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CAR SHOW ROARS TO LIFE THIS SUNDAY

This year's Tamborine Mountain Car Show at 400 Long Road will be one of the biggest automobile attractions in South-East Queensland for motoring enthusiasts, as well as promising a great family day out to enjoy the show vehicles, music, market stalls and food vans. Tamborine Mountain Men's Shed is partnering with Rotary for this event. Story and details page 14.



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Buyer: Cade Ave, Tamborine Mountain

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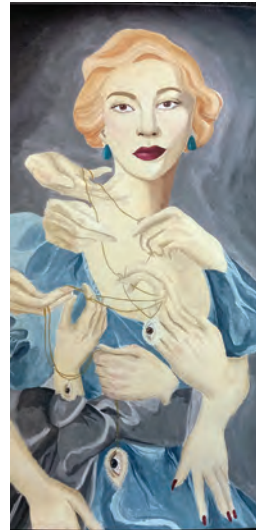
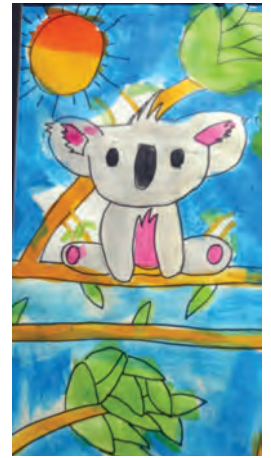
Car exhibitors entering the third annual Tamborine Mountain Car Show, held at the Long Road Sports Ground this Sunday 20th August, will, for the first time, receive prizes unique to 'our mountain' show.

When the Men's Shed members were approached by the Rotary Club to co-host the event, it was decided that the many talents of the Men's Shed members could be put to good use. In addition to cash prizes, the winning entries in each category of Antique/Vintage, Classic, Custom and Muscle, Electric and Bike will receive trophies hand-crafted at the Men's Shed 88 Beacon Road workshop. Shed Member Warren Anderson (above) and former member Len Bytheway, who etched the glass, worked with the Car Show Committee to create truly memorable Best-in-Show, uniquely stylised trophies. The Car Show gates open to the public from 8.00 AM.



ARTS FEST TO CELEBRATE AND INSPIRE YOUNG TALENT

TM College proudly extends a warm invitation to the Tamborine Mountain Community to our ArtsFest event on Saturday 9 September 2023, 10am to 2pm.



An eagerly anticipated annual event, the festival is a celebration of our students' creativity, imagination and artistic brilliance!

Come and explore their captivating artwork, visit one of the food trucks on offer and enjoy a lovely picnic lunch on our lawn, while listening to the beautiful melodies that will fill the air.

Take home a memento of your day with one of our free art workshops, including the very popular 'Paint Pour'; all ages and abilities are welcome.

And don't forget to book tickets to watch our primary students shine with their performance of Disney's 'Winnie the Pooh' (below right), performances at 10am and 11am. To book tickets, head to www.tmc.qld.edu.au/news-events/events

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NEW EXHIBITION KICKS OFF

We are delighted to announce that this Saturday, Under the Greenwood Tree has a very exciting exhibition opening featuring two talented artists: printmaker Neil Matterson (pictured opposite page) and ceramicist Carol Forster (below left).

While these two art forms may not at first glance appear to be the most natural pairing, both Neil and Carol have worked with a black and white theme that highlights the beautiful detail and textures of their pieces, and also lends a symbiosis to the exhibition space. Coincidentally, while Carol works in ceramics, her original training in fine art was as a printmaker.



Neil studied and researched aspects of the female body in society and art, as he completed his Masters of Visual Art in 2010, which has provided the basis for the running theme of women and their journeys in this exhibition. "Women in Boats", covering difficult emotional terrain, becomes a metaphor for the often-difficult journey of life.

Neil has an extensive professional history

ST BERNARD SS FESTIVAL OF FUN FOR UNDER EIGHTS

There were miles of smiles as St Bernard School recently celebrated Under Eights Day, with a festival of fun for our younger students and community members.

Originally developed by Early Childhood Australia, Under Eights Week is an annual event which celebrates the huge significance of the first 8 years of a child's life in terms of learning and development. This year's theme was "Play – You, Me and Our Communities," celebrating the power of play in fostering young children's learning.

St Bernard State School embraces the importance of the critical early learning years and embeds play based learning experiences as part of our age-appropriate pedagogies framework. For Under 8s Week St Bernard State School and our community celebrated the event in "community carnival style," and invited our local childcare centres to join in on the fun. All children and families participated a vast range of hands-on activities such as making bee hotels and clay pinch pots, creating plant people, badge making, beading, painting, rock painting, face painting, and origami. There were a number of play and exploring spaces out on our oval to foster the creativity and curiosity that St Bernard SS values. All participants also engaged in some great sporting activities, including basketball, AFL and NRL, and had great fun exploring the fire truck with our friends from



emergency services.

A key highlight of the day was a wonderful performance from visiting author and performer Nadia Sunde, who, along with her cheeky friend Twinkle, delighted the children with her vibrant performance. The children were also treated to follow up workshops with Nadia after the festival concluded.

As ever, the St Bernard community came together with zeal to support our young learners. We would like to extend our sincerest thanks to all the community organisations, emergency services, parents and volunteers who gave the time to contribute to this wonderful day and to our friends at Story Fest for their ongoing support in organising visiting authors and performers for these events. A huge thankyou to our incredible Prep Teacher Angela Berryman and our amazing staff, who deliver such a wonderful Under Eights event every year.

Our school welcomes all enrolments from Prep – Year 6 and does not have an enrolment catchment plan, meaning we can accept all. To inquire more about our beautiful school, please contact **(07) 5545 7666** or e-mail admin@stbernardss.eq.ed.au.



of black and white artwork. He worked for many years as a political, editorial and strip cartoonist for major newspapers, was a three-time finalist in the Walkley Awards and, in recent years has built upon his foundation skills of life drawing to transition into printmaking – etching and drypoints.

Carol Forster has been a professional ceramic artist for over 25 years. She has exhibited in China, Korea, Japan and Croatia, as well as extensively in Australia. Her work is held in multiple public and private exhibitions worldwide.

This exhibition, *"Inspired by Nature"*, is influenced by her love of nature. Time spent observing the minutiae of forest life is replicated on her ceramics using a variety of techniques, including relief printing.

Carol lives on the Sunshine Coast but has a deep connection with Tamborine Mountain. Carol's aunt, Pamela Mary Crawford, was an artist and founding member of the Miya Studio in Brisbane. She married the playwright and Communist Party member, James Crawford (Jim) on 22 December 1949, and they settled on Tamborine Mountain after buying several acres of land on the corner of Lahey and Long Road, (now known as Crawford's Corner). Enterprising people, Pam and Jim lived in the converted box that their VW car arrived in while they built their modest, four-room home, according to family lore. Pam became a member of the Queensland Women's Historical Association in 1977 and, upon her death in 1997, Pam bequeathed her house and land to The Mount Tamborine Historical Society in the hope that her land would be preserved. It is now a

dense and beautiful forest once again.

The exhibition will continue until September 22nd, with both artists in attendance at the opening on **Saturday August 26th**. Please join us to see this unique combination of two highly skilled artists in their fields.



UNDER THE GREENWOOD TREE

EXHIBITION - AUGUST 26 to SEPTEMBER 22

Neil Matterson *"Boats, Women and Journeys"*
& Carol Forster *"Impressed by Nature"*

Etchings and Ceramic sculpture



Neil Matterson
"Arduous Journey"



Carol Forster
"Texture Vase"



Neil Matterson
"The Travelling Musician 2"

Come along & meet the artists at the exhibition opening on Saturday August 26th at 2.30pm.

The exhibition continues until Friday, September 22nd 2023.

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- Wednesday 30th August 2.15pm - 2.45pm
- Friday 8th September 9am - 9.30am

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Prep 2024 students are invited to spend time in the Prep classroom with key Prep staff. 9.00am - 10.30am on each of the below dates.

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BANG THE TABLE

Dear Reader,

A number of you have kindly reached out over the last months asking what has happened to my column.

In short, I have been challenged by a few life experiences that have included family health, work commitments, and lo and behold, a direct intrusion into our lives by none other than Council. The latter being addressed by an Ombudsman investigation into Council and which will hopefully be concluded at the end of August. I will speak further on this matter once the investigation is finalised.

Enough of my woes, let's turn to you, the people of the Scenic Rim, and some of your issues. No doubt you will have received your rates notice and will be forced to write a hefty cheque to Council, handing over hard-earned money in exchange for municipality services.

The first question you would ask: are my rates being applied to services the community needs? Are they being applied effectively, and are they efficiently deployed?

Council during their budgetary process introduced what they called a "community budget consultation" whereby Council claims they are on an "ongoing journey towards becoming a more customer-focused organisation, that values and responds to community feedback".

Yet, the draft summary budget put up during the "consultation period", which came with a suggested 'around 8% overall rate increase' appeared to be identical to the budget handed down.

By my observations, I could not find anyone remotely interested in an 8% increase, and who were far from satisfied with the proposed works given the past history of not delivering projects on time, or on budget, with special regard to around \$75m in capital underspend. This underspend will be carried forward, and a great many projects will be incomplete from the previous year's budget... as this underspend has occurred in the budget before.

How can Council ask for more money when not delivering in previous years? Quite simply, a budget increase should not be built around CPI (inflation) or complaints of other funding sources such as Federal Grants drying up. A major component of formulating budgets should be around past delivery i.e., the question to be asked is: have you completed all works forecasted in the previous years, and what is the capability and likelihood of delivering what is proposed going forward?

In terms of waste and efficiency, there is zero transparency by this Council in determining whether or not we are getting any bang for our buck! A simple example is the wage and staff bill – around \$37m. How many? How often? Capability? Delivery? More simply put – one big black hole.

Not so long ago I stumbled across a SRRC survey titled "How Easy Is It To Do Business With Us".

There were 21 questions ranging across various subjects from Waste Services to Council-run events. The first five questions related to age, gender, ethnicity and connection to the Scenic Rim. As a sample question, Question 19 reads: "From recent experience, how easy was it to interact with us using the following methods?" To answer, tick boxes followed, offering a range from Very Easy to Very Difficult for varying services – telephone, email, Face to face, Let's Talk Scenic Rim (platform) etc.

I can only say: "If the telephone is not ringing, it is Council calling!"

My understanding of this style of survey is that it's generated by a programme that offers a range of services provided by a company/organisation called "Bang The Table" see www.bangthetable.com. It is also my understanding that we are paying thousands of dollars in a paid subscription for this software service.

Councillors: are you serious? We are not Brisbane CC, with millions of constituents... we are only 40,000 people living in a regional setting.

Councillors: paying private consultants or using a paid subscription for a senseless survey is one inefficiency wasting thousands of dollars a year. How many more senseless court cases, private consultants or paid-for subscription surveys are there? Residents are not informed, and these outgoings could ultimately add up to hundreds of thousands, if not millions.

Councillors: *Please Stop Wasting Our Money!*

People of The Scenic Rim: I think it is time YOU banged the Council table!

Postscript: Dear Reader, this will be the first and last article under the column title "Short and Sharp". Please keep your eye out for what comes next...



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WHITE-NECKED AND WHITE-FACED HERON

Ardea pacifica and *Egretta novaehollandiae*,
storm and spring-fed pond, Driscoll Lane.



This is the only time I have seen both herons in the one place. The white-necked's common name used to be Pacific heron. The species is found in all but the driest areas of Australia, in Indonesia, New Guinea and New Zealand. It is the largest of the three herons which visit the Mountain. The white-faced heron is common throughout much of Australasia, including New Guinea, Indonesia, New Zealand and all but the driest areas of Australia.

Peter Kuttner



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DESIGNING THE PERFECT SWIMMING POOL

By Jez Clark
Principal - Clark+Granger



It is widely known that swimming pools have become a fundamental aspect of the Australian outdoor lifestyle, with roughly 2.7 million Australian households possessing a swimming pool. In fact, Australia builds more domestic swimming pools per capita than any other country in the world.



Therefore, if you have plans of constructing your own backyard oasis, I have put together a few tips and trends that you can draw inspiration from to optimise your investment.

Now obviously here on the mountain you would be advised to heat your pool to

maximise its use throughout the year. Hey, when I lived in Cairns, I heated the pool to 30 degrees, almost warm enough to make a cup of tea. Ideally, the pool should be in a sunny spot that receives at least six hours of direct sunlight per day, as this will help keep the water warm and reduce heating costs. A cover would also be a good idea. If you don't mind going a bit out there, darker shades and tones can make your pool more sustainable, as dark tiles absorb heat from the sun, naturally warming the water 5–10 degrees more than light-coloured pool tiles. Dark pool tiles will add dramatic aesthetic value to a pool's design: think black, dark grey, and dark blue for a chic, modern take on outdoor design.

With so many acreage lots and magnificent views, an infinity edge is an obvious choice, but if you're looking for a cheaper option, consider a blade edge. This will give you the feel of an infinity edge, without the price. A tiled blade edge creates a stunning visual line between the water and the horizon. These tiled edges are very cost-effective and a very clever design feature to add that extra bit of 'wow' factor to any pool project.

What's in a tile?

There are a lot of natural factors that can change the appearance and colour of the water in your pool. The water will look different first thing in the morning compared to later in the afternoon because of how the sun hits the surface. Additionally, landscaping around the pool can cast shadows on different parts of the water to change the overall colour, and even the deep end is likely to have a hue that varies from the shallow side.

However, the biggest way to change the water's appearance is to choose a pool finish with a unique hue. Traditionally, pool interiors and liners were either white or blue. However, you no longer need to limit yourself to just those two colours to achieve your perfect pool.

- If you want water that looks bright and spring clean, choose a light grey liner.
- For blue water that is translucent or crystalline, go with an interior tile or liner that's pale blue or shades of white.
- Accent the natural design of your pool with green, tan, or brown colours that will create soft green tones in the water.
- For a deeper blue, choose a dark blue liner or tile.
- For that classic turquoise pool? Beige or cream interiors reflect the light to create turquoise water.

Striking colour contrasts are a massive trend in pool design in 2023, notably checkers and stripes. The stark contrast between colours can create interesting geometric patterns and emphasise the scale of the pool. Factor in refracting light from the pool water, and you have a genuinely captivating swimming pool design. Even patterned pool tiles are making a comeback. Think Moroccan 'Zellij' tiles in dazzling repeats, and you have a more unique pool design giving strong Mediterranean styling notes to any project.

If you are feeling brave, the retro trend is for you. Combine colours like turquoise, mint, and pink in bold, geometric patterns for a modern vintage look that creates a classic yet trendsetting pool design. Perhaps due to 'Barbie Mania', pink tiles are trending, from kitchens to bathrooms to fireplaces, and pools aren't any exception. Pink tiles are just stunning and

give pools a boutique 1950's motel character.

For the less bold of you, mix and match may be the trend for you. This trend combines different tile finishes and sizes to create a unique look in your pool area, mixing tiles of the same colour with different textures or patterns for an eye-catching design.

Whatever direction you go with when selecting pool tiles, there are a few things to consider:

- Pool tiles come in various shapes, sizes, colours, and finishes. Make sure to choose pool tiles that complement the overall scale and style of your pool. Don't forget that the pool should also be in harmony with your home.
- As pool tiles experience constant exposure to pool chemicals, water, and accessories, ensure you choose high-quality, durable tiles that will withstand the wear and tear of pool use.
- Select a non-porous and slip-resistant pool tile to ensure safety and easy maintenance.
- Consider choosing a matte finish instead of a glossy one, as this will offer a better grip when wet.

A Splash Deck

Don't let the name fool you, the shallow entry design of a splash deck, also known as a sun shelf, offers plenty of entertainment and options for adults as well as kids. For families with young children, splash decks offer babies and toddlers a place to splash and play without having to be fully submerged in the pool. It also gives little ones an easier entryway, since pool steps can be difficult for young swimmers. For the adults, a splash deck makes a great spot for pool loungers, and a great space for relaxing under a pool umbrella.

Smart Pool Technology

Imagine pressing a button and instantly, you can adjust your pool's temperature, set ambient music to play, and control everything from the lighting to the chlorine levels. **Smart pool technology** is for you if you've ever fantasised about arriving home and diving right into your heated pool while your favourite music is playing. Picture this: LED lighting illuminates the water in a range of colours, while smart technology allows you to monitor and control your pool from anywhere, at any time. Enjoy round-the-clock remote monitoring and top-of-the-line automation set to enhance not only your pool experience but also increase your pool's security, comfort, and convenience.

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Fire and Water

Lastly, let's talk about fire and water. Fire pits have been a very popular component of our outdoor spaces for several years now. Combining the fire pit and lounge within your pool is just a logical progression of this trend.

Our latest pool design, which was recently named the **Residential Pool of the Year** by Gold Coast Master Builders, has many of the elements which I have mentioned above. The grey tiles really gave the pool a natural feel, the splash deck and in-pool seating ledges gave ample opportunities to unwind in the water and admire the view. The infinity edge blended the pool with the distant pastoral views, and the sunken lounge and fire pit provided that much sought after waterside entertainment space, and integrated seamlessly with the pool.

Designing the perfect swimming pool is an art that combines innovation, aesthetics, and functionality. By aligning with these tips and trends, you can transform your backyard into a stunning oasis that celebrates the essence of Australian outdoor living. Whether it's basking in the sun's warmth or embracing the captivating interplay of colours and patterns, your dream pool awaits, ready to redefine your outdoor lifestyle.

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Apart from their Australian-based ships, the Princess fleet has vessels worldwide offering short and longer explorations. With the launch of new ships, the fabulous new Sun Princess will be based in Europe for her inaugural 2024 season. Join her on this wonderful 21-night cruise around the Mediterranean, calling into Greek islands, historical Turkey, sail the Adriatic, travel around the boot of Italy, and wander along the French and Spanish coastlines. This wonderful cruise can be combined with flights for a three-week holiday, or perhaps combine this with visiting family and friends in Europe or venturing further afield with a driving holiday or a touring trip to really immerse yourselves in Europe.



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CELEBRATION – 100 YEARS!

Folk travelled from near and far to be present to wish Gwen Curtis “Happy 100th Birthday” on Saturday 12 August at St George’s Church on Tamborine Mountain.

Gwen, and her husband, George, came to Tamborine Mountain in 1973 - 50 years ago.

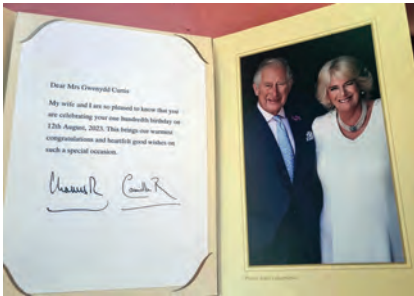
In her early life, Gwen joined the Auxiliary Territorial Service (ATS) in England in 1942, and first trained in Dalkeith, near Edinburgh, Scotland. She was a lorry driver transporting stores, ammunition, troops and officers.

Gwen and George married in 1956, and soon after, came to Australia.

When they came to Tamborine Mountain, they joined St George’s Church where they were

faithful and generous members engaging in the life of the Parish. The special birthday party on her 100th Birthday was the Parish’s ‘thank you’ gift to her.

Over the years, Gwen has been very involved in the local community. She plays bridge, was an inaugural member of the Garden Club, an inaugural member of the Creative Arts, as well as being a Life Member of the RSL. Her involvements in the community were recognised during the morning tea birthday party.



Gwen received greetings, which were read, from her family members in England, as well as formal greetings and recognitions from the King, the Governor-General, the Prime Minister, the Federal Member, the State Member and the Scenic Rim Mayor.

**Happy birthday, Gwen!
Happy 100th!**



SCOTT BUCHHOLZ
Federal Member for Wright

VOLUNTEERS GRANTS 2023-24: ENTRIES ARE NOW OPEN!



Federal member for Wright, Scott Buchholz, announces that 2023–24 volunteers’ grants are now open to expressions of interest.

The latest round of the Volunteer Grants Program is now open to receive expressions of interest (EOI).

\$66,225 has been allocated to the Wright electorate, and your organisation can submit an EOI for funding between \$1,000 - \$5,000 to support your wonderful volunteers.

“Each year, I am continuously amazed by the selfless and generous work each volunteers’ group does for the local community, and if you require any assistance, please do not hesitate to contact my office on **5541 0150**,” Mr Buchholz said.

“The completed EOI forms should be emailed to **scott.buchholz.mp@aph.gov.au**. For more information or questions, please contact my office on the number above, or email.

“I’d encourage every group to submit an expression interest form for this grant.” Mr Buchholz said.



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TAMBORINE MOUNTAIN UNIVERSE WELCOMES YOU TO VIEW THE RARE SUPER BLUE MOON

Thursday, 31 August 2023 – from 5pm onwards at The Cauldron, 89-123 Hartley Rd Tamborine Mountain. Entry is free, hosted by volunteers of the TMU.

An incredibly rare super moon can be seen from the East Coast of Australia on 31 August at 5:44 pm.

Tamborine Mountain Universe is inviting all to attend a special viewing at the Cauldron Distillery on Hartley Road.

Although the moon is set to rise above the ocean at 5:44 pm, on the Mountain, it will not be seen till it climbs the horizon.

The Super Blue Moon is considered rare, appearing about once in a decade.

The Blue Moon occurs when there are two full moons in one month. There is usually only one full moon per lunar cycle in each month.

The Super Moon is due to the closeness of the orbit of the moon in its elliptical circuit of

the Earth.

According to NASA, "A supermoon can appear 12 to 14 per cent larger at its closest orbit than a full moon at its farthest point, and about 7 per cent bigger than an average full moon."

If you miss out on this event, you won't have another chance until May 2026 to see another Blue Moon, and until 2029 to see a Super Blue Moon.

To help celebrate the event we will have:

- Live acoustic music, sing-a-longs around an open fire, snags and patties on the barbecue,
- Telescopes set up to get more closely acquainted with the moon,
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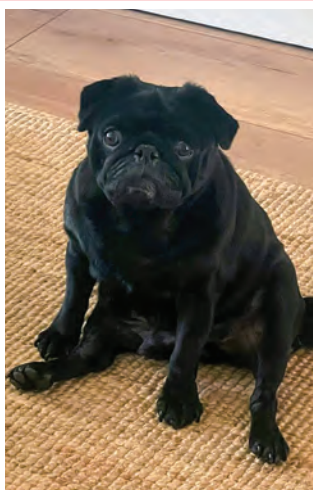
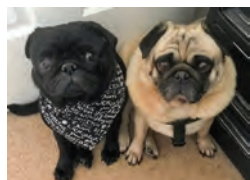
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Councillor's Comment



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. Please note my comments are written several days prior to the printing of this paper.

Congratulations: Gwen (Gwenydd) Curtis celebrated her 100th birthday amongst many friends at St George's Anglican Church on the 12th of August. Gwen has seen changes in her lifetime many of us cannot begin to imagine: the early years – she was 16 when WW1 commenced, and she served in (then) Princess Elizabeth's unit in the Auxiliary Territorial Service as a lorry driver, remembers doodle bug bombs being dropped, rationing and coupon books. Married to George in 1956, the couple emigrated to Australia as "ten-pound Poms". Long term residents of the Mountain (since 1973), Gwen was very involved in the local community and was an inaugural member of the Garden Club and Creative Arts, as well as a long-term member of the Tamborine Mtn Progress Assn Inc and a life member of the RSL. I had the pleasure of reading the congratulatory message from King Charles III. What a wonderful life!

Australian Local Government Women's Assn Qld Branch state conference. I attended a 2-day conference on 3-4 August – "Perils and Possibilities of Local Government". Guest speakers covered topics including AI, technology, legal matters – Councillor conduct, ethical decision making, "life after Council" – apparently you can check out, but you can never leave (apologies to Hotel California), the relevance of local Government, mental health and economic and demographic trends. Possibly the best conference I have ever attended.

Development Applications (DAs): Fairly quiet on the application front recently: 86-88 Cliff Rd - Dwelling house Establishment or extension second - Secondary Dwelling.

Current court appeals involving SRRC: For those interested in reading the court docs relating to the current court matters, go to [Search Results \(courts.qld.gov.au\)](https://searchresults.courts.qld.gov.au) and scroll through the listings, then click on "View File Details" and then open the individual docs. All Planning & Environment Court documents can be viewed.

Reminder: Have your say: Council's *Draft Scenic Rim Region Biosecurity Plan 2023-2028* – Council is seeking community input via Let's Talk Scenic Rim from 28 July – 25 August 2023 (letstalk.scenicrim.qld.gov.au). This Plan provides guidance on how to reduce biosecurity risks associated with invasive plants and animals and their impacts on the community, economy and the environment.

Council Ordinary Meeting – 8 August 2023: OIA complaint against former Cr Swanborough. I did not participate and declared a conflict of interest, given the level of interest in my voting participation of late. Sadly, the majority of the meeting involved this matter. He was found to have engaged in inappropriate conduct and a penalty of 100% of the investigation costs of \$4,950 was moved. This was reduced to 30% with the comment "*some of the earlier findings against former Cr Swanborough... that we didn't follow correct procedures there... I think there's a big question mark over some of the others (decisions)*". These comments can be heard at the 2hr 26-minute mark of the video recording of the meeting (available at [Scenic Rim Regional Council Ordinary Meeting 8 August 2023 - YouTube](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=...))

Topics of concern raised recently: more boundary disputes (QCAT matter), graffiti, unapproved advertising signage, blocked drainage pits, Shelf Road issues, operation of home-based business impacting on neighbours, dog attacks, council prunings left uncollected, rubbish on roadsides. Re: white lines on roads to assist safety: line markings must meet minimum road width requirements and most of our local roads are not wide enough for a centre line, let alone lines on each side.

Award of the Week goes to the most innovative use of a living tree as a power pole.

For info: Home Based Business – Fact Sheet: Note the requirement re:- parking: "*A Home-based business provides*
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that all vehicles associated with the use can be, and are, parked on the site at all times."
Pretty clear, really.

[Fact Sheet re:- Scenic Rim Planning Scheme 2020](#)

Springtime on the Mountain: This is our Mountain's chance to shine for all the right reasons on 29-30 September. Council does its bit by ensuring mowing is performed and the main roads are as neat and tidy as possible. Let's all do our bit and tidy up the verges outside our own properties, and if you are doing a run to the tip and have some room in your ute or trailer, see if your neighbours have any green waste you could help remove. Many people don't have the ability to take their waste to the tip and it ends up in general waste bins.

Tamborine Mountain Showground: contrary to popular belief, this property is NOT owned by Council. Dogs other than assistance dogs are NOT PERMITTED on the grounds at any time for insurance reasons. Please respect this, and leave your dog at home if attending a sporting fixture or the monthly on-site markets.

Community Consultation: I am available for a private chat from 10.00am–12.00 noon on Saturday 19 August at the Tamborine Mtn Library.

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WHAT I LOOK LIKE



OUR STAFF BOOK CHOICE: *Tuesday Evenings at the Copeton Craft Resistance* by Kate Solly



Meredith established the Copeton Crochet Collective (no knitters please) because it would be like having friends -- only with her in charge -- and because there would be no men. It comes as a nasty shock, then, when Luke, the handsome grandson of no-nonsense Edith, decides to stay and learn to crochet.

Claire has five children, which is why people sometimes look at her with mild concern. She longs for an Insta-perfect life like her online hero, Siobhan, but she's drowning in domestic failure. She joins the Copeton craft group in the hope of making some non-virtual friends. Yasmin is Muslim and proud. But sometimes it would be great if people stopped asking her about her hijab and instead asked who she thought was going to win MasterChef. With plans for a new mosque, Copeton becomes a breeding ground for Islamophobia. The Copeton Crochet Club becomes the Craft Resistance. Together, this small band of fibre-arts enthusiasts battle racism and bigotry with colour and creativity, but will the fragile threads of community be enough to bind them when more than one member has something to hide?

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ROTARY CAR SHOW IS ON THIS SUNDAY

This year's Tamborine Mountain Car Show at 400 Long Road will be one of the biggest automobile attractions in South-East Queensland for motoring enthusiasts as well as a great family day out to enjoy the show vehicles, music, market stalls and food vans. Tamborine Mountain Men's Shed are partnering with Rotary with this event.

For the Public:

Grounds will open to the Public from 8am Sunday morning. There will be plenty of off-street parking within the grounds and parking will be co-ordinated by members of our local Scenic Rim Cadet Unit. Please follow their directions on arrival for parking. Speed limit within the grounds is 10kph. For the general public, entry will be \$10 per adult (children 16 years and under are free). EFTPOS facilities will be available at the gate entrance or if you prefer, you can pay by cash. The event is also dog-friendly. The Market Stall Holders as well as Food / Coffee vans that will be setup prior to public access from 8am.

For Show Vehicle Owners:

The Car Show will have several different categories on display - these being Antique, Vintage, Classic, Custom, Electric, Muscle Cars and Bikes. Thanks to our sponsors, we have prize monies worth over \$2000 to give away. The grounds have asphalt for most of the display cars and the show is expected to wrap up around 12.30 following Award presentations.

If you have a Show Vehicle and want to display it, you are welcome to register for a spot, as we still have some space left for locals, so get in and register your show vehicle now. Please complete the registration process to secure a space and go into the draw for judging and prizes. This should only take a minute to do and once submitted you will get confirmation that Rotary has received it. If a person wishes to display more than one vehicle, please complete this process for each Show vehicle. Scan the QR code on the adjacent advertisement page to register your Show vehicle by 5pm Friday 18th August. This process helps Rotary organise the car types/clubs into their categories prior to the event. You will then pay the \$5 per Show

vehicle which includes the Show Car drivers' entry via EFTPOS or Cash on the day. The grounds will open at 6.45am for show/display cars and bikes.

The weather forecast is looking good for the 20th of August so get in and complete the registration process before the 18th of August.

Rotary as a Charity will direct all funds raised from this event directly back into the community, supporting schools and youth development, sports clubs, and other community groups.

For additional information contact Dave Power on **0419 743 275** or email. dpo90748@bigpond.net.au

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energy that flows through every living thing. Prana comes into the body from the food we eat, the air we breathe, and from absorbing the energies of the earth and heavens. Prana is the energy that moves through our bodies and animates our every action, from physical movement to minute biochemical processes. A dead person or animal has no prana. Creating an understanding and awareness of prana is important for practitioners of yoga.

Many people think that prana is just the breath, and although in yoga we use manipulation and awareness of the breath to build awareness of prana, prana is so much more than just air. A processed junk food meal has low prana. An organic, plant-based meal of real food of animal and plant origin is high in prana. Dirty, polluted cities have low pranic energy, and pristine, wild areas are high in prana. A healthy person with high digestive fire and a calm, pleasant disposition is of higher pranic energy than a person struggling with feelings of apathy, depression, anger, addictions and fear. Our thoughts and emotions translate into different vibrations of energy within our bodies and the lower the emotions, the lower your pranic energy.

Nurturing your inner Prana is the essence of all yoga practices particularly Pranayama (yogic breathing). For students of yoga, as we calm and deepen the breath through Pranayama we develop our connection with our inner Prana and spirit. Prana is not unique to yoga. The Chinese healers call it Chi, the Polynesians call it Mana, the Africans call it Nyama, the Russians call it Aura and our own Aboriginal people call it Alcheringa.

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We are cultivating our prana in Yoga class over the next five weeks through a Yoga/Breathwork Intensive. As we increase our personal pranic energy, we will move into the season of Spring. Perfect timing.

Margot Wagner
Yoga Under the Bodhi Tree

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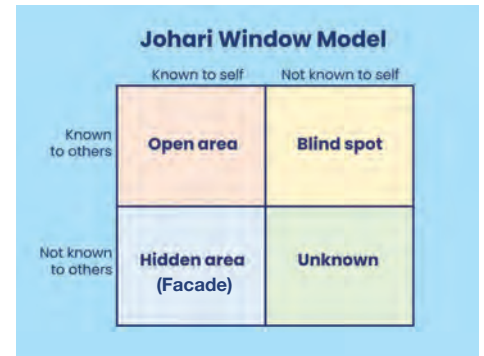
THE JOHARI WINDOW (PART 2)

Last issue we looked at the Johari window. Now we consider how to achieve a healthier balance of open and hidden areas within the context of our relationships.

All of us have blind spots. They may be assumptions, behavioural patterns, biases, reactions. Driving blind spots occur when our vehicle's structure gets in the way of our vision, with the possible result of a collision.

Likewise, we carry baggage that gets in our way of seeing situations clearly, often resulting in damage to relationships. One way to avoid driving blind spots is to adjust our mirrors.

In life we often have our mirrors pointing in the wrong direction. Before scrutinising another's bias, it's wise to adjust your mirror so you can examine your own. What assumptions have you made? What have you overlooked? Is there another valid perspective? Where has your bias originated?



Feedback from others is an effective way to expose blind spots. Who are the people whom you trust to have your best interests at heart? They are a valuable resource for feedback. Sometimes we have to give our friends permission to critique us. It requires humility and openness to change. It's not a comfortable process but the result is a more authentic self with less hindrances in connecting with others.

Our facade exists for varying reasons. A facade can be a valid means of protection; for example, you wouldn't want to divulge all about yourself to a scammer. Trust needs to be built before we reveal certain parts of our personality to another. In a healthy relationship our facade reduces at a comfortable pace and depth, resulting in a deeper understanding of each other. However, barriers can get in the way of our vulnerability, keeping us locked into a superficial persona that prevents us from feeling truly known and accepted.

Where do barriers to connection stem from? They originate in the Unknown area. Much of what is hidden here is a result of things done to us, rather than things we are responsible for. It's impossible to get through life without being wounded. We store up the effects of our unprocessed, painful experiences in our hidden territory. They leak out in how we view the world, our attitudes, our beliefs about ourselves and others. They hijack our communication and sabotage our relationships. They are the motivators for our facade and our blind spots.

Exploring our facade and blind spots are opportunities to access the Unknown. We can do this process through self-reflection or in discussion with a trusted person. When we take time to explore why we behave, respond or think in a particular way, we shine a light on things hidden. In doing so, we stop the cycle of reactivity and become more intentional in how we live our life. The result is that our unknown area diminishes, and our blind spots decrease, as does our need for facades. Our interactions become authentic rather than superficial. We are able to more fully enjoy life in the open arena - a healthy way to live!

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Physio Talk



with Neil Bell

THE BRONCOS ARE BACK!

Footy finals time is almost upon us. After a few tough years, it is with great joy that I can say I am looking forward to watching the final month or so of Rugby League this year. Because, finally, the Brisbane Broncos are back! It has been a bit of a poor return in recent seasons for us Broncos fans.

They have been a phenomenally successful side over the years and have only missed the finals seven times in the past 35 years. Three of those times were in the past three seasons, and three years ago they finished dead last. Now, I know if you are a Dragons or Blues supporter, you may just think it is normal to lose, but it's just not something that us Broncos faithful have been used to.

So, yep, I have been enjoying watching the Broncos bounce back this season and play some good footy. What's interesting though, is to look at why this year has been different to the previous three years? Without getting too much of my Footy Nerd on, there have been several reasons: they have had a couple of new players to the club that have caused a lot of spark and excitement in their attack, and also added depth to cover for when key players have had injuries; some of their rookie players have had another year to mature and are starting to find their feet, and the whole squad has been able to play with a consistency of effort that has been lacking in previous years.

But I think the major thing that has changed for the Broncos is their confidence in each other. It appears that they are of the belief that their teammates are going to do their job and do it well. This allows everyone to focus solely on what they need to do themselves in order to play good footy. Without confidence in each other, football teams struggle to perform well and will generally get poor results.

The same is true of the relationship between your healthcare professional and you. I know from experience that if I am lacking confidence in my healthcare professional, we just do not get the same results

together. And the opposite is true. When I have full confidence in the treatment plan and person or persons carrying it out, I usually get fantastic results. This is because achieving great health care outcomes is actually a team effort between a health care provider and their patient.

If you find you are lacking in confidence in your health care professional, a simple fix is to actually spell this out to them and to ask more questions. Honesty is by far the greatest way to build trust between individuals. This gives you both a chance to build trust and move towards having great outcomes.

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– Pete Seeger

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The concept of the Repair Café was initiated in the Netherlands in 2009 by Martine Postma, an Amsterdam-based journalist/publicist. She hit on the idea of setting up low-key meeting places nationwide where neighbours could repair their broken items themselves supported by specialists and in a relaxed atmosphere.

Funding to start this initiative was provided by successful grant applications through the Gambling Community Benefit Fund which funded a new shed/workshop to operate from and the Federal Government Stronger Communities Program which has funded fit out of the shed with workbenches and storage facilities.

We happily accept hand tools in working condition to enable volunteers to carry out repairs, and would be pleased to accept your donations of any surplus or unused tools in your shed.

The Repair Café Foundation aims at bringing back repairing into local society in a modern way; maintaining repair work expertise and sharing it with others, promoting social cohesion in the local community by connecting neighbours (from very different backgrounds and with different motives) with each other, through an inspiring, low-key, creative and constructive activity.

Repair Café Tamborine Mountain is always looking out for local residents with different skills who may wish to volunteer as 'repair experts'.

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Call 5545 4968 - Geoff or Patricia.

NOTICE OF THE 31st TMCCA ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Members and Friends of Tamborine Mountain Community Care Association (Inc) are cordially invited to attend the 31st Annual General Meeting to be held at our offices located, 42 Southport Avenue, Tamborine Mountain, 4272 on **Friday 15th September 2023, commencing at 2.30pm.**

Thank you.

Geoff Marshall
TMCCA - Manager

Living **DOGS**
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SOUTHEAST QLD'S TOP PERFORMING IGP GERMAN SHEPHERD DOG

Lauren - owner/handler/trainer with Xora, IGP3 x 6 (pictured)

Congratulations to this top working team: Lauren Bucksath and her beautiful working line GSD Xora, (pedigree name 'Almost Legal') who recently achieved their IGP title for the 6th time in a row!

IGP stands for "*International Gebauchshund Profung*":

it is a dog sport that ensures that working breeds continue to function as strong, all-round utility dogs. IGP encompasses three disciplines: tracking, obedience and character work. The sport originated in the late 1800's, specifically for GSDs to ensure that the breed working standard was maintained. IGP really tests the handler's and dog's skills and genetics, and also teaches us so much about canines; their drives, predicting and reading body language.



IGP is an important sport because many of these trained dogs are either bought for or used for breeding programs in the police, military, special services, etcetera. IGP is not easy and takes a lot of time, precision training and teamwork, especially for the higher and more difficult levels. The entry level test is BH (a 'good citizen' test for the dog) and once passed, the dog is permitted to compete for IGP titles. You can choose to compete in the full program (all 3 phases of IGP=IGP levels 1-3) or specific phases. IGP3 is the highest level of the sport and the most prestigious title to attain.

Xora was rehomed to Lauren as a "washed" young dog who had not long turned 12 months old. Ideally, most trainers seek a malleable 8-week-old pup to begin training with – "a clean slate." Lauren began training IGP in her early twenties, just four years ago. Only a month after, the team attaining their BH, they then achieved their IGP1 title at the WMA Nationals with Xora barely two years of age. In 2020 they achieved their IGP2 title and obtained their first IGP3 title in 2021. Since then, Lauren and Xora have accumulated six IGP3 titles in a row under four separate judges (both international SV and Australian judges) in QLD and interstate with many of those being High-in Trial.

The team qualified to compete at IGP3 at the 2022 WGSDCA Nationals, which was a World Qualifier. Most recently in July this year they entered the BSDC trial under an interstate judge and achieved; 96 points in tracking, 87 points in obedience and 80 points in character work (totalling 263 points) where Lauren and Xora were awarded High-in-Trial overall, High-in-trial tracking, Helper's choice protection and Best IGP3!

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TEX MEX BBQ PULLED CHICKEN BURGER

These burgers, me hearties, with juicy, slightly spicy, smoky, sweet and tangy tender chicken lathered in my Captain Kidd BBQ sauce and topped with creamy coleslaw stacked in between a toasted brioche bun, are impossible to resist.

This is a perfectly simple recipe to make for Dad or the father figure in your life this Father's Day. Let this dish be a testament to the power of simple, quality ingredients intertwined with love, made as a tribute to the irreplaceable role of a father. This easy recipe is done in one pan in 30 minutes or less, and most of the cooking time is totally hands-off. Get the little ones involved, and surprise Dad with a delicious meal made with care served up alongside his favourite icy cold beer.

Did you know? In the shadowy realms of the ocean's edge, the enigmatic Scottish pirate, William Kidd, unfurled his sails and embarked on a saga of piracy. With a swashbuckler's charm and the thrill of the unknown coursing through his veins, Kidd plundered and pillaged his way across the seven seas. His ship, a dark silhouette against the horizon, became the embodiment of both fear and fascination, leaving ports abuzz with tales of his audacious exploits and misdemeanours that danced between fact and folklore. Yet, beneath the veneer of a ruthless pirate, Kidd was said to possess a code of honour that set him apart. Whispers of buried treasure and secret maps only added to his mystique. But as the tides of fate turned, Kidd's adventurous spirit led him down a treacherous path. Accused of crimes beyond his legendary pursuits, he faced a reckoning that would forever etch his name into the annals of maritime folklore, leaving behind a legacy that continues to beckon to the bold-hearted and curious souls who yearn for the thrill of the open sea.

Chef Dylan's tips: 1. I like using boneless, skinless, free-range chicken thighs in this pulled BBQ chicken recipe, since they're more flavourful and stay really nice and juicy through roasting. You can swap them out with breasts if you prefer: just slice them in half (lengthwise) or pound the breasts out flat to ensure they cook up evenly. 2. Brown the chicken nicely for depth of flavour. 3. If the sauce becomes too thick just add a few tablespoons of water. 4. Don't like spicy? Simply substitute the Creole seasoning for my Gaucho seasoning.

Memory Lane, Hat Head NSW – 1997

As I recline in the plastic chair, a sudden sting of sunburn jolts me upright. Around the spacious table at our holiday abode, my four brothers and sister gather, ravenous after a morning of seaside exploration and swimming. It's 11:30 am, and the blazing sun only intensifies our hunger. Dad, his back a deep golden tan, stands before the barbecue, tongs in one hand, a cold

tinny in the other. He takes a swig, the moment almost poetic, the condensation on the can glistening like rainbow coloured dew at dawn. The chicken on the grill sizzles and pops, an auditory prelude to the feast ahead. The air is thick with anticipation, the heady aroma of grilling mingling with the promise of joy. It's more than just food; it's love on a plate.

As the thighs dance on the grill, Dad gazes off into the distance – his mind reminiscing like an echo of a lifetime of laughter and dreams, precious time with his children a testament to a father's love. Beside him, young Kirk, the son with an irrepressible grin, adds a playful spark. "Hey, Dad, reckon these burgers will rival Uncle Trevor's fishing tales?" he jests, igniting laughter that ripples around the table like a chorus of waves. Burgers assembled, the table falls silent as we savour the first bite. "Speaking of fishing" Dad interjects, breaking the hush, "After lunch, we're headed to the creek to pump for yabbies at low tide. Whiting and flatties for tomorrow's dinner, kids." Excitement bubbles as Mitchell cheers, "I'll nab the biggest one!" Not to be outdone, six-year-old Rosy declares, "No, I will!" Later, by the creek's edge, the sun dips below the horizon. Stars twinkling like scattered gems above, footsteps approach and Uncle Trevor emerges. His surfer hair cascading, a cigarette dangling between his fingers, and a VB longneck in hand. He cups his mouth, "Heard the Gittoes boys are here! Figured the 'Mayor' of Hat Head should pay a visit." A grin stretches across his face. "Even heard someone's aiming to break my record for the biggest lizard caught?" Laughter erupts. "It's true" he insists, winking. "I glimpsed it come up; it was longer than me!" Arms now high above his head. Ryan raises an eyebrow, dubious. "I'll get a bigger one, Uncle!" Rosy exclaims, wrapping her tiny arms around his sturdy leg. Uncle Trevor's tales continue and seamlessly meld into the symphony of the creek's gentle whispers and the chorus of crickets. The night embraces us, like a quilt woven from shared memories and familial bonds. Under the vast southern sky, we revel in the moment, a tableau of love and laughter of siblings with Dad and the 'Mayor' against the backdrop of Hat Head's coastal charm.

Prep: 15 minutes Cook: 25 minutes Serves 4-6
Ingredients

- 1 kg boneless, skinless organic chicken thighs
 - 1 tbs Creole seasoning*
 - 2 tablespoons olive oil
 - 3 tbs oil to fry chicken
 - 1/2 bottle of Captain Kidd spiced rum BBQ sauce*
 - 1/4 cup water
 - 6 Brioche burger buns
 - 2 cups coleslaw, homemade is best
- *Chef Dylan's Gourmet Food Co. range



Method

1. Pre-heat oven to 180°C
2. Mix the Creole with the oil in a large bowl, add in the chicken and coat evenly using your hands to really work the mixture into all the nooks and crannies of the chicken.
3. Add the oil to a medium sized oven-safe frypan or casserole dish, and heat over medium heat. Once the oil is hot add the chicken to the pan.
4. Cook ~2-3 minutes per side, until nicely browned. The chicken will not be fully cooked yet – this is normal and totally fine. Work in batches, if needed, to avoid overcrowding the pan (which prevents browning).
5. Meanwhile, as the chicken browns, add the Captain Kidd spiced rum BBQ sauce and water in a small bowl and mix together. Set aside.
6. Once all the chicken is browned, remove the pan from the heat. Pour the BBQ sauce mixture over the browned chicken, turning to coat all the chicken in the sauce. Cover with a lid or alfoil.
7. Transfer to the oven and roast for ~15-20 minutes, until fully cooked.
8. Remove pan from the oven and place chicken on a plate. Set aside to cool slightly.
9. Once cool enough to handle, carefully shred the chicken into pieces using 2 forks.
10. Add chicken back into the pan and coat evenly with the sauce. Gently warm on the stove on a low heat.
11. Toast the buns, add chicken on the bottom and top with coleslaw. Add the top of bun.

Serve up with an extra splash of BBQ sauce and devour!

**Chef Dylan's full gourmet range is available locally at Joseph the Greengrocer's on Main Street and Angela's Pantry on Gallery Walk to make your Father's Day cook up this year extra special.*

SKIN CARE FOR KIDS

Hello, *Scenic News* readers!! I'm Rebecca from Naturally COS – your local health and wellness friend. If you've been reading my columns for a while now, you'll know that I specialise in organic health and wellness options. Research soothes me and working with industry professionals is my version of icing on a very delicious cake.



And today's instalment is all about the making and the breaking of hair. I caught up with my favourite sustainable salon owner, Samijo from Edge Hairdressing. You may know her. She's quite the philanthropist and

community supporter. And most especially the genius artist behind many hair styles on Tamborine Mountain. My research of hair, the follicle, cuticle, strand and scalp and understanding what organic compounds will support those things to function and thrive has served me well. Then I met Samijo. And she is next level when it comes to hair science and nutrition. When I caught up with her recently, I asked her what are the key *do's and don'ts* of hair styling.

Hair styling do's:

- Use a fabric hair tie.
- Let hair dry naturally.
- Gradually increase heat on hair dryer.
- Change up where you place pins and clips.
- Regularly wash silk pillowcase.
- Use claw clips.

Hairstyling don'ts:

- Tie up wet hair.

BEAUTY & WELLNESS



with Rebecca Mander

- Use excessive hair products.
- Pull hair line tightly.
- Avoid chemicals like petroleum jelly, formaldehyde and synthetics

Using a silk pillowcase is incredible because it offers an anti-friction support while you sleep, wash it once a week, and any nasty bacteria buildup won't affect your hair and scalp. And keep a claw clip handy for happy, healthy, and thriving locks. Different sizes and shapes also support different lengths and styles. What I also learnt was that in salon, the team offers hair diagnostics. So, if you're having a series of bad hair days, or if nothing you do seems to work, this service may help to understand what's behind it. From scalp health right the way through to the ends, the diagnosis looks at all options and can determine the best course of action to get your hair troubles behind you.

And on the other hand, if your hair is doing well but you are conscious of the chemicals and considering changing up your routine and the products you use, it may be time to look at products rich in Shea Butter, Aloe Vera and organic botanicals that offer the full benefit and uncompromised by chemicals. It's also good to remember to keep all products in a sealed container to avoid bacteria creating a home for itself especially in the steamy environments of a shower.

Like all things, your hair will have days when it needs a little more TLC than others: love it and it will love you.

As always, spread kindness like it's jam on toast.

Rebecca – Naturally COS




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2. Which of the following phobias causes an intense fear of sleep?
3. Which of the following physical symptoms is common when you experience a phobia?
4. Which of the following situations can make a person with germaphobia feel extremely anxious?
5. Which of the following fictional characters has fears of growing old, also known as gerascophobia?
6. What is acrophobia?
7. What is aviophobia?
8. The English actor Martin Freeman has revealed that he has a fear of which fruit because he thinks he would choke on the stone?
9. If you had a fear of the number one, which type of phobia you have?
10. If you had agoraphobia, you may be afraid of doing what?
11. You may want to avoid which of the following areas if you had xylophobia?
12. A person may not have a meaningful romantic relationship or have an interesting date if he or she had which of the following phobias?
13. What is the name of the fear of phobias itself?
14. Podophobia causes people to have extreme anxiety when they are exposed to which part of the body?
15. What is hippopotomonstrosesquipedaliophobia?
16. Which of the following phobias refers to the fear of losing your phone?

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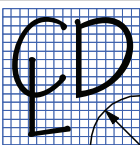


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- National home values rose 2.8% in the June quarter, which is the highest quarterly movement since January 2022. On a monthly basis, the pace of growth eased from 1.2% in May to 1.1% in June.
- The combined capital cities dwelling market value rose 1.2% in June, easing from a 1.4% lift in May. Values across the combined capitals are rising at more than twice the pace of the combined regional market, which saw values increase 0.5% in June. The high end of the Sydney housing market continues to lead capital growth, up 5.7% for the three months to June.
- Over the past financial year, Australian home values declined -5.3%. The highest growth result was a 8.7% gain across the regional SA dwelling market, while the lowest annual capital growth was a -12.7% decline across Hobart.
- CoreLogic estimates there were 35,523 sales in June nationally, compared to a previous five-year average of 39,180 for June. The six-month moving trend suggests sales volumes are stabilizing, despite being down from recent highs in 2021.
- The amount of time it takes to sell property trended slightly higher through the June quarter nationally, with the median days on market sitting at 34 days, up from a recent low of 30 days in the three months to April. However, vendor discounting suggests selling conditions continued to improve. In the four weeks to 2 July 2023, new listings totalled 32,568 nationally. New listings saw a slight uptick in recent weeks, which is unusual for this time of year. However, listings volumes remain -7.9% lower than the historic five-year average.
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