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PEREGIAN HOSTS STUDENT CLIMATE STRIKE



William Butcher and Alina Butcher from Sunshine Beach State School were amongst the near 1,500 who gathered in Peregian Park and on the beach to strike for climate change on Friday March 15. The national day of action saw school children from around the country join forces to collectively voice their concerns over their future and how climate change will affect them. The Peregian rally was the main one on the Sunshine Coast and saw students come to the protest from schools as far away as Maleny and Cooran and everywhere in between. The students were accompanied by their parents and guardians and the peaceful protest was a day of unified action for the students. More photos pages 4 and 5. Photo: Travis Macfarlane

Labor endorse Julie McGlone for Fairfax

VANESSA BACON-HALL
EDITOR

THE ANNOUNCEMENT of the 2019 federal election is imminent with many political forecasters tipping a May election to be called, and with that political parties are nominating their candidates in some seats, with Labor announcing Coolum local Julie McGlone will run for the seat of Fairfax against sitting LNP member Ted O'Brien. The announcement came on Friday March 15 and being no stranger to political campaigning, the previous candidate for the state seat of Maroochydore in 2017, believes that a win for Labor in Fairfax is not out of the question.

"I learned so much from the Maroochydore campaign and I got very enthused by that and made a lot of great community contacts and that's why I have decided to give Federal a go," Ms McGlone said.

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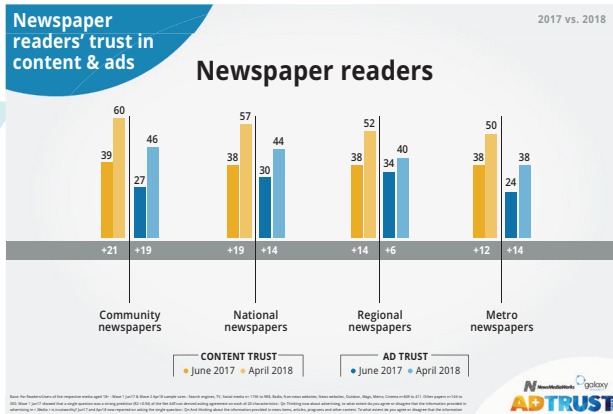
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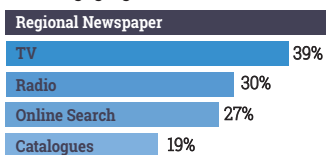
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"The campaign will be tough, however this is not an unachievable win for Labor," Julie said.

Ms McGlone has called the Sunshine Coast her home for the past 18 years, and by joining Bill Shorten's Federal Labor team, Julie further steps up her commitment to work for the local community by providing for schools and hospitals and is committed to seeing Fairfax put back on the political landscape.

"For too long our community has been taken for granted and Fairfax residents have lacked a genuine voice to fight for them.

"My message to Fairfax is you have had an LNP/conservative government for many years and then there has been Clive Palmer here and I ask the people of Fairfax – have you had much joy over that time?"

"This region deserves a representative in government who is going to fight for them," Ms McGlone said.

"The Sunshine Coast and Australia need real and stable leadership, instead of this mess we've inherited following the latest LNP leadership spill." Ms McGlone further went on to say that one of the key areas that Labor will be tackling is wages and in an area such as Fairfax where many people struggle as pensioners or work casual jobs, Julie hopes that when it comes to voting, people will remember Labor's commit-



Julie McGlone who was announced as the Labor candidate for the Federal seat of Fairfax on March 15. Photo: Vanessa Bacon-Hall

ment to those less fortunate.

"One of the things we bring to the table is a look at wages growth and that hasn't been looked at in at least a decade and a half - we can't keep saying to people to just live pay check to pay check and you will be alright... it is so hard for a family to go to the movies or buy an ice cream once a week.

"If you are struggling, a pensioner or on a low income, people are always better off under a Labor government and Paul Keating said it so well, that we can go forward whilst still having a hand out to bring others up with us," Ms McGlone said.

Glone said.

Federal Labor Leader, Bill Shorten, welcomed Julie to the team by stating that Fairfax deserves better and that Ms McGlone is the one to deliver.

"As a local with strong community experience, Julie McGlone understands the importance of stable government, and delivering reliable health and education services," Mr Shorten said.

"Julie will be a strong voice for the Sunshine Coast."

Time will tell with the announcement of the federal election expected when Federal Parliament resumes in April.

Boost in tech and people helps Policelink save time

AVERAGE call handling times are coming down and more calls are being dealt with thanks to important improvements to the operational capability of Policelink.

The changes were made late last year and are already producing results.

This service to members of the community deals with non-life-threatening calls.

Police Minister Mark Ryan said he has been advised by the Queensland Police Service (QPS) that strategies like side-by-side coaching and an

investment in new technologies is making a big difference.

"This is what the Queensland Police Service is all about - always looking for ways to improve what is already a truly world class police service.

"The QPS is always looking for cutting edge technology that can help it deliver a safer Queensland," Minister Ryan said.

"It's not just about technology though.

"I am advised that Policelink has expanded its operation teams.

"The net result is that the average handling time per call has been reduced by one minute.

"As a consequence of that, there has been a 12 per cent reduction in unanswered or disconnected calls from November 2018 to January 2019," the Minister said.

Police advise that 11 new client service officers recently joined operational teams at Policelink and that a further 16 participants are in their ninth week of training and are expected to join their operational teams mid-year.

Coolum Art Collective Celebrates 50 years



Members of the Coolum Art Collective who will be holding their annual Easter art exhibition at the Coolum Civic Centre over the holiday period will be celebrating their 50th anniversary. Photo: Contributed

FIFTY YEARS ago a group of local artists got together and formed what is today known as the Coolum Art Collective, with their goal to promote local art to people on the Sunshine Coast and the growing tourist trade.

Move forward to Easter 2019 and the Coolum Art Collective will celebrate their 50th anniversary with their annual Easter art exhibition to be held at the Coolum Civic Centre, and the twice yearly exhibitions continue the artistic legacy started by the original members.

The three day exhibition will feature art and craft works from some of the Sunshine Coast's leading artists, and offer a diverse range of art to suit many tastes and budgets.

Coolum Art Collective President, Shirley Almeta Lennon said that the 50th anniversary show for the Coolum Art Col-

lective promises to be their most exciting Easter exhibition show yet.

"With more than 20 leading local artists exhibiting their latest work, visitors will get the chance to see outstanding local artworks on display and find quality artwork at affordable prices to adorn their walls at home," Shirley said.

Over 200 original works are offered for sale comprising a variety of styles and mediums, from traditional oils and watercolours to acrylic works, and also on offer are smaller unframed works to suit every budget.

Each show there is a themed section of works separate from the main body of work, and this year the theme is "Back To The Sixties" and exhibiting artists will each submit one piece of work based on this central idea.

"The themed works section of the exhibition gives our artists an opportunity to showcase their talents around a central common theme and will be a lot of fun with our theme this year."

Entry to the exhibition is free and the opportunity to view and take home quality artwork from leading artists on the Sunshine Coast is an opportunity not to be missed and visitors are also invited to select their favourite pieces in the "People's Choice Award".

The Coolum Art Collective 50th Anniversary exhibition will be held at the Coolum Civic Center from Friday April 19 to Sunday April 21, running from 9:30am to 4:30pm daily. Further information can be found via <https://www.facebook.com/CoolumArtGroup/> or Rod Moore on 0415 188 777

Final call to have a say on Noosa Draft Enviro Strategy

THE VALUABLE work of volunteer and community groups in maintaining the local environment remains a fundamental part of Noosa council's draft Environment Strategy.

The draft Strategy, out now for comment, details how Council will coordinate, support and prioritise a range of environmental activities, into the future, including the valuable contribution environment groups and volunteers make.

Time is running out for local residents to have their say with feedback closing this Monday March 25 on the Your Say Noosa website.

Environmental Services Manager Craig Doolan said

volunteers, and community groups make a crucial contribution to maintaining the Noosa environment.

"This year, two new bushland care groups have started up, making a total of 18 bush care groups with over 200 volunteers now operating in Noosa" Mr Doolan said.

At Weyba Creek Bushland Reserve Bushland Care Group, near Elysium Estate at Noosa Heads, volunteers are working to protect and improve habitat for threatened plant and animal species, including koalas and acid frogs.

"The group has already started removing weeds, and encouraging the regeneration of casuarina trees, a favour-

ite food source for the glossy black cockatoos.

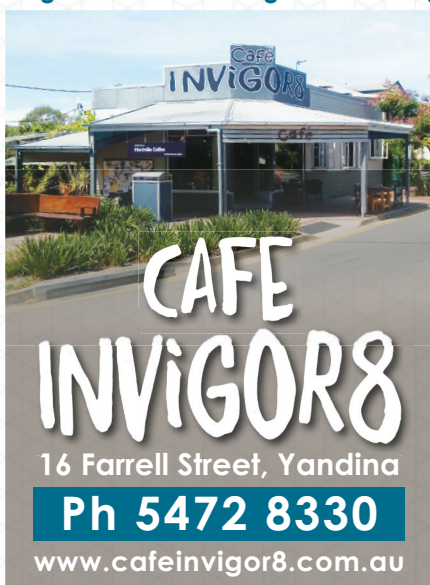
"The bushland care program is one of the many environmental initiatives supported by Noosa Council, which is a successful partnership program with the community."

Mr Doolan said it's important projects like these that are a great example of what the Environment Strategy will help coordinate, and to ensure the long-term preservation of the environment.

Mr Doolan is encouraging residents to take the time to review and comment on the draft strategy before March 25.

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BROAD SUNRISE OVER THE GC

BY BAILEY PARKER

Budding amateur photographer Bailey Parker who is in year 9 at Coolum State High School took this

impressive shot of a stunning sunrise over the Broadwater Parklands near the Nerang River on the Gold Coast

recently. The little photographer hopes to one day have a career as a photographer or journalist

and already appears to have a keen eye for landscape shots. If you happen to take a stunning pic on either your

smart phone or SLR from anywhere in the world, we would love to see it. Please send in your 'pic of the week'

to, editor@coolumadvertiser.com.au and don't forget to include your name, where the pic was taken and what it is of.

Little champs "shave for a cure"

MARCH 13 – 17 saw many around the country taking part in the annual Leukaemia Foundation's "World's Greatest Shave" and two Coolum State School friends Max Davison and his mate Flynn Nigro, participated in the event by shaving their heads and raising funds for the cause.

This year the World's Greatest Shave event turns 21, with the campaign which started back in 1998 one of Australia's biggest and most loved fundraising events.

Many people support the Leukaemia Foundation by either shaving their heads or colouring their hair and the hard work and fun is all for the charity who over the years has seen more than 2 million Australians take up the challenge and vital funds raised for the Leukaemia Foundation.

Max and Flynn who are in year 4 at Coolum State School raised more than \$1,200 (and still climbing) to contribute to the Leukaemia Foundation and are proud to be helping fund research and supporting families affected by blood cancer.

The little pair of heroes had their hair clipped off on Friday March 15 and what little champs they are.



Flynn Nigro who along with his best friend Max Davison took part in the "World's Greatest Shave" for the Leukaemia Foundation this year - just before his hair was clipped off.



Max and Flynn with their shaved heads and certificate of recognition from the Leukaemia Foundation recognising their fundraising efforts. Photos: Contributed



Going, going... gone! Max Davison with his full head of hair just before the year 4 Coolum State School student had it shaved off for the Leukaemia Foundation on Friday March 17.



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School students from across the Sunshine Coast gathered at Peregrian Park for the Student day of action on climate change. All Photos: Travis Macfarlane



Harry, Eli and Caleb Welch from One Mile School in Gympie.



Colourful signs were the order of the day for the peaceful protest.

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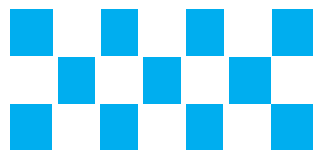
Police target hooning

POLICE are taking strong action to tackle hooning on the Sunshine Coast.

It's both a strategic and collaborative approach that combines multiple strategies to change driver behaviour.

Minister for Police, Mark Ryan, said police on the Sunshine Coast are working with local council and Transport and Main Roads (TMR) and are using enforcement, speed amelioration and safety messaging to drive change.

"There are specific strategies that include the creation of a special area speed limit for Mooloolaba, in conjunction



with the approval of four additional speed camera sites to monitor that area, and the use of Visual Message Signage to display road safety messages," Minister Ryan said.

"Operation Hoon was a joint run operation by police and TMR to enhance motorist awareness and compliance in the Maroochydore area.

"I understand that 71 Traf-

fic Infringement Notices were issued by the QPS during this operation.

"The QPS has advised that strategies, such as Operation Hoon, have seen a reduction in complaints by the community with regards to poor driver behaviour.

"They are making our streets safer.

"Police will continue to undertake proactive strategies, including further anti-hooning operations, to address and target poor driver behaviour across the Sunshine Coast to maintain safety on the state's road network."

Sunshine Coast Art Prize 2019 entries closing soon

ARTISTS from across the country are encouraged to get their entries in for the Sunshine Coast Art Prize 2019, with submissions closing on April 8.

The Art Prize is one of the most prestigious regional 2D art prizes in Australia and offers a major cash prize of \$25,000 sponsored by Sunshine Coast Council.

The high-profile award is expected to attract entries from some of Australia's best contemporary and emerging artists.

The 2019 judge, Alison Kubler, who has more than 20

years' experience working as a curator in museums and galleries across Australia, will have the enviable task of selecting this year's winner.

Sunshine Coast Art Prize 2019 finalists will be announced in April and will be showcased in an exhibition held at Caloundra Regional Gallery from July 24 to September 15.

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Student Perspective

AMELIA WILLIAMS
YEAR 7 COOLUM HIGH



ALPHA – ACADEMIC LEARNING PROGRAM FOR HIGH ACHIEVERS

BEING PART of ALPHA in 2019 is one of the best opportunities I have ever had. The work is suddenly more challenging, and I am surrounded by people who understand more than I think I ever will.

ALPHA was something I have had to work hard to get to, but I have enjoyed the difficulty in my schoolwork. At only four weeks into the term, excursions were planned for trips to universities, and my classes are becoming easier and easier.

I thought moving from primary school to high school would be a massive change, but the encouragement of my teachers helped to ensure that I was ready for the difference in school work that ALPHA expects. Although the transition was tricky, ALPHA is more than just moving to an advanced class, it is a chance to do more than anything I had ever done in primary school - a chance to make

sure I have the best education I can get. Every passing day, ALPHA feels more real, more like something I can achieve, and I'm glad for that, and the opportunities that it will bring me in the future. Our class has already participated in a talk from the director of a surfing website, which was very inspiring, and made me realise what is possible if you follow your ideas through.

Before I was part of ALPHA, what I wanted to be was just a possibility, but now it seems real, something I can achieve if I work hard enough. I was always passionate about school, but after I saw schools in rural Vietnam and Cambodia, I realised how lucky I was to even go to a school. Getting into ALPHA was one of the best opportunities of my life, and I will always be grateful for that.

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Principal's Post

TROY ASCOTT
COOLUM STATE HIGH SCHOOL



SO, the Coolum men's fifth grade cricketers are into the grand final. As a team, we are off to the big dance. Win, lose or draw it really is a victory for all of Coolum.

OK, I know what you're thinking - fifth grade isn't first grade - it's hardly a big deal. However, there are

not too many first graders in their forties and fifties! And it doesn't happen too often that fathers and sons play together in the top grade. And, it wouldn't happen too regularly that a Coolum High schoolgirl would make her debut in men's cricket. But all of these things have

happened in fifths this season, as a community comes together to put forward a team, where old warhorses work through their old injuries and young guns begin to make their mark on the grade scene. As the great Bill Lawry would say, "it's all happening" - when the Coolum fifth graders take the field.

But the biggest thing of all, as those of us who have made comebacks at a later stage of our cricketing

journey will attest, is that it's a reminder that cricket and sport in general is fun. That in a world that can be crazily busy and competitive, it's great just to slow down and enjoy the sunshine just like we did when we were kids. And, it's a reminder that Coolum is a community that will always rally together for a great cause. This Saturday, that cause will be to enjoy a game of cricket that ends a great season. Go the Coolum fifths!

A look back in time

FRANCES WINDOLF
A LONG TIME COOLUM RESIDENT
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GETTING TO COOLUM

THE WELCOME rain during this past week has brought with it thoughts of how bad weather and road conditions strongly affected the development of the Coolum area in earlier times. Until 1961 there was no continuous road along the coastal strip between Sunshine Beach and Maroochydore, and the only way to drive to and from Coolum was from Yandina.

The Brisbane Courier noted in 1927 that "The Coolum-road from Yandina is used only under compulsion ... [but] ... a modern road through

what is one of the worst portions of the route will be constructed shortly." This development was a "corduroy road", made by cutting down the ever-prevalent ti-trees, and laying them side by side on top of the ground, thus raising the bumpy "road" about 15cm above ground level. In addition, the route ran through two swamps - the "Big Swamp", where the solar farm is now sited, and the "Little Swamp" which ran from Arcoona Road to today's industrial estate.

Despite many attempts at improving the Coolum-



This photograph was taken by Ron Filer of Coolum in the area of the "Big Swamp" (near today's Solar Farm) in 1958. Ron died in 2018, but gave us many of his Coolum photographs - to use with his copyright permission - in the mid-1980s.. Photo: Windolf Collection

Yandina road over the next thirty years, the road was still frequently impassable, sometimes for weeks and months at a time, cutting the Coolum township off from surrounding areas. In mid-March 1958 the situation was so bad that the Brisbane Telegraph newspaper reported that the road was in such a bad state that a number of motorists had had to be pulled out of the bog, and that Mr David Low - who was both the local member for the Cooroora electorate [in which Coolum then stood] and the chairman of the Maroochy Shire Council - had been "forced to

decide not to take the risk" to drive to Coolum.

Fortunately, by this time there was good news in the offing - by May 1958 the Telegraph reported that Maroochy Shire Council [had] "recently completed its section of the road from Coolum Beach", and was "bridging waterways between Coolum and Maroochydore", while Noosa Shire Council declared that negotiations were in place to build a road north from Coolum to Sunshine Beach. By 1961 the David Low Way was complete, and getting to Coolum was no longer an intrepid adventure.

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Observations

TONY GIBSON
 MARCOOLA RESIDENT WHO IS ACTIVE
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 THE ENVIRONMENT



Happiness Comes From Harmony

I LOVE getting involved in a community day like the Save Yaroomba's Endangered Wave Event with many local groups getting together to add their voice for a wonderful cause. While the surfing competition had an early start, so did the sand sculptures young and old making a giant turtle and a Save Yaroomba sign on the beach.

We can learn so much from our young people - like the passionate students involved in the Stop ADANI strikes. Thank you to the many young people from the Sunshine Coast and around the world for adding their voice to the call for action on climate change. The calls for a sustainable, fairer and unified future with jobs based around renewable technologies is common sense.

The ancient sages tell us that, "happiness comes from harmony not wealth or fame", but we still continue to forget how to spend our lifetime wisely. We need to stop squandering the benefits of a healthy planet by polluting the water and air we breathe for short-term gains and a wealthy few.

Unfortunately, the people who advocate disharmony do get more than their fair share of the media coverage. Often the coverage is of politicians

serving their own self-interests and those of the wealthy. We do not want or need the politics of division that has led to tragedies around the world.

Thankfully, most people are across the value of diversity in our populations whether it be religion, gender, race, sexual preference, disabilities or other cultural aspects, tolerance and celebration of diversity is well founded in Australia.

As the Sunshine Coast becomes more multicultural we will prosper together accepting refugees that come here looking for a better life or escaping inhumane treatment.

A Sunshine Coast 'Voices of Harmony Celebration' will occur this Saturday, March 23 at the Cotton Tree Park, Maroochydore, and the aptly named 'Cool Harmonies' community choir will represent Coolum.

Happiness does come from harmony and sharing, so everyone gets a fair go prospering as a unified multi-cultural community. Add your voice calling for harmony.

Fiona Simpson MP

MEMBER FOR
 MAROOCHYDORE



WORKING TOGETHER TO TACKLE STREET CRIME AND VIOLENCE

I'M HEARING reports from local people concerned that there are growing levels of street crime and violence, particularly in view of the recent disturbing violent incidents near the bus station in Maroochydore. Bus users are telling me that they are

concerned about safety and for their kids and grandkids, on and around public transport.

Violence should never be tolerated and we all have a right to feel safe and be safe on our streets, buses and trains. It is important to report any incidents to

police as this will help get the message through as we lobby for funds and changes in how these issues are handled.

I am calling on the Queensland Government for more police resources as \$44 million was cut from the State police budget in the last year, which is having an impact on the ground. The Transport Minister has announced an extra 16 Senior Network Officers for SEQ to crack down on fare evasion and unacceptable behaviour on public transport, but we need to see more of them deployed on the Sunshine Coast to tackle this culture of abuse

and disrespect.

We also need more resources to help Police, Youth Justice and other community agencies to work together to better support people impacted by mental health, addiction and welfare issues and to divert young people early from crime and break the cycle.

I will keep pursuing the objective of safe streets and safe homes, working collaboratively with police and community to get a fair dinkum and funded outcome.

From the tip of my tongue

MICHELLE BOX
 PUBLISHER



LOVE AND COMPASSION OVER RACIAL HATE

FRIDAY March 15 2019 will be a day forever etched into the minds of the people of Australia and New Zealand. A day of horror, pain, suffering, violence and profound loss. We at the Coolum Advertiser offer our love and support to the families of the victims, the wider Islamic communities of Australia & New Zealand, the community of Christchurch, and to the first responders who will live with this tragedy forever imprinted in their brain.

So how did we get here? A quick scroll through social media as the Christchurch tragedy unfolded provided plenty of answers for that question. Bigotry, racism and xenophobia are rife in com-

munities across this country and others, and the advent of social media has given carte blanche to individuals who seek to use that platform to express their petulant rage against those who suffer from an excess of melanin or worship a different deity. Ugly rhetoric regarding the religion or ethnicity of others has become something of a national sport, and the festering rot starts at the top - our elected representatives have to do better. They have to BE better.

There is no doubt that mainstream media outlets fuel and perpetuate the divide - they remind us almost hourly of the things that separate us instead of the things that unite

us. After initially stating that they wouldn't show footage of the massacre due to the violent nature of the content, television stations started flirting with exposing more and more of the footage, and we promptly devolved into the realm of 'tragedy porn' - a "Blood for Bucks" if you will. It's inflammatory, it's repugnant and it's ugly.

I am a fifth generation Australian-born descendent of some of the first Islamic settlers in Mt Gravatt, circa 1879. Many of my extended family still practice Islam, and many (including me) don't - but what we all have in common is that we aren't white. Despite being born and bred just down the road

in Brisbane, I've had plenty of racist slurs, insults and innuendos hurled at me over the years - based on nothing more than the colour of my complexion...and it's perplexing, not to mention frightening.

As the owner and publisher of the Coolum Advertiser, you will not ever see that kind of racial or religious bigotry embraced or tolerated by me or this publication. We will not shy away from the tough topics, but we will never seek to profit from creating division in our community. We choose unity, we embrace diversity, and we seek to change the narrative from negative to positive at every possible opportunity.

Community news

Email community notices to michelle@coolumadvertiser.com.au

COOLUM SENIOR CITIZENS CLUB

Meets every Monday from 11.30am - 3.30pm at Coolum Civic Centre. Regular activities include card games, indoor bowls, board games, rummikub, and bingo.

Day bus trips and guest speakers are occasionally organised. BYO lunch and \$5 entry fee includes door prize ticket and afternoon tea. Your first visit is complimentary.

Visitors most welcome. For further information ph: Allan 54461040 or Louise 0420331948.

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COASTAL AMIGOS OVER 50'S CLUB

Coastal Amigos is a club for the over 50's for outings, dinners and other activities. We meet every Tuesday morn-

ing at 10am for coffee at the Coolum Beach Surf Club, so come and join us. Contact Janet 5446 5554.

COOLUM AND DISTRICT RED CROSS BRANCH NEWS

We will be holding raffles at South Coolum Shopping Centre on Saturday 23rd March 2019 from 10 am - 2 pm. Help support recent flood and bush-fire victims.

MEALS ON WHEELS ROSTER

Monday, March 25
 Kitchen: L Ellis, K Talanoa, L Walden, D Boneham, D Gunderson and M Hannan
 Run 1: M and R Fraser
 Run 2: B Spencer and C Heinicke
 Run 3: K and J Pontin
 Run 4: L Jones and T Moore
 Run 5: G Moore and L Farrah

Wednesday, March 27
 Kitchen: J Jago, F Howell, R McNeill and K Talanoa
 Run 1: B Drylie and R Dawson
 Run 2: E Hammet and B Stevens
 Run 3: L Horsey and S Taylor

Thursday, March 28
 Kitchen: Y Frerk, R

Run 4: J Winters and B Jelfs
 Run 5: P Pashley and K Hodge

Friday, March 29
 Kitchen: B White, G Cocks, W Crook, J Ivankovic and M Hannan
 Run 1: P Brown and D Boneham
 Run 2: L Farrah and R Burnie
 Run 3: D Stone and R Cobb
 Run 4: J Bott and K Van Eerde
 Run 5: M and M Robinson

If you are unavailable on your rostered day, please notify MOW kitchen on 54461000 Or Anne on 0408 183517

McNeill, D Stokes and J Ivankovic

Run 2: L Wilkinson and A Little

Run 3: T Burns and G Moore

Run 4: T Moore and A Gil-lard

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COOLUM HEARTS.

Would you like to join our Embroidery group - the art of working ornamental designs on fabric, leather etc, with a needle and thread? Bring your own materials for embroidery, patchwork, knitting, crocheting etc, and share a pleasant afternoon with people around the table swapping skills and ideas. If you have no ideas but would like to come, please do, and we can introduce you to a craft you like.

Wednesdays, 12 noon

- 2.30pm at the Coolum HeARTs Centre, Cnr Elizabeth & Sunrise Ave, Coolum Beach.

Cost of class - \$5 members, \$10 non-members. Tea, Coffee available. Judith: 0478646330

COOLUM-PEREGIAN RSL

The Coolum-Peregrin RSL is open for dinner and live music every Friday night, bar from 4pm and meals from 6pm. We have a courtesy vehicle to pick people up. Please call the club on 07 5446 2588.

Raffles - meat tray one week and seafood tray the following. Door prizes.

The club is a non for profit and all money raised goes back into helping veterans, war widows and current serving members and local cadets. Pensions are on 0423 439 811, Jason Ryan at Mudjimba RSL

SUNSHINE COAST EMBROIDERERS' GUILD

Join our very friendly and happy group of ladies. Our meetings are held in the CWA Hall, Memorial Avenue, Maroochydore on the first four Tuesdays of the month from 1PM to 4PM. Phone Ruth 0421 540 347.

COOLUM LIONESSE CLUB

The Coolum Lioness Club are holding their Annual Cent Auction on the 12th April at the Catholic Church in Coolum.

We will have a lovely morn-

ing tea as well as some great prizes, so come along on the 12th April and enjoy. Remember the date. Doors will open at 8.30am. \$3 entry..

COOLUM BEACH COMBINED PROBUS CLUB

Probus is for retired and semi-retired people looking for friendship and fun. Our next meeting is on Tuesday the 2nd of April @ 9.15am @ the Uniting Church, Elizabeth St, Coolum Beach. Visitors are welcome. A Guest Speaker entertains us each month. Organised lunches, bus or car trips each month. For more information Ph: 0429 516 788

After the meeting is closed we meet at the Coolum Beach Hotel for Lunch at own expense

SUNSHINE 60 & BETTER GROUP INC.

Sunshine 60 & Better Group Inc through the Older People Action Program supports older people to develop and manage healthy aging programs in their own communities.

The focus is on increasing people's awareness of healthy lifestyle options, therefore decreasing social isolation and improving links with other service agencies.

Activities held at Uniting Church Hall Elizabeth St, Coolum on Mondays

Various Activities with Morning Tea 9.30am to 11.30am \$3 Includes morning tea.

Phone 5444 5833 for more information. Website - www.

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SUNSHINE COAST CONCERT BAND - MUSICAL PAWS

The SUNSHINE COAST CONCERT BAND will be performing in the Kawana Community Hall Nanyima St BUDDINA on SATURDAY 6th APRIL at 2.00pm with Music Director KEN CHADWICK OAM. Tickets \$17 available at the door includes afternoon tea. Pre-booking special \$15. To pre-purchase your ticket ph: 5352 7800 or email sunshine@guidedogsqld.com.au All profits go to GUIDE DOGS QLD. For future events visit our website at www.sccb.org.au.

BOOMERANG BAGS NOOSA

We hold our sewing bees on Monday and Wednesday mornings from 9am to 12.30pm. Volunteers are invited to come anytime between those hours for friendly conversation and morning tea while we sew. We supply sewing machines, so no need to bring anything.

Call Julia 5448 2321 or Sandra 0466 44 99 46 for more information.

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RUGBY LEAGUE CLUB
MEETING

THE President of the Coolum Colts Rugby League Club, Joshua Olsen, and I met this month to discuss future requirements for the playing and practice fields at the Coolum Sports Complex as well as signage and traffic problems.

The club clearly has a growing membership base which is creating some challenges. I have agreed to investigate with council any option that might be available to assist the club.

SINGAPORE
NATIONAL NETBALL
VISIT

I recently had the

opportunity to welcome the Singapore National Netball Team who are here for a seven day training camp.

The Singapore National Netball Team chose the Sunshine Coast for a number of reasons including our status as a premium sports training destination, the success of the Sunshine Coast Lightning - our two-time Suncorp Super Netball Champions, and as the home of Australia's biggest netball festival, NetFest.

I understand the team really enjoyed the strong competitive practice games, the insight into an elite training program and of course our beautiful climate and facilities. I am sure the visit has helped build this

region's reputation as well as cement our relationship more broadly with Singapore and its people.

COOLUM WOMEN'S
SHED

RECENTLY, I met with Fiona and Jessica to discuss the Coolum Women's Shed movement and their wonderful future aspirations. This looks to be an exciting new forum with more than 100 registered members and a further 400 expressions of interest. There looks to be a wide range of activities that would be made available to members combined with networking and friendship.

The vision of the Coolum Women's Shed is to open community driven space to cater to women of all ages, backgrounds and walks of life.

To find out more visit www.thewomensshed.org.

Letters to the editor

Email your letters to Vanessa at editor@coolumadvertiser.com.au

EMISSIONS

Dear editor,
I find I must reply to the article EMISSIONS in the March 14 letters to the editor.

Australia contributes 1.3% of the world emissions, we are the 11th worst polluters per head of population.

"We are only 0.3% of the world's population and as pollution spreads worldwide and does not stay where it is produced how can we ask others to do more when we will not take responsibility for our own pollution which is greater than the world average per population."

Public data shows that in Australia's SE Asia region there are five nations building in excess of 1,000 coal fired power generating facilities.

*"I can find no details which confirm that shown above."**China has cancelled most new coal power projects and aims to control 2020 coal-fired capacity below the amount that is currently operating and under construction. Indeed, the Chinese energy regulator has suspension of 9 large coal-fired power plants projects in a single province (Guangdong) seven were already under construction**India has indicated that no more coal-fired capacity will be needed for many years.**Vietnam and South Korea have already taken steps to downsize their plans out of concern for climate change."*

Also, in the public domain is the expectation that world emissions will increase for the next few years.

"Could this be because countries like Australia and America that have the capacity to change are not at the forefront of change and bringing the rest of the world with us!"

Given Australia's minute emission contributions, compliant with all accords and meeting political promises, at a prohibitive cost to consumers, our efforts will not lessen world levels.

Why beat ourselves up with exorbitant energy costs for little or no impact on the big picture?

*"It is easy to meet small political promises which have no real impact on the problem!"**Australian National University suggests that a 100% renewable energy electricity grid for Australia is not only possible, it would be a significantly cheaper option than the current coal and gas-powered network.**Research firm Bloomberg New Energy Finance has concluded that electricity from unsubsidised renewable energy is already cheaper than electricity from new-build coal and gas-fired power stations in Australia.**This will decrease our emissions and our actions will provide a model for others to follow!**You are right it is time to stop running in circles and not making any decisions - start planning the FUTURE electricity network now and not hang onto what is well past its use by date.**Instead of fighting among ourselves start the work required to bring prices DOWN!**Let's not continue the stupidly that has wasted at least 10 years because of no action!"*Richard Fraser,
Mount Coolum..

SCHOOL OVAL

Dear editor,

Currently the local State High School has an outdated rule in place that children are not allowed on the oval without a ball. This is the "no ball, no play" rule. It is a rule that has been put in place many years ago due to children leaving the school grounds, sneaking off into the bushes, school population and lack of staff.

Please, kids are leaving school grounds and sneaking off into the bushes whenever they want so lets remove those two. As for the others, less kids would be using the oval anyway these days due to the social killer - social media. As for staffing, surely they already have staff at the oval, so I'm not sure of that reasoning.

I have contacted the schools Principal, Deputy and the Regional DEQ Office, but the rule will not change. The Principal has stated that he knew nothing of this rule until we brought it to his attention. The regional office will not get involved as legislation and policies aren't being broken. To me this is about common sense, nothing else. I have several comments from children and parents about the matter but that is not "proof" according to the regional office.

Is the school really concerned about the health, development and well-being of our children? Are we interested in trying to pull them away from social media? Why is the school reducing the opportunities to just enjoy a grassed area and relax during their break time? Why can't a group of boys and/or girls just walk around and hang out at a more relaxed environment?

Education Department please step in and start using common sense. With kids now attending high school as young as 11, let them be children.

Cameron Townsend,
Coolum Beach.

CLEAN UP OZ DAY

Dear editor,

Our overwhelming annual response to "Clean up Australia Day", demonstrates there are still some Australians who believe we are all individually responsible to do our bit, to avoid future disasters we see in global environments left for politicians to monitor.

There are those who do believe in "Climate Change" and how it changes our environment, but the naysayers who sit back and wait 'til there is nothing left of the Garden of Eden it was created to be, still persist. China's blanket refusal to accept our waste now, is indicative of a change in ideology and practicality. The unconscionable and irresponsible dumping of man-made waste in the third millennium, despite the glaring impact of how such thoughtlessness and laziness harm our future, ruins our children's heritage. The legacy of a global rubbish tip is hardly a valid inheritance for tomorrow's children.

Every year we see a phenomenal amount of waste collected every "Clean up Australia Day"; waste that's floating or hiding in our pristine environments, turning what cannot be re-created into a dump. If individuals are so careless, expecting their waste, especially plastic items, to just disintegrate and do no harm, they have no idea of the scale of destruction to our wild life and our protected environments from even one plastic bag or bottle.

Education is the key. It takes

our younger generation to make it a priority and how it must be turned around so as to ensure their planet is free from human neglect and interference. Politicians cannot agree on climate policies, so little is invested. "A little child will lead them."

E. Rowe,
Marcoola.

SPECIES AT RISK

Dear editor,

No sniping. Australia has 86 endangered species, 10 of which are "critically endangered" mammals. With climate changes to the environment - heat, droughts etc, would we mammals belong to the endangered or the critically endangered species list?

Margaret Wilkie,
Peregian Beach.

NOOSA PLAN

Dear editor,

It was interesting to read, "Peregian Beach group endorses new Noosa Plan" (Advertiser March 14-20). Involved residents welcomed the plan and in particular its recognition of the "unique and distinctive characteristics of their beachside community".

It's a shame that the Sunshine Coast Council doesn't follow the same practice of working with the community to achieve a desirable result instead of working against them to approve a most inappropriate development of seven storey's by Sekisui ... with total disregard to the 10,000 submissions opposing the development and recognition of the "unique and distinctive characteristics" of Yaroomba Beach!

Richard Payne,
Yaroomba Beach.

HOLIDAY PRICE HIKES

Dear editor,

Obviously Easter and school holidays are imminent, by the overnight move by fuel distributors to raise fuel prices by 30 cents, without warning. Exploitation with impunity.

Why are we not surprised?

Apparently they are simply profiteering. Not content with 30 cents profit from each litre, they added another 30 cents profit, to hit a record high of 153.9 c per litre. Pure profit! The State Government is strangely silent, as it profiteers from the GST windfall. Another three cents per litre (above the excise) and GST on 1.30 per litre as it was; now 6 cents each litre is cream. Bonus!!! No conscience when it comes to profit. Neither the fuel companies, the servos or the State Government give one!

So here we are again: the usual holiday fuel rip-off. We've come to expect it! No-one can prevent it, when the powers that be are benefitting from this exploitation. World oil prices are edging up, because OPEC nations are more concerned about their incomes than the effect it has on the rest. Supply and demand is their weapon: simply tightening production to raise prices. Oil-hungry nations are held to ransom by oil-rich nations in the developing world. It's theft by stealth.

Until our State Government steps in to address this exploitation each major holiday season, this will continue to drive up all goods and services costs, proportionate to fuel costing. But no government wants to bite the hand that feeds it.

E. Rowe,
Marcoola.

THE FISH ARE FIRING FOR OFFSHORE ANGLERS

DAVO'S NORTHSHORE BAIT & TACKLE

THE WEEKEND was perfect for the offshore angler with low swell and light winds making it very busy time on the water. The Gneerings and Currimundi seem to be the favourites with snapper, grass sweetlip and parrot fish all on the menu. Best performing baits were pillies, slimy mackerel and local squid. Spanish mackerel have been taking slowed trolled skirted baits and deep diving lures with the Barwon Banks, Chardon's and Currimundi reefs all showing good fish. Coolum reef has also seen plenty of action with quality long tails at first light and large spotted mackerel once the sun gets up. Most anglers reported fish taking small bait fish profile slugs or pillies floated down the burley trail.

The Maroochy River was very popular over the weekend with some good sized crabs on the menu. Better crabs came from the areas up river from the Motorway Bridge to Coolum Creek. Flathead are taking on soft plastics around the back

of Goat Island and up the top side of Eudlo Creek. Grunter bream have also been in good numbers around Bli Bli Bridge, small strip baits of mullet or bonito have worked well. Fishing the run in tide, try the shallows along Chambers Island and Picnic Point for some decent whiting, with most fish taking fresh yabbies and worms.

The Marcoola to Mudjimba stretch is showing some perfect holes that will hold dart and whiting with the bigger dart at the rear of the gutter at the top of the tide. The whiting will favour the last half of the run out, while staying closer in the gutter. Popular baits have been worms, pipis and fresh yabbies. Pin Cushion Island would be the pick of the spots if looking to throw a pillie for tailor. Try the gutters just on the northern side of the rocks as well.

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Friday Men's Pairs/Triples: Winners: C Thorpe, G Bullingham Runners Up: P Wright, T Saravanos Third: C Orr, W Bruce

Congratulations to Men's Division 1 Red on reaching the final of the Great 8s Challenge. They will play Buderim at Mooloolaba next Sunday at 1 pm.

Maroochy North Shore Lions present at Bli Bli athletics

ON A recent Saturday Gary and Robyn Craven from Maroochy North Shore Lions presented the Bli Bli Little Athletics 2019 Awards at their presentation event. The representatives presented the "Endeavour Award" to promising athletes Shakiah Smith and Alby Everett, and they in turn were presented with a Certificate of Appreciation for the help given by the Lions Club in helping to maintain the Little Athletics field by keeping it mown during the season.

The Saturday was a fun day for the Little Athletes as there was a water slide to sample after the presentation, which made for a great way to cool off.

If you would like to help the Maroochy North Shore Lions with their community activities, please ring Lion Gary on 5448 9587.



Maroochy North Shore Lions Robyn and Gary Craven represented their club at the Bli Bli Little Athletics Awards presentation recently, and awarded promising athletes Shakiah Smith and Alby Everette with Endeavour Awards for their sporting achievements. Photo: Contributed

DAVO'S northshore BAIT & TACKLE TIDE TIMES 2019 Coolum & Maroochy River Coolum Beach

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FRI 22nd March

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Coolum	2:46am	9:00am	3:15pm	9:26pm
Maroochy River	5:13am	10:35am	5:42pm	11:01pm

SAT 23rd March

	0.24m	.87m	0.23m	1.85m
Coolum	3:32am	9:41am	3:53pm	10:11pm
Maroochy River	5:59am	11:16am	6:20pm	11:46pm

SUN 24th March

	0.37m	1.70m	0.31m	1.80m
Coolum	4:20am	10:21am	4:30pm	10:56pm
Maroochy River	6:47am	11:56am	6:57pm	

MON 25th March

	0.52m	1.52m	0.41m	1.72m
Coolum	5:11am	11:02am	5:08pm	11:46pm
Maroochy River	12:31am	7:38am	12:37pm	7:35pm

TUE 26th March

	0.66m	1.35m	0.52m	
Coolum	6:11am	11:46am	5:48pm	
Maroochy River	1:21am	8:38am	1:21pm	8:15pm

WED 27th March

	1.63m	0.76m	1.22m	0.62m
Coolum	12:44am	7:28am	12:40pm	6:38pm
Maroochy River	2:19am	9:55am	2:15pm	9:05pm

THU 28th March

	1.56m	0.79m	1.14m	0.70m
Coolum	1:58am	8:55am	2:02pm	7:47pm
Maroochy River	3:33am	11:22am	3:37pm	10:14pm

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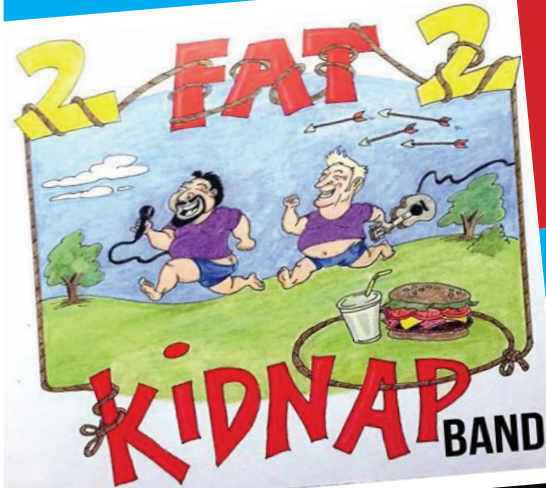
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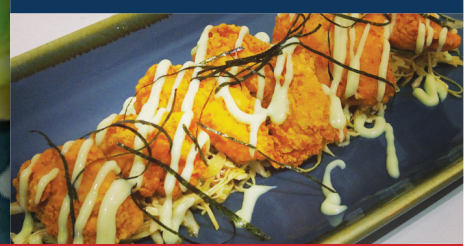
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