

Scenic

News

Tamborine Mountain, Canungra, Tamborine, Beechmont, Beaudesert, Cedar Creek, Boyland



FESTIVAL SCARES OFF THE RAIN

Despite official forecasts of rain and a possible storm, the 2020 Tamborine Mountain Scarecrow Festival defied the odds and got off to a flying start with a colourful array of entries on show in streets, businesses, schools and homes across the Mountain. The eclectic mix of scarecrows included Cobber, the winner in the Best Country Cousins section, which was entered by the Pozières State School in the Granite Belt. Scarecrow photos Page 12. Winners Page 13.

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11 - 11.45	71 Murray Grey Drive, Tamborine
11.15 - 11.45	195 Fenwick Rd, Boyland
11.15 - 11.45	127-129 Guanaba Road
11 - 12	3 Dapsang Drive
12 - 12.45	81 Murray Grey Drive, Tamborine
12 - 12.30	15/5-15 Cook Road
12.15 - 12.45	68 Coomera Gorge Drive
12.15 - 12.45	56 Walnut Road, Tamborine
12.15 - 1	91 Bateke Road
12.30 - 1	8 Elizabeth Street, Beaudesert
12.30 - 1.30	220 Beacon Road
1 - 1.30	27-29 Huyber Lane
1 - 1.30	82 Martin Place, Tamborine
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- Private rainforest driveway, secluded residence
- Large living areas, high ceilings, home office
- Centrally located kitchen, family hub

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AGENTS:

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SALE 🛏️ 4 🛁 2 🚗 6 ✂️ 1,029 m²

7 Tweed Heads Ave, Tamborine Mountain

- Great investment opportunity
- Split level brick home, master upstairs
- Level entry into single garage + extra parking
- Dual Street access from 2 separate streets

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AGENTS:

Linda Hogan
0414 300 558



SALE 🛏️ 4 🛁 2 🚗 2 ✂️ 6,513 m²

89-91 Bateke Road, Tamborine Mountain

- Best street, view, heated saltwater pool
- Private tranquil setting
- Main living on one level with huge verandas
- Lower level, office/guest suite own entrance

\$1,149,000

AGENTS:

Barry Chick 0418 876 191
Diane Pihl 0424 653 316



GIANT PLANT SALE BACK AT GARDENS



Potty Potter Bobby White surrounded by plants in the Gardens nursery

The renowned Potty Potters of Tamborine Mountain Botanic Gardens are working hard to prepare a massive one-day plant sale for visitors on Saturday 26 September.

The popular event is being held under a COVID-Safe Plan which means all visitors must maintain social distancing and take advice and direction from the Gardens' volunteers. While the organisers have arranged to accept card payment on the day and would prefer visitors to pay in this way, they will accept cash.

"We have something for every gardener, whether you have a balcony or acreage," said Head Potty Potter Bobby White.

"We have plenty of hippeastrums, brilliant begonias, awesome orchids and some lovely lavender for sale. All of our plants are nurtured in a natural environment – no artificial heat for example – so they are robust and ready to be planted in a garden.

"What about a few philodendrons, or a fascinating orlaya? We have a dwarf version of the renowned English hedge-row plant. It flowers wonderfully and self-seeds so you can let it spread or control it as you wish.

"Entry to the Botanic Gardens is free and we are planning a range of activities for visitors to enjoy."

As well as the giant plant sale, visitors can enjoy a juicy sausage sizzle. A coffee van will also be on site.

A special treat for children and the young at heart will await in the Sooty Owl Creekside Trail – "poetry bombing".

Alison Johnson, President of local poetry group the Calanthe Collective, explained: "These are short poems by and for children placed among the trees along the trail; something for children and families to discover along that magical path."

Buskers will provide musical entertainment in the Gardens throughout the day.

"The Botanic Gardens are a blaze of colour during Spring," said Bobby. "It is an exciting time of year and our team of volunteers has been working especially hard to ensure the entire site is putting on its best display."

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MOUNTAIN MATES COMPLETE COVID-INTERRUPTED ARTWORK



Participants relax on the deck after their art workshop.

Artist Debaran Wright welcomed some enthusiastic Mountain Mates artists to her airy Eagle Heights studio earlier this year.

Interrupted by COVID-19, the eight sessions begun in early February – with a big gap in the middle – finished last month.

All participants had a whale of a time and produced some beautiful works in acrylics under Deb's warm tutelage.

Mountain Mates is a program for young adults with disabilities, run by the Tamborine Mountain Lions Club. Activities are mainly held on Friday nights and weekends, and anyone can join in.

Lawn Bowls has resumed this month, which is a lot of fun, and includes dinner and socialising. Ring Lions member Janis Bailey on 0418 122 295 for more information.

Proposed Development

Make a submission from
18 September 2020 to
12 October 2020

Tourist Cabins (Short-Term Disability Accommodation)

Where: 1-11 Eagles Retreat Place, Tamborine Mountain QLD 4272

On: Lot 4 on RP 82621

Approval sought: Development Permit for Material Change of Use

Application ref: MCU20/050

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The Assessment Manager
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Public notification requirements are in accordance with the
Planning Act 2016

TMSS AIR-CONDITIONING A FARCE, SAYS KRAUSE

Scenic Rim MP Jon Krause took to the floor of Parliament last week to demand the Government fix a farcical air-conditioning issue at Tamborine Mountain State School that has left school classrooms without air-conditioning – and in some cases, no fans either.

Mr Krause told Parliament that Tamborine Mountain State School was “an independent public school on Tamborine Mountain, where a couple of years ago the principal was recognised with the Best State School Principal in the Country award.”

“Our local schools are huge assets to Tamborine Mountain, but TMSS has been short-changed by the Government here,” Mr Krause said.

He said that after air-conditioning was installed recently – the Government having copied the LNP's policy of over two years to air-condition State school classrooms – it had emerged that the TMSS systems could not be used because the Labor Government had failed to ensure the electricity infrastructure at the school was adequate.

“Fancy seeing air-conditioning put in, which in some cases saw fans removed, and not being able to switch them on. It's an absolute debacle. This Government could not organise a chook raffle,” Mr Krause said.

“Worse still, correspondence sent to me by the P&C and School Council indicates this won't be fixed for possibly another 12 months.

“I call on the Government to fix that and get the power upgraded before the warmer summer months in the Scenic Rim,” Mr Krause said as he tabled the letter from the School Council and P&C.

CALLING PRACTISING OR BUDDING ARTISTS

Whether you are recently retired and looking for a new pursuit, or you'd like to rekindle your interest in painting, or just like the smell of turps ... this may be for you.

Consider coming along to our Monday afternoon painters' group. We meet at Creative Arts, 53 Wongawallen Road, right next to the TM Historical Society.

Currently we are a small but friendly group. In the past we have had up to 20 members, but numbers at the moment need a boost and this is where you come in.

Call our teacher Stephen Buntrock, from the Gold Coast Art School, between 1pm and 4 pm on a Monday on 5545 3221, or better still call in to meet Stephen and our group members. We can tell you about what we do and how Stephen caters for any art form and any level of expertise, so beginners are most welcome.

You can attend up to three sessions before you need to join up with Creative Arts and this membership gives you an entrance to a number of other groups meeting at this great facility.

Helen Griffin



Paula Davidson (top) and Wendy Hibble

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CLUB TAMBORINE

HEART OF THE MOUNTAIN

Club Tamborine – a club for all of the residents of Tamborine Mountain – Not just a bowls club!

So – what do YOU think of Club Tamborine? Do you go there regularly? Do you like the place? What do we do well? What could we do better?

These are just some of the questions I've been asking our members and the wider community since I became the club's president last year. We've been working tirelessly over the past year to improve the image of the club and to provide a community hub – a place for locals to go to get away from the tourists and enjoy themselves in a light, bright, family friendly, affordable and safe environment.

We recognise that the club has had its ups and downs over recent years. Though the reasons for this are varied, we're now looking forward with a vision to be the venue of choice for our community to enjoy – a club for everyone!

Our recent extensive refurbishment provides a modern, warm and inviting facility for a great day or night out, to celebrate that big birthday bash or engagement party, or to simply enjoy the many activities on offer.

Our members are a wonderful group of people who go out of their way to be welcoming and make you feel at home. Our staff are professional, friendly and fun to be around and our patrons are representative of the broader community. We're fast becoming known as a family friendly facility with family groups regularly frequenting the club.

As a not-for-profit community organisation, we reinvest our profits to improve the club's facilities, provide community social events and activities, support other local not-for-profit organisations, and donate funds to local charities and the local RFS and SES.

In recent weeks we've hosted the new Tamborine Mountain Probus Club meetings and we offer our facility free of charge for other local not-for-profit groups to hold their meetings.

And we have a new Chef! The Club's Bistro is in the best shape it's been in for years with new kitchen equipment and an all new menu. We're already getting rave reviews about the quality and affordability of our meals.

So, as you can see, we really are much more than just a Bowlo.

If you're a club member who hasn't been to the club in a while, if you're new to the Mountain, or if you've just never been to the club, we warmly invite you to pop in and check us out.

For as little as \$5 a year you can become a Social Member of the club which entitles you to food and beverage discounts, free entry into our weekly member's draw (now \$1750) and participation in our all-new rewards program which will start on 1 October.

Want to play competitive croquet, lawn bowls or both? Just contact the club on 5545 1308 for details. Alternatively, ask about our social barefoot bowls for individuals, family groups or business functions.

Hope to see you soon!

Rob Tailor



Working for Wright

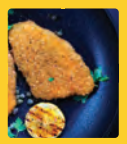
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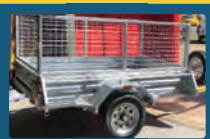
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Getting into the spirit of World Guacamole Day at El Burro Cantina - clockwise from left: Bronwyn Watson, Lana Bignell, Olivia Graham; Matt Reynolds and Ash Perrow; Ivy Watson, Isabelle Richards, Ella Watson; chefs Marcus McKay and Jono King; Serena Flahavin, Laura Flahavin; Marlie Tambling with the El Burro Scarecrow Festival entry



The word "avocado" is derived from the Nuahtl language of the Aztec peoples. Fun Fact - they use the same word - *ahuacatl* - for 'testicle'. Joined with the word 'mulli' for sauce, we get *ahuacatl-mulli* ... anglicised to Guacamole.

Simple Guacamole recipe

- 4 ripe avocados
- Juice of 1 lime
- a good pinch each of fresh ground cumin and salt

Mash all together with a fork, leave a few lumps for texture.

This is a simple recipe designed to highlight the full flavour of the avocados. Common additions include diced onions, diced capsicum or tomato, or some chopped coriander or green chilli.

Guacamole is always best served shortly after being made, at room temperature - refrigeration sets the healthy fats which reduces the flavour overall. If you plan on refrigerating it, over-season it a bit.

The secret storage trick for Guacamole is to level it off in the container with the back of a spoon, then cover it with a shallow layer of water just a few ml deep. This excludes all oxygen and prevents it browning over time. When you want it next, just pour the water off and pat dry with a paper towel.



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Twenty-four hours of unadulterated freedom; dealer's choice. The key ingredients? Granny Smith, Pink Lady, Ginger, and Rosé.

If you haven't been in to visit us lately you might not have heard about our brand-new cider range, Eighth Day. Though we are yet to start promoting, we thought we'd let the good people of Tamborine Mountain have first dibs on this delicious new range. Eighth Day consists of four ciders: The existing Pink Lady and Granny Smith, which make up our core range; and two exciting new additions, the Ginger and the Rosé.

An alcoholic drink made from the fermentation of apple juice, the term 'hard' is used to indicate alcoholic content, distinguishing it from its sweet American counterpart. Hard ciders can be dry or sweet, and their appearance ranges from cloudy and sedimented to near-transparent.

Cider typically maintains a fairly low alcohol content because the apples used to make it are naturally low in sugar. Even sweeter apples tend to have far less sugar content than grapes. During fermentation, yeast particles source energy by consuming these sugars; the byproducts of this process are alcohol and carbon dioxide. Once all these naturally occurring sugars have been consumed, the yeast loses its food supply and eventually dies off. The final product? A fermented cider that contains around 4 to 6 per cent alcohol.

Each of our four ciders has been produced from 100 per cent fresh, Granite Belt apples. As Tamborine Mountain's only working winery, all cider production is also carried out on-site. Much like our grapes, the apples are transported from Stanthorpe to the winery via truck, where they are immediately crushed to extract the juice. For our Ginger Cider, we infused a hard apple base with 80 kilograms of fresh, Australian ginger. Similarly, the Rosé cider started on a Pink Lady base, which was then infused with Witches Falls' Shiraz. In a process remarkably similar to that of our unwooded whites, the apple juice is fermented in large stainless-steel vats, which gives the cider a fresh, clean finish. In order to retain the natural flavours and colours of our cider, we use minimal filtration, and do not add any sweeteners.

As you cannot currently source the Ginger or the Rosé online, we thought we'd give you a sneak peek at the tasting notes for each of these delightful beverages.

"Botanical, bright, and spicy. Our Ginger Cider is built on a hard apple cider base and incorporates a delicious infusion of zesty, refreshing ginger. The perfect post-swim refreshment."

"Rosy, resplendent, and refined. Our Rosé Cider marries a hard apple base with a delicate rationing of smooth Shiraz. Passionately pink, this spritzzy refreshment is the perfect evening accompaniment."

If that's not enough to convince you, pop into our Cellar Door and try some for yourself.

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



Ian MacAllan
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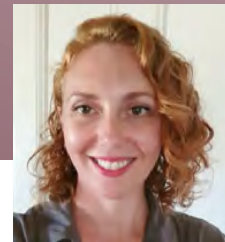
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PREGNANCY AND LOSS

For a long time, miscarriage, termination, or late gestation fetal deaths were taboo subjects. These babies were often not spoken of, and secrets held within families.

The hangover of this still exists today where many women feel that they cannot acknowledge that they have had to make difficult life choices or that they have lost a baby. Most women, at some point in their lives will experience pregnancy loss. For some people, they feel that it is a topic they cannot discuss. Sometimes this is bound in culture or upbringing.

When I started my training in the UK 14 years ago, we were taught about the recent history of pregnancy loss and how this was handled in the medical community and by society, where many women were encouraged to remain silent about their losses, no matter the gestation. Stories of women who had stillborn babies who were whisked away at birth and never allowed to be held by their grieving mothers. Some women were told to 'forget about it' or 'get over it' if they had experienced pregnancy loss in the early gestations of pregnancy. Thankfully, care for these women and conversations about pregnancy loss has improved in recent times.

As soon as a woman or a couple find out that they are to be parents, they often start making plans for that child, naming him or her, imagining what he or she will be like, how they will fit into an existing family. To lose that baby is to lose all the hopes and dreams you had for that child. The loss is not of a fetus or a pregnancy

of so many weeks, it is the loss of the life you thought you would have with that child. Health practitioners are much more aware of acknowledging pregnancy loss now. However, many family members may not be able to talk about it and support their family through it - sometimes because they themselves may have experienced a loss and not had an opportunity to process it, or because it is too raw for them. Sometimes it is because people don't know what to say, so may say things that are inappropriate such as 'you can always have another one' or 'it was only 12 weeks' or ignore the subject altogether. Navigating loss is complex and difficult, and one of the best things you can do if you know someone who is experiencing a pregnancy loss is to acknowledge their sadness, that you don't know what to say if that is the case, and if you are able, to listen to the parents and give them space and time to grieve.

Late gestation losses can often be very difficult, as there is a commonly held belief that once you are beyond 12 weeks and have had a low risk nuchal scan, that your baby will be born well and there are no problems. This sadly does not always happen. I have heard too many times families saying that term stillbirth doesn't happen anymore, so how could this have happened?

There has been a great deal of research into stillbirth and prevention, and while we have improved outcomes for many, any stillborn baby is an absolute tragedy for a family. There are some risk factors that

have been identified, and combating these can improve outcomes. A recent drive by The Stillbirth CRE (Centre of Research Excellence in Stillbirth) called Safer Baby initiative, is trying to educate women about risks and simple ways they can reduce these during their pregnancy. These are:

- Quit smoking
- Regularly monitor baby's growth
- Movements matter
- Sleep on your side from 28 weeks, and
- Timing birth.

More information on these can be found at www.saferbaby.org.au and if you are pregnant I would urge you to read the information on this website and talk to your healthcare providers about it. If you have experienced a loss, I am so sorry for what you have had to go through. If you feel that you need to speak to someone about your feelings or worries, please see your GP or other health professionals such as Psychologist, Midwife or Obstetrician. If you have other children who are navigating a loss and need extra support, charities like Paradise Kids are a wonderful resource. It is never too late to talk about and grieve for a lost child.

Bree Lowing is a Registered Midwife and provides bulk-billed and Medicare rebated in-home antenatal and postnatal services through The Mountain Midwife www.themountainmidwife.com.au

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JON KRAUSE MP

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BORDER EXEMPTIONS

Consistency, compassion and common-sense – that’s what we need from the authorities when it comes to border closure exemptions.

I’ve been contacted by numerous people whose livelihoods are being threatened by not being able to work on farms or projects just over the border – where there is now less COVID-19 than in South East Queensland. If there is a way for AFL officials and Tom Hanks to be given exemptions, surely there can be also for people who need to work or farm in these areas? You are more likely to contract COVID-19 in Logan than Lismore.

The LNP supports control measures at this time and were the first to call for restrictions to be put in place when Victoria lost control of the virus. However, this is not a ‘set and forget’ situation and nor should it be a tool for playing politics and determining that some people’s jobs (in certain niche industries, like sport and film) are more important than other small businesses throughout the entire region.

NO BUDGET MEANS NO PLAN

Last week in Parliament – the final sitting week before the election – I took issue with the failure by this Government to deliver a budget before the election. It is hiding from scrutiny. What we do know is that Queensland’s projected debt has increased by \$17 billion over the past 12 months, but we don’t know why, nor do we know what the Government intends to spend our money on in the future, because no budget was delivered.

This means no budget for our State-controlled roads; no budget for our schools (including to fix air-conditioning bungalows at TMSS); no budget for our police. Or if there is a budget, hidden away in the Treasurer’s office, we can’t see it and can’t ask questions about it. This is what I suspect, especially because the Treasurer has now said there will be a budget on 30 November if Labor is re-elected. A budget doesn’t simply appear – it is the culmination of many months of work inside government. It could have been delivered last week, but the Government which has wasted millions on failed IT projects and sugar-hits to parts of the economy while failing to do the “hard yards” in building for the future, doesn’t want you to know the truth before the election. They have hidden the true state of our economy and budget from all of us.

CONGRATULATORY LETTERS

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Relationships

MENTORING IS A TWO-WAY STREET

In the movie *The Intern*, Robert DeNiro plays the role of Ben, a 70-year-old widower. Bored at home, Ben joins a senior internship program with an online fashion company amid predominantly young people.

He finds himself completely out of his depth in the techno environment, surrounded by highly qualified staff who doubt his suitability. Ben manages to bridge the gap through authenticity, availability and compassion. His interest in his wary colleagues and his willingness to enter their world paves the way to gain their trust and creates relationships. Over the course of the film, Ben’s place in the company evolves from the odd, irrelevant outsider to a trusted confidant and mentor to the younger staff.

Mentoring has become a popular subject of conversation in business and sports in recent years. Mentoring has always existed, but we just didn’t give it such an elaborate title. Men and women have acted as exemplars to boys and girls without a deliberate sense of being a mentor to those in their sphere of influence. However, there have been major changes in recent generations that have hindered this process.

Firstly, there is an increased mobility in terms of population movement and social aspiration. In past times, people were born and grew up in the same community and naturally learnt basic life skills from the example of those older members in their extended family. These skills equipped them to survive and thrive in their adult lives. Today those links are often broken by physical mobility. We no longer live our whole lives in a settled community. We have become wanderers and the communities in which we grow up change quickly. The traditional role models and guides who shaped our lives are no longer readily accessible.

Secondly, there has been mobility related to a rapid shift in ideologies. Cultural life is undergoing speedy and dynamic change. In a static culture generational wisdom is more likely to be sought and imparted. In a culture of perpetual change older wisdom tends to be viewed as outdated.

Those with inherent experience and wisdom feel they have little relevance to offer a younger generation. They might even be intimidated by the younger generation’s confidence and strong convictions on issues that they were never confronted with in their younger years. For these reasons, the valuable process of natural mentoring is diminishing and will be lost if we don’t intentionally foster it.

Ben undergoes a personal transformation himself. His exposure to youthful enthusiasm provides a new zest for life. He also learns some handy tech skills. Mentoring is never a one-way street. Each one of us benefits from others’ support, insight, feedback and resources at points on our journey. You have something to offer another generation and they have something to offer you. Make a decision to create a bridge and see where it leads.

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Letters to the Editor

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WHY I VOTED THE WAY I DID ON JUSTIN AVENUE

Why I voted in favour of the Outdoor Reception Centre in Justine Avenue. ITEM 11.8 Ordinary meeting agenda 7 September:

I am aware of some disappointment that I voted in favour of the above development, so it is important I advise why I did this. Not everyone will accept my reasoning, but my motivation was for the best outcomes for Justin Avenue residents and because I believe the proposed development is a relatively low impact use on the property, and preferable to a probable much larger, greater impact style development. It would be myopic to think that Council refusing this development could stop it proceeding to an approval through the courts.

For those who don't know, the subject property has an area of 41 hectares on the eastern escarpment and a length of 1.8 kilometres, with the only environmentally acceptable access at the bottom of Justin Avenue, a very steep road where any vehicular movement will create noise.

The proposal was for a temporary structure, upmarket boutique marquee that is 200m² in area. It is proposed to be used a maximum of three times per week, with a maximum 100 guests and 20 guest cars, for weddings, corporate functions etc. The reception centre is 600 metres inside the property from the Justin Avenue crossover.

The planning report advises the use was consistent with the planning scheme and was code assessable, meaning as long as all the rules were followed with respect to aspects of the use, then Council had to approve it. Under the Planning Act, it did not trigger public notification or the need to call for submissions for Council to consider or the need for a Council vote on the proposal. Even so, to the Planning Department's credit, submissions lodged were considered and reported on, and councillors had input into the conditions to address residents' concerns and it was referred to Council for a vote.

Approval was recommended subject to stringent conditions. There was no other logical outcome. The vote was four in favour, three against so my vote was critical in the approval succeeding. If it had been the reverse, councillors voting against the proposal would have had to nominate planning grounds for going against the assessment planner's recommendations. I had no confidence in that as whatever grounds put forward would have little weight in my opinion and the matter would be straight to court and likely be overturned. Obviously, Council planners would be no help in defending a refusal once having recommended an approval for a consistent code assessable development. In a complex inconsistent impact assessable proposal, this may be different.

The applicant would, in support of an approval in the courts, hold up the Council's original planning recommendation in favour of his case. In these circumstances, the matter is taken out

of the hands of the Council and put in the hands of the Court that would apply its own conditions based on expert witnesses. Unless Justin Avenue residents or others were prepared to go to court, fund their own expert witnesses and put up a large legal battle, the conditions may have been relaxed to the detriment of Justin Avenue residents.

I believe the Council conditions are fair and reasonable and address the residents' concerns to the maximum extent possible.

From the applicant's perspective, I believe the use will showcase the Mountain, is a modest use of the land of this size and is sensitive to the environment. Certainly a resident who lives on the Mountain, shares in the Mountain's values, has family here, and is prepared to invest and provide local employment, is preferable to a foreign investor with little or no connection and not subject to the concerns and voices of residents. I hope that his company is able to accept the stringent approval conditions around road sealing, operating times, noise abatement, waste, lighting, restrictions on numbers, and car parking, using buses to bring in guests etc (please see these conditions for yourself on the Council website under meetings 7th September), which in my view will be the best outcome for all parties.

**Derek Swanborough
Councillor, SRRC Division 1**

BASE POST-COVID POWER ON FACT, NOT EMOTION

As we climb out of the COVID-19 pandemic the major problem will be rebuilding our battered economy. Reliable and affordable grid power will be vital. Decisions will have to be based on fact, not on emotion.

Renewables have a part to play. Unfortunately, only hydro has the capability to supply affordable and reliable baseload power, but our worn-down topography provides very limited opportunity. That leaves solar and wind, but their erratic output must be supported by storage and/or backup generators. For storage, large scale pumped hydro cannot happen due to our topography, while the capital and operating cost of available alternatives are too high to be competitive. For backup, we are not allowed to talk about nuclear, so realistically we are left with fossil fuel. With modern technology that is not nearly as bad as has been painted.

On a world scale, our power generation emissions are miniscule and, even if the CO₂ emissions were reduced to zero, the effect on climate change would probably not be measurable. However, there would be major financial benefits as well as a good feeling of moral virtue if we maximised the efficiencies of our thermal power stations. Very simply, if the efficiency is increased, the fuel burn for the same output is reduced. Fuel cost and emissions go down in step.

Now for something you will rarely hear from those promoting renewables. Substituting natural gas for coal reduces CO₂ emissions by about 50 per cent. Coal is almost all carbon

which when burnt with atmospheric oxygen becomes carbon dioxide, CO₂. Natural gas is largely methane, CH₄. This replaces much of the carbon with hydrogen so about half of the CO₂ emission is replaced by water. That also raises questions about the efforts being made to limit the use of our natural gas reserves.

Our old coal burning power stations probably have an efficiency of about 28 per cent. Well established HELE (High Efficiency Low Emission) power stations easily achieve 40 per cent. China has legislated against any power stations achieving less than 14 per cent and Japan is already at this level. Compared to our outdated coal technology, this indicates an emission reduction of 30 per cent burning coal and 65 per cent burning gas.

Experimental stations running at still higher pressures (ultra-supercritical) have achieved 50 per cent efficiency but designs and materials are being pushed to the limit.

However, if gas is available, the prize-winner is Combined Cycle. This uses gas burning gas turbines for front end power generation complemented by a simple steam power plant using the gas turbines' hot exhausts. Thousands are in use with efficiencies from 55 per cent to 59 per cent with better to come. Assuming 57 per cent and comparing to old technology, fuel burn would be reduced by about 50 per cent and CO₂ emissions by about 75 per cent. A reliable power supply would also be assured.

Potential benefits of this order cannot simply be ignored even if it means burning gas. Adding manageable amounts of renewables remains a possible bonus.

Phil Giffard



Shadow Minister for Tourism David Crisafulli (right) who officially opened the 2020 Tamborine Mountain Scarecrow Festival at Cedar Creek Estate Vineyard and Winery, presents St Bernard State School Principal, Scott Johnstone, with the Best in Show award which was won by the school's entry, Wangerri.



MASTERWORKS ON THE MOUNTAIN

Yorkshire-born Gold Coast artist Brian Cook has often been called a true living master. His work is found not only in the homes of many art collectors, but also in those of other artists - an aspect that Brian, in his humility, feels to be the ultimate honour.

Early influences were the works of J.M.W. Turner and John Constable. As a young man, he emigrated to Australia at a time when Australian art found its own identity through the works of Arthur Streeton, Tom Roberts and the Heidelberg School. Brian was deeply impressed with the Australian post-Impressionists and their way of depicting the strong light and colour of the Australian landscape. Now entering the eighth decade of a life that has seen his work acclaimed with numerous awards and accolades, but with commercial recognition rising and falling a number of times through the vagaries of the art world, Brian has remained true to his ideals, beliefs and his own artistic strengths.



Viking Framer's new exhibition featuring Brian Cook and his stunning collection of Australian expressionist pieces opens soon, and we would like to extend an opportunity for bookings for private pre-viewing prior to opening night. The pre-viewings will be held starting from the 23rd of September, three days prior to public display. Interested clients can contact the gallery on **0449 250 545** or david@vikingframer.com



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BEATING THOSE PANDEMIC WEDDING WOES

In the midst of the COVID-19 pandemic, many couples planning their wedding are going from anticipation to despair.

Restrictions have changed numerous times with little or no notice, sending not only couples but wedding vendors into a spin.

Guests lists need to be cut, receptions let go, dates changed, some moved to next year. New invitations must be sent out ... phone calls, messages ... it is a crisis within a crisis.

Planning a wedding now is crazy, stressful ... and can test even the strongest of wills. The dream is crushed, or is it?

I am pleased to report that creative wedding vendors are rising to the occasion and responding to the unprecedented challenges, working with couples to re-create the dream, looking to find a hero moment they can look back on with no regrets.

Happily, one such moment was achieved recently for the newly married Malcolm and Melanie Bean.

We worked closely together, pouring over their wedding ceremony with a fine-tooth comb to ensure that every word represented the love and commitment they shared. The beautiful gardens at Tea and Niceties on Tamborine Mountain set the mood for a small intimate wedding for a party of nine. With their two pulchritudinous (Latin for beautiful) young daughters as their attendants and a showstopper of a first dance, they were pronounced Husband and Wife.

Secret dance lessons had created excitement and a special feeling leading up to their wedding day. Leaving nothing to chance, they rehearsed and rehearsed to perfect their moves, ending with a sensational flip! Bec Pattinson Photography caught it with a fabulous shot - there was no second chance.

"Thank you so much for being a part of our wedding journey," said a delighted Malcolm and Melanie.



You may have to practise "PULCHRITUDINOUS" in the future if you come across it again in a ceremony, ha ha!

"You helped us to change and personalise our ceremony to the exact way we wanted it; you were so patient with us.

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Q&A with the Scenic News

Karen Keeling is the owner of Hope Island Beauty and Medispa and employs a team of three therapists who take great pride in their work. Using personalised programs and high-quality products, they specialise in providing long-term skin and body rejuvenation for both men and women.

What inspired you to get into your business?

I was looking for a change in career and lifestyle and have always loved the idea of working in the beauty industry and helping people feel more confident in themselves. When I got the opportunity to purchase Hope Island Beauty and Medispa I jumped in.

How would you describe your business and its role in today's society?

The perception of beauty over the last decade or so has had a negative impact on self-esteem and body image. Whether you are female or male, I would like to think that Hope Island Beauty and Medispa's focus is more on helping our clients to feel confident in their own skin, rather than portraying an image of: You only look better if you look "younger".

Are we right in assuming that there appears to be a lot more to your business than a simple focus on beauty? There appears to be a growing health factor involved as well, especially in the area of treating the cause rather than the symptoms of skin issues.

Health and beauty are, in many ways, almost synonymous. All of the world's most expensive skincare products won't help us if we don't take good care of ourselves. Possibly the thing that influences the quality of our skin more than anything else is diet. Fatty foods aren't just bad for your cardiovascular system, they are terrible for your face as well. They can easily lead to excessive oiliness in the T-zone, and too much sugar can cause acne, inflammation, and redness, so people with problems, such as psoriasis and rosacea are particularly sensitive. So, we encourage our clients to not only look after their skin with the correct skincare but to also look at external factors such as diet and lifestyle to help address their skin issues.

What associated with your business are you most excited about?

I love the response from clients when they start seeing results from their treatments or skincare. There is nothing more gratifying than watching someone's confidence starting to soar



Karen Keeling

when they start feeling better about themselves and when they see the results in the mirror. One example of this is a young man we were treating for acne. He didn't want to go to his Year 12 formal because he was quite embarrassed about his acne. So, we helped him address the problem with a combination of skincare treatment and eating habits. After a few months of following this regime he went to his formal.

What is your biggest challenge?

Trying to convince clients that not all skincare is created equal. When you see ads on television telling you that this product has retinol or that product has hyaluronic acid then most people believe that it is great for their skin. However, if it is a cosmetic product (bought in a chemist, supermarket or department store) it sits on the surface of your skin and does not penetrate to the deeper levels where it is needed. Cosmeceutical products (sold by your beauty therapist) does have the required level of active ingredients that you need to see actual changes in your skin and just because they are cosmeceutical does not mean they are expensive.

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

Not really bizarre, but a little strange -

a fellow who hated shaving every day asked us for IPL hair removal for his beard.

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

I don't want any other job - I love doing this. So, my only next job will be being retired and travelling around Australia (if we are ever allowed to do that again)!

How did COVID-19 affect your businesses?

We were closed by government directives for eight weeks which was quite tough, but once we were allowed to return we have been overwhelmed with the support and loyalty of our clients (both long term and new - from the Gold Coast and Hinterland including, Tamborine Mountain).

Do you take holidays and if so, is there a favourite spot?

My husband and I love to get away in our caravan. We don't have a favourite spot; we love to discover new places. There are so many places to discover within an hour or so of the Gold Coast it is amazing. We try to get away for three or four days at a time. Lucky I have such amazing staff who look after the business for me when we do get away.

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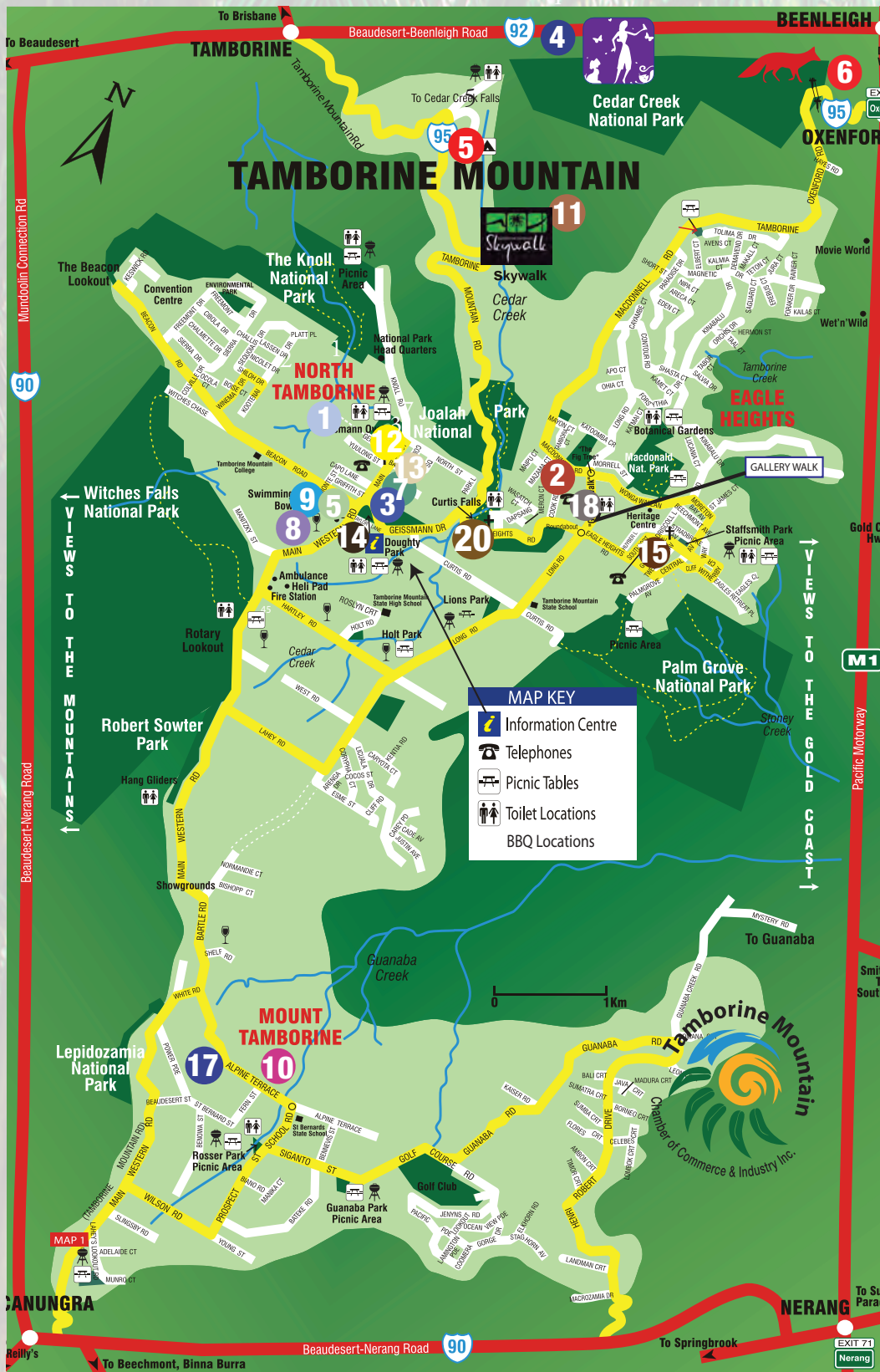
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NEW MOUNTAIN PROBUS CLUB BEGINS



Christine Stewart addresses the foundation meeting of Tamborine Mountain Combined Probus Club.

More than 30 interested Tamborine Mountain residents met last week at Club Tamborine for the foundation meeting of the Tamborine Mountain Combined Probus Club.

Probus is a non-political, non-fundraising, non-sectarian and not-for-profit organisation which provides an essential role in local communities by promoting the advancement of intellectual, social and cultural interests among persons who are retired or semi-retired.

Established in Australia in 1976, Probus has over 11,000 members throughout Queensland in more than 170 Probus Clubs throughout the State.

Probus Clubs provide regular gatherings for semi-retired and retired people in local communities who appreciate and value opportunities to meet with others with similar interests. Some of the advantages that Probus Clubs provide for retirees is the opportunity to meet like-minded people, to make new friends,

discover new interests, hear inspiring speakers and explore their local area.

The new Tamborine Mountain Combined Probus Club is seeking more like-minded residents to join them in some fun, friendship and fellowship. The club meets at 10am on the second Wednesday of the month at Club Tamborine.

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The Elder Abuse Prevention Helpline is a first port of call for support, referrals, and information about elder abuse. It provides free assistance to anyone who experiences, witnesses, or suspects the abuse of an older person by someone they know and trust. All calls to the Helpline are confidential and the caller is welcome to remain anonymous. Calls are not recorded, or notes kept. The Helpline is senior-focused, respectful and non-judgmental and offers you the time to talk things over at your pace. Elder abuse is a complex issue and its role is to work with you on what the best options may be for you and your family. Sometimes, contact with a number of agencies may be required.

"Elder abuse is a single or repeated act, lack of appropriate action, occurring within any relationship where there is an expectation of trust, which causes harm or distress to an older person." (WHO, 2002). Abuse can be experienced by men and women, rich and poor from all cultures and races. An abused older person may live on their own or in a household. They could be taking care of themselves, caring for someone or being cared by someone. The person doing the abusing is often someone the older person knows and should be able to trust, such as a daughter or son, grandchild, spouse, other family member, carer or friend.

TYPES OF ABUSE

Financial – the illegal and improper use of an older person's money and or property

Psychological – causing mental anguish, fear of violence, feelings of shame, humiliation, and powerlessness

Physical – inflicting pain or injury such as hitting, slapping, restraining or under medicating

Neglect – intentional or unintentional failure of a carer to provide necessities of life to a person who depends on them

Sexual – assault, rape or any activity that makes the senior feel uncomfortable about their gender.

PROTECTING YOURSELF

- If in immediate danger – call the Police on 000 (triple zero)
- Have a safety plan
- Call Elder Abuse Prevention Helpline for support, information and referrals to agencies who may be of practical assistance
- Do not make major life decisions and changes at a time of crisis
- Retain as much control over your life as possible and remain socially connected
- Make informed decisions by seeking independent legal and financial advisors rather than using your son's/daughter's advisors. Use accredited interpreters if needed.

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VOICING YOUR TRUTH

We've been working through the chakras over the last couple of weeks in yoga class.

It's fun and fascinating yoga and gives us a chance to dig up and practise obscure yoga poses, mantras and breathwork that open and balance and enhance a particular chakra point in the body (seven nerve and endocrine plexuses that lie along the length of the spine).

Last week we were working on the throat chakra which has much to do with your thyroid gland and how you use and project your voice. What you say reflects what is going on inside your world and has a big influence on how others view you. And as the week progressed, in a convoluted way, all things that happened during the week seemed to be coming back to the power of the voice and indeed the power of speaking up and speaking your truth, whatever that means to you.

I was driving home from Brisbane and a taped conversation was playing over the radio of the arrest of the young woman in Ballarat over her Facebook post on attending an anti-COVID rally. It was quite horrible to listen to. I was aware of the drama in the media, shocked as to the draconian measures taken, but like everyone else my interest and horror stopped there.

I had not bothered to search social media to find the video recording of the incident. But to hear this young woman try to defend her mistake and ask if she could delete the post (it was denied) and to hear the panic in her voice as she, pregnant in her pyjamas, was being arrested in front of her two children was confronting for the listener. This young lady it seems had tried to speak her truth, reach out to others to express her dissatisfaction which was against the law and the state of emergency in Victoria, and it did not end well. It seems that speaking your truth has legal limits, even in our beautiful democratic country.

The second wakeup call as to the power of the voice was from someone I came into contact with who, with little provocation, launched into a pessimistic and rude tirade about life in general, the country, the social classes etc and it left such a taint on the morning it made me realise the power of choosing your words carefully and how those words create your world. For this angry person, it was a rather sour world. How our words create our reality!

So, our yoga last week mimicked life. As we roared like lions in Lions Pose, and chanted the bija mantra HUM for our vishuddhi chakra, life, as it rolled out around us, validated the power of your voice, your truth and using your words to create your reality.

Margot Wagner
Yoga Under the Bodhi Tree

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ANIMALS AND COVID-19

There is no evidence that domestic animals play a role in spreading the virus that causes COVID-19.

There have been no reports of domestic animals, wildlife or livestock being infected in Australia, according to Government health websites

Several lions and tigers at a New York zoo tested positive after showing signs of respiratory illness. The large cats became sick after being exposed to a zoo employee who was infected with COVID-19; all of these animals fully recovered.

According to the World Health Organisation several dogs and cats (domestic cats and tigers) in contact with infected humans have tested positive for COVID-19 in other parts of the world. In addition, ferrets appear to be susceptible to the infection. In experimental conditions, both cats and ferrets were able to transmit infection to other animals of the same species. However, there is no evidence that these animals can transmit the disease to humans and spread COVID-19.

Apart from the virus being spread by droplets from an infected person, transmission can occur if a surface is contaminated. Non-porous (smooth) surfaces like metal/glass/phones/door knobs are more likely to transmit viruses, and for longer than porous surfaces like paper/money/wood/clothing. Variables include temperature and humidity. The outer layer of mask can be infective for up to seven days; careful and correct removal and disposal of masks is important.

The cause and origin of COVID-19 “is the elephant in the room” with many conspiracy theories, yet like SARS, Avian Flu, MERS and Swine Flu. there is a strong case that the treatment of animals in a broken food system is a major factor in the spread of diseases on a global scale. China, Vietnam, Cambodia and other countries have no biosecurity or animal welfare laws that are enforced. Exotic wildlife are mostly captured (some bred) and kept in highly stressful conditions, lacking sustenance and clean conditions in close quarters with other animal species.

The cages they are kept in for long periods are mostly tiny and stacked on top of one another, where the lower levels are constantly flooded with the droppings of the upper ones. We know that humans living in cramped unhygienic conditions promotes all kinds diseases and their rapid spread.

There is no simple answer on how we can reduce the risk of future pandemics, but a global shift towards safer and kinder food systems can be part of the solution, for people and animals. This pandemic gives us the opportunity to question our lifestyle choices, and making meat cheap isn't cheap if it costs millions of lives.

Eating less meat and choosing plant based and sustainably grown foods is one thing we can do as individuals – for animals, the environment and ourselves.

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By Gina Storey

School Holidays are coming up – what to do? Close to home ‘playcations’ are popular this year. Hop in the car and go. We often forget what is on our doorstep.

How about a trip to The Spit – we have negotiated a great deal for a family of two adults and two children to escape to the 4-star Sea World Resort for three nights including daily breakfast and unlimited access to Sea World, Movie World, Wet'n'Wild, and Paradise Country. All from \$968. With friendly staff, fantastic facilities, and direct monorail access to Sea World, it's no wonder Sea World Resort enjoys the reputation of being Australia's number one theme park holiday destination.

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Why not venture to the Big Smoke? Drive up to Brisbane and on the way stop to visit the Spirits of the Red Sand – this wonderful exhibit that has just won the Queensland's Best of the Best tourism experience. Included in your staycation is entrance to Welcome to Country which invites you to discover ancient Aboriginal customs and rituals from the Dreamtime to the rhythms of the didgeridoo to participating in all aspects of traditional Aboriginal life including boomerang painting and bush tucker tasting.

Stay for three nights at the Mercure on King George Square in the heart of Brisbane. Walk across the bridge to South Bank and ride the Ferris wheel. Pick up a scooter or a bicycle and explore the inner city, wander the old Botanic Gardens, or take the lift up the clock tower of City Hall.

Also included is a day trip to Lone Pine Sanctuary – leaving central Brisbane you will cruise just over an hour up river before you arrive at this native wildlife sanctuary where you can hand feed kangaroos or learn about koalas, watch the sheep dog show and enjoy the Raptor Show before the relaxing cruise back down the Brisbane River to the city. This three-night package includes accommodation and daily breakfast, the Welcome to Country Experience with morning tea and the full day tour up the Brisbane River to Lone Pine Sanctuary. For a family of two adults and two children the cost starts from \$1099.

The prices are based on a family of two adults and two children – the prices may change depending upon your specific dates and the age of the children. Call Travelling Places to book these great family escapes or to ask about other options. Phone 5545 1600.



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Spring has sprung! Time to fire up the BBQ and invite a few friends around for a bevvie, a chin wag and some delicious food. Why not make this easy Southern American-inspired burger. The aroma of it cooking will get all the tongues wagging.

What a glorious time of year spring is; the birds are singing, the flowers are blooming, and the weather is starting to warm up a bit. I was delighted to have the good fortune of meeting some of our awesome locals last weekend at Eagle Heights Butchery. I've said it many times - just how fortunate we are to have such a generous and good spirited community. One only has to go for a drive to see also the artistic talent we have on Tamborine Mountain, with the wonderful displays of workmanship on all the scarecrows that have popped up for the annual Scarecrow Festival. WELL DONE!

Speaking of festivals, one of the biggest festivals in America happens in the country's south in New Orleans. The origins of Mardi Gras (French for Fat Tuesday) can be traced to Medieval Europe, passing through Rome and Venice in the 17th and 18th centuries to the French House of the Bourbons. From here, the traditional revelry of "Boeuf Gras," or "fatted calf," followed France to her colonies.

On March 2, 1699, French-Canadian explorer Jean Baptiste Le Moyne Sieur de Bienville arrived at a plot of ground 60 miles directly south of New Orleans, and named it Pointe du Mardi Gras when his men realised it was the eve of the festive holiday. Bienville also established "Fort Louis de la Louisiane" in 1702. The following year the tiny settlement of Fort Louis de la Louisiane celebrated America's very first Mardi Gras.

In the 16th century the Spanish, Portuguese and West Africans all came together in the melting pot of the southern states of America. Children in the new country born



of these interracial marriages were called Creoles and the food that resulted in the mix of these cultures is off the charts good.

Louisiana cuisine, whatever it might be called, is the literal melting pot of America. In a pot of gumbo served today in a traditional New Orleans house, there is a French roux, African okra, Indian filé, Spanish peppers, Cajun sausage, and oysters supplied by a Yugoslav fisherman, all served over Chinese rice with an accompaniment of hot French bread made by one of the city's finest German bakers.

The South has become famous for its cuisine and can be found nowhere else just like it. This harmonious cuisine, born out of the mixture of cultures, evolved because of Louisiana's geographical isolation, plus its settlers' hardships, pride, instinct, and the Latin cultural desire to eat well. For two centuries Creole cuisine kept changing to satisfy the needs and tastes of each new group who came to settle in Louisiana. Nowadays, starting with breakfast, with its calas (rice cakes) served with cane syrup, all the way through to the after-dinner treats of café brûlot and pecan pralines, the inhabitants of south Louisiana happily eat a unique diet.

West African cooks had a sophisticated tradition of preparing food. Their African ancestors had traded with Arabs since the eighth century and had left a legacy of various cultivated Middle Eastern vegetables. By the 16th century West African farmers were growing corn,

peanuts, yams, eggplant, garlic, and onions, which they had assimilated into their native diet of kidney beans, varieties of rice, green leafy vegetables, and okra.

Foods were prepared by long, slow cooking and were served with delicate sauces.

INGREDIENTS

- 2 x 250g chicken breast
- 2 tablespoons Creole rub
- 2 tablespoons olive oil
- 4 rashers of bacon
- 1 ripe avocado
- 1 vine ripened tomato
- 100g mixed lettuce
- 4 burger buns
- 4 tablespoons mayonnaise

METHOD

Cut chicken breast horizontally to make four fillets.

Mix Creole rub with oil in a bowl.

Add chicken to the bowl and evenly coat both sides, then marinate for 20 minutes.

Slice the tomato and avocado.

Grill chicken on high heat for 3 to 4 minutes each side or until cooked through and set aside.

TO SERVE

On the base of the toasted bun add lettuce, tomato and avocado. Add bacon and grilled Creole chicken, then spread mayo on top of toasted bun and place on top to finish.

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Our Book Choice: *The Child On Platform One: Inspired by the children who escaped the Holocaust* – by Gill Thompson

Inspired by the real-life escape of thousands of Jewish children from Nazi-occupied Europe on the Kindertransport trains to London, the new novel from the author of *The Oceans Between Us* Gill Thompson. For readers of *The Tattooist of Auschwitz* Heather Morris, *The Choice* Edith Eger and *Lilac Girls* Martha Hall Kelly.

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

TM NETBALL CLUB. Contact Tracey 0438 575 662.

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

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

TAMBORINE MOUNTAIN COMBINED PROBUS CLUB: Join our new social club for retirees and semi-retired and enjoy some fun, fellowship and friendship at Club Tamborine, 6-12 Beacon Road, North Tamborine from 10am on the 2nd Wednesday of the month. Contact Christine Stewart (President) on 0448 877 585

TAMBORINE MOUNTAIN PROBUS CLUB INC (MEN'S CLUB): Join like-minded retired and semi-retired men for fun activities at Vonda Youngman Community Centre, 2-4 Knoll Road, North Tamborine on 3rd Wednesday of the month at 10am. Contact Harvey Ruglen on 0490 066 385 for details of next meeting.

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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