



The ladies from the Twin Waters View Club spent their April luncheon meeting celebrating Easter with the deck of the Loose Goose restaurant at Twin Waters a sea of bunny ears and Easter bonnets. The ladies meet each month on the second Thursday at the Loose Goose from 11am and they would love to welcome new members into the group. More photos page 2. Photo: Contributed

FIRST NATIONS GATHERING TO OPEN HORIZON FESTIVAL WITH STUMERS AS BACKDROP

VANESSA HALL
EDITOR

THE CHANGING landscape of Stumers Creek will provide a natural theatre for the opening of the Horizon Arts Festival on Saturday May 3 with the event 'Yauar Warai Wandji' bringing together traditional dance groups from surrounding Gubbi Gubbi Country in a celebration of traditional dance, song, music, language, and storytelling.

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VANESSA HALL
EDITOR

LEST WE FORGET

THIS edition of the Advertiser comes out just before Anzac Day and I would like to take this opportunity to encourage everyone to make their way to the Coolum/Peregian RSL for their Dawn Service this Friday from 4.45am.

This will no doubt be a huge event due to the long weekend and each year the numbers at this very special service become bigger and bigger. The local RSL really should be commended for the hard work that they have put in to ensure the longevity of their commemorative service and this is evident by the depth of community support.

Most of us have some personal connection to Anzac Day by way of family members who likely fought. For

me it is my Grandfather, Robert 'Bobby' Friend.

My Mum's Father was stationed in Papua New Guinea in World War II. A Sergeant in the 31/51 Australian Infantry Battalion he left from his hometown of Richmond in Queensland in 1941 and was discharged five years later. I never met Bobby as he passed away tragically in a plane crash near Winton in 1966, but I am so thankful for what he did.

When I see the photo of him in his slouch hat I see how young he is - barely an adult, and I am well aware as to how quickly these young men and women had to grow up. We remember these brave service personnel each Anzac Day and we are incredibly thankful for their courage, and we will never let their memory fade - Lest We Forget.



Robert 'Bobby' Friend, 31/51 Australian Infantry Battalion.
Photo: Contributed



Police appeal for witnesses – Assault Peregian



POLICE are appealing to the public for assistance as part of investigations into a reported assault at Peregian Beach on April 8.

Investigations indicate around 9.15am a woman in her 60s was walking along the beach, near Beach Access 53, when she approached a man and had a brief verbal interaction. The man then allegedly tackled the woman.

The man ran from the scene and the woman was transported to hospital with

non-life-threatening injuries.

The man is described as Caucasian, solid build and in his early 20s. The man had a dog with him which is described as a male, solid build and grey and black in colour.

Anyone with information or CCTV of the area is urged to contact police.

If you have information for police, contact PoliceLink on 131 444 or via Crime Stoppers on 1800 333 000. Quote this reference number: QP2500604204



MURAL TAKES UP PERMANENT PLACE ON MOTORWAY

After many weeks of meticulous painting the beloved 'Wave' mural by local artist Owen Cavanagh has finally been lifted up to its permanent home where it is safely out of reach of graffiti. The surf mural is visible from the

Sunshine Motorway when heading north shortly after the Maroochy River bridge, near the Amateur Radio Station and old toll booth location. Make sure you look out for it the next time you are driving past. Photo: Contributed

Community Update

TWIN WATERS VIEW CLUB

April Luncheon Meeting

FROM PAGE 1

IT WAS all about celebrating Easter on Thursday April 10 as the ladies from the Twin Waters View Club held their monthly meeting at the Loose Goose restaurant at Twin Waters.

The decorating team had put together a stunning display — tables carpeted with painted eggs nestled amongst straw and tucked into bunny shaped napkins, and a bunny centrepiece that Peter Rabbit would have been proud of.

There was also an Easter shop packed with goodies.

Gillian, from BreastScreen Queensland joined us as our April guest speaker and provided us with valuable information on screening and self-examination.

We welcome new members to our club, and we meet for lunch on the second Thursday of each month at The Loose Goose Restaurant located along Ocean Drive at Twin Waters from 11am for 11.30am start. Please contact Doreen on 0415 695 921 or email twinwatersviewclub@gmail.com and we hope to see you at our next meeting and lunch.



Guest Speaker, Gillian from BreastScreen Qld.



Celebrating Easter at the Loose Goose at Twin Waters. Photos: Contributed

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First Nations gathering to open Horizon Festival with Stumers as backdrop

FROM PAGE 1

Under the cultural leadership of Gubbi Gubbi artist Lyndon Davis, Yauar Warai Wandi which translates to Sing, Dance, Gather is bringing together these groups for the first time in over 20 years.

"This is something totally different," Lyndon said.

"I've been wanting to bring the neighbouring tribes and dance troupes all together for years... many of which I first saw back at the Maleny Folk Festival in the early 90s and its important to tell our stories."

Lyndon was raised on the Sunshine Coast-Gubbi Gubbi Country by his grandmother and his art reflects a deep connection to country, depicting stories of his region's flora, fauna, and creation stories.

Lyndon has showcased his art including public artworks, exhibitions, performances, and cultural education to the likes of the Queen, the Dalai Lama and past Prime Ministers, yet despite this, Lyndon is centred on family and remaining humble.

"What would have meant more than anything to me would have been to perform in front of my nan and uncles if they were still here today."

Lyndon's work is an on-going pursuit of passing on

his knowledge to the next generations.

"Yauar Warai Wandi is going to be a big gathering and cultural exchange, and it will be important to have the next generation see this."

Sunshine Coast Mayor Rosanna Natoli said Horizon 2025 was deeply connected to place and was presented in collaboration with artists, producers, communities and Traditional Owners.

"Now spanning a full afternoon culminating at sunset, visitors to Yauar Warai Wandi will experience a historic gathering of traditional dance, song, music, language and storytelling at Stumers Creek Park in Coolool," Mayor Natoli said.

"And we are incredibly proud of our festival."

The flagship arts festival for the Sunshine Coast, Horizon runs for 10 days and nights.

Visitors and locals are invited to explore, experience, and immerse themselves in the program which boasts more than 50 events across 10 Sunshine Coast locations.

"Whether it is enjoying an arts experience at a hinterland pub in Mapleton or Kenilworth, the magic of Stumers Creek in Coolool, the urban streets of Maroochydore and Nambour, or the stunning coastline of Alexan-

dra Headland, we invite you to explore our special region," Mayor Natoli said.

"Our flagship arts festival celebrates the stories and beauty of our special region and provides a platform for our artists to showcase their practice, while connecting and inspiring communities."

Yauar Warai Wandi Schedule

Yauar Warai Wandi – Sing, Dance, Gather will feature a full afternoon of immersive and site-responsive art and installations and live performances on the Sand Circle.

There will also be installations by Zartisha Davis & First Creatives, an Artist Trail featuring Sara Moore, Renee Mead and Nikita Newley, and the Jarjum Life Museum which is a collection of contemporary, original artworks by Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children (jarjum) living on Kabi Kabi Country.

All of this free entertainment and cultural learning will be taking place at Stumers Creek Park from 1-6pm, Saturday May 3.

Horizon Fest Info

For program information and to get tickets, festival updates and behind the scenes info, head to horizonfestival.com.au and follow @horizonartfest on socials.

The Advertiser Social Scene

Save Stumers Awareness Dog Walk

THE group of dedicated dog lovers fighting for Stumers Creek to remain off-leash held an awareness session and walk on Saturday afternoon, April 19. The group used the event as a way to encourage responsible dog ownership within the public

space. Fairfax MP Ted O'Brien attended. "It was great to spend Easter Saturday afternoon at Stumers Creek in Coolool with local dog owners and beachgoers for the Awareness Walk, focused on raising awareness about preserving this much-

loved off-leash dog beach," Mr O'Brien stated.

"It was great to also see councillors Suarez, Hungerford and Taylor also in attendance and listening to this genuine grassroots community group."



Bree Logie, Cr Ted Hungerford, Ted O'Brien MP and Jaclyn Kelly.



Cr Taylor Bunnag, Rob Debnam and Jaclyn Kelly with her furry friend. Photos: Bree Logie



Kat and her pooches.



Colin and his beloved Kelpie.



Dog lovers at Stumers.



Gary and 'Ghillie' the rough collie.

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Letters to the editor

ELECTION THOUGHTS

Dear editor,

When it comes to politics I tend to be a listener and try and come to my own conclusion without the argument or heated discussion which often comes with the territory.

But I need to speak up this election as so many things are not sitting right with me. The duopoly of this democracy no longer has you or me as a genuine concern and certainly neither leader willing to do whatever it takes to keep our precious country safe and self-sufficient, even to die for us when standing up for us as any elected leader should be prepared to do, to lead us, even through adversity. Sounds dramatic but they have lost sight of us.

This election I am now going to vote, because I have to for the real people in our midst, the independents willing to stand up to a tough battle, which it always is for them. I always thought that was a wasted vote, shame on me, as we need to cut the power down of our selfish duopoly.

PLEASE think seriously about your vote this year.

Robyn Blakemore,
Coolum Beach.

SOCIAL MEDIA

Dear editor,

Social media is not the REAL world: it attracts the misuse and abuse of AI, mis-

information, disinformation and the distortion of facts and the truth. Yet, it is often the prime source of information about the world for many young people hungry for factual knowledge, communications and personal guidance, many of whom do not read newspapers or watch the news. Labelling scripts: "Truth Social", does not necessarily mean it IS "truth" per se, for the unwary.

In any crowded form of transport, or in any waiting room, people, not only the young, but any age, can be seen to be glued to their phones for communications from the outside world, while they sit absorbing and facilitating information to feel connected with the outside world, while they sit motionless. This then becomes their reality and their life, the parameters of their world for the most vulnerable, open to bad influences and manipulation.

Crime of all types, such as scams, can be convincing, because of the false belief that, if it is online on reputable platforms, it must be true and safe, to the unsuspecting and naive, unlearned in differentiating between fact and fiction. This can be due to the lack of critical thinking skills, learnt by education, exposure and repeated experience. Any information available on social media may be used to influence opinions, win over friends, or trap someone in web they feel they cannot escape.

This is why children

younger than 16 should not be exposed to or use social media. Their level of maturity cannot protect them from inappropriate data. Their minds need to be aware of the vulnerable party's access to social media on computers or phones in their daily lives, especially when alone or in uncontrolled company. It should be closely monitored. We all have witnessed the obsession with social media and the dire consequences of many victims.

E. Rowe,
Marcoola

WAR COSTS

Dear editor,

Defence is a major policy issue in the election. The politicians are looking to increase its budget, but the cost is not just in money and materials.

If our leaders truly examine their consciences, the cost is also in the lives of the men and women fighting to defend us and to their loved ones when they return as a shattered shell of the man or woman who departed home.

Legendary wartime leader, Winston Churchill, was haunted by his advocacy for the Dardanelles Campaign in WWI.

His conscience was seared by the catastrophic losses of men, including our diggers, on the Gallipoli Peninsula. Fear of it being repeated on a larger scale led him to oppose the D-Day landings on Normandy in WWII.

I was reminded of the human cost of war when my girlfriend and I were barbequ-

ing at twilight under a seaside shelter. A scraggy figure caught my eye and as he approached me turning a chop, I invited the homeless man to share dinner.

Zac joined us to share more than food but glimpses into his life. He spoke of being used to hunger as he experienced it in Afghanistan as part of the Australian forces.

I said I did not know a lot about that war but had written a book about the bushmen who became Anzacs in WWI. Many returned home promised a land fit for heroes but became lost souls.

It struck a chord with Zac, a bushy from South Gippsland, that I might have glimpsed his wandering soul under the camouflage of a mosaic of tattoos, piercings and tough guy demeanor.

As we farewelled at sunset, Zac shook hands with my girlfriend and broke free of language to give me the tightest man hug.

When we commemorate Anzac, we can not only turn the pages of century-old history but reach out to the modern warriors drifting on the fringes of our society.

Hopefully, our politicians will examine their consciences on the true costs of war not only for our warrior defenders but the innocent families who become more than collateral damage here and abroad.

Garry Reynolds,
Peregian Springs

NUCLEAR THOUGHTS

Dear editor,

I live just over 100 kms due east from the proposed site of one of coalition's large nuclear reactors at Callide.

The wisdom and the economics of building seven nuclear power stations across Australia, that will deliver just 4% of total electricity needs sometime in the 2040s, has received coverage in mainstream media. Opposition Energy Spokesperson, Ted O'Brien, and the Minister for Energy, Chris Bowen, have traded barbs on cost, timelines, and how these nuclear plants will impact on energy prices.

Very little has been said about three key issues: the required water for the reactors; the safety of reactions; and the waste produced.

The global experience shows a typical nuclear plant needs 13-24 billion litres of water per year or 35-65 million litres a day. This is almost the water consumption of the Sunshine Coast region. Expert analysis shows that there's not sufficient water during cooling system failures which could lead to reactor failures at the Callide and some other proposed sites.

We all know about the catastrophic failures of Three Mile Island, Chernobyl and Fukushima. But there has been a raft of serious failures at nuclear plants including Lucens (Switzerland), Gundremmingen and Lubmin (Germany), Jaslovské (Slovak Republic) and Tarragon (Spain). These are nothing like the breakdown at the Callide coal power station in the past week. These nuclear plant failures have resulted in abandoned sites and the sealing of the Lucens reactor in a mountain.

As for the waste, well that would be our gift to future generations for 10,000+ years. A total toxic waste.

Ted O'Brien says he loves the Sunshine Coast. Either that's not true or he is just telling porkies about the coalition's nuclear plan.

John Mendoza,
(Adj Professor University of the Sunshine Coast),
Sippy Downs.

FRACKING?

Dear editor,

In the outer Barcoo where people are few and rain in the region is scanty, is the action on track for the land to be fracked - for ground water the basin is storing?

Or is it the plan for the man on the land to frack for the gas and give it en masse to the companies whose shareholders will profit?

When the groundwater runs dry and the land slowly dies, then who will be named as the winner? Just asking if Australia is being fracked?

Margaret Wilkie,
Peregian Beach.

NUCLEAR COST

Dear editor,

We don't have laws requiring truth in political advertising and so I am used to

candidates making misleading statements. I was still startled to see a billboard for our local member, Mr Ted O'Brien, saying he is fighting for "cheaper energy". I just can't reconcile that promise with his fervent support for nuclear energy, by far the most expensive way to provide electricity.

It has never really been cheap, but the few nuclear power stations built in Western Europe and North America this century have all cost more than double their budget. If we were to go down that path, we would not just have more expensive electricity, we would also lumber future generations with the problem of managing radioactive waste for geological time.

Ian Lowe,
Marcoola

SOLAR BATTERY

Dear editor,

Having long been concerned about the future of our planet and global warming, and after downsizing, we were fortunate to have money over which we put to good use easing our cost of living and reducing our carbon footprint by buying an electric car and adding more solar panels.

Prime Minister Anthony Albanese has promised, that if re-elected, the Labor government will introduce a 30 percent rebate on batteries to store the excess power from solar panels.

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The battery rebate will be a fantastic win for our budget, the environment, and for future generations as the world transitions away from polluting fossil fuels. Good one Prime Minister Albanese.

Robyn Deane,
Nambour.

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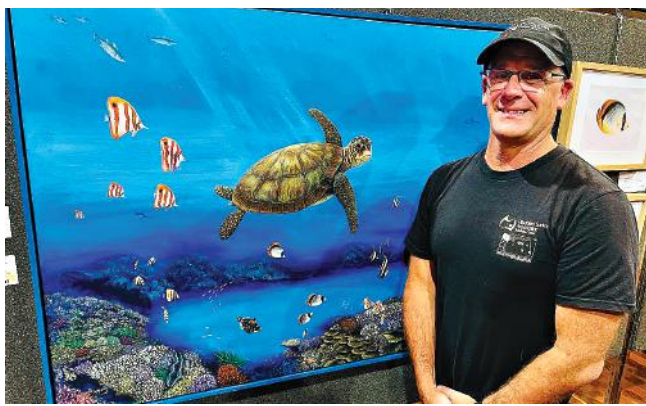
Coolum Art Collective Easter Exhibition

HELD over the Easter long weekend the local art group had a huge turnout for their annual show which was held in the Coolum Civic Centre. Mayor Rosanna Natoli officially opened the show and handed out the judges prizes

on Saturday afternoon. John Mason was awarded the winning prize for his painting. Coolum Art Collective donate to a charity every year and Disabled Surfers Sunshine Coast was the charity of choice for this year.



Mayor Natoli presenting John Mason with his winning award.



The winning work with a representative from the Disabled Surfers Sunshine Coast charity.



Councillor Maria Suarez (centre) with attendees. Photos: Contributed

Meals On Wheels Easter Deliveries

THERE'S no stopping the food deliveries on public holidays and the Coolum Meals On Wheels volunteers

on Good Friday dressed up and also delivered little Easter treats with each meal that went out.



Getting into the Easter spirit for deliveries. Photos: MOW



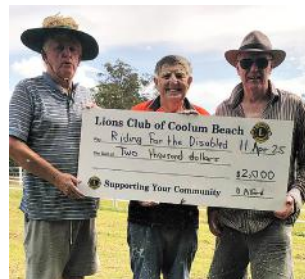
Easter treats which went out with each meal.



Some of the 28 volunteers and staff who prepared and delivered meals and Easter treats to more than 100 clients on Good Friday.

Coolum Lions support Riding for the Disabled

THE Coolum Lions donated funds to Sunshine Coast Riding for the Disabled (SCRDA) recently with the money to be used for paint which will stop rust from destroying fencing located at their Verrierdale facility. Lions Doug and Mark joined Brian to help with the painting. In late 2013, the 35-acre property located at Verrierdale was willed to



Lions Doug and Mark with Brian from SCRDA at the cheque presentation. Photo: Lions

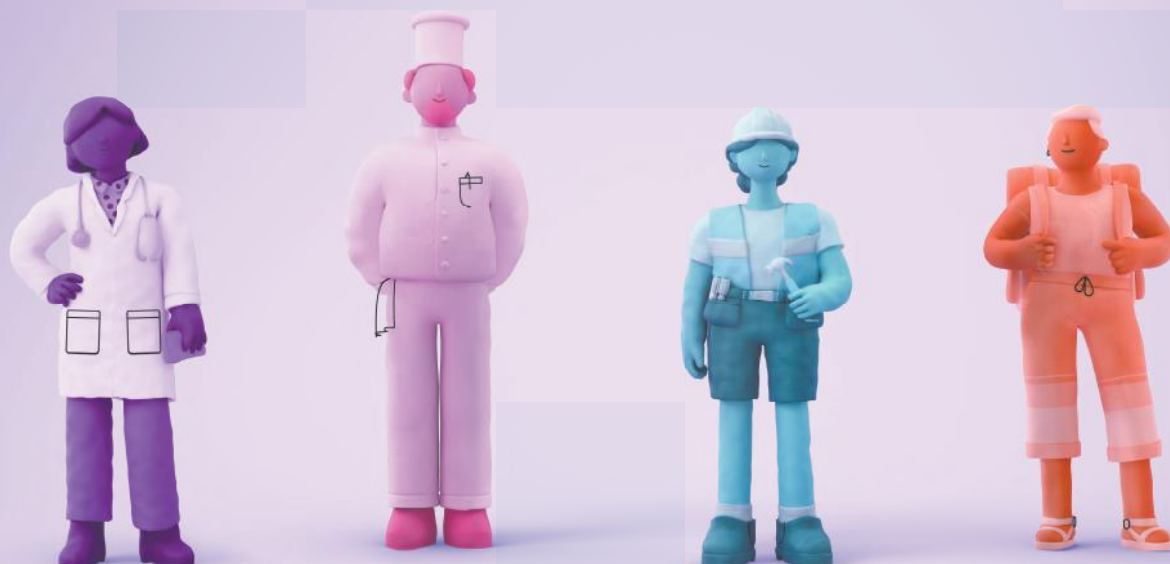
SCRDA from the estate of Laurence Ehrenberg. The main SCRDA facility is located at North Arm QLD. If you have thought about helping your community, then consider joining Lions. For more details call Lion Doug Alford on mobile 0413 019 078.

Bumper Coolum Easter



It was a gorgeous Easter and the number one place to be was the beach which was evident with how much space was left on main beach. These photos taken on Good Friday. Photos: Vanessa Hall

Can't make it on Election Day?



If you can't vote on Saturday 3 May, you may be eligible to vote early.

All Australian citizens aged 18 years and over are required by law to vote.

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Community Update

PEREGIAN FAMILY AND FRIENDS

Peregrin Springs Parking issues

FOLLOWING on from our very successful forum on electric vehicles held in August 2024, Peregrin Family and Friends (PFF) are holding a local forum to discuss the issues of road safety, road improvement and congestion and parking issues, both at Peregrin Beach and Peregrin Springs.

Speaking at this event will be Sandy Bolton MP, Cr Maria Suarez Sunshine Coast Council Deputy Mayor, Deputy Mayor Noosa Council Cr Brian Stockwell, and Sgt Joel Bryant from Queensland Police Service.

PF&F President Graham Reid said that they were tackling the important issues.

"Once again, we are taking the lead on some very important local issues which have plagued

our villages and surrounding areas over the past few years. In addition, this is an opportunity to ask questions on the lack of improvements on David Low Way and the Sunshine Coast Motorway."

"We are extending an invitation to all local business owners, particularly those being impacted as well as local organisations who may like to contribute to the forum."

The event will be held on Tuesday May 13 at the Peregrin Beach Surf Club and will start at 5 pm and go for approximately one hour, with time for socialising afterwards.

Everyone is welcome, so spread the word and invite your business partners and neighbours to come along and be part of the solution!

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Community Update

BENDIGO BANK Connecting Communities

THE COMMUNITY Bank Marcoola loves to give back and they will be hosting a community afternoon on Friday May 2 from 12-3pm with lots of giveaways, music, food and lots of great community spirit and everyone is invited!

With a cyclone teasing the coast recently and some pretty

wild storms rolling through, we've all been reminded that staying connected isn't just handy, it's essential. That's why the team at Community Bank Marcoola jumped into action, handing out wind-up radios like they were going out of fashion.

These little lifesavers do it all - tune into emergency broadcasts, keep you updated on the weather, and even charge your phone when the power's out (because no one wants 3% battery when you're stuck inside with only snacks and storm updates).

Luckily, the cyclone gave us a miss, but not without a dramatic exit. We still copped the heavy rain, a bit of flooding, and power outages just to keep things interesting. But our team was ready, getting radios into the hands of locals who needed them most.

And because we love any excuse for a good time, we're keeping the community vibes going. Join us on Friday May 2, from 12-3pm, outside our Marcoola branch at 930 David Low Way, for a fun-filled afternoon. We're teaming up with Hot91.1 for an outside broadcast, plus there'll be some giveaways that will help with everyday living,

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FEDERAL ELECTION - MAY 3, 2025

Time for a change and to vote independent

WITH EARLY voting underway, independent candidate for Fairfax, Francine Wiig, enters the final stretch of her campaign with strong momentum and a clear message - the Sunshine Coast deserves better.

She recently joined two 'Meet the Candidate' forums hosted by the Nambour Chamber of Commerce and the Coolum, Maroochydore and Young Chambers of Commerce, giving voters a chance to hear directly from the candidates.

"What became clear at those forums is that party politics won't fix anything," Francine said.

"The problems we face aren't just from the past three years of Labor, they stem from two decades of poor decisions by both major parties. They treat politics like a football match, and it's everyday Australians who lose."

"Our region is growing rapidly, but infrastructure hasn't kept pace. Congestion, poor

public transport, and pressure on essential services will only worsen. Ted O'Brien has held this seat for nearly nine years, six in government, so where's the benefit of being a so-called safe seat?"

Francine's priorities include strengthening ACCC powers to tackle price gouging, reducing red tape for small businesses, easing HECS debt and expanding TAFE apprenticeship opportunities, increasing housing supply including support for tiny homes and action on land banking, securing stronger rights for renters and addressing domestic violence.

"We're one of the wealthiest countries in the world, yet homelessness is rising, and our kids are locked out of home ownership. These problems are fixable. What's missing is the political will."

Francine also criticised the Coalition's nuclear proposal, which was discussed at the recent Energy and Climate Forum in Nambour. The expert

panel, featuring Tim Buckley, Prof Ian Lowe, Prof Steve Turton and local advocate Narelle McCarthy, examined energy options for Australia's future.

"The evidence is clear: nuclear is too slow, too expensive, and contributes just 4% of projected energy needs. Meanwhile, battery and renewable technology is accelerating, recyclable, cost-effective, and available now. What we lack isn't tech, it's political courage," Francine said.

"The LNP has offered no detail on waste storage, risks to our environment, or impact on water, agriculture, and local communities.

"Around the world, the cost of building nuclear power has more than doubled over the past two decades, while many major economies are now scaling back or abandoning new nuclear investments in favour of faster, cheaper renewable energy alternatives. We deserve answers before we're asked to take the risk."

Francine has made it clear that, as an independent, she does not direct how voters should allocate their preferences, emphasising that this choice rests entirely with each

individual.

Francine's full policy platform is available at www.francineforfairfax.com.au, with plans addressing climate,

integrity, health, education, transport, housing, small business, and more. She continues to add new policies based on community feedback and the issues locals raise.



Independent candidate for Fairfax Francine Wiig at the Meet the Candidates forum in Bli Bli recently.
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Naomi McQueen and Labor - ready to deliver for Fairfax

I'M A PROUD local and part of the Sunshine Coast community. It's where my husband and I are raising our teenage children, and where I've built my career as an air traffic controller at the Sunshine Coast Airport.

I'm passionate about giving back to the community, I am a Justice of the Peace, and I volunteer for groups like Oz Harvest and Park Run.

Over the past 10 months, I have knocked on over 10,000 doors and spoken to thousands of people in our community. It is important to me that I know what matters to locals.

Community members have been raising concerns around the cost of living, access to

health services, and the need for affordable housing, not only for first home buyers but also for essential and service workers so they can continue living and working on the Coast.

There's also a strong interest in better infrastructure and planning to support people working from home, especially in our growing suburbs. These are priorities Labor is committed to addressing, and I'm proud to be part of a team focused on delivering practical solutions for our community.

Queenslanders deserve representatives who stand up for them. As part of the Albanese Labor Government, I'll fight for investment in affordable housing, local infrastructure,

and sustainable industries to support the Sunshine Coast's growing population. That includes better public transport, fully funding every public school, delivering two new Medicare Urgent Care Clinics in Buderim and Caloundra where you can see a GP for free, and protecting our environment.

Labor will slash student debt by cutting HECS debt by 20% and make free TAFE permanent to support young people and build a stronger local workforce. The Sunshine Coast deserves a federal representative who will fight tirelessly for smart, inclusive growth that puts locals first.

If elected, I'll be out and

about in the community, at schools, markets, and events, listening to locals and acting on what matters. I'll prioritise transparency and accountability, keeping in touch with local organisations and everyday residents.

Engagement shouldn't stop after the election, it's a two-way street. I'll be a present, approachable representative who listens and follows through.

And only Labor is making genuine commitments with infrastructure upgrades to the Bruce Highway and delivering the Sunshine Coast Rail.

I'm proud to advocate for our community, and I'll fight for a better future for Fairfax.



Naomi McQueen is the Labor candidate for Fairfax. Photo: Contributed

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Ted Pledges \$5 Million for Local Community Projects

COOLUM and surrounding Sunshine Coast communities are set to benefit from more than \$5 million in new community infrastructure funding, if a LNP Coalition Government is elected.

While Ted O'Brien has been leading the charge on policies to get electricity and gas prices down as the Shadow Minister for Climate Change and Energy, he's also been going into bat for the local community as the Federal Member for Fairfax.

Over recent weeks, he has announced a wide-ranging plan

to support local sporting clubs, surf lifesaving organisations, and frontline community services as part of a broader push to ease cost-of-living pressures and invest in grassroots infrastructure.

"Coolum Netball Club is expanding rapidly and needs \$32,588 for new seating and shade structures," Mr O'Brien said.

"Nambour Netball Club requires \$68,022 to repair two hard courts to keep up with growth and Sunshine Coast Netball Club, which saw a 10% increase in participation

last year, will receive \$76,000 in funding to install five new shade structures over existing grandstands-making match days more comfortable for families and supporters."

"These clubs aren't just sporting organisations-they're community hubs. Players, coaches, umpires, managers, and parents all come together each weekend to support the game they love."

Mr O'Brien said the funding commitments reflect the Coalition's practical and community-focused approach.

"This election is about real outcomes for real people," Mr O'Brien said.

"Whether it's delivering cost-of-living relief or upgrading the facilities that families rely on every day - we're focused on getting Australia back on track."

The local pledges include:

- \$170,000 for Coolum, Sunshine Coast and Nambour Netball Clubs
- \$1 million for the Maroochydore Surf Life Saving Club
- \$1.4 million for the Maroochydore Surf Life Saving Club

• \$727,000 for the Sunshine Coast Clippers

• \$570,000 for the Buderim Wanderers Football Club

• \$500,000 for the Nambour Toads Rugby League Club

• \$1 million for recreational education providers at Apex Camps

• \$202,000 for frontline service providers: Coast2Bay, Kyabra and SunnyKids

• \$92,500 to support the historic Yandina School of Arts facility.

The Coalition has also committed to up to \$2,400 in tax

relief per family, cutting petrol prices by 25 cents per litre, lowering power bills, reducing the cost of essential medicines, and investing \$9 billion to restore Medicare.

Mr O'Brien has previously secured record levels of federal funding for the region, including \$3.15 billion for Sunshine Coast rail and \$3.2 billion for the Bruce Highway.

"I'm proud of what the local community has helped me deliver over recent years but there's more to do," he said.



Member for Fairfax Ted O'Brien with local netball players. Photo: Contributed

Ted O'BRIEN MP

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In fact, while the government continues to pour its advertising funds into digital and metro platforms, it recently announced just \$3 million per year over two years of advertising spend in regional newspapers through the News Map program — a tiny fraction of what was historically spent and far less than what goes to social and digital media.

That money still hasn't been delivered. And even if it is, it falls well short of what's needed to ensure local news survives and thrives.

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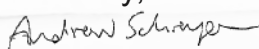
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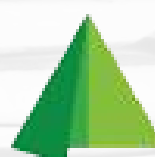
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ANZAC DAY

ANZAC Day is one of the most important days in my calendar as we remember and honour all who have served and sacrificed protecting Australia, democracy and freedom.

You may have already celebrated ANZAC Day by the time you read this, however in case you haven't there are many services across the Sunshine Coast. Once again, I am honoured to sing the National Anthem at both the 9.00am Maroochydore and 11.00am Mudjimba services and I will be in attendance at the Mooloolaba Dawn Service.

This year is the fifth anniversary of my song 'Lest We Forget', this song is special to me as the lyrics were written by myself and my good friend and fellow Sunshine Coast singer, Tanya Maree McFadyen-Bandera, wrote the music. My office has a limited number of CD's to giveaway along with Australian flags in honour of ANZAC Day or you can listen to the song on my YouTube Channel, Fiona Simpson MP, or download it on Spotify.

I hope you intend to or have attended one or more of the local services on the Coast on ANZAC Day.

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I'm excited by the significant infrastructure to upgrade transport and venues in the Maroochydore Electorate as part of the Olympics and Paralympics 2032 Plan announced last month.

This \$10 billion investment is the largest infrastructure commitment in the Sunshine Coast's history and will leave real legacy for our economy and community and provide critical transport and economic infrastructure in time for the Olympics and Paralympics to connect the region with better transport solutions.

The "Wave" metro from Sunshine Coast Airport via Maroochydore to Birtinya, where the metro joins the extended heavy rail, and the Mooloolah River Interchange (MRI) upgrade is more than what we promised at the election.... it is better! This is a gamechanger, along with the new sports, cultural and arts arena in Maroochydore, in addition to the Athletes Village.

GET IN TOUCH

If there is anything that I can be of assistance with – please contact me care of my office on 5406 7100 or maroochydore@parliament.qld.gov.au



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NEW COURTS AT MARCOOLA FORESHORE

IT'S GREAT to see the completion of the basketball and netball project near Surfair at Marcoola. If you haven't been able to look at the new space yourself, make sure you do. We've turned a rundown piece of concrete with a few handball line-markings into a multipurpose court space with basketball, netball, handball and hopscotch. Thank you to the nearby residents for their overwhelming support to deliver this project. Happy hooping and hopping!

MUDJIMBA PEDESTRIAN SAFETY

I'm very happy to see that Council has completed works to install a pedestrian refuge crossing along Mudjimba Esplanade. The new refuge will help pedestrians crossing between the popular Beach Access 117 to the showers, toilets, bus stop and skatepark.

Council will continue working on a long-term plan to deliver further pedestrian safety improvements throughout Mudjimba.



LIBRARY PLAN FEEDBACK

Our libraries are places for everyone - providing access to resources, programs and spaces that inspire learning, creativity and connection. Council operates eight library branches across our region, plus a heritage library, two mobile libraries and an eLibrary.

We want to continue offering our residents the services they love and evolve our services along with our growing community. This is why Council is preparing the Sunshine Coast Library Services Plan 2025-2035.

I encourage everyone to share your thoughts on the new 10-year strategic plan by visiting Council's website and having your say before May 5.

KEEPING YOU CONNECTED

Please keep an eye on my Facebook page for the latest Division 8 news and information by searching 'Councillor Taylor Bunnag - Division 8, Sunshine Coast Regional Council'.

Sandy Bolton MP

MEMBER FOR NOOSA

IN A recent parliamentary speech, I called for innovative solutions to curb reckless electric bike, scooter, and illegal motorbike usage. While there has been some action, including new enforcement in 2024 laws, it has not been enough. We compiled and sent recommendations to the relevant ministers from first responders and local community groups on the urgent reforms needed for community safety, including licensing and registration for legal e-bikes. We thank the ministers for the progress thus far, however, the excuse that licensing and registration are too hard or expensive does not pass the pub test.

The next stage of the Noosa River Management Plan will be implemented on May 31. Vessels over five metres will no longer be able to anchor within thirty metres of the northern shore of the Noosa River from the Noosa Coastal Bar to Lake Cooroibah, including Goat Island, or the southern shore, from Lake Doonella to Lake Cooroibah, including Makepeace and Sheep Islands. As a result of our advocacy, the existing trial, which allows vessels between five and seven-point-five metres to anchor near the shore for up to two hours a day, will also apply to these

new areas.

Nominations are now open for the Queensland Day Awards. Until 12pm on May 19, 2025, local community groups can nominate up to two individuals who have not received a Noosa Queensland Day Award before and have volunteered for at least two years within the Noosa state electorate. All successful nominees will be recognised at the Queensland Day Awards ceremony on Friday, June 6 at The J. For more information, visit www.sandybolton.com/qld-day-awards.

Finally, happy Easter to all! With so much to share and limited space, please stay 'in the loop' via Noosa 360 (www.SandyBolton.com/Noosa360) with updates on a range of important issues we are working on. In addition, follow 'Sandy Bolton MP' on Facebook to receive information as soon as available, and subscribe to our e-newsletter at www.SandyBolton.com/Newsletters which also ensures you are advised when Noosa specific surveys are held. If you have any questions or require assistance regarding state-related matters, do not hesitate to contact my office at 53193100.



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Respect and Reflection

ANZAC Day is a day we say thanks to all those who have served. It is a day to be a very proud Australian.

A day to think about how lucky we are to live in freedom, thanks to all those wonderful people who have served in the armed services to keep us free and give us a great place to live.

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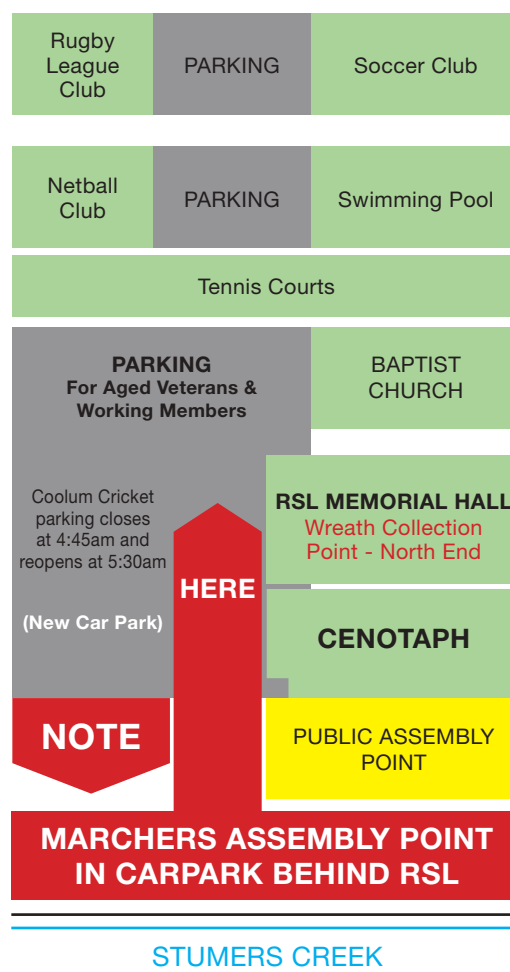
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Programme

Commencement of Parade 4:45am

Commencement of Dawn Service 5:00am

Flags at Half Mast

Welcome - Coolum Peregrin Sub Branch Inc.

President - Peter Lloyd

Opening Prayer Rev Dong Woo Oh
- Coolum Uniting Church

Address - by Dan Purdie

Song - "We Will Never Forget You"
(Alice Wright - Coolum State High School)

The ANZAC Day Address by:
Coolum State High School - Senior Leaders

Song - "Lest we Forget"
(Coolum State Primary School Year 6 Voices)

The Last Post

Ode of Remembrance

Reveille

(Flags raised to full mast during Reveille)

National Anthem of Australia

Advance Australia Fair
(Combined Coolum Schools Choir)

National Anthem of New Zealand

God Defend New Zealand
(Coolum School's New Zealand Choir)

Wreath Laying Ceremony
(Coolum State High School - Musicians)

Closing Prayer & Benediction

Final comments

President - Coolum Peregrin RSL Sub Branch

Veterans Parade Marches Off

Parade Dismissed

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CONVERT YOUR DUPLEX TO A "NO FRILLS" SCHEME

I REALISED the other day that the fees that I charged on a will in Coolum in 1985 cost the will maker \$10 a year until she next refreshed her will. Not a big spend.

Likewise, the fees that I charged a couple to buy a house in 2005 have cost them \$150 a year until they next changed houses. Again, not a lot of money when you apply that approach.

This approach, I guess, you can call the amortisation of legal fees.

To that end, I want to offer this advice to owners in duplex houses in Coolum and district. Legislation which passed in 2011 allows duplex bodies corporate to convert at the Land Titles Office to what I call the "no frills" scheme.

The "no frills" scheme releases the body corporate from keeping accounts at the bank, budgets, committees and an-

nual general meetings.

One of the duplexes two sets of owners simply keeps the body corporate records in a box. On an 'as needed' basis, the owners meet in the front driveway over a chardonnay and agree on upcoming expenditure, then split the cost: usually in half.

This legislation was in response to widespread Queensland non-compliance with basic duplex body corporate laws.

You might say "We run our duplex informally anyway". Well, that's unlawful and one day a buyer will balk at buying into your non-meeting, non-budgeting body corporate.

The legal work to bring a non-compliant duplex body corporate in from the cold is not cheap. But if you amortise the legal, as discussed above, and split them half and half, the benefits of arranging a "no frills" scheme for your duplex will surely be worth the expenditure.

Principal's Post

TROY ASCOTT

COOLUM STATE HIGH SCHOOL



ANZAC Day is the most sombre and arguably most important day on the Australian calendar – especially in the way it shapes the values of our young people. ANZAC Day speaks of the past and those who have made the ultimate sacrifice to support freedom and democracy, and it also speaks to the present and the people who work to keep our country safe and at peace.

For me, one of the keys to ANZAC Day is simply how young so many of those who served in theatres of conflict were at the time. If they were alive today, they would be at schools like Coolum State High School. In those times, not so long ago, we sent into conflict people of an age that today we nurture in our high schools – it's remarkable when you think about it.

Even more remarkable is that I know, for a fact, that if the call went out today you would find the same reaction from our young people of the same age. Forget the headlines based on the actions of the very few, the vast majority of our young people today are ready to serve, have learned wonderful values, and see great purpose in helping and assisting others. If their community called on them in the same way, I know that they would be there and that they would react in the same ways.

Coolum State High School will once again be placing the Coolum-Peregian RSL's brilliantly planned and executed ANZAC Dawn Service at the heart of our school this year. This connection to the men and women who have served our country and helped to shape its values is extremely important to us. The ANZAC values, officially listed as courage, endurance, mateship and sacrifice, are ones that speak to everything we aim to instil in our students at Coolum State High School – these are values that have stood the test of time and bonded both those who served and the community they were serving through all of our most challenging times. The greatest goal of all education has to be teaching people to live together harmoniously and peacefully.

We are so fortunate to live at Coolum Beach – one of the world's most beautiful places. We are so fortunate to live in peace. We are so fortunate to have wonderful schools, such as Coolum State High School, in which to nurture our children and develop their potential. We should always pause to remember the sacrifices that have allowed us to build peaceful communities such as the one we live in. Let's we forget!

Observations

TONY GIBSON

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



WELCOME - G'DAY!

I LOVE walking in our national parks and on our beautiful beaches and when I come across another person, I express a warm welcome. One of Sunshine Coast's major sectors is tourism, and we have had plenty of campaigns from identities like Robert Irwin saying "G'Day". This common courtesy of connecting with another human being has benefits for our culture, individual well-being and supports a very important sector.

One of the other major sectors on the coast is education and the benefit of foreign students is significant. Education export figures released by the Australian Bureau of Statistics for 2023-24 indicate exports are valued at \$51 billion dollars. The Sunshine Coast has a good share with excellent higher education universities and TAFEs.

I would like to see Australia properly tax the corporate sector in particular mining, so like countries such as Norway we could return to free universal higher education. However, if we are to continue to maintain the higher education charging loans for students then we need to keep the current levels of foreign students being welcomed to

study in Australia.

In the current election debate both major parties want to reduce immigration. This would seem sensible for the level of resources Australia has such as available water and fertile soils to maintain food security and to address the levels of poverty and lack of housing we currently have. However, if this reduction is going to reduce overseas students, then we better start reforming our taxation system and get corporations and miners to pay their fair share. Yes, we are a very rich country, but the distribution of wealth is quite unequal.

Australia is a welcoming multicultural country, and we will need to continue to accept people escaping from wars like the wars in Ukraine and Sudan. These conflicts continue to happen requiring us to show compassion and open hearts for the survivors.

Easter has just passed with a focus on love and forgiveness as recognised in the life of Jesus Christ. By embracing these principles, we can contribute to a more welcoming world.

I hope in deciding your vote in the upcoming election you will consider these issues.

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ANTIQUE REXONOLA GRAMOPHONE: nice oak case, manual wind up. Includes 13 records. \$250. Ph. 0448 483 354

AQUA BUDDY POOL CLEANER: Includes all fittings and hoses. Only 2 months old. \$40. Call/text: 0407 640 567

BALINESE DISPLAY UNIT: Solid timber, oval shaped and hand carved with 4 shelves 1.45 high by 1.85 wide. \$250. Ph. 0437 013 686

CANE BUCKET CHAIR: with matching footstool, indoor, good quality, colour natural \$50. Ph. 5448 8940

CANOE: With seat, paddle, wheels. \$200. Ph. 0422 944 267

CARAVAN POWER LEAD: 15 amp. 3 x 1.5mm. 10mtr. New in sealed bag. \$25. Ph. 0421 799 216

COFFEE GRINDER: Isomac electric coffee grinder. 250gm hopper. 320h x 150w x 190d. Chrome stainless steel finish. \$50. Phone 0437 513 350

COOKING TRAYS x 3: For a Miele steam oven. \$45. Call Ralph 0434 631 195

DISABILITY BLUE MOBILITY WALKER: Freedom brand x-large wheels, hand brakes, adjust height, lift-up soft seat with storage under. Exc cond. \$50 Ph 0407 359 111

DISABILITY COMMODE CHAIR: on wheels with brakes, adj ht, padded removable seat cover, toilet ring and removable pan with lid. 3-way purpose as bedside chair, over toilet chair, or shower chair. New cond. \$100. Ph. 0407 359 111

DK EYEWITNESS TRAVEL BOOK: on Australia 2010. \$20 Text 0448 914 459

ENGEL CAR 12V COOLER & WARMER: 8ltr capacity. Holds approx. 12 cans. As New \$70. Ph: 0428 448 348

ENGINEERS/MECHANIC HEAVY DUTY VICE: Fair condition, \$75. Ph/txt 0417 790 985

FLOOR RUGS: Wool x 3. Two are 2.4mx1.7m. and one is 1.7m x1.1m. Just been steam cleaned. Good cond. \$180 the lot Ph 0458 424 061

FOLDING BIKE: 20" wheels, V-brakes, 6 speeds, VG paint and tyres, rides great. \$65. Ph. 0458 545 074

FOLDABLE STRETCHER BED: Large, complete with carrier bag. As new. \$50. Ph. 0431 214 318

GARDEN POTS: Lovely large, used, but in good cond, ceramic. Half price. \$70 each. Ph. 0448 483 354

GLASS REPTILE ENCLOSURE: L800 W500 D500 Front dual slide doors, includes light fittings & various accessories \$180 Ph. 0432 626 047

GLASS FRONTED AND WOODEN CABINET: Upper part glass with 3 Shelves, drawers beneath and two wooden cupboards with shelving. Exc cond. \$120. Ph. 0415 38 19 40

GOLF BALLS: x 100 top brands, \$40. Ph: 0435 475 837

GOLF CLUBS: Driver, 3 & 5 metals, rescue hybrid, irons 4-9, wedge & putter, \$250. Ph Ian 0427 278 432

HORSE MANURE: From \$3 per bag, pickup at Coolum Beach Pony Club gate - 60 Tritonia Dr, Emu Mountain Estate

INDUSTRIAL EXTENSION LADDER (GORILLA BRAND): Adjustable from 3.0 to 5.4 metres. \$150. Call/text: 0407 640 567

JERRY CANS: 4x20L \$10 each 1x10L fast fill \$40. Ph. 0418 882 950

JEWELLERY CABINET: White timber with mirror front, table top 60cms high \$20. Ph. 0447 027 079

JULIA JONES PAINTING: Large \$150. Ph. 0400 420 058

KOGAN THERMO BLEND FOOD PROCESSOR: Model KATMX25AIOA. Instruct manual, attachments included. Never used. \$120. Ph. 0415 381 940

LEATHER CHAISE LOUNGE: Double bed size, black leather, in VGC. \$250. Ph. 0455 688 950

LEATHER RECLINER CHAIRS X 2: Good cond. \$100 each. Ph. 5471 6878

METAL CUTOFF SAW: GFC 355mm. \$80. Ph. 0414 872 040

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

MOUNTAIN BIKE: Men's Shimano outlook diamondback AS NEW \$200 ono. Ph. 0447 027 079

OFF ROAD TYRES X4: Falcon Brand 265 X 60R 18" VG Cond. \$60 each Ph. 5446 7384

ONE ACTIVE TREADMILL: all \$60. Ph. 0401 282 983

OUTDOOR SUN LOUNGER: Adjustable back, complete with full length cushion. As new. \$50. Ph. 0431 214 318

PANASONIC MINI SOUND SYSTEM: Brand new 20W mini system allows use of CDs, USB drives, radio and has Bluetooth connectivity to wirelessly stream music from compatible devices. Priced to sell at \$150. Ph. 5449 1497

PICNIC BASKET: As new with china, glasses etc \$50. Ph. 5448 8940

PONY TAIL PLANT: In large pot, very large, healthy. \$250 Ph. 0448 483 354

QUEEN SIZE BEDS: 2 x solid beds. \$100 each. Ph. 0455 688 950

REPCO MOUNTAIN BIKE: Alloy frame, 18 speeds, VGC paint, tyres & brakes. Rides great. \$65. Ph. 0458 545 074

ROOF RACK: fits Honda Civic Hatch MY 2017 on. Prorack Aero Through Bar. VGC. \$200. Ph. 0438 832 940

RYOBI BENCH DRILL: 5-speed. \$60. Ph. 0414 872 040

SODA WATER MAKER: Aarke Carbonator 3. New in unopened box. Stainless steel finish. Cost \$300 sell for \$150. Phone 0437 513 350

SPALDING GOLF CLUBS: Full set in fair condition suit beginner \$30. Ph. 0418 329 281

STAIGO BATTERY AND CHARGER: For electric recliner chair. \$50. Ph. 0455 281 915

STIHL BRUSHCUTTER FS85R: Excellent condition including blades and 50 metres of 2.7 cord - \$250. Ph. 0407 034 909

STIHL HEDGE TRIMMER HSA45: Lightweight, battery operated, excellent cond. \$150. Ph. 0477 431 077

SURFBOARD: DHD Weapon, 6’2" Swallowtail. Good condition \$250 firm. Ph. 0400 929 409

SURFBOARD: 6’5" thruster X 19.5" x 2 1/4. Greich, new fins, good flotation with leg rope. Goes really well. \$65. text Mick 0447 133 779

TABLE: Multipurpose, thick glass top. 1.4M X 65M X .75M. Good cond. \$30 Bargain! Ph. 0400 014 136

TABLE: Console, dark colour, glass top 1300x350. \$40. Ph. 0408 856 771

TELESCOPE: Astronomical reflector with 5 eyepieces, tripod and equatorial mounting. Excellent condition. \$60 Ph. 0421 391 085

TIMBER CHEST OF DRAWERS: VGC but not suitable for clothes - leaves them smelling a bit musty. \$80. Text 0448 914 459

TIMBER OUTDOOR LOUNGE: Good cond. Cushions are faded \$150 ono Ph. 0439 477 212

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

TOWING MIRRORS: (2) Camec brand. Clip on with security straps. Easy fit. Stable. Standard glass (not convex). VGC. \$50 pr. Ph. 0421 799 216

TRAVEL BACKPACKS: ONE PLANET brand. 1 x large backpack, 1 x smaller backpack. Enclosed straps for transport. Adjustable back lengths. Waist straps. Excellent condition. \$100 each. Ph. 0422 802 104

TRIKE/BIKE(SMALL) AND SCOOTER- ANTIQUE: Would suit display only. \$50 for both Ph/text: 0413 470 750

TYRE: Michelin Primacy 3ST, size 215/50R18, near new 1500 km only. Cost \$320, sell \$120. Ph 0417 894 398

VIBRATION PLATE EXERCISE MACHINE: with Bluetooth and USB port for music while exercising. Excellent cond. \$50. Ph. 0477 431 077

VINTAGE MYOTT STAFFORDSHIRE GREEN CHELSEA BIRD CHINA: 5 Large, 6 small Dinner plates, 5 Side plates, 6 Soup Dishes, 5 Saucers. Pieces range from \$15.00 To \$45.00 each. Ph: 0409 349670

VINTAGE ROYAL FAMILY BOOKS X 8: King George VI, Queen Elizabeth, Princess Margaret, Aust visit, Coronation. \$10 each or \$50 the lot. Text 0448 914 459

WHOLE BODY VIBRATION PLATFORM: \$250. Ph. 0437 013 685

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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 – 2.00pm until 5:00pm.

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.

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

COOLUM BEACH COMBINED PROBUS CLUB

Are you looking to join a club for fun, fellowship & to make new friends? Coolum Beach Combined Probus Club encourages the retired & semi-retired. The Club meets on the first Tuesday of the month.

We have an interesting guest speaker, morning tea & discuss our monthly outings, followed by a local club lunch, (guests invited to attend). Our outings consist of visiting new venues for lunch, some dinners, picnics in the park, coffee mornings, walking groups & car outings.

Our location is: The Uniting Church 22 Elizabeth St, Coolum Beach @ 9.15 first Tuesday of each month. Our next meeting will be held on **Tuesday, 6th of May**. We provide a generous morning tea on the day (small cost of \$4.00/guest). All enquiries please contact Faye 0419 644 651.

GENEALOGY SUNSHINE COAST OPEN DAY

Would you like to start doing your family tree? Come and visit our Centre on **Saturday, 24th May** from 9:30am to 2pm when you can access our library and get help to start your tree. We are in Petrie Park Rd, Nambour opposite the swimming pool. Check our website or contact Genealogy Sunshine Coast on 07 5329 2315.

GENEALOGY SUNSHINE COAST MILITARY WORKSHOP

Saturday, 26th April 9.30am to 3pm. Lunch from 12-1pm (available to purchase) or bring your own. Participants will learn how to do military research, understand service records, which websites to use, etc. with practical work in the afternoon. Please book on our website or email genealogysc@gmail.com Cost is \$15 for members or \$25 for non-members.

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>

FREE COMMUNITY MORNING TEA AT NORTH SHORE

Need a friendly pick-me-up? Come and join us for a free community morning tea at the North Shore Community Centre!

Enjoy complimentary coffee, tea, and delicious cake while connecting with neighbours and friends in a welcoming atmosphere. It's the perfect chance for a chat and a treat!

A huge thank you to our wonderful local sponsor, Bendigo Bank, for generously supporting these fantastic monthly community gatherings.

These are the final dates for this financial year – don't miss out! We'd love to see you there:

- Wednesday, 30th April 2025, at 10:30 am
- Monday, 26th May 2025, at 10:30 am
- Wednesday, 18th June 2025, at 10:30 am

Location: North Shore Community Centre, 701 David Low Way, Mudjimba. Everyone is welcome! No bookings required – just come along.

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, 22nd May** 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 0429 361 301 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 – YAROOMBA 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 0422791748 for more info). THURSDAY - 12.30 for 1pm start SATURDAY - 12.30 for 1pm start Partnership Contact: Trish Gatt on 0412 546 575

Do you have a Community Notice?

Send in your details to michelle@coolumadvertiser.com.au



7 Ann Street, COOLUM BEACH

A picture of perfection within a 5-minute walk of the village shops and the beach, this modern coastal home delivers blue-ribbon Coolum Beach living. This luxury, low-maintenance north-facing residence is just 5 years old (approx) and it is finished to a standard befitting its coveted location.

For Sale

Offers over \$1,750,000

Joel Hood
0429 886 188

Jade Gleadell
0451 964 940



21 Radiata Place, PEREGIAN SPRINGS

Set in one of Peregian Springs' most convenient pockets, this beautiful home is a private oasis in the heart of the action. This modern cul-de-sac residence is within walking distance of Peregian Springs State School, St Andrew's Anglican College, the shops, parkland, and kinder, and close to the footbridge to Coolum State High School.

For Sale

Offers over \$1,250,000

Joel Hood
0429 886 188

Tenahya Thompson
0424 180 096

Planning underway for biking pump track in Coolum park

COOLUM is set for a unique sporting attraction with a bike pump track earmarked for the Lions and Norrie Job Memorial Park which is the park located next to the caravan park and across from the hotel.

Construction of a new pump track is expected to start later this year.

This project follows extensive community engagement, which demonstrated strong community and youth support for the thrill-seeking addition.

A pump track is one where the rider generates momentum on their bike by up and down body movements, instead of pedalling or pushing. The track flows and is skills based.

Sunshine Coast Council Division 9 Councillor Maria Suarez said one of the standout ideas from the landscape plan, and from her consultation with students at Coolum State Primary School and Coolum State

High School, was a pump track for the park.

"We listened to what our community wanted, drafted a concept plan for the pump track and asked for feedback at the end of last year on what we'd planned.

"We received positive support for the pump track, and it will be a fantastic addition to Lions and Norrie Job Park for our community to enjoy," Cr Suarez said.

"It will certainly amp up the thrills and fun for Coolum residents.

"It will also mesh perfectly with the new basketball half court, making sure there's plenty of action-packed fun on offer.

"Once completed, this pump track will be a showcase of how we are connecting and engaging with our communities to build a better future for everyone.

"It's a great example of Council's commitment to providing high quality open space that supports active and healthy communities."

Community wants stated

Council received 132 survey responses providing feedback on the draft concept plan for the park.

"I am so grateful to our community for sharing your ideas and feedback on the plan," Cr Suarez said.

"The pump track has a lot of support with locals, with 70 per cent of those who provided feedback indicating they would use the track on a weekly basis.

"Our community told us they wanted track features like taller jumps and pumps, crossover opportunities including the ability to jump between multiple jumps, coastal-coloured line markings, higher drop-ins to generate speed and tabletop jumps.

"Additionally, they requested amenities such as water fountain/bottle fill stations, shaded seating, hang out areas, bins and a playground for kids."

The draft concept plan for the pump track was well received by the community and the suggestions listed above will be considered by the design team as the concept design is finalised.

Next steps

The project is now moving forward with a specialised design and construction process.

Council will engage a specialist contractor to finalise the design and build the track, ensuring the best possible outcome for the community.

Construction timeframes will be determined when the specialist contractor is engaged.

The final concept plan will be shared with the community before construction begins,

which is scheduled for late 2025.

What makes a track a pump track?

It is a track where you generate momentum on your bike by up and down body movements, instead of pedalling or pushing.

Pump tracks cater to all members of the community, creating a space that unites people from diverse

backgrounds.

You can road test Council's popular Sugar Bag Road pump track in Caloundra West to see what makes a great pump track. It's a track for all skill levels and will get your heart pumping!

For more information on the Coolum pump track please visit – www.sunshinecoast.qld.gov.au and search for 'Coolum pump track'.



A rider at the Sugar Bag Road pump track. Coolum will soon have a similar pump track in the Lions and Norrie Job Park. Photo: Contributed



Kangas on the Green

Peter Madden

The resident roos of Mt Coolum sure do know how to take it easy with this mob enjoying a quiet game of golf it appears. Peter snapped these roos on the morning of April 16.

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.

A look back in time

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

REMEMBERING THE THOMAS KING

IT IS 173 years this week since the sailing ship Thomas King - carrying Captain James Henry Walker, fourteen other crew and two passengers - was wrecked on Cato Island, 270 km from the southern end of the Great Barrier Reef, on 17 April 1852. "Why is that relevant to us here in Coolum?", I can picture you asking ... but this far-away event is extremely relevant in the history of our part of the Sunshine Coast!



Cato Island is tiny, and lacks a water source, so Captain Walker, the second mate (Dallas), four seamen (Howard, Thompson, Smith and Sherry) and Dr. Hyslop - a passenger - sailed the ship's boat to the coast, aiming to obtain help from the recently founded settlement at Maryborough. The other ten men stayed on the island until May 4, 1852, and were rescued by a "whaler", the Lady Blackwood and taken to Sydney.

Captain Walker's group of seven headed south on

April 19, 1852, and despite rough seas, reached land near Double Island Point at dawn on April 22. Failing to locate Maryborough, they headed towards Brisbane on foot, despite encounters with the local indigenous people.

After crossing the Noosa River on April 24, 1852, Captain Walker and Seaman Howard were assaulted and injured, but a timely thunderstorm, causing their aggressors to run for cover in the nearby scrub, saved the party and they rapidly headed towards the headland now known as Point Perry.

Here they separated into several close groups and hid in the area where two streams - one from the ridge above Grandview Drive, and the other above Lang Street -

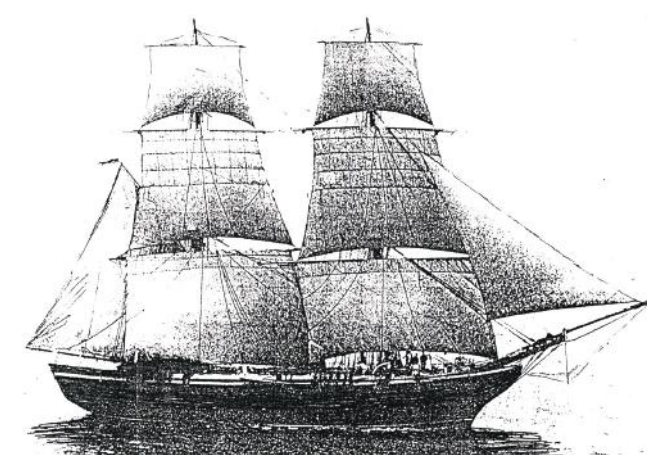
still form a stream that flows towards the ocean.

Captain Walker hid in a hole and assumed the worst as he heard some members of his party being attacked. Eventually, in the morning, he emerged and found the bodies of Dr. Hyslop and Smith. He did not find Dallas, Howard or Thompson, whose bodies were all eventually found in the scrub by a search party from Brisbane in mid-June 1852, along with the chronometer, two gold rings, and several books!

Seaman Sherry had escaped the slaughter by heading inland, but Captain Walker, not finding any of his companions and crew, stayed near the coast, first climbing Mount Coolum to orient himself before heading

south towards Brisbane Town. Eventually, as he reached the North Pine River, Captain Walker looked up to see a

man on the other side - it was Sherry, who had made his way south to civilization on the inland route!



A sketch of the 'Thomas King'. Photo: Windolf collection.



COOLUM BEACH BOWLS RESULTS

Congratulations Laurie Cattanach – 2025 Novice Singles Champion.

Club Championship results available on club website at:
<https://coolumbeachbowls.com.au/club-championships/>.

Club Honour Roll available on club website at:
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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.

Tuesday, 8th April

Social Bowls
1st B Burkitt, R Klim +13
2nd Sandy & Scott Wilson +11
3rd J & A Jones +10

Friday, 11th April

Social Bowls
1st J Chapman, B Smith +19
2nd M Wilson, V Mifsud +16
3rd G Dysart, Y Walsh +15

Tuesday, 15th April

Social Bowls
1st J Scater, P Cummings +25
2nd B Burkitt, R Klim +24
3rd T & P Spencer +23

Thursday, 16th April

Social Bowls
1st M & K Emerton +26
2nd J Wilson, D Wright +19
3rd J & A Jones +18
Club Championships
Novice Singles
Semi-finals
L Cattanach 25 def T Nunn 18
P McNamara 25 def V Smith 10
Final
L Cattanach 25 def P McNamara 10



The Novice Singles final was played recently with Laurie Cattanach winning (25 - 10) and Paul McNamara taking out the runner-up spot. Congratulations to both!



The April sunshine has made for some absolutely perfect autumn bowling conditions. All photos: Contributed

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TIDE TIMES 2025
APRIL 23, 2025 - MAY 6, 2025

Tide heights taken from Coolum Beach					Coolum & Maroochy River. For other areas visit www.qld.gov.au				
WED 23 APR	1.75m	0.55m	1.41m	0.58m	WED 30 APR	0.46m	1.45m	0.26m	2.1m
Coolum	4:12 am	10:58 am	4:44 pm	10:34 pm	Coolum	3:59 am	9:35 am	3:33 pm	10:21 pm
Maroochy River	6:27 am	2:08 pm	6:59 pm	12:34 am	Maroochy River	7:09 am	11:50 am	6:43 pm	
THU 24 APR	1.83m	0.41m	1.59m	0.48m	THU 1 MAY	0.54m	1.31m	0.38m	2m
Coolum	5:02 am	11:38 am	5:35 pm	11:33 pm	Coolum	5:03 am	10:27 am	4:19 pm	11:15 pm
Maroochy River	7:17 am	2:48 pm	7:50 pm	1:44 am	Maroochy River	8:13 am	12:42 pm	7:29 pm	12:36 am
FRI 25 APR	0.48m	1.88m	0.29m	1.78m	FRI 2 MAY	2m	0.62m	1.21m	0.51m
Coolum		5:47 am	12:16 pm	6:22 pm	Coolum		6:15 am	11:26 am	5:12 pm
Maroochy River	2:43 am	8:02 am	3:26 pm	8:37 pm	Maroochy River	1:30 am	9:25 am	1:41 pm	8:22 pm
SAT 26 APR	0.4m	1.88m	0.19m	1.95m	SAT 3 MAY	1.88m	0.67m	1.15m	0.63m
Coolum	12:27 am	6:31 am	12:54 pm	7:08 pm	Coolum	12:17 am	7:29 am	12:42 pm	6:18 pm
Maroochy River	3:37 am	8:46 am	4:04 pm	9:23 pm	Maroochy River	2:32 am	10:39 am	2:57 pm	9:28 pm
SUN 27 APR	0.35m	1.83m	0.13m	2.08m	SUN 4 MAY	1.77m	0.68m	1.16m	0.71m
Coolum	1:18 am	7:15 am	1:32 pm	7:54 pm	Coolum	1:27 am	8:40 am	2:12 pm	7:41 pm
Maroochy River	4:28 am	9:30 am	4:42 pm	10:09 pm	Maroochy River	3:42 am	11:50 am	4:27 pm	10:51 pm
MON 28 APR	0.34m	1.73m	0.13m	2.15m	MON 5 MAY	1.7m	0.66m	1.24m	0.73m
Coolum	2:10 am	8:00 am	2:12 pm	8:42 pm	Coolum	2:37 am	9:41 am	3:29 pm	9:02 pm
Maroochy River	5:20 am	10:15 am	5:22 pm	10:57 pm	Maroochy River	4:52 am	12:51 pm	5:44 pm	
TUE 29 APR	0.38m	1.59m	0.17m	2.16m	TUE 6 MAY	1.66m	0.62m	1.35m	0.72m
Coolum	3:02 am	8:46 am	2:51 pm	9:30 pm	Coolum	3:36 am	10:28 am	4:29 pm	10:12 pm
Maroochy River	6:12 am	11:01 am	6:01 pm	11:45 pm	Maroochy River	5:51 am	1:38 pm	6:44 pm	12:12 am

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5:30PM

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5:45PM

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WEDNESDAY

9AM - 12PM

TABLE TENNIS

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

2PM - 5PM

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Tradies welcome. Prize draw end of month.

4PM - 7PM

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5:30PM - 6PM

JAG THE JOKER

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5:30PM - 6PM

ELIJAH'S HOOPS

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6:30PM

DARTS

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

FRIDAY

5PM

TGIF RAFFLE

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