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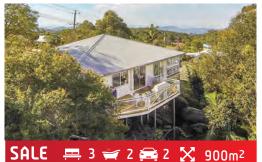


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Tamborine Mountain Sports Association (TMSA) would like to welcome new residents to the mountain and invites you and all other residents to join us for I♥Local Sports working bee at the grounds on Sunday 20th March 8 am – 12 midday. There will be info about all the clubs and activities at the grounds, a sausage sizzle and coffee at the grounds, fun sports activities, and an opportunity to meet others and to get in and help with some tasks we desperately need a hand with.

Even if you are a long-time resident of the mountain, you may not know that much about the Tamborine Mountain Sports Association and the many ways you can interact with all the goings-on at the grounds.

When the 40 acres of ex-farmland came into Council ownership, a community organisation was set up to oversee the maintenance and infrastructure upgrades of what was to become the sports ground.

It has been a huge undertaking by the many local community members who have volunteered their time to getting the grounds to where they are today. The TMSA receives no ongoing government funding or support from any form of government– local, state or federal.

The facility is run purely by a small and dedicated bunch of volunteers, and survives only on the revenue from member clubs, third-party users and occasional small grants.

#### What activities happen at the grounds on a regular basis?

**Soccer - Tamborine Mountain Eagles** have over 200 members, with 1000 participants coming to the grounds every week. A team of soon to be fully-qualified (to internationally accredited levels) coaches supervise teams. The recent futsal club excelled, with 75 % of the junior teams making their respective finals, and 35% of those winning their competition!

There is also a women's soccer team, whose first game for the season kicks off on 7th March.



TMSA Board (left to right) Lochie Lawrence, Sharee Young, Louis Bartle, Bronwyn Davies, Mick Angus, Fay Schulz (missing Tony Marshall)

**Rugby Union -Tamborine Mountain Highlanders** have 100 members: 60 in the under 6's and under 14's and 40 players involved with the Winter Touch Games. All games are played within a 30-minute drive from the mountain. There is also an U14 and U15 girls' team, and Touch 7s mixed – 12 and up.

**Cricket** - The **Tamborine Mountain Bush Rats** has just had its biggest season ever! They now have 100 members, a doubling of the junior numbers, and host four competition, two non-competition, three senior teams, with the over 40's team undefeated this year. A big event to look out for is the April Transplant Games on April 2 and 3, in memory of Chris Wills. All are welcome to attend and show your support.

**ParkRun** - the growing popularity of this club will see their 3000th finisher cross the line this week. Over the seven years of the club's establishment, 8000 people have run or walked the course. And why wouldn't you, when it weaves its way under the rainforest canopy, looking out to the coast in the distance, and over fields and small creeks. The club has 30 – 60 runners and walkers, and some bring along their dogs to join in the fun! Fifty percent of the runners each week come from off the Mountain, so it's a great way to lose some

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excess and meet people every Saturday at 7 am. They also run relays and marathons, and are always looking for enthusiastic new members to help run these events. Their next big event is the 350 Tamborine Mountain event. All welcome!

**Scouts** - Recently the Scouts relocated the old Scout Hall from Geissmann Oval to the grounds, and are busy making it ready for club activity.

**Netball** has approximately 135 members who play weekly in the hinterland competition at the centre in Mudgeeraba. They also host a mixed social competition at the netball courts on Wednesday evenings for all ages.

**Bridge** currently has 80 members, plays on Mondays at 5.45, Wednesday 1.15 and Thursday at 12.45pm. New members welcome. Details are on the website.

**Landcare** supports a range of environmental activities all across the Mountain from its HQ on Hartley Road next to the new scout Den.

**Basketball** -Though they do not currently use the grounds, the **Tamborine Mountain Wolves** are active members of TMSA, lobbying for more opportunities for young players and masters alike. In just a short time the club has grown to 135 players and nineteen teams. They have started a coaches' development program, have eight rep players, and are focused on club culture, sustainable management and growth.

### So, what was the strange construction in the car park and what were all those trucks doing there recently?

To augment the clubs' coffers, to enable the massive amount of maintenance required, club president Mick Angus negotiated with a Hollywood film crew to hire the carpark out for a recent movie shoot. Apologies for the inconvenience this may have caused to parents dropping off children for games, but it certainly helped the TMSA coffers, and ensured the ongoing sustainability of this community-run public ground.

If you would like to get involved and help out, we have lots of jobs to do around the grounds. With a wet summer, the weeds around the grounds have taken off, and need to be kept under control, with whipper snipping and pruning being a big job for the working-bee weekend.

There will be water, food and coffee on hand, club reps to answer questions, some fun things for all the family to do and an opportunity to come on down and lend a hand and show you support local sports as part of the health and well-being of our community.

If you can volunteer, please bring along your own whipper snipper or gardening gear, closed-in shoes, hats, sunscreen and gloves.

It's also an opportunity to meet the new board and find out a bit about the progress of the master plan and what that will mean for you and our community.

#### Tasks for the TMSA Working Bee

- 1. Lay the road base donated by the recent film production, to fill potholes and fix water degradation and corrugations.
- 2. Redistributing the rocks at the southern end of the carpark to prevent cars entering the playing fields
- 3. General tidy up whipper snipping and mowing

#### We are looking for donations of time and equipment:

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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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### Little Pied Cormorant



Little Pied Cormorant – Microcarbo melanoleucos, dam, Eagle Heights

I noticed the bird on my walk one morning last week, swimming in the dam, then much depleted, which forms in the paddock next to Driscoll Lane after persistent rain. I knew I had never seen it before and that, as it swam, it looked so unlike the few ducks who were also in the water. The bird is immature, lacking the white above the eye of the adult. It is one of Australia's most common water birds and is found throughout the country. This photo was taken at 28 times optical zoom. I saw the bird next day, but I didn't have my camera with me. After overnight rain, the dam level had risen sharply.

**Peter Kuttner** 

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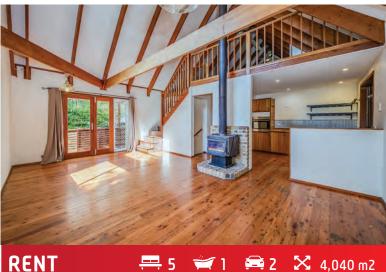
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### JON KRAUSE MP

State Member for Scenic Rim

### MEETING THE CHALLENGE OF SMALL AND FAMILY BUSINESS

Last week in Parliament, I took the opportunity to highlight and call for greater support to mitigate the challenges faced by our small and family businesses across Queensland. When it comes to the Queensland Government, they have been the "forgotten people" of the past two years of pandemic rules and regulations – and they have borne great costs. Now, in the last week, many have been impacted by flood in some way. They need a break. In Parliament I said, while examining the Government's claim for another \$479 million from you, the taxpayer, to account for overspending in the last year:

"In the Scenic Rim electorate local hospitality businesses have suffered due to the COVID-19 regulations...one hotelier told me their income basically evaporated overnight because a huge amount of their patrons could not enter the pub. Was there any support for these businesses? None. They were left to fend for themselves. A café in a shopping centre faces massive costs in policing mandates in a ridiculous situation where their seating in a common area is subject to a mandate while common seating two or three metres away is not. People can freely walk past the café within centimetres of patrons without restriction and yet the café has to bear all the costs of policing this. People not surprisingly ask: what is the point? Was there any support for the community at this time from this government? No. None. Not a cent for these businesses, unlike in New South Wales, Victoria or South Australia that have implemented packages to support small businesses in these situations."

Through all of this, many in business have had to borrow, cut staff hours and work more themselves, and in some cases choose not to pay themselves so they can keep paying staff. To them all, I say – thank you. It is amazing how many people simply keep going when times are so tough, although there are also some who can't keep going and endure the stress of closing down. Pointless regulations simply add to the very high cost of growing or going into business in this State, whether because of State or local government rules.

This "red-tape" burden must be cut. It's too hard for small business to grow – it's like you need to have lots of money already in order to really grow an idea. Some of the greatest innovations in history have come from those who started out with virtually nothing – and yet at present, the hoops people must jump through to go into significant business operations make this highly unlikely. Innovation is smothered by a massive process, paid for by business and those wishing to go into business, and passed on to everybody through prices. I have called on the Queensland Government to embark on a project to relieve this burden at both the State and local level to unleash the potential of all of Queensland.

#### To contact my office, call 1800 813 960 or email scenicrim@parliament.qld.gov.au





### SCOTT BUCHHOLZ

Federal Member for Wright

### **ACTION ON RUSSIA**

Australia condemns Russia's invasion of Ukraine, which is a violation of international law and the UN Charter. The Morrison Government has placed financial sanctions on people and entities responsible for the unprovoked and unacceptable aggression, and will put restrictions on Australians investing in certain financial institutions. In addition to yesterday's sanctions, Australia will begin imposing sanctions on oligarchs whose economic weight is of strategic significance to Moscow, and over 300 members of the Russian Duma who voted to authorise the use of Russian troops in Ukraine.

We will work with like-minded countries on further consequences for Russia. Australia will continue playing our part to ensure Russia pays the high price this invasion warrants.

#### AUSTRALIA WELCOMES BACK INTERNATIONAL TOURISTS

Australia has welcomed back international tourists this week. The return of double vaccinated international visitors will reinvigorate Australia's tourism sector, which



supports 660,000 jobs and contributes over \$60 billion to the economy. There are more than 1.23 million student, visitor and working holiday maker visa holders offshore who, if vaccinated, are now able to travel to Australia. The return of international arrivals is an important step in Australia's COVID-19 recovery.

### LANDMARK PBS LISTING FOR AUSTRALIANS WITH LEUKAEMIA

From 1 March 2022, Australians with acute myeloid leukaemia will have access to a new treatment option through the Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme. The Morrison Government's commitment to ensuring Australians can access affordable medicines, when they need them, remains rock solid.

#### HEAVY RAINS AND FLOODING

Our already saturated local catchments across many regions in Wright have been hit with further heavy rain over the past week. The Gold Coast, Scenic Rim, Logan and Lockyer Valley have had roads cut, swollen creeks and flooding.

I have briefed the Federal Minister for Emergency Management on the situation across our regions. As a result, Emergency Management Australia activated COMDISPLAN. Under COMDISPLAN, the Federal Government stands ready to provide ADF support and other non-financial assistance to States and Territories as required to manage the disaster response.

While the rain continues to fall, I urge everyone to stay aware of their surroundings and heed the advice of emergency management authorities. Please stay away from floodwaters, whether you're on foot or in a vehicle. *If it's flooded, forget it.* 

The Federal Government will continue to monitor the situation through the National Situation Room, and implement the appropriate measures to assist.



# Letters to the Editor

### **REFORM NEEDED**

Scenic Rim Regional Council has been mismanaged and is at risk of becoming completely dysfunctional. There has been disregard of community priorities and of the Principles Underlying Local Government as in the Local Government Act.

If it is decided the Mayor's position is untenable through having led us into this mess, it seems that he would have to be replaced by an Administrator wise in the ways of how local governments should operate. The big question is, if the Council goes into administration, what form should that take?

During the present term and previous term of Council, some councillors (including the Mayor) have never had experience as to how a local government should work. Sadly, the Scenic Rim seems to have forgotten how to do it. I suggest the divisional councillors retaining their positions and responsibilities. However, this would be under the guidance of a good Administrator who knows how to go about functioning as Mayor. This could be an invaluable training program we need for the next term about two years away. It should not be overlooked that, just recently, the more informed councillors have shown signs of being able to combat the Mayor's unfortunate approach. But there is a long way to go.

There is another very real problem area. In a properly functioning council, the councillors in the executive arm have the responsibility to draw up policies and budgets and approve developments. The administrative arm, directed by the Chief Executive Officer, is responsible for the implementation. However, in recent times, the administrative arm has intruded heavily into policy making. Changes along the way have included:

- Adding an additional policymaking level of bureaucracy
- Replacing transparency with opacity
- Reducing the effectiveness of community consultation
- Reducing the primary authority of Planning Schemes
- Suffocating debate with excessive confidential classifications

The situation was aggravated by councillors being persuaded to delegate excessive powers to Council officers before realising what was happening.

Correcting this situation might require an assistant to the Administrator. However, there has been a very satisfactory development. Three months ago, a majority of councillors voted to not extend the present Chief Executive Officer's employment contract. The Mayor fought hard to have that decision rescinded but. at the most recent Council meeting, admitted defeat. However, there is still pressure to have the present form of administrative arm embedded in the employment contract of the new CEO. This must be firmly resisted, since the new CEO will play a critical role in reformatting the administrative arm, whether or not an Administrator is appointed.

Phil Giffard

### PRESERVATION IMPERATIVE

I believe any proposal for further subdivision on Tamborine Mountain in accordance with the "Draft Scenic Rim Growth Management Strategy 2041" should be opposed. In support of this position, I make two points:

- Whilst some townships in 1. the Scenic Rim abut areas of scenic and natural significance, Tamborine Mountain is the only one that sits in the middle of a National Park complex comprising six discrete sections, together with numerous reserves and Council easements managed and maintained for their ecological value with assistance from voluntary organisations such as Friends of Tamborine National Park and TM Landcare. Ongoing programs are underway to provide wildlife corridors between the various segmented areas of natural vegetation and habitat to promote fauna mobility and flora diversity. Preservation, not development, should be the dominant narrative for Tamborine Mountain. To support its unique natural amenity, residents have consistently rejected any plans to provide extensive street lighting, or reticulated water and sewerage to the plateau.
- 2. Paragraph 9.13.3.1 of the Strategy acknowledges on the one hand "Tamborine Mountain is not a suitable location to accommodate a significant share of the region's growing population due to

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limitations on the ability to adequately service future development, as well as protecting the scenic amenity and ecological values that exist in the study area", whilst later adding "Further residential development can potentially occur in a number of unconstrained locations... with minimal impacts".

These statements are only consistent if "unconstrained locations" means existing vacant residential zoned blocks. Creating further "unconstrained locations" by rezoning or subdivision of rural land is inconsistent with the existing Planning Scheme for the Mountain and runs counter to current local preservation initiatives.

#### Peter Mulder

### **NOT ALWAYS FORESTED**

I note in Pam Brandis' recent letter that she is complaining about the loss of vegetation on the Mountain – loss of the original forest and rainforest plants.

In my little video (in formation) regarding the history of the Mountain I have merged two aerial photographs of North Tamborine – so you can see the difference.

The oldest aerial photographs easily available are in the 50's and I merged that with a recent satellite photograph.

As the merge progresses you can see that North Tamborine starts with mostly bare fields, of what could be grass or crops. Almost no trees! As you move to the current day you can see that most of the area is now covered by trees, and obviously some roads and houses.

There are also other areas of the Mountain that once were large allotments (mostly towards to East) with connecting dirt road, and seemingly used for farming. Now these roads are just tracks and the whole area is treed.

Where North Tamborine Park is now, used to be a quarry (which may have contained some asbestos), and another quarry has been hidden with trees out towards Guanaba Reserve.

Whilst I agree that some valuable landcover is sometimes lost, much was cleared when the Mountain was initially used for farming.

We are seeing a revegetation of many parts, but obviously not with the original aged tree cover.

**David Gates** 

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After a recent early morning start, I was discussing the virtues of keeping our eyes on the road, especially with heavy fog and low cloud on the mountain. My concern was for visibility throughout the area, in particular, on our roadways. I should be cautious with what I discuss, later that day I was attending a traffic crash which had resulted from a motorist who didn't see the other vehicle.

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TAMBORINE POLICE NEWS

I'm sure you all are aware - Road Safety is a priority for officers at North Tamborine Station. It was really pleasing for us to see that perhaps the message was getting out there as we only had two accidents reported in the past month. That's a big shout out to the community for heeding the advice. No matter what your form of transport and level of knowledge or experience, everyone should be able to engage on their journey with courtesy, respect for other road users and to do so safely.

Please keep an eye on your speed, make sure your car is roadworthy and registered. With several Traffic Operations coming up, you can expect to see officers from various locations up here performing duty. Motorcyclists - I can only express to you the need to take care – as a group you have lost way too many lives with a high number of riders leading to their own untimely demise. It's a tragedy and something we as Police would desperately not want to attend nor see happen.

A couple of opportunistic thefts over the period saw

some tools and number plates stolen from vehicles. We do have the available screws to secure your number plate at the Station. If you come in and ask for some, we are more than happy to assist.

School's back and it's great to see happy faces about the place – and that's just the parents! Please keep an eye out for little ones walking, riding and generally not paying attention; especially during morning and afternoon drop off. Parents, please keep up the education around road safety with your clan.

As always, report matters that might seem suspicious, your information is just a phone call away and may help save someone's life or protect their property, you never know.

#### Sgt Mark Shields **Officer in Charge North Tamborine Police**



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### **CUE THE FUN FOR COUNCIL'S FREE MOVIE NIGHTS UNDER THE STARS**

### It will be 'cue the fun' when Scenic Rim Regional Council presents its free family movies under the stars in March.

Council's 2022 Movies in the Park program features the timeless cat and mouse tale of Tom & Jerry, rated G, which will run over consecutive Saturdays at Tamborine Mountain, Beaudesert and Boonah.

Scenic Rim Mayor Greg Christensen said the early evening events were not only for families but also aimed to bring members of the community of all ages together in a relaxed setting.

"Whether you're young or just young-at-heart, these free outdoor movie nights are a wonderful way to connect with others and make the most of the community life we enjoy in the Scenic Rim," he said.

"There's something for everyone in Tom & Jerry, which combines spectacular animation and live action with a heart-warming message about the importance of working together as a team."

With Council hosting the free movie and providing free fruit and giveaways, movie-goers need only bring their own chairs and blankets for a great night out beginning at 6.30pm.

Local service clubs will be selling food and drinks at the movie nights at each location on the following dates:

- Saturday 5 March Tamborine Mountain, Showgrounds
- Saturday 12 March Beaudesert, Jubilee Park

• Saturday 19 March Boonah, Coronation Park

"With the ongoing challenges our community has faced during COVID-19, I hope everyone will accept Council's invitation to come and enjoy a great night out under the stars with family and friends," Cr Christensen said.

\*All events are subject to COVID-19 restrictions. Moviegoers are advised to check Council's facebook page for any scheduling changes in the event of wet weather.



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### A WORD OF THANKS TO THE SCENIC RIM COUNCILLORS

#### You might have read quite a bit lately about the 'Nature Based Tourist Cabin' development (10 cabins) proposed at 36 Young Street...

Much has been written about how Council's Planning Department did not adequately take into consideration the land suitability and capability of this site, the environmental and social impacts of the proposed development and whether it was consistent with Council's own Planning Scheme. Due to the inappropriateness of the proposed development, and in order to get it over the line and attempt to sidestep the requirements of the Planning Scheme, the developer has sought numerous "council discretions and relaxations". Surely this should be ringing alarm bells! Clearly this is a case of someone buying a property without conducting the appropriate due diligence about what is allowed on the property and now trying desperately to make good on their 'investment'.

Council's Planning Department appears to have based its assessment of the proposal on incorrect and misleading information submitted by the developer including Landslip Hazard Overlays, Defence Land Overlays, and waste-water treatment. In an attempt to get this thing up, the developer said that it would not be run at 100% occupancy in order to meet waste-water treatment requirements – this is clearly ridiculous, yet appears to be accepted by Council's assessing officer! If it were to be built, Council would have no ability to control or police occupancy levels.

Much has also been written about the significant impacts this development would have on the rights to amenity and privacy of existing residents. **Two hundred submissions** objecting to this proposed development were received. However, in a review of the Planning Department's report to Council, recommending approval of the application, the assessing officer has either glossed over, dismissed, or adopted the proponent's position without any question, clarification or substantiation. It is as if information outlined in the objections was either not read, not adequately taken into consideration, or just plain ignored!

The assessing officer's report ignores the fact that this proposed development is NOT a low impact development with very negligible or no impacts on the existing community. The assessing officer even refers to the 'remoteness' of the proposed development site. This shows a fundamental lack of understanding, as the property in question is in fact located immediately adjacent to 11 existing residential properties! This is completely unacceptable, with all existing houses located at the rear of their blocks to achieve privacy. This development would be only metres from the homes of existing residents. These residents have purchased their forever homes within a quiet, peaceful rural residential environment. Decisions have been made to buy and live on these properties based on the knowledge that adjoining properties are at full development based on the current planning controls in the Planning Scheme.

Despite all the issues relating to this proposed development and its inconsistency with the Planning Scheme, the Planning Department recommended that Scenic Rim Councillors vote to approve the development at the Ordinary Council meeting that took place on 8 February!

Fortunately, a number of Councillors were astute enough to question aspects of this development that just didn't add up, or which they found concerning. The general view among councillors was they could not vote on whether it should be approved given the information before them. A motion was moved that a visit to the proposed development site and adjoining residents be conducted prior to any decision being made. These visits will occur on Monday 7 March prior to the next Ordinary meeting of council on 8 March.

Existing residents adjoining this proposed development are extremely appreciative that the Councillors are taking the time to visit their properties, and put themselves in their shoes, to see first-hand the significant impacts this development would have on them.

It is the strong view of the 200 submitters, specifically directly impacted property owners, that affording the "discretions and relaxations" sought for this development based on misleading information, to appease the misguided aspirations of one property owner, at the expense of many other residents and ratepayers would be extremely inequitable. Should this development be approved, it would show a complete disregard for the Tamborine Mountain community, adjoining residents, the environment, and the current Planning Scheme, which the Mountain community (owners, residents and voters) expects to be enforced.

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### THE FUTURE OF FOOD

Our Yoga Retreat (YR) is coming up soon, and it's going to be fabulous, and full. Yes, there will be no room at the inn for any last-minute bookings, as every bed is taken up. Yoga retreats aren't just about yoga, they also mean heaps of divine Ayurvedic

food. Vegan plant-based meals with an addition of vegetarian desserts. And many students think they might get hungry as there is no animal protein on offer. They might find all those plants hard to digest (so much fibre) and a whole weekend eating plantbased dishes would be boring, right? No, wrong on all fronts. Plant-based cooking, using pulses and nuts for protein and prepared correctly (soaked and activated to remove the phytates) are really easy to digest, filling, nourishing and very steady on your blood sugar, so you don't get crazy highs and lows of energy.

There aren't many world cuisines that can compete with the array of spices used in Indian cooking. Spices ranging from the well-known turmeric, ginger, cumin and coriander to the unusual and deliciously pungent asafoetida, curry leaves, fenugreek, Kashmiri paprika and spicy black mustard seeds. Each mouthful is layered with smells and tastes that satisfy all your gourmand desires. Ayurvedic food is also about matching the cuisine to the season, to the locality of the produce and the time of day. Warming foods for breakfast, lighter lunches because of yoga, and any icy desserts are strictly a midday treat while the digestive fire in your gut is at its strongest.

Sourcing exotic legumes for the different dahls used to be an issue, particularly since the original Indian growers of these pulses have been exploited by the agricultural multinationals to overuse pesticides and herbicides to such a degree that they are left with farms that can no longer grow crops. Now most of the lentils and pulses consumed in India are imported from Australia and Canada, who have stricter controls on pesticide use. Our YR pulses are grown in Horsham, Victoria.

Environmental scientists like Vandana Shiva have highlighted this crisis in India and her NGO promotes biodiversity conservation and the process of seed saving and is anti-GMO technology. The implementation of BT cotton (a genetically modified pest-resistant plant cotton variety) in India in 2002 was initially a success, but within a few years these tiny farms were dependent on having to buy fresh GM seeds each year and had to use higher and higher quantities of fertiliser, pesticides and water. The low-yield BT cotton crop resulted in many farmers committing suicide, their widows losing the land and being left penniless. Shiva's NGO runs programs to help the farmers detoxify their soils and practice regenerative agriculture. All part of a global movement, helping create a healthy, sustainable future for food growing.

#### Margot Wagner Yoga Under the Bodhi Tree

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Relationships



# THE POWER OF LANGUAGE

Interesting research has been conducted on the power of language in forming our perspective. In experiments, German speaking and English speaking participants were shown video clips and then asked to describe the scenes. German speakers tended to look at the event as a whole, describing the possible goal of people's actions, while English speakers tended to zoom in on the event and describe only the action. A German speaker might say "a woman is walking toward the supermarket", while an English speaker would simply say "a woman is walking".

When bilingual speakers were tested, their perspective switched based on the language context they were given the task in. Experiments were conducted across various languages, with bilingual speakers, showing distinct changes in how they processed events or how they expressed emotions, depending on which language they were operating in. Participants selfreported that they felt like a different person when using different languages. The researchers concluded that the language we speak can significantly affect our perspective and the way we think.

Linguistic relativity is the concept that the language we use and the words we speak provide feedback to our thinking, thereby influencing our thoughts. What does this process mean for our relationships? Consider how you speak about your partner, your kids, those you work with. Is your language peppered with complaints, criticism or negativity? This language will not only undermine your relationships, it will manipulate your own thoughts down a dark path.

Often, criticism is justified by a comment such as "I'm only stating the facts!" The truth is that our perspective is simply our perspective about the things that we choose to focus on. Partners can often become stuck in a cycle of what psychologists call 'negative sentiment override'. Language becomes increasingly negative and the positive traits of one another are entirely overlooked. In focussing on the things we are not happy about, we overlook existing positivity. Our language becomes a narrative of discontent, creating a feedback loop that is sending a message of increasing discontentment to our brain.

Scientists are learning more about the effect of words on ourselves and others in the field of epigenetics, the science of turning genes on and off. Neuroscience has discovered that words can literally change our brains. A single word has the power to influence the expression of genes that regulate physical and emotional stress. Positive words strengthen areas in the brain that promote cognitive functioning and stimulate the motivational centres in our brain.

Language is powerful but more often than not, words flow from our mouth without awareness. Our conversation runs on autopilot without thought to the impact we are having, not only on ourselves but on others. Our satisfaction with our life can be greatly increased by tapping into the power of our spoken word. Mind your language! Aim to speak words of gratitude, positivity, encouragement. Not only will others benefit from this, you will also reap the rewards.

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### Physio Talk

with Rebecca Bell



### **UNCERTAIN TIMES...**

I don't know about you, but I don't really do well with uncertainty. It makes me crazy with the endless possibilities of ifs, buts and maybes. It takes my imagination to the next level of flamboyance, and often not in a helpful way.

Considering the last two years or more have been pretty uncertain, I am sure I am not the only one who has not found it altogether fun. Sometimes, uncertainty adds an element of surprise, keeps us hopeful and adds excitement. But on the whole, most of us struggle with it. Particularly memorable has been the recent school holidays. From the borders opening and the increasing cases of COVID, to the never-ending rain and gloomy days, to the final blow... the extension of the school holidays! Life felt like a bit of a gamble – each outing a risk assessment – figuring out how much chance you were willing to take. Plans changing constantly, not sure whether or when you could see those dearest to you, or if you would be able to go to work.

It got me thinking of the many clients we see who are often worked up into a state about their health before walking through the door at Physique. Will their pain ever go away? Will they be dizzy forever? Do they have a serious condition underlying these symptoms? Often, the overabundance of information on the internet has piqued their imagination, bringing even more confusion. A good way to increase our stress levels and produce anxiety, that's for sure.

On a brighter note, uncertain times can lead us to look

for those things that are a constant, give us answers and discover new things that bring us joy. They can also lead us to become stronger in developing pathways of coping, seeking out and clarifying things that we are unsure of. Teasing out those things that we can be in charge of to reduce our uncertainty is so helpful. Things like our mindset, attitude, what we choose to do with our time and what we think about are all within our immediate control. It may not be easy, but we still have a choice. Even if it means re-directing ourselves a million times over.

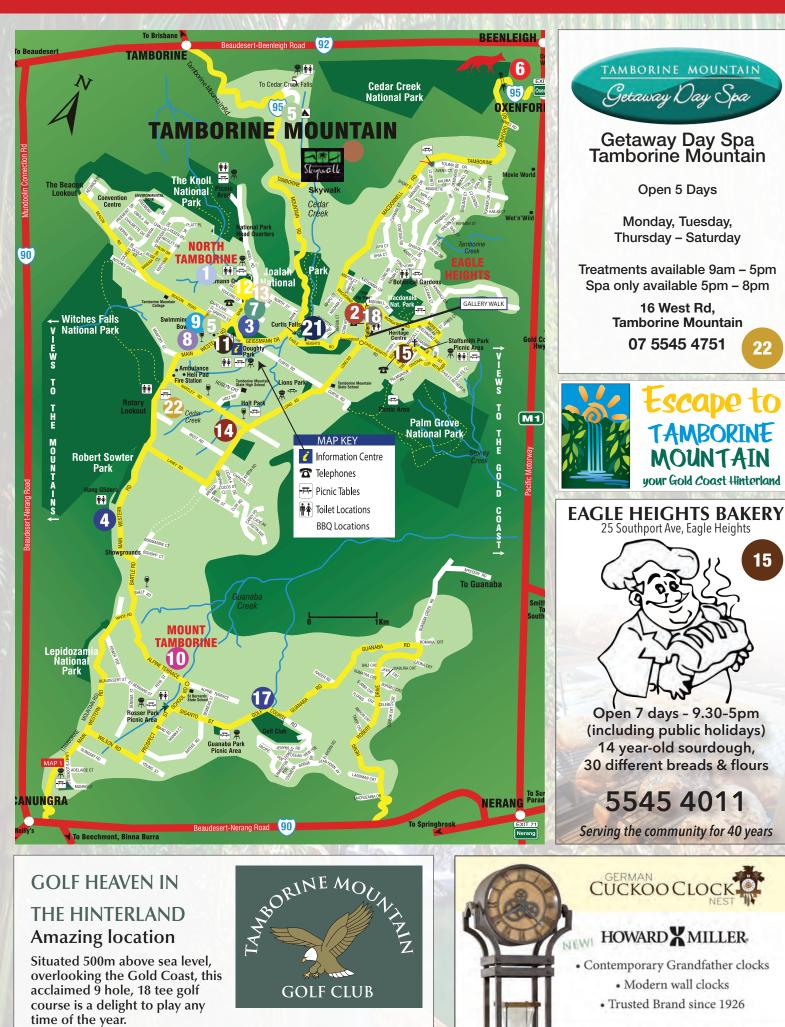
Researching, asking questions, and finding people whom you trust is so important, too – in life in general, but particularly in your health journey. If you don't feel heard in one place, try again in another. I love seeing my patients' stress levels reduce, when I can explain for them what is happening. Even if I may not have all the answers, setting a pathway in motion to seek the knowledge they need is exciting. Supporting our patients through this journey is a big part of what physiotherapists can provide.

So, in this uncertain world, I want to encourage you to seek out all the answers that you can, to lessen the uncertainty. If there is a physical issue you are deliberating over, please let our team at Physique be a part of your journey. Even if the answer is a tough one, or difficult to hear, we can make it easier to deal with in the long run, putting in place things to help and to heal.





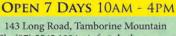
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### **KOKODA YOUTH MEETING CHALLENGES WITH A SMILE**



The Friends of Tamborine National Parks (FoTNP) recently played host to a group from the Kokoda Youth Foundation. These young people are around 17 years of age and are affectionately known as the Kokoda Kids. They commit to the Kokoda Youth Challenge and undertake a character-building program in national parks in south-east Queensland before walking the Kokoda Track in Papua New Guinea. Due to COVID restrictions on overseas travel in the past two years, the trip to Papua New Guinea has been replaced with an activity on the Atherton Tableland in North Queensland. This is the third group to visit with the FoTNP.

The Friends' challenge to the Kokoda Kids was to remove

exotic ginger and lantana from the Tamborine National Park. The Friends' Co-ordinator instructed the youths on ways to manage the environment by imparting knowledge of the native plant species in comparison with exotic plants and weeds. After morning tea, the Kids rounded off their experience by planting rainforest trees propagated in the FoTNP nursery. The activity was so successful that plans are in hand for another group to return later in the year.

The Friends of Tamborine National Park group hold a working bee on the first Saturday of each month. If you are interested in improving your local national park, contact **Len** on **0428 335 572** or email **onthewallaby@live.com.au** 

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OF

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POLICE STATION

### THE RACE IS ON



"A sparkling crowd-pleasing comedy... and a play with a real and urgent message about the difficulty of achieving social justice." – David Williamson 2019

Tamborine Mountain is fortunate to have gained the rights to perform the *Appleton Ladies Potato Race* at the Zamia Theatre this March. Written by journalist and writer Melanie Tait, this play holds a mirror up to us in regional Australia and, with wit and empathy, allows us to see ourselves – warts and all.

This is a rare Australian play with heartfelt dialogue and real issues played out with a sure comedic beat. Five women – all iconic outcasts one way or another – the clever kid: never part of the group; the gay: kept at arm's length; the single mother: to be pitied; the refugee: definitely not ONE OF US; the childless countrywoman: with no purpose; women all shouldering the responsibility for themselves, their families, their neighbours, their town, their clubs – keeping this country running.

Inspired by true events, and located in Appleton in the Southern Highlands of NSW, the action kicks off when new GP and returning local, Penny Anderson discovers that the famous potato race pays out \$1000 to the male winner, and \$200 to the women. When she decides to stand up to the vested interests and restore gender equity, she has no idea the culture wars that will ensue.

TMLT will be performing *The Appleton Ladies Potato Race* from March 25th for three weekends. Book through TryBooking **https://www.trybooking.com/BXLEE** or directly on the Tamborine Mountain Little Theatre website **http://www.tmlt.com.au/** 



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Zamia Theatre, Tamborine Mountain March 25, 26, 27 April 1, 2, 3, 8, 9 7.30 Evening & 2pm Matinee trybooking.com or TMLT website Tables of 8 available.



"Malcolm and friends would like to say a BIG thank you to TMPA for protecting our homes!"



### travelling places

### TRAVELLING PLACES with Gina

Driving up through tropical grounds, we found our way to our lunch destination. Chop Suey in Singapore's Dempsey Hill area is located in delightful colonial buildings on top of a hill overlooking the city. Once a British military barracks, this enclave has been converted into stylish restaurants and shops. It is a lovely area to wander around and have a meal with the locals. Another local's restaurant is Bayswater Kitchen, by the water's edge. Catch a taxi to East Coast Road, Katong and enjoy an authentic local meal in one of the many holes-in-the-wall restaurants, where expats and locals jostle for seats on the pavement, and the smell of fresh Asian food wafts over tables of chattering people.



Singapore has transformed throughout its relatively short history. It is now seen as a thriving city at the crossroads of Asia, a thriving centre for commerce, a hub for the arts and culture, and with its colonial history it is accessible, fun and interesting for us to visit. Alongside modern skyscrapers are the beautifully restored colonial buildings, many of which have become fabulous hotels.

The historical post office stands proud on the banks of the Singapore River overlooking Marina Bay Sands and the spectacular gardens. This gracious old building is home to the luxurious Fullerton Hotel and a week or so here is a great base to explore the wonderful art gallery, the museums, the restaurants, and the evertempting shops. Take a day to visit Sentosa Island or catch the train up the coast to Dutch-influenced Malacca, or the ferry to Indonesia's Bintan Island. Enjoy a cooking course or an afternoon being pampered in the spa. Take a ride to the top of Marina Bay Sands for a bird's eye view of the city or join the animals for breakfast at the worldrenowned zoo. There's lots to keep you occupied in this fascinating island-state.

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### FOOD FOR THOUGHT

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### **TOMATO AND TUNA PASTA**

This simple yet wholesome dish is one of my favourite recipes when I need to cook something easy and quickly. You can have this on the table in less than 20 minutes, and once you learn the base recipe you can start to jazz it up with anything you like. Think olives, crispy capers, roasted capsicums and even Persian feta.

This is a great dish for anyone trying to save on their food bills, due to the very cost-effective nature of the ingredients, just \$5 for two serves, whilst still delivering the needed nutrition, as it's packed with protein, carbohydrates, vitamins and minerals. Nearly everyone I know would have some pasta, tinned tomatoes and tuna in their pantry, so this can be whipped up on any day of the week. For those of you with growing adolescents, teach your teenagers to make this and they'll never go hungry again.

This recipe was a saving grace in my early travelling days. As many of you dear readers know, I have a love of travel and adventure, and one of the most difficult but also rewarding travelling endeavours I have ever undertaken has been walking *'El Camino de Santiago'* in Northern Spain. A gruelling 900-kilometre walk that you can begin in the foothills of the Pyrenees Mountains in Southern France, and takes you to the 'end of the world': *Finisterre* on the coast of Galicia on the north-western tip of Spain.

In reflecting on my first experience of the walk, I realised I'd been so focused on completing it that I had missed the mark. I hadn't learnt yet that life is not about the destination, but learning to enjoy the journey every step of the way, so whilst travelling through Europe, I had the idea to invite my siblings to join me when I planned to walk the *Camino* for the second time. I set about writing letters to my three brothers and sister to ask if they wanted to accompany me (well for my sister, I needed to ask permission from my mother, as she was still a minor). Rather miraculously, they all agreed and managed to meet me in London in six months later.

From London, we would travel by bus via Paris and Amsterdam to Saint Jean Pied de Port, at the foot of the Pyrenees in southwestern France ,where for centuries people have started the 'Pilgrims Way'. I was 22, my brother Ryan was 20, Kirk had just turned 18, Mitchell was sweet 16, and my sister Rosy was just a teenager, aged 14. Our reunion with their arrival all began so well. Arriving in Paris, we did all the touristy things like visiting the Louvre, seeing the Eiffel Tower and eating Nutella crepes. We were on top of the world. After our short stay in Amsterdam, however, things quickly took a downward turn during our onward travel plans.

We had booked a night bus leaving at 8pm to head to the city of Lyon in southern France, departing from Amsterdam station. When we arrived at the train station, everything was in Dutch, and that's

when I made a critical error. Instead of getting on a train to Amsterdam station, a mere 10-minute ride away, we got on a country train to Amstelveen station. The train that we had taken was heading in the wrong direction an hour away, which meant by the time we returned to Amsterdam and got on the right train, we had now missed our overnight bus. We were devastated. I needed to find out how to fix it.

We had pre-purchased tickets, so I asked a man at his bus window if we could use our tickets to get on the next bus in the morning to which he replied, "No. You will have to pay again". "Can we stay here until morning?" I asked. "No. We close the terminal at 9pm" Disheartened, I then rang every hostel and hotel within our budget, but couldn't find anywhere with a vacancy. Finally, at around 1 am, whilst pleading with the reception of our last hope, he took pity on us and called his friend who was a security guard. He worked at a place called the 'Botel', an old ferry that had been transformed into a floating hotel, in the docklands. It was out of our budget, but the security guard agreed that if we gave him 100 euros, we could sleep in his cabin, insisting we'd need to be gone by 8am the next morning so as not to be seen by his superiors. This worked for us because the next bus to Lyon departed at 9am.

Arriving at Amsterdam station the next morning, I explained what had happened the night before to the lady at the ticket window. We were in luck, as there were five seats available on the next bus, and buses were full for the next three days. She kindly permitted us to use our tickets without having to purchase new ones, which instantly restored my faith in the Dutch people. Before our departure time, I needed to buy some supplies for the journey, and I decided to buy a big bag of lollies. I handed the bag to Rosy, and she was to distribute them to the others as she saw fit. Making Mitchell plead cheered her up



tremendously, as he loved lollies. "Listen up guys" I said: "We now get to see the beautiful countryside of France because we are travelling by day. Which also means we can check into our accommodation straight away when we arrive in Lyon. Then the plan is to go and do some sightseeing without these heavy bags!" As we climbed aboard, their eyes all lit up, relieved to be back on our way and eager to continue with our travel adventures of a lifetime.

#### Cooking Time 15 mins Serves 2

#### Ingredients

- 250g tinned tuna, drained
- 400g tinned tomatoes
- 2 tbs Gaucho marinade\*
- 1 tbs tomato paste
- 1/2 brown onion, diced
- 2 tbs garlic, chopped
- 5 basil leaves
- 100g spaghetti

\*Chef Dylan's Gourmet Food Co. Gaucho marinade

#### Method

- 1. Heat a medium sized saucepan on medium-high heat and fry onion and garlic until fragrant.
- 2. Add Gaucho and tomato paste then cook stirring for ~30 seconds.
- 3. Add tinned tomato and stir in. Simmer on low.
- 4. Cook spaghetti according to packet directions ~12-15mins.
- 5. Strain spaghetti and add to the sauce to combine.
- 6. Serve into bowls and add flaked tuna on top.
- 7. Garnish with basil and any extras.

# ooked on books

#### SCENIC RIM LIBRARIES

#### **WELCOME**

Patrons will need to sanitise hands as they enter, and provide their library card number or details (as per government directives).

### **STORYTIME &** SINGSONG and

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#### **NEW LIBRARY PLAN**

Scenic Rim Regional Council has approved the floorplan as the final concept to inform the development of the detailed design prior to going to tender.



Key features of the new space were identified by members of the community through a 'have your say' process which was completed in October 2021.

It has been a great challenge trying to include every request from the community, but we are confident that the new library will include the space and access to facilities and collections which are important to our library users.

This will include more casual seating and access to computers, increased shelving for books, more meeting rooms, a baby change table, a bigger event space as well as improved technology and more room to sit and study or read.

If you would like to see the plan and subscribe to find out about updates, scan the QR code and sign in to the new



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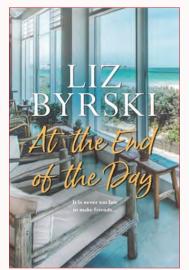
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### **Interesting Facts About** English Literature

- 1. Marcel Proust's 'Remembrance of Things Past is the longest book in the world at 9,609,000 characters. The book is highly inspired by Proust's personal experiences.
- 2. Lewis Carroll's book 'Alice in Wonderland' was banned in China as the book suggests animals can talk and write just like humans, which according to the governor of Hunan, China is "disastrous".
- 'Stewardesses' is the longest word 3. that is typed with only the left hand.
- The sentence "The quick brown fox 4. jumps over the lazy dog." uses every letter in the alphabet.
- 5. The town of Hamelin, Germany famous for the legend of the rat-catching Pied Piper has a Modern-day Rat Problem due to the food left by tourists.



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- 2. The city of Calcutta is sited on the delta of which river?
- 3. Which river flows into the Dead Sea?
- 4. Budapest and Belgrade stand on which river?
- 5. Shanghai stands near the mouth of which great river?
- 6. How many English rivers bear the name Avon?
- 7. Which river has its source in the Himalayas, flows through Assam and Bangladesh where it joins the Ganges?
- 8. The Brazilian port of Manaus stands on which river?
- 9. In which range of hills does the River Thames rise?
- 10. Which exotic sea mammals have been seen in the River Wear at Sunderland over the early part of the 21st century?
- 11. What is the name of the marsh region of the Rhone delta in France?
- 12. Which German city stands on the rivers Havel and Spree?
- 13. On which river does Warsaw stand?
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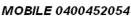
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**TM BRIDGE CLUB** meets each Monday at 5.45pm, Wednesday at 1.15pm, Thursday at 12.45pm and in an Assisted Play session on Friday at 12.45pm for those wishing to learn more in a social environment at the Tamborine Mountain Sports Complex, 400 Long Road.

TM CHAMBER OF COMMERCE: 2nd Wed. of month. Phone 5545 0944 Email:

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**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 Bob Hepple on 0411 776 888 for details of next meeting.

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