Reading Roland Lindenmayer's letter in the Scenic News of 23 April, it seems we have a difference of opinion. The core consideration is whether the residents of Tamborine Mountain would be better served by the locality staying in the Scenic Rim or transferring to Gold Coast. Having a difference of opinion with Roland is not necessarily a bad thing since he can put forward well-considered arguments in a civilised and nonacrimonious atmosphere.

The looming situation is very complex with many variables and the possible outcomes can be wildly different. However, as they used to say, here is my two bob's worth.

I take very seriously the fact that we would have very little control over our future if we were to be part of the Gold Coast. The numbers tell it all. In our Gold Coast Division we would have as much influence as we now have in the Scenic Rim Council and there are 14 Gold Coast Divisions. I just can't blindly trust a Gold Coast Council. "

I am not consoled when Roland quotes Derek Swanborough's belief that the powerful tourist industry on the Gold Coast would not want to change the "green behind the gold" mantra which is very profitable for that industry because of the hordes of tourists sent up here every year. Correct me if I am wrong, but I suspect the predominant visitors are regional residents who value the Mountain for what it is. Why else are the weekends crowded and weekdays mercifully quieter? No doubt the Gold Coast tourist industry sees Tamborine Mountain as something to be exploited since they have managed their own natural tourism assets so badly. Gold Coast tourism hasn't even started here and the thought of living in some sort of Gold Coast-managed green world theme park makes my skin crawl.

Unfortunately, Derek and Roland seem to believe that an increase in tourism would be the proverbial good thing. It must not be forgotten that Tamborine Mountain is predominantly a muchvalued residential area with residents gaining little from additional tourism. Who would profit?

However, there is one point on which Roland and I would undoubtedly agree. There is potentially very much to be gained from a more enlightened and efficient operation of the Scenic Rim Council. Considering Derek's skills and exposure to Council that have gone badly wrong, it is hard to think of anyone better suited to that aspect of the job at hand. I wish Derek great success in this endeavour.

#### Phil Giffard

## YOU SHOW 'EM, DEREK

I would like to congratulate Derek Swanborough on his victory in this election. You may recall that Derek was our councillor eight years ago, and a very good one. In 2012 he decided to surrender his local seat and stand for mayor. Although winning 85 per cent of the local vote, he didn't pick up enough votes across the Scenic Rim to win.

I was bemused by an ad taken out two days prior to the election, by three previous councillors, claiming that Derek would not be able to achieve the objectives he had set.

These past three councillors, together, don't have the 40 years' experience of involvement in council matters that Derek has.

Nor can they claim that someone else can't achieve what they failed to do.

"Those who say it can't be done shouldn't interrupt the person doing it." (Old Chinese proverb.)

You show 'em Derek. We believe in you.

#### **Julie Wilkinson**



## VIRTUAL PILATES CLASSES HIT THE MOUNTAIN

The stress, panic and isolation associated with COVID-19 has been causing mayhem with people's exercise routine and, in turn with their physical and mental health. As a result, most people have been needlessly putting up with the pain, stiffness and the troubled mind that follows.

Initially, Australians had good intentions to exercise every day during this pandemic, but motivation is starting to wane and the same old walks and exercise routines just are not keeping us interested.

In response to this, physiotherapists from Physique physiotherapy have been conducting virtual Pilates classes for the past four weeks which has proved popular with clients.

Virtual Pilates sessions are more than just another online exercise class. They are the perfect mix of guided core and mobility exercises, balanced with mindfulness through exercise practices for the mind. An antidote that the mind and the body need in the ease and comfort of the client's own home.

Long popular among dancers and gymnasts, Pilates is an extremely precise form exercise aimed at improving core muscle strength. Whereas most forms of exercise build the body's stronger muscles, Pilates exercises work to strengthen the weaker ones as well. The result is a properly balanced body, with better joint mobility, firm muscles and good, natural posture. It is extremely effective in maintaining joint and muscle health and helps to focus the mind.

The physios at Physique have been running eight classes a week for the past two years and they have been very popular. Obviously, with new social distancing rules, the classes could no longer continue.

Physique is running one-hour Pilates classes online over the meeting app Zoom. All participants need is a computer or a smart phone, a mat on their living room floor and they can get their Pilates fix while staying at home.

## **CLASSES LOOK A LITTLE DIFFERENT AT COLLEGE**

## Tamborine Mountain College students were back to learning for the start of Term Two.

Of course, that learning does look a little different with students currently being taught via TMC Home-Based Learning (HBL). Overall, the college has had great success with its program. Principal Mrs June Melbourne and the Heads of School, Mrs Fiona Stevens and Mr Mark Stevens said they were proud of the efforts of the college's students and teachers.

TMC parents are adjusting to a new system (especially one involving technology) which can sometimes be overwhelming, but the college reports that families are supportive and managing. Students have lessons/work scheduled, but where a student does not

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have a synchronous (live) lesson scheduled, they still have classwork asynchronous work to complete. Students are required to complete all learning activities, not just the live ones.

Teachers are using online participation during synchronous lessons and attendance at form, and monitor student engagement in the set classwork. Some students are attending on campus for both primary and secondary, due to essential workers' needs and are doing HBL as well.

Parent/teacher Interviews that were scheduled for this time also went ahead with teachers conducting phone conferences with the parents. TMC Early Learning Centre is also open for three and four year olds and is catering to their needs.



Year five teacher Cameron Hall and student conversing during home-based learning.

## **Relationship vision became a reality after three decades**

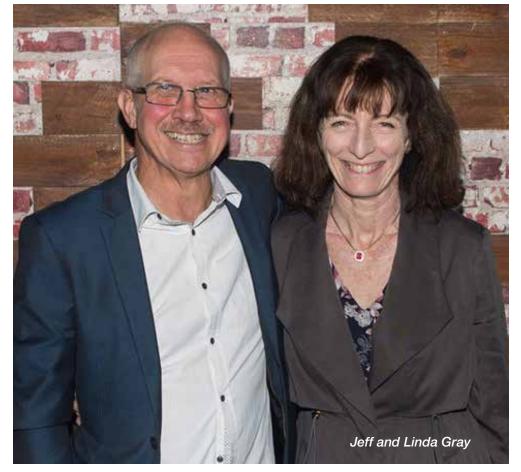
Thirty five years ago Jeff and Linda Gray were a young couple returning home to Brisbane from a road trip to Melbourne. As they passed through the picturesque hinterland behind Byron Bay, they were discussing the demise of a marriage of close friends.

They were saddened and frustrated, feeling inadequate and not knowing how to help their friends. A house on a hill caught Linda's attention and in that moment she had an epiphany. "One day we are going to have a place like that where couples can stay, rejuvenate and focus on their relationship."

It was a light bulb moment for them both and they held on to that dream for three decades. Their vision was put on the back burner as children, business and life in general demanded their attention. However, to equip herself with the necessary skills for helping people, Linda embarked on a journey of many years of part time university study, eventually holding two bachelors degrees and a masters in counselling. She took on a variety of roles in the community services sector, working with individuals and families.

As their children became independent, they had a growing sense that the time was right to make their vision a reality - but where to begin looking? Jeff wanted to continue in his role as business manager at a college in Logan so they made the decision to limit their search to a 45-minute radius from his workplace. Fortunately, this included Tamborine Mountain.

During the 18- month search they kept returning to the Mountain. They recognised it as a special place that offered the therapeutic environment they were looking for. In September 2014, they inspected Muscatels Country Lodge at Eagle Heights and



immediately fell in love with it. They bought and settled in December of that year, renaming the property Mountain Sanctuary.

For the past five years Mountain Sanctuary has operated as a B&B. The Grays' warm hospitality has earned them many awards and recognition including Tripadvisor's Travellers Choice Award for the past two years, given to the top one percentile of accommodation providers in Australia.

Linda runs her counselling practice, Relationship Sanctuary, from the property. Clients include individuals and couples from the local community who come for sessions; as well as those who come and stay and enjoy an immersive experience. Couples can also come for a two-day workshop, Relationship Recharge, engaging in sessions and activities designed to promote understanding and closeness.

"Our journey has taught us to never give up on your dreams - especially if they are motivated by a desire to make a difference in the lives of others," says Linda.



## **ARE YOU OKAY?**

Why do I ask? Isolation can be stressful, lonely and down right depressing. Not to mention other factors like financial loss, health worries, relationship stress. Talking to a caring professional provides a safe place to reflect, gain perspective and develop strategies.

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# TRAVELLING PLACES

By Gina Storey

What a week this has been. It is hard to believe I was in Northern Italy just over two months ago and on my return to Australia on 14 February there was very little impact of COVID-19 apart from in China. Extraordinary what can happen in such a short period of time.

This week we have seen Virgin Australia go into administration. It would seem that Virgin has been in financial difficulties since they switched from being a low-cost carrier to trying to compete with Qantas; the COVID-19 stop on travel was the last straw. The relatively new CEO at Virgin had already started the process of restructuring the airline to bring its finances into line.

As I write there are reports that several other parties are interested in securing a stake in the airline and hopefully retaining Australia's second airline – quite how this will look is being discussed. Virgin is currently advising that it will honour all credits, vouchers and tickets. If new shareholders purchase the airline you would think they will be at pains to protect and nurture their existing customers. No doubt there is a lot more to come from the Virgin story.

Many people are asking about cruising and the impact the Corona virus will have.

The media has given cruising a very hard time in Australia. Approximately five per cent of Australians cruise, with the vast majority of these sailings taken in our local waters around Australia, New Zealand and the Pacific Islands. Australia represents about five per cent of the global cruise market. Cruising has been one of the largest growth areas in the travel industry over the last couple of decades, with travellers loving the relaxed, hassle free, value for money holidays that are on offer.

With the increase in cruise ships in Australian waters there has been a huge impact on our local economy. Tens of thousands are employed directly and indirectly supplying produce to provision the ships, as well as working as tour guides and for coach companies that provide shore excursions (including to Tamborine Mountain). Expansion of ports and even the ongoing process of building a new port in Brisbane funded by Princess have had a huge impact. Then there are the taxes contributed to the various state governments to be here.

Cruise lines are in the business of providing a wonderful holiday; they have ramped up the bio security on board ships and this is under constant re-evaluation. My Mediterranean cruise in February and a colleague's close to home cruise in March were wonderful. We were both on luxury small ships with a lot of space. As we boarded the ships there was a health questionnaire, your temperature was taken and those with a high reading were denied boarding. Throughout the ship there were automated hand sanitisers and the crew were checking that every person was using these regularly. The buffets had been removed and crew served clients food from behind protective screens.

All areas of the ships were cleaned constantly; they were being vigilant, and I am sure these safety precautions will be ramped up post this current pause. My advice is to opt for ships with a high space to passenger ratio so that social distancing is practised.

A good news story for the travel industry is that governments are now starting to talk of opening up the travel restrictions in the not too distant future. If you are wanting to start thinking about what to do in Australia and possibly New Zealand in the not too distant future please contact Travelling Places; we have lots of ideas and would love to help plan your next escape.

## SOME IDEAS ON HOW TO SAY THANK YOU ON MOTHER'S DAY

Mother's Day only comes around once a year, and as our Mums do so much for us, this is the perfect day to thank them and spoil them ... but it's not just Mums that deserve great Mother's Day gifts (sorry Dad) - it's a day to celebrate Grandmas too.

- A breakfast tray is a lovely start with fresh bread or croissants from our local bakeries
- Paint mum a stone, or make her a lovely card, telling her how special she is to you
- Get her a voucher to her favourite hairdresser, or send her off for post-lockdown massage, facial or pedicure
- Give her the gift of a delicious meal there are plenty of great take-aways and food delivery services
- Take her to one of our nurseries for a plant or two, and pick up some honey or local jams while you are there
- Some delicious fudge from Gallery Walk or a book from Under the Greenwood tree
- Chocolate on Gallery Walk makes divine chocolates, or pop into Mumma Ducks or Spice of Life café
- Get dad to buy a good bottle of wine from the local wineries, bottle shops or distilleries
- Get a voucher for new PJs, towels or sheets the newsagent has lovely slipper socks
- Bake her a cake, or if she is allergy intolerant Wilderflower and Wanderberries Cakery in Main Street has some great ideas
- Or create a happy space with a beautifully scented diffuser, candles, soaps and lotions, all on offer at local shops and pharmacies
- Flowers are always a happy favourite from the garden, flower farm or florists

For more great ideas and places to buy from, visit www. tamborinemountainchamber.com.au

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## **DESPITE COVID-19 ANZAC DAY REMEMBERED**

What an amazingly different Anzac Day it was this year right across our country. Thanks to COVID-19 there were no traditional dawn services, no marches, no commemorative speeches - but this did not stop the nation from remembering and honouring our Anzacs and current and past Australian and New Zealand defence forces.

Throughout the Scenic Rim, families and friends participated in home driveway Light Up the Dawn commemorations and many homes and businesses flew flags, displayed memorabilia and played music traditionally associated with the First and Second World Wars.

While carefully observing the necessary rules regarding social distancing, there was a gentle trickle of residents laying wreaths at the Tamborine Mountain war memorial during the day. And while it was not an Anzac Day of choice, it was one that is bound to be remembered for many years to come.

This group of Wongawallan Road residents (right) participated in a Light Up the Dawn Anzac Day commemoration in a home driveway, rather than at the Tamborine Mountain war memorial.

The driveway ceremonies were necessary because of the need to avoid formal gathering in response to COVID-19. Lindy Fraser created a playlist of music, featuring a Scottish lament, which set the scene for the short, but emotional, ceremony.

Twenty-five neighbourhood and family members (from their own driveways) and recited the ode before observing one-minute's silence, which was followed by the Last Post, Reveille and the national anthems of Australia and New Zealand. Pictured are Keith Fraser, Beverly Aird, Sue McConnell and Lindy Fraser.



Sue McConnell is, for the first time, wearing her late husband Gavin's medals. Gavin passed away on 31 January this year.





(Top left) Vietnam War veteran, Roger Lenehan, remembered his father who served in World War Two and died in 1947 while returning to Australia from duty with the Allied occupying forces in Japan.

(Top centre) Joan Kahler laid a wreath on behalf of St George's Anglican Church.

(Top right) Delma McCrae laying a wreath on behalf of Tamborine Mountain Chamber of Commerce.

(Left) Cr Derek Swanborough was observed laying a wreath at the Tamborine Mountain War Memorial.



## NOCTURNAL NOISES

Occasionally, near "picaninny daylight" there's a farcarrying call of "who-hoo" in Witches Falls National Park.

This is the voice of the Powerful Owl - a very large owl with austere plumage and golden eyes. It lives in dense gullies, as well as level scrub like that of McDonald National Park, where it is capable of locating the source of any sound with great accuracy; some of these are too faint to be audible by us.



Powerful Owl



Southern Boobook Owl

widespread in Australia and nearly cosmopolitan. Their large facial discs are beautifully blended with grey and buff plumage and white spots, above a pure white abdomen.

Much less common but recorded on Tamborine Mountain is the Barking



Barking Owl

falling bomb. It may call loudly, and birds can render duets of cricketlike trills.

**Ivor Filmer** 

Much more frequently we have been entertained by the smaller Boobook Owl, with its wellknown falsetto "boo-book" and a low monotone of "mor-mor". It sits in dense foliage during the day and will be mobbed by small birds if discovered.

Less frequently, there's a wavering screech: "skee-air" and perhaps an apparition of a white ghost in headlight beams or a



Barn Owl

Owl, so called because of its dog-like call - "wok-wok". It may utter an attenuated scream in the winter. This is probably the source of the anecdotal "screaming women" stories from over the years.

Another memorable Mountain call is the weird, far-carrying, descending whistle of the Sooty Owl - reminiscent of a



Sooty Owl

## **KRAUSE: HALT RISE** IN LAND VALUATION

Member for Scenic Rim, Jon Krause, has called on the Queensland Government to halt any increase in official land valuations.

He said that land valuations could impact on the rates paid to local government by every ratepayer, as well as land tax obligations for some landowners.

"Our economy has copped an absolute shellacking lately - and it's not over yet," Mr Krause said.

"The valuations were carried out before all this began and probably do not reflect any type of reality at all."

"The last thing we all need is another hit through increased rates and land tax - charges that make it harder to keep people in jobs, or in some cases to keep businesses afloat at all.

"We need to make it easier for people to carry on business - get the costs and the red tape out of the way so that in these tough times jobs can grow."

Mr Krause said that valuations, carried out by the Valuer-General, were a process locked in by State legislation that only individual landholders have the right to appeal.

"That's why the Government should move amendments to Queensland law this week to freeze any increased land valuations across the State. This is about recognising the body blow to our economy and doing whatever is possible to cushion it for families, farmers and small business."

In the meantime, Mr Krause has reminded residents that the opportunity to object to 2020 valuations closes Tuesday 5 May.

"There are specific grounds of appeal which must be addressed by each person who disagrees with the valuation," he said.

Mr Krause said that it was up to individual landholders to appeal against the increases.

Under the legislation governing the valuation process, no joint or group appeals are permitted, and there is also no process to lobby the Valuer-General to reconsider valuations for an entire area or locality.

## **Queensland lockdown** restrictions eased

From midnight on Friday, Queenslanders will be able to enjoy some relief from stay-at-home rules and:

- Go for a drive;
- Ride or pilot a motorbike, jetski or boat for pleasure;
- Have a picnic;
- Visit a national park; and
- Shop for non-essential items

This is based on the following conditions:

- Social distancing and hygiene are maintained;
- You remain within 50km of home; and
- Outings are limited to members of the same household or an individual and one friend.

The number of new infections will be watched closely, and the measures reviewed after two weeks.

All other rules, including those around mass gatherings and limits on visitors, will remain in place.

fence post. These are Barn Owls,

## LIONS MOVE ONWARD THROUGH ONLINE



Members of the SMASH team in action - Emma and Deb videoconferencing with Lion Janis.

## The face-to-face fundraising efforts and other activities of Tamborine Mountain Lions Club have been impacted by the coronavirus outbreak.

Not to be deterred, club members have adopted online Zoom video conferencing software for their admin. meetings. Additionally, some of the individual group activities have moved online.

As an example, in pre-coronavirus days the club's Inclusion Group used to meet to exercise, dance, bowl and chat together, and to work on projects such as theatre performances and musicals.

The group has quickly set up systems to enable members to meet up online and keep in touch with each other and a new Facebook page titled Mountain Mates has been up and running since 22 March. Members now use the site to stay in touch, and to share stories, jokes and puzzles with each other, with several posts per day. The Inclusion Group also held a workshop with local artist Heather Dale to design a logo for their group webpage, with funding support from Scenic Rim Regional Council.

The Inclusion Group has also embraced online video meetings - they have set up the SMASH (Social Media Action Support Hub) team and they are using Zoom video conferencing to enable team members to get together online. Online meetings have gone very well, and participants have quickly learned how to use the system, welcoming the opportunity to stay in touch while restricted to their own homes.

Regular Zoom meetings enable the group to share stories and to do some of the singing and dancing that they would normally do face-to-face in an online format instead. Their next step is to reinstate their keep fit class (supported by Scenic Rim Regional Council's Be Healthy and Active program). This is usually run on Saturday mornings by David Lawson at Main Fitness Gym, but will be running online, using Zoom, while current restrictions are in place. David is also running other classes for residents – for more details, see the website at: www. facebook.com/ageilityfit.

Last but not least, the club is running its online raffle for Mother's Day, with some great prizes for mum – check it out online at: https://mothersdayraffledraw.floktu.com or through its revised Facebook page. Simply Google Tamborine Mountain Lions Club Facebook (there's no need to be a Facebook member to access the club's page).



## CITRUS SEASON NEARLY UPON US

I use lemons more than any other flavour in my food. Their juice provides a gentle acid balance, neither too biting nor too fragrant, that brightens a dish, while the zest delivers depth and a piquant flavour.

All my friends on the Mountain know how much I use citrus in the cooking school and they give me all their excess. Lemon trees are one of the quintessential items of the Aussie back yard! I love lemon trees

with a history, my friend Jim's tree was transplanted from the local Catholic Church and the lemons are enormous! Another friend Norma tells me what she proudly uses each of her six trees for different uses – lemon meringue pie,



lemon curd, marmalade, lemon cordial, preserved lemons and one for seafood. There is also one that the fruit looks good, but is flavourless, but she keeps it as it has the most fragrant heady smelling blossoms and it attracts the bees.

Lemons are in season for most of the year, with a downtime in the late summer and early autumn. I grow eureka for an early-season lemon and the soft-skinned Meyer for harvest through to early summer. Lemons like a warm, sunny spot in the garden and prefer free-draining soil. They require regular watering and a good soaking every couple of days during hot, dry spells. If growing in pots they will need watering every day through summer. A layer of compost can help keep the soil moist, but be careful not to let the compost touch the trunk of the tree. Lemons are also prolific feeders and respond well to a generous application of citrus food in spring and autumn and a handful of whatever other manure I am weekly digging in or spreading around the veggie garden. I am lucky to have Frank across the road that has a



horse that I can get a couple of bags of horse poo each week.

Lemons and limes brighten my kitchen they look fabulous piled high in my blue salad bowl and my red cake stand. Lemon is one of the most versatile flavours and

enhances sweet and savoury dishes. Lemon zest – the outer, coloured skin of the fruit – contains the fruit's aromatic oils, which to my mind encapsulates the essence of the fruit. Be careful when grating a lemon to only use the yellow part – the white pith is very bitter and will spoil your dish. I use lemon zest throughout my savoury cooking to give a neutral freshness. Citrus-based dressings are always refreshing, and a clean, lemony flavour is a perfect foil to sweet, creamy desserts.

I freeze all the juice of the excess lemons and limes to make cordial for the guests at the cooking school. Its equal parts by volume of water, juice and sugar. Heat it enough to dissolve the sugar, add some optional ginger or mint, then cool, strain and bottle. Keep it in the fridge.

## Terri Taylor, Tamborine Cooking School

(NB: this is a reprint of one of Terri's earlier articles)

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## It's not often a leap year comes around. About once every four years, in fact.

## To celebrate this year's bonus day, here are three puzzles about dates and births.

1. Philippe was born on 29 February 2016. His parents decided to celebrate his first birthday 365 days later.

On what date did they celebrate his first birthday?

2. My great grandmother was born on the first Sunday of the year. Her seventh birthday was also on a Sunday.

In which year was my great grandmother born?

3. The mother is 21 years older than her daughter. In six years she will be five times older than her daughter.

Where is the father?

- 1. What is the numerically largest Roman numeral that is a normal English word?
- 2. How do you prove literally that 11 + 2 = 12 + 1?

3. The 9-letter word SPLATTERS has an intriguing property. You can remove a single letter to make an 8-letter word, without rearranging the other letters. You can remove another letter to make a 7-letter word, and then a 6-letter word, and so on down to a single-letter word. At no stage is the order of the letters rearranged.

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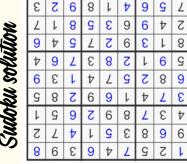


Find two other 9-letter words that share the same property. As a (kosher) hint, the words pig and sin appear as the 3-letter words. (Remember: at no stage do you ever change the order of the letters.)

4. What is special about 8,549,176,320?

TRIVIA ANSWERS FROM PAGE 8

1) PISTOL / GUN 2) TRAPEZE 3) GOLF 4) iPHONE X 5) HARP 6) BABY BOOMERS 7) HAPPY MEAL 8) HONDA 9) GRAPHITE 10) A) URANIUM





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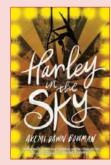
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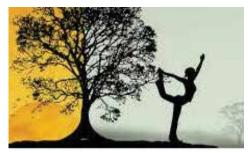


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A day a week or a day a month... This is the place to share your love and

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Call Margie at the Visitor Information Centre on 07 5545 3200.

## **REGULAR MOUNTAIN ACTIVITIES**

**AQUA AEROBICS** Mon Wed Fri 7am, Tues and Thurs 6.00pm-7.00pm at the pool Phone 0417 775 203.

**BADMINTON** Social players, all levels. Mon 6.30pm to 8.30pm at the Vonda Youngman Community Centre (except Public Holidays).

**BOOK READERS GROUP** meets once a month, new members welcome. Enquiries at TM library.

**BOTANIC GARDENS** Forsythia Dr, Eagle Hts - Volunteers' working bee every Thurs morning 8-12. 0409 263 666 CHRONIC FATIGUE FIBROMYALGIA Support Group meets

monthly Ph 5545 3134. **CREATIVE ARTS SOCIAL BRIDGE** Wed at 12.30pm. For info contact John Noble, 5545 4022.

CROQUET @ MEMORIAL SPORTS CENTRE NORTH TAMBORINE, Mon & Thurs 3.30pm (summer). Let's play croquet.

FILM CLUB AT THE ZAMIA. Meets every third Sunday at 5.30pm for 6pm screening. Only \$10 annual fee to join which gives automatic membership to the Tamborine Mt Little Theatre group. All movies are free with membership. Films shown range from the classics to foreign and Australian made. Cabaret seating and the old sling back chairs make it a great evening of entertainment where you can bring along your own refreshments or a take away to enjoy during the film.

FRIENDS OF TAMBORINE NATIONAL PARK : meet on the first Saturday of the month (except Jan.) To find out where we will be working contact Len on 3355 7288 or 0428 335 572.

**FRIENDS OF TM LIBRARY** Quarterly booksales held, other volunteering opportunities available. Contact the library for further information 5540 5473.

JOHN DICKSON CONSERVATION PARK: working bees 1st Monday & 3rd Monday of each month. 8am. Ph: Elizabeth Russell 5545 3601.

JUST DRUM DRUMMING CIRCLE: Held each Saturday from 6pm. Experience is not required. Spare drums are available. We welcome everyone to join us. On the lawn at Eagle Thai Restaurant,10 Macdonnell Road Tamborine Mountain. https:// tinyurl.com/y97o5vle

MARTIAL ARTS: Kyokushin Karate and Brazilian Jiu-Jitsu. Bully Busters, Self Defence, Discipline. Tamborine Mountain Showgrounds Tues & Friday 5.00pm and Saturday 9.30am Contact Cameron: 0433 633 775

**MEDITATION:** Tuesdays 7pm – New Thought, New Life Centre 5545 3700.

**MEDITATION:** (World Community of Christian Meditation). Ecumenical. Tuesdays 8am. St Georges Anglican Church, cnr Dapsang Dr & Eagle Heights Rd. All welcome. 5545 2919.

**MOVIES ON THE MOUNTAIN:** Regular screenings of latest releases at the Zamia Theatre. Ph 5545 3517.

**RELAXED MIND TAI CHI:** Mindfulness in motion, Mondays & Fridays 9.30am, Botanic Gardens. Bookings essential. Phone 0420 349 744.

**SINGING** 4-part Acappella singing for women of all ages. If you love singing, come and join us. 1st and 3rd Thursdays of the month. Knoll Road, North Tamborine. Ph Dianne 0413 339 821 or email bellaacapellatamborine@gmail.com

**TAI CHI** Tues mornings, Thurs evenings 110 Eagle Hts Rd, Eagle Hts. Phone Gai Wanless 5545 2409.

#### TAMBORINE MOUNTAIN COMMUNITY CARE

**ASSOCIATION:** Service Provider for first - level aged care. Transport to medical appointments, Domestic Assistance, Home Maintenance, Social Support Individual & Group, Podiatry and Computer classes. Open: Mon – Fri 8:30 am – 4:30 pm. Volunteers welcome. Contact – 5545 4968 Address: 42, Southport Avenue, Tamborine Mountain, Qld.

#### TAMBORINE MOUNTAIN COUNTRY WOMEN'S

**ASSOCIATION** Meets 1st Tuesday of every month at 10am at the TM Showgrounds. Email tmqcwa@gmail.com or phone 0466 651 867 for more info. All welcome.

TAMBORINE MOUNTAIN GOSPEL CHOIR rehearses weekly at the Presbyterian Church, 34 Main Street, North Tamborine. Enquiries please contact Julie Eotvos on 0458 005 989. New members welcome.

**TAMBORINE SUSTAINABLE GARDENERS SOC (TSGS)**, a group of enthusiastic gardeners, meets on the last Saturday of each month. Mrs Sue Morris 5545 0102. **TANGO CLASSES** Every Wednesday evening at The Zamia Theatre. Beginner class 6.30-7.30pm, followed by tango practice 7.30-8.30pm. Cost is \$15pp including practice plus tea/coffee. Inquiries call Jenny 0466 313 648

**TM ARTS COLLECTIVE:** General and Committee Meetings are held on alternate months on the first Wednesday of the month at 7 pm. The General Meetings are held at the Showground. Enquiries and new members are welcome. Call 55450043 or 55451618. The Collective benefits from our association with the Brisbane Visual Arts Community (BVAC), and stands for a stronger arts community and voice on the Mountain.

**TM BOWLS CLUB** – Friday social 1pm winter & 2pm summer; Sunday Scroungers 10.00am-12.00 noon; barefoot bowls & otherwise by arrangement. Competitions for members as notified. Free coaching, new members always welcome. Enquiries: 5545 1308.

**TM BRIDGE CLUB** meets each Monday at 5.45pm, Wednesday at 1.15pm, Thursday at 12.45pm and in an Assisted Play session on Friday at 12.45pm for those wishing to learn more in a social environment at the Tamborine Mountain Sports Complex, 400 Long Road.

TM CHAMBER OF COMMERCE: 2nd Wed. of month. Phone 5545 0944 Email: info@tamborinemountainchamber.com.au

**TM COMMUNITY KINDERGARTEN ASSOC** meets 2nd Wednesday of the month at the kindergarten 23 Coleman Square, North Tamborine at 7.15pm.

TM CREATIVE ARTS: Schedule of Activities MONDAY 9.00am-12.00 noon Patchwork, Quilting, Mahjong. 1.00pm-4.00pm Painting (Tutor fee) 1.15pm-4.15pm Creative Writing (1st,3rd,5th Monday of Month) 6.00pm-9.00pm Mens' Group 7.00pm-9.00pm Sculpture &Pottery TUESDAY 9.00am-12.00 noon General Craft, Sculpture & Pottery 9.30am-12.30pm Life Drawing (Model fee) WEDNESDAY 9.00am-12.00 noon General Craft, Sculpture & Pottery, Spinning & Weaving, Embroidery (1st Wed of Month), Machine Sewing (last Wed of Month). 12.30pm-4.30pm Bridge THURSDAY 9.00am-12.00 noon Sculpture & Pottery, Botanical Drawing 9.00am-1.00pm Weaving (1st & 5th Thursday of month) 1.00pm-4.00pm Wearable Art, (Felting Dyeing etc) FRIDAY 9.00am-12.00 noon Wood Artisans, Sculpture & Pottery, 1.00pm-4.00pm Mahjong SATURDAY 1.00pm-4.00pm Yarners

**TM FAMILY HISTORY GROUP** Meetings held 1st Sunday each month (excl. January) at TM Historical Soc, Wongawallan Rd, Eagle Heights, 3–5 pm approx. Please contact Robina on 0417 749 156.

**TM GARDEN CLUB:** Vonda Youngman Community Centre, Main Street, North Tamborine. Feb - Nov, 2nd Tuesday 9.30 for 10am meeting. Bring a mug for morning tea. Enjoy: Guest speaker, plant sales, borrowing library books, raffle, plant problem solving and meeting fellow gardeners. New members and visitors most welcome. Full details www.tmbotanicgardens.org.au

**TM GOLF CLUB** is open 7 days a week for golf. Ladies play on Tuesdays, Veterans play on Wednesdays and the main competition is on Saturday. Happy hour social event on Friday evenings from 5 pm. Coaching is available by Andrew Revie the club professional. Contact 5545 1788. Happy golfing!

TM HISTORICAL SOCIETY – Member working bee & morning tea every Tuesday mornings. New members always welcome. Please contact Phil Paley 5545 4962 or Muriel Shephard 5545 0481 for further details.

**TM LANDCARE:** Volunteering Opportunities: Forest Regeneration Work - 5545 2052 for details, or helping at the Picabeen Bookshop - 5545 1847 during office hours for details.

**TMLETS:** Join at Community Exchange System http://www. ces.org.za . Enq. 5545 3776.

TM LIONS CLUB Admin meeting held on the 2nd Tuesday and dinner meeting on the 4th Tuesday of the month. For more information please phone 5545 2120 or visit website tamborinemountain.qld. lions.org.au/

**TM LITTLE THEATRE:** Meetings held 1st Tuesday of month at 7.30pm at the Zamia Theatre. Regular plays, play readings & social events, movie club events. New members welcome. Cath Buckley President 5545 2236.

TM LOCAL PRODUCERS ASSOC. sell local produce every Sunday at the TM Showgrounds from 7am - 12noon Phone 5545 1527.

TM MASONIC LODGE: Meets first Thursday each month, except December. Masonic Centre, 10 Knoll Road, North Tamborine. Contact 3273 3313.

TM MEN'S SHED: Our workshop at 88 Beacon Rd (behind the tennis courts) is open each Tuesday and Thursday from 8.30am to 1.00pm. New members are welcome. To find out more, drop in for morning tea and a chat or call Steve Pinder (President) on 5545 3081

TM NATURAL HISTORY ASSOCIATION: Birdwatchers meet 1st Wednesday of month at 4pm at the Historical Society, 53 Wongawallen Rd, Eagle Heights; the monthly walk is on 2nd Wednesday of month. For further information call 5545 0995. Bushwalkers walk on 2nd & 4th Saturday of month. For further information call 5545 0140 or 0419 314 442. www.naturalhistory.org.au.

TM NETBALL CLUB. Contact Tracey 0438 575 662.

**TM ORCHESTRA** rehearses from 7pm to 9 pm every Wednesday during school term time. The venue is St George's Anglican Church, Dapsang Drive. New players always welcome. For more information, phone Tricia on 0415 487 581. Check us out on our website www.tamborinemountainorchestra.com; or find us on Facebook.

**TM PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH** 34 Main St, North Tamborine www.tambopc.org.au Sunday Morning Service 9am (including kids church) and Evening Service 5pm. Playgroup: Tuesdays 9.30am for 0-5 years. Youth Group: Fridays 4 -6 pm for Years 7 – 12. Enquiries: dave.mugridge@tambopc.org.au Tuesday to Saturday BARGAIN CENTRE: (rear of the Presbyterian Church) Tuesday to Saturday opens 8am -12noon. Fridays Youth Group 4 – 6pm see www.tambopc.org.au for details. Enquiries dave.mugridge@tambopc.org.au

TAMBORINE MOUNTAIN COMBINED PROBUS CLUB Fun meeting of this new social club for retirees and semi-retirees. At the Vonda Youngman Community Centre, 2-4 Knoll Road, North Tamborine on 1st April from 10am. Contact Brian Gilmore M: 0411 260 054 E: briangilmore@optusnet.com.au OR Rob Neary M: 0477 645 645 E: rob.neary@outlook.com

**TAMBORINE MOUNTAIN PROBUS CLUB INC (MEN'S CLUB)** Join like-minded retired nor semi-retired men for fun activities. At the Vonda Youngman Community Centre, 2-4 Knoll Road, North Tamborine each 3rd Wednesday of the month from 10am. Contact Harvey Ruglen M: 0490 066 385

**TM PROGRESS ASSOCIATION:** 1st Tuesday in month. 7.30pm Heritage Centre Wongawallan Rd

**TM RSL** Sub Branch meets at the RSL rooms underneath the Bowls Club; details are available by phoning 5545 2030.

**TM RUGBY:** Training Monday and Thursday 3.45pm- 5pm at TMSA, Long Road. Please call John Knight 0400 554 555 or Adam Clarke 0413 214 066 – Facebook: Tamborine Mountain Rugby

**TM TENNIS CLUB:** Social tennis from 6.30pm Wed and 3.00pm Sun. Doubles comp from 6.30pm Mon. Ladies from 8.00am Fri. 88 Beacon Rd North Tamborine. Contact Henry Rich on 0477 775 671 or 5545 3547

**TOASTMASTERS:** Meetings aimed at enhancing your communication skills. Meet at: Bridge Club Room, Sports Complex, 400 Long Road, Tamborine Mountain

Meetings: 2nd & 4th Thursday 7pm, 7.30pm start. Contact: VP Membership Marty Haynes 0407 452 725

**TM WRITERS GROUP:** Meets every 1st & 3rd Mon of month, 1.30–3.30pm at Creative Arts Centre, Eagle Heights. Call Patricia on 5545 3403 for details.

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