



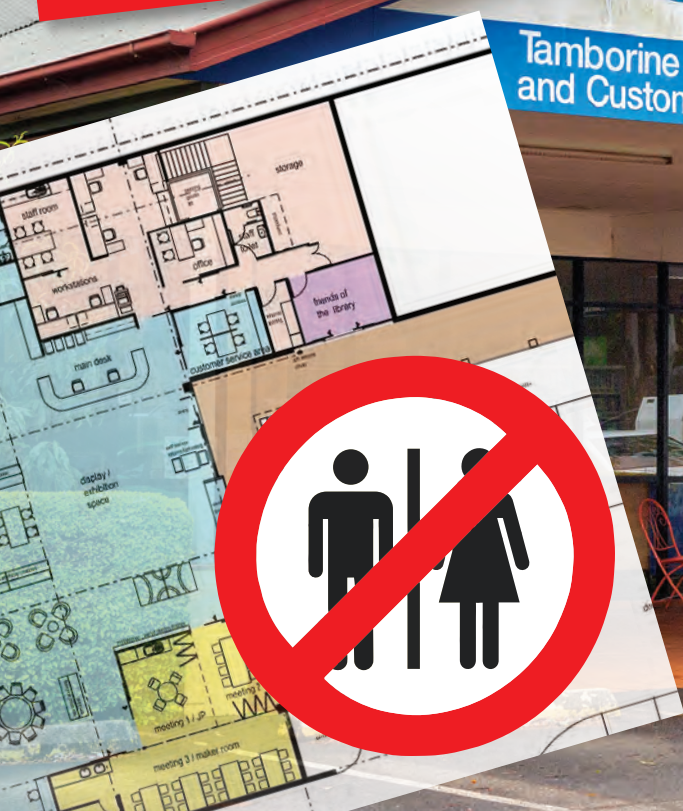
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SCENIC RIM Regional Council
Tamborine Mountain Library and Customer Service Centre

Resulting from the Scenic Rim Regional Council meeting last week, on a split vote of four to three, Mountain residents are to be merely informed of – not consulted on – the layout for the new library in the old IGA building, to be financed with a \$2.14 million federal grant.

The proposed floorplan does not cater for toilets for the public, only staff. Minimal consultation was held last September – before a draft plan existed – and now, its presentation shows open disdain for the Tamborine Mountain community.

Meanwhile, SRRC has applied for a federal grant to fund a blowout from \$8 million to well over \$13 million for the Beaudesert Library complex, catering to a far smaller population, but at least including an interior suite of toilets for all.

Read Cr Derek Swanborough's comments on page 5.



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 Heleen Van Daalen 0424 591 011



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9-11 Lombok Court, Tamborine Mountain

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AGENTS:

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WEATHER FAILS TO HALT PROGRESS ON UPGRADE OF HOWARD CREEK CAUSEWAY



Scott Buchholz (left) and Jon Krause inspecting works at the Howard Creek causeway

Upgrades are underway despite delays, on the Howard Creek Causeway on Tamborine-Oxenford Road, Wongawallan.

Federal Member for Wright, Scott Buchholz said despite the recent bad weather, construction is progressing on the \$10 million project.

“The Liberals and Nationals Federal Government is funding 80 per cent or \$8 million of this upgrade, with the Queensland Government contributing the remaining \$2 million.

“Local motorists, particularly those on Tamborine Mountain and in the Gold Coast hinterland, have been impacted by the poor flood immunity at this crossing for many years.

“I am pleased that the advocacy of local Liberals and Nationals, state and federal, is now seeing action on the ground to improve safety and accessibility,” Mr Buchholz said.

State Member for Scenic Rim, Jon Krause welcomed the progress and said the project was a critical investment in the local region.

“Tamborine-Oxenford Road is a key corridor for access to the Gold Coast and M1 for Scenic Rim residents, from those on Tamborine Mountain and down to Beaudesert.

“Scott Buchholz, as our federal member has continued to advocate and deliver better roads in the region.

“I want to thank the Federal Government for their investment, because without the 80 per cent funding which is the bulk of this investment, the project would still be stalled.

“The upgrade is one of many current infrastructure projects across Queensland that is improving road safety, keeping communities connected and providing a boost which will support our economic recovery.

“This is another local example of the Federal LNP Government delivering better roads and more investment in our region,” Mr Buchholz said.

The Howard Creek Causeway upgrade is expected to support an average of 16 direct jobs over the life of the project.

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BUSHRATS PROUD TO TEAM UP WITH NEW PREMIER SPONSOR

The Tamborine Mountain Junior Rugby League Football Club is proud to announce its new partnership with Professionals Serendipity Real Estate as one of the premier corporate sponsors of the Bushrats!

Professionals Serendipity Real Estate has been supporting the local community for many years via sponsorships. Their team believes strongly in the ethos of 'paying it forward'. Below is just a snapshot of the activities they are involved in:

"As major financial sponsor for Tamborine Mountain Golf Club, it's been an absolute pleasure to support the club and its volunteers, these past years.

"We are very proud to provide ongoing support to valuable community causes such as the local Tamborine Pony Club, Tamborine Mountain Bushrats Cricket Club, Cedar Creek School, and the Tamborine Mountain Show.

"Professionals Serendipity sponsors a child with the Smith Family, adopted a koala, and provides ongoing support with WWF

Australia, and regularly purchases and donates bears to the Kids' Cancer Project.

"The Professionals Group is proud to be an ongoing Diamond Partner to the National Breast Cancer Foundation. For every property sold by Professionals Serendipity, a donation is made to the Foundation, and the group is heading towards 4 million raised.

"Along the way we try to support good causes when we can such as Carrie's Beanies 4 Brain Cancer, Scarecrow Festival, Love Your Sister cancer-vanquishing charity and others.

"We have recently put our energies and support into the Tamborine Mountain Junior Rugby League Football Club by becoming one of the Premier Corporate Sponsors for the 2022/2023 seasons. We are looking forward to seeing the club move from strength to strength."

The Club is excited to have such a community minded sponsor onboard!



TAMBORINE MOUNTAIN MEALS ON WHEELS

Meals on Wheels is a non-profit organisation that delivers nutritionally balanced meals to the elderly, or to younger residents with disabilities. There is a need on Tamborine Mountain for an additional driver for the first Friday of each month, commencing in March and for an additional driver for the third Friday of each month, commencing in April.

Extra volunteers are also required to increase the current pool of relief drivers for Friday deliveries. On occasions, due to illness, appointments, holidays, or other personal circumstances, a rostered volunteer may not be available to deliver meals to the clients. A replacement is then required. The relief volunteer may know in advance or be phoned on the day. Meals are brought up to Community Care, in Southport Avenue, at 9.45am on Fridays. Volunteers collect these named food bags, place them into Meals on Wheels eskies and deliver to clients on the mountain. The delivery run is split into two; you would be delivering to one half of the mountain. Volunteers need their own car and currently require to be double vaccinated against Covid. It takes approximately two to three hours of your time, but the recipients will be very grateful for your community contribution.

If you are happy to assist, please call or text Glenys on 0439 709 174.

These are my own personal views. I do not purport to speak on behalf of Council. Decisions of Council are made only by majority vote, legislative authority or under authority delegated by Council.

Councillor's Comment

DEREK SWANBOROUGH
DIVISION 1



GROWTH MANAGEMENT STRATEGY REPORT

**The community consultation period is from
2nd February to 6th March 2022**

You can download relevant portions of the report from the Council website or email me if you would like a PDF copy of the Tamborine Mountain portion sent to you. You can go online to the Council's website and lodge a submission, but time is running out. Make sure you keep an electronic copy of your submission and that you have an acknowledgement that it has been received. I would suggest you also email me a copy at derek.s@scenicrim.qld.gov.au

The link is <https://letstalk.scenicrim.qld.gov.au/>. Register your email address. It's very easy.

CUSTOMER SATISFACTION SURVEY

While you are commenting on the Growth Management Strategy at LETSTALK SCENIC RIM, please also fill out the satisfaction survey. What do you think of Council's Performance in the last 12 months? This seems like the new way you can have you say, and so, make the most of it. It uses a software program called BANG THE TABLE to receive and process survey results. I URGE RESIDENTS TO BANG THE TABLE and provide feedback on what you like and what you don't like.

IT CLOSES ON THE 27th of FEBRUARY 2022

COUNCIL LIBRARY DESIGN GETS A FAIL FROM ME (Where are the toilets?)

Council has received a grant of \$2.1 million dollars to refurbish the old IGA building into a new Library of about 900 square metres. We can thank our Federal MP, the Hon Scott Buchholz – member for Wright and Assistant Minister for Road Safety and Freight Transport – for that grant.

At the Council meeting last week on a split vote of 4/3, residents are to be INFORMED (not consulted) on the layout for the new library in the old IGA building. That means the decision is made by Council officers, and no correspondence is to be entered into!

I was taken aback when I saw that the proposed floorplan does not cater for toilets for the general public; only one toilet for the staff, and one connected to a baby change facility. How can this be justified? The existing toilets controlled by the body corporate are presently not open to the public because they are not safe from predators, not airconditioned, unable to be supervised, not large enough, and difficult to keep clean.

See the included Library design (**OVERLEAF ON PAGE 7**) from the Council agenda. You may feel as annoyed about this as I am because this is what the Council Officers recommended and decided is what we are going to get, and both Tamborine Mountain Councillors were not consulted about the design.

Some generalised consultation occurred with the public in September last year, but that was before a draft floor

plan was even considered... It's not the same when you are asked what the new library should cater for and then be presented with a design no one can comment on or change.

I also have serious questions about the suitability of other design aspects. There was no acoustic design plan, interior design, no architects' brief about what was to be achieved as far as overall theming, no signage plan, no lighting plan, and worst of all, a totally inadequate and inefficient space for customer service. I think a high school design student could have come up with something better.

It's also not good enough to have an excuse that this is because they are trying to meet funding deadlines. The Council report says it has applied for an extension of six months to complete the project, and the responsible officer said it was likely to be granted. Regardless of all these points I raised, they are bulldozing ahead, and we get whatever they decide. I have to thank Councillors Chalk and McInnes for their support on this important issue.

CONTRAST THIS OUTCOME TO THE PROPOSED BEAUDESERT LIBRARY

The new Beaudesert Library and new surrounding parkland and external civil works is costing around \$23 million dollars, and, it has an inside suite of toilets for all patrons. Why is that?

As you will see, there is ample room to include toilets in the flawed TM design and the services already are in the eastern shared wall, which was previously the bottle shop. It would take all of about 30 minutes for an architect to draw them in the layout presently set aside for storage or a new collection. This is another thing we all should be BANGING THE TABLE ABOUT. There are no acceptable excuses for such a glaring omission and an attempt to rush it through Council and avoid meaningful consultation. Does this decision make a mockery of the Council's much publicised Customer Service Charter? Is it contemptuous of the Tamborine Mountain Community? You be the judge.

What are the salient extracts of the Customer Charter?

1. We'll acknowledge you and listen to your needs.
2. We'll follow through and act in the community interest always.
3. We'll be open and honest always.
4. We want to be loved by the Community. You're the ultimate reason we are here. It's important to us that you love the work we do, and that you love dealing with us.

Have your say, and write a letter to the editor of this paper, the *Beaudesert Times* and *Fassifern Guardian* and other monthly papers and let everyone know what you think.

Kind Regards

Derek Swanborough
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(see proposed library design overleaf on page 7)

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Female Rhinoceros Beetle



Female Rhinoceros Beetle – *Xylotrupes australis*,
garage, Central Ave.

Females lack the male's trademark horns.
The beetle was photographed at the garage last
month. I previously photographed a female in
March 2016. The species occurs in Indonesia,
the Solomon Islands and Papua New Guinea.
In Australia the beetle is found primarily along
Queensland's east coast, to a much lesser degree
along parts of the New South Wales coast, with
isolated sightings in Tasmania and the Northern
Territory. It can grow up to 6 cm in length.

Peter Kuttner

Council Notices

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Applications close 17 February.

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All applications must be submitted through SEEK.com.au

COMMUNITY CONSULTATION

DRAFT SCENIC RIM GROWTH MANAGEMENT STRATEGY 2041

Council is seeking community feedback on the draft Scenic Rim Growth Management Strategy 2041, which has been prepared to manage the future growth needs of the Scenic Rim region. The consultation is open until 6 March 2022 at letstalk.scenicrim.qld.gov.au.

FREE TREE DAYS

Present your free tree voucher (included in July rates notice) at the following locations to claim your trees.

Boonah | Springleigh Park | Saturday 5 March

Beaudesert | Birnam Street Nursery | Saturday 7 May

Harrisville | Harrisville Memorial Park | Date to be confirmed

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BOONAH LIBRARY

Boonah Book Club | First Thursday of month | 12 noon

U3A Book Club | First Wednesday of month | 4pm

Book Lover Book Club | Last Tuesday of the month | 3.30pm

Cover to Cover Book Club | Last Tuesday of the month | 2pm

BEAUDESERT

Book Club | Last Thursday of the month | 10am

CANUNGRA LIBRARY

New Book Club | First Wednesday of the month | 2.15pm

TAMBORINE MOUNTAIN LIBRARY

Wednesday Edition Book Club | Third Wednesday | 2pm

Last Thursday Book Club | Last Thursday of the month | 2pm

MOBILE CLICK AND COLLECT

Kooralbyn Book Club | First Wednesday of the month | 1pm

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LEGACY

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LEGACY EXHIBITION LAUNCH

Saturday 19 February | 10.30am | The Centre Beaudesert

Free entry but registrations essential.



ON STAGE

CIGANY WEAVER IN CONCERT

Friday 11 March | 11am | Vonda Youngman Community Centre

Tickets Adults \$16, Groups of 9+ \$12.50 per person

BLOOM SINGS THE STEVIE NICKS, CAROLE KING AND LINDA RONSTADT SONGBOOK

Friday 25 March | 7.30pm | Boonah Cultural Centre

Tickets Adults \$34, Conc. \$29, Groups of 8+ \$29 per person

FRIDAY FLICKS

Boonah Cultural Centre | 10am | 1pm | 7pm | Tickets \$10 | Conc \$7.50

18 February | Herself (MA 15+) | 97 mins

Drama starring Molly McCann, Clare Dunne, and Ruby Rose O'Hara.

FREE MOVIES IN THE PARK

Join us for a free, fun night out for the family from 6.30pm as we screen **Tom & Jerry (G)** at the following locations:

Sat 5 Mar | 6.30pm | Tamborine Mountain, Showgrounds

Sat 12 Mar | 6.30pm | Beaudesert, Jubilee Park

Sat 19 Mar | 6.30pm | Boonah, Coronation Park

The timeless cat and mouse tale of Tom & Jerry combines classic animation and live action.

Along with the free movie, we will have fruit and giveaways and local clubs will be selling food and drinks.

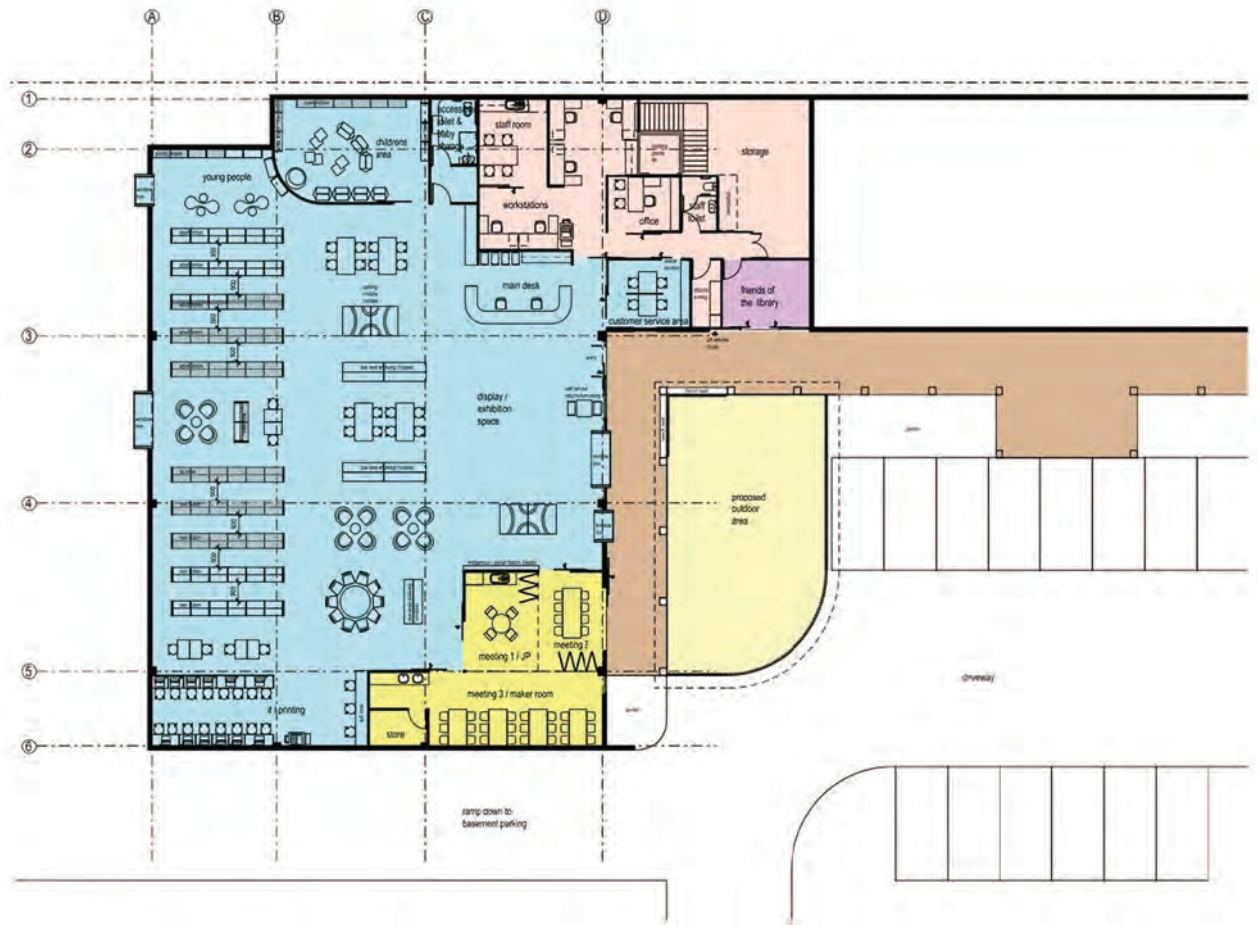


Council correspondence should be addressed to: Jon Gibbons, Chief Executive Officer, PO Box 25 | 82 Brisbane Street, Beaudesert QLD 4285 | Telephone 07 5540 5111



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PROPOSED DESIGN FOR TAMBORINE MOUNTAIN LIBRARY



FLOOR PLAN LAYOUT - FINAL
TAMBORINE MOUNTAIN COMMUNITY LIBRARY
SCENIC RIM REGIONAL COUNCIL

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IS THIS THE FUTURE YOU WANT FOR TAMBORINE MOUNTAIN?



Employee town planners assert that our elected Councillors should approve 10 cabins in 6 buildings at 36 Young Street. Despite the planning department conceding that the development may be neither small scale or of low intensity, does not meet setbacks and ignoring that some buildings are in a high-risk landslip zone, it is recommended to be approved. 200 objections to this overdevelopment were described as 'negligible' at a recent Council meeting. Furthermore, having only 11 neighbours, the property was described as 'remote' by the same town planners.



JON KRAUSE MP

State Member for Scenic Rim

ROAD REPAIRS

I recently received information from Main Roads about upcoming repairs to roads on Tamborine Mountain. As previously written about on these pages, the concerns of residents have been consistently raised by me with the department and that will continue into the future. Where work is to be carried out, it is a step in the right direction – even if it's a small one!

The email states:

“Thank you for your enquiry to the Department of Transport and Main Roads (TMR) on behalf of your constituents regarding the condition of the road surface of various roads on Tamborine Mountain, in particular Main Western Road and Geissmann Drive. TMR are aware of the condition of the roads especially those impacted by the recent severe rain events. We are working closely with Scenic Rim Regional Council to undertake emergency repairs and investigate damage caused by these events. Commencing in mid-2022, the Department will be rehabilitating a 630m section of Tamborine Mountain Road (Main Western Road) from the roundabout at the Tamborine Mountain Shopping Square to Curtis Road as well as a 2.24km and 1.7km road pavement reseal of Tamborine-Nerang Road (Henri Robert Drive) near King Parrot Court (weather and contractor availability permitting). Also programmed to commence in early-2022 is a \$2.372 million safety improvement project which will include curve widening, shoulder widening, asphalt overlay, drainage and culvert improvements on a 640 m stretch of Tamborine Nerang Road (Henri Robert Drive) between Landman Court and Timor Court (weather and contractor availability permitted).”

The long-term mismanagement and neglect of roads by the QLD Government has seen a \$6 billion backlog on repairs and maintenance – a huge impediment to getting a slice of funding. This is certainly not the end of the matter, and I'll continue to work to bring forward works on other sections of road that require upgrade or repair. I want to see a fair share for residents (and for other services too, not just roads). I again acknowledge the assistance of Scott Buchholz MP and the Federal Government in funding 80% (\$8 million) to upgrade Howard Creek Crossing to provide more reliable access in wet weather events up and down Tamborine- Oxenford Road.

CALL 13 HOON

I know that hooning is a big issue in some areas of the Scenic Rim, I have discussed the issue with local police in the past and relayed concerns from locals. There are penalties for hoons, including the confiscation of vehicles. Dangerous drivers are not just a danger to themselves, but also others on the road, pedestrians, and entire neighbourhoods for the disruption they cause to people's lives.

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

If you have an issue that you think should be fixed, I encourage you to contact my office, toll-free on 1800 813 960, so I can lobby on your behalf in Brisbane.

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SCOTT BUCHHOLZ

Federal Member for Wright

REOPENING TO TOURISTS AND OTHER INTERNATIONAL TRAVELLERS

Australia will reopen to all fully vaccinated visa holders, welcoming the return of tourists, business travellers, and other visitors from 21 February. These changes will ensure we protect the health of Australians, while we continue to secure our economic recovery. With improving health conditions, including a recent 33 per cent decline in hospitalisations due to COVID, the National Security Committee of Cabinet agreed Australia is ready to further progress the staged reopening of our international border. This week's announcement will give certainty to our vital tourism industry, and allow them to start planning, hiring and preparing for our reopening. In 2018-19, tourism generated more than \$60 billion for the Australian economy, with more than 660,000 jobs dependent on the industry.

ALL AGED CARE FACILITIES OFFERED BOOSTERS & MORE THAN 80 PER CENT OF AGED CARE RESIDENTS RECEIVE BOOSTERS

Senior Australians in residential aged care are leading the national uptake of COVID-19 vaccine boosters. All residential aged care facilities in Australia have now been visited and offered boosters, with 81.2 per cent (as at 9 Feb) of those eligible for their third vaccine shot now having received it. In-reach booster clinics have reached all 2541 facilities across Australia, with the program completed ahead of the original schedule as the Morrison Government responded to the updated advice on the timing of boosters by ATAGI. More than 99 per cent of Australians aged 70 years of age and older are fully vaccinated and more than three quarters of Australians aged 70 years of age and older have had a booster. We are committed to supporting our senior Australians and those who care for them in aged care facilities to get protected through vaccination.

PARLIAMENT PASSES LEGISLATION TO ENHANCE THE SUPERANNUATION SYSTEM

The Government this week has passed legislation which will ensure superannuation continues to work in the best interests of all Australians. The legislation will provide more flexibility for families and individuals preparing for retirement by allowing individuals aged between 67 and 75 to make non-concessional superannuation contributions under the bring-forward rule. The legislation also supports the repeal of the work test for non-concessional and salary sacrificed contributions made by individuals aged between 67 and 75. It also delivers on a key commitment in the 2021-22 Women's Budget Statement by removing the \$450 per month income threshold under which employees do not have to be paid the superannuation guarantee by their employer.

NDIS NOW SUPPORTING MORE THAN HALF A MILLION AUSTRALIANS

The National Disability Insurance Scheme's latest Quarterly Report has marked a major milestone under the Morrison Government, with the world-first insurance scheme now transforming the lives of more than 500,000 Australians living with significant and permanent disability. The NDIS is having a huge impact, not only transforming the lives of people with disability, but also the many thousands of family members and carers who play such a big part supporting our participants to live the life they choose. We have also ensured the scheme is fully funded with a \$26.4 billion boost in the December 2021 Budget Update bringing our total NDIS investment to \$142 billion over four years.

INCREASED FUNDING FOR OVARIAN CANCER CARE AND SUPPORT

To mark Ovarian Cancer Awareness Month, the Morrison Government will provide an additional \$2 million to Ovarian Cancer Australia for its work supporting women with ovarian cancer and their families. This additional funding will ensure Ovarian Cancer Australia can continue providing vital telehealth support services through its Teal Support Program until 2024. The Teal Support Program employs specialist nurses who use telehealth to provide care and support to people with ovarian cancer, from diagnosis through to post-treatment.



Letters to the Editor

Readers are reminded that letters to the editor must show full name of writer for publication. Please limit letters to 200 words. Publication is at the discretion of the editor and subject to space availability.

DEAR MR GIBBONS,

Questions for Public Question Time:

1. Who instructed council staff not to issue the notice of properly made decision to the CEO re the majority vote at the Ordinary Meeting of 9 November 2021 (*excerpt below from Minutes*) not to renew his Employment Agreement?
2. Under what authority did that person engage in an action contrary to the majority vote of Councillors?
3. Did such action give rise to an offence?
4. Did such action result in a conflict of interest?
5. Why were Councillors (most of them) not immediately made aware that a lawful decision of Council was not to be enacted?
6. How many council-initiated complaints to the OIA have arisen out of the five (5) meetings held to date at which the renewal of the CEO's contract has been discussed?

11.1 LATE ITEM - Re-appointment of the Chief Executive Officer [Closed s.254J(3)(a)]

Executive Officer: General Manager People and Strategy

Recommendation

That:

1. Council consider its response to the confidential report summarising each forum facilitated to progress this matter; and
2. Under clause 22.6.3 of the Scenic Rim Regional Council Standing Orders Procedure CM03.01PR.01, confidentiality be maintained and this report not be released to the public.

Moved: Cr Derek Swanborough

Seconded: Cr Jeff McConnell

That:

1. In accordance with Clause 6.1 of the Chief Executive Officer's Employment Agreement, Council advise the Chief Executive Officer Jon Gibbons in writing that Council does not intend to renew his Employment Agreement and will advertise the position; and
2. Under clause 22.6.3 of the Scenic Rim Regional Council Standing Orders Procedure CM03.01PR.01, confidentiality be maintained and this report not be released to the public.

For: Crs Derek Swanborough, Jeff McConnell, Marshall Chalk and Duncan McInnes

Against: Crs Greg Christensen, Virginia West and Michael Enright

Carried 4/3

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Amanda Hay
Resident, "reasonable person" and Ratepayer

WHICH IS IT TO BE?

Over my three-something years of living here, reading the wows of the community against the council and progress is a weekly event.

It strikes me there are some in community that can only point out its failings, or the council's management of it. Stop or No are often the only offerings of progress. Often these people are later on in years and appear to discard all the progress they enjoyed in the primes of their lives, working and raising families. This immense disliking for development is confusing, as the opponents fail to accept the very house they live in, or services the Mountain has derived mostly from developers in their many forms, and development.

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GROWTH MANAGEMENT STRATEGY - FEBRUARY 2022

To accommodate 11,000 extra dwellings in Scenic Rim, Council is compiling a Growth Management Strategy. Details are in the February 10 issue of Scenic News. Details of the alarming further damage now set to be done to Tamborine Mountain are currently being covered in the media by Councillor Swanborough and ex-Councillor Waistell.

TMPA's advice from State government was that this GMS would take account of residents' views, but this did not occur during Phase Two, when a draft was compiled. We are now in Phase Three, so residents are invited to again voice their views about growth here on the mountain.

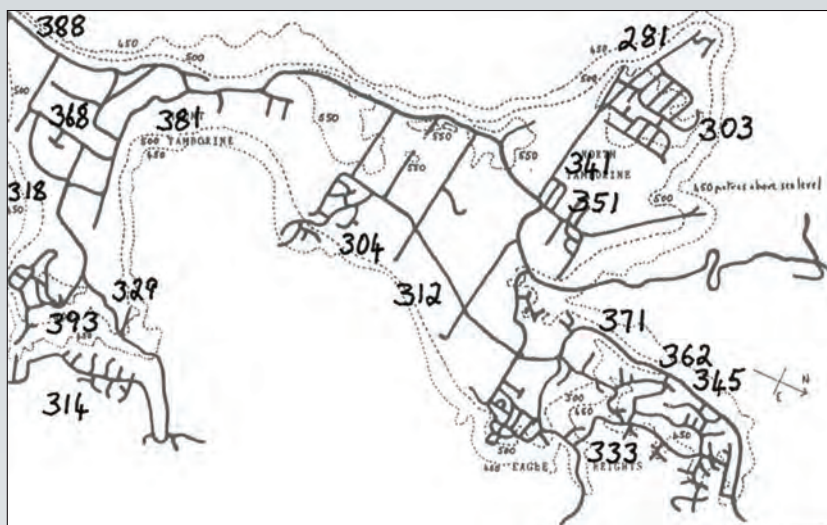
Our State member, Jon Krause MP has been making representations to the Deputy Premier & Minister for Local Government on behalf of mountain residents regarding this unwanted population explosion. A reply from the Minister states:

"It is a matter for the council to decide where and how these additional dwellings are to be located, and should be informed by evidence, which is why the council was asked to undertake a GMS to inform future amendments to the planning scheme."

A pro forma on page 11 (opposite) lists serious concerns you may wish to convey to Council. This can be handed into the library, posted, or emailed. It needs to be in by March 6th.

J. Lockett,
President,
Tamborine Mountain Progress Assn.

Tamborine Mountain Rainfall



JANUARY 2022

The La Nina conditions continued for January. It rained on at least 20 days. At the beginning of the month the remains of cyclone Seth drifted down the coast and settled off Fraser Island giving us plenty of rain for 11 days. Thereafter the SE Trade Winds blew moisture in over the warming East Coast Current and converged with the heat low over the inland bringing almost daily rainfall. The total at Fern St of 367.6mm was well above the long term mean of 220mm and the expected of 160mm.

The chart shows the usual variability across the Mountain but reflecting the SE Trades. The monsoon began to affect the north of the continent by the end of the month.

Mike Russell
5545 3601

**Chief Executive Officer,
Attn: Strategic Planning,
Scenic Rim Regional Council,
P.O. Box 25,
BEAUDESERT, Qld. 4285**

Dear Sir,

Draft Scenic Rim Growth Management Strategy 2041

There should be no more subdivision on Tamborine Mountain for the following reasons:

- It is contrary to the existing Planning Scheme which says no more subdivision is permitted on Tamborine Mountain.
- Tamborine Mountain has limited infrastructure net works (storm water, water supply, sewer, electricity & telecom/NBN (page 45 of Draft).
- Population growth is already available through occupation of vacant land, dual occupancy and secondary dwellings.
- There has been no review to determine what population growth is currently available through these options in the Planning Scheme.
- No study has been done of the large numbers of cabins, B & B's, Air B & B's etc. and their impact on Tamborine Mountain's current and future density.
- Scenic Rim Regional Council does not need Tamborine Mountain to take up the required growth.
- There is enough vacant land within Scenic Rim, excluding Tamborine Mountain, for extra growth.
- Massive population growth on Tamborine Mountain has already occurred in the past decade unmatched anywhere else in the shire.
- No infrastructure has been put in place to match this growth.
- Any density increase on Tamborine Mountain will lower the amenity for residents. Beaudesert & Boonah do not have this problem as they can expand.
- Located on a plateau, Tamborine Mountain's population of 8344 is vastly greater than Beaudesert or Boonah, so there is no reason to expand here.
- Tamborine Mountain is one third of one per cent of the total footprint of Scenic Rim's total area. There are many opportunities elsewhere.
- Tamborine Mountain does not require more population to remain sustainable.
- With no reticulated water, sewerage & minimal infrastructure, a more crowded population will lower the living standards.

Ample opportunities exist elsewhere in the shire without further damaging the unique character of Tamborine Mountain.

Further comments: _____

Name _____ **Signature** _____

Address _____ **Date** _____

Post or email to mail@scenicrim.qld.gov.au or this submission can be handed in at the library, North Tamborine by 6th March



Letters to the Editor

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Furthermore, now they reside here, it seems only they are allowed to, and only they can be tourists.

Not so long ago a document titled The Blueprint was created from much local input, with many consultations with community. Its aim was to tease out the good, the bad, and a wish list. It was a type of road map for how Tamborine Mountain wanted to see itself or be, for council to strive for. I guess it was Tamborine Mountain attempting to define itself, seen by community rather than just a few vocal locals. Sadly, Scenic Rim Council threw it in the bin.

Derek Swanborough has done much work on attempting to gauge the Mountain's wishes to go to the Gold Coast Shire. It's my understanding the GC Mayor is willing to take us on if the Mountain desires. It has also been suggested by a local resident the Scenic Rim Shire could be subdivided to share the costs with Logan, Ipswich, and Boonah, which are more suited to the cows and crops, over 'Green behind the Gold' tourism.

The GC council move has seemingly fallen away, being replaced with all sorts of allegations towards SRRC's closed meetings, development approvals, and regional planning to accommodate our share of State population growth. It strikes me now would be an ideal time to ask the GCCC what they think of the Blueprint, and what population would be required to achieve it. The mountain then has a choice of getting what it wants from the blueprint, and what population or development is required to achieve it. The mountain would also have a choice to keep attempting to live in the past, or step into the future in its own way.

Jason Watson

A LITTLE RECOMMENDED READING

Dear Councillors and others,

<https://tinyurl.com/5n8uktha>

Can I recommend a read of the above article prior to a vote on MCU20/077?

Good to see the Supreme Court respects and upholds the content of local Planning Schemes even if council planners do not. The decision was handed down last week.

FAMILY'S TIES TO LAMINGTON RECOGNISED IN RENAMING OF CREEK CROSSINGS

The Buchanan family's long association with the Scenic Rim's picturesque area of Lamington will be officially recognised with the renaming of three crossings on Christmas Creek Road.

At its Ordinary Meeting this week, Scenic Rim Regional Council resolved to rename the crossings after being advised in May 2021 that the existing names did not align with the Buchanan family's request which had been adopted by the former Beaudesert Shire Council in October 1999.

Council will name the top crossing on Christmas Creek Road John T Buchanan Crossing, with the next crossing to be named John Buchanan Crossing and the third Roy J Buchanan Crossing, which is in line with the family's submission to Council in 1998.

Scenic Rim Mayor Greg Christensen said Council was pleased to recognise the Buchanan's' long association with the Lamington area and their contribution to the Scenic Rim region.

"History records the part played by members of the

The following article also has relevance to SRRC planner's recommendation to approve the DA, the conditions proposed and the failure of council to take into consideration the community expectations re:= codes. The audio of Tuesday's council meeting confirms that this occurred in relation to MCU20/077.

Sekisui's \$900m development in limbo after community wins court appeal (sunshinecoastnews.com.au)
<https://tinyurl.com/yckp68uh>

DEVELOPMENT DIDN'T MEET COMMUNITY EXPECTATIONS

Court documents show the judgement was made after "three errors of law" were identified.

They related to the council's Planning Scheme, specifically **codes** relating to building heights proposed in the development.

Community expectations about the development were also taken into account, **as well as the number of submissions against the development.**

Councillors, please do some navel gazing re:- the very flawed content of the planner's recommendation contained in the Agenda for last Tuesday's meeting. Plenty of content there which will provide the basis for a court appeal in the event that the DA is approved – with or without vote rigging.

Residents of Young St and Bateke Rd were very alarmed to read the planner's statement that the proposed subdivision at 1-15 Young St was to be one lot into 4, particularly when the actual application lodged states 1 lot into 2. Are we perhaps pre-empting the subdivision proposed in the Draft Growth Management Strategy or have there been behind the scenes undocumented meetings and a wink and a nod to that developer too?

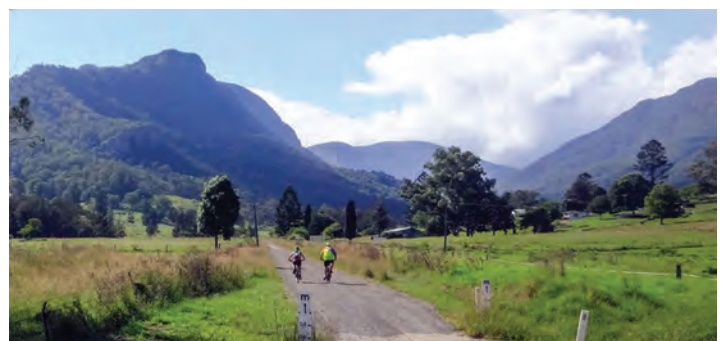
Another meeting of residents was held last week, in anticipation of the Councillor's visit to the proposed site and the properties of affected residents.

Amanda Hay
Resident and Ratepayer

Buchanan family, particularly Roy, who was the youngest member of the crew responsible for rescuing the two survivors of the Stinson plane crash in March 1937," Division 3 Cr Virginia West said.

"Roy's wife, Dinah, still resides in the Christmas Creek area.

"We are pleased to finally be able to rectify the incorrect names of the crossings and to honour the wishes of the Buchanan family," Cr West added.



PLANTING TREES IN THE SCENIC RIM FOR THE QUEEN'S JUBILEE

Eligible groups and organisations in the Scenic Rim are invited to apply for funding to deliver tree planting projects across the Scenic Rim to celebrate the Queen's Jubilee.

Federal Member for Wright, Scott Buchholz said the Australian Government was providing grant funding to plant trees in honour of the legacy of Her Majesty, Queen Elizabeth II and her 70 years of service to Australia and the Commonwealth.

"I am calling on local schools and community groups to contact my office to discuss potential projects for nomination for funding.

"Working together, I am excited to hear about the projects we can deliver to improve our local environment, land management, and of course plant trees in commemoration of this special occasion in history.

"The guidelines are now available, and I look forward to seeing project proposals. I would urge applicants to consider the eligible and ineligible activity before applying, with grants available between \$2,500 and \$20,000," Mr Buchholz said.

The Queen has visited Australia on 16 occasions, and on many of these visits has planted trees at community events and ceremonies—leaving a long-lasting reminder of the special occasion for the people in those communities. In fact, The Queen is said to have planted 1500 trees throughout Her reign.

Mr Buchholz said the *Planting Trees for The Queen's Jubilee Program* is one of a range

of national and community events planned by the Australian Government to celebrate The Queen's Jubilee year.

"This is a great opportunity for our community, particularly for younger people and local groups to play a part in the celebrations and deliver a lasting benefit for the region.

"In Wright, we will have \$100,000 in funding for 10 projects," Mr Buchholz said.

Projects that are suitable must include formal commemorative events in 2022 to mark the Jubilee, plantings of regionally appropriate tree species, and installation of commemorative signage or plaques.

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THE PROCESS OF MANIFESTING

We've just had a yoga vision board (VB) workshop. It's a fabulous day where we use yoga, pranayama, meditation and mantra to fire up the right sides of our brains and bodies before we create these visual roadmaps of our

unfolding manifestations for 2022. Super fun, very creative and very productive. Now, VBs have been around for decades and have been made popular by celebrities like Oprah and life coaches. And the key point to any motivational tool is to focus on the process, not just the outcome. It's much like yoga: you can read about yoga, talk about it, watch YouTubes, admire bendy bodies on Instagram, but you'll never become a yogi until you step onto that mat and start practising yoga. Yoga is a journey, not a destination.

So it is with our VB workshop. After our yoga class we start think about what we want to change in our lives. And for balance, we use the Purusharthas: the yogic Values of the Universe. We divide the VB into 4 quadrants: Dharma (Career Goals), Artha (Financial Goals), Kama (Lifestyle goals including family and friends, health, hobbies, your home and your travel goals), and Moksha (Liberation – your self-growth and your spiritual growth goals). In reality, one quadrant might dominate. You might want to focus on your health for the year, so Kama might dominate. But as long as you have a small goal in the other quadrants, you'll be pursuing a balanced life.

And in the process of devising these goals you have to accept the decision to change. If you don't accept that change is a necessity, and impermanence (a changing world) is a given, you'll just be reiterating, in visual form, the same old life. You also have to accept that the visual image on your board represents a process that could take months or years to achieve with all the discomfort around that change which is the very essence of growth.

I also like to encourage my students to choose "One Big Thing". If you load your VB with so many goals and dreams you'll likely become overwhelmed, burnt out, and then revert to your old ways. So identify that one thing and define it as the nexus of your VB. And this keystone habit, once achieved, will encourage the development of other related habits and the achievement of other related goals.

Finally, once you start pulling this amazing blueprint together, prepare for the storms.

It was Deepak Chopra who stated that: "All great changes are preceded by chaos." As you start moving towards this visual, ideal life, many people connected to you won't like it. Because change is scary. As you change, their worlds start to rock. Be kind, and maybe help them create a VB. Who knows, you might rock the world together.

Margot Wagner
Yoga Under the Bodhi Tree

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

Relationships



A LONG HIKE

On my wall hangs a canvas depicting a couple hand in hand walking along a beach. The couple is my husband and I and the photo was covertly taken by our daughter who was following along behind us. We were completing a three-day trek in Fiordland on the southern tip of New Zealand's South Island.

Before you go thinking that we are a super-fit family who make a habit of tackling such adventures, this was our first and last long hike. Our daughter had just graduated from high school, and we decided we would embark on a fun



challenge together before she launched into the world of adult independence. I can tell you, there were more tears than fun! We quickly realised how unprepared we were for the rigours of tramping through sinking mud wearing 14kg backpacks. About half an hour into the walk, I seriously considered abandoning the mission. My husband Jeff, ever the encourager, took my backpack and strapped it to his chest while I spent the next hour channelling a more positive frame of mind.

Amusingly, when friends notice the photo, they will often comment that I am carrying the bigger backpack and give Jeff a look of disapproval. In actuality, Jeff redistributed the luggage so that he was carrying all the heavy gear while I carried pillows, sleeping bags, jackets - everything bulky but lightweight. How easy it is to misinterpret what we see and make an incorrect judgement.

We can carry many different loads as we travel through life. Events happen, the burden increases, and we can feel weighed down. We might feel completely overwhelmed or hopeless. The weight of our burden is not obvious to others. That's why it's necessary to reach out for help rather than expect that someone will notice our load. Alternatively, you may have a friend who is harbouring a heavy load. Perhaps you've noticed their withdrawal, their lack of patience or general unhappiness. Rather than taking it personally, show an interest and take the time to enquire what is happening in their world. Your care will lighten their burden.

Throughout our hike, we each had our own moments of discouragement, and we alternated the role of encourager. We would look for the distance markers along the way and celebrate our progress. It was fortunate that it was the middle of summer and light till the late hours, as we needed every bit of daylight to reach the camping huts. The park ranger was bemused by us city slickers who asked if we could stay an extra night, as there was no way we could endure consecutive days of agonising hiking. "No-one has ever asked me that before!" was his reply. Know when you need to take a rest, even if others think it strange.

We survived the return hike and actually enjoyed it. A new sense of confidence put a spring in our step. Life is a long hike: pace yourself, look out for others and don't carry unnecessary burdens.

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A WARM WELCOME...

We are incredibly lucky at Physique to have a team of physios with over 100 years' experience. I suppose it's no wonder that we have been absolutely run off our feet over the past 12 months. We are extremely excited to introduce two new physiotherapists to the Tamborine Mountain community, Jacqui Graf and Caitlin French.

You may have already had the pleasure of meeting these two in the clinic or have seen their smiling faces walking down the street. Let me officially introduce you to them.

Jacqui has a passion for supporting people through periods of pain and then helping them achieve their goals. Jacqui enjoys treating a wide range of musculoskeletal conditions with a "hands on" approach, combined with individualised exercise prescription to get patients better ASAP. She enjoys instructing individual strength and movement programs as well as small group functional classes that enable members of the community to find joy in maintaining healthy minds and bodies.

Jacqui grew up on a cattle station in the Northern Territory and went to school with a total of thirteen kids, two of which being her own sisters. Jacqui still loves spending time with her sisters who have also moved to the Gold Coast. She is also a talented sports woman and was previously playing hockey at an elite level.

Jacqui is super excited to be starting at Physique and is looking forward to getting to know everyone that comes through the clinic and through our Pilates classes.

Caitlin believes in a holistic approach to treatment that is tailored to suit each patient to treat the root cause of the problem. She loves treating beyond pain so that her patients leave stronger and feeling better than before their injury. Caitlin has a passion for helping with musculoskeletal and women's health issues and she

possesses a natural skill for Paediatrics physiotherapy.

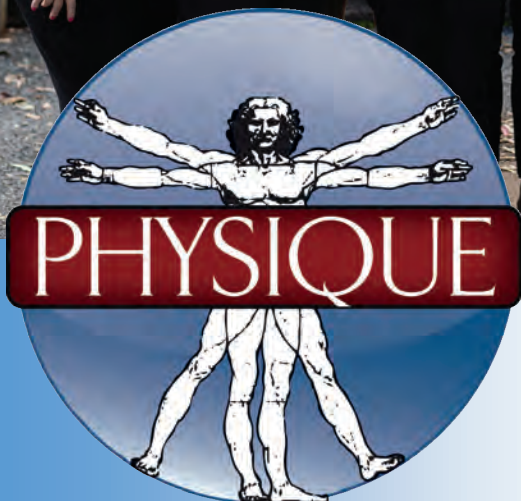
On her weekends Caitlin loves spending time with her dog and curling up with a good book. She has had horses her whole life and competed in show jumping and cross-country at a state level. She has recently found a new passion in ballroom and Latin dancing and is now competing in these as well.

Caitlin is highly enthusiastic about making a difference in people's lives. She is going to be a key asset to the community, and we are extremely grateful to have her onboard.

That brings our total number of physiotherapists at Physique to 10! There must be something in the number 10, as we are also glad to be offering 10 Pilates classes in 2022. If you can believe it, 2022 also marks the 10th year of Physique Physiotherapy! The clinic sure has grown a lot since Neil was working out the back of his Pajero. Thank you, Tamborine Mountain Community, for your ongoing support, especially over the last challenging few years. We look forward to supporting you through 2022. Make sure to get in touch if you are keen to get going on your new year health goals.



Caitlin (left) and Jacqui



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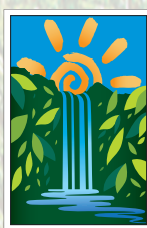
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BOTANIC GARDENS VOLUNTEERS LOOK SMARTER WITH SUPPORT FROM A GENEROUS SPONSOR



The volunteers at the Botanic Gardens will sport bright new presentation shirts at plant sales and events, thanks to generous support from Hartley Road Landscaping Supplies & Equipment Hire.

Clive Lucas, owner of Hartley Road Landscaping Supplies, delivered the shirts to the volunteers during a working bee last week. The bright green polo shirts include the Gardens' logo beside the Hartley Road Landscaping logo.

Denby Browning, President of Tamborine Mountain Botanic Gardens Inc, said Clive Lucas and his team have been very generous in their support.

"We are proud to be associated with Hartley Road Landscaping as the first local business sponsors for the Gardens team," he said. "This generous support means that funds for our organisation can go further in building this great asset for the community."

Clive Lucas said his team is delighted to support the volunteers.

"We have similar aspirations to improve our landscapes," he said. "The Gardens team have been working tirelessly to provide our community with a wonderful space to relax and to learn about plants. We are committed to ongoing work with the team and the supplies they constantly need to improve the gardens."

Tamborine Mountain Regional Botanic Gardens covers 11 acres including indigenous rainforest as well as carefully nurtured specialist gardens such as roses, azaleas, hydrangeas and camellias. The centrepiece is a lake crossed by a quaint stone bridge.

Hartley Road Landscaping Supplies & Equipment Hire provides materials including stones, grass, soil and mulch to home and commercial landscapers as well as landscaping equipment hire.

PHOTO: Hartley Road Landscaping Supplies owner Clive Lucas (centre) with Gardens volunteers Nigel Waistell and Jacqui South.

A MESSAGE FOR THE UNIVERSE, IN EVERY VERSE

At the beginning of February, Australian "Motivation Poet" Russell Plunkett set up his shop "The Poet's Place" on Gallery Walk, next to the Tree House Café.

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SURE-FOOTED PROGRESS ON GOAT TRACK REPAIRS



As much as Tamborine Mountain has welcomed the rains of summer, it has been somewhat to the detriment of already difficult and dangerous work in repairing the rockfall-affected Goat Track.

SEE Civil, the construction and engineering services experts tasked with the repairs, has had a night shift crew operating for some time, and has made major inroads on securing the affected cliff face. It is hoped that our wet weather may recede after February, and progress should be considerably speeded.

The *Scenic News* hopes to keep you updated regularly in the coming weeks, although we are somewhat dependent on information from the Department of Transport and Main Roads.





TRAVELLING PLACES *with Gina*

I can see the thought process, as I chat to clients at the moment while they book their first overseas holiday in three years: economy, or splurge on business class? The price difference can be vast, depending upon the airline you choose; mind you, so is the offering. There are lots of benefits that come with business class travel: red carpet check-in, extra luggage, better meal selection on-board; however more important is access to lounges where they provide showers, quiet spaces, restaurants and cafés. The most important benefit is space on-board – several times that of economy class, with seats that convert into beds, your own private cocooned area with a private TV, meals when you feel like it and attention to make your journey as comfortable as possible.

Most of us decide that to fly business class is too extravagant, however, quite a few are opting for premium economy. This too offers separate check-in, better meal service on-board, and extra room: let's face it, that is what most of us are looking for. Each airline's premium is different, however the common offering is 2 or 3 less seats across the aircraft and considerably more leg room. Typically, on a flight to Europe or North America return you

would pay around \$2500 more than economy. I often think that a good premium cabin (think Qantas) is not far off what business was like 20 years ago, before flat beds. It is a shame there are only a few airlines offering premium.

The other hot ticket items being booked are cruises. I have some people booked on a West Africa cruise in October 2023 which is already completely sold out! The world is travelling, and has been for some time. People ask me about the safety of cruising. The industry has made significant changes: most cruise ships have been fitted with hospital grade air-conditioning, deep cleaning is routine, everyone is fully vaccinated and CPR tested, daily health checks are mandatory (but not arduous) on board, and there is lots of space, with fewer passengers on board. I felt completely comfortable on my recent trip, safe in the knowledge that everything that could be done is being done, and more diligently than at other venues I attend.

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not as arduous as some imagine and as time goes on it is becoming more relaxed. One of the great things about travel at the moment is the lack of mass tourism. I saw a photo of a friend enjoying a gelato overlooking the Trevi Fountain in Rome last week, and you could actually see the fountain!

Travellers are booking international for May onwards and even through to 2024 – people are excited, so make sure you don't miss out!
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SALMON POKE BOWL WITH AN ASIAN TWIST

This stunning looking dish will have you looking like a professional chef. It can be whipped up in under 10 minutes and what's more, it not only tastes delicious it's packed full of nutrients that your body will thank you for and you'll end up feeling satisfied but light afterwards.

Pronounced 'Poh-KAY', the word 'poke', Hawaiian for "to slice", or "cut crosswise into pieces" is diced raw fish and is one of the main dishes of Native Hawaiian cuisine. Native Hawaiian fisherman would slice up reef fish and serve them raw with whatever was on hand. The *poke* bowl is one of those recipes that once you make it and taste it for the first time, you're going to ask yourself "Why haven't I made this before?!" as it's so easy to prepare. When you serve it up to your guests or loved ones the visual delight always elicits a "Wow - that looks amazing!". As always make sure you use the freshest of ingredients so get your salmon from the local fisho and your veg from your trusted greengrocer.

This dish only requires you to cook one thing: the rice. Don't hesitate to use any rice that you enjoy eating. I personally love the texture of brown rice; coconut sushi rice works wonderfully well too. For this dish I've used salmon, but feel free to mix up the protein and the veg with all your personal favourites. My luck dragon hand-crafted small batch Asian sauce is an excellent accompaniment to *poke* using only all natural ingredients. It's perfectly balanced, with slow roasted garlic, premium Japanese soy, sesame oil and a little kick of roasted local Queensland chilli.

Did you know? The first peoples to create the *poke* bowl were the ancient Polynesians centuries ago. It really transformed once it made its way to Hawaii, when the native Hawaiians feasted on freshly caught fish massaged with sea salt, seaweed and crushed inamona or kukui nuts. Later it evolved to mirror the tastes of new waves of arrivals to the islands. When ships from the West Coast dropped anchor in local ports, sailors traded salmon for salt. Waves of immigrants from China and Japan introduced soy sauce and sesame oil. Just as each group has added their own dishes to Hawaii's culinary melting pot, variations of *poke* have been devised. Visit any *poke* counter in Hawaii today and you'll find not just ahi limu (seaweed) and spicy ahi *poke*, but kimchee shrimp, furikake salmon, miso tako (octopus), pipikaula (dried beef) and even bacalao *poke* made with Portuguese dried salt cod.

Most historians agree that it wasn't until the

1960's and 70s, that the name "*poke*" was given to the dish we currently recognise as the *poke* bowl today. The naming of *poke* came about when native Hawaiian 'ahi yellowfin and bigeye tuna became more readily available. This was because 'ahi tasted good and it's bright pink hue was far more aesthetically pleasing than the dull, grey colour of the local reef fish. It was a man named Chef Sam Choy, who was one of the early purveyors and passionate promoters of the Hawaii Regional Cuisine movement of the early 90s, and who was instrumental in bringing *poke* bowls as we know them today to the masses.

Poke bowls didn't make their way to Australia, however, until 2016. The first dedicated restaurant opened in Sydney in May 2016, aptly called '*Poke*', while another called '*Poked*' opened its doors just a few months later in Melbourne. '*Poked*' was the brainchild of two commerce students and one medical student who are "passionate about heart health". *Poke* didn't come to Queensland until 2017 when '*Suki*' opened in Brisbane. Now these awesome specialty *poke*-style restaurants have become a much-loved healthy meal choice and you'll find them scattered up and down the coast. Perhaps next time you are out and about and looking for a healthy meal why not give one a go, but make my version at home for yourself first, and see if the restaurant version is anywhere near up to your homemade one!

Chef Tips: It pays to be attentive when buying your seafood to look for visual clues for freshness. When you befriend your local fishmonger, you can ask questions of the freshness and the best choice for price and sustainability.

Serves 2
Prep 10 mins

Ingredients

- 1x 250g sashimi-grade salmon
- 2x spring onions
- 2 cups cooked brown rice
- 1x avocado sliced
- 1x cup red cabbage thinly sliced
- 1x cup baby spinach sliced
- 1x medium carrot cut into matchsticks
- 1x cup blanched edamame
- 1x lebanese cucumber sliced
- 2 tbs toasted sesame seeds
- 3 tbs Luck Dragon Asian sauce*
- 2 tbs whole egg mayonnaise

*Chef Dylan's Gourmet Food Co. Luck Dragon Asian Sauce



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Method

Prepare the *poke*

1. Remove the salmon skin and discard it. Examine the salmon to see if there are any bones lodged in the meat and use a pair of fishbone tweezers to remove them.
2. Cut the salmon into 1/2-inch cubes. Add the salmon into a medium-sized bowl and set it aside.
3. Add the Luck Dragon Asian sauce into a small bowl. Add mayonnaise and mix well.
4. Add the spring onions to the bowl with the salmon. Pour in half of the sauce. Use a rubber spatula to gently mix the salmon until it's evenly coated with the sauce. Taste the salmon and mix in a bit more sauce if needed.

Assemble the bowl

1. Place the rice into the base of 2 medium serving bowls.
2. Artistically arrange the salmon, edamame, baby spinach, carrot, cucumber and avocado on top of the rice. Garnish with a sprinkle of toasted sesame seeds. (I like to do it like the Turkish salt bae)
3. Serve the remaining sauce on the side to drizzle over for some extra umami flavour!

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5. **There are only four words in the English language which end in 'dous': tremendous, horrendous, stupendous, and hazardous.**
6. **Ghosts appear only in 4 Shakespearean plays: Julius Caesar, Richard III, Hamlet and Macbeth.**
7. **Microsoft founder Bill Gates bought 'Codex Leicester', one of Leonardo Di Vinci's scientific journals for a whopping \$30.8 million in November 1994.**
8. **Roald Dahl, the author of Charlie and the Chocolate factory, tested chocolates for Cadbury's while he was at school.**

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3. The royal family changed its name to Windsor from Saxe-Coburg-Gotha.
4. Ludwig van Beethoven was born in Austria.
5. The Moon always appears to be smaller when it is close to the horizon.
6. Great Britain is the world's eighth largest island.
7. *The Darkling Thrush* is a poem by Rudyard Kipling.
8. In *Diamonds Are Forever*, James Bond was played by Roger Moore.
9. There are 11 in a 'baker's dozen'.
10. An aeolian harp is played by the wind.
11. New Year's Day 2000 was the very first day of the new millennium.
12. Tigers can't swim.
13. Alexei Leonov was the first man to walk in space.
14. Travelling due east from London, the first foreign country you would arrive at is Holland.

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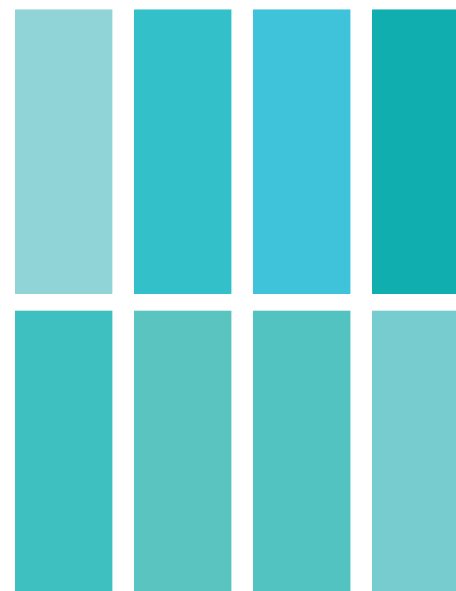
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TM TENNIS CLUB: Social tennis from 6.30pm Mon, 7.00am Tue, 6.30pm Wed and 3.00pm Sun. Ladies from 7.00am Fri. Fit Hit (cardio) 6.30pm Tue. For all sessions, no need to book, just turn up. 88 Beacon Rd North Tamborine. Contact Henry Rich 0477 775 671

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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