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URGENT CALL FOR MOTORISTS TO SLOW DOWN AND LOOK OUT FOR WILDLIFE

VANESSA HALL
EDITOR

ENVIRONMENTAL protection and advocacy group Coolum and North Shore Coast Care (CNSCC) recently posted a series of distressing images online showing a large kangaroo having to be eased of its suffering after being hit by a car near the Palmer Coolum Resort on David Low Way.

The group posted the images as a call to action and for motorists to slow down and to be mindful of native animals who potentially are more visible on the roads due to development in the area encroaching on their habitat.

"Drama on David Low Way this morning with yet another kangaroo hit by a car," the CNSCC post stated.

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THERE is absolutely no need to be alone this Christmas Day with the Coolum HeARTs free community Christmas Lunch taking place on December 25 from 12-2pm at the Coolum Civic Centre.

The wonderful Coolum HeARTs are once again putting on the Community Christmas Lunch and everyone is welcome to come along for lunch if you have nowhere else to be, or simply pop in to say Merry Christmas on the day!

The FREE lunch is proudly

put on by a team of dedicated volunteers and with the generosity of donations from local businesses and community members.

Please don't be on your own this Christmas – spend it with others and enjoy a festive lunch.

If you would like to donate or volunteer, please contact David or Cassie via the numbers below.

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WHAT: Coolum HeARTS Community Christmas Lunch
WHERE: Coolum Civic Centre, 2-4 Park St, Coolum Beach
WHEN: Wednesday December 25
TIME: 12 - 2pm
RSVP: David 0421 808 468
More Info: Cassie 0407 755 358

Springs man charged with Indecent Treatment

DETECTIVES from the Sunshine Coast Child Protection Investigation Unit have charged a 26-year-old Peregian Springs man following investigations into the alleged indecent treatment of children.

It will be alleged the man committed a number of of-

fences against two children known to him in a professional capacity in the surfing industry.

It will be further alleged the offences were committed in Broadbeach, Coolum Beach, Yaroomba and the greater Noosa area since August last year.

Police arrested the man on Sunday December 15 and have charged him with 12 counts of indecent treatment of children and three counts of wilful exposure.

Detectives are continuing to investigate this matter further and are appealing to anyone who may have ex-

perienced similar to come forward.

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URGENT CALL FOR MOTORISTS TO SLOW DOWN AND LOOK OUT FOR WILDLIFE

FROM PAGE 1

“It was distressing for three of our volunteers who attended the scene. The joey is orphaned now but was eventually guided into Clive Palmers Golf Course with the help of security opening a gate for the joey to get off the main road.

“Scott from Wild Care Australia had to euthanise the mother roo as she had a fracture and most likely internal injuries.

“There are so many displaced roos with the development in Coolum and Yaroomba with very little bushland for them to disperse too. Let this be a reminder to travel slow in the area and keep eyes peeled for roos or wallabies at the side of road.”

Claire Smith founder of Wildlife Rescue Sunshine Coast and the 2025 Australia Day Awards, ‘Queensland Local Hero Award’ recipient

said that urgent legislative action was needed.

“David Low Way, notorious for its alarming rates of kangaroo fatalities, exemplifies the devastating impact of rapid development and habitat destruction.

“Habitat loss remains the leading cause of declining numbers in key species across Australia, and it is exceptionally critical in our region,” Claire said.

Claire said that statistics recorded by Wildlife Rescue since 2018, showed the Sunshine Coast has experienced a staggering rise in kangaroo and wallaby deaths, with fatalities increasing by over 1000 per cent along roads like David Low Way.

“This surge in wildlife fatalities underscores the urgency to revise current legislative frameworks,” Claire said.

“Development projects such as the Stockland Twin Waters

West proposal forge ahead amidst significant public opposition - further threatening the survival of local macropod species.

“This reckless development legacy, resulting from inadequate planning and understanding, will be a lasting burden for our local councils.”

The development taking place in the area such as the Yaroomba Beach development is in accordance with the Hyatt Master Plan which was approved in 2007.

Division 8 Councillor Taylor Bunnag surmised that working within the parameters of the existing 2007 approval was not something that could be easily fixed and they were doing the best that they could.

“Council has been working with all stakeholders to achieve the best results for wildlife along this particular stretch of road, however mo-

torists needed to slow down.

“All the parties involved are trying to find a solution and we want to preserve as many green corridors as possible,” Cr Bunnag said.

“We need to be mindful and realise that there is a lot more traffic on the roads and that David Low Way is a very busy stretch of road and people really do need to slow down.”

Claire Smith said it was up to lawmakers to change existing laws.

“It is imperative that we urge our lawmakers to amend existing regulations and enforce stringent criteria when considering development applications.

“Only through proactive legislative change can we halt the decline of our precious wildlife and ensure the preservation of Australia’s unique biodiversity for generations to come.”

About

Claire Smith

- Australia Day Awards: 2025 QLD Local Hero Wildlife Rescue Sunshine Coast, Founder

CLAIRE Smith is a fierce protector of all living things, but especially native Australian wildlife.

She is the founder of Wildlife Rescue Sunshine Coast, the first dedicated, volunteer-run, 24-hour wildlife rescue service in Queensland. The group’s purpose is three-fold: education, rescue and rehabilitation.

Over decades of advocacy and conservation, Claire has actively forged vital relationships within the community, educating people about wildlife management through online resources and speaking on radio and in person.

She engages with all levels of government to advise on policy decisions, motivating them to take action to protect native species through habitat preservation.

Claire raised over \$600,000 to directly assist those caring for injured animals after the 2019 bushfires.

Claire also fundraised to establish Queensland’s first dedicated kangaroo hospital and the purchase of two wildlife ambulances to facilitate more animal rescues. Claire inspires others to join her fight to protect our precious native fauna with her compassion and determination.

If you see an injured animal please get in touch via the details below -

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A joey is orphaned after its mother was hit by a car along David Low Way. The joey was guided to safety and into the grounds of the Palmer Coolum Resort.



A mother roo is hit by a car and sadly with too many injuries is euthanised.



Claire Smith from Wildlife Rescue Sunshine Coast with Ninderry MP Dan Purdie. Claire was awarded the 2025 Local Hero Award for her advocacy work in animal protection and rescue. She is calling on lawmakers to rectify the displacement of native animals via legislation. Photos: Contributed

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New Year

Coolum State High School celebrate release of ATAR scores

FOR THE class of 2024 from Coolum State High School, Friday December 13 was not at all unlucky with many securing top ATAR scores as the official results were released for all Queensland year 12 students early that morning.

Coolum State High held a celebratory BBQ lunch with many students arriving back at school to share in the excitement of their results with peers, teachers and family.

Some 29,000 students woke up early to see their Australian Tertiary Admission Rank (ATAR) scores with Principal Troy Ascott stating that the school had once again performed at the highest levels possible within the state.

“This is the end product of outstanding educational programs driven by passionate educators with a deep commitment to each and every student.

“At Coolum High we are driven to seeing our students succeed and we are delighted at this time each year when we see the success of our students. It means so much to them.”

School Dux Noah-Jay McArdle who received an ATAR of 99.80 was praised by Mr Ascott for his exemplary achievement.

“Noah-Jay has simply been a wonderful student who has committed himself to his studies with absolute determination, while consistently being a respectful, humble and thoughtful young man.

“Noah-Jay also won the Iwasaki-Sangyo prize that

involved a fully-funded four-week trip to Japan amidst a range of truly wonderful experiences. Noah-Jay embodies what commitment, and a wonderful attitude, can do and he has left a lasting legacy at our school.”

Another standout student from the Class of 2024 is Savannah Mahony who was awarded the ‘Ampol All-Rounder for Queensland Award’ which recognises a Year 12 student who has demonstrated consistently high achievement and involvement in aspects of school life.

“To have this state-wide recognition of such a fantastic Coolum High student is just outstanding.

“Savannah is a brilliant example of what it means to grow up in our community – caring and strong, kind and capable, humble and high-achieving. We are just delighted for Savannah, and we know that her future is incredibly bright,” Mr Ascott stated.

Mr Ascott also recognised the entire year 12 cohort for their hard work.

“We are also proud of a whole range of our students, including a number of “fast finishers” whose results at the end of school were improving rapidly with this showing on the external exams.

“We are so proud of all of our students and their extraordinary achievements.”

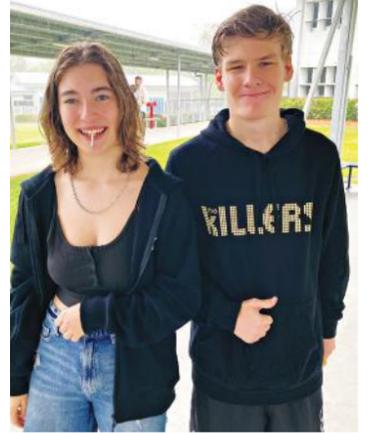
Photos: Vanessa Hall



Principal Troy Ascott with school dux Noah-Jay McArdle who received an ATAR of 99.80.



Rob from Ampol Australia who presented the ‘Ampol All-Rounder for Queensland Award’ to Savannah Mahony and Deputy Principal Emma Curnow.



Shaylah and Elijah.



Head of Senior Schooling teacher Sean with Charlotte, Bailee and Bree.



Blane, Zoe and Louis.



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Head of year 12 teacher Nick with P&C President Nicole on BBQ duties.

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Meals on Wheels say thanks with festive lunch for clients and volllies

IT WAS a festive celebration in the glorious sun on Tuesday December 10 as the Coolum Meals on Wheels team welcomed over 100 clients and volunteers to their annual Christmas celebration held in the grounds of the centre located on Santa Monica Avenue in Coolum.

President Phil Croughan paid tribute to head chef Troy Brien and his team comprising apprentices Noah

Rohweder and Josh Vos, and volunteers Simon Briggs, Pete Cooper and Alan Patterson.

“The kitchen team did a tremendous job preparing a delicious spread served on one long table. Everyone tucked in to the traditional Christmas fare which also included some amazing trifles.

“Many renewed acquaintances, and new friendships were made, and a good time was had by all.”

Coordinator Gerard Rollo said this has been the biggest year yet for Coolum Beach Meals on Wheels.

“We now deliver over 600 meals to 240 clients across the Coolum district each week,” Gerard said.

“We couldn’t do it without the tremendous support of our 160 volunteers who come in each week to help us out – thank you to you all.”

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John, Jill and Elizabeth.



Connie.



A beautiful Christmas trifle was served for dessert.



Marianne, Anne, John, Chris, Ross and Carol.



Noel, Janine, Dennis, Graham and Maureen.



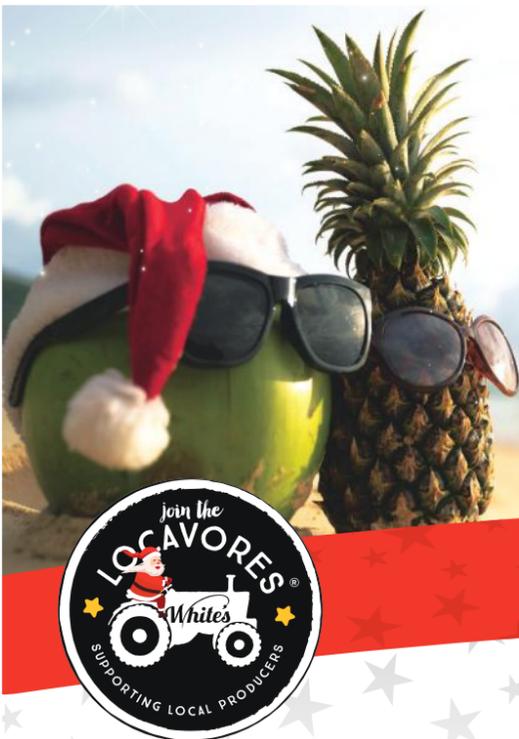
Christmas lunch with all the trimmings was served for both clients and volunteers.



Yola, Josiah, Graham, Lou and Anne.



Lunch was prepared on site by the kitchen staff and volunteers and was thoroughly enjoyed by all.



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Letters to the editor

CRIME REPORTING

Dear editor,

It is not surprising that all the experts disagree with the misrepresentations and dubious claims made by the government and published as the lead story in this newspaper, (Coolum Advertiser 4/12/24).

In the absence of evidence to support its crime policy, the LNP has had to admit that its 'Adult Time' legislation discriminates against children and indigenous families and breaches the human rights of both. It is policy based not on data, science or experience but on political expediency and the dishonest politics of division and fear.

Premier Crisafulli once told the parliament that he believed in truth telling. He said, "We cannot shy away from the real experiences of Indigenous Australians throughout history. We must tell the truth about the real challenges they are facing today."

Yet, as soon as he saw political advantage in closing down the truth telling commission he flip-flopped and declared the truth would "lead to greater division, not reconciliation, and I cannot support that."

The process Crisafulli once

embraced to bring about truth and reconciliation has been cynically replaced with a dark, hard line that divides, Queensland's Indigenous peoples from all other Queenslanders. His blindness or indifference to that divide is frightening.

Of course, violent crime is a problem. All violence is and the victims of violent crime deserve justice. However, based on the hard data, we know that 96% of incarcerated children will re-offend. If the experts are right and the LNP wrong, the LNP will not be finding justice for victims, they will be creating a tsunami of crime for the future.

The LNP's "Gold Standard Intervention" is complete nonsense. Any genuine attempt at a successful intervention would have to begin with building good relationships between the people and parties involved. Instead the government have told our Indigenous peoples that their history, their hurt, their healing, their future and the truth have been cancelled. Classic bridge burning.

And when truth and integrity have lost their meaning it is easy to convince people that Coolum is so rife with crime that people are "too scared to leave their homes to go to the shop or sit in a park". (Coolum Advertiser, 4/12/24 p. 6).

Police and ABS data show that Coolum is a safe suburb as are all suburbs in Ninderry. We have half the crime of the wider Sunshine Coast and are well below the Qld average. Read more here: <https://redsuburbs.com.au/suburbs/coolum-beach/#overview>

I will be doing everything I can over the holidays to spread cheer and kindness to our visitors and let them know they are SAFE and welcome here. I hope others will do the same.

It really is time to disrupt the fear mongers.

Ken Fisher,
Yaroomba.

NUCLEAR?

Dear editor,

How will going 'nucula' make Australians feel better off according to the atomized thinking of the fossilized fools? Just asking how long it will take to feel better off?

Margaret Wilkie,
Peregian Beach.

CHRISTMAS SONGS

Dear editor,

In 'A Christmas Carol', Charles Dickens writes, "For it is good to be children some-

times, and never better than at Christmas, when its mighty Founder was a child himself."

As adults, can we rediscover our inner child at Christmas through the joys and truths of life in the words of carols and that child from Bethlehem?

Inspiring insights abound in carols ranging from traditional hymns to jaunty jingles and parched outback variations to snow for Santa and the reindeer to cross. Our homegrown versions include cheeky sunburnt ditties and instructions on how to make gravy.

An unfamiliar carol about Bethlehem includes the lyric "There's a new kid in town and he's lying in a manger down the road."

Sadly, the location of the manger is beset by devastating wars in the Middle East.

In our lucky country, the verbal civil war that erupts leading up to Christmas is about Australia Day. Amid the national navel gazing we can be distracted from fellow Australians struggling through Christmas to reach Australia Day.

Their plight is captured in an unfamiliar Christmas carol about a man facing the loneliness of the end of his marriage and placing just one gift beneath his tree with a card saying, "Merry Christmas to Me."

Can we rediscover our inner Christmas child to reach out with kindness and help those bereft from losses and home-

lessness find their joyful inner child filled with hope in 2025?

As Charles Dickens says in 'A Christmas Carol', "I will honour Christmas in my heart, and try to keep it all the year."

Garry Reynolds,
Peregian Springs.

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Dear editor,

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"Shrinkage" involves reducing the size of the product within packages and bottles, while maintaining the previous price, or even lifting the price. It is cheating, while the packaging, as for a packet of chips, a block of chocolate or biscuits, or individual cardboard toilet rolls, have not changed in size, giving the illusion of the same weight, with no obvious reduction inside. It becomes an "optical illusion" to the unwary. Everyone is caught.

This manoeuvre is a sign of things to come. The world of today is an expensive place to live. Developing countries are suffering conflict and drought, hunger and lack of health care, without stable governments. They have no problem with shrinkflation, as they have no access to shopping, but are reliant on international aid, if it is available. Even aid, dependent upon western generosity, is shrinking.

Australia is now not the "lucky country" for millions of have-nots, caught in the great divide between the haves and have-nots. Homelessness and violence, crime and substance abuse are an escape for the realities of life. The powerful and rich survive, regardless. Those without a buffer, sink or swim. Most are treading water.

E. Rowe,
Marcoola.

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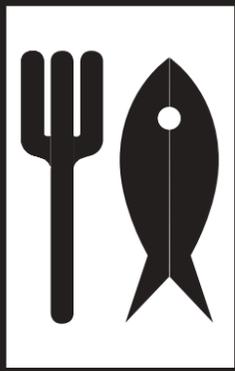
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like to help aid the charity work of Coast Care why not donate your recycled bottles to them at the container exchange drop off points? Every container deposited makes both a financial and environmental difference. Next time you return your bottles simply quote the attached member number and donate your goods to Coast Care.

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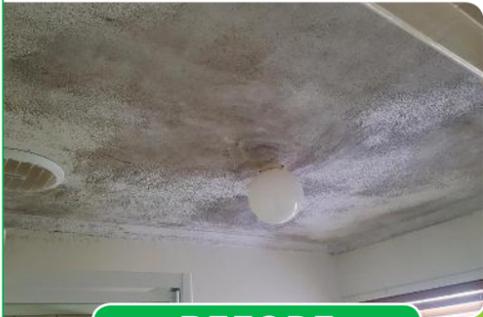
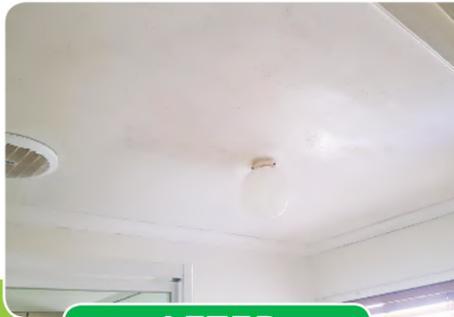
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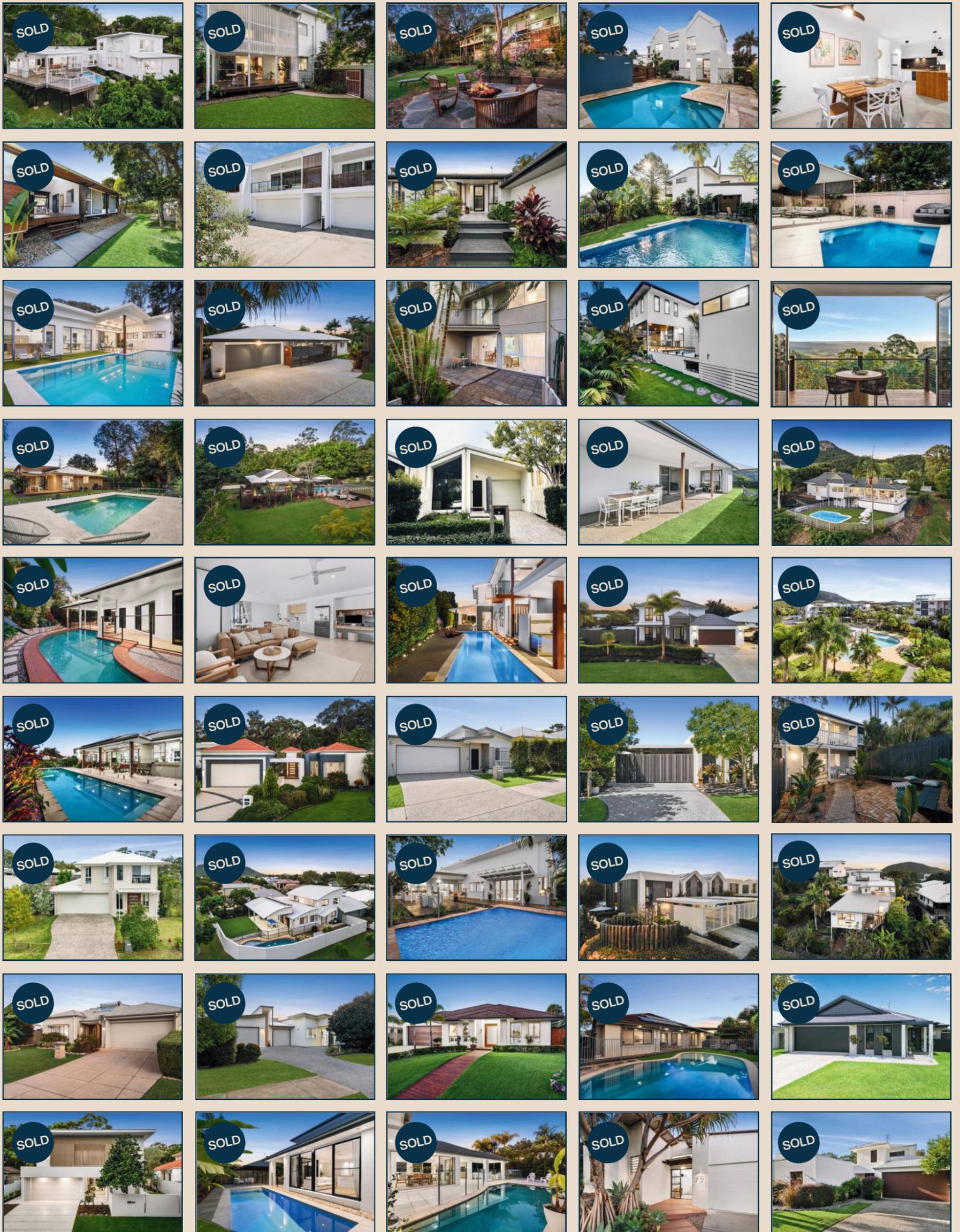
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FROM PAGE 1

THE COOLUM Lions have been busy this year fundraising and giving out large cheques to many worthy groups and organisations across the coast. They are a wonderful community minded group who are always looking out for more volunteers. Why not make 2025 your year to give back to the local community? You can give as much time as you can and as well as doing something great for the community you will also meet new friends, and we can vouch for how welcoming the Coolum Lions are. If you are interested in volunteering please call Lion Doug Alford on 0413 019078.

Supporting Bloomhill Cancer Care

Coolum Lions donated funds to Bloomhill Cancer Care who are a local community-based integrative cancer care centre, providing compassionate care for people of all ages on the Sunshine Coast impacted by cancer. Pictured are Lions Doug, Ian, Greg, Frances and Dave with Tessa from Bloomhill Cancer Care.



Supporting Coolum Football Club

The Lions donated funds to Coolum Football Club to help provide equipment for players young and old. Mel, President of Coolum Football Club, and her team do an outstanding job in developing our young people and providing them with vital skills for the future. Pictured are Lions Rob and Doug with Coolum FC President Mel.



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St Andrew's Anglican College Principal farewelled after 18 years

ST ANDREW'S Anglican College said goodbye to their longstanding Principal, Reverend Chris Ivey last week after 18 years of dedicated leadership at the Peregian Springs school.

The school which was founded in 2003 has had Mr Ivey at the helm since 2007—a feat that has seen his leadership woven into the very fabric of the school and the local community.

Mr Ivey spoke of his tenure at St Andrews fondly and that his long-term vision was to create a positive school environment.

“From my very first interactions I was excited by the energy at St Andrews and my vision from day one was to make this an incredible school.

“It was young, growing, evolving and staff had what we called a ‘pioneering spirit’ and this excited me.

“Back then I was also nervous about moving from a small school to a larger and more complex organisation... but I was looking forward to a new challenge and a place to raise our family of four children.”

Mr Ivey reflected on how different the school landscape is now, compared to in 2007.

“I don't think my vision has changed, but how we enact it, how we embody it and how we keep it has evolved. It is definitely a dif-

ferent place now than 2007 with many more programs, opportunities and buildings, but I think our commitment to community hasn't changed.”

While the school itself has evolved dramatically during this time, including major builds such as the construction of a multi-level Learning Hub, Aquatic Centre and the planning of a Music and Performing Arts Centre due to break ground in 2025, Mr Ivey's educational philosophy remains true.

“I still believe that relationships are core to all that we do – you can't teach, encourage or have a difficult conversation with a student if you don't have some form of relationship with them.

“Sure, the world has changed in 18 years and post-COVID we are seeing an increase in challenges regarding mental health and social media, but people still have a basic need to be known and respected.”

Known for his ‘front gate approach’ - greeting students and parents at the front of the school every morning, Chris has been celebrated by parents and the community for the way he leads by example in setting standards and creating culture.

Parent Tim McGary sang Mr Ivey's praises.

“Mr Ivey has been a tireless worker in both public and

private settings for the school. Whether that was working on a BBQ, raising money, watching a flute recital or trekking through the bush as part of the Kokoda Challenge, Mr Ivey has been there, for the school.”

As he prepares to pack up his family home and leave the place where his four children have grown and completed school, Mr Ivey remains humble about the legacy he has created and excited for his next chapter.

“My hope is very simple, that St Andrew's continues to live out its vision, to stay true to that vision and to keep achieving great things while always respecting and encouraging people.

“We have gone from a small start-up school to an award-winning school, and I hope that my leadership has simply encouraged others to strive for and achieve great things. That is all I can hope for.”

In January, newly appointed Principal Karen Gorrie, will take over as the College's third Principal. Ms Gorrie has worked in the education sector for more than 30 years and will be joining the school from St Margaret's Anglican College in Brisbane, where she served as Deputy Principal for seven years.

Mr Ivey will be taking up a role as Headmaster of Somerset College on the Gold Coast.



St Andrew's Anglican College's outgoing Principal Chris Ivey participating in the Kokoda Challenge with students in 2019. Photo: Contributed

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ONCE AGAIN Coolum will have all eyes looking up at 8.30pm on New Year's Eve with the free fireworks display.

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Sunshine Coast Mayor Rosanna Natoli said there will be a range of family-friendly festivities, leading up to the much-anticipated 8.30pm fireworks display.

"The Esplanade will come

alive with roving entertainment and face painting for the kids, food trucks and markets, and getting there will be a breeze with a range of active and public transport options.

"As usual, community safety is our priority, so to ensure everyone has an enjoyable evening, this is strictly an alcohol, drug and glass-free event.

"Queensland Police will be on site and event partners will be on deck to make this an enjoyable celebration for everyone.

"We're expecting more than 30,000 people will celebrate New Year's Eve in Mooloolaba this year, so we encourage attendees to use active and public transport."

If the large crowds are not your thing, then stay 'local' and enjoy the Coolum display at 8.30pm with the fireworks being let off near the Coolum Surf Club.

For more details visit events.sunshinecoast.qld.gov.au.

Council will not be hosting midnight fireworks at any Sunshine Coast location.



There will be multiple opportunities to bring in the new year with a bang across the Sunshine Coast with the Coolum fireworks set to go off at 8.30pm near the Surf Club on Tuesday December 31. Photo: Contributed

Stormy Summer Skies

ASH PAGE

IF THERE is one thing summer does well and that is a spectacular summer storm. The start of December saw the heat and humidity build for a series of storms which lashed the region. Photographer Ash Page captured this impressive panorama of a storm front rolling in over Marcoola near the airport on Sunday December 1. "Always a thrill when you can catch the full shape of a storm!"



If you happen to take a stunning pic or have a pic of something you think the community should know about - on either your smart phone or DSLR from anywhere in the region, we would love to see it!

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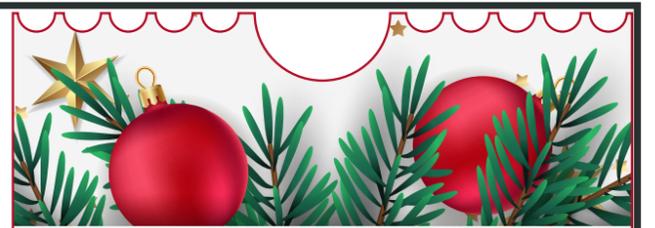
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Coolum Family lights up David Low Way with their love for Christmas

DRIVING between Point Arkwright and Yaroomba is a visual delight at Christmas with one of the most extravagant Christmas lights displays located at 1495 David Low Way and the family behind the colourful display affectionately cite the famous 'Griswold' family as inspiration!

Dr Mike the Psych said that his wife Liz is the one who just loves Christmas and along with their two children

they happily indulge Liz's Christmas revelry each year.

"She loves Christmas so much (and I love her so much) and it's my wife's dream to create the best lights display ever.

"She even dresses up (and gets the rest of us in on it as well) as Santa or the Grinch and greets kids, and hands out lollies in our front yard on some select nights," Dr Mike said.

A primary school teacher

and a true lover of Christmas Dr Mike said that he is only ever just a Christmas elf helper and only too happy to help.

"Liz's students and indeed anyone who knows her will tell you that she is the living embodiment of the Christmas spirit. She spreads kindness, generosity and cheer wherever she goes throughout the year," Dr Mike said.

And the Christmas display just keeps getting bigger and brighter each year with

an assortment of traditional Christmas items such as snowman and presents and there are also distinctive Australian elements with native animals and a lit-up map of Australia.

"She will only work to make this bigger and better every year, and I will be at her side helping her as best I can.

"Merry Christmas Coolum from the Maier family!"

Photo: Contributed



Australian native animals such as a huge koala are featured.



The Maier family absolutely love Christmas and have been celebrating the season for many years including dressing up for festive photos.



The Maiers posing for a family photo with Santa only just last year!

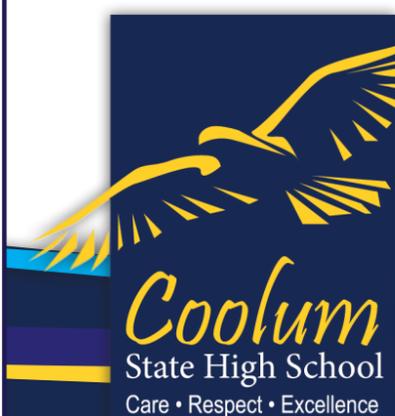


The Maier home at 1495 David Low Way and their stunning Christmas lights display.



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5 Beach Party Coolum Beach Hotel 3pm - 6pm	6 Coolum District Senior Citizens Club Coolum Civic Centre 11:30am - 3:30pm	7	8 Marcoola Surf Club Member's Draw, Raffles 5:30pm	9	10 Claptomaniacs Coolum Bowls Club 7pm - 11pm	11 Salty Saturdays Jack Morgan Park 3pm
12	13 Coolum District Senior Citizens Club Coolum Civic Centre 11:30am - 3:30pm	14 Coolum Women's Shed 26 Research Street, Quanda Park "Mahjong" 1pm - 3pm	15 Coolum Women's Shed Walking Group Meet Tickle Park 7:30am - 9:30am	16 Coolum Women's Shed 26 Research Street, Quanda Park "Gentle Yoga" 9:30am - 10:30am	17 Breeze Coolum Bowls Club 7pm - 11pm	18 Flicks in the Park Shrek Tickle Park 6pm - Free 
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CONGRATULATIONS to the graduating year 12 and year 6 classes of 2024. Thank-you for your ideas and input into plans and opportunities for the local area throughout the year. I hope you have a relaxing summer unwinding and getting ready for your next adventure, whether it's high school and year 7, university, a job or travel.

LIONS AND NORRIE JOB PARK

The Lions and Norrie Job park and toilet block is open and ready to use over the Christmas break for our community and visitors to enjoy. I hope it's been worth the wait, and you've managed a visit to check out the updates.

Following three rounds of community engagement and a community-led new landscape plan, this popular seaside park has undergone a \$1.6 million transformation.

This first stage of works in the staged construction for the landscape plan upgrades included replacing the existing shelter, new barbecues and furniture, new fitness equipment and soft-fall, new pathways and timber pedestrian bridge, inground services, electrical infrastructure and drainage works, softscape works and signage.

A huge thank you to all those in our community who gave extensive feedback over the past seven years to help inform the final landscape plan.

Sunshine Coast Council provided funding of more than \$1 million and proudly part-

nered with the Australian Government, which contributed \$250,000 through its Local Roads and Community Infrastructure Program, and the Queensland Government, which provided \$250,000 through its Minor Infrastructure Program towards improvements to Lions Park and Norrie Job Park.

This joint partnership between all levels of government will enable Queenslanders to participate in sport and recreation activities on the Sunshine Coast.

The timing of future stages two and three is still to be confirmed.

TICKLE PARK

The relocated beach shower looks great, and the old location is a great spot for a picnic. Best of all, moving the shower has got rid of the drainage issues in the park.

GET IN TOUCH

As always, please contact council direct for any service requests such as road hazards, graffiti, dumped rubbish, parking, parks, potholes, roads, trees and waste collections. Contact details or service request forms are available at www.sunshine-coast.qld.gov.au or call 5475 7272.

And finally, I'd like to wish you all a very safe summer, merry Christmas and a happy new year.

Dan Purdie MP

MEMBER FOR NINDERRY



IT HAS been a big year for Ninderry with a number of important local road and school upgrades completed, community and sporting group funding distributed and the promise of more to come, as my election commitments come to fruition.

Congratulations to all students who have completed another year of learning. A special shout out to those school graduates that received an award for their hard work, and their teachers who helped them achieve their goals. Each year I am pleased to sponsor an award at each participating school to reward and encourage students to be the best they can be

SAFETY OVER THE HOLIDAYS

With personal mobility devices such as e-bikes, e-scooters and e-skateboards becoming more popular, it is important that parents ensure their young people know and abide by the rules as heavy penalties apply. Parents can also be fined for not ensuring children are doing the right thing.

URBAN ANGELS CHRISTMAS APPEAL

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NEWS FROM PARLIAMENT

The Making Queensland Safer Plan passed in Parliament last week, which means the new Adult time for Adult crime laws can be enforced. The Government also set up a taskforce to cut teacher red tape, freeing them to spend more time with our kids; announced boosts for social housing and domestic and family violence shelters and launched a public submission portal for the Olympic and Paralympic Games 2032. Visit www.gamesreview.com.au to have your say.

I would like to wish you all a safe and merry Christmas. Please drive safely on the roads and ensure you secure your property and lock up your valuables.

Fiona Simpson MP

MEMBER FOR MAROOCHYDORE



IT FELT like Christmas had come early recently when I got to celebrate the 96th birthday of my beautiful mother Norma. The family gathered, we took the family photos of those who could be there, phone calls came in from grandkids and there was a table of food to share and the obligatory cake and candles.

Mum was cracking hearty with her very bright sense of humour, and she continues to inspire me as to her life, experience and wisdom.

I find it quite lovely that when I put a photo of her on my Facebook page I get such an avalanche of positive feedback from friends and community members who have known her over the years.

Thank you for everyone who left a message. When someone turns 96 it is hard to know what to give them - so I gave Mum a kids book about bin chickens which was right in line with her sense of humour.

My late Dad Gordon was well known as the former Member for Cooroora, who served the people with a heart of care for the wide range of communities in his area north and west of the Maroochy River. However, Mum was right there too serving voluntarily in many groups.

So, this column is a tribute to my mum, and to all those other wonderful women with stories of care and service. Let's make sure we gather their stories,

write them down and pass them on.

I say it every year, but this is my favourite time of the year and sharing the MC-ing at the Twin Waters Residents Association Christmas Carols is also a particular highlight. Then on Christmas Day, we go to church and celebrate the real meaning of Christmas marking the birth of Christ, God's gift to us. Following this we come home and share a table of fellowship.

I would also like to thank the Sunshine Coast Community working on the frontline over Christmas and all of those supporting the vulnerable. We are so lucky to have you. I also thank the wonderful community groups and volunteers who help put on special Christmas meals for the homeless and those without family.

I wish you a Merry Christmas and a safe and happy New Year with your loved ones.



Norma Simpson who recently celebrated her 96th birthday. Photo: Contributed

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Observations

TONY GIBSON
A MARCOOLA RESIDENT WHO IS ACTIVE IN THE COMMUNITY AND THE ENVIRONMENT.



PRESSING PAUSE

WE HAVE just returned from a couple of days at Binna Burra which is a wonderful place for a retreat in the Woonoogoorra-Lamington National Park. This is a 101-year-old national park on the border between Queensland and New South Wales. At nearly 1000 metres in altitude it was pleasantly cool and often immersed in the clouds providing silence and serenity as we enjoyed the sounds and sights of mother nature's gifts.

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So, what is a retreat? A retreat can be defined as a quiet or secluded place in which one can rest and relax. One can observe, reflect, meditate and be in the moment with one's thoughts as we move from the often busy and chaotic pres-

ures of modern-day life. Yes, with a retreat we can press the pause button and choose to take a step away from the digital world. We survived without radios and TV and chose to reduce our time on the internet with some long and short walks.

Similarly, on the Sunshine Coast we have the advantage of three UNESCO biospheres side by side where nature is supreme. The Great Sandy, Noosa and Sunshine Coast with national and conservation parks a plenty. We locally can go for a wander in the Mount Gul'um or Noosa National Parks and find serenity and silence.

My favourite is the Cooloola Great Walk which has that true wilderness feel as you walk from Rainbow Beach to Noosa. With the Cooloola Great Walk and national parks you luckily avoid chaotic freeway traffic.

While it is important to experience the joy, hope and giving of Christmas, who does not want to spend some time pressing the pause button? Wishing you a wonderful Christmas and happy and healthy New Year.

Principal's Post

TROY ASCOTT
COOLUM STATE HIGH SCHOOL



WITH THE release of ATAR scores on Friday December 13, it is with great pride that I can announce that we have received our best ever across-the-board ATAR outcomes, growing our tradition of outstanding results.

A remarkable six students achieved ATAR scores above 99, placing them in the top 1% of the state. These results would equate to OP1s in the previous system and are the school's best ever results. To have six students at this level is unbelievable. The remarkable Noah-Jay McArdle received the school's highest result – a 99.80.

Added to this, 25% of students achieved an ATAR score above 90. All of these results stem from having wonderful students combined with fantastic teachers and deliberate and targeted curriculum programs.

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Coolool High's results place

it in the highest tier of schools. To see, up close, the diligence and determination of these students is truly remarkable. The precision of the teachers and the way in which they strive for excellence is truly next level and something for which I am extremely grateful.

Perhaps the greatest reward is in hearing the gratitude of the parents of these students. All of them speak glowingly of the nurturing and care our students receive, as well as the sheer quality of teaching in the classroom.

I believe that the Coolool community should be extremely proud of the young people we have nurtured together. Significantly, education matters in our community, matching the natural beauty that drew us all here in the first place. At times, we have to pause and wonder, is there really anywhere better on earth? Congratulations go out to all our graduating students – I know you will join me in being extremely proud of them!

Legal News

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FAMILY PROVISION APPLICANTS

WILL makers often express concern about the prospect of their wills being contested after death. But many misunderstand who exactly can claim on their estate and become unnecessarily worried about potential applications from family members who simply don't have standing.

The group who can make a claim for 'further provision' from an estate under Part 4 of the Queensland Succession Act is actually quite small. Siblings can't make a claim. Grandchildren can't usually make a claim. Family Provision applications are restricted to children (including stepchildren), spouses, and persons who are either parents of the deceased, parents of children of the deceased or under 18 years AND 'dependent' on the deceased at the time of death. 'Dependant' means 'wholly or substantially maintained or sup-

ported by the deceased', a very high bar which sees very few 'dependency' cases get past the first hurdle.

And just because someone is in the eligible group, doesn't mean they have a case. The 'need' for further provision is the dominant test which any claimant must meet. Although need is a fairly fluid concept, which can differ depending on the size of the estate and the comparative need of other potential claimants.

Registry records show here are hundreds of 'family provision' applications filed in Queensland courts at present, and this number is certainly growing. The vast majority of claims settle at mediation and don't require a hearing. Compare those numbers to the tens of thousands of family law disputes working their way through the Federal Circuit and Family Court of Australia and you get a better perspective as to the actual size of the 'problem'.

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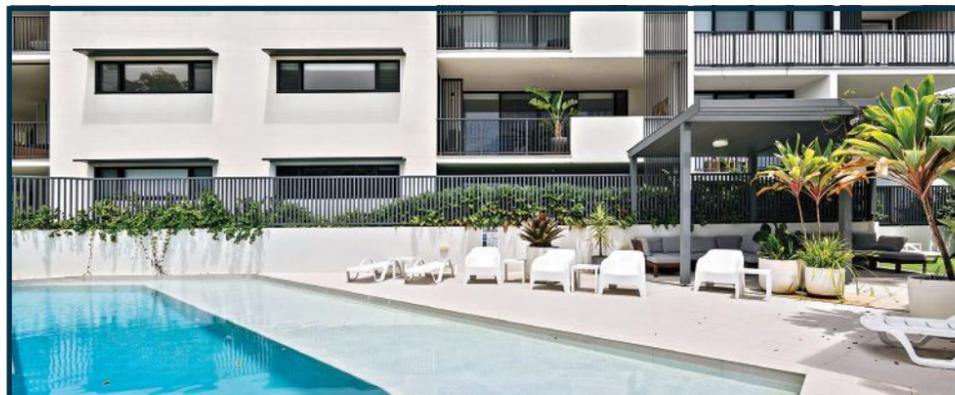
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NOOSA POLICE FINE PARENT FOR RECKLESS E-BIKE ACTIVITY

NOOSA police have fined a parent for allegedly allowing their children to use an unregistered motor vehicle under Operation Zappo Stoppie recently.

The 58-year-old Sunshine Beach man was fined with two counts of 'permit use of unregistered motor vehicle' for allegedly allowing his children, 15 and 17-year-old boys, to ride e-bikes after being previously warned.

Operation Zappo Stoppie targets the illegal use of electric motorcycles and non-compliant electric bikes in the Noosa area to identify, prevent and disrupt illegal use of e-bikes and high-risk behaviours.

Since it began on July 1 to November 4, police have completed 27 street checks identifying and warning 31 juveniles, issued eight infringements and impounded three bikes.

Police have also charged 24 people with 83 offences including 21 counts of unlicensed driving, 20 counts of use unregistered vehicle,

20 counts of drive uninsured vehicle, two counts of dangerous operation of a motor vehicle and one count of drink driving.

Police are continuing to investigate a further 18 recorded incidents involving an additional 30 offences.

Noosa Heads Senior Constables Danny Baker and Tom Ayling said it is vital for the community to understand the rules and regulations.

"It's important to note that Operation Zappo Stoppie does not include targeting electric scooters – police are addressing the dangerous and illegal use of those devices through other enforcement and education activities," Senior Constable Baker said.

"We frequently receive complaints from concerned community members about children riding electric motorcycles in ways that are not only dangerous to the rider, but also other road users and pedestrians and it seems unfortunately evident that it is only a matter of time before someone is seriously injured

or killed.

"In some instances we're also seeing young people who have been caught offending on e-bikes move to the use of even more powerful road registerable sports style motorcycles.

"These trends have confirmed our focus needs to remain on electric dirt bikes, modified electric bikes and road registerable sports style motorcycles due to the significant risk of injury or death to these inexperienced riders and members of the public."

Police are seeing children as young as 12 riding these powerful bikes.

"Just as an electric battery doesn't change a car from being a car, compared to a petrol car, neither does an electric battery change a motorbike from being a motorbike.

"The rules around the use of a motorbike doesn't change, regardless of if it's powered by petrol or an electric battery."

The Police would also like to see parents become more aware as to the power of these

devices.

"I ask parents to please make yourself aware of the rules and regulations around the use of electric motorcycles and electric bikes, and carefully consider if it's appropriate for your child to ride one.

"In the lead up to Christmas, I ask that parents also

think twice before buying an e-bike for a child that is not able or old enough to ride it legally. Electric motorcycles and electric bikes are not toys.

"Parents can be fined or charged for permitting their children to ride unregistered vehicles as well as ride vehicles when unlicensed."

Operation Zappo Stoppie is

ongoing, and police will be increasing their presence in the Noosa area with an expected increase in e-bike users as children head into the school holidays.

For more information: <https://www.qld.gov.au/transport/safety/rules/wheeled-devices/electric-bicycle-rules>



Noosa Police fine a parent for allowing their children to use an unregistered electric motorbike. Photo: QPS

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A look back in time

FRANCES WINDOLF
A LONG TIME COOLUM RESIDENT WITH A PASSION FOR LOCAL HISTORY



AND THEN THERE WAS LIGHT!

THE PLETHORA of traffic lights now in Beach and Coolum-Yandina Roads has reminded me that as far back as June 1937 the Coolum Beach Progress Association had supported the Council of Progress Associations in a "bid for Electricity for the North Coast", without success. Indeed, the Coolum Beach area was "kept in the dark" for almost twenty years after that time!

Nambour's very successful electricity scheme, financed through the Commonwealth Bank and private shareholdings, became so successful that the Brisbane-based City Electric Light Company made a take-over bid for it in 1935, and some Yandina residents had "not long had electricity" during World War II. However, despite a number of surveys being promised, nothing eventuated. Coolum residents tried every way that they

could to have electricity connected, seeking help from Mr. D.A. Low, MLA and from Mr. H. Baskerville of the Maroochy District Electric Light Development Association, and a number of others, but although Maroochy River, Bli Bli and Valdora got power in 1952, Coolum continued to be left out, isolated by the farms and swamps surrounding Coolum.

Eventually, on December 22 in 1956, the power was turned on in the central Coolum Beach area, to the delight of many ... and the disappointment of others, because although they could see the wires and poles going past their homes, only the centre of town was "connected". People from the Maroochy River area and along South Coolum Road, nearer Mount Coolum, had to wait another month, or more, before they "saw the light".

Preparation for the "coming of the light" had begun many months before, in anticipation of the "switch-on". The

Southern Electric Authority connected many homes, as did private contractors. One of these was Ron Filer, a Nambour-based electrician who moved to Coolum as the power lines approached – and who married Frances Smith, who lived where today's State School now stands.

As I write this, I look around my room, and mentally count how many power points are in use ... back then, needs were considerably simpler! Members of the Queensland Country Women's Association, which had a "holiday cottage" for country

members in Coolum Terrace, were proud that they were able to install four electric lights and a power point for their guests. The Memorial School of Arts Hall [which stood where McDonalds is now situated] initially planned ten lights and one power point, but daringly expanded that with the addition of another three lights and two power points! There were 93 subscribers in the initial connection.

I hope that your Christmas is full of light and joy ... just as much as there was in Coolum in 1956 ... HAPPY CHRISTMAS!



When electricity first came to Coolum. Photo: Windolf Collection



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Matthew Neale who recently used an idle beer keg as a floatation device during an early morning rescue with Lance Masterton from Heads of Noosa who thanked the life saver in training for his heroic act. Photo: Contributed

Frothy rescue as beer keg saves the day at Marcoola

THE QUICK-THINKING actions of a life saver in training and an idle beer keg literally saved the day as Matthew Neale raced into the surf one Friday morning to save the lives of a father and son who were caught in a rip off Marcoola Beach.

Matthew is six weeks into his Bronze Medallion Certification and had arrived at the beach for a training session but was a day early. Rather than waste the trip, he decided to go for a walk along the beach when he noticed the pair in distress.

Running back to the clubhouse he looked for a rescue board but to no avail due to the clubhouse still being shut at 7.00am.

Matthew grabbed the next best thing, which in this case was an empty 'Heads of Noosa' beer keg. He sprinted back to the beach and swam out to the pair. He called out to the father and told him to hang in there and was eventually able to bring them back to shore safely and unharmed.

Matt said it was a very emotional experience. "We're both big ocker guys

but I think we realised how close it was to a very different ending. Once we'd got over the shock, we shared a hug and both shed a tear," Matthew said.

Brothers, Lance and Craig from Heads Of Noosa heard about the story and wanted to meet the hero who used one of their empty kegs to save two lives.

"Our kegs have been used for a lot of things over the years – barstools, makeshift weights, but never a floatation device," Lance Masterton, Co-Founder and Head Brewer

said. "We were absolutely stoked that one of our kegs played a part in this rescue and Matt is an absolute legend, so we wanted to come down to Marcoola and thank him personally."

Heads of Noosa were also only too happy to shout Matthew a brew or two for his heroic actions.

With the summer season just weeks away, this story certainly serves as a timely reminder to only swim between the red and yellow flags.

Upgraded Peregian Skate Park opens for holidays

JUST IN time for the Christmas school holidays, the newly upgraded Peregian Beach Skate Park was officially reopened, and the skateboarding and scooter community were officially stoked!

Designed in collaboration with Concrete Skateparks, the revamped facility emphasises both fun and safety, with features suited to riders of all ages and skill levels.

Noosa Mayor Frank Wilkie praised the collaborative effort behind the park's design, noting feedback from local skaters that played a vital role

in the final layout.

"We listened closely to our local skaters to ensure the design meets their needs while enhancing safety for all users. The new facility features three distinct zones tailored for both beginners and advanced riders, creating a space where everyone can enjoy and develop their skills," Mayor Wilkie said.

"The revamped facility also retains the existing shade sail and the iconic Norfolk Island Pines, as well as improved drainage systems to mitigate coastal impacts."

The launch event, hosted in partnership with Chiggy Skateboarding, SKATABLE and Plastic Free Noosa, featured skate lessons, competitions, and giveaways.

"I'm super excited to have the park back, and it's better than ever!" local skater Jake Lawrence said.

"There are so many cool new things to try, and I can't wait to ride here all the time with my mates and help each other get better."

The project was funded through the Queensland Government's South East

Queensland Community Stimulus Program in partnership with Noosa Council.

Local Member for Noosa, Sandy Bolton, also expressed her support, recognising the skate park's community-wide benefits.

"I'm thrilled to see this skate park revitalised for the benefit of our young residents and their families. It's more than just a place to skate; it's a space to connect, stay active, and build friendships," Ms Bolton said.

Mayor Wilkie thanked the community for its patience

during construction.

"We appreciate everyone's understanding throughout the upgrade process and are confident that this new facility will

quickly become a favourite spot for families, skateboarders, and scooter riders alike," he said.



The revamped and upgraded Peregian Skate Park was officially reopened recently. Photo: Contributed

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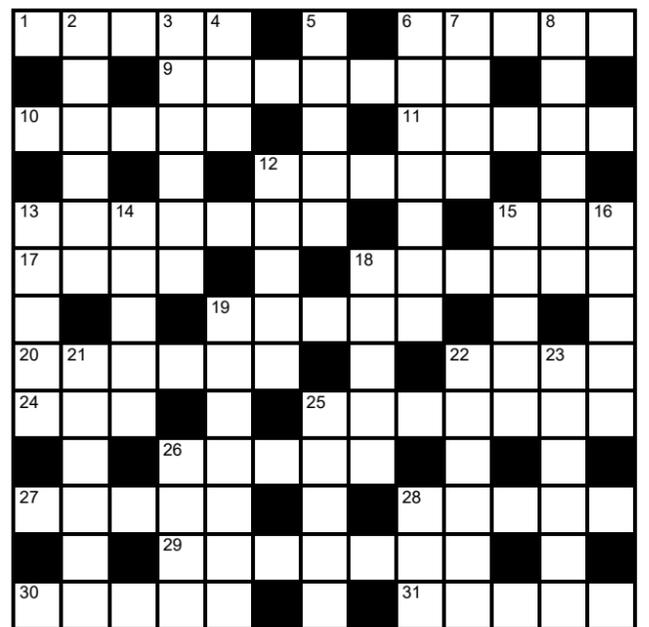
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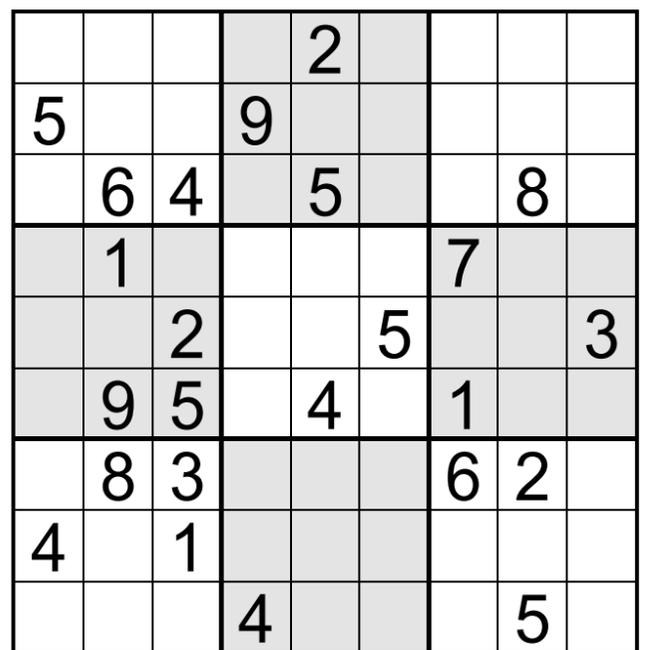
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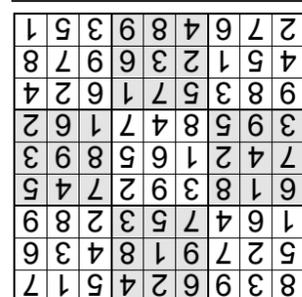


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Community news

COOLUM WOMEN'S SHED

The Coolum Women's Shed will be closed from Monday, December 16th and will commence activities again on Monday, January 13th. We wish a safe and happy festive season to our members and local community.

MEALS ON WHEELS

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QUOTA CLUB OF COOLUM BEACH

Quota Club of Coolum is a group of dedicated women who have been raising funds to support disadvantaged people in the local community for 30 years. If you would like to join, we would love to hear from you. For information contact Sandra Verrall on 0457 355 734 or secretary@quotacoolum.com.au.

MAROOCHY NORTH SHORE LIONS/ MUDJIMBA SURF CLUB FUNDRAISER

Egg & Bacon Burgers/Sausage Sizzle (BBQ) Mudjimba Surf Club. **21st December** 6.30 am to 1.00 pm

COOLUM HeARTS

Coolum HeARTs offers low-cost access to a range of activities to all in the community. We have great facilitators and volunteers ready to welcome you to art, djembe drumming, choir, ukulele, mosaics, meditation and gentle yoga. Our women's hub and men's resilience groups meet regularly. When you join as a member you will pay only \$5 to \$10 per session. Follow us on Facebook,

on-line at www.coolum-hearts.com.au or phone 0478 646 330.

ANGLICAN CHURCH COFFEE MORNING

Free coffee and delicious toasties along with a friendly chat are available every Thursday from 10am to noon on the back lawn of the Anglican church, 25 Beach Road, Coolum Beach. Everyone is welcome to join us in caring for each other and connecting with others in the community.

PARKINSON'S SUPPORT GROUP

Meetings are at the Coolum Surf Club on the third Monday of the month. Members share experiences, hear from guest speakers and researchers on videos about how to live better with Parkinson's Disease and to slow its progress. For more information phone Peter Wylie on 0429361301.

COOL CONNECTIONS WOMEN'S GROUP

Inviting all ladies to our group where we bring together women from all walks of life to enjoy each other's company and form friendships. Meeting from 9.30am to 11.30am each Friday (during school term) at Yaroomba Meeting Place, 1443 David Low Way, Yaroomba. Entry fee includes morning tea, guest speakers or activities. Esme 0408 077 882.

NINDERRY BRANCH ALP MONTHLY MEETING

The Ninderry branch of the ALP holds its monthly meeting on the 3rd Sunday of each month at the Coolum Beach Hotel starting at 10.30 AM. Visitors are welcome and you are also invited to join us afterwards for lunch. You can also log into our Facebook page for up-to-date details of other events. <https://www.facebook.com/ALPNinderry>. For more information and to book, please contact Melinda Dodds Ph. 0409 890 186.

COOLUM BEACH DISTRICT SENIORS CLUB

Mondays 11.30 - 3.30pm at the Coolum Civic Centre. Come along and join us.

COOLUM BEACH QUILTERS

Meet every Thursday morning 9am-11.30 at the Baptist Church, David Low Way, Coolum Beach. All welcome.

COOLUM CONNECTIONS

Join us for Relaxed Mid-Week Worship every first Thursday of the Month at 9.30 am. Coolum Salvos meets at Coolum Lions Community Centre, 15 Russell Street Coolum Beach. Enquires 5335-8500. All welcome!

COOLUM CROQUET CLUB

Croquet for fun and fitness. New members and visitors are very welcome. Try it with 3 free games and lessons. Mallets and free coaching are available. Social Golf Croquet Monday and Friday starting 1.15pm. For more information contact: Barb 0423 277 951 Sea Cove Lane, Coolum

MARCOOLA COMMUNITY GROUP

We would like to invite new members and visitors to our meetings where we discuss concerns and development of Marcoola area and beaches. Meetings are held on the 1st Thursday, every second month at 7pm. marcoolacomunity@gmail.com. Phone April 0413 137 182

COOLUM AMIGOS

Coolum Amigos is a social club for the over 50s. We meet at 10am every Tuesday at the Coolum Surf Club for coffee and a chat and to arrange outings. All welcome. For more information call Carol on 0419 423 367 or just come along!

COOLUM CRAFT GROUP

If you enjoy craft and good company join the Coolum Craft Group. We meet every Tuesday, in the Coolum Lions Community Centre, 15 Russell Street Coolum Beach. 2pm – 4pm. A variety of crafts are on offer and our friendly participants are always ready to lend a hand or maybe you have a craft you could teach the rest of the group. New members welcome and for \$3 you will receive tea/coffee and cake/biscuit as well as a fun few hours. For more information, please contact Patricia: 0403 017 247.

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Are you looking to make new meaningful friendships? This women's group meets every Thursday 9.30-11 at the Coolum Lions Community Centre, 15 Russell Street Coolum Beach. (We take a break during School Holidays). Come and check us out. Morning tea is a highlight. We'd love to meet you. Ask for Chris: 0478 584573.

COOLUM BEACH SENIOR CITIZENS CLUB

Welcomes all citizens 50 and over. Activities include Mahjong, Bingo, Carpet Bowls, Card and Board games. Meet every Monday from 11.30am-3.30pm at the Coolum Civic Centre. Entry fee includes afternoon tea and a ticket in the door prize. For further information please phone Bernie 5448 8693.

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VOLUNTEER GRANTS

Does your not-for-profit organisation need communication equipment or assistance with your insurance premium? The 2024 Volunteer Grants expressions of interest are now open.

Grants between \$1000 and \$5000 are available to eligible not for profit groups in the Fairfax Electorate.

There are two categories on offer this year: category one for the purchase of communication or insurance items or category two for items or services in support of children's well-being.

Expressions of interest close Friday, 10 January 2025.

2024 NAMBOUR CUP

Raising money for young mums involved in the STEMM program at Burnside through the Nambour Cup toad race is one of my personal highlights of the year.

STEMM is a fantastic local program that support young mums complete their education while gaining the parenting tools they need.

This year the winner of the 2024 Nambour Cup – the toad race that stops the nation – was RUM – Pel-Toad-Skin, owned and trained by Nildesperandum Distillery.

It was a great family event, a lot of fun for a great cause.



Thank you to all the sponsors for supporting the Nambour Cup, a worthy cause.

A very big thank you to Nambour TramCo for hosting the Nambour Cup at Tramfest on 30th November. It was great to see that people came out despite heavy rain all day.

CHRISTMAS

Every year we send out a Christmas newsletter to Fairfax constituents and you should have received yours this week. If you have not received one, please contact my team and they will arrange delivery.

In the lead up to Christmas I organised a Christmas Appeal to help IFYS support Sunshine Coast families. Your generosity was amazing, and I thank each and every one of you who contributed to helping this outstanding organisation.

As 2024 comes to a close, I say 'thank you' for allowing me to serve as your Federal MP, it is an honour that I never take for granted.

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

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Owned by Unitywater, the pump station asset has been brought to life as part of Unitywater's Community Artwork Program.

Unitywater engaged local Pomona artist Tia Carrigan to turn brick to chic and brighten up the asset along the popular bike path.

With Tia stating it was a delight to paint the mural, featuring local flora and fauna.

"The white bellied sea eagle and the large glossy black cockatoo are favourite elements of mine," Ms Carrigan said.

"Working on this mural was a fantastic opportunity to engage with many community groups and learn about the local flora and fauna of that specific area. An important part of public art for me is the engagement with locals each day as they watch the project develop."

Ms Carrigan worked with Kabi Kabi Traditional Custodian, Mack Muckan, to learn about and incorporate culturally significant plants and wildlife into the mural.

Mr Muckan said there were several elements that symbolised healing and connection to Country.

"Certain native flowers that produce products like



Josh Zugajev from Unitywater and Pomona artist Tia Carrigan next to the Castaways Beach pump station mural. Photo: Contributed

medicine and food reflect the sustainable practices and knowledge of the land," Mr Muckan said.

"Among the fauna, Gangga, the White-breasted Sea Eagle, is depicted as a messenger and a symbol of timing for hunting activities, such as the seasonal appearance of Gaarbanya or Gabunya, the Sea Mullet. Weeyal, the Black

Cockatoo, signifies the arrival of rain, a vital indicator for understanding seasonal changes," he said.

"Additionally, Yoodlou, the eel from which the suburb Eudlo takes its name, represents an important food source for those traveling or hunting through freshwater areas. Together, these elements weave a rich tapestry

of cultural heritage, ecological awareness, and the profound relationship between people and the natural world."

Unitywater Executive Manager Strategic Engagement Joshua Zugajev said the art program helped share the environment, culture and heritage of the region.

"Community artwork is a wonderful way of sharing what makes our region unique, improving the aesthetic of our assets, preventing graffiti, and they're a great conversation starter," Mr Zugajev said.

"Our pump station at Castaways Beach is near Burgess Creek and the artwork includes local flora and fauna

and information about this important catchment and what makes it special" Mr Zugajev said.

The artwork is located next to the bike path on David Low Way, Castaways Beach. Check out Unitywater's other artworks with the Artwork Trail Map at www.unitywater.com/artworktrail.

Merry Christmas

Michelle and the team at the Coolum Advertiser would like to wish all of our readers, advertisers and contributors a very safe and Merry Christmas and a bright and prosperous 2025.

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COOLUM BEACH BOWLS RESULTS

Tuesday, 10th December

Social Bowls

1st Sandy & Scott Wilson
2nd J Inglis, R Partridge
3rd N Mellett, B Kitcher, D Portelli

Thursday, 12th December

Social Bowls

1st C Gleeson, G Bolden +17
2nd D & P Lawler +10

2024 Club Championships

Club Drawn Pairs

Semi-finals

J Membrey, G Roulston 28 def T Spencer, R Tunil2
Brian Smith, J Rixon 20 def Scott Wilson, C Johnston 18

Final

Brian Smith, J Rixon 26 def J Membrey, G Roulston 17

Club Championship results available on club website at:

<https://coolumbeachbowls.com.au/club-championships/>

Club Honour Roll available on club website at:

<https://coolumbeachbowls.com.au/championship-honour-roll/>

2025 Great 8 Bowls Challenge

The 2025 Great 8 Bowls Challenge will commence on Saturday, 1st February 2025. Players available for the competition should place their names on the club website at <https://coolumbeachbowls.com.au/2025-great8/>

Weekly Bowls Program

• Social bowls every Tuesday Open Pairs 1pm, Thursday Open Pairs 1pm, Friday Open Pairs 1pm.

• Register at: <https://coolumbeachbowls.com.au/social-bowls/>

• For all social bowls enquiries contact the Social Bowls Coordinator on 0499 167922.

• Barefoot bowls every Friday night from 4.30-7pm and Sunday afternoon from 1-5pm. For all barefoot bowls enquiries, including social functions, contact the Club Manager on 5446 1153.

• Coaching is provided free of charge every Wednesday morning commencing at 10am. For all coaching enquiries, contact the Coaching Coordinator on 0493 216779.

Thursday, 5th December

Social Bowls

1st D Hickey, Sandy Wilson +16
2nd M Corcoran, G Dysart +15
3rd C Grassick, G Bartlett +14

Friday, 6th December

Social Bowls

1st S Briggs, K Emerton, D Lavery +22
2nd M Emerton, N Walsh, G Anderson +20
3rd V Coyne, C Orr, B Kitcher +17



Christmas Shirt Day

THE COOLUM Beach Bowls Club celebrated 'Christmas Shirt Day' out on the greens on Thursday December 5 with many wearing their finest Christmas attire and getting into the festive spirit!

Photos: Coolum Bowls Club

Carole, Gina, Tilly & Jenny

Di.

Barb.

Stylish bowling gents!

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TIDE TIMES 2024

DECEMBER 18, 2024 - DECEMBER 31, 2024

Tide heights taken from Coolum Beach					Coolum & Maroochy River. For other areas visit www.qld.gov.au				
WED 18 DEC	0.23m	1.96m	0.47m	1.22m	WED 25 DEC	1.39m	0.81m	1.31m	0.47m
Coolum	3:18 am	10:08 am	4:51 pm	10:13 pm	Coolum	4:22 am	10:11 am	3:37 pm	10:12 pm
Maroochy River	6:28 am	12:23 pm	8:01 pm		Maroochy River	6:37 am	1:21 pm	5:52 pm	12:35 am
THU 19 DEC	0.33m	1.86m	0.52m	1.19m	THU 26 DEC	1.51m	0.76m	1.27m	0.42m
Coolum	4:01 am	10:51 am	5:35 pm	10:58 pm	Coolum	5:11 am	11:19 am	4:33 pm	10:55 pm
Maroochy River	7:11 am	1:06 pm	8:45 pm	12:28 am	Maroochy River	7:26 am	2:29 pm	6:48 pm	1:22 am
FRI 20 DEC	0.44m	1.75m	0.55m	1.17m	FRI 27 DEC	1.62m	0.7m	1.25m	0.37m
Coolum	4:45 am	11:32 am	6:18 pm	11:49 pm	Coolum	5:52 am	12:14 pm	5:25 pm	11:35 pm
Maroochy River	7:55 am	1:47 pm	9:28 pm	1:13 am	Maroochy River	8:07 am	3:24 pm	7:40 pm	2:05 am
SAT 21 DEC	1.17m	0.55m	1.64m	0.57m	SAT 28 DEC	0.37m	1.72m	0.63m	1.25m
Coolum		5:33 am	12:13 pm	7:01 pm	Coolum		6:30 am	1:00 pm	6:12 pm
Maroochy River	2:04 am	8:43 am	2:28 pm	10:11 pm	Maroochy River	2:45 am	8:45 am	4:10 pm	8:27 pm
SUN 22 DEC	1.17m	0.66m	1.54m	0.57m	SUN 29 DEC	0.32m	1.81m	0.56m	1.26m
Coolum	12:50 am	6:28 am	12:57 pm	7:48 pm	Coolum	12:13 am	7:08 am	1:41 pm	6:56 pm
Maroochy River	3:05 am	9:38 am	3:12 pm	10:58 pm	Maroochy River	3:23 am	9:23 am	4:51 pm	9:11 pm
MON 23 DEC	1.2m	0.76m	1.45m	0.55m	MON 30 DEC	0.27m	1.89m	0.51m	1.28m
Coolum	2:06 am	7:36 am	1:45 pm	8:37 pm	Coolum	12:53 am	7:46 am	2:19 pm	7:38 pm
Maroochy River	4:21 am	10:46 am	4:00 pm	11:47 pm	Maroochy River	4:03 am	10:01 am	5:29 pm	9:53 pm
TUE 24 DEC	1.28m	0.81m	1.37m	0.51m	TUE 31 DEC	0.23m	1.94m	0.47m	1.3m
Coolum	3:21 am	8:53 am	2:40 pm	9:25 pm	Coolum	1:32 am	8:25 am	2:58 pm	8:20 pm
Maroochy River	5:36 am	12:03 pm	4:55 pm		Maroochy River	4:42 am	10:40 am	6:08 pm	10:35 pm

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TUESDAY

5:30PM - 6PM

CAGED CASH – 2 DRAWS
Purchase a drink from 4pm and receive a ticket into the draw for a chance to win cold hard cash.

5:30PM

APL POKER
5:30pm registration. 6:30pm start. \$16 buy in. One rebuy \$10 if needed. \$10 add on. New players welcome.

5:45PM

500 CARD CLUB

WEDNESDAY

9AM - 12PM

TABLE TENNIS
Under cover area next to green #3. New players welcome.

2PM - 5PM

HI VIS PROMO
Tradies welcome. Prize draw end of month.

4PM - 7PM

MEMBERS PROMO NIFTY FIFTY
Swipe your card to win.

7PM

TRIVIA NIGHT - Last Wednesday of the month.
7pm Register for a 7:15pm start- Free to enter!

THURSDAY

5:30PM - 6PM

JAG THE JOKER
Enter from 4pm. Jackpot increases by \$100 each week.

5:30PM - 6PM

MAX'S HOOPS
Register by 5pm.

6:30PM

DARTS
\$2 entry. You must be a Social member to play.

FRIDAY

5PM

TGIF RAFFLE
Tickets on sale from 5pm prizes are \$100 meat tray, carton of beer, breakfast tray then a 6 pack of beer. Drawn around 6:45pm.

SATURDAY

10AM - 2:15PM

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4 lucky gaming members will be drawn for a chance at \$200.

11:30AM - 1:10PM

LIONS CLUB SATURDAY RAFFLES
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