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JUNE ARTS DINNER ONLINE IN THIRD EVENT OF SERIES

An award-winning landscape architect who has been part of the revitalisation of Scenic Rim communities through the transformation of public spaces will join the discussion panel at the Council's June Arts Dinner online.

The third event in the Arts Dinner Home Delivered series on Tuesday 30 June will explore the theme of Placemaking and Fabrication, with landscape architect John Mongard – whose designs feature in landmark projects including the Tamborine Mountain Village Greens precinct – sharing his perspectives during the discussion.

The arts dinners are currently being enjoyed as online get-togethers while social distancing measures continue in response to COVID-19.

Daniel Flood, Jen Mallinson, David Shaw and Ben Tupas will join the panel discussion with John Mongard.

Daniel Flood, who leads the State Library of Queensland's Applied Creativity team, has developed and delivered a diverse range of

arts, media and technology community cultural development projects across Australia during the past 18 years.

An award-winning sculptor, Jen Mallinson from Pambula in New South Wales, creates unique three-dimensional works that convey a sensitive aesthetic and abstract vision.

David Shaw has had an extensive career as a designer-maker, university lecturer, and inhouse designer for manufacturers, architects, and interior designers. He established Street and Garden Furniture Company in 1991 and in 2009 was the Co-President of the Design Institute of Australia (Qld).

An arts producer and multi-disciplinary artist based in Toowoomba. Ben Tupas has since 2018 been the Artistic Director of LIT Festival: Stories In Light, a biennial public arts festival sharing local stories through light-based art. As an artist, he works in the areas of video, photography and graphic design.

Anyone with a love of the arts or good food is welcome to join in the arts dinner from

the comfort of home and, after registering at thecentre@scenicrim.qld.gov.au, participants will receive a Zoom link for the event and the dinner menu so they can source their ingredients to cook along with the chef.



John Mongard

COUNCIL AUDIT COMMITTEE MEETS FOR THE FIRST TIME

Scenic Rim Regional Council has held its first Audit and Risk Committee meeting of the 2020-2024 Council term, with independent external member Stephen Coates taking up his position as the new committee chair.

Mayor Greg Christensen, who along with Cr Derek Swanborough was appointed as Council's Audit and Risk Committee representatives at the 25 May Ordinary Meeting of Council, welcomed the wealth of experience Mr Coates and external independent member Mrs Melissa Jacobs bring to the fourmember committee.

"Mr Coates was recently re-elected for a second term as President of the Institute of Internal Auditors Australia and is highly regarded for his work at the leading edge of professional development in his field," Cr Christensen said.

"He has extensive assurance and advisory experience specialising in governance, risk, and assurance services and is an experienced Chair of boards and audit committees, as well as consulting to clients on strengthening risk management, controls and governance processes.

"Local government audit and risk committees on which he serves include those of Newcastle City Council, Southern Downs Regional Council, Livingstone Shire Council and Moreton Bay Regional Council.

"Mrs Jacobs' depth of audit, risk and compliance experience has been acquired in a career spanning more than 20 years, including executive and strategic leadership roles at City of Gold Coast and with the Gold Coast 2018 Commonwealth Games Organising Committee (GOLDOC).

"At GOLDOC she oversaw a portfolio of more

than 600 projects, and more than 1000 risks at peak, and the risk model she developed for the Commonwealth Games was commended by the Queensland Audit Office as a benchmark for risk management practices.'

Scenic Rim's Audit and Risk Committee meets quarterly and provides assurance to the community that Council is fulfilling its legislative responsibilities in relation to financial reporting, internal controls, risk management and ethical accountability.

Cr Christensen said Scenic Rim Regional Council was committed to the continuous improvement of its risk management strategies.

"In 2018, Scenic Rim was judged Queensland's best council for its strong risk management framework and our Audit and Risk Committee includes professionals of the highest calibre who will continue to build on that solid foundation," he said.

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School head will feature in | NEW PRINCIPAL ON HAND international magazine

Tamborine State School Principal, Jason Smith, has been selected as one of the 10 most inspiring educational leaders in Australia and will be featured in a special edition of international education magazine The Knowledge Review.

Mr Smith's name was selected from a variety of sources including Australian educational journals, keynote speeches, Australian Education Awards, and Department of Education media, as well as local news media and social media sites.

The magazine feature will shine a light on his career as an educational leader and also allow him a platform to showcase the high impact signature programs that Tamborine Mountain State School and its community offer.



A surprised Mr Smith said he was proud to promote the exceptional outcomes achieved by the school's students and staff, and the incredibly positive partnerships formed with parents, carers and local community businesses.

"I am blessed to be gifted with the talents and support of family, friends, staff, students, parents and community partners over the years, all of whom have played a significant role in my development as an educational leader and positive role model," said Mr Smith.

The objective of *The Knowledge Review* is to provide information on the best educational platforms that can be pursued to obtain an excellent education and build a better career.



TO WELCOME STUDENTS



When St Bernard State School students returned to class they were welcomed by positive messages on trees and along the fence line and greeted at the front gate with huge smiles from all the staff including new Principal Scott Johnstone.

Mr Johnstone who attended a small school as a student said he was excited to be given the opportunity to lead Tamborine Mountain's "small school with a big heart.'

He is looking forward to working with staff, students and families and getting to know the St Bernard State School community.

The excitement of Mr Johnstone's arrival was equalled only by the thrill of finally being able to play on the school's wonderful new adventure playground. With amazing bright colours and a rubber base surface, the multi-aged playground located in the green space in the centre of the school certainly stands out and warmly invites all children to play.

The playground has come together thanks to the collective efforts of the school community in raising funds for this large-scale project. The efforts of the P&C Association during the school's centenary in 2014 kickstarted the fundraising, with each consecutive P&C contributing to the fundraising efforts.

The recent P&C was successful in applying for a School Subsidy Scheme grant for a total of \$100,000, including P&C funds, to be able to pay for the playground.

With all year levels now settled back into school, playtime is a whole new level of fun. Together the P&C and school staff can't wait to watch the students enjoy the new playground and create lots of memories for the years to come.



BADGE OF HONOUR FOR CAROL



Carol Kranz (right) was awarded her five-year badge of honour by Sol Norton last week for contributing her time as a volunteer with the Tamborine Mountain Visitor Information Centre.

Carol and her husband settled on the Mountain in 2008 when she retired from work. She wanted to become more involved in the community and decided to volunteer at the centre.

Carol, who is also a member of the Tamborine Garden Club and enjoys learning Tai Chi with Gai Wanless, said she thoroughly enjoys her days working at the Visitor Information Centre where she gets to promote the beauty of the Mountain, its businesses, attractions and bush walks.

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COMMUNICATION SUCCESS?

Over the past few weeks, we've been considering the ingredients of successful communication. But how do we define communication success?

Is it persuading others that our way is the best way? Is it perfecting the skill of listening with the agenda of gaining another's co-operation? Sometimes we can be so stuck in our opinions that we miss out on communication's benefit of another's wisdom.

My husband and I recently had a late-night disagreement. As we were getting ready for bed, I noticed a strange bump above the eye of our Shitzu-maltese, Jethro. It turned out to be a dreaded tick. Jethro being elderly with a heart condition, we knew it was important to expedite

My husband Jeff suggested we ring the after-hours vet. I was reluctant. I could only imagine the cost of a late Sunday night appointment. Besides, I was extremely confident the pesky parasite didn't stand a chance

against my surgical skills. Jeff didn't share my enthusiasm and neither did Jethro who was far from interested in co-operating. Two stressful hours later, during which our difference of opinion was expressed several times, we were bundling Jethro into the car and heading to the Gold Coast animal emergency centre. On arrival the procedure was over in a minute and after a quick assessment Jethro was given the all clear.

As we pulled back into our driveway at 2am, I was struck by the realisation we would have been home by midnight if I had heeded Jeff's advice earlier. My stubbornness had cost us two hours of sleep. I was acquainted with my mother, grandmother and great-grandmother and can verify I belong to a family of strong-willed, stubborn Scotswomen (my husband agrees!). However, I can't use my genetic make-up as an excuse to be closed minded. Regardless of personality, all of us can approach communication as an opportunity for change. Research by the Gottman Institute found that relationships are

more satisfying when partners allow themselves to be influenced by each other.

It's all too easy to get stuck in our position on an issue. The more we defend ourselves, the more we convince ourselves of the reasons we are right. Perhaps our reasons are legitimate and pragmatic but maybe the same could be said of another's position. The road sign MERGE directs us to leave a lane that's going nowhere and, for our own benefit, join those in the adjacent lane. Some are quick to merge, while some stay in their lane to the last possible moment. Ignore the roadside MERGE sign and your vehicle will leave the road. If we recognise junctures in our relationship where merging is advantageous, we can stay on track in our relationship journey and maybe we'll be rewarded with more sleep!

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PUBLIC NOTICES

ORDINARY MEETINGS

Council has approved the use of The Centre Beaudesert as an alternative meeting location to its Chambers, in line with social distancing measures during COVID-19.

Council anticipates that the Ordinary Meetings, will be held at The Centre until further notice.

Although public access will not be permitted due to COVID-19, recordings of meetings will be made available on Council's website scenicrim.qld.gov.au/ our-council/meetings-and-agendas which also lists the Ordinary Meeting dates for the remainder of 2020.

CUSTOMER SERVICE AND ADMINISTRATION CENTRES

Scenic Rim Regional Council Customer Service and Administration Centres are now open between 8.30am and 4.30pm from Monday to Friday.

In line with the Queensland Government's social distancing guidelines, a limited number of customers will be allowed in our Customer Service and Administration Centres at one time.

Beaudesert - max 5 people (8.30am - 4.30pm) Boonah - max 2 people (8.30am - 4.30pm) Tamborine Mountain - max 1 person (9am - 4.30pm)

You can still call 07 5540 5111 or non-urgent enquiries can be emailed to mail@scenicrim.gld.gov.au or posted to PO Box 25 Beaudesert Qld 4285.

BUSINESS COUNSELLING SUPPORT

Scenic Rim businesses and employees impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic may be eligible for free of charge counselling sessions with experienced independent professionals, Capacity Consulting, 'Lavender House'.

If you know someone in the Scenic Rim business community who has suffered as a result of COVID-19, please encourage them to use this service and to ask for help.

For more information: scenicrim.gld.gov.au/ businesses/business-counselling-support/1

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- Library returns, browsing and borrowing of physical items is available between 10am - 4pm Monday to Friday only. Canungra closed for lunch from 1pm - 2pm.
- Our 'Click or Call and Collect' service is still available by appointment only between 9am - 10am.
- At this stage there is no access to computers. printing, copying, scanning or newspapers. There is also no seating available.

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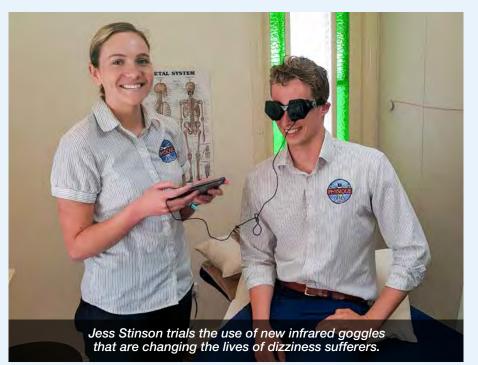
of the eyes). This nystagmus occurs when the vestibular system becomes confused and sends a mixed-up message to our brains, thereby resulting in dizziness.

Physique Vestibular Rehabilitation Physiotherapist, Jess Stinson, has had extensive experience in treating patients with dizziness and feels like this new technology is a game changer.

"These goggles allow us to see much more accurately if a nystagmus is present and they therefore aid us to get a clearer and more accurate diagnosis. Vestibular problems can be extremely complex, so anything that can help us to make it a little bit easier is a wonderful thing for our community."

Dizziness effects at least 20 per cent of the entire adult population each year and up to 50 per cent of the elderly population. It is a major problem, but one which can usually be treated very effectively.

The vestibular team at Physique are experts in the diagnosis and treatment of dizziness disorders. So, if you or someone you know has a problem with dizziness, please give the Physique team a call and see if they can make a difference to your life today - 5545 1133.







JON KRAUSE MP

State Member for Scenic Rim

CALL 13 HOON - HOONING IN OUR AREA

I have noticed from some community Facebook groups and from talking to locals that there has been an increase of hooning recently in different areas of the Scenic Rim – on Tamborine Mountain, on Beechmont, and in other areas like along Beaudesert-Beenleigh Road.

I have discussed the issue of hooning with local police in the past and relayed concerns from locals. On Tamborine Mountain this relates especially to the dangerous activity around the hang glider launch site on Main Western Road. There are penalties for hoons, including the confiscation of vehicles. Dangerous drivers are not just a danger to themselves, but also others on the road, pedestrians, and entire neighbourhoods for the disruption they cause to people's lives.

It is important that if you notice hooning in your area to call 13 HOON (13 4666), Policelink 131 444 or fill out the online form at police.qld. gov.au/reporting and report the incident with the make and model of car and registration number if you can see it. When complaints are made like this it can be recorded and can help our police to be allocated the correct resources (like more police vehicles, police personnel, or enforcement equipment) to deal with problems.

We need more police resources in our region. I successfully lobbied for an extra police vehicle for the Mountain and Canungra, and also ensured Beaudesert received a 24 hour, seven day a week roster in Beaudesert when the LNP was in Government – something that underpins the region's policing to this day. I will keep lobbying for more resources, and every report of activity can help add to that case.

REDUCING BUSHFIRE RISK



I recently assisted the Tamborine Mountain Rural Fire Brigade in carrying out a hazard reduction burn on Council reserve land off Guanaba Road. I commend the brigade for their initiative in arranging hazard reduction burns, when the conditions are right, and also Leeton Lee who directed the operation and conducted the burn-off using traditional indigenous methods and strategies — something I support and which forms part of the LNP's 10 point plan in relation to fire services.

I have had a number of residents in contact with me concerned that more needs to be done to reduce bushfire hazards — both on State land and other land too. These concerns have been raised with both National Parks and Queensland Fire and Rescue Service, encouraging them to manage State-owned land and work with the community to reduce fire hazards. I know burn-offs can create some smoke issues, but it is important that they are done to reduce the risk of dangerous bushfires impacting properties on the Mountain — before it is too late.

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

Last week I was back in Canberra and it was rather a different experience.

Obviously, during the COVID-19 pandemic it has simply not been business as usual.

But it is crucial that our Parliament returns to ensure the Australian people have a voice, to get on with delivering the Government's agenda and keeping the focus squarely on our recovery.

It has been a very tough period but together we're fighting the virus and beating it. We're seeing more people get out of their homes and return to work, school and community activity. These are encouraging signs. But it is up to all of us to keep safe, to stay home if we're sick, to follow good health hygiene and to download the app.

I've been getting out into our community again as restrictions ease and it is great to see local businesses being supported and those from around the south-east coming out to our beautiful region. A welcome move for local businesses.

BOOST FOR BUSINESS

One of the big announcements last week was on the instant asset write-off. A key policy of the Government before the Coronavirus and as part of our economic response, it was significantly expanded. I was hearing from small business owners across our region and from many different sectors, that this was a critical component to economic recovery. I made strong representations on this alongside many colleagues and the Prime Minister and Treasurer acted in our economy's interest.

To back our small businesses, we have extended the \$150,000 instant asset write-off for six months to 31 December 2020. Many assets that businesses purchase, for example a truck, trailer, bus or large machinery, rely on longer lead-in times to factor in the design, manufacturing and customisation of a product. This extension is about supporting jobs and encouraging investment, especially in new and improved technology, tools and equipment — making workplaces safer and more productive. Now more Australian businesses can plan and make use of the instant asset write-off. There is a range of measures to support residents and businesses at this time, so please visit australia.gov.au or call my office.

PROTECTING CHILDREN AT HOME AND ABROAD

In another welcome move, the Australian Government's reforms to increase penalties against serious child sex offenders have passed the House and are now being considered by the Senate. As well as introducing mandatory minimum sentences, the Sexual Crimes Against Children and Community Protection Measures Bill includes a new maximum life penalty for the most serious Commonwealth offences and a presumption against bail.

Our federal and state law enforcement agencies do an excellent job in detecting and disrupting this terrible abuse of the most vulnerable in our community – but they need more tools to help them and one of those tools is tougher penalties to act as a deterrent.

We have heard again of sinister crimes being committed against children by a network that has long tentacles in Australia and overseas. I am repulsed by the disgusting acts of abuse these perpetrators have committed. Australia is working hard to tackle this evil network of abusers.

Cracking down on child sex offenders surely warrants the support of everyone.



Letters to the Editor

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

TIME IS RUNNING OUT TO REDUCE FIRE FUEL LOAD

Before long we will be facing another fire season, and this makes it a real imperative to start preparing for this immediately.

There are federal and state funds available for fire mitigation work and we need to access this now, as we have seen how the nearby Binna Burra resort was devastated last year.

Here on Tamborine Mountain we are a vulnerable community and people who live along the escarpments of our mountain are particularly anxious about fire prevention, as they are on "the front line." What precautions have we taken to mitigate against the next fire season?

Also, what lessons have we learnt from previous fire seasons? I think we need to contact our new council, state and federal politicians to see if they can help us. What plans are afoot to reduce fuel loads by selective burning, or to provide water tankers to get water to our firies? Will we have access to water bombers if necessary?

I would like to suggest that we get a community group together, to liaise with the Queensland National Parks, the Chamber of Commerce, our Rural Fire Brigade, and our federal, state and local politicians.

Many residents, especially those bordering national parks and

other bushland, would be willing to work in concert with, and under the supervision of the Queensland Parks and Wildlife Service, to help clear the escarpment next to our own properties.

Certainly those "on the edge" have a vested interest in protecting their own properties. A top priority is to do control burns around the mountain, and we need to access bushland by re-establishing old forest tracks and constructing some new ones such as one between Knoll and Beacon Points.

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MAYORAL MINUTE SAVES THE DAY - OR DOES IT?

Council's contempt for its constituency continued unabated at the last ordinary meeting whereby the agenda was barren of information and decisions surrounding council business.

There was all of two items on the agenda; one to decide when to take the Ekka public holiday and the second to endorse a grant to fund a two-year position for a "Community Development Officer" as part of Queensland Bushfires Disaster Recovery, post the bushfires that are now some nine months ago, before moving in to closed session regarding the upcoming budget.

That's right, not one single report updating councillors and the public on works and maintenance programmes, no library report, no parks and gardens report, nothing on planning and applications, no litigation report, nothing on economic development or initiatives relating to COVID-19. The cupboard was completely bare.

The BIG addition was a mayoral minute suggesting the repeal of the two per cent annual pay rise for councillors that was previously supported by the former council. The reasoning for the repeal is to recognise the burden upon the constituency in light of COVID-19 and to offer some relief to the constituency. It is understood that this course of action was put forward by Cr McConnell of Division Two and he should well be commended for his actions, but one wonders: Is this \$11,000 token doing anything of substance for the constituency in light of the annual \$36 million council wage bill being weighed upon the people of the Scenic Rim? Methinks unlikely!

The cost of our representation is in the region of \$1 million annually when you take in to account each councillor is provided a vehicle and then there's all the lunches, conferences, educational and professional development expenses on top of their individual salaries.

Councillors, we expect a lot more from you than a mayoral minute for our \$1 million.

Start providing some information and transparency at the very least.

Rumblings in the far south of our nation suggests not all is well in local government land there either. David Jochinke, Victorian Farmers Federation President, has publicly stated that the rating system is broken and totally inequitable between rural landholders and urban areas in the State of Victoria.

Mr Jochinke, amongst other things, is calling for the establishment of

one general rate on the basis of the valuation of all property and the total population or the total number of rate assessments.

He goes further in suggesting rate revenue should be tied to the delivery of a standard set of core services, costs and levels for each service and a standard allowance for administration and overheads. All of this to be fixed across the state. Councils wishing to deliver further services would need to generate the revenue for those services from alternatives other than the rural landholder who does not want or use those services.

This message, one would hope, will ring some alarm bells in the corridors of power in Brisbane Street.

Councillors need to stop proffering the idea that constituents need to recognise the great many services that are provided beyond roads, rates and rubbish. They need to first recognise what services the constituent actually wants and needs that reflects the capabilities of a local government authority and stop moving away from their area of expertise and encroaching on the responsibilities of the state and federal governments.

The late mail is that the export of our dollars continues unabated by council with the latest offering being an online support package for our sport and recreation groups that have been impacted by COVID-19.

The engagement has been offered to a Sunshine Coast company CPR Group www.cprgroup.com.au

The offering to our beleaguered sporting associations is as follows:

CLUB CRISIS ASSISTANCE PACKAGE

Online meeting 1 - Introduction and Networking

 First online meetings with representatives of each sports club and community group to discuss their current situations and areas of need

Online meeting 2 - Communication

 Second online meeting with representatives of each sports club and community group to workshop ideas for communication with members, strategies for digital communication and social media, and effective remote meetings

Online meeting 3 - Planning for the Recovery

 Third online meeting with representatives of each sports club and community group to workshop strategies for creating a strong recovery,
including
capitalising
on downtime, COVID-safe work
plans for resumption of activity, and
longer-term goal setting

Online meeting 4 - Finances

 Fourth online meeting with representatives of each sports club and community group to workshop financial management strategies to put clubs and community groups in strong financial positions to work towards long-term sustainability and viability

Support resources included:

- Provision of tools, templates and resources as relevant to the online workshops conducted
- Review of supporting information for each participating organisation, including:
 - Constitution
 - Digital footprint (web and social media)
 - Financial statements
 - Meeting minutes
- Access to meeting TRAC for six months for each participating group
- Access to asset TRAC for six months for each participating group
- On-call support for clubs and community groups to call us with additional questions

Council has suggested this is offered as part of the "council economic stimulus package for COVID-19". With the export of dollars, I can only ask: Where is the economic stimulus?

Councillors please advise the following:

When did you sign off on this package?

What was the consultation process that took place with clubs and associations?

Is this what the clubs are crying out for? How much will it cost?

What will be the likely take up?

Is this the business of local government or is it more attuned to state government responsibility?

What will be the true resulting economic stimulus of this initiative?

Tom Sharp

(EDITOR: The views expressed in this column are those of the author and do not necessarily reflect those of Scenic News.)

one small place on earth



Great Barred Frog

Great Barred Frog – Mixophyes fasciolatus, garage, Eagle Heights.



The last thing I would have expected to see on a recent morning walk was a Great Barred Frog. I had to cut my walk short to return home and fetch my camera. The frog is nocturnal. It hides beneath fallen leaves or burrows into loose soil during the day. Over the years I have encountered dozens on my night filming walks in rainforest, a preferred habitat of the species. This was the first I have seen in daylight. The frog ranges from mid-coastal Queensland to mid-coastal New South Wales, with isolated populations in northern Queensland and Victoria. Length is 6.5cm to 10cm.

PS: Much to my shame, a knowledgeable reader informed me that I had submitted a photo of a White Cedar Moth instead of the Australian Native Budworm for my previous article. I profusely apologise for the error.

Peter Kuttner

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ISOLATION AND 'UGG BOOT FOOT'

One of the more interesting conditions to have surfaced during isolation is 'ugg boot foot'.

This is classified as foot pain caused by wearing shoes with little or no support for long periods of time. And, let's face it, isolation or working from home has led to many of us

donning the faithful sheep skin from dawn until dusk they're comfy and they go so well with the high end fashion of trackie dacks and hoodies.

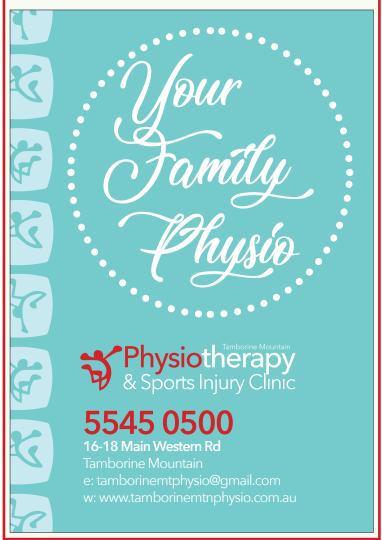
And it's not just uggies. Fashion search platform, Lyst, has recorded global searches for crocs up by 32 per cent and fur slides up by 62 per cent, and goodness knows how many people are spending their days

in their slippers. The problem is this: Worn over

long periods of time, this sort of unstructured footwear can lead to increased risk of foot injuries such as plantar fasciitis due to their lack of support, and also increased risk of falls due to the loose fit and poor sole structure. Pain in other lower limb areas can also develop due to repetitive 'clawing' of toes in an effort to keep the shoes on. This in turn can lead to back pain and suddenly your ugg boots aren't looking quite so comfortable!

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Notification of Proposed nbn™ Radio Network Base Station Facility

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The proposed works on site will involve the upgrade of existing technology upon the facility including and not limited to the replacement and installation of new antennas, radiocommunication dishes and associated ancillary equipment to enhance transmitting technology. Furthermore the works will involve the replacement and addition of equipment shelters/outdoor units adjacent to the facility.

nbn regards the proposed installations as a Low Impact Facility under the *Telecommunications (Low-Impact Facilities) Determination 2018.* In these circumstances, it does not require planning approval from Council. This notification is undertaken in accordance with the requirements of Section 7 of the Mobile Phone Base Station Deployment Code 2018.

Further information on this specific proposal can be obtained by calling Visionstream on 1300 745 210.



Written submissions can be sent to:

nbn Planning Team, Locked Bag 4001, Moorabbin VIC 3189

or via email to nbnwirelessvic@ visionstream.com.au.

The closing date for submissions is 2nd of July 2020.

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Councillor's Comment

DEREK SWANBOROUGHDIVISION 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.)

TRANSPARENCY AND DECISION MAKING

I want to talk about this topic in my column this week because it is a really serious matter and it affects the whole of Queensland local government including the Scenic Rim Regional Council and specifically, every ratepayer, resident, business owner ... everyone.

There is a presumption in the *Local Government Act* that all decision making should be transparent and open. I will talk about this one principle in this column, and others in future columns.

S 4 of the Local Government Act 2009

- (2) The local government principles are:
- (a) Transparent and effective processes, and decision making in the public interest.

The Act even tells us why in section 4 (1)

(1) To ensure local government is accountable, effective, efficient, and sustainable.

Why does every council officer and councillor have to abide by this principle? The Act says

"It is because the Parliament of Queensland requires it"

Having worked in local government for 40 years and in six councils, starting as a labourer and moving up to executive management for 25 years, I would say that in each one it has failed in some way to get a truly open and transparent local government

If this principle were truly applied, we would not have the issues of maladministration and corruption in many councils in Queensland. Even Right to Information laws say there is a presumption that all information is deemed public unless specific necessary exemptions apply. But it is mostly a slow cumbersome process, well intentioned but not effective when organisations do not understand why it exists and secrecy culture makes it difficult for applicants.

As an example, in Scenic Rim for instance, if I had the personal power. I would seriously review the meeting system that conducts so much discussion of issues in confidential briefings which I think should be done in open council committees. The penalties for councillors for breach of the smallest issue of confidentiality in these briefings, even if done without intent, can lead to dismissal or fines. I think this has been weaponised to some extent in all Queensland councils gathering from the large amount of frivolous and vexatious complaints lodged and dismissed on this matter. It can be a gag on councillors communicating to the public, wondering "was that question you asked me discussed in a confidential briefing or not?" Our meeting system does not give much left for a councillor to tell you about or answer you query.

I would seriously review council delegation to the CEO of what is deemed confidential, and strictly limit it to the basics as set out in section 275 of the Act (legal opinions, staff matters etc), and I would like to see barriers to the public or media coming into council meetings and asking questions of council and its managers – to increase transparency and accountability – removed.

I think I agree with Tom Sharp in one of his columns, that the shackles must be taken off elected members

to make policy decisions and have real input in decision making. Too often, elected councillors feel powerless to stand up to a juggernaut of council officers advising them that things can't be done rather than what can be done.

More open and transparent government would see councillors empowered by providing them information they need for effective decision making. Regrettably, this is not happening for me in Scenic Rim and my requests for basic available information and essential resources has been delayed for weeks. Even though there is a policy on providing councillors information and a level of resources, it isn't complied with consistently or in a timely manner from my short experience. Councillors have responsibilities for financial oversight and without this information or resources cannot carry out their responsibilities effectively.

I have been sharing my personal observations of being a councillor for the last eight weeks and bemoaning the level of real transparency. Lack of transparency happens in all councils and from my understanding of organisational psychology and real experience, I know it all comes down to culture, which starts at the top. It never comes from the bottom and works its way up.

The good news is that councillors by majority vote actually have all the power in the *Local Government Act* needed to improve transparency if they want to.

COMMUNICATION CONFIDENTALITY FOR THE PUBLIC

There is another thing I think needs fixing to improve transparency and comply with legislation and that is in the public's communications to councillors. We need a policy that gives confidence to the public that when they email us or talk to us on the phone that their privacy is protected. I have had many calls from people I don't even know, saying I want to talk on your landline because I won't email you or call on your council phone because I know what happened to former councillor Nigel Waistell.

I am lodging a Notice of Motion with the CEO this week to see if I can get councillors to agree to a resolution to formulate a policy that will put guidelines and procedures in place around councillors' emails. It is my hope that we can give the public some degree of assurance that their email conversations won't be looked at or disclosed to anybody unless there are sound legislative reasons like Border Force requests, CCC investigations, criminality etc, similar to what exist for the police or other bodies that can access personal information.

CONTACT DETAILS

Should you wish to discuss anything with me the following are my contact details. Please be aware we are in a busy time right now doing Budget etc and so I am mostly in Beaudesert and cannot always respond as promptly as I would like.

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WINE CHAT

with Witches Falls Winery

WINE DIAMONDS

Occasionally, you might notice a small collection of crystals at the bottom of a wine bottle; we like to call them 'wine diamonds'. We asked our chief winemaker Jon Heslop for a layman's



explanation about how and why they form, and his answer is below. We'd hate to see the technical explanation!

Tartaric acid is the most prominent acid in wine, with the majority of the concentration present as potassium bitartrate, also known as potassium hydrogen tartrate (KHT), or as the potassium acid salt of tartaric acid. In cooking it is known as cream of tartar.

After fermentation, young wines are usually saturated with potassium bitartrate. When a wine is cooled the solubility limit is exceeded and this 'excess' precipitates out as crystals. The lower the temperature to which it is cooled the more crystals will form, until the saturation equilibrium at that temperature and at that pH is reached. Cold stabilisation lowers the total acidity, and raises the final pH, of the wine. At a pH of about 3.6, depending on alcohol content, the solubility of potassium bitartrate is at its highest. Either side of this pH the solubility decreases. Our whites will generally be in the 3.15 to 3.40 range.

Soon after the fermentation is complete, we cool the tank to around freezing and hold at this temperature for a period to allow crystals to form. The crystals stick to the sides of the tank, and the wine is then racked off, leaving the crystals in the tank. Many winemakers argue that a portion of the flavour and uniqueness of the wine is lost with the crystals. Thus, we only gently cold stabilise the wines. You will find that in much larger commercial wineries they will routinely chill the wine to much colder temperatures well below freezing. This eliminates any chance of crystals forming. However, they may also remove other desirable compounds.

If bottled wine is subjected to lower temperature than it has experienced previously, then tartrate crystals may appear in the bottle, looking like tiny pieces of broken glass or sediment. The crystals are of course harmless and do not affect the wine in any other way whatsoever, but their presence is generally undesirable to most commercial consumers. For example, if a bottle of wine is placed at the bottom of the fridge for an extended period, and the wine is chilled down sufficiently, some of these crystals may form. We routinely have bottles of wine from premium small wineries whereby we notice crystals ... and that is without having had the wine in the fridge for a month.

In essence, wine diamonds are not a sign of a faulty or lesser-quality wine. Many of us have been conditioned by over-processed, commercially produced wines to see it this way. In fact, however, wine diamonds are a sign of minimal intervention. These wines showcase the true, natural character of their variety.

Cheers and stay safe, Jon Heslop, Imogen Mulcahy, and the Witches Falls crew

ROTARY SATELLITE CLUB ACTIVE DESPITE COVID-19

During the COVID-19 pandemic the newly formed Rotary Satellite Club of Coomera River -Tamborine Mountain has been active with weekly Zoom meetings.

From Wednesday 24 June we are recommencing weekly face to face meetings at 6:30 for 7pm at the Eagle Heights Hotel. You are invited to join us anytime to learn about Rotary and what it does.

In spite of lockdown, we have been actively involved in connecting our community as well as planning future projects. We had the pleasure of extending the use of a Rotary Zoom account to Tamborine Mountain Community Care Association (TMCCA).

This enabled the TMCCA weekly social group to remain connected from the convenience of their own lounge room at the same time they would ordinarily meet in person. They still got to enjoy origami, craft, music and

other fun social activities.

We had some technological fun and adventures along the way, but overall, I think lots of fun and laughter was had by everyone and we learned what it is to be together whilst being apart. Our Rotary Satellite Club members are proud that something so simple as a Zoom account facilitated a level of normality for some higher risk members of our community.

For further information about Rotary or to join us at a meeting of the Rotary Satellite Club of Coomera River-Tamborine Mountain, please contact:

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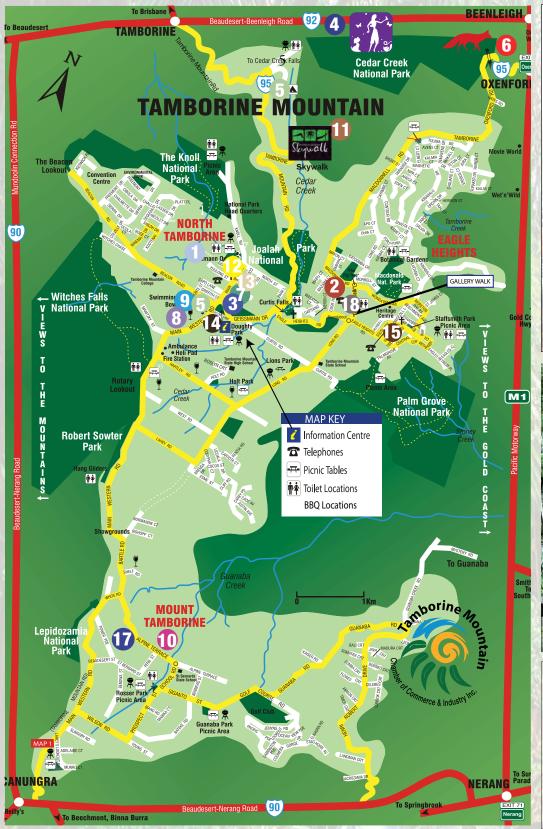
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There is a lot of joy in our yoga world right now as with the easing of the COVID-19 restrictions we are able to move back to live classes, provided we

follow COVID health and safety guidelines.

It has been amazing to be back in a real class, enjoying the beautiful company of my students as we do yoga together. But COVID-19 has also given us some silver linings, and online live yoga classes is one of them. Three of my classes have remained online as many of my students have adored the ease, the realness and the convenience of doing yoga in their homes.

The COVID-19 pandemic has shaken up many industries and people-based industries like yoga, gyms, psychologists, places of worship etc were shut down overnight. You either reframed the way you shared your business or shut up shop. Hence the first online yoga class I ever did was the week before I went online.

Like everyone else I am impatient. I struggle to watch YouTube (they talk too slowly), have never finished the yoga class DVDs that have been gifted to me over the years and podcasts can only be listened to if they are not pre-empted with lots of advertising and self-promotion. So I had my own reservations and prejudices to conquer.

But using current technology, when I tried a yoga class with one of my old interstate teachers, I was converted. Up on the big screen, hearing her voice and dropping into a familiar yoga routine, I felt like I was in the yoga studio. After class, as I lay in shavasana on my mat in my lounge in Boyland, I reflected on how amazing it was that I had not had to travel several hours (this teacher is occasionally based in Byron Bay) and taken a whole day out my life to do yoga.

After 1.5 hours of a wonderful class with a fabulous teacher I got up and got on with my day. Superefficient and how apt for Australia where the distances are so huge it stops many of us from partaking in events and teachings because of the inconvenience, the cost and the time consumption of it all.

So the silver lining for me, and I think many industries, is that we can connect over space and time and do wonderful thing together: learn, create, share ideas and not have to consume fuel, time and resources to achieve that. And of course, we still have the option of getting together with our real, live students and friends and enjoying the company of fellow humans.

It was Leo Tolstoy who said that "Everyone thinks of changing the world, but no one thinks of changing himself." Well COVID-19 has forced many of us to change ourselves and change the way we operate in the world.

Margot Wagner Yoga Under the Bodhi Tree

(Find and like articles similar to this on my Facebook Page: Yoga Under the Bodhi Tree)



with Nadia O'Carroll

LYREBIRDS - PERFORMERS IN THE FOREST

There are two species of lyrebird, the Superb Lyrebird (Menura novaehollandiae) and the Albert's Lyrebird (Menura alberti).

Both species are timid ground dwellers; they roost in trees but are poor fliers; they have strong legs and powerful feet for scratching in leaf litter to feed on insects. The birds stay close to their home territory and are generally solitary. They are brown birds, with the Albert's Lyrebird being smaller and more rufous; the males have an ornamental tail and this filamentary silvery grey tail is displayed in a spectacular courtship dance.

Males sing to proclaim territory and attract females to the

display arenas within their territory. They do not form pair bonds and the female undertakes all parental duties including building the nest, incubating the single egg (rarely two), feeding and rearing the chick. Recently it was confirmed that female



lyrebirds can also sing and mimic.

Lyrebirds have an amazing sophisticated vocal capacity - their song consists of their own calls which have melodious and metallic elements and also a repertoire of mimicry including bird and animal calls as well as human generated noise. This ability is demonstrated in a clip from David Attenborough's BBC Earth www.youtube.com/watch?v=JGxcw1tbjkE

Lyrebirds develop their songs by direct imitation and by learning from other lyrebirds which explains why descendents of lyrebirds introduced into Tasmania were still imitating



mainland bird songs decades later and generations of lyrebirds in New England were reported to sing tunes copied from a flute player in the 1930s.

Lyrebirds not only sing but they also synchronise their tail, wing and leg

movements and may tap sticks or vines in time to create a spectacular choreographed display.

Syd Curtis, son of Tamborine Mountain naturalist Hilda Geissmann, spent decades studying lyrebirds and their songs. Syd assisted musicians including Professor David Rothenberg and noted French composer Olivier Messiaen in recording lyrebird songs which inspired their works.

Lyrebirds are the oldest line of surviving songbirds in the world, 15 million year old fossils confirm that their song has rung through forests for millions of years, but the arrival of humans reduced their habitat and continuing human impacts now threaten their existence. Superb Lyrebird populations were devastated by the recent Australian bushfires. Albert's Lyrebirds are restricted to a small area around the Border Ranges including Tamborine Mountain, concentrated in national parks, and are very vulnerable.

Tamborine Mountain Natural History has been conducting lyrebird surveys since 1993 as explained in this video www.youtube.com/watch?v=YdKZaxTO2Nw

Dinosaurs I have met

(Part 1 MATILDA)

By Rose Siva

"Come and find out about Queensland Dinosaurs", the flyer said. Hosted by Queensland Museum, this was part of an educational lecture series. Seriously? Dinosaurs in Queensland? I was intrigued.

The talk was introduced by Scott Hucknell, a palaeontologist, who gave a brief overview of dinosaur history. He explained how it was assumed that any dinosaur remains in Outback Queensland would have been reduced to dust in the arid outback conditions. Until David Elliot found something.



That 'something' turned out to be part of a femur of a sauropod, a large herbivore. A very large herbivore. David had found the bone lying on the ground when out mustering sheep on his property north-west of Winton. Sceptical Queensland Museum staff had been enticed to take a look at the bone that was taking up a large space on David's dining room table. They immediately knew what is was, and how significant. The question was, were there any more parts of this sauropod waiting to be found?

An exploratory dig was organised, and at this point Scott explained 'normal' dig procedure – small tools, trowels, and brushes to brush the dirt away. He then passed the microphone over to David Elliot.

David explained his D2 method. He borrowed a road grader, a D2 and, brushing aside the protestations of the palaeontologist, he arranged to have the area slowly scraped, removing two inches of soil at a time. Observers at each end of the blade watched carefully. If they saw anything they thought significant they would shout and the grader would be stopped so the area could be investigated. Then a bobcat would be used to excavate further, and if the area looked promising shovels and picks would be used. Finally, trowels and brushes would be tools of choice.

David went on to explain that this first bone was one of many, and once the word went around the area more graziers reported finding interesting bones that they had previously dismissed as rocks. And these bones, when excavated, were being stored on his property near Winton. So many, he had to make extra space in his utility shed for them.

"So, we have plenty of bones," he said. "What we need is people to come out and work on

them; clean the dirt off them. We've got the gear and we'll show you what to do, so if you have a 4WD and some time to spare come and stay at our shearing shed and give us a hand." Then he added, "Bring your own tucker. It's a bit of a way out there so don't come for a couple of days; come for a couple of weeks."

How could I resist an invitation like that? Next school holidays (I was working as an educator) I packed my 4WD and looked at the mud map they had sent me explaining how to find the Elliot property.

My first patient was Matilda (later formally identified and named Diamantinasaurus matildae), a significant sauropod thought to have been around 16 metres long and weighing around 18 tonnes. She was a lady not to be trifled with, and her huge bones were amazing to work on. Patiently clearing the dirt and rock away with dentist sized drills, the interface between rock and bone was clearly marked by a change in colour. Matilda's bones were a beautiful bronzy brown colour; I could imagine I was seeing the patina on the surface of her bones. I was mesmerised, in awe of what I was working on, and felt so privileged to be allowed to be the first person to touch the bones of this magnificent ancient animal.

Sleeping in the shearing shed at the end of each amazing day, I had dreams. Dreams of dinosaurs that later became the essence of the stories I began writing. Too much dinosaur dust up my nose!

Towards the end of the visit there was a buzz of excitement. A mysterious item had been found amongst Matilda's bones. Not just another bone — a claw! Matilda had company. More will be revealed in the next episode.

Footnote: Rose Siva has written a series of books for young adults on Dinosaurs — Dinosaurs Fight to Survive, Dinosaurs and Dragons, and Dinothaw, and is currently working on another book Dinopal. Her books are available at a number of book outlets and directly from her at rosesiva.com.au





ON THE ROAD AGAIN

"On the road again

I just can't wait to get on the road again the life I love is makin' music with my friends

and I can't wait to get on the road again..."

(W. Nelson)

As many of us are still sorting out our winter wardrobe as well as our mixed emotions about venturing out of isolation (self or state imposed), some of us find ourselves cloaked in a semicoerced confidence to step out, whilst others remain oblivious of the recent requirements to maintain physical distance and huddle together like a rugby team.

Isolation blended with repetitive media messages has had some effect on the more vulnerable, to say the least. It is apparent that many people are faced with a lurking phantom of uncertainty – To go or not to go. Clouds of confusion may leave some holding on to more than just their hand sanitisers or gloves as a sense of extended personal boundaries sweeps handshakes and hugs into a greeting of the past.

TMCCA clients are eagerly awaiting stepping out more frequently to reunite with family and friends at Community Care and other public areas as the COVID-19 restrictions withdraw into relaxation. During the last couple of months in isolation, a fair number of seniors developed skill sets to participate in activities (e.g. origami with Rita Keeble, crafts with Sandra Evans, mindful activities and exercises with Jane Cox and Anam Cara) via the Zoom platform.

A big 'thankyou' to Julian Field, President of the Rotary e-Club of NextGen and Dave Power, the Chair of recently formed Rotary Satellite Club of Coomera River-Tamborine Mountain, for generously offering our community members your Zoom time to help keep them socially and creatively active. And an extra special thankyou to delightful Zoe Ross, who hosted every single Zoom session with expertise and patience, assisting each senior build confidence while enjoying the Zoom sessions. We are ever grateful Zoe. Zoom with you was great fun ... but for now it's back on the road again.

Patricia Arora (TMCCA – 5545 4968)

FAITH'S ANCHOR

Organised religion is considered by many to have gone the way of the dinosaurs. If there is a 'secular' understanding of religion it would see it, at best, as an influence for the moral stability of a culture.

It contributes, through its values and institutions, to an ordered society. An ordered society is still considered a good thing by most citizens regardless of the few who challenge this, preferring to bite the hand that feeds them. At worst, religion is viewed by a secular society as a threat to the ability of a particular government to dominate its citizens. Some religions appeal to a power higher than the state. The seeds of conflict, ideological if not open violence, are always present. The rule of law enables western democracies to negotiate this tension. Often laws have been influenced and partially shaped by the ethical and moral commitments of religion.

But there is 'more' to religion than the above, or should I say there is 'less' to religion. People are shaped by their beliefs. People build and shape society. It is inevitable that any society will reflect those beliefs in its ethos and institutions. But at the most basic level, where God and individuals interface, religion is better described as 'faith'. 'Religion' suggests the outward forms that 'beliefs' take when they are transferred to art, architecture, literature, music, education, and other forms of culture. 'Belief' or 'faith' has more to do with an individual's personal convictions regarding who God is, what it means to be a person, what purpose I exist for, and many other issues that don't disappear from the human map of meaning even if a particular form of religion is in decline.

One important aspect of the Christian faith is described in the New Testament as, 'faith is confidence in what we hope for and assurance of what we do not see.' (Hebrews 11:1)

'Confidence' and 'assurance' are anchored in the redemptive events which happened in time and space, what we normally refer to as history. Confidence and assurance are grounded in real events that took place. These events were in turn explained by God so that we would understand their significance. Jesus' death on a cross was an event that occurred in history, time and space. One theologian described it, 'If you had been at the crucifixion you could have gotten a splinter in your hand from handling the cross.'

But the world reshapes 'faith'. Some think of faith as a fantasy, or a drug to dull the hardships of life, or worse as a pathological condition of our mental life. Don't be fooled by the world, faith is an amazing dynamic, a gift by which we embrace God, the person and work of his Son; and then like yeast in dough, it initiates a transformation that moves us 'from faith to faith' as we are conformed to the likeness of Christ. May your faith in Christ give you confidence and assurance in the midst of our uncertain days.

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TRAVELLING PLACES

By Gina Storey

The mantra is increasingly: "When are we going to be able to travel?" It has been great to see in the last week a reawakening of the desire to travel.

We have had a number of people booking to travel intrastate – to head north for the school holidays by car and by flight. There are some great deals that we Queenslanders can take advantage of (given no one else can travel here at present).

Imagine flights from Brisbane to Cairns return, five days' car hire and five nights in the lovely Paradise Links resort in Port Douglas. All from \$725 per person twin share. Or fly from Brisbane straight into the heart of the Whitsundays, take the luxury launch from Hamilton to Hayman Island and stay for five nights in the wonderful Intercontinental Hayman Island, including full breakfast daily and non-motorised water sports – all from \$1754 per person twin share.

It won't be long, and we will be able to travel interstate as the border restrictions are relaxed. Really popular are the iconic train journeys on offer in Australia. Explore Queensland on the Spirit of the Outback to Longreach or head north on the Spirit of Queensland; there are independent packages using the trains and combining them with hotels and car hire; or why not join a small group and explore further afield. If you are a Queensland pensioner you are offered some great deals to travel around our state by train.

Explore our wonderful country on The Indian Pacific between Perth and Sydney, The Ghan between Adelaide and Darwin, or the Great Southern from Brisbane to Adelaide. These world-renowned train journeys include everything on board – all meals and beverages as well as excursions as you stop en route to explore this vast land that you are travelling through. I will never forget the feeling as I travelled from Adelaide north to the Alice – it really dawned on me how expansive this country is and the stars that lit the night sky were amazing. I can really recommend these journeys. There are some special offers available for advance purchase bookings, so if you are thinking about it don't wait too long because they limit the number of compartments they sell on special.

Also popular are explorations by small group through the Kimberley or across the top end from Cairns to Darwin. The wildflower season in WA is coming up in late July and August – just spectacular. Springtime in the southern states is always beautiful – with small towns and villages to explore throughout Tasmania, Victoria and NSW. Or perhaps a culinary adventure to South Australia – don't tell the Victorians but I think the Central markets in Adelaide give Queen Victoria markets a run for their money.

It is interesting to see how many people are rising to the call to explore our own country. We have had a number of clients who have travelled all over the world now opting to journey through their own country. If you are thinking of heading off later this year or next, I think it would be wise to make a booking sooner rather than later – there is a lot of pent up demand for travel and I can feel the momentum building from all of those adventurers who were to travel earlier this year and all those with plans in the future.



All this lovely rain has made Tamborine Mountain and surrounds beautifully green. One of my favourite dishes to eat on a cold rainy day is the English Fisherman's Pie.

When I was 21 and had finally finished my four-year apprenticeship as a chef, I was encouraged by my mentor to go overseas and learn from as many great chefs as I could.

I was working with a girl named Jenny. She had procured a visa to work in Canada for two years and asked if I wanted to join her and her boyfriend. I rang the Canadian Consulate to enquire about a visa but was told that they only issued a certain number every year and all available visas had been claimed for the next year.

I then rang the UK Consulate and asked if I could apply for a two-year visa. The chirpy lady on the phone said I was in luck as there were two visas available and that I had better apply "quickity snap" (her exact words). So I did, and was accepted.

I got a job and it included accommodation which was an amazing bonus. It was here at this restaurant that I first came across such a thing as a Fisherman's Pie. Ten years later I was sending Jenny an email, when my now wife noticed it. "How do you know her," she asked? I said, "We used to work together, and I was going to be her roommate in Canada." "No way," said my wife. "I was her roommate in Canada. If you went to Canada, we would have met eight years before we did." I shook my head in wonder at just how small the world really is.

Did you know that the Fisherman's Pie was invented by the Scots, the same people who also invented the Shepherd's Pie? The early Brits would only eat fish once a week and usually on a Friday, until the Romans invaded and brought their love of fish into the culture which was eaten in honour of the goddess Venus. The fish pie as we



know it today is most commonly made with smoked cod.

Cod is a popular, widely harvested fish because of its flaky, white flesh and mild taste.

Several species of fish within the genus Gadus are considered cod, including the Atlantic, Pacific, and Greenland cod varieties. Cod is high in protein but low in calories, fat, and carbs and is also a great source of B vitamins. B vitamins have many essential functions in your body, including metabolising nutrients and releasing energy from food.

If you like Shepherd's Pie, then give this pie a try:

Ingredients:

- 5 large mashing potatoes
- 3 large free-range eggs
- 1 medium onion
- 2 cloves garlic
- 1 cup frozen peas
- · olive oil
- 250ml thickened cream
- 2 cups grated cheddar cheese
- 1 lemon
- 1 good teaspoon English mustard
- 1 large handful of fresh flat-leaf parsley
- 500g smoked cod fillet sliced into 2cm chunks
- 250g peeled raw Qld prawns cut into 2cm pieces

Method:

- 1. Preheat the oven to 230deg C.
- 2. Peel and dice the potatoes into 2.5cm chunks, then put into boiling salted water and bring back to the boil for 2 minutes.
- Carefully add the eggs to the pan and cook for a further 8 minutes, or until hard-boiled, by which time the potatoes should also be cooked.
- 4. Drain the potatoes in the colander. Remove the eggs, cool under cold water, then peel and quarter them. Place to one side.



- 5. Peel and finely chop the onion and garlic
- 6. In a separate pan, slowly fry the onion and garlic in a little oil for about 4 minutes, then add the cream, fish and prawns and bring just to the boil.
- 7. Remove from the heat and add cheese, then squeeze in the lemon juice and stir through the mustard and thawed peas.
- 8. Pick and finely chop the parsley and stir into the cream mixture.
- In an ovenproof dish evenly spread out the fish mix and scatter the egg pieces.
- Mash the potatoes then add a bit of olive oil, sea salt and cracked black pepper, and spread on top.
- 11. Place in the oven for 25 to 30 minutes, or until the potatoes are golden.
- Serve with some crusty fresh bread and butter

Dylan Gittoes



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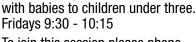


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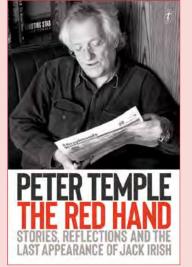
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Peter Temple didn't start publishing novels until he was fifty, but then he got cracking, writing nine of them in thirteen years. When he died, in March 2018, there was an unfinished Jack Irish novel in his drawer. This substantial fragment, entitled High Art, reveals a writer at the peak of his powers.

The Red Hand also includes the screenplay of the ABC telemovie Valentine's Day. an improbably delightful tale about an ailing country football club, as well as stories, essays, autobiographical reflections, and a selection of Temple's brilliant book reviews. What connects them all is his trademark wit, his ruthless intelligence, and his abiding love of his adopted homeland of Australia.

Peter Temple held crime writing up to the light and, with his poet's ear and eye, made it his own incomparable thing. His work transcends all notions of genre: he remains a towering presence in contemporary Australian literature. This wonderful book pays tribute to all the achievements of the master.



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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. 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.

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 Tamborine Mountain Presbyterian Church Notice Out of care and concern for the health and well being of members of our church family, as well as the community around us, we have suspended our church services until further notice. Pastor Dale 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 semiretirees. 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

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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ZUMBA GOLD: Zumba Gold: dance fitness classes for deconditioned participants and active older adults. Mondays and Thursdays 9.30am at the Zamia. Petra Hunter 0414 505 014 – TamborineMountainZumba@gmail.com



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