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COOLUM COLTS MAKE HISTORY WITH WOMEN'S TEAM



History was made on Saturday April 5 with the Coolum Colts Open Women's team playing for the very first time. They are the first ever women's side in the history of the club and their inaugural game was played at Caboolture against the Snakes. The women played well and with lots of heart but sadly were defeated 38-16 to the Snakes. Despite the loss, the women are winners regardless and look forward to playing lots more league and paving the way for future generations of women in rugby league - well done girls for making history! Pictured are the history making Coolum Colts Open Women's team with Coach Scott Bloomfield. More Colts news and pics page 16. Photo: Contributed

QUOTA COOLUM CELEBRATE THIRTY YEARS OF COMMUNITY SERVICE

WITH their trademark light blue shirts and commendable community spirit the ladies from Quota Coolum Beach celebrated 30 years of giving back recently and long-term members were also recognised for their dedication.

A celebratory morning tea was held on Tuesday March 25 at the Coolum RSL hall with special guests invited to witness the occasion.

Secretary Hannah Tebbutt stated that Quota Coolum had always remained true to helping others.

"For 30 years members have come and gone, but the Quota Club of Coolum Beach has remained strong in its quest to help our community in any way it can."

Member for Ninderry Dan

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Green guide asking visitors to tread lightly in Coolum

COOLUM can lay claim to being one of the 'greenest' places to visit and a new guide is hoping to help visitors reduce their environmental impact as they explore our region.

The 'Tread Lightly' guide is a joint collaboration between Coolum Business and Tourism and Coolum and North Shore Coast Care and highlights natural attractions such as beaches, wildlife and coastal landscapes.

With a focus on both enjoyment and preservation, it also offers simple tips on how visitors can help protect Coolum's unique environment while exploring its natural wonders.

Alongside travel tips, Tread Lightly encourages visitors to help preserve Coolum's beaches and bush reserves by sticking to designated paths, avoiding dune areas, picking up litter, and supporting local businesses committed to reducing single-use plastics.

Vice President of Coolum Business and Tourism Ayllie White said that the guide will help people enjoy our region sustainably.

"In the lead up to a busy Easter holiday season, this guide offers helpful tips to make the most of your time in Coolum while also respecting the environment that makes it so special."

Coolum and North Shore

Coast Care President Leigh Warneminde further emphasised the importance of the guide.

"Tread Lightly is a simple but important reminder for visitors to do their part in preserving the unique environment of Coolum. Small actions like picking up plastic can have a big impact in protecting our local wildlife and natural beauty."

The guide is also hoping to mitigate further damage to the delicate coastal ecosystems which were impacted by TC Alfred.

"Staying off the dunes is really important, with the last of our precious turtle nests due to hatch in coming weeks

and vegetation such as spinnifex grass working to recover after Cyclone Alfred," Leigh stated.

The Tread Lightly guide was produced by Coolum Business and Tourism and Coolum and North Shore Coast Care and is proudly supported by Sunshine Coast Council's grants program.

To ensure visitors get the most out of their stay, the guide will be available in hotels, resorts, and other visitor accommodation, as well as at local businesses. A digital version is also available at www.visitcoolum.com/tread-lightly.



The 'Tread Lightly' guide will help visitors to the region minimise their eco footprint and was jointly produced by Coolum and North Shore Coast Care and Coolum Business and Tourism. Launching the guide are Ayllie White from CB&T and Dani Tippo from Coast Care. Photo: Jo Ward.

Police blitz on drink driving as school holidays start

OFFICERS from Coolum conducted 296 roadside breath tests and charged two people with drink driving in the first hours of the Queensland Police Service's (QPS) Easter school holidays road safety operation.

Around 3pm on April 4, police were conducting roadside breath testing in a school zone on Peregian Springs Drive when a 34-year-old Peregian Springs woman was allegedly detected drink driving.

The woman was transported to Coolum Police Station for a secondary test which allegedly returned a Breath Alcohol Concentration (BAC) reading of 0.154%.

She was charged with one count of high range drink driving, her driver's licence was suspended, and she is due to appear in the Maroochydore Magistrates Court on April 15.

Shortly after, a 49-year-old Peregian Springs man was also allegedly detected

drink driving. The man was transported to Coolum Police Station for a secondary test which allegedly returned a BAC reading of 0.053%.

He was charged with one count of driving over the general alcohol limit, his driver's licence was suspended, and he is due to appear in the Maroochydore Magistrates Court on May 5.

Coolum Police Station Officer in Charge Senior Sergeant Hardy Wirth said it was disappointing to detect

two drivers allegedly over the legal alcohol limit in a school zone, the day before school holidays.

"The message is simple, there is no excuse for drink or drug driving, we don't want to see anyone's holiday ending in tragedy," Senior Sergeant Wirth said.

"If you are going to be enjoying drinks over the holidays, have a plan to get home, don't risk your life and the lives of others behind the wheel."

Sadly, 65 lives have been lost on Queensland roads so far this year, with four of them on the Sunshine Coast.

Sunshine Coast police will be conducting high-visibility and covert operations to target dangerous driving and prevent road trauma between April 4 and April 21.

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FROM PAGE 1

Purdie congratulated the women for their remarkable service and presented members with special gifts at the morning tea.

"I was delighted to attend this milestone celebration to thank long serving Quota ladies, some of whom have served for 25 years and more."

"It was especially inspiring to meet local legend Bev Haines who has given 50 years of her life to Quota pursuits - volunteers really are the backbone of our communities."

Quota Coolum was established in 1995 with Clare Balston at the helm and the ladies in blue have served the community with pride and raised invaluable funds for many in need.

With just 22 ladies at the

start, the group of volunteers adopted Quota International's charter to 'empower women, children and assist the disadvantaged in our communities'.

"From donating linen and essential household items for emergency accommodation; making thousands of poppies to support the RSL; food hampers for those in need at Christmas, and my personal favourite - pop-up stalls selling delicious homemade treats, gifts, craft and plants; their tireless work has also injected over \$214,000 cash into our community," Mr Purdie said.

Committed to their motto 'We Care, We Share', the group remained steadfast to their cause and kept working after the international organisation ceased in 2019 and Quota Coolum Beach has

gone on to prosper.

The Quota ladies will be holding one of their famous pop-up stalls this Thursday April 10 in the courtyard of Pacific on Coolum which is located on Heathfield St. The stall will run from 8am to 12pm and there will be lots of Mother's Day and Easter goodies available to buy and those all too famous preserves and baked treats!

Looking to volunteer? If you are interested in volunteering and socialising with a dynamic group of women then Quota would love to hear from you. Contact secretary@quotacoolum.com, and to keep up to date with what they're doing please visit their website www.quotacoolum.com.au or find them on Facebook at Quota Coolum Beach.



Quota Coolum Beach officially celebrating 30 years of service.



Cindy Arbuthnot, Dan Purdie MP Member for Ninderry and Hannah Tebbutt.



Celebrating Quota volunteers.



Quota members enjoying the morning.



Morning tea recognising Quota's 30 years. Photos: Contributed



Quota is all about volunteering and friendship. The ladies often enjoy social outings. Why not volunteer and do something worthy and meet new friends.

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Letters to the editor

FAIRFAX CHAT

Dear editor,

In January, our Federal MP Ted O’Brien verbally agreed to take part in a much-needed community conversation about nuclear power when approached by the President of our Marcoola Community Group - Susie Chapman, on behalf of many confused residents. A number of other community groups agreed to co-host the event on the North Shore, and she wrote to Ted with a suggested date at the end of March. Despite a number of promises that his office would get back to her, and after many emails and phone calls, she has heard not a word. I can only think that Ted doesn’t care about us, or perhaps he doesn’t feel comfortable having the conversation with his constituency. Or could there be a third possibility, that they’re keen to let nuclear drop off the agenda?

M & A Middlebrook,
Marcoola.

POLITICAL PROMISES

Dear editor,

The election has brought a wave of promised tomorrows from our politicians. They are often accompanied by unsubstantiated accusations, dodgy statistics, and misinformation reflecting Mark Twain’s statement that, “It’s easier to fool people than

to convince them they have been fooled.”

President John F Kennedy observed, “Too often we prefer the comfort of opinion without the discomfort of thought.”

In the struggle to win power, President Ronald Reagan noted, “Governments tend to solve problems only to rearrange them.”

He added, “Government’s view of the economy could be summed up in a few short phrases: if it moves, tax it. If it keeps moving, regulate it. And if it stops moving, subsidise it.”

William Mackenzie agreed that “The promises of yesterday are the taxes of today.”

Emma Goldman said, “Politicians promise you heaven before the election and give you hell after.”

Mark Twain observed, “A man is never more truthful than when he acknowledges himself a liar.”

He offered a solution when he said wryly, “Politicians and diapers must be changed often and for the same reason.”

Garry Reynolds,
Peregian Springs.

PENSION SUMS

Dear editor,

Australia’s population, a historical 27 million, has the highest growth after Labor allowed one million to immigrate, expecting another million if it wins the May 3

election.

The Coalition will restrict annual intake to 250,000. Most immigrants settle on the coast and in major cities. What is a critical need, is a skilled immigration workforce to supplement Australia’s skills shortage, as it was post WW2.

Of Australia’s citizens over 16 years, approximately 5 million [according to March 31, 2023, statistics] depend on government income support, 1.3 million require rental assistance and 423 000 live in social housing. Taxpayers, royalties and indirect taxes support this scheme.

As well as the number of politicians which presently exist to run federal, state and local governments and programmes, tax-payers foot the bill for the unemployed and pensioners, bureaucrats and politicians’ salaries, perks, bonuses and life-long gold cards and generous superannuation payouts - the envy of ordinary taxpayers working to retirement age.

Are we overrepresented? A basic federal senator’s salary of \$250 000 is supplemented by bonuses and perks, not available to tax-payers footing the bill. Most taxpayers find the highest cost of living in Australia’s history, will, upon retirement, if it is still a viable option, force them to rely on the old age pension.

Labor’s legacy to Australians, now and in the future, is an alarming \$1 trillion dollars deficit with interest, a historical deficit, after just three years in Federal Government. Labor’s focus for the first 18 months: “The Voice “ referendum, failed miserably,

at a high cost to taxpayers. It is expected that generations of children yet unborn, will pay for Labor’s three years of fiscal incompetence, robbing them of a high standard of living their forefathers worked and died for. Their motto doubtfully will be: “Advance Australia Fair” into their future.

E. Rowe,
Marcoola.

ENERGY CLAIMS

Dear editor,

Des Deighton’s letter repeated the urban myth that wind turbines damage the health of those living nearby. Comparative studies show there is no systematic evidence for this belief. A New Zealand study found that there was no difference between people exposed to the noise from wind turbines and a control group that wasn’t. Millions of Australians now have solar panels on their rooftops, with no harm to their health. On the other hand, many of us are now suffering from extreme weather events resulting from climate change, while whole regions have been rendered uninhabitable by the nuclear accidents at Chernobyl and Fukushima. Health risks should be evaluated by measurement and data, not the repeating of urban myths.

Ian Lowe,
Marcoola

HEALTH MATTERS

Dear editor,

An issue for candidates seeking our votes is where they stand on health. It is a concern that spans Australians young and old, families and single people, rural and urban dwellers.

“You can have a thousand problems in life until you have a health problem. Then you only have one. Money, relationships, and stress fade away in the shadow of it.

“Health isn’t just something you have – it’s everything. When your health is compromised, every little thing becomes harder. Dreams get

put on hold. Happiness feels distant and life’s colours start to fade.”

These are words from the heart of a true statesman – Nelson Mandela.

We need our politicians to attain this level of sincere understanding with policies to maintain our health.

Garry Reynolds,
Peregian Springs.

ELECTION SIGNS

Dear editor,

With the calling of the Federal election, I ask you make all candidates aware of DTMR & Council regulations on the placement of election signage.

The regulations state,

1. No election signage can be installed on public roads footpaths or parklands until writs have been issued for the Federal election.
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Any signage incorrectly installed should not be touched but reported to Sunshine Coast Council or the Department of Transport.

Colin Caudell
(Road Safety Advocate),
Coolum Beach.

MONEY MANAGEMENT

Dear editor,

The LNP wants to put us back on track, is that back on track to near trillion-dollar debt, inflation at 6.1%, wages stagnating, poor job growth, etc.?

How they will do it remains a mystery. Opposition Leader Peter Dutton has announced a few policies but no real detail and no costings. They will

come soon, he says.

During the State campaign, David Crisafulli kept saying the same until he finally released costings and details one day before election day.

Will Mr Dutton do the same with no time for proper scrutiny by the voters and when a third will have voted. They have had three years to prepare the details.

Can we afford to go back to an LNP government? They had created two-thirds of the debt they left behind before COVID; wrecked trade with our biggest trading partner, no, not the USA but China; had scandal after scandal. Dutton’s team has lost a few senior members and some of those left may not survive the election.

After just three years and turning our economy around from what they inherited, the IMF has placed Australia at second in the world for budget management among G20 nations behind Canada. All down to the prudent and responsible economic management by Treasurer Dr Jim Chalmers and the rest of the Albanese Labor government.

Who really are the better economic managers we need in these very uncertain times?

Robyn Deane,
Nambour.

OLYMPIC STADIUM

Dear editor,

A green space like NY Central Park or Paris Luxembourg Gardens for an ever-growing crowded city or a new stadium seating 63 000 fans for Brisbane’s future? Nah- the roar of the crowd near a hospital precinct- that’s the future.


Margaret Wilkie,
Peregian Beach.

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The seasonal energy focus for Autumn is working with the Lung and Large Intestine meridian that helps "letting go" and experiencing the "little breath of life" with specific breathing approaches. The connection to nature is reflected in the seasonal organ energies practices. In promoting longevity, connecting to nature and the seasons, we will feel both relaxed and revitalised in the mind, body, and spirit.

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Community Update

COOLUM LIONS Recognising long service

SIX COOLUM Lions were presented with a 'Lions Clubs International Service Award' on April 2 with Division 8 Councillor Taylor Bunnag making the presentations at the Lions Community Centre in Coolum.

The award recipients were Stuart Sharp - 50 years charter member, Bruce Parkes - 30 years, Jeff Williams - 30 years, Ralph Clark - 30 years, Daniel Homewood - 15 Years and Mark Newlan - 10 years.

Stuart Sharp is a Coolum living legend having served Lions with distinction for over 50 years. Also, he was the first Coolum Ambulance Officer appointed on Aug 28, 1978, and for the first three years he was the only Ambulance Officer. After 36 plus years in the QLD Ambulance service Stuart retired but he continues to volunteer with Coolum Lions.

Also, Coolum Lions greatly appreciate the many years of dedicated service to Lions and our community by Bruce, Jeff, Ralph, Daniel, and Mark.

If you have thought about helping your community, then consider joining Lions. For more details call Lion Doug Alford on mobile 0413 019 078.



Celebrating long serving volunteers with Lions. Photos: Contributed



Cr Taylor Bunnag presenting Lion Stuart Sharp with an award recognising his 50 years of service with Lions.

Olympics on track with coast to see sporting and transport upgrades

THE QUEENSLAND Government has released the 2032 Delivery Plan, putting the Sunshine Coast on the roadmap for the 2032 Olympic and Paralympic Games.

These Games will not just be for Brisbane and the plan recognises the value in regions like the Sunshine Coast hosting Olympic events, driving tourism opportunities and supporting community grassroots sport.

The 2032 Olympic Games will specifically deliver the following for the Sunshine Coast:

- Upgrades to the Sunshine

Coast Stadium in Kawana Sports Precinct.

- Upgrades to the Sunshine Coast Mountain Bike Centre.

- Transformation of the Maroochydore City Centre with a new Athlete Village, arena and cultural precinct.

- Delivery of The Wave – a seamless public transport connection all the way to the Sunshine Coast Airport, with direct rail from Beerwah to Birtinya, and metro from Birtinya to the Sunshine Coast airport via Maroochydore.

- A share in the \$250 million

Games On! programs with upgrades to grassroots community clubs.

Premier David Crisafulli said 2032 would be the "Queensland Games."

"These Games are a once-in-a-generation opportunity to deliver an infrastructure, tourism and grassroots sports legacy to benefit all of Queensland," Premier Crisafulli said.

"Delivering 2032 and Beyond sets the plan to build much more than what's needed for a few weeks of competition.

"This is a plan that builds for our future, ensuring regional

communities continue to benefit for decades to come.

"That includes delivering critical upgrades to the spine of our transport network, the Bruce Highway, between Cairns and Brisbane.

"Come 2032, through better connectivity and the right infrastructure, the Sunshine Coast will be ready to open its doors not only to the Games but to more tourists, more employment and more opportunities."

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The renovations feature deluxe new self-contained ground-floor quarters with a full kitchen, a modern bathroom, and separate side-gate access. This private 1-bedroom zone is perfect for guests, extended family, short stays and more.



7 Ann Street
COOLUM BEACH

4 2 2

A picture of perfection within a 5-minute walk of the village shops and the beach, this modern coastal home delivers ideal Coolum Beach living.



19/87 Toolga Street
MOUNT COOLUM

5 4 3

Positioned within The Lakes Coolum, this freestanding villa delivers privacy, space, and an effortless connection to nature.



1/33-35 Perry Street
COOLUM BEACH

3 2 2

A magic location and an ideal aspect unite at this coastal townhouse one block from the Coolum Beach foreshore and close to the Coolum Village shops.



36 Honeyeater Crescent
PEREGIAN SPRINGS

4 2 2

A bespoke design and poolside ease share centre stage at this luxury home, steps to Peregian Springs State School, kinder, and leisure facilities.



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COOLUM BEACH

3 2 2

A luxurious garden-view apartment in the prestigious 'Element on Coolum Beach', delivering refined resort living, directly opposite Coolum Main Beach.



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PEREGIAN SPRINGS

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Red bench unveiled in show of support to tackle DFV

ALL OVER Australia red benches are popping up in communities and the Holy Spirit Anglican Church of Coolum recently unveiled their red bench.

These symbolic seats are placed in the community to show support for victims of domestic and family violence (DFV) and to raise awareness. A victim can sit on the bench and call the phone numbers on the bench to receive help, including being picked up and taken to a safe place.

Holy Spirit Anglican Church Coolum, together with their Ladies Guild, and the Coolum Men's Shed held a dedication and unveiling ceremony on Wednesday March 26 at the site of their bench which is located in the grounds of the church at 25 Beach Rd, Coolum Beach.

Reverend Karen Allen said Holy Spirit is proud to be involved in the prevention of DFV and to raise awareness of this issue.

"Our aim is for survivors to access our services, feeling safe and secure with our support.

"The bench is the initiative of our church's outreach committee, donated by our church

Guild and built and installed by the Coolum Men's Shed."

Cr Taylor Bunnag was invited to the unveiling as special guest and he applauded the initiative.

"I was grateful to be asked to visit Holy Spirit Church where we unveiled a red bench to show support and raise awareness for victims of Domestic and Family Violence.

"During the service, council officer Des, a former police officer, gave a powerful speech and encouraged us all to not be overwhelmed by the size of the problem."

Red benches are an initiative of the Red Rose Foundation who support victims of DFV and raise awareness of the issue.

Further information can be found via the following – www.redrosefoundation.com.au/red-bench-project

If this story has raised issues of a serious nature that need immediate attention please call Lifeline: 13 11 14 or 1800RESPECT: 1800 737 732 or MensLine Australia: 1300 78 99 78 or Police on 000.



Unveiling the red bench at Holy Spirit Anglican Church in Coolum.



The inscription on the red bench which directs people to help.



Council officers with Cr Taylor Bunnag.

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New radiology clinic officially opens offering cutting edge MRI tech

COOLUM now has its own state-of-the-art, fully serviced radiology clinic, with Quantum Medical Imaging proudly introducing the first 3T MRI scanner to the region. Mayor Rosanna Natoli and Cr Maria Suarez joined the Quantum Medical Imaging team to celebrate the launch of their new high-resolution MRI and their state-of-the-art Coolum clinic on Thursday March 27.

3T MRI is the most advanced MRI technology available, offering exceptional image quality, faster scan times and greater comfort for patients.

This new machine at Coolum complements the four existing ultrasound rooms, each equipped with the latest technology and Quantum's low-dose, dual-energy CT scanner.

Quantum Medical Imaging is locally owned and operated by specialist radiologists Dr. Andrew Robertson, Dr. Jonathan Robertson, Dr. Ben Edwards and Dr. Phil Vivian who deliver patient-focused care through cutting-edge technology with local expertise.

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Meet the Fairfax candidates at Bli Bli Hotel

PRESENTED by Coolum Business & Tourism, the Maroochydore Chamber of Commerce & the Sunshine Coast Young Chamber of Commerce, community members are invited to the 'Meet the Candidates for Fairfax' forum on Tuesday April 15. The event will be held at the Bli Bli Hotel from 5.30 to 7.30pm and will be an opportunity for locals to gain genuine insight as to what each candidate will bring to the area if they are elected. Nibbles will be provided on the evening and bookings are essential. Coolum Business and Tourism members can come along for free and for all other community members the price is just \$15. Everyone is welcome, however registration via the link below must be made prior in order to attend <http://getsafeticket.com.au/pkbbo>

Meet the Fairfax Candidates
Date: Tuesday 15th April
Time: 5:30pm - 7:30pm
Location: Bli Bli Hotel
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Tickets: \$15 or free for CB&T members

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FRANCINE WIIG LAUNCHES CAMPAIGN FOR FAIRFAX

WITH the federal election officially called, Sunshine Coast local and community advocate Francine Wiig has launched her campaign for the seat of Fairfax.

Ms Wiig is running as an independent candidate, and she is hoping to “shake up a system that has long ignored the region.”

“The recent federal budget was another slap in the face for the Sunshine Coast. No long-term vision, no real investment, and no support for families or small businesses under pressure,” Ms Wiig said.

Ms Wiig wants to see the seat of Fairfax given what it deserves from Canberra.

“Fairfax is treated like a political afterthought because it’s a safe seat.

“We’ve been left out of real conversations about infrastructure, health, housing, and climate resilience for far too long.”

Ms Wiig is questioning how much has been done for the area from the current representative.

“Ted O’Brien has held this job for nearly nine years, six of those while his party was in government, and Fairfax still missed out!”

She also called out the hundreds of billions being flagged for nuclear energy plans that won’t deliver anything for families or manufacturing businesses in the short term.

“Throwing money at nuclear plants that won’t be built for 15 to 20 years is a distraction. It’s a shiny headline with no immediate benefit while families are struggling right now to pay rent, mortgages, and power bills.”

What issues will be informing your vote at the upcoming election? We would love to know. Why not send in a letter to the editor – editor@coolumadvertiser.com.au



Francine Wiig will be running as an independent for the seat of Fairfax at the upcoming federal election to be held on Saturday May 3. Photo: Contributed

VOTE 1

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Ted O'Brien MP

FEDERAL MEMBER FOR FAIRFAX

FUNDING TO ENHANCE SAFETY AT TWIN WATERS APEX CAMP

LAST WEEK I announced \$1 Million in funding to upgrade a local recreational education facility to enhance safety and accessibility for teachers, students, and individuals with disability.

The massive funding boost will enable the redevelopment of the Apex Camp at Twin Waters which will include a brand-new bathroom block and enhancements to its accommodation facilities to better support larger and more diverse groups, ensuring a safer and more inclusive environment.

For more than four decades, Apex Camp has helped shape the lives of young Australians.

Apex Australia has helped more than 200,000 younger Australians make a difference to their community, through learning valued skills and making great friends.

The upgraded amenities at Apex Camp will grow its reach, empowering even



more young Australians.

I acknowledge the tremendous work at Twin Water Apex Camp, congratulations to Keith Fullerton and his team for continuing the Apex story that embraces fun, fellowship and friendship.

Apex Camp CEO, Mr Keith Fullerton, welcomed the announcement, describing it as a major step forward for the organisation.

"We are incredibly grateful for Ted O'Brien's ongoing support and dedication to our cause," Mr Fullerton said.

"His responsiveness to the issues and concerns raised by Apex Camps has been nothing short of amazing and thanks to his advocacy, we can now look ahead to the next 40 years of inspiring and empowering young Australians."

GET IN TOUCH

If I or my office can be of assistance, please don't hesitate to reach out on (07) 5479 2800 or at ted.obrien.mp@aph.gov.au

Maria Suarez CR

DIVISION 9
SUNSHINE COAST COUNCIL

NEW LIGHTS FOR HAVANA ROAD EAST PATHWAY

HAVANA Road East is a popular pathway for exercising, commuting to school, accessing public transport and it connects Peregrin Springs and Coolum Beach. To improve safety and visibility, Council will install solar bollard lights along this pathway, supporting sustainability goals and reducing energy consumption. The project will start on April 10, 2025, and is expected to be completed within two weeks, weather permitting. Property access and parking will remain unaffected, and traffic management measures will ensure the safety of all road users and construction workers. Thank-you for your patience and cooperation during this period.

YOUR VIEWS ON LIBRARIES

Sunshine Coast Libraries offer more than just books, providing spaces for relaxation, learning, workshops, and creative activities for all ages. Council is seeking your input for the Sunshine Coast Library Services Plan 2025-2035, a strategic plan to guide library services over the next decade. There are eight library branches - including Coolum - a heritage library, two mobile libraries, and an eLibrary. I encourage you to share your ideas to help shape the future of library services to ensure they continue to meet our



community's evolving needs. Visit haveyoursay.sunshinecoast.qld.gov.au to before May 5.

COASTSNAP

Did you know that you can help us to monitor changes to the beaches along our coastline? Council has three existing CoastSnap stations that can be used by anyone to snap and submit photos of the beaches at a point in time. These photos can be analysed and combined to show sand volume and movement over time, allowing us to monitor the health of the beach. You can find the CoastSnap location at Coolum (Beach Access 77).

CONGRATULATIONS LOCAL FINALISTS

Congratulations to the three Coolum Beach finalists in the Local Contemporary Art Prize - Luke Deacon, Kellie O'Dempsey and Zoe Willey. Finalist works will go on show in the exhibition at Caloundra Regional Gallery from April 11 to June 8, with winners announced at the official exhibition opening on April 10.

GET IN TOUCH

If you have any other issues or suggestions to discuss, please contact me on 5475 9810 or maria.suarez@sunshinecoast.qld.gov.au.

Dan Purdie MP

MEMBER FOR NINDERRY

THE COOLUM WEDGE, APRIL 25-27

MY FAVOURITE national body surfing festival is back and is in its fifth year at Tickle Park, Coolum. People of all ages and abilities are welcome to register or simply come along and be a part of this fantastic community.

LOCAL TOURISM BUSINESS BOOST

Tourism is important to our economy and every bit of support is welcome. The State Tourism Business Digital Adaption Program has \$3 million in rebates available to help local operators become more tech savvy. Eligible businesses can apply for a rebate of up to \$2,500 until November 2025. To learn more: www.qtic.com.au/tourism-business-digital-adaption-program/

AMPING UP THE LOCAL LIVE MUSIC SCENE

The second round of the state government's Growing Gigs Fund and Live Music Venue Business Grants are now open. Grants of up to \$100,000 are up for grabs. Find out more: www.arts.qld.gov.au/aq-funding

CRACKDOWN ON ILLICIT TOBACCO AND VAPES

My office has received many emails from locals concerned about the sale of vapes. The good news is that Illegal operators will now be hit with



on-the-spot fines of more than \$160,000 for the supply of illicit tobacco, vaping products and nicotine pouches (also known as 'zyns') in Queensland. The Crisafulli Government has implemented the nation's toughest fines for the commercial possession and supply of these dangerous substances.

ADULT CRIME, ADULT TIME EXPANSION

The latest Sunshine Coast QPS figures show that between December and February there were 120 fewer cars stolen and a 15.4 per cent reduction in unlawful use of motor car offences compared with the same time last year. We know the laws are working and last week twenty more offences were added including arson, torture, aggravated attempted robbery, rape and attempted murder.

JACK'S LAW IS NOW PERMANENT

I was proud to introduce in Parliament last week permanent laws that allow police to use hand-held scanners to detect deadly weapons such as knives in all public places. Jack Beasley was murdered in 2019, and Jack's Law had been a trial, restricted to certain precincts until now. I introduced this law on the day that Jack would have turned 23. Since Jack's Law was introduced more than 100,000 scans have been conducted, and more than 2,804 people charged with 1,058 weapons taken off the streets.

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Observations

TONY GIBSON

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



GOOD OR BAD?

IT HAS been another of those normal weeks where there are challenges locally and internationally for the community.

The announcement of the Brisbane 2032 Olympic Games plans saw the Sunshine Coast achieve some proposed infrastructure upgrades. The "Wave" was announced which will be the extension of the rail and a busway/metro to Sunshine Coast Airport at Marcoola. The new public transport infrastructure should be good but the potential of the expanded airport impacting the precious natural environment like the Mount Coolum National Park and the liveability of the Northshore could be bad.

A federal election was announced by the Prime Minister and the opposition has announced plans for nuclear energy as a major party platform. This will be considered by some as good and others as bad, but the election process may close this Pandora's box again. Hopefully, scarce resources will not go into building nuclear power plants when we have good, relatively safe, clean, efficient and less costly renewable energy alternatives.

Finally, we were made aware of the negative impact on the behaviours of our

young people that largely uncensored social media is having and the calls to keep young people off it up to 16 years of age. Social media is good for general communication and bad for young people's healthy growth and development.

Some ancient wisdom tells a story of a Chinese farmer who gets a horse, which soon runs away. A neighbour says, "That's bad news." The farmer replies, "Good news, bad news, who can say?"

The horse comes back and brings another horse with him. Good news, you might say.

The farmer gives the second horse to his son, who rides it, then is thrown and badly breaks his leg.

"So sorry for your bad news," says the concerned neighbour. "Good news, bad news, who can say?" the farmer replies.

In a week or so, the emperor's men come and take every able-bodied young man to fight in a war. The farmer's son is spared which is good news?

The parable of the farmer is Daoist philosophy emphasising naturalness, peace and harmony.

The challenges and opportunities will come and go, although, I believe the future is bright. Everyone enjoy!

Principal's Post

TROY ASCOTT

COOLUM STATE HIGH SCHOOL



AT COOLUM State High School, we are always looking to the future and always dreaming of ways that we can improve. While we have experienced a great deal of success in recent years and won awards, we will never rest in our quest to be the best school we possibly can be.

One of the ways we aim to innovate is to look at new subjects that we can offer as we grow as a school and as our community changes. One subject we have been looking at closely in recent times is the senior subject, 'Engineering.' A subject called 'Engineering' can mean different things to different people, but in this case the QCAA subject of that name is a rigorous academic offering that would ultimately lead to a career as an engineer for interested students.

The subject itself is quite fascinating. It takes aspects of Maths and Physics and brings them out into the real world, giving them real world applications when applied to a whole range of exciting things. It looks at forces and structures and has you thinking things like 'how does that bridge remain standing' and 'how can that dam wall hold back all of that water?' It can also encourage dreams of the future including space travel and advanced vehicle design.

Human beings have always been engineers. For thousands of years we have made structures, held back streams, built roads and found ways to use the built environment to cross rivers. With each passing year, our engineering becomes more sophisticated and, often, more spectacular. There are simple things, such as a car jack, that we don't give much thought to that are masterpieces of engineering that we would all have ready access to. There are masterpieces of Engineering in our country, such as the Sydney Harbour Bridge or the Opera House.

I am so proud to work in a school at which we can introduce the subject of Engineering. If things stay on their current trajectory, next year's grade 11 students will be able to choose Engineering as one of their subject offerings. I also feel blessed to have so many staff willing to try new things. The excitement is building, well behind the scenes new things are being purchased and plans laid – hopefully, it won't be too long before Coolum High's students are able to engineer the future and see what an exciting opportunity the subject, Engineering, will be!

Legal News

JULIAN PORTER

SOLICITOR AT BARBER PORTER IN COOLUM BEACH SPECIALISING IN ELDER LAW AND ALL LEGAL MATTERS AFFECTING THE COMMUNITY.



LETTERS OF DEMAND

THE HUMBLE letter of demand is much disparaged by clients who often see them as throwing good money after bad. But done well, these letters are a key part of a lawyer's tool kit in advancing the cause of a client who is owed money.

A good letter of demand, on lawyer's letterhead, shows that the client is ready, willing and able to take the next step, into litigation. In other words, they are mad as hell, and they are not going to take it any more! We know there are rogues out there who make a habit of not paying their debts. But for the average debtor, the risk of the debt becoming larger with the addition of legal costs orders, can often be the thing that moves it up the pecking order of debts owed and actually gets it paid.

If not, the letter of demand at least becomes evidence showing the court which the matter ends up in that reason-

able steps have been taken to resolve the matter informally before turning to them for assistance.

A good 'LOD' will outline the nature of the dispute, including the amount owed, when it became due and details of relevant agreements. It will attach supporting evidence, such as invoices, contracts, emails and other correspondence so that the recipient and their advisors can see the strength of the case. It will make a clear demand and give a reasonable deadline for compliance.

The letter will mention the potential legal avenues that will be pursued if the demand is not met and warn of the legal costs implications. It will provide payment instructions to remove any final hurdles to the debt simply being paid.

Letters of Demand get attention. They do so for a fraction of the amount of bringing proceedings in the civil courts. They are not a joking matter.

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A Better Deal for Health and Cheaper Medicines on the Sunshine Coast

Many families across Coolum and the Sunshine Coast are doing it tough right now. Whether it's the price of groceries, electricity bills or prescription medicines, the cost of living has skyrocketed - and locals are feeling the pinch.

When people are forced to choose between putting food on the table or refilling a script, something has gone terribly wrong. Under Labor, it's never been more expensive or harder to see a doctor. Bulk billing rates have collapsed, and 1.5 million Australians avoided a GP visit last year because they simply couldn't afford it.

This is heartbreaking.

A Dutton led LNP Government will act decisively to fix Labor's health crisis and deliver real cost-of-living relief.

We will invest an historic \$9 billion into Medicare to restore bulk billing and ensure that families across the Sunshine Coast can see a doctor when they need to - not just when they can afford to.

We will also guarantee cheaper medicines, lowering the PBS co-payment to \$25 to make essential prescriptions more affordable for everyone, including pensioners, young families, and those doing it tough.

These commitments build on the Coalition's proud legacy when it comes to looking after the health and wellbeing of Australians - from

listing 2,900 new or amended medicines on the PBS when in Government, to establishing the \$22 billion Medical Research Future Fund, and increasing hospital funding by 16 per cent.

The Sunshine Coast deserves better than the health and cost-of-living chaos we've seen under Anthony Albanese.

Only the Coalition has a clear plan, backed by proven economic management, to strengthen Medicare, lower the cost of medicines, and get our country back on track.

No one in our community should have to choose between their health and their hip pocket.

Learn more about the LNPs plan to get Australia 'Back on Track' at: www.liberal.org.au/our-plan

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BACK ON TRACK



TED O'BRIEN MP
FEDERAL MEMBER FOR FAIRFAX

The Advertiser Social Scene

MAX'S PAWFECT BIRTHDAY FUNDRAISER

Max the staffy celebrated his 70th birthday on Saturday March 29 and a big party was held with all money raised going to the RSPCA. Artist Owen Cavanagh and partner Tash hosted the party for their beloved Max with around \$1500 raised on the day. There was a great turnout, and some 22 businesses donated prizes which were raffled off.



Tash, Owen and birthday boy Max.



Pooch perfect party people.



Max in his custom-made Hawaiian shirt which was made by artist Julie Chizzoni. It was said that Max had a bit of a pizza hangover on Sunday morning due to all of the pizza titbits he received from the pizza truck!



It wouldn't be a party without a bar and keeping with the surf theme, a tiki inspired bar it is!
Photos: Wendy O'Hanlon



Tash and artist Simone.

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Coolum Lions support Coolum HeARTs

Coolum Lions donated funds to Coolum HeARTs to help them fund their wide range of low-cost lifestyle activities including art, mosaics, yoga, drumming, meditation and sewing classes. If you are interested in

meeting likeminded people from all walks of life and expanding your creative skills get in touch with Coolum HeARTs at www.coolum-hearts.com.au If you would like to help out in the community then consider joining

Lions – details can be found by calling Lion Dough Alford on 0413 019 078. Pictured at the presentation of the funds are Lions Frances, Mark and Doug and the Coolum HeARTs Team. Photo: Lions



Many of the party revellers.



The party was held at Owen's art studio at 53 Quanda Road in Coolum.



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Pretty in Pink

Kerry Mulgrew

ON the morning of Sunday March 23, the coastline including Stumers Creek was bathed in a glow of pink, and early morning sunrise chaser Kerry Mulgrew snapped this panorama. "The weather had been tricky and grey but as I approached Stumers Creek the clouds began to tint and bloom. I'd been chasing the mood of the full creek for a few days, so this was the perfect chance to showcase both the sky and the sway of the creek."

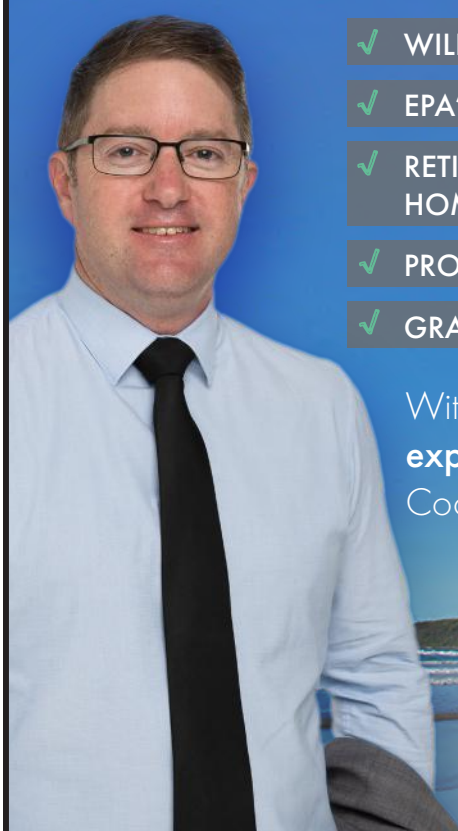
If you would like to learn how to take images like this why not sign up to one of Kerry's Walking Photography Tours. "Autumn through to Spring is the perfect time to book a walking photography tour here at Coolum Beach." Kerry will show you how to capture and transform your photography all whilst walking along the coastline. The three-hour tours can be booked via the following links - Kezignphotography.com.au or via Kezign@bigpond.com



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! 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.

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Coolum Colts Success Continues

FROM PAGE 1

BY PAT CAVANAGH

ROUND two saw the Coolum Colts teams headed to Caboolture on Saturday to take on the Snakes in all four Grades.

A highlight of the day the first ever Open Women's Team taking the field in Colts colours. The ladies played with passion and determination before going down to Caboolture 38-16.

The A Grade had a convincing 44-6 win over Caboolture and the Reserve Grade dominated their opposition with the final score 32-8 in favour of Coolum.

The U19 were up against much bigger opponents but fought hard before going down 34-8 to Caboolture.

Club supporters are urged to head to Kawana on Sunday where Coolum take on Kawana in four Grades.



The Coolum Colts run out to take on the Snakes at Caboolture.



Colts men in action.



History was made with the first ever Open Women's team wearing the Coolum Colts uniform.



The Open Women's side. Photos: Candice Semiotas

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Put your garden scraps in the bin loose, not in bags.

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Grass clippings



Leaves and bark



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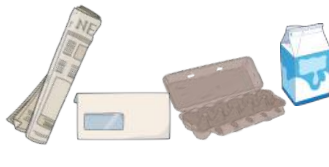
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Aluminium and steel cans



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General waste

Use this bin for household waste.

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Sanitary items



Old clothing, shoes or textiles



Household waste



Glassware, crockery and mirrors



Plastic bags and soft plastic packaging



Community News

Boredom-busting school holiday ideas

Discover all the Easter fun in Council's Autumn School Holiday Guide! Packed with free and low-cost boredom-busting activities, there's something for every bunny, big or small. Ditch the devices and hop outside for egg-cellent adventures and make memories that will last a lifetime. Places are limited for some events, so book early to avoid disappointment. For more details, visit Council's website.

Don't miss: First Nations Family Fun Day

Experience a unique day of cultural learning with Kabi Kabi and Jinibara First Nations peoples from 10am - 2pm at Bankfoot House in Glass House Mountains on 12 April. The free event includes games, dancing and craft activities for all ages. Plus, explore the stunning grounds, tour the historic house or visit the Mary Grigor Centre. For more details, visit Council's Heritage website.

Keen to head outdoors and get active but tired of the same old route?

Adventure Sunshine Coast is perfect for you! More than 250 walking, running, paddling, cycling, mountain biking and horse riding trails are mapped out across the region and categorised from easy to difficult. From hidden hinterland gems to stunning coastal settings and everywhere in between, choose your next adventure at adventure.sunshinecoast.qld.gov.au.

Our dark sky reserve hinterland proposal

A dark sky, full of stars: it's a wondrous sight. But did you know our wildlife need dark skies to move, feed and thrive? It's important for our ecosystems and even our health and wellbeing. Council is proposing to establish a Dark Sky Reserve in the hinterland, but no matter where we are, we can all take simple steps to make our outdoor lighting dark sky friendly. You can learn more on Council's website. This project is contributing to our Sunshine Coast Biosphere.

Don't Stand By - Stand Up!

Help us stand up to support women and children on the Sunshine Coast and show your support this May for Domestic and Family Violence Prevention Month. This year's theme is "Don't Stand By - Stand Up!" A candlelight vigil will be held at Cotton Tree Park in Maroochydore on Wednesday, 7 May at 5pm. Join us and show your support this May for Domestic and Family Violence Prevention Month. Visit Council's website for more information.

Watch Council's next Ordinary Meeting

View online on Council's website or at Sunshine Coast City Hall Chambers on Thursday 24 April at 9am.

Buying, building or renovating your Sunshine Coast home?


Get Council's Cool Homes booklet and compass to discover what makes a comfortable home all year round. Learn how to take advantage of our climate, room orientation, how to maximise light and which building materials to consider which doesn't need air conditioning running all summer and winter. Search 'cool homes' on Council's website for your digital copy, today.

Heroes don't always wear capes

Time is running out to nominate your Community Hero for 2025, in the Sunshine Coast 'Biosphere Community Awards'. This is your chance to recognise those amazing individuals, businesses and organisations making a difference and helping our communities thrive. There are eight categories to choose from, so head to Sunshine Coast Council's website and submit your nomination now before they close 30 April.

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A look back in time

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



HAND-ME-DOWN MEMORIES

THE RECENT rain events in Nambour and, to a lesser extent, closer to the coast, have surprised many newcomers to our area, but longer-term residents have many stories, frequently humorous, of prolonged periods when wet weather influenced life in the Coolum area.

My late husband grew up on the hill above Coolum Creek wharf and had many memories of storm periods in the Sunshine Coast area, particularly in the 1950s, when he could not walk his usual 3.5 kilometres to the school on South Coolum Road. At the start of one particularly wet period - when surf boats were floated in the area where the traffic lights are now situated at the junction of today's Central Avenue and Yandina-Coolum Road, my father-in-law walked to and from town from Coolum Creek to collect a sack of flour and other items, and as he passed one house he heard a telephone ringing nearby ... he reached in the window and took the call, standing in the floodwaters!

At the start of one of these sessions the Windolfs - a family of four - would gather bottles of water and baskets of ready-cooked food and head to the "pineapple shed" with rugs and pillows. The shed was lower down the hill than their house and was therefore less exposed to severe weather events - and the "wood wool"

which normally protected pineapples and bananas to be sent to Sydney and Melbourne made comfortable beds in which to see out the storm for the humans, and the animals, including the dogs, cats and working horses.

John remembered one storm when there was no time to grab the "chooks" when a sudden storm arrived - and one after another, each hen, following the rooster, bustled its way around the corner of the fence, and was blown away, into the distance, never to be seen again!

Many younger Coolum residents have shared fond memories of rain periods, as late as the 1990s, when it was almost impossible to get to school because of weather conditions ... although they were able to enjoy flooding rains!

I remember that as I was driving home along the motorway from Maroochydore one late afternoon I was startled to see floodwaters on the western side of the motorway ... and even more startled to see a fellow in a motorized "tinny" towing his mate on a surfboard, on water deeper than the tops of the all-prevalent reeds!

Today we complain if a storm blanks out our TV reception, or the fast-food driver is a few minutes late - but there seems to be some sort of magic in camping in the shed, just in case the house blows away!



A young John Windolf with pets after a storm. Photo: Windolf collection.

Happy Gardening

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SUPER SUCCULENTS

There are over 10,000 different species of succulents, and the diversity is quite astonishing. It can be confusing sometimes as to whether a plant is a cactus or a succulent.

A cactus can be a succulent, but a succulent can't be a cactus. So, we will concentrate on succulents at the moment. They need a loose soil with good drainage, and good aeration is essential. I make mine with clean river sand, soil, and a small amount of perlite. Alternatively, suitable mix can be purchased. The leaves are thick and are able to retain water, and it's a good idea to leave a potted plant to dry out, then give it good watering, making sure the water runs through well. Never place a saucer under the pot for a long time as it may cause root rot. Succulents are grown all over the world and will adapt easily to dry and arid conditions.

Gardeners love to collect as many as they can, and building a wall of them is the fashion at the moment as it looks very decorative. The Echeveria variety is popular for that - they are usually small but beautifully shaped, some with a rose or flower appearance, and they look attractive when grown close together.

To show their diversity plants such as the Desert Rose, Epiphyllum, Kalanchoe, Aloe Vera, Sansevieria, Agave, and even the Australian native pig face (Carpobrotus) come under the umbrella of succulents. The pig face that we have seen growing on some of our beaches is sold in nurseries. Common name is Karkalla, and it has always been popular as bush tucker food. It is used in cooking and the pretty purple flower is edible. It also looks great growing in rockeries. The sticky, gluey content of the leaves can be used for insect bites etc, (similar to Aloe Vera). What more could you ask of a plant?

Succulents are easy to propagate from leaves, cuttings, or root division. They are easy care, but addictive - once you have a few, you will probably end up with a lot more!

Happy gardening!

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MINOLTA COLLECTABLE CAMERAS: \$150 the lot. Ph. 0400 420 058

MIRROR: Free-standing, full length, ht 150cm, cheval mirror traditional style with sturdy light polished timber frame. Exc cond. \$75. Ph. 0407 359 111

MOON CHAIRS x 2: \$75 each or two for \$130. Near new. Ph. 0407 514 585

MOTORBIKE HELMETS (2): 1 medium and 1 large. Good cond. \$35 each. Ph: 0437 827 324

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SINGLE TOWEL RAILS: Brand new, silver, 800mm 4 of them. \$150 the lot. Ph. 0419 159 290

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TIMBER VENETIAN BLIND: 50 mm slats, 180x120 cm (120 cm drop). Good cond. \$45. Ph: 5446 4977

TITELIST PRACTICE GOLF BALL BAG: Black & White, excellent condition. \$60. Ph: 0435 475 837

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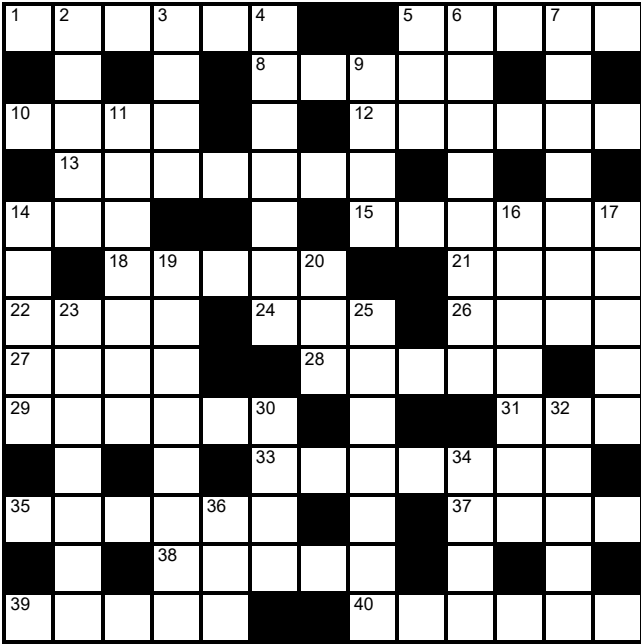
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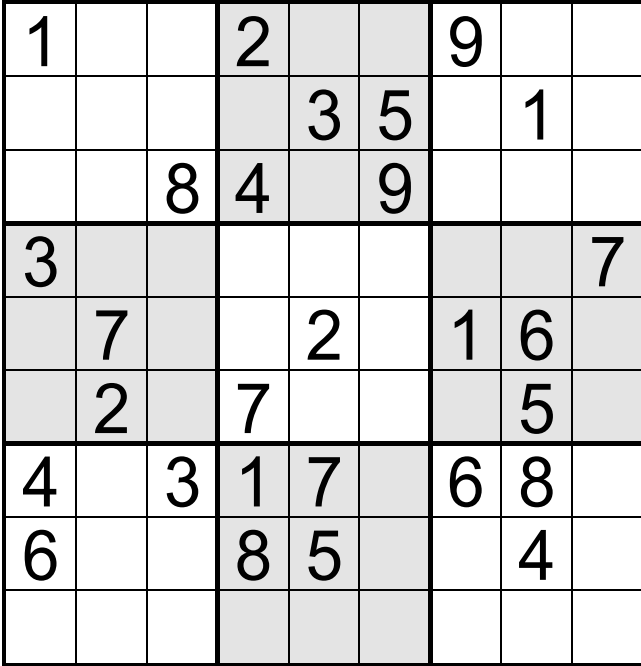
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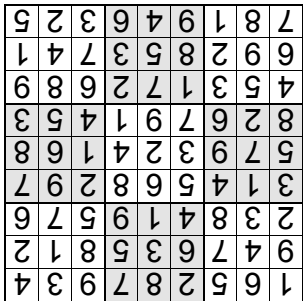


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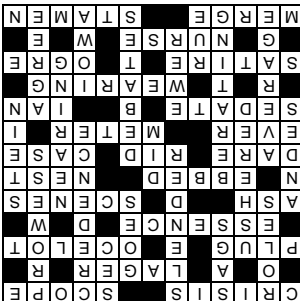


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Community news

MUDJIMBA RSL SUB BRANCH – ANZAC DAY 2025

Everyone is invited to attend these events on **Friday 25th April** at the Cenotaph at Power Memorial Park, Mudjimba Esplanade.

The Dawn Service will commence at 05:30 am. Assemble from 5:20am

A Gunfire Breakfast for serving and past ADF members wearing medals, their immediate families and Mudjimba Sub Branch members will be held at the RSL Sub Branch, 43 Cottonwood St Mudjimba following the Dawn Service.

The March will assemble at the corner of Coolibah St and Mudjimba Beach Rd at 10:30am and step off at 10:45, down Mudjimba Beach Rd to the Cenotaph.

Bus Route changes. The 620 bus will be re-routed to avoid Mudjimba Beach Rd between 10:40 and 11:00 while the march takes place. The buses will be diverted via Coolibah and Currawong Streets. Bus Stops at Mudjimba Beach Rd near Kawanna St (Stops 301721, 301722) will be closed. Alternative Stops will be Mudjimba Esplanade at Currawong Street (Stops 316031 and 316032) OR Mudjimba Beach Rd near Coolibah St (Stops 302099 and 302100).

The Community Service will follow at 11:00am on completion of the march.

Wreath Laying: Representatives of ADF, ex-service and community organisations who wish to participate in the wreath

laying during the Services are asked to register with the Sub Branch by email mudjimbarsl@hotmail.com or leave a message by phoning 07 5458 8320.

The public will be invited to lay tributes at the Cenotaph at the end of each Service. Reception at Sub Branch premises: At 1200 following Community Service; light refreshments for those invited to the service. Bar is open until 1300. Then closed until 1330.

Anzac Day Entertainment – 2.00 pm until 5:00 pm. The RSL Sub Branch, at 43 Cottonwood Street will open to everyone for an afternoon of entertainment featuring Sunshine Coast Band **FONIX** from 2pm - 5pm. Entry is FREE. Alcohol, soft drinks and food available to purchase.

CHEW & CHAT

This month's Chew & Chat will be on **Tuesday 15th April 2025**, at Uniting Church Hall, corner of Elizabeth Street & Heathfield Road, starting at 9.30am - 11.30am., with morning tea and a quiz. Followed by a sing-a-long, entertainers singing duets, solos, bush poetry, jokes and verses. The morning finishes off with our resident band "The Good Friends Choral" singing popular songs. Hope to see you there for a fun morning.

NOOSA BOOKFEST 2025

Noosa Leisure Centre, 9 Wallace Drive, Noosaville. 9am to 5pm daily on Friday 2nd, Saturday 3rd, and Sunday 4th May 2025.

MUDJIMBA RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION

Outdoor Movie Night, screening Surfs Up! **Saturday 3rd May**, Power Park Mudjimba in front of surf club. Commencing 5pm with Lions BBQ. This free community event is brought to you by the Mudjimba Residents' Association with support from SCRC. www.mudjimbaresidentsassoc.org.au

AUSTRALIAN INDEPENDENT RETIREES (AIR) NOOSA BRANCH

Monthly Meeting: Thursday 17 April 2025: Sunrise Uniting Church, Grasree Ct Sunrise Beach Time: 9:15am for 9:30am start. Special Presentation: Lasse Petersen, ASA Qld State Chair AIR/ASA Members - no charge for meetings. Visitors \$10 pp incl morning tea (first 2 visits free of charge). airnoosasecretary@gmail.com. Tel 0417 431 303 www.facebook.com/AIRNoosa Membership special: \$28 per person valid to 30 June 2026. Helping to improve financial literacy.

COOLUM BEACH COMBINED PROBUS CLUB

Coolum Beach Combined Probus Club is for retired and semi-retired people looking for friendship and fun. A generous morning tea is provided (small fee for guests \$3.50). For all enquiries please Phone Faye 0419 644 651

MAROOCHY NORTH SHORE LIONS/MUDJIMBA SURF CLUB FUNDRAISER

Egg & Bacon Burgers/Sausage Sizzle (BBQ) Mudjimba Surf Club. **26th April 2025** 6.30 am to 1.00 pm

BOOMERANG BAGS NOOSA

Fabric donations always needed. Boomerang bags are sewn from recycled fabric with the aim of reducing single use plastic bags and minimising landfill from discarded textiles. Any unwanted fabric: doona covers, sheets, denim, curtains or upholstery fabric can be dropped off at Wallace House on a Monday or Wednesday morning. Phone Ned: 0411 784 911. Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/groups/boomerangbagsnoosa

MEALS ON WHEELS

Meals on Wheels Coolum Beach has had a place in the hearts and homes of the Coolum Community for more than 40 Years. We prepare fresh nutritious meals and deliver them to people's homes to enable them to live independently. We also provide a social contact, a friendly smile and a chat to check all is well and make a difference to someone's day. Our volunteers are the core of our service – preparing and delivering meals as well as helping in the office. We couldn't do what we do without their help. We are always on the lookout for new volunteers to join our team. Can you spare a few hours a month to help keep the wheels running smoothly? Why not give us a call to find out more? It could make your day! Please call **5446 1000** to find out how to be part of our community.

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. We raise funds through our pop-up stalls, held in the courtyard at Pacific on Coolum, corner of Birtwill St and Heathfield Rd, Coolum Beach. The next stall for the year will be on **Thursday, 10 April** from 8 am to 12 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.coolumhearts.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

The Coolum Parkinson's Support Group is having time off over Easter and will meet next on **Monday, May 19th**. Meetings will continue on the third Monday of each month at 10.15 am, at the Coolum Surf Club. Phone 0429361301 for more information.

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 second Thursday of the Month (during school term) 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. marcoolacommunity@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.

TRY TOASTMASTERS

Practice your public speaking, gain confidence, improve your leadership and communication skills. Coolum Communicators supports members to practice speaking to an audience while having fun. We meet on the 2nd & 4th Wednesday of the month, 7pm at North Shore Community Centre, Mudjimba. Guests welcome! Email coolumtoastmasters@gmail.com.

HOME LEAGUE COOLUM BEACH


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 584 573.

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.

COOLUM BRIDGE CLUB – YAROOMBAA MEETING PLACE


Enquiries info@coolumbridgeclub.com Sessions as follows: MONDAY - 8.30am for 9.15am start TUESDAY - 12.30pm for 1 pm start Contact Ali 0422 791 748 for more info. THURSDAY - 12.30 for 1pm start SATURDAY - 12.30 for 1pm start Partnership Contact: Trish Gatt on 0412 546 575



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Sports news

COOLUM BEACH PONY CLUB

THE COOLUM Beach Pony Club is pleased to announce that it has been awarded a Minor Grants Sports and Recreation Grant from the Sunshine Coast Council.

With these funds, the club has successfully completed the Pony Club Wash Bay Project, which involved a comprehensive renovation of our wash bay area. The grant allowed us to procure essential materials and labour for the reconstruction, resulting in wash bays that are not only visually appealing but also

safe and hygienic for washing and grooming our horses.

This enhancement significantly improves the safety and functionality of our facilities, underscoring our dedication to upholding the highest standards of equine care. The upgraded wash bays will be a valuable asset for our club and the broader equestrian community, promoting the health and well-being of our ponies while creating a positive environment for all members.

If you would like to find out more about the club please contact the Secretary at coolumbeachponyclub@yahoo.com.au



Coolum Beach Pony Club members Miki Jones with 'Arrow' and Chloe Jones with 'Toy Boy' making use of the new wash bays. Photo: Contributed

LNP set to fund amenities block for women's rugby if elected

MEMBER for Fairfax Ted O'Brien announced recently that a Dutton-led LNP Government will spend some \$500,000 on female changerooms at the Nambour Rugby Union Club.

The funding will support The Nambour Toads premier-ship winning women's team and growing female participation in local sport.

Whilst visiting the home of the Toads, Ted O'Brien stated the announcement showed the strength of the LNP's commitment to the Sunshine Coast.

"This club has come a long way from training under car headlights and attracting cane toads-earning the nickname 'The Toads'," Mr O'Brien said.

"Today, they're a powerhouse in women's rugby, and they deserve facilities that reflect their strength, success, and standing in the community."

Forming in 2021, the Nambour Toads women's team has claimed four consecutive premierships.

"Outdated and inadequate facilities have failed to keep pace with the team's success," Mr O'Brien said.

"It's unacceptable that female athletes are still using changerooms with urinals or sharing amenities with male players."

"This investment will deliver

modern, fit-for-purpose changerooms to support not just players, but their supporters, families, and the wider sporting community."

The upgrade will also benefit other sports including local soccer, AFL teams, representative squads, and travelling clubs who rely on the Nambour facilities throughout the year.

"This is about fairness, opportunity, and backing the women who are inspiring the next generation of players. It's more than just bricks and mortar, it's a vote of confidence in local women's sport and a reflection of the LNP's commitment to ensuring every athlete has what they need to succeed."

Club President, Mr Greg Wright, welcomed the announcement and thanked Mr O'Brien for championing the club's needs.

"On behalf of the Nambour Toads, we extend our sincere gratitude to Ted O'Brien for his invaluable support in securing funding for the construction of new female changerooms."

"This investment is a game-changer for our club, ensuring greater inclusivity and a better experience for all our players."

"Ted's continued commitment to our community is deeply appreciated, and we look forward to seeing the positive impact this development will have for years to come."



Member for Fairfax Ted O'Brien with Nambour Rugby Union Club President Greg Wright at the announcement of the funding spend if elected. Photo: Contributed

Got a Story? We'd *love* to hear from you!
Email your contributions to: editor@coolumadvertiser.com.au

Volunteers Needed



MealsonWheels

Our Mission: To contribute to the independence and quality of life of people living in Coolum and its surrounds by providing nutritious food, human connections and social support.

Want to have the contact with clients but don't want to drive?

Then perhaps you would like to team with a driver and deliver the meals to the client's front door?

You will need to:

- Enjoy meeting people
- Have attention to detail to ensure the correct meal is delivered to each person (Clients are depending on you to get the right meal to them – and no one wants to miss out on their delivery)
- Be able to get in and out of a car without too much difficulty.
- Have a National police check. If you already have one that was conducted less than 2 years ago, we can accept a copy, if not, we can run a check for you free of charge.

Delivery Volunteers starting and finish times : 10:45am – 1:00pm



More than just a meal

Meals on Wheels has had a place in the hearts and homes of Australians for more than 70 years.

Coolum Beach Meals on Wheels prepare fresh nutritious meals and deliver them to people's homes to enable them to live independently in our community. We provide a regular social contact, a friendly smile and a chat to check all is well.

Our volunteers are the core of our service - cooking, delivering and helping to make a difference to someone's day. We couldn't do it without their help.

We are always on the lookout for new volunteers to join our team. Can you spare a few hours a month to help keep the "wheels" running smoothly?

Why not give us a call to find out more?
It could make your day!



Please call 5446 1000 to find out how to be a part of our community

17 Santa Monica Avenue COOLUM BEACH | 07 5446 1000 | admin@coolummealsonwheels.org.au | www.coolummealsonwheels.org.au



COOLUM BEACH BOWLS RESULTS

Tuesday, 25th March
Social Bowls
1st J Wilson, G Dysart +27
2nd S Weatherby, J Beattie +22
3rd Y Walsh, T Coyne +13

Tuesday, 1st April
Social Bowls
1st D & P Lawler +23
2nd J & K Wilson +23
3rd Sandy & Scott Wilson +17

Friday, 4th April
Social Bowls
1st S & R Weatherby +38
2nd B Cowie, Scott Wilson +24
3rd P Judge, R Tuni +23

Club Championships
Open Triples
Round 1
M Japundza 32 def G Brown 23
L Cowie 25 def J Rixon 19
B Smith 38 def C Grassick 7
J Williams 35 def G Sargent 19
P Lawler 35 def G Dysart 15
Round 2
M Japundza 32 def L Cowie 17
K Emerton 28 def B Smith 19
P Lawler 29 def J Williams 21
C Hawthorn 35 def K Wilson 14

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/.

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.



Congratulations to Men's Pairs Champions Dipper Michaels and Mick Japundza, who prevailed over Blayne Shorter and Jason Thomas. Final scores were very close (9 - 17) - well done to all who competed.



Congratulations to our Men's Fours Champions Allan Hill, Peter Carmody, Graham Anderson and Greg Brown who were victorious (25 - 14) against Michael Corcoran, Keith Wilson, Scott Wilson and Jason Rixon. Well done to all. Photos: Contributed

50TH ANNIVERSARY
SAVE THE date
Coolum Football Club
50th Anniversary Gala
Saturday 7th of June 2025
Coolum Civic Centre from 5pm
Further details and ticketing information to be released in coming weeks
Contact: 50years@coolumfc.com.au

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| Maroochy River | 2:50 am | 8:12 am | 3:37 pm | 8:42 pm | Maroochy River | 7:08 am | 11:48 am | 6:39 pm | |
| THU 10 APR | 0.53m | 1.75m | 0.46m | 1.62m | THU 17 APR | 0.69m | 1.31m | 0.5m | 1.73m |
| Coolum | 12:22 am | 6:31 am | 12:54 pm | 7:01 pm | Coolum | 4:39 am | 10:06 am | 3:59 pm | 10:54 pm |
| Maroochy River | 3:32 am | 8:46 am | 4:04 pm | 9:16 pm | Maroochy River | 7:49 am | 12:21 pm | 7:09 pm | 12:30 am |
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| Coolum | 1:35 am | 7:33 am | 1:45 pm | 8:05 pm | Coolum | | 6:30 am | 11:34 am | 5:22 pm |
| Maroochy River | 4:45 am | 9:48 am | 4:55 pm | 10:20 pm | Maroochy River | 1:55 am | 9:40 am | 1:49 pm | 8:32 pm |
| SUN 13 APR | 0.51m | 1.64m | 0.36m | 1.81m | SUN 20 APR | 1.62m | 0.82m | 1.12m | 0.71m |
| Coolum | 2:10 am | 8:02 am | 2:11 pm | 8:36 pm | Coolum | 12:41 am | 7:57 am | 12:46 pm | 6:28 pm |
| Maroochy River | 5:20 am | 10:17 am | 5:21 pm | 10:51 pm | Maroochy River | 2:56 am | 11:07 am | 3:01 pm | 9:38 pm |
| MON 14 APR | 0.53m | 1.57m | 0.37m | 1.83m | MON 21 APR | 1.61m | 0.77m | 1.15m | 0.72m |
| Coolum | 2:44 am | 8:31 am | 2:36 pm | 9:08 pm | Coolum | 2:01 am | 9:13 am | 2:29 pm | 7:57 pm |
| Maroochy River | 5:54 am | 10:46 am | 5:46 pm | 11:23 pm | Maroochy River | 4:16 am | 12:23 pm | 4:44 pm | 11:07 pm |
| TUE 15 APR | 0.58m | 1.49m | 0.39m | 1.82m | TUE 22 APR | 1.67m | 0.67m | 1.26m | 0.67m |
| Coolum | 3:21 am | 9:02 am | 3:01 pm | 9:41 pm | Coolum | 3:14 am | 10:12 am | 3:47 pm | 9:24 pm |
| Maroochy River | 6:31 am | 11:17 am | 6:11 pm | 11:56 pm | Maroochy River | 5:29 am | 1:22 pm | 6:02 pm | |

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TUESDAY

5:30PM - 6PM

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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

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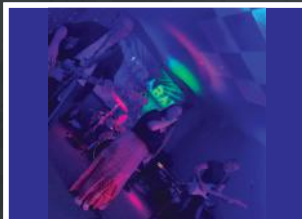
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