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# **ROTARY CLUB SAYS: TIME TO GET MOVING ON MOUNTAIN TRANSPORT**

When the TM Blueprint survey was conducted last year, it was hardly surprising that public transport emerged as the number one priority for the Tamborine Mountain community.

In the past there have been a number of half-baked attempts to address the urgent need of a reliable transport link to Brisbane and the Gold Coast. All have failed.

Clearly, a reliable public transport connection to the Gold Coast would be the most practical and most desirable outcome for most people on the Mountain.

This is a challenge that fairly and squarely can only be addressed at State, and not local government, level, especially as a service to the Gold Coast would cross the boundary of two councils The current State Government has shown precious little appetite for doing anything about it.

Currently, the only public transport service left is a token Translink return taxi trip to Beenleigh train station, once a day, on weekdays only.

Two recent events have further highlighted the pressing need for public transport to a major centre such as the Gold Coast:

- The Federal Government's reclassification of Tamborine Mountain from Rural to Metropolitan under the so-called Modified Monash Model which defines whether a location is city, rural, remote or very remote, and
- The COVID-19 pandemic which resulted in the closure of Tamborine Mountain's QML laboratory and IRIS X-ray departments.

The Modified Monash Model is how the Federal Government defines whether a location is metropolitan, regional, rural or remote, for example health. The model measures remoteness and population size on a category scale of MM 1 to MM 7. MM 1 is a major city and MM 7 is very remote.

From 1 January, Tamborine Mountain was reclassified to MM 1 (metropolitan) compared to our neighbours in Beaudesert who are now MM 4 (medium rural town).

This reclassification as Metropolitan denotes a town that is well connected with excellent access to medical and transport services - most definitely not true in the case of Tamborine Mountain.

The COVID-19 crisis further worsened community access to health and other services with the temporary closure of the Mountain's QML and IRIS X-ray departments. Local residents were forced to use private transport to access those facilities in Oxenford/Helensvale. Unfortunately, this is a luxury that a number of our residents do not have.

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

One of its initial local community projects is to see the establishment of public transport for the Tamborine Mountain community, providing residents with a much-needed connection with the transport network on the northern Gold Coast.

In order to ensure the greatest community input and facilitate success, Rotary wants to coordinate this project with assistance and input from other Tamborine Mountain community groups. It is now inviting a range community groups to help and it aims to form a steering committee to progress the matter as quickly as possible.

As public transport on Tamborine Mountain requires strong involvement by the State Government, the steering committee intends to submit its transport proposal to both major parties prior to the State Government Election in October.

Rotary is a non-political organisation. It wants both sides of politics to commit to an initiative of improved public transport for Tamborine Mountain.

The steering committee will collate all relevant information covering:

- details pertaining to previous failed efforts to establish public transport to Gold Coast light and heavy rail
- how public transport in similar locations in Queensland such as Montville and Maleny have been successful
- identifying potential users students, locals (shopping/work, health care), elderly, visitors, tourists, etc.
- potentially suitable solutions (bus size, frequency, budget etc)
- route/pickup points of bus service across the top of the Mountain and coordination with existing Translink infrastructure
- promotion of transport services

# SCENIC RIM FARM BOX NOW GOING LOCAL

Due to popular demand, Scenic Rim Farm Box is now available to parts of the Scenic Rim, with the first local deliveries being made last week to coincide with what would have marked the start of the 10th annual Scenic Rim Eat Local Week festival.

Scenic Rim Farm Box is a collaboration between Scenic Rim farmers and the Scenic Rim Regional Council that was initiated after the COVID-19 lockdown.

A 'farm to you' home delivery business, it has been delivering the

region's best produce, products and locally produced wine and beer to customers in Brisbane, Ipswich, Logan, Redlands and Gold Coast.

The council says that since it was launched in April more than 2000 home deliveries have been made, generating some \$300,000 in direct economic stimulus to the Scenic Rim economy.

Local residents can use the postcode checker on the website to see if the Scenic Rim Farm Box is available in their suburb:

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# MAYOR, COUNCILLORS FOREGO PAY INCREASE

Scenic Rim's Mayor and councillors have voted against receiving an increase in remuneration, which would have taken effect from the start of the new financial year.

Recognising the impacts of COVID-19 on the Scenic Rim community, the Mayor and the new Council team resolved at this week's Ordinary Meeting to rescind the motion from the 20 January 2020 meeting and forego the incremental increase recommended by the Local Government Remuneration Commission Schedule.

Mayor Greg Christensen said that while the recommended increase had been a relatively small amount, the new Council team saw



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maintaining their remuneration at 2019-20 levels for the 2020-21 year as a step of good faith with the Scenic Rim community, which has been impacted by flood, drought, bushfires and now COVID-19.

"None of us could have foreseen the economic effects of COVID-19 on our community when the previous Council voted in favour of the recommended remuneration increase in January," Cr Christensen said.

"COVID-19 was declared a pandemic in March and, since then, it has had significant financial impacts on members of our community and local businesses.

"We appreciate that this has been, and continues to be, a tough time for many.

"The new Council sees foregoing the recommended increase as responsible decision making, given the current challenges faced by our community as we continue to deal with the COVID-19 situation."

# **BOONAH CHAMBERS PRESSED** INTO COVID-19 SERVICE

Council has approved the use of Chambers at its Boonah Customer Service and Administration Centre as an alternative meeting venue during COVID-19 to enable events and exhibitions to resume at The Centre Beaudesert as government restrictions on numbers at public gatherings continue to ease.

Scenic Rim Mayor Greg Christensen said Council continued to operate in unusual circumstances in response to COVID-19.

"The Queensland Premier, supported by the expert advice of the Chief Health Officer, has continued to deliver stepped opportunities which have seen an easing of restrictions in Queensland," he said.

"I know that many in the community are looking forward to once again enjoying events and exhibitions at The Centre Beaudesert as part of the next phase in the roadmap of easing restrictions, which will allow up to 100 people at venues as long as this meets social distancing requirements.

"To accommodate ongoing social distancing requirements, and allow for the community to recommence using The Centre, Council meetings require us to access a larger suitable space than that available at the Beaudesert Administration Centre's Chambers.

"The former Boonah Shire Council Chambers provide suitable flexibility to achieve necessary separation distances and overall capacity to accommodate attendance of Councillors and required Council staff."

While Council meetings are currently closed to the public due to COVID-19 restrictions, Council will continue to provide live audio streaming of meetings and make available recordings of its meetings on Council's website https://www.scenicrim.qld.gov.au/

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### My dad was an avid John Wayne fan and consequently my childhood was filled with cowboy movies.

There was the inevitable gunfight scene where the hero in the white Stetson faces off against the bad guy in the black Stetson.

Predictably, the bad guy doesn't fight fair and pulls out a dirty tactic but despite that, the good guy ultimately wins.

Sometimes arguments we create can play out like one of those old movies. As a quarrel heats up, you feel under attack and may switch into fight mode.

Your focus becomes winning the argument and at that point you slap on the black stetson and engage the battle tactics. Russ Harris (author of The Happiness Trap) identifies some of the dirty tactics we use when we set ourselves in opposition to another.

'Springing the Ambush' is the unfair tactic of holding on to a grudge then unleashing it in an unrelated exchange, much like a concealed dagger. It effectively blindsides your opposition.

'Punching Below the Belt' - We have inside information on our opponent's weakness and employ our secret weapon to stab at their insecurities and deep-seated fears. Ouch!

'Ganging Up' - Like a bully in the schoolyard, a third party is enlisted as support against our outnumbered opponent.

'Playing the Lawyer' - A favourite tactic for those who enjoy debating. It includes taking someone's words out of context, exaggerating, ridiculing and twisting words around.

'Exhuming the corpse' - An incident from a long time ago is dead and buried, but since we require extra ammunition, we dig up the corpse and throw it in our opponent's face.

'Doing the Silverback' - Gorillas defend their territory with threatening behaviour - roaring loudly, beating their chests and baring their fangs. Human behaviour is a little more sophisticated but any actions that undermine another's sense of security, convey the same message - back off!

Dirty tactics may succeed in demoralising our opponent and win us the battle

but ultimately, we lose. Why? Because the person in our line of fire isn't actually our 'opposition'. More than likely it's someone we love dearly. We don't want to hurt them but in defending ourselves from a perceived attack we inflict emotional wounds that cause damage to our relationship.

How do we avoid a showdown? Before you reach for the black Stetson, take a deep breath and ask yourself: Is winning this argument more important than having a healthy relationship?

Perhaps there's a crucial issue that requires discussion. Ensure this discussion takes place at an opportune time when you are both calm and willing to consider each other's perspective. Learn how to fight fair and, like our white-hatted cowboy hero, you'll be a winner with the respect of those you care about intact.

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# YOUTUBE IS NOT A DIAGNOSTIC TOOL

Review of activity on YouTube during isolation, by the Chartered Society of Physiotherapy in the UK, revealed millions of searches for advice on common muscle, bone or joint problems.

The results for back pain, as an example, ranged from the ridiculous such as applying garlic in a wet sock to the back, to the downright dangerous such as taking on a Navy Seal workout.

In fact, of the 100 most viewed videos, the reviewers found:

- 1. Almost half contained a myth (43%)
- 2. More than half contained false or misleading information (60%)
- 3. Nearly a third had an unrealistic video demonstration (32%)
- 4. Almost half did not state their qualifications for providing advice (45%)

Although the internet can be a rapid source of information, it's hard to separate the fact from fiction and unregulated health advice can lead to people making their conditions worse.

Of course, your best source of reliable advice on musculoskeletal conditions is your family physiotherapist at Tamborine Mt Physiotherapy. We have remained open during this time for people to receive treatment in a safe environment and we also provide telehealth consultations so people in full isolation can still receive the guidance they need.

Remember, garlic is best used in the culinary arts, and socks are always best on your feet and dry, so if you are struggling with pain, give your computer mouse a break and call us on 5545 0500.



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# **BUCHHOLZ INSPECTS** GARDENS AERATORS



From left: Roger Bell (Inaugural President of TM Botanic Gardens), Margaret Bell (inaugural committee member), Brian Davison (TM Botanic Gardens volunteer and horticulture expert), Denby Browning (President of TM Botanic Gardens), Scott Buchholz Federal MP, and Jon Krause State MP.

Federal Member Wright, Scott Buchholz, visited Tamborine Mountain Botanic Gardens this week to inspect the lake water aerators that were provided through his office under a Federal environmental grant.

The aerators also provide a visual attraction as fountains in the centre of each lake.

Botanic Gardens President Denby Browning explained to Mr Buchholz, who is Assistant Minister for Road Safety and Freight Transport, that the fountain aerators drew water from the bottom of each lake to improve water quality and circulation.

The grant funding has also provided for non-toxic treatment of the algae and weeds in the lakes.

"The lakes are fed from Tamborine Creek and other local streams that flow through residential areas," said Denby. "Nutrients upstream stimulate weed growth which we need to constantly manage.

"The aerators and water treatment have seen a significant improvement in water quality. We have since observed turtles and even a platypus in the lakes."

Denby said the 40 Botanic Gardens volunteers were grateful for Federal Government support for this and a range of other projects.

"Our volunteers work well to generate a level of income," he said. "However, we rely upon Federal, State and Scenic Rim Council funding for many of the ongoing improvements to the amenity of the Gardens for our visitors."

The lakes are part of a system of creeks that flow from the Mountain to Coomera, the Gold Coast Broadwater and, eventually to the Pacific Ocean.

"That is why we need to take great care about how we treat lake water," said Denby. "It has implications for plants and animals all the way downstream."

The lakes, separated by the Gardens' iconic stone bridge, are a primary attraction for the many thousands of visitors to the Botanic Gardens each year.

# **ADDITIONAL FUNDING WELCOMED BY SRRC**

Scenic Rim Regional Council has welcomed a Queensland Government announcement of an additional \$2 million funding for the region under its Unite and Recover Community Stimulus Program.

Mayor Greg Christensen said the additional funding for South East Queensland councils, and in particular for the Scenic Rim, was welcome news after concerns regarding the disproportion of funding allocations across Queensland councils earlier this month.

"It follows a Works for Queensland COVID Recovery Package announced in early June where South East Queensland councils received 25 per cent of the \$200 million available yet have more than 70 per cent of the State's population," said Cr Christensen.

"We wrote to the Premier and worked with the Local Government Association of Queensland and South East Queensland Council of Mayors to advocate for additional funding.

Under the new program, the Scenic Rim will receive \$2 million for shovel ready projects.







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# WINE CHAT with Witches Falls Winery OPTIONS OTHER THAN OAK

It is a truth universally acknowledged that oak barrels and grape juice are a match made in heaven. Though we will



always remain faithful to the trusty barrique, hogshead or puncheon, there exists a plethora of alternatives out there to play with.

You might already know that at Witches Falls we like to utilise oak as well as stainless steel tanks to ferment our wines. Unlike barrels, which impart oaky characteristics,

tannins, and maturation, steel tanks provide a fresh, cleaner finish. White wines that have been aged in steel, such as our Provenance Vermentino and Sauvignon Blanc, tend to exhibit crisp, fruity characteristics and an easy-drinking freshness.

Many winemakers see stainless steel fermentation as a means of capturing a different, brighter style of white. Whilst the less cool environment afforded by barrel fermentation and maturation imparts less of those crisp, zesty characteristics, it does produce greater complexity and maturation, as well as those elegant oaky flavours.



Beyond stainless steel, there exists many more wacky and wonderful alternatives for fermentation, with each having a profoundly different effect on the finished product. One such alternative is concrete, used more commonly in the past and nowadays functions primarily as a homage to history.

Concrete tanks offer a variety of shapes and sizes, including cubes, cylinders, and even egg-shaped vessels. Those in favour of egg-shaped vessels profess a capacity for their self-stirring qualities. That is, as the grape juice ferments, carbon dioxide bubbles rise up along the sides of the egg, creating a liquid funnel to the bottom.

Arguably, this provides the wine with a greater structure. In spite of this, the polarity between concrete's basic pH and wine's critical acidity creates fundamental issues for fermentation. To counter this, vessels are coated in wax, which creates a protective barrier between concrete and wine. This prevents the wine from effectively 'eating' through the concrete.

A slightly more divisive technique of fermentation is artificial ageing. Current trends tend to dictate that wine should be subject to as little interference as possible, thus remaining as 'natural' as possible. Techniques such as exposure to oxygen or extreme temperatures are among the most common in artificial ageing; however, more extreme processes such as shaking the wine, or exposing it to radiation, ultra-sonic, or magnetic waves also exist.

So why bother using such divergent vessels for fermentation? It's a beautiful way to exhibit the manner in which a grape can present under alternative and unusual conditions. Variations in texture and flavour can be substantial even on a single varietal. We encourage you to try our stainless steel fermented Sauvignon Blanc in comparison with its oaked counterpart, the Wild Ferment Sauvignon Blanc.

Crisp, refined, and citrusy characteristics of our unwooded sauv juxtapose beautifully with grassy, layered, and distinctive notes on our Wild Ferment.

Cheers and stay hydrated, Imogen Mulcahy and the Witches Falls Crew



# TMO IMPROVISES DURING LOCKDOWN

So, what has your Tamborine Mountain Orchestra been doing during the COVID-19 lockdown?

Like many musical groups we have had to improvise in how we could make music together whilst being apart – very tricky.

Luckily, we had a couple of tech savvy people amongst us.

We chose a fairly simple piece with several parts that could be played by multiple instruments.

It's a piece made famous by the film *The King's Speech* – Beethoven's Seventh Symphony Allegretto.

We individually had to record our parts whilst listening to the track through

ear buds. It was all fused together using the app Garage Band. Then we chose pictures and made a film using the app iMovie. To listen to it, go to our Facebook page.

We cannot wait to start making music together again in person, our rehearsals start again on Wednesday 15 July.

We would welcome any new players, no matter how rusty.

Our first return concert is set for Sunday 13 September - hope to see you there.

Tricia Tommasi









We are back to walk-in service, as we have always done before COVID-19.

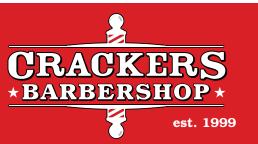
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"When it comes to roads, a number of issues need to be progressed by Main Roads – in particular, Henri Robert Drive and Main Western Road on Tamborine Mountain. There has also been a considerable increase in complaints in relation to noise issues, especially on Beechmont Road



and Main Western Road on Tamborine Mountain. We are a tourist area. A lot of people come to our area to drive and enjoy the scenery, but that does not mean that the residents need to be subjected to excessive noise all of the time and every weekend.

"There should be more enforcement from police and consideration given to permanent improvements to those roads to deter speeding and hooning.

We need more police. Residents know that I have fought for more police in our area and more police vehicles at Canungra and Tamborine Mountain. We need to look at those resources and increase them further and we need to look at improvements for roads such as Beaudesert-Nerang Road at Wonglepong as well."

Whether it's fighting for better roads, an increase to police resources, or protection of our local resources, I welcome feedback that will help me do this.

# LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT AMENDMENTS

I have had concerns for some time that the State Government is encroaching more and more on local government, constraining councils' ability to act in line with residents' wishes through State laws and policy that bind councils to particular ways of doing things. I spoke out strongly last week about a change that – potentially – strikes at the democracy in local government.

From now on, any mayor who resigns, passes away or otherwise leaves office in the first 12 months after an election will be automatically replaced by the runner-up. It's outrageous, especially when some mayors were elected with more than 60 per cent of the primary vote. Where is the will of the residents if the runner-up then gets the job? In Toowoomba it would see a candidate who received only 19 per cent of the vote get the job. I will continue to watch what this Government does to local government, and from my perspective the entire system needs a good hard review of the roles and purposes of local government and how the State interacts with it – after all, it is supposed to be local government, not a local outreach of the State bureaucracy.

If I can be of assistance for any State-related matter, do not hesitate to contact me by phone (toll-free) 1800 813 960, by email at scenicrim@parliament.qld.gov.au or by mail at PO Box 656 Beaudesert QLD 4285.

# Have a quick question? SMS 0401 63 44 88

# TAMBORINE POLICE NEWS

# **PROACTIVE POLICING**

In a community such as Tamborine Mountain proactive policing aids in reducing crime and building positive relationships within that community. North Tamborine Police are actively involved in the following proactive policing initiatives:

## ADOPT-A-COP

Start when the kids are young to build a positive rapport between youth and police, with officers attending local schools and interacting with the students. Officers also participate in legal studies lectures at the high school.

# **BLUELIGHT ASSOCIATION**

Check out Tamborine Mountain Police Blue Light Disco Facebook page for more information on this long-standing youth programme – mountain-specific activities include discos which the kids love.

### **DEFENSIVE DRIVING PROGRAM**

Grade 12 students get financial assistance to attend a defensive driving programme. The programme covers theory, braking exercises, skid pan, wheel changing, simulators, circuit training, beer goggles and more. This is a hands-on programme designed to give students a genuine feel for every day driving experiences.

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There are many reasons why a professional lesson is advantageous to any learner driver: they may not have adequate access to a vehicle, or appropriate type of vehicle; they may need to get more hours up; they may need a refresher lesson before going for their test; or their parents may not be the best tutors for various reasons. North Tamborine Police offer a voucher for one free lesson to every age-eligible student within the police division. This is administered through the two local secondary schools, but if you haven't received a voucher or go to a different school, don't hesitate to contact the station to obtain your voucher.

The above two initiatives are to improve the driving capabilities of our young drivers and thereby safety for all road users. Our strong partnership with individual donors, businesses and community groups, and indeed our high school and college, which organise the high rate of student participation, ensures the ongoing success of these initiatives and are much appreciated.

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# Letters to the Editor

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# GARDEN CLUB TO PROCEED WITH OPEN GARDEN TRAIL

The Tamborine Mountain Garden Club will proceed with its 35th annual Springtime Open Garden Trail on September 25, 26 and 27, while adhering to State Government COVID-19 guarantine laws.

We have sought professional medical advice on how we should proceed and will compile a plan according to formal advice from the Department of Health, while observing restrictions, according to their recommendations.

We have selected a variety of gardens, including two neverbeen-open before gardens. All the six garden owners are working hard to prepare and present their masterpieces at their very best.

The Tamborine Mountain Show Society will run in conjunction with the Open Gardens to present displays and competitions at the showground.

Tamborine Mountain Botanic Gardens will be part of the Open Gardens Trail with fun for children in the Sooty Owl Creekside trail, entertainment, sausage sizzle and plant sales. The volunteers have been working their hardest and the Gardens are looking magnificent at the moment.

For the first time we will be offering camping for travellers at the TM Sports Association grounds on Long Road.

For more information, contact Amanda Hay on 5545 2253; or myself on 0427 779 888 or secretary@tmgardenclub.org

### Julie Wilkinson

# CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL ON INDIGENOUS FIRE BURNS

I would like to express my deep appreciation to Leeton Lee and his team for the success of the hazard reduction burns on Tamborine Mountain.

The indigenous methods used meant the bush was effectively and efficiently managed, leaving the flora perfectly intact while reducing the debris and weeds.

We need to listen to our indigenous brothers and sisters on many issues, and these traditional burns were a perfect example of our working together.

Congratulations to all involved. **P. Jones** 

# FUEL REDUCTION BURN ON WESTERN EDGE IS OVERDUE

I suspect that, like many others, we share Howard Stevens' concern about lack of action to reduce the fuel loads on the upper parts of the Tamborine Mountain escarpment. These fuel loads contribute to local exposure of bush fires.

The western edge is particularly vulnerable due to the slope, orientation and vegetation type. My wife and I live on the southern part of Main Western Road and have planned to limit our risk. I would happily do a fuel reduction burn on the western part of our lot which leads to the escarpment edge.

However, that could only be done as part of an integrated action and this has been sadly lacking since the last planned burn along the escarpment edge in the early 1990s. That is almost 30 years ago. Carefully developed strategies for management of residential development and locality bushfire control seem to have had little influence on subsequent council actions.

Some development approvals were unwise, and even the access tracks necessary for firefighting have fallen into disuse. Action to cope with fire risks seem to have been sadly lacking.

One achievement over the years should help. The whole western edge from the showgrounds to the cemetery, with the exception of the privately owned Polish Place and the leased hang glider launch, have been brought into either state or shire ownership. This is an asset of huge value to the region, but it must not be ignored that, with ownership, comes responsibility.

I fully recognise that, where private properties are involved, gaining access and all the necessary owner approvals could seem to present problems. However, I very much doubt that owners would place many difficulties for a program that has been so obviously needed for so long. **Phil Giffard** 

# TRADUCING CHURCHILL IS TRADUCING BRAVE PEOPLE

### In English schools 80 and 90 years ago, we referred to black people as 'niggers' and much worse; we assumed we were superior to them.

I was there and I am sure of it. If we, like Winston Churchill, had earned statues, they would all be under threat from the Black Lives Matter movement.

Racism was the downside of the white people in that generation, but their bravery and sacrifice in war are legend, and their tolerance of hard working conditions in peace helped to create the present good living. Traducing Churchill is traducing all these people.

It took time to establish that human potential is independent of skin colour (as it did to develop the modern motor car) yet the present generation is encouraging the mischief of Black Lives Matter. Celebrities and institutions are caving in one by one.

Could this become "the age of the ungrateful vandals?"

### John Leisten

# WAR ANIMALS MEMORIAL HAS BEEN WELL RECEIVED

I enjoyed reading the article about the war animals memorial which was recently installed in Tamborine Village Memorial Hall precinct.

The sandstone base was contributed by Tamborine Village Lions Club and my personal donation. However, the plaque was donated by Australian War Animal Memorial Organisation (AWAMO).

This is the second war animal memorial installed in the Scenic Rim. The first was unveiled in D J Smith Memorial Park, Canungra on Remembrance Day 2018.

This was a partnership project between AWAMO (with Nigel Allsopp the driving force behind AWAMO); Canungra RSL (Col Lee, president and distinguished veteran); and Scenic Rim Regional Council (Cr Virginia West and I, plus a number of council officers).

The memorial has been very well received by locals and visitors

and is now an integral part of commemorations of National Day for War Animals held on 24 February, as well as ANZAC and Remembrance Days.

AWAMO (awamo.org.au) is not just about remembering the past; the organisation provides a range of assistance and support to animals and veterans. You can contribute to these programs by purchasing a purple poppy.

Nadia O'Carroll

# GREEN IDEOLOGY THE REAL BUSHFIRE CULPRIT

### Thank you, *Scenic News* for your story on the recent hazard reduction burn on Tamborine Mountain.

Those recent bushfires have opened a lot of eyes to the real dangers we face here. Let's all hope that the Royal Commission into those fires comes up with the right answers.

In the meantime, some background. Here is what the New South Wales Volunteer Fire Fighters Association had to say about reduction burns and green interference in March last year:

"Melissa Price, the new Federal Environment Minister, has done untold political damage to a government already divided over climate action. She linked the fires to climate change, claiming there is 'no doubt' of its impact on Australia.

"Sorry, Minister, it wasn't climate change that caused the latest bushfires which have so far destroyed nine homes in Victoria, and it wasn't climate change that killed almost 200 people in the Black Saturday fires 10 years ago."

The real culprit is green ideology which opposes the necessary hazard reduction burning of fuel loads in national parks and which prevents landholders from clearing vegetation around their homes.

After a century of farming and keeping fire hazards at bay with cool burning on Tamborine Mountain, we modern treechangers are mostly all guilty of turning a blind eye to the danger we have encouraged in our midst.

**Jim Inglis** 



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Aaronlee Retreat and Hampton Estate celebrated International Yoga Day on Sunday with both venues offering the Tamborine Mountain community free workshops in meditation and yoga.

"In our modern life and through its daily hectic routine we experience physical and mental stress, pressure and all other disorders associated with it," said instructor Siddharth Rao from WKA Yoga Academy at the Aaronlee Retreat meditation workshop.

"Practising meditation, one can touch, feel, and experience the source of his or her existence.

"Practising it on regular bases helps an individual to break through the stress associated with modern-day life and helps to attain ultimate peace and physical and mental wellbeing."

He said some of the benefits associated with meditation include:

- improving focus
- · developing mental clarity and stability, and
- helping to attain peace within to promote physical and mental wellbeing.

The 16 participants at the workshop were greeted with a traditional namaste welcome and rose incense stick, and then moved onto the lawn.

Instructor Siddarth got the participants to relax on the lawn, and they were introduced to yoga philosophy. Soon after they were introduced to some easy techniques of yoga breathing and beginner meditation techniques for complete relaxation.

They also learned details of the science behind each process and the body anatomy involved in practising each process.

After the one-hour workshop session, feedback was received from the relaxed guests who left equipped with some easy techniques to practise in their day to day life to overcome stress and anxiety.

More workshops are planned on Tamborine Mountain throughout the year.





There would be few in the Tamborine Mountain community who are not aware of Pony Express Mountain Water, the water cartage business operated by Maurice and Deborah Cullen. Scenic News managed to catch up with Maurice recently in between much needed deliveries to customers.

### How long have you lived and worked on Tamborine Mountain and what inspired you to get into your business?

We've been on the Mountain now for 27 years. After being a dairy farmer for 30 odd years in a much colder climate in New Zealand my family and I decided on a change to preferably a warmer climate. We shifted to Nerang where I got a job doing a 'graveyard shift' with Australia Post - a mail run during which time I discovered the perfect climate on Tamborine Mountain. Having mucked around with farm machinery, tractors and trucks all my life, it seemed right that I should stop working all night and embrace something that I knew I would love. So, when I saw this small water business for sale it seemed like an opportunity not to be missed.

# What associated with your business are you most excited about?

It has been an exciting journey to watch the business grow from a handful of clients to where it is today. We have made many mistakes and have always endeavoured to learn from them.

### Is it an occupation that gives you satisfaction - knowing that you are making a valuable contribution to public health and well-being?

Yes, it does give me a great deal of satisfaction making a contribution to the community, and along the way we have made many friends. Most of my first earliest clients are still with us today and we value their loyalty and friendship. This is an amazing, supportive community full of hardworking, honest, reliable and sociable people. When a hand is needed they are there; when advice is needed they are there; if an unwanted machinery failure happens and the pressure is on to complete your day's work then we are so grateful for the friends and neighbours we have who are so willing to help.



Deborah and Maurice Cullen

### Do people really understand the benefits and value of having someone who can be on site very quickly if required?

There is a lot of time and work put in to ensure the smooth running and operation of our business. Most people who discover that they are out of water are very grateful for the prompt service to remedy the situation but of course we can't always please people who have unrealistic expectations.

# What is your biggest challenge?

The biggest challenge for Pony Express is water. We have wonderful suppliers who have spent many thousands of dollars in keeping us supplied with beautiful Mountain spring water which we all know about. Last year was a difficult year to get through when all Mountain bores had reduced capacity during the extended dry period. The most frustrating issue was that after spending a huge amount of time, research, worry and effort we found good new suppliers who were willing to help Mountain residents during the water crisis but Scenic Rim Council refused to allow access to these new supplies on the grounds that in their opinion there was no water crisis on Tamborine Mountain.

What is the most bizarre thing you have encountered in your business?

One of the most bizarre things that happened many years ago was that I delivered a load to an old rusty corrugated tank. This was a difficult job and the tank was leaking in several places. Later that night I received a phone call from an irate customer who refused to pay on the grounds that the tank had burst, and all the water was lost and somehow it was my fault!

# If you weren't doing this, what would your ideal job be?

If I wasn't running Pony Express, I would take off and see all of Outback Australia.

# A few thoughts to conclude:

My wife and I have tried hard to give a reliable and professional service. We are totally committed to the business. Yes of course we and our staff can and do make mistakes. We stand by our staff who are most valued, and we are proud of them. We appreciate our suppliers so much and the commitment they have made to Pony Express Mountain Water. To the B and Bs, estaurants, coffee shops and other businesses thank you so much. And finally, to our wonderful clients, you folk make this community what it is, a caring and understanding village on this Mountain, home to us all - thank you for your support.

With something for everyone...

# TRAVELLING PLACES

By Gina Storey

### Have you seen the new desk top computers? Imagine my surprise when last week we took the opportunity, with the office quieter than normal, to update our computers.

In came our IT person with a small box the size of calculator – gone is the tower that took up so much room. Not only has the size shrunk, the speed is excellent, and we haven't converted to NBN yet. Oddly enough we have for many years had reliable ADSL in Main Street.

The past week has seen a number of announcements by state premiers about borders opening which is great. By mid-July it would seem most of Australia will be open and that will allow us to start exploring once again.

We have received a number of bookings for domestic travel and I would urge you if you are considering a journey on The Ghan or the Indian Pacific not to leave your booking too long or you will miss out on the specials that are around.

A local popped into the office the other day and we ended up having a chat about online bookings compared to booking through a travel agency. Whether you book online or through a travel agency we all make our money through the commissions paid to us. The price you pay as the consumer if you book directly, or online or through a retail travel agency is usually the same. So, you choose where the commission is earned.

It's interesting to think where these profits end up. Expedia is US based and owned. Wotif is owned by Expedia USA. Skyscanner is based in Edinburgh but owned by tripcom.com which is China owned. Trivago is based in Germany but the majority shareholder is Expedia USA. Bookings.com is USA owned. Hotel.com is owned by Expedia USA. Kayak is owned by the bookings.com group USA.

It's odd to think that you book online to stay in a hotel in Australia (or anywhere else in the world for that matter) and the profits go overseas. These online booking engines often have great deals but to be honest your local travel agency usually has similar and sometimes better offers.

Online booking engines are really good at sending constant emails to tempt you with offers. The difference is that if something goes wrong a retail agency is someone you can talk to, who you can hold accountable, who offers personalised service and will give you an objective point of view about different destinations and hotels so that your holiday is designed with knowledge and experience and with you in mind.

Hotels, airlines, tour companies and cruise lines have for years used the travel agency network as their main form of distribution. These suppliers of travel arrangements also see travel agencies as a vehicle to design a wonderful holiday, co-ordinating all of the different elements of your journey so that it flows well and so that you receive the best offers with objective advice on different competing travel suppliers. Think of this - if you call the Hilton Hotel, they not likely to suggest that you try the Sheraton because the location may suit you better. A travel agency, however, will offer you the competition.

One other issue came up in our discussion, and that was the ability to book at midnight when scrolling through the online options. Solution – send an email to your favourite travel agent at midnight and they will reply the next day giving you advice and perhaps some better options. Or check your agency's website – they probably have offers available there too.

Of course, it is all personal choice. However, I know I make a concerted effort to buy locally and support local businesses knowing that these companies are employing residents, the profits are being reinvested nearby, that they support local charities and community projects and that a thriving local business environment helps to make our community what it is today.

# SHARP COMMENT



### TOM SHARP

# For four very long arduous years we have continued to hear the following at budget time:

"... for most rates categories has capped minimum rate increases to just one percent. This is consistent with Council's objective to slow the increase in its minimum rate threshold, particularly place of residence and rural principal place of residence properties.

For an owner-occupied residence on the minimum general rate of \$1215, this represents an increase of \$12 annually or 23 cents per week.

Around 32 per cent of residential properties, including principal and non-principal place of residence, will not experience an increase in general rates."

Or something very similar.

That has been the general sales pitch oozing from every council budget since 2016.

Sounds good - doesn't it?

No major increase and only 23 cents a week – wow – I can afford that! Aaahhh but wait – how many people in the Scenic Rim are on the minimum threshold?

The minimum threshold is an unimproved valuation of around \$150,000 (for principal place of residence) and what about the other 70 per cent of the ratepayers in this region?

Representatives of this region past and present continue to proffer that "our" rates are determined by only two factors – land valuations (handed down by the State's Valuer General) and the rate in the dollar (determined by council).

This is complete bunkum.

In addition to the two determinates set out above comes in excess of 60 different rateable categories put forward by the SRRC and these introduced categories of the SRRC's own invention come on top of the some 100 or more categories offered by the State Government for consideration.

These categories have witnessed increase of up to 170 per cent. Unheard of in the 117-year history of councils in this region.

Another determinant is the capping or should I say lack of capping, the lowest being a whopping nine per cent (one per cent shy of double digits) or not applicable in the majority of cases.

Then comes the three-year averaging of your rates in combination with the rate capping, meaning the SRRC has opted to slug you for full valuation increases that were handed down in 2018 over the next three years.

Then comes the last key determinant – The Ego – this is where the SRRC manipulates the rate in the dollar category in combination with the cap to get the figure they want. They will promote the fact that the rating category for the principal place of residence is down say "3.78 per cent" BUT this is masked by the rate cap and increase in land valuations giving you an overall lift of say six per cent on your rates bill.

Yes, that additionally is then averaged over three years, meaning the hits just keep on coming.

We the people of the Scenic Rim will be looking forward to the restoration of the governance of this region to the people via our elected representatives and we equally look forward to our elected representatives rejecting any budget that embraces such inequality, never ending, unjustified and exorbitant rate hikes.

It is time to remove 80 per cent of the rate categories, fix the rate in the dollar and cap any/all increases to inflation.

In addition to providing "core services" that only the people want and need and that are within the scope of local government and their given expertise with efficiency and effectiveness.

Councillors, we look forward to the delivery of such a budget with full transparency and accountability. We equally look forward to each and every councillor comprehensively explaining the rates methodology in full i.e. the other 70 per cent of the people of this region.

If so, the B side will be a hit throughout the region with the exception of maybe Brisbane Street. It will definitely go platinum.

# Karen Keeling'a tipa on BEAUTY & WELLNESS DOES SPF STOP YOUR BODY ABSORBING VITAMIN D?



### Today, I'd like to bust a myth. This

particular myth is not only completely detached from any kind of clinical evidence, but it's also very dangerous. If you believe it, you could end up with serious skin damage or disease.

The myth: SPF lotions stop you from absorbing Vitamin D through your skin.

This is not true. It's an idea that's shared on social media, on YouTube channels and in everyday conversation. And it puts people off using sunscreen because we know vitamin D is essential for our health, so we want to make the most of our time in the sun and soak up those rays.

Several studies have proven that wearing high SPF sunscreen doesn't stop you from topping up your dose of vitamin D. Just last year, scientists tested Vitamin D levels in a study group during a week of wearing high SPF in cloudless weather and found that Vitamin D levels increased at a steady rate in all participants.

Using SPF protection whenever you're in the sun comes with lots of benefits such as:

- Vital protection against skin disease, including life-threatening skin cancer
- Less skin damage, so your skin stays healthy for longer
- Reduced wrinkles, marks, and other signs of ageing
- An overall clearer, fresher and younger complexion

There is some evidence that some people with darker skin types may be more prone to Vitamin D deficiency if they always use sunscreen. But even in those cases, a high SPF doesn't stop the absorption of Vitamin D completely; it just reduces it.

Even if sunscreen did prevent the absorption of Vitamin D (which it mostly doesn't), the risk of skin cancer would still be higher than the risk of becoming slightly more Vitamin D deficient. In Australia in 2016, an estimated 13,280 people were newly diagnosed with skin cancer. In the same year, around 1770 people died from the disease.

The number of people suffering from skin cancer is increasing every year. And while Vitamin D deficiency does carry health risks, it's also easily solved with a daily Vitamin D supplement, cheap and easy to find at any pharmacy.

So this is me, asking you to look after your skin and look after yourself. It's not just about beauty (although of course, too much sun without SPF protection will speed up your skin's ageing process).

This really is about staying well.

Karen Keeling Hope Island Beauty & Medispa 07 5510 8999



# Anubis - the Egyptian god of the afterlife and the Pharaoh Hound

Anubis is depicted as a black jackal or dog and his role was protector of the dead and guide for souls in the afterlife.

Another task of Anubis was to weigh the hearts of people who had passed on and were seeking judgement.

Ancient Egyptian priests often wore a mask of Anubis during mummification ceremonies.

Some experts in the field say this belief came about by jackals being seen in graveyards by Egyptians.



The Pharaoh Hound pictured above bears an uncanny resemblance to the dog god Anubis, except for colour, as this dog cannot easily be bred black.

The Pharaoh Hound is an ancient breed and has changed little in more than 3000 years.

It was the dog of kings shown in Egyptian hieroglyphics from the 19th dynasty. A sight hound with exceptional hearing and scent, it was used to hunt small prey and fast gazelles. These dogs are a muscular and athletic breed with a graceful stride, known to be intelligent, balanced and loyal.

The breed was imported to Malta by Phoenician traders and became the national dog of Malta. It was used for hunting rabbits in Malta's rocky terrain. After that it remained largely unknown in the west until arriving in England in the 1930s. From there they were imported to the United States in 1967 but were not recognised by the American Kennel Club until the 1980s.

The Pharaoh Hound has two unique and human-like features. One is blushing - because they have no dark skin pigment, they blush pink when excited or happy. The other feature they are famous for is their smile (the dog in the picture has a half smile). Some dogs show all of their teeth with gums pulled right back and this breed is easily trained to give a smile when asked.

However, like all breeds of dogs and individual dogs, there are behaviours and tendencies we could do without. All sight hounds are highly unlikely to have a good recall or come back when called if they have 'locked onto' a fresh scent or a small running animal as the prey drive is too great, and so it is with most hound dogs.

Another habit that some individuals of this breed can have is coprophagia (eating its own or others' faeces). The good thing is most grow out of this habit; but some may need help. It occurs in some other dogs randomly as well, especially puppies that see and smell their mothers clean the den or whelping box by eating excrement.

I had a dog that did this, and she did grow out of it with a lot of encouragement from me.

There are currently around five Pharaoh Hound breeders in Australia, and it always pays to look up and talk to people about any breed of dog that you are interested in having as a pet so you are aware of the temperament, traits and general behaviours.

Pam Brandis Dip. Canine Prac.

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# LOCAL DINING, SHOPPING AND SERVICES



# Councillor's Comment



VIRGINIA WEST DIVISION 3

### WATER SAVING IN CANUNGRA TOWN

Despite the recent rain, Urban Utilities has asked residents on reticulated water to exercise water saving methods as the Canungra Creek flows have dropped considerably.

Canungra residents have an excellent history of water saving when required and during the drought months earlier in the year reached 75 litres per person per day which was very commendable. With the COVID-19 pandemic, and dry autumn months, the usage has risen to 125 litres per day.

The tanker filling station is, at this point, still operating. However, residents are reminded to take shorter showers, turn the tap off while cleaning teeth, fix any leaks, and put a bucket in the shower to collect water for the garden. You will be surprised how much water can be saved for those vegetables we are all growing.

As Council prepares to formulate the Growth Management Plan - a strategy to inform all levels of government on urban growth within the Scenic Rim - I can assure residents the reliability and adequacy of water to service the broader Canungra area, coupled with the standpipe, will be assessed.

## **BUDGET DISCUSSIONS**

This year's Budget discussions have been the most challenging in my time as a Councillor due to the continuous events of drought followed by bushfires, then COVID-19 and the huge financial effects our community has experienced and is still managing. However, all councils are required to operate as a business, ensuring the viability and longevity of the business and at the same time acknowledging the effect on our community and ensuring all infrastructure is maintained for future years.

### **EKKA PUBLIC HOLIDAY**

Monday 10 August has been retained as the Scenic Rim Ekka holiday despite the cancellation of the Ekka this year. I would encourage our residents to get out and about in the region during this long weekend and spend your money locally on having a fun weekend.

### **BUSINESS WELLBEING SUPPORT**

Council is offering a series of free counselling sessions for any Scenic Rim business owners and employees impacted by COVID-19 who may be feeling overwhelmed or stressed or suffering financial hardship as a result of the pandemic. Lavender House in Beaudesert have a long history of caring and supportive counselling to our community. Information about this service is via website www. scenicrim.qld.gov.au/businesses/business-counsellingsupport/1

# CONTACT ME

I am always available to talk with residents on 5540 5403 or 0407 630 052 or email virginia.w@scenicrim.qld.gov.au

I am not able to return to Canungra Library on the second Saturday of the month just yet. However, I hope to resume again in August or September.

Virginia West Councillor Division 3 Scenic Rim Regional Council

# Councillor's Comment

JEFF McCONNELL DIVISION 2



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

### BUDGET

What is it that you get for your rates? Well the community gets more than just Roads and Rubbish. Council provide the following services: libraries, sport and recreation, economic and tourism development, investment attraction and infrastructure. Although a ratepayer may not access these services every day they do within their lifetime. The issue is does the Council provide these services to a level that provides ratepayers with value for money?

The Budget process has been interesting to say the least. Having only two months from our election to digest and approve an \$80+ million budget has led to some interesting discussions about our priorities. Can I ask that you don't look at the other bigger councils for comparison, Brisbane has a budget over \$3billion, Gold Coast \$2 billion, Logan \$1 billion and Ipswich \$600 million. The Scenic Rim Population is 43,000 - Gold Coast 610,000 - Logan City 330,000 -Ipswich City 220,000.

The Scenic Rim is unique in that we live in a semi-rural paradise without the built-up suburban rat race that comes with our neighbouring councils and as such we pay higher rates for that privilege. Do we wish for lower rates? Of course we do but with lower rates must come either more ratepayers or lower services. All three neighbouring councils can fit inside the area of the Scenic Rim with a 1000sq km left over.

My goal and that of the other councillors is to ensure that the ratepayer gets value for their rates money.

### **COUNCILLOR PAY RISE**

There has been some inaccurate reporting in the media and on social media on this so let me set this straight. On 20 January this year the previous councillors voted to accept the new pay raise as reviewed by the Local Government Remuneration Commission which is an Independent Authority from Councils. This was done prior to COVID19 restrictions.

Two weeks ago, I sent an email to the Mayor and other councillors requesting to discuss this issue as I was not happy to accept this increase given the current issues facing the Scenic Rim ratepayers. This is not new to some within Division 2, as I made it well known during the election campaign that I was not going to accept the raise this year. At the Ordinary Meeting on 8 June, the Mayor after I had a discussion with him about my email then tabled a Mayoral Minute rejecting the increase with ALL councillors stating that they would not accept the raise this year.

There was no hesitation by any councillor or the Mayor to not reject this pay rise.

### **COMMUNITY FORUMS**

In preparation for any upcoming Community forums, can I ask that you start discussing with your neighbours, what it is that you need for your community as well as the Scenic Rim as a region. More funding for Sports and Recreation/ Playgrounds/ Footpaths/ Roads/ Community Activities etc. I am more than happy for you to email me your thoughts.

### CONTACT ME

I will always be available to talk with Division 2 residents on mobile 0436 327 434 or email jeff.m@scenicrim.qld.gov.au. Follow me on Facebook - Jeff McConnell Councillor for Division 2 Scenic Rim Regional Council where I will post a weekly update. I am happy to meet with residents should they need a face to face meeting.

You can contact Council on 5540 5111 (save it to your phone) or email mail@scenicrim.qld.gov.au

# **Dinosaurs I have met**

# (Part 2 BANJO) By Rose Siva

The discovery of a claw in the same 'dig area' where Matilda was found caused a ripple of excitement. Even before he was named Banjo (officially Australovenator wintonesis) it was apparent he was not a sauropod, and the question was: What had he been doing hanging around with Matilda? limbs, he would have been a carnivore and a skilful predator.

It has been suggested he or his relations were the active hunters involved in the dinosaur stampede trackways that are now open for visitors to view at Lark Quarry, 110km south west of Winton.

As more bones were found,



That question rolled around my mind as I continued to make trips out to the Winton area to work on the bones, and that thought eventually turned itself into the plot for a book.

By this stage I had done enough volunteer work preparing bones to be considered an honorary technician. David and Judy Elliot had officially formed the Australian Age of Dinosaurs (AAOD), secured land 10km out of Winton, and built an enormous tin shed where preppers could come and work in luxurious fly-free semi comfort.

I can get obsessed doing jigsaws, so to me a mixed bag of miscellaneous possible dinosaur bits to sort through was heaven. I get so focussed I have to be dragged away to get lunch.

I remember working on one bone and calling a specialist over to ask what it was I was seeing. I was told it was a fossilised twig that was touching the bone surface at right angles. So, around 100 million years ago, this particular dinosaur had died and been covered in mud. At some point, after the flesh had rotted away, a branch had fallen off a tree and a twig from the branch had pierced the mud and touched the bone. There it had stayed for 100 million years (give or take a million) - the mud solidified into rock, and the twig and bone fossilised. The ultimate cold case, and I was the first person to solve it!

Here I got to meet Banjo up close and personal. We were at the stage of going through the very small bones from the Matilda dig, and amongst them were fragments of Banjo. He certainly was not the kind of dinosaur you would want to meet on a dark night in a confined space. Semi-erect, with sharp claws on his upper palaeontologists were able to build a replica skeleton, and a bronze statue of Banjo now stands fiercely guarding the entrance to the AAOD reception building. His actual bones can be seen in the collection room. When he was officially named, he was the largest and most complete theropod discovered in Australia.

I was lucky enough to work on a number of Banjo's ribs, and the image of some of the bones I delicately glued together remain with me still. Araldite was the glue of choice - we must have used gallons of it. I am sure the Araldite makers did not have this particular use in mind when they started manufacture. The AAOD continues to report and collate more dinosaur finds and has a backlog of bones waiting to be worked on by preppers.

In the time of the great inland seas, central Australia was a fertile oasis that supported many life forms. It also provided unique conditions for the formation of opals, and it was stories of opals in the Lark Quarry area that led me on a hunt to meet my next dinosaur, further south in New South Wales.

Lightning Ridge, I was told, was the only place in the world where opalised dinosaur bones can be found. I would have to go and see what I could find.

**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** 

# Notification of Proposed nbn<sup>™</sup> Radio Network Base Station Facility

The National Broadband Network (**nbn**) is a high speed broadband network designed to reach 100 per cent of Australian premises and provide the communications infrastructure to help us stop falling behind in an increasingly online world.

**nbn** is committed to delivering leading edge broadband services to all Australians by leveraging the three types of technology available – fixed line, fixed wireless and satellite, depending on location.

As part of the fixed radio (wireless) component of the Network, **nbn** is proposing to expand an existing radio network base station at the following location:

 103 Guanaba Creek Road, Guanaba QLD 4210

The proposed works on site will involve the upgrade of existing technology upon the facility including and not limited to the removal of an existing radiocommunications dish and antenna. Installation of a new antenna and the installation of associated ancillary equipment to enhance transmitting technology.

The works are to provide high quality wireless broadband services to customers in the surrounding localities.

**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 Zac Coombes on 1300 260 834.

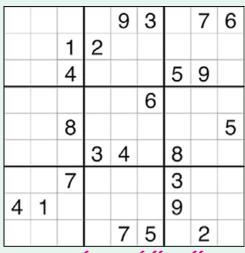


Written submissions can be sent to PO Box 430, Toowong QLD 4066 or via email to submissions@ bmmgroup.com.au

The closing date for submissions is 10 July 2020.

For general info on the **nbn**, email info@**nbn**.com.au, or visit our website at **www.nbnco.com.au**.

Sudoku







# 1) The Miracle Builders

I had a window in the north wall of my house. It was a perfect square, 1 metre wide and 1 metre high But this window never let in enough light. So I hired this firm, the Miracle Builders, who performed the impossible. They remodeled the window so it let in more light. When when they'd finished the window was a perfect square, 1 metre high and 1 metre wide.

# How did they do it?

# 2) The Ten Divisibilities

I have a ten digit number, abcdefghij. Each of the digits is different, and

a is divisible by 1

ab is divisible by 2

abc is divisible by 3

abcd is divisible by 4

abcde is divisible by 5

abcdef is divisible by 6

abcdefg is divisible by 7

abcdefgh is divisible by 8

abcdefghi is divisible by 9

abcdefghij is divisible by 10

# What's my number?

[To clarify: a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, i, and j are all single digits. Each digit from 0 to 9 is represented by exactly one letter. The number abcdefghij is a ten-digit number whose first digit is a, second digit is b, and so on. It does not mean that you multiply a x b x c x...]

(answers on Friday: scenicnews.com.au)

# **TRIVIA - General Q 2**



- 1. WHAT YEAR WAS THE FIRST MELBOURNE CUP RACE?
- 2. PLASTIC BOTTLES WERE FIRST USED FOR SOFT DRINK IN WHICH YEAR?
- 3. IN WHAT YEAR DID BLACK MONDAY CAUSE MASSIVE LOSSES ON THE STOCK MARKETS?
- 4. WHAT YEAR WAS EBAY FOUNDED?
- 5. IN WHICH YEAR DID ABBA CALL IT A DAY?
- 6. WHAT PERCENTAGE OF THE EARTH'S ATMOSPHERE IS MADE UP OF ARGON?
- 7. IN WHAT YEAR WAS THE ORIGINAL KING KONG RELEASED?
- 8. IN A GAME OF CHESS HOW MANY DIFFERENT CHOICES DO YOU HAVE FOR YOUR FIRST MOVE?
- 9. UP TO HOW MANY PASSENGERS IS THE AIRBUS A380 CAPABLE OF CARRYING?
- 10. WHICH YEAR WAS THE CHANNEL TUNNEL OPENED BETWEEN FRANCE AND ENGLAND?
- 11. HOW MANY NIGHTS ARE THERE IN THE ARABIAN NIGHTS?
- 12. IN THE CARD GAME 500, EIGHT DIAMONDS ARE WORTH HOW MANY POINTS?

Answers page 30

Aussie Trivia Chris Blair: 0416 007 985

Sudoku solution

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Sauerkraut (Sow-er-kr-out) on a Ruben sandwich, Yes pease! Sauerkraut and whiskey, no thanks! Sauerkraut and chopsticks yes! Wait, what?

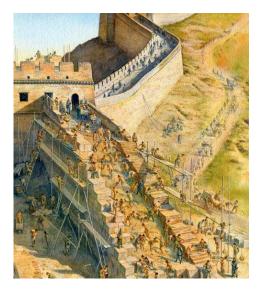
Last year I tied the knot with my wife in a quaint little church on our family friends' vineyard estate.

It was a magical day and as a surprise for us, secretly the chef had flown in a 2kg Wagyu rib fillet tomahawk steak from a tiny island off the coast of Tasmania renowned for its beef, for us to enjoy after dinner.



He paired it with, you guessed it sauerkraut! It was the first time I had ever tasted proper home-made sauerkraut and it blew my mind. It perfectly balanced the fatty rich meat Wagyu is renowned for and from that day since I was hooked.

Did you know sauerkraut is said to have originated in China? Here I was thinking it



must have come from some eastern European country but no, China is the birthplace. It all came about when Emperor Qin Shi Huang in his infinite wisdom ordered the construction of the Great Wall of China around 221 BC.

The labor force that built the wall was made up largely of soldiers and convicts and they all needed to be fed. The convicts' diet consisted of cabbage and rice in the summer and in winter, rice wine was added and thus fermented the cabbage.

It made its way west with the Tatars who changed the recipe and used salt, as it was easier for them to get their hands on. What makes it so special happens during the fermentation process, as beneficial probiotics, or 'live bacteria', are produced, and these probiotics are what give sauerkraut most of its health benefits.

They also help make foods more digestible, which increases your gut's ability to absorb the vitamins and minerals they contain. Homemade sauerkraut is full nutrients such as Vitamin C, K1, iron, manganese, B6, folate, copper, and potassium.



Sauerkraut's tart, fermented flavor is a perfect

accompaniment for many foods. The pickled cabbage in European countries is traditionally combined most often with pork and sausages, braised beef, goose, duck, and game birds.

If you are like me and have never tasted homemade pickled cabbage, I suggest you give this recipe a go, as the entire process only takes about 20 minutes to prepare, then three weeks or so of idle waiting. Your gut with thank you for it.

### INGREDIENTS

- Cabbage
- Sea salt flakes

### METHOD

- Remove and discard outer leaves of the cabbage. Wash, drain and cut in halves or quarters, removing the cores.
- Shred the cabbage thinly. Unless you are preparing huge quantities, hand cutting will allow greater control.
- Weigh the shredded cabbage. Then add 2 per cent salt in a large clean bowl and mix thoroughly with clean hands and really squeeze it, to release the water from the cabbage. The cabbage will begin to give off juice as you squeeze it then pack it



tightly into a clean glass jar. Do not fill the jar more than 10cm from the top.

- 4. Make sure that the juice covers the cabbage.
- 5. The cabbage must now be weighted and covered, to keep it submerged in the brine. I use cling wrap doubled over a few times carefully place it on top. The cling wrap should fit snugly against the side of the jar to seal the surface from exposure to the air, and to prevent the growth.
- 6. Seal the jar and leave it in a cool place ideally around 19/24°C.
- 7. Fermentation will begin within a day. At the ideal room temperature, 23 degrees, the process will take about three weeks. If the room is hotter than 26 degrees, the cabbage may not properly ferment and could spoil. Check it every 5 or so days and burp it. This just means unscrew the lid to let out the gas, otherwise it could explode!



- 8. Taste it after 2 weeks, I like it funky and fizzy, so I let mine ferment for 4 weeks.
- 9. Once fermented to your liking, simply refrigerate the sauerkraut. This will slow down the fermentation but not stop it completely, so a few bubbles are normal.

### Dylan Gittoes

# ooked on boc

# **NEXT OPENING STAGE**

We are opening for a limited service only due to COVID-19 restrictions to keep our community safe.

- Library browsing and borrowing of physical items is available between 10:00am and 4:00pm Monday to Friday only.
- Our 'Click and Collect' service is still available by appointment only between 9:00am and 10:00am.
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# MONDAY - TOTS@10:30 via ZOOM

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### After-hours chutes are still operating so you can return items at any time. Please check our new noticeboard located at the carpark for any upcoming events and information.

### **TAMBORINE MOUNTAIN** LIBRARY NEWS by Friends of Tamborine Mountain Library.

## FRIENDS have

purchased more seating outside the library for people to access wi-fi while the library is on limited services.



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# CRAIG ENSOR

# Our Book Choice

# The Warming by Craig Ensor

'The sun was so brutal, so twisted in its brutality, it seemed to grip us by the neck and push us down into the drowning waters. And, in the end, that was our choice: by water – or by sun.'

The year is 2221 and the world is dying. Temperatures soar as high as fifty degrees every day. Sea levels are rising year by year. The population has fallen to below 2 billion people. The ruined cities of the north - Sydney, Brisbane and beyond - were abandoned as the rising sea and the sun's intensity turned them to wastelands.

In an isolated coastal town south of Sydney, young Finch Taylor is captivated by the mysterious beauty April Speare and her pianist husband William when they move into a nearby beach house with a piano and a tragic secret. Finch soon begins a lifelong love affair with music, and with April. But as he and April follow the great migration south to Tasmania, and eventually to a warming Antarctica, they must decide whether to bring children into a world without a future.

Hauntingly beautiful, The Warming depicts a nomadic existence, where love and hope are the only means of enduring a world that has turned against humanity.



Venue: Tamborine Mountain Library Time: Suspended until further notice



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# JUSTICE OF THE PEACE

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Tamborine Mountain Visitor Information Centre is looking for new volunteers to join the team.



A day a week or a day a month... This is the place to share your love and knowledge of the Mountain, and to meet some wonderful locals &



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





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TRIVIA - General Q 2

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- 2. 1970
- 3. 1987
- 4. 1995
- 5. 1982
- 6. 1%
- 7. 1933
- 8. 20 (16 POSSIBLE PAWN MOVES AND FOUR POSSIBLE KNIGHT MOVES)
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- 10. 1994
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# **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 8.30am. 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.

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### 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 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:** Meetings are usually held at 7.00 pm on the first Wednesday of the month at a designated location (call 5545 0043 for details). We always welcome visitors and enquiries from new artists and artisans. We stand for a stronger arts community on the Mountain, and continue to lobby for a local community gallery and arts hub. The Collective benefits from our association with the Brisbane Visual Arts Community (BVAC) and members participate in Brisbane and local arts events.

**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. 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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