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inset: Senator Glenn Lazarus with Kate and Joe Masters

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- 12.15 to 1 – 9 Sumba Ct, Tamborine Mtn
- 12.30 to 1.15 – 27 Griffith St, Tamborine Mtn
- 1 to 1.45 – 28 Jenyns Rd, Tamborine Mtn
- 1 to 1.30 – 29 Coleman St, Tamborine Mtn
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Roads and revitalisation underpin 2016-17 Council Budget

Record expenditure on roads and bridges and the rollout of long-term plans to revitalise three key population centres headline Scenic Rim Regional Council’s $96 million 2016-17 Budget.

Council has levied a 2.5 per cent rate increase on owner-occupied residential properties in 2016-17. It is continuing with its previously established policy on differential rates for residential non-principal place of residence properties. In line with industry averages, Council will set the differential between residential principal place of residence and residential non-principal place of residence at 25 per cent in 2016-17.

“The vast majority of Scenic Rim owner-occupiers, some 92 per cent, will receive a rate increase of 2.5 per cent,” said Mayor Greg Christensen.

“The minimum rate will be $1162 or an increase of $28 on last year.

“A wave of opportunity is rising for Scenic Rim and now is the time for Council to invest in the revitalisation of our communities to help drive the region towards a bright and dynamic future.

“This year’s Budget is a fiscal plan for the times and is about capitalising on the solid foundation of Council’s sustainable financial position and using this as a springboard to harness our full economic potential across all sectors of the economy.”

ROADS AND BRIDGES

Cr Christensen said continuing improvements to the region’s road and bridge network remained a fundamental focus for Council, in line with the shared Community Plan vision for an accessible and serviced region, and a central element for a sustainable and prosperous economy.

“A $31.4 million commitment to maintaining and renewing our roads and bridges reflects the importance of well-maintained transport infrastructure in connecting our communities and providing the backbone of the local economy,” he said.

Mayor Greg Christensen announced the introduction of a self-service checkout at Tamborine Mountain Library.

Beaudesert and Tamborine Mountain.

“This year we are taking our Vibrant and Active Towns and Villages to the next level, with three masterplans and the rollout of signature projects to underpin these long-term visions for our communities,” he said.

“We have earmarked funds for the delivery of a signature town square or gateway project which reflects the unique characteristics and personality of these three towns.”

KEY EXPENDITURE

Key expenditure for Council in 2016-17 includes:

• Roads and Bridges $31.40 million
• Vibrant and Active Towns and Villages $3.48 million
• Facilities $7.58 million
• Parks and Gardens $3.00 million
• Community and Culture $5.03 million
• Waste Operations $6.10 million
• Planning $2.75 million
• Health, Building and Environment $4.51 million

TAMBORINE MOUNTAIN PROJECTS

Two major stormwater projects will be delivered on Tamborine Mountain.

Improvements will be undertaken in Ocean View Parade at a cost of $270,000, while $70,000 has been allocated to Tolima Drive.

Cr Christensen said Council had also allocated $50,000 to undertake a comprehensive study of drainage across residential areas on Tamborine Mountain.

“Water flows during significant storms and rain is an ongoing challenge on the Mountain given the topography and limited urban stormwater infrastructure. This study will help identify a long-term response to this issue,” he said.

Footpath improvements will be carried out on Main Western Road ($65,000), and in Duncan Street, Canungra, leading to the School of Arts car park ($55,000).

Road improvements will be made on Beacon Road, North Tamborine at a cost of $100,000, while $33,000 has been allocated to support Tamborine Mountain Botanic Gardens, and a further $13,000 for a concrete tank replacement at Tamborine Mountain Pool.

Tamborine Mountain Library, along with Boonah and Beaudesert, will see the introduction of self service checkouts.

Cr Christensen said the introduction of the self service checkouts would provide community members of all ages with another opportunity to learn about and apply digital technology in a user-friendly environment.

Firies will hold awareness day

Tamborine Mountain Rural Fire Brigade will hold a community educational and awareness day on Sunday 31 July at the Fire Station on Main Western Road.

In addition to demonstrations, awareness programs and displays for the adults, there will also be plenty of fun things for their children to do on the day.

The Queensland Ambulance Service and State Emergency Service will also participate in the event which will run from 10am to 2pm.

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Senator Glenn Lazarus wants better lemon laws to protect buyers

Senator Glenn Lazarus says better laws are needed to protect Australians who buy new vehicles that turn out to be ‘lemons’.

The former Rugby League great was one of hundreds of people who attended the public crushing of Kate and Joe Masters’ 2011 Dodge Journey by an ex-Army, 52 tonne Crusader tank at the Bearded Dragon in Tamborine on Saturday.

“It was just one problem after another,” said Joe, who described the demolition of the black four wheel drive as a “feeling of liberation”.

“We could not keep it – it was not safe, and there was no way we were going to sell it with all its problem to someone else.

“And we simply could not, no matter how often and how hard we tried, get a satisfactory and acceptable resolution to the problem.”

In the end we felt we had no alternative but to make a statement of protest and hope the right people would sit up and take notice.”

The spectacular destruction of Joe and Kate’s lemon was witnessed by hundreds of adults and children.

Right on schedule, the tank, owned by Tankride, of Tamborine, fired up and descended on the hapless lemon.

Senator Lazarus said that if he was returned in Saturday’s Federal Election he would seek to have legislation introduced into Parliament that would provide much better protection for new car buyers who, like the Masters, ended up with lemons.

“I want to see lemon laws that provide for tougher penalties for those who don’t do the right thing,” he said.

“I am constantly receiving complaints from unhappy buyers and it just seems to be getting worse.”

Senator Glenn Lazarus with Kate and Joe Masters

Council Notices

Road Renaming - Murray Crossing East Road, Mt Walker
Council sought public comment on an alternative name for Murray Crossing East Road, a roadway off Rosewood-Warrill View Road, Mt Walker. Council, at its meeting held on 27 May 2016, resolved to approve the renaming of Murray Crossing East Road, Mt Walker as Daley Lane, Mt Walker.

Road Naming - Unnamed road off Tea Tree Road, Harrisville
Council, at its meeting held on 27 May 2016, resolved to continue the name Tea Tree Road, for the unformed, unnamed roadway south of the intersection with Tea Tree Road and Greenwood Road, Harrisville.

Eat Local Week returns
There’s something for foodies of all ages, and events are filling up fast. Check out what’s on offer from 25 June to 3 July at www.eatlocalweek.com.au

Winter Harvest Festival 2 July 2016
Eat Local Week’s signature event returns on Saturday 2 July at the Aratula Community Sports Complex, 10am – 4pm. Adults $10, Children under 12 Free.

TENDERS
Tender Number SIRRC005503
Council is calling for Tenders for the labour, supervision, tools, plant, vehicles, equipment and materials necessary for the provision of operational services at the Council’s Bromelton Landfill located at 43 Waste Facility Road, Bromelton. The general landfill operational services required include:
- Waste inspection and acceptance;
- Waste placement, compaction and cover;
- Environmental management and control measures;
- Waste disposal monitoring and record keeping.

The Tender must be lodged through the LG Tenderbox website www.lgtenderbox.com.au. Respondents must be registered as a Supplier on LG Tenderbox in order to view tender specifications and submit a tender.

Closing Date for Tender is 11.00am Wednesday 6 July 2016.

Tender No SIRRC005554 - Maintenance of Air Conditioning Units at Various Council Sites
Scenic Rim Regional Council is inviting contractors to submit a tender for the Maintenance of Air Conditioning Units at Various Council Sites. This tender closes at 2pm Wednesday 6 July 2016. Only electronic submissions uploaded to the LG Tender Box will be considered. Submissions made after the closing time will not be accepted.

For further information and documentation, please go to www.lgtenderbox.com.au

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RSVP 5540 5050 - All welcome free entry
@ the Centre Beaudesert

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Friday 1 July 10am, 1pm & 7pm
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SCENIC RIM WRITERS - free event
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CANDIDATES FOR WRIGHT IN THE JULY 2 FEDERAL ELECTION

There are seven candidates for the seat of Wright which has been held by LNP incumbent Scott Buchholz since the seat’s creation in 2010. The seat was named after Judith Wright who lived on Tamborine Mountain for many years and made a significant contribution to Australia as a social and environmental activist and poet.

Covering 7589 square kilometres, Wright includes Tamborine Mountain, Tamborine, Canungra, Beaudesert, Jimboomba, Boonah, Laidley, Gatton, Hatton Vale and Helidon. It also takes in the western Gold Coast and rural areas between Logan City and the NSW border.

The candidates listed in ballot paper order:
Candidate and Party
AGNOLETTO, Pietro  (The Greens)
SMITH, Rod (Pauline Hanson’s One Nation)
BUCHHOLZ, Scott (Liberal National Party of Queensland)
SMITH, Allistair (Australian Labor Party)
COX, John (Mature Australia)
AUSTIN, Barry (Family First)
STONE, Mark M  (Liberal Democrats)

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TAMBORINE MEMORIAL HALL
2680-2726 Waterford-Tamborine Road, Tamborine

POLLING BOOTHS ARE OPEN FROM 8AM TO 6PM ON VOTING DAY

PRE-POLLING

Unlike the recent local government elections, there is no pre-polling on Tamborine Mountain for the Federal Election.

Nearest pre-polling locations are:
Oxenford: Shop 2B 160 Pacific Highway (in the Supercheap Auto complex)
Southport: 1/75 Scarborough Street next to Australia Fair
Jimboomba: Able Australia, 19-33 South Street

PREFERENTIAL VOTING SYSTEM EXPLAINED

The voting system used for the House of Representatives is full preferential. This means to make a vote count under a full preferential system, a voter is required to indicate a preference for each candidate on the ballot paper by using the numbers 1, 2, 3 and so on up to the number of candidates.

We have seven candidates to choose from in the electorate of Wright so, in short, all squares should contain a number between one and seven inclusive for your vote to be counted as formal.

The first candidate to receive an absolute majority of all formal votes is elected. If, after all first preference votes have been counted, no candidate has obtained an absolute majority, then the candidate with the fewest number of first preference votes is excluded from the count and his or her second preference votes are then distributed to the remaining candidates. Should a candidate still not be elected, the process continues with the next candidate with the lowest votes being eliminated and so on until one candidate is elected on an absolute majority of formal votes.

For the Senate, we can vote Above the Line for the party OR Below the Line for the individuals.

If you vote above the line, you must number at least six boxes from 1 to 6 by placing a 1 in the box above the party or group that is your first choice, the number 2 in the box above the party or group that is your second choice and so on until you have numbered at least six boxes above the line. You can continue to place numbers in the order of your choice in as many boxes above the line as you like.

If you vote below the line, you must number at least 12 boxes from 1 to 12 by placing a 1 in the box beside the candidate that is your first choice, and the numbers 2, 3, 4 and so on to at least the number 12. You can continue to place numbers in the order of your choice in as many boxes below the line as you like.

Astrid Kennedy
Robbery with violence at SUPA IGA car park

I’m sure most Mountain residents would have seen this incident on the news recently but I wanted to follow up with some further information with regard to this investigation.

The facts are that at about 2am on Saturday 6 June the victim was asleep in his Holden station wagon in the car park at the SUPA IGA shopping complex with his two dogs. He was attacked by masked offenders who smashed open the car window, and assaulted him with a weapon before allowing his frightened dogs to run away. The victim was continuously threatened with violence as the offenders believed he had the car keys. Eventually one offender found the keys and all offenders decamped in the stolen dual cab Nissan Navara they had arrived in, as well as the victim’s vehicle. You may have seen the footage on TV and what soon became obvious was that the third offender was a child. A short time later police located the Navara which was involved in a crash at Meadowbrook near Logan. The offenders were forced to quickly abandon the vehicle to and run away. This was our opportunity to secure some scientific evidence as well as recover weapons and stolen property. As a result of our fantastic team of Scenes of Crime officers a number of fingerprints were located and, coupled with Intelligence given by members of the public, we have now identified the offenders and chargers have been preferred against a 33-year-old man and a 14 year old child. Other offenders were involved and I believe it is only a matter of time before they too are charged with this and other matters.

Of interest to most of us on the Mountain, was the victim’s missing dog, a white Staffy cross which was not located for a number of days. I personally spent as much time as I could over that time driving searching for him as I was convinced he would surface at some point. And by a small miracle he did exactly that and came out of nowhere to run happily up to his owner while he was at the Shell Service Station. It was a huge effort by the victim and his extended family who were up here every day and most nights waiting for the dog to surface, making a bed and shelter, leaving food and water and just praying that he was OK. What a great result, and no doubt this was a huge relief to the victim and his loved ones. Unfortunately, the victim’s pride and joy, his 2012 Holden Sandman station wagon was later found burnt out which is what these mongrels do to try and avoid getting caught. They have no consideration or concern for anyone else’s property or their situation - they simply take drugs and see what happens. The victim is now forced, at great expense and inconvenience, to replace his vehicle which was not covered by insurance. However, as we can all appreciate, you cannot replace a human life or that of a beloved pet so we are very thankful that the victim and his companion are back safe and sound together again.

Although I had previously spoken to the victim in the past while he was waiting in the car park he reminded me at the scene shortly after he was assaulted that the reason he drives his wife up to work and waits for her is that she did not feel safe coming up to the Mountain on her own. I’m sure most of us would like to say that we live in a very safe and secure location but what could I actually say after he had been subjected to this level of violence up here? It is a timely reminder to all of us that we are not immune to criminals and their despicable behaviour. Be safe, lock your properties and vehicles, secure your valuables and take steps to be safe when you are out and about at all times.

Blue Light Disco

Const Muir has asked me to mention to all parents who send their kids to the disco to please make sure that they are escorted in to the venue and not just dropped off out the front. We do patrols around the venue to deter kids congregating in the shadows but we cannot be responsible for kids who don’t come through the door. Are you sure your kids went to the disco?

Property left after the recent Bluelight disco is held at the police station:
1 x girl's wallet
1 x lip gloss
1 x tracky top

Found property still looking for a home:
1 x bike
1 x Colorado wallet
TRAVELLING PLACES

with Gina

Are you or your friends under 35? If you are thinking of a gap year, a schoolies trip, a drop and flop beach holiday or an adventure to an exotic corner of the world then you shouldn’t miss the Travelling Places Youth Travel Expo.

We have experts from Contiki, Geckos, Intrepid and Qantas/Viva Holidays visiting Tamborine Mountain on Saturday morning 9 July. They are coming so that you can ask them any questions you may have relating to travel - a great opportunity to have a chat and enjoy a sausage sizzle. If you have popped into Travelling Places before, you may already have met Lauren who has taken several of these trips herself so she will be there to help arrange your dream adventure.

Taking a trip with Intrepid or Geckos or Contiki is great - you travel with like-minded people and meet new friends which is always good fun. There is a tour director or guide to take care of the mundane side of travelling, like where to go, what to see, how to get there and which are the safe, cheap restaurants to eat at. Your itinerary is all arranged and your accommodation booked, so you don’t have to run around looking for somewhere to sleep each night wondering if where you think looks great is OK or if it’s dodgy. The tour guides are there to share all their experiences and knowledge so that you spend your valuable time discovering all that’s great about your destination. Not only are these trips great value - imagine having a tour guide, your transport, your accommodation and your breakfast all for under $90 per day.

If it’s a drop and flop beach holiday or city stay that you are looking for, then there is no better package deals than those offered by Viva and Qantas Holidays. All of these companies send specialists to the destinations to research which are the best value hotels and the best places to stay; their firsthand experience and recommendations are invaluable. You can book with these tried and tested companies safe in the knowledge that your holiday will be well organised, good value and excellent fun.

When: Saturday 9th July 9am to 1pm
Where: Travelling Places — 24 Main Street
Youth Travel Experts are coming to visit Travelling Places.

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JULY IS NATIONAL DESEXING MONTH

- Tamborine Mountain and Canungra Veterinary Surgeries, in conjunction with the National Desexing Network, are launching National Desexing Month in July. A special offer of 15 per cent discount to all dog and cat desexings will apply to desexing operations performed during July 2016.
- Research by the Animal Welfare League of Qld shows that 65 per cent of people who surrender undesexed cats and dogs have not desexed them because they just didn’t get around to it, or because of financial circumstances. Desexing promotion and reduced fees can provide an important incentive for people to desex their pets sooner rather than later, and prevent unexpected kittens and puppies.
  - Cats and dogs are safer and happier if desexed. They are less likely to roam and get into fights, or be hit by cars or impounded. They are also less likely to get mammary and testicular cancers.
  - Owners often find it easier to care for desexed cats and dogs because they are more homely and affectionate, and are less likely to want to get out of yards and wander.
- Tamborine Mountain and Canungra Veterinary Surgeries are happy to contribute to National Desexing Month to help prevent the tragedy of unwanted pets.

To make a booking, please phone:

Tamborine Mountain Veterinary Surgery: 07 5545 2422
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SHELF ROAD RESERVE
A 10.5 hectare Council reserve on Shelf Road, Tamborine Mountain, is being revegetated and rehabilitated through Energex’s Environmental Offsets Program, whereby Energex aims to replace every native tree it has removed to build its electrical distribution network in the Scenic Rim since 2012. The project is a collaborative effort between SRRC and Energex, with the valuable advice and support of TM Landcare and will deliver real benefits to the environment and biodiversity. At a recent inspection with residents, Energex, SRRC and TML, we were able to see that despite the challenges of heavy weed infestation, difficult topography and hydrology the project is progressing well and thousands of new native trees are thriving.

‘Let’s Walk’ dog walking mornings (with or without dogs) reminder - 8am start and 2.5 km circuit, Tamborine Mountain Sports Association 10 July.

Wildlife Emergency Hotline 1300ANIMAL (1300 264 625)
Council website: www.scenicrim.qld.gov.au
My contact details: Email: nadia.o@scenicrim.qld.gov.au
Phone: 5540 5402
Mobile: 0418 221 453

BUDGET
Council adopted the 2016-17 Budget at a special meeting on 23 June. An important initiative is the town centre master plans developed as part of the Vibrant and Active Towns and Villages program. Provision has been made for the delivery of the first stages of these town centre revitalisation projects this financial year. The community budget report provides information about expenditure, financial statements, rates and charges - the document is available via the Council website and printed copies can be viewed at libraries and customer service centres.

BUDGET
Last week Council held a special meeting to consider the 2016-17 Financial Year Budget. The following is my budget response:

“This is a bold budget designed to realign the relativities of rates between the three categories of residential, commercial and rural, and to provide or to improve those services which the community have been asking for.

“I would like to thank the Council team for its efforts in putting this budget together.

“For those who thought that rate reductions would be forthcoming, they will be disappointed. Rate reductions at this point of time would lead to stagnation within the Scenic Rim, no improvement in the delivery of services and no prospect of taking advantage of the growth which is coming.

“For those who realise that rates have to rise but are looking for a better deal, they should be pleased.

“Rate relativities were put out of balance due to actions taken on the residential rate two years ago. Last year, corrections to the relativities were started with a review of rural rates, and this year that correction is being continued with both rural and commercial rates - in particular, those high impact rural and industrial uses which have not, in the past, been paying a fair share of the rate burden. These relativities have not been decided by Council but external parties who are experts in this field.

“This budget delivers extra rates which will be used to provide or improve those services which the community has been seeking for a while. In particular, extra resources will be put into gravel roads, the footpath budget is increased, new funds are allocated to facilities, and playgrounds and funding is provided for the Vibrant and Active Villages project. This budget provides Council the opportunity to move forward and prepare for the growth which is coming.

“Putting ratepayers first also means that we need to ensure that our expenditure is effective and efficient. There has not been the opportunity since the election to give this area the attention it deserves. It is my desire that within the next nine months our expenditure be reviewed. Depending on the result of this review, we may be able to reduce the pressure on rates in further budgets.

I therefore support this budget.”

The general rate rise for most ratepayers in a principal place of residence is 2.5 per cent.
Tamborine Mountain will benefit from the following capital expenditure:
• Upgrade of a part of Beacon Road
• Drainage on Ocean View Parade and Tolima Drive
• Renewal of footpath in front of the medical centre on Main Western Road
• Handrail at the Tamborine Mountain War Memorial
• Concrete tanks at the Tamborine Mountain pool
• Internal painting of the Tamborine Mountain library, and
• Support to the Botanic Gardens.
• Further funding is planned for Main Street under the Vibrant and Active Towns Project but this funding needs to be confirmed once Council hears from the State Government on its funding applications. A new initiative is $250,000 for the Playground Strategy and the allocation of this funding has yet to be finalised. A Community Budget Report is available on the Council's website and a hard copy can be perused in the library. I encourage residents to read it.

CONSULTATION
The next consultation in the library will be on Monday 4 July, 4pm to 5pm. I am also available for consultations at your convenience.
My contact details are:

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• Home: 07 5545 0223;
• Mobile: 0423 931 075; and
• Email: nigel.w@scenicrim.qld.gov.au.
• Email: npw1@sctelco.net.au
**Biggest Morning Tea a big fundraiser for cancer research**

Last week's Biggest Morning Tea on Tamborine Mountain was a sell-out that raised $1500 for cancer research.

Some 30 people attended the event at Tamborine Cooking School and had a ball as they worked with chef Terri Taylor to prepare a delicious morning tea with a difference that included mini muffins, cocktail sandwiches, savoury pastries, slices and scones, which they enjoyed with a glass of champagne.

Helen Gillies, Regional Fundraising Coordinator for the Gold Coast with the Cancer Council Queensland, said she could hardly believe the outcome.

“This is wonderful support and we are very appreciative,” she said.

“Each of you is making a big difference to the one in two Queenslanders diagnosed with cancer in their lifetime.

“Australia's Biggest Morning Tea is the largest and most successful fundraising event of its kind in the country. Last year in Queensland more than 5000 Morning Tea hosts raised a record-breaking $2.5 million.

“This year we are hoping to top those efforts by raising $2.8 million, so we truly can't thank you enough for helping us towards this goal and our organisational mission to ensure that no Queenslander faces cancer alone.

“The best thing about all of our services is that they are all provide free of charge to Queenslanders thanks the wonderful generosity of people like you.

“I would like to leave you with one message: for all the people here today, for the organisers of the event, Terri and helpers, to everyone here or anywhere who have put their hand in their pocket for the Cancer Council .... when a cure is found, you can all justly and rightly share in that momentous victory because you helped make t happen.”

All of the takings at the morning tea, which was sponsored by Tamborine Mountain Chamber of Commerce, Professionals Real Estate and Tamborine Cooking School, were donated to the Cancer Council.
IGA training program helping Mountain youth

Carlo’s SUPA IGA Tamborine Mountain recently began a new training and mentoring program to help local secondary school students.

The program involves the students working together with teachers, and IGA staff and management, in a school-based traineeship. This allows them to learn in a safe and comfortable environment, giving them confidence and life skills to help with their transition into adulthood.

Adam Chanter, of Workplace Training Strategies, said it was great to be involved in establishing the store’s school pathway program.

“Providing local training and employment opportunities identifies a further shift by SUPA IGA, a leading local employer, to help assist in developing and mentoring Mountain youth through their pivotal years,” said Mr Chanter.

“The life skills they will learn only come through real time scenarios. Workplace Training Strategies would like to thank Carlo’s IGA, Tamborine Mountain State High School, Tamborine Mountain College, Department of Education and Training, and Apprentice Support Australia for collaboration on such a wonderful project”.

Jo Cox, of Tamborine Mountain High School, said Carlo’s SUPA IGA had taken their corporate and social responsibility seriously, by wanting to invest in youth and their future.

“IGA decided to give a few of our students the fantastic opportunity to work and train locally to obtain a Certificate 3 in Retail by offering them school-based traineeships,” said Ms Cox.

“IGA has seen the need to employ local youth and to start them on a learning pathway where they can obtain new skills that will help them, the community and their business.”

Manager, Fiona Skerke, said IGA took its community obligations seriously and was proud to be able to participate in the training and mentoring program.
Boost for tennis volunteers

Tennis players and their families from across the region are set to benefit from a Commonwealth funding boost to the Tamborine Mountain Tennis Club.

Federal Member for Wright Scott Buchholz congratulated the club, which is among 27 groups in the Scenic Rim and Gold Coast Hinterland to share in $98,856 under the Volunteer Grants program.

The Tamborine Mountain Tennis Club received $4260 towards outdoor furniture, office gear and tools. Club vice-president Mandy Curnow said the money would ease pressure on volunteers and benefit the community.

“We’re a seven day a week operation here and, aside from coaching and social tennis, we often host community open days and interact with clubs from Beechmont and Canungra,” she said.

“Our 142 members and also the other people who share our facilities, like the local Men’s Shed, will benefit from this.”

Mr Buchholz thanked the Tamborine Mountain Tennis Club and all local volunteer-driven groups for their work in the community.

Regular moderate exercise best for weight loss

One of the biggest problems facing the ‘First world’ is obesity. Years of trying to burn calories and restrict our diets haven’t worked. Aggressive exercise regimes are hard to maintain over the long-term and often lead to injury. Weight loss solutions often focus too much on the outcome - our weight - and ignore the cause of our weight gain – how we handle stress.

One of the hardest myths to dispel when you teach a moderate exercise regime such as yoga, is that because it doesn’t hurt and you don’t sweat, you are not getting fit or losing weight. Ironically you often do lose weight, because with a moderate exercise practice you usually reduce the stress that contributes to the weight gain and you do it more regularly.

Walking the dog daily is less injurious and gives us more exercise than the weekend warrior who pumps out a high intensity workout and then does nothing during the working week.

Reduced stress unlocks our potential and allows us to truly live life and to hear and feel our bodies again, no matter what our size.

A regular, loving exercise practice will move us from a world of stressed, sick, and overweight, to calm, radiant, and loving. So slow down, soften, and move how it feels good for you.

Margot Wagner

HEALTH FACTS - BOWEL CANCER

Bowel cancer is the second most common type of newly diagnosed cancer in Australia affecting both men and women almost equally and is Australia’s second biggest cancer killer after lung cancer. Australia also has the unenviable record of one of the highest rates of bowel cancer in the world.

By the time they reach the age of 85, one in 12 people will be diagnosed with bowel cancer. Of these, 77 will die from the disease every week. This means that just under 15,000 Australians are told they have bowel cancer every year, and it has become our second biggest cancer killer after lung cancer, claiming the lives of around nearly 4000 people every year.

The good news is that bowel cancer is one of the most curable types of cancer if detected early and, if caught in time, 90 per cent of bowel cancer cases can be treated successfully and people can continue to enjoy life.

However, at the moment only about 40 per cent of bowel cancers are detected early so we need to start acting early and be aware of the symptoms earlier. If bowel cancer is detected before it has spread beyond the bowel, the chance of surviving for at least five years after diagnosis is around 90 per cent and most people are able to return to their current lifestyle. Sadly, most cases are not detected until a later stage and so, overall, close to only 60 per cent of people diagnosed with the disease survive five years. The fact is that early detection offers the best hope of reducing the number of Australians who die each year from bowel cancer.

The risk of developing bowel cancer is greater if you:
- are aged 50 years and over
- have had an inflammatory bowel disease, such as Crohn’s disease or ulcerative colitis
- have previously had special types of polyps, called adenomas in the bowel, or
- have a significant family history of bowel cancer polyps.

The definition of ‘significant family history’ is important. You are considered to have a significant family history of bowel cancer if a close relative (parent, brother, sister or child) developed bowel cancer at a young age (under 55 years) or if more than one relative on the same side of your family has had bowel cancer.

Most bowel cancers develop from non-cancerous growths of tissue called ‘polyps’. Not all polyps become cancerous and if they are removed the risk of bowel cancer is reduced. If the cancer isn’t treated, the cancer can grow through the wall of the bowel and spread to the lymph nodes and to other parts of the body.

It is important to speak to a health professional about any concerns you may have.

Your Self Care pharmacist can give you more information about issues affecting your bowel and has a range of fact cards including ones which cover the topics of fibre and bowel health. Your pharmacist can also advise you about bowel cancer screening test kits which are designed for people who do not have any obvious symptoms of the disease. The aim is to find any polyps or to find cancer early when they are easier to treat and cure.

The BowelScreen Australia test kits come complete with full instructions, and a dedicated customer helpline, as well as an annual reminder service.

Eagle Heights Pharmacy
Chamber Philharmonia Cologne returning to the Mountain

After several successful European tours in 2015 and 2016 the Chamber Philharmonia Cologne (Germany) is coming back to Tamborine Mountain with a powerful and lovely new program.

“Classical music the world over” is the motto of the Chamber Philharmonia Cologne. It is irrelevant for its musicians whether they are playing in a little village church, in the open air, in Cologne Cathedral or in the Sydney Opera House - their enthusiasm to play music is the same every time.

The ensemble will perform at Tamborine Mountain St John the Baptist Church on Saturday 16 July at 7pm.

Their objective is simple - they want to inspire as many people as possible across all generations to enjoy classical music. The popularity of the ensemble is reflected in the fact that it gives some 300 concerts a year around the globe and listeners throughout the world look forward to a musical encounter with its exceptionally talented musicians.

TAMBORINE MOUNTAIN SCOUT GROUP
JULY UPDATE

Joey Scouts for boys and girls aged 6 to 7.5 years old, Cub Scouts for boys and girls aged 8 to 10.5 years old, Scouts for male and female youths from 10.5 to 15 years old. Scouting is a worldwide movement (over 28 Million) that has shaped the development of youth and adults for more than 100 years. Scouts are in every part of our community and Scouts is the biggest and most successful youth organisation in Australia and the world. Approximately 18,000 boys, girls and adults in Queensland from various cultural or religious backgrounds and with varying abilities, participate in all aspects of Scouting – an education for life!

We have had over 75 enquiries, with 12 for Joeys, 37 for Cubs and 15 for Scouts, and 9 enquiries for Venturers, with Parents asking for the A5 Registration forms and the Parent Information Booklet.

Contact: Group Leader, Rob Thomas on 0447 747 787 with any questions, and for the Parent Information Booklet.

Please also watch: Bear Grylls” “SCOUTS YOUTUBE” video at https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Vvkbl8K3pmo

REMEMBER: - Those Mums and Dads with their A5 Forms, please bring along to meetings (below).

20th JULY: SCOUTS on Wednesdays 6pm to 8pm, at the T.M. Sports Complex (Look for the lights down the back) at the Scout Den, Long Road.

FEES: We can help here! Fees are appearing as a real enrolment issue with Mums and Dads, please ask and we can assist you here. We CAN help all new chums.


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Charlie-Rose Markham and her champion Malay Game hen at the National Poultry Show in Sydney which is held every four years. Charlie-Rose was given her first chick when she was seven and she named her Alexandra. This marked the beginning of her love for the Malay Game breed. She bred both the hen and the rooster that she took to Sydney and the rooster came third in his class. Malays are a rare and old breed where a majority of domestic chickens descend from. Some of her fellow exhibitors have been breeding these chickens for a very long time which made her win surprising and exciting all at the same time.
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POWER MOUNTAIN
The Future of Transport – Electric

Just caught my partner drooling over yet another car picture. This one is the Tesla Model S P85D - 0 to 97km/h in 3.2 seconds with a top speed of 249 km/h. This EV (electric vehicle) can travel up to 470km on a single charge, comes with a four year vehicle warranty and an eight year unlimited kilometre battery warranty (even if you charge it improperly). It’s practically silent, doesn’t even have an exhaust pipe and could be charged up from our home solar system.

“So why don’t you buy one, Honey?” I offered.

“Well I would if they cost the same as they do in other countries,” he said.

What! Are you saying Australians get charged more than other countries for something else? First it was iTunes and Kindle and then we started to realise, others often take advantage of our ignorance and charge us more. I decided to investigate. Apparently this Tesla beauty costs us more $200,000 with the extras I want. This includes the luxury car tax and stamp duty taxes. In the USA, home of the Tesla, it’s more like $US100,000 (or $A135,000). If I were to ship it over here it would cost me $3000 to $5000 for something else? First it was iTunes and Kindle and then we started paying more and there is limited choice. The Queensland Government has recently announced its commitment to building more EV charging stations, thereby making it cheaper still to get involved in owning one.

But this is not so in the rest of the world. In Europe there are around 30 different EVs on the market and many more hybrids than we have here. Countries, including China, the USA and many European nations (Australia, Belgium, Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, France, Germany, Greece, Ireland, Italy, Luxembourg, Monaco, Netherlands, Norway, Portugal, Romania, Spain, Sweden and the United Kingdom) have introduced subsidies or tax credits for those who purchase plug-in electric vehicles. For example, in Germany, the government has just announced a subsidy of €4,000 for anyone who buys one. They are aiming to increase the number of EVs on their roads to one million by 2020. India offers subsidies and is apparently aiming to have seven million on the road by 2020. In America a subsidy of $US 7500 is offered federally but some states add to this, thereby making it cheaper still to get involved in owning one.

However, back here in Australia, with the luxury car tax and stamp duties on new car imports, many manufacturers are not feeling encouraged to even bring their electric cars here for sale. As a result, we do end up paying more and there is limited choice. The Queensland Government has recently announced its commitment to building more EV charging stations, which will be helpful, but until prices drop, the costs are just a little too prohibitive for most families. Come on Australia – let’s get on board!

Nerida Cowie

PhysioTalk with Neil Bell

FORTY!

A few weeks ago I turned 40. The day before my birthday, I was treating a 13-year-old boy and I told him I was turning 40. “Forty!” he said. “You don’t look 40.” I smiled to myself as I thought, “Well, Neil, not bad for your age; you do have a bit of a baby face.”

“Nah,” he continued, “you look heaps older than that!” That really got me smiling. And then when I looked over at his Mum to see her giggling behind her hands in embarrassment, I couldn’t help but burst out laughing also.

I’ve never been one to hide my age or to think about what it means to have another birthday. To me, my age is just a number. Hopefully, the bigger the number, the more I have learnt. A bigger number doesn’t have to mean more pain, and less ability to do the things that I love. I see this time and time again with my patients. I regularly treat 70-year-olds who play tennis three times a week, 80-year-olds who swim every day and even 90- year-olds who still do gym workouts.

So, as I went to bed the night before my birthday I thought to myself: “Forty, hey? Well, they reckon all the aches start after 40. Still, never mind, it’s only another number.” Well, I kid you not, at 4am on the day of my birthday I woke up with all sorts of aches and pains - my neck ached, my hands were sore and my shoulder blades were stiff and tight. I did everything I always tell my patients to do. I worked on my posture, I heated my neck regularly, I did my exercises and I got the regular physiotherapy treatment.

All that helped. It helped a lot. But, I was still waking up with a sore neck. So, I stopped chopping firewood and I stopped jumping on the trampoline with the kids. That helped too, but I was still sore in the mornings. “Wow,” I thought, “maybe 40 isn’t JUST another number. Maybe, this is it. Maybe I need to just start putting up with my aches and pains now that I am over 40.”

This was hard for me to take. I have always advocated to my patients that getting older doesn’t have to mean that they have to live with pain. I had truly believed that, no matter their age, if they get regular physiotherapy treatment, do the correct exercise and keep themselves generally moving well, most of my patients can keep relatively pain free. And, over the years, I have had thousands of patients who have taught me that this is true.

And yet, here I was, in pain and discomfort for the past two weeks since turning 40. “I don’t know,” I said to Bec, “since turning 40, I’ve been achy and sore. I don’t know why.” “Hey,” she said: “I’ve been sore since your birthday as well. I wonder what’s going on?” It turns out that we had somehow switched our pillows over. I had her pillow, which was too small for me and she had my pillow, which was too big for her. We switched them and now I am back to being pain-free again.

So, it turns out I was correct – 40 IS just a number. The same as 50 or 60, or even 80. Don’t accept pain as a natural consequence of ageing. Find out what’s causing the pain and change that. Maybe, like me, a simple change and the correct treatment can make a huge difference.

NEED A TIP?

More people are now beginning to discover that the pain and discomfort they experience does not have to be a natural consequence of ageing. But what's the link? This month, we'll tell you how applying the correct treatment and doing the right exercise can help. Find out more:

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Bec also believes strongly in the benefits of exercise. “I’ve been living with a hip injury for the past 20 years, and the pain has been manageable,” she says. “I found exercise could improve movement and flexibility. I currently take part in cycling and swimming, and I have no problems.”

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THANKS TO THE LIONS

Congratulations to the new board of Tamborine Mountain Lions Club and thanks to the club for having me at its changeover dinner recently. It was a pleasure to dine and celebrate with the group alongside Cr Nadia O’Carroll, Deputy Mayor Nigel Waistell and Tamborine Mountain local Vanessa Bull OAM.

The event was at the beautifully warm and welcoming Heritage Wines and I thank the team there for their hospitality. I wish the incoming board, which comprises Linda Schier (Membership Chair), Effie Anderson (Secretary), Gail Patricia Molson (Treasurer), Roger Baker (Lion Tamer), David Kirkpatrick (Vice-President) and Tony Hall (President) all the very best for the year ahead. I thank the outgoing President Roger Baker and his wife Susan Rossi for their service to the club and I thank the Lions for the important work they do in our community.

Thanks for your support; thank you, the people of Tamborine Mountain, for the support you’ve given me in my first two terms of office as the Federal Member for Wright. I dearly want to keep representing the people of Wright so I can keep getting the best deal possible for this great region.

I firmly believe Wright will benefit most under a re-elected Coalition Government. Already we have seen some of the great things which can be achieved locally. The NBN is up and running, with 8000 homes and businesses ready for service in Wright. Of those, 4000 premises have already opted to be connected. By 2018, it is expected that 40,000 premises will be ready for connection or under construction in the electorate. Tamborine and Tamborine Mountain are on the NBN’s three-year roll-out plan, with construction set to start for fibre to the node on 4000 premises by the end of next year. Construction is now under way on the Beaudesert-Bromelton intermodal rail hub, which will create 1000 jobs into the future. The Commonwealth contributed $9.6 million towards this $30 million project through my advocacy.

The government has also chipped in $100,000 for public art and way finder statement signs on Gallery Walk, Tamborine Mountain and at Canungra to improve tourism in the region through the Scenic Rim Story Makers Project. Community groups are at the heart of our society, and I’ve been part of delivering solid funding for our local groups through Commonwealth grant programs. To list a few instances, I’ve helped deliver $10,000 for Tamborine Mountain Landcare in its efforts to restore the local environment, $5500 for Tamborine Mountain Men’s Shed to build an awning and $5000 for the Tamborine Mountain Historical Society to improve its signage. I also recently facilitated funding of $98,856 for 27 volunteer groups in Scenic Rim and Gold Coast Hinterland to keep doing their good work in the community.

HAYDEN, our ‘Face of the Festival’ has some great news. This year the Tamborine Mountain Scarecrow Festival will run from Friday 30 September to Sunday the 2 October, which covers the Queensland and New South Wales school holidays.

A media launch and thank you to sponsors evening, hosted by Cedar Creek Estate Vineyard and Winery on Thursday 29th September will be a prelude to the festival which begins the following day at 10am when judging of all scarecrows entered in the competition will commence.

Judges will view more than 200 scarecrows along the 17km trail across the Mountain. Ten different categories will encourage the creative ability of exhibitors competing for prize money and local recognition.

For the first time the festival will include a fun day on Saturday 1st October at the Tamborine Mountain Sports Complex in Long Road from 12 noon to 7pm. Enjoy the fabulous Round Mountain Girls Band, have fun with the Human Bowls, Byron Bay Bubble Football, jumping castles, stalls and much more.

Also on the Saturday, buskers and other entertainment will be a feature in Main Street, North Tamborine. On Sunday 2nd October local businesses along Gallery Walk will be producing special menus and products with a scarecrow theme.

A barefoot bowls evening will be held on Friday the 30th at the Tamborine Mountain Bowls Club, with face painting and a jumping castle for the kids.

Entries in the art/poetry competition and the children’s colouring competition will be on display at the Tamborine Mountain Library in Main Street. Fresh local produce will be on sale at the Green Shed at the showgrounds and at local farm gates throughout the weekend.

Further entertainment will be a feature at Fortitude Brewery/Witches Chase Cheese Venue on the Sunday afternoon as part of the Fudge Heaven Awards Ceremony when the winners of each category in the festival will be presented with their prizes.
FEAST FROM THE SCENIC RIM AT WINTER HARVEST FESTIVAL

THE Scenic Rim will be served on a platter on Saturday (JULY 2) at the Winter Harvest Festival, Eat Local Week’s signature event.

The authentic festival of food and farming will be the biggest yet, with cooking demonstrations, live music, free children’s rides and more than 50 stalls selling a range of Scenic Rim fresh produce, baked good, relishes, olives, cheese, meat, hot food, wine and craft beer.

The hotly contested Kalbar and District Community Bank Tractor Pulling Competition returns for the third year and a strong field of teams have signed up for the chance to win a share of $3000 for their community club or sporting team.

A highlight of the day will be the cooking demonstration by Eat Local Week ambassador and QAGOMA Executive Chef Josue Lopez, who will recreate one of the incredible dishes he served at the recent Scenic Rim five-course degustation.

Scenic Rim musicians Becc and Tom (Becc Holdorf and Tom Dietrich), together with Ross Weber and Josh Baker will perform during the day.

Craft Beer from the Scenic Rim Brewery and 4Hearts Brewery will be served, as will Scenic Rim wines from Bunjurgen Estate Vineyard, O’Reilly’s Canungra Valley Vineyards, Barney Creek Vineyard, Normanby Wines, and Welgan Estate Wines.

Eat Local Week ambassador, Josh Lopez, says he’s excited to be involved in the Winter Harvest Festival and loves the event’s authentic nature.

“This really is an easy way of sampling everything this region has to offer. “I’m really proud to be the Eat Local Week ambassador and I hope to see you in the Scenic Rim at the Winter Harvest Festival.”

More than 50 Scenic Rim farmers, producers, chefs and wine and beer makers will sell their wares throughout the day, including Greenlee Farm, Scenic Rim Olives, Butcher Co Aratula, Arthur Clive’s Family Bakehouse, Pamela’s Kitchen, Farmer’s Kitchen, Scenic Rim Lavender, Freshwater Australian Crayfish, Dewar Honey, together with Peak Veggie Patch, Moffatt Fresh Produce and Valley Pride Produce selling a mega showcase of fresh, local produce.

There will be plenty of hot food available, including hand cut chips featuring Scenic Rim potatoes and made by the Boonah Lions Club.

There’s plenty to keep the kids amused, including a free super slide, jumping castle, face painting and kids games.

Tickets are $10 for adults and children under 12 are free. The first 500 adults through the gate will receive a free Harvest Bag. Buy your tickets online at www.eatlocalweek.com.au or from the gate.

The Winter Harvest Festival is an all-weather event.

Find out more about the Harvest Festival and the entire Eat Local Week program at www.eatlocalweek.com.au

Fast Facts:

- The Scenic Rim Winter Harvest Festival features a packed schedule from 10am to 4pm on Saturday July 2.
- Hear from four chefs, including QAGOMA Executive Chef and Eat Local Week ambassador, Josh Lopez.
- Hear live music from local musicians and watch the junior and senior tractor pulling competition
- Free kids rides all day
- More than 50 fresh produce, food and wine stalls, offering more produce to take home
- Hot and cold food available
- Six coffee outlets
- Craft beer and wines from local breweries and vineyards
Saturdays 2 July

Rathlogan Olive Grove
Sample Table
8am - 2pm
25, 26 June & 2, 3 July (see 25 June for details)

Kalfresh Carrot Field Day
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Mt Barney Lodge Bush Tucker Tracker
10am - 11.30am or 2pm - 3.30pm
25, 26, 28, 30 June & 2 July
Food Culture in the Rainforest at Songbirds Shared Feast Lunch
12noon - 3pm
Daily 27 June - 3 July (see 27 June for details)

Paradine Estate Wines Tour, Talk & Tasting
2pm - 3pm
25, 26 June & 2, 3 July (see 25 June for details)

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Cedar Creek Estate Winery Talk & Taste
11am - 12noon
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Food Culture in the Rainforest at Songbirds Shared Feast Dinner
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**SCENIC RIM EAT LOCAL WEEK PROGRAM 2016 | PAGE 24 | SUNDAY 3 JULY**

Rathlogan Olive Grove Sample Table
8am - 2pm
25, 26 June & 2, 3 July
Scenic Rim Hampers presents
Alpaca Picnic
10.30am - 3pm
25, 26 June & 3 July
Italian Cooking Classes - Home-made Pasta Class
10.30am - 3.30pm
Have fun throwing flour around while learning how to make your own pasta. See how simple it is to whip up delicious quick and easy sauces, using lots of local ingredients to go with your pasta. Recipe sheets provided. Lots to eat including morning tea. (Apologies - not gluten free)
Cost: $95pp

Address: Italian Cooking Classes, 111 Douglas Rd, Rathdowney
Bookings: Required 07 5544 1008 or agnoletto@activ8.net.au
Enquiries: www.italiancookingclasses.webs.com
Info: Wear closed in shoes and bring an apron.
Class max 10

Cedar Creek Estate Winery Talk & Taste
11am - 12noon
25, 26 June & 2, 3 July
Food Culture in the Rainforest at Songbirds Shared Feast Lunch
12noon - 3pm
Daily 27 June - 3 July
Spicers Peak Lodge Long Table Lunch
12.30pm - 3.30pm
Experience destination dining at its best. Local produce will be honoured as we embrace the remote high country with a long table share plate lunch, enjoyed fireside with live music in a convivial atmosphere of relaxed luxury
Cost: $75pp plus selected local wines & beers on consumption
Address: Spicers Peak Lodge, 1 Wilkinson Rs, Maryvale
Bookings: Required 07 4666 1083 or peaklodge@spicersretreats.com
Enquiries: www.spicersretreats.com/spicerspeak-lodge
Info: Bookings essential, dress warmly for cool mountain weather

Paradine Estate Wines Tour, Talk & Tasting
2pm - 3pm
25, 26 June & 2, 3 July (see 25 June for details)
Food Culture in the Rainforest at Songbirds Shared Feast Dinner
6pm - 9pm
1, 2, 3 July
15 JULY, 2016
UNDER 8s DAY

9 am – 11 am

This year, Tamborine Mountain College’s Under 8’s Day has a farm theme.

There will be pony rides, a petting zoo, and lots of farm activities! If you like, you can come along dressed as a farmer, cowboy, or cowgirl.

All children under the age of 8 are invited to come with their parents. So, come along and have some fun at our farm!

TAMBORINE MOUNTAIN COLLEGE
80 Beacon Road
NORTH TAMBORINE
www.tmc.qld.edu.au

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15 July, 2016
9 am – 11 am
Clever design takes full advantage of the fabulous views!

1-15 Shorthorn Court, Tamborine
- 2.7 acres
- Floor to ceiling glass in master bedroom & informal dining
- Granite benchtops, 2 pack finish to kitchen and wet bar
- Hugh games room with wet bar
- Massive paved entertainment area with salt water pool

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Top Shelf opportunity! Breathtakingly beautiful!

91 - 95 The Shelf Rd, Tamborine Mountain
- 9,728m²
- Sold immediately after auction.
- Breathtaking easterly views to the Gold Coast and beyond
- Butterfly stairs, 2.7 m veranda & 2 large octagonal rotundas
- Expansive open plan living areas with bi-fold doors, modern kitchen

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Convenience with peaceful surroundings!

10 North Street, North Tamborine
- 1,133m²
- Fabulous two story home, huge open plan living, a cupula in the roof.
- Upper level with a huge living area, ground level a large bedroom.
- Remnant rainforest & cottage garden, est. fruit trees & veggie patch
- An easy walk to cafes, restaurants and shops - Sold at list price!

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Affordable family home in Riemore Estate

318-322 Plunkett Rd, Tamborine
- $ 579,000
- 5 fl. usable acres with a neat brick home
- Open plan living areas with wood burning heater
- 3 fenced paddocks, 2 stables, tack & feed room
- In-ground salt water swimming pool & dam

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Large family home on acreage

5 - 9 Rangeview Court, Boyland
- 6,000m²
- Mediterranean styled home, designed for discerning homeowner
- The kitchen will please the fussiest of home chefs.
- Sparkling in-ground salt water swimming pool
- Spectacular views to the border ranges

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Fabulous 6.07 ha property with spacious home

32 Carlie Court, Tamborine
- $ 849,000
- 15 acres
- 15 acres in quiet cul-de-sac with 2 large dams
- 4 day stables, tack & feed shed & trotting track
- Family home with living area opening to patio
- Formal lounge, rumpus room & office/5th bedroom

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Home & stables at an affordable price

21-27 Munstervale Rd, Tamborine
- $ 569,000
- 1.26 acres
- Spacious low set brick on flat usable land
- Newly modernize kitchen and open plan living area opening to an undercover patio
- Large Colorbond shed will fit 4 cars plus double lock garage

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Affordable family home in Riemore Estate

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What Happened?

Last test 44 -40 to England (and what a great series ... my English wife made me write that!)
In the cold light of Sunday morning it's time for the post mortem. And it does feel like that today! So what did the Australians do?
We threw the ball around a lot with insufficient success at the critical time. We failed to take advantage of nearly 70 per cent possession. This improved in the third test but it was too little too late.
There seemed to be only Plan A – an elaborate style with a very lateral game. The rhythm never changed –100 miles an hour from whistle to whistle. Test rugby is a more subtle game which must be underpinned by strategy. Finesse to alter the flow, tempo and options was missing. Our half back struggled. The front row reverted to old problems under pressure and we missed Pocock far too much.
Overall, compared to the World Cup, our performance was very disappointing. England have even knocked us off the No 2 spot in the world rankings. We've got work to do!
And I have to ask ... what did the English do well?
For the country that invented the game, the World Cup results were devastating. There's nothing like hurt pride to get players fighting back. And the England team really came out fighting. The tackle count in the second test was 151 to 46, demonstrating incredibly tenacious and committed defence. They really wanted this win.
Every player was encouraged to be a thinking decision maker. They kept their composure under pressure, really got under our skin and made fewer mistakes. Their more conservative style of football is also very well suited to test rugby and it paid off for them.
This return to form brings excitement into competition with our old rivals and must be welcomed.
So what can we celebrate?
Well, we'll claim the superior coaching skills of Eddie Jones.
Eddie's contract with the Wallabies was terminated in 2005: a hard man who was blunt to the point of disengaging players. He has now, however, found a way to connect with people to get the best out of them. He plans, executes, has no time for slackers and puts in as much as he expects from his players. He schooled Cheika (the "best coach in the world") and has made bold, courageous coaching choices to tackle the hard stuff. Like the best of us, he has matured with age and learnt from lessons in the past.
We should be proud to have grown a coach that gave England their First test series against Australia, tenth test in a row and more points scored against a Southern Hemisphere side than ever before. (I'm going to claim some victory; it makes life with my English wife more bearable!)
Both Eddie and the England team have their pride fully restored and should hold their heads high.
So what can we learn from them? Everyone can learn from mistakes, there is no age limit, it's free and only costs a moment of self-reflection. At any moment you can grow to be a better person just like Eddie and the English.
1. Hurt pride is a huge motivator – it gives people something to prove and shouldn't be underestimated in an opponent.
2. Plan to win, work hard and stay focused on the prize.
3. Active thinking is pivotal to success – have a plan, but keep thinking – is it still the best option – be prepared to change if necessary.
4. Actively manage your emotions to stay focused on the outcome.
5. Train in Australia and get kicked out to become a world-class coach.

PS The impact of Brexit will be very interesting on both coaches and players in Europe.
Krause calls for more police vehicles

Member for Beaudesert Jon Krause is fighting for additional police vehicles for North Tamborine and Canungra police stations.

He said North Tamborine police station had a single Ford Territory to share between eight officers, while Canungra had a lone Toyota Landcruiser for its eight officers.

“I’ve actually received reports of officers having to attend incidents in their private vehicles or even on pushbikes because there weren’t police vehicles available,” said Mr Krause.

“This is a totally unacceptable situation for our local police to be in and I detailed these concerns to Police Minister, Bill Byrne, in a pre-budget letter.

“A total of $32 million has now been allocated in the State Budget for the purchase of 700 new police vehicles and I call on the Police Minister to ensure North Tamborine and Canungra stations are allocated an additional vehicle each.

“Clearly, police officers should not have to attend motor vehicle accidents or other work incidents in their private vehicles. This situation needs to be rectified as soon as possible.

“Our region is growing and covers a large geographic area. I will keep pressuring the Government until they deliver the police resources our region so badly needs.”
Good progress on revegetation work

Revegetation works are well underway within the Scenic Rim Council Environmental Reserve on the eastern side of The Shelf Road.

Energex Ltd and Tamborine Mountain Landcare Group have partnered with Council to improve the natural values of the property to offset for vegetation clearing for essential electrical infrastructure in the region.

There has been significant weed control works as well as the planting of 4800 local native trees and shrubs. Regular ongoing maintenance and additional tree planting works are programmed to continue across the site until the middle of 2019. These on-ground works are being undertaken by Landscape Conservation.

A sign was erected at the entrance to the site recently when representatives of Energex, SRRC, Landcare and Landscape Conservation were joined by a group of local residents keen to find out more about current and future works at the site.

A community tree planting day will be organised in September or October to provide an opportunity for the broader Tamborine Mountain community to find out more and be involved in this project.

Margot Drewe, of Energex, said the project was being funded from Energex’s Environmental Offsets Program that aimed to replace every native tree that had to be removed to build the electrical distribution network in the Scenic Rim Region since 2012.

Judith Roland said TM Landcare started revegetation of the 10.5ha site, which was mainly Kikuyu grass, many years ago.

“However it was soon realised that the task was way beyond the capabilities of a volunteer organisation,” she said.

“The agreement between Energex and SRRC, along with a management plan provided by Landcare, has meant that the completed project will be a huge asset to the Mountain community, and another degraded piece of land will be rehabilitated with good management practices in place.”

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TAMBORINE MOUNTAIN NEWS VOL. 1430, 28 June 2016 – 27
EAT Local Week is on at the moment throughout the Scenic Rim and Tamborine Mountain is known Australia wide for its plentiful, magnificent avocados that can be bought at the road side honesty stalls. They are available all year round, depending on the variety. At the moment the smooth green Fuerte are in season. Later in the year the rough, pebbly purple, black-skinned Hass are at their best; they have the creamiest flesh of all the varieties. My favourite is the Anahiem which is the extra-large Emu egg size that is available at the Green Shed. They are so impressive, and if I am visiting friends on the Gold Coast or Brisbane, I take some as a gift. They cannot help but to be impressed, and I just modestly say they are a typical of the size available on our wonderful Mountain. Another variety is the Reid, which is the round, pale flesh one that peaks in summer. Other varieties available throughout the year are Sharwil, the most pear shaped, and Wurtz. How lucky are we! I just have to drive along any of our local roads on the Mountain at any time of the year and avocados are always there.

If you are a greedy person like me, I’m sure you will already know the gustatory pleasures of a perfect avocado. Split and consumed with nothing more than a good squeeze of lemon juice or a drizzle of best olive oil and balsamic vinegar, flecks of sea salt and ground black pepper, it offers a sensuous solitary eating experience. The flesh is smooth and creamy, the flavour nutty and rich. Spread it on toast, and with a glass of chilled Witches Falls Verdelho, it is a perfect little meal. Certainly greater, more glamorous embellishments can be used, for the avocado is a happy partner to all kinds of different flavour profiles - prawns, tomatoes, chillies, garlic, smoked chicken, crisp fried prosciutto and even chocolate!

Yes, a healthy chocolate mousse can be made with avocado:

- 1/2 cup of maple syrup
- 2 large ripe avocados
- 1 teaspoon vanilla extract or paste
- 1/2 cup raw cacao

Combine all the ingredients in a good powerful high-speed blender.

Blend for about 30 seconds until smooth and creamy; add a pinch of salt; a splash of water or coconut milk to make a lighter mousse. Taste and adjust if needed. Spoon into a bowl and allow to set in the fridge.

There is just a day or two between the luscious, creamy melt-in-the-mouth texture of a perfectly ripe avocado and one that has turned brown and horrid. At perfect ripeness the fruit should give just a little when cradled in the palm of your hand and the flesh should be a soft, creamy green. Do not store avocados in the fridge before they are ripe as this will turn the flesh brown. Once cut, they brown quickly, so drizzle cut surfaces with lemon juice to prevent discolouration. Avocados are best added to salads last.

Terri Taylor, Tamborine Cooking School
SOME RECENT RESULTS:

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Ladies Golf

Winners were presented with their trophies. Congratulations to both winners. The girls managed to present their trophies to the girls (lots of kisses going round!!)

Winner, Christine Youngman

2nd Runner up Helen Teys

1st Runner up Bev Aird

North-South

Thursday 31st October 2013 at 12.45pm

TM Bridge Club

Raffle Christine.

App. No 17 Helen Teys.

App. No 6 Sheila Irvine Brown

BRD: Kathrine Lim, Helen Teys, Cathy Youngman

Winner with a fine 39 points, Christine the Butchers in Canberra.

Numbers were depleted due to 4 girls off at SINGLE STABLEFORD

"When Experience Matters”

Mon – Fri 9am-5pm
Sat a.m. by appointment

16 – 18 Main Western Road
North Tamborine

5545 0500

TAMBORINE MOUNTAIN NEWS VOL. 1365, 5 NOVEMBER, 2013 – 29
School Holiday Activities kicked off this week in the library with ‘Edible Art’ - the theme this holiday is ‘Eat Local’. Pick up a brochure or check out the Scenic Rim Council website. There are still a few places left but be super quick! Storytime is every Wednesday morning. Singing, storytelling and craft making for tots at 10:30.

Maker space activities are available throughout the school holidays.

Remember to stock up on those essential items for school holidays. BOOKS, DVDs, audio books for car trips and the good ole jigsaw. Some of the best conversations happen over a puzzle.

The Herb Garden - bring the children along to pick herbs from our herb share garden. Paper bags are provided in a basket outside. Please help yourselves.

Eat Local Book - a reminder to come and meet the authors Brenda Fawdon and Christine Sharp and some of the local producers when Scenic Rim Regional Council presents the new Eat Local book published to highlight the exciting produce and recipes from the region - Thursday 30 June at 10am. The book is available for purchase at the library.

RECOMMENDED READS

The Last Book Before Bedtime by Nicola O’Byrne

A familiar fairy tale is turned topsy-turvy when Cinderella hijacks the story of The Three Little Pigs, then Little Red Riding Hood jumps in, adamant that her story is better because it’s full of danger. And then the Big Bad Wolf turns up too! But disaster strikes! Uh-oh! What will they do? The reader is still awake and needs a story! The characters make up their own story, of course, and one with enough funniness, romance, danger AND cake (obviously) to keep everyone happy.

Great fun for children and parents alike. For readers aged 4+

Secret Tree Fort by Brianne Farley

When two sisters are ushered outside to play, one sits under a tree with a book while the other regales her with descriptions of a cool fort in a tree that grows ever more fantastical in the telling. What will it take to get the older sister to look up? The promise of a water-balloon launcher in case of attack? A trapdoor to stargaze through? A crow’s nest from which to see how many whales pass by or to watch for pirates? Or the best part of all, which can’t be revealed, because it’s a secret?

Completely charming. For readers aged 5+

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WEATHERWATCH

with Bryan Rolstone

Following the recent heavy rain associated with the formation of an east coast low near the south-east coast, we had another heavy rain event on 19 June.

This time the east coast low formed further south into NSW, but a trough associated with it, extending north into Queensland, produced heavy rain over south-east Queensland. Moist north-east winds flowing into the trough on the eastern side provided the moisture and while the lift occurred with the trough as it moved in from western Queensland. The result was continuous rain ahead of the trough, with heavy rain on the trough axis. However, after the wind change moved through, drier and colder south-west winds had taken over. This is what we can expect at the moment for this winter – north-west cloud bands stretching across from WA with rain ahead of inland troughs which eventually reach the east coast, followed by colder, dry westerly spells.

Usually for this time of the year there are more dry westerly events and less moist easterlies, leading to decreasing rainfall. However, for this winter another factor is countering this: warmer sea surface temperatures off the north-west coast of WA.

This means extra moisture is being added to the atmosphere and captured by the upper level westerly winds over Australia. The result is more north-west cloud bands with rain events over the interior and the eastern states. Meanwhile, it’s still possible for another east coast low formation near the south-east Queensland coast into July.
LOOK OUT FOR SIGNS OF NASTY FIRE ANTS

Cadence Page from Biosecurity Queensland spoke at the recent Tamborine Mountain Probus meeting about the problems of the introduced species Solenopsis Invicta, commonly referred to as Fire Ants.

Fire ants can ruin our lifestyle, and have serious environmental and agricultural impacts. They inflict a terribly painful sting and can restrict everyday activities, such as barbecues, picnics and sporting events.

The National Red Imported Fire Ant Eradication Program could not have achieved its success to date without the ongoing awareness and vigilance from local communities. Seventy per cent of fire ant sightings in South East Queensland are reported by the general public.

A typical fire ant nest looks like a mound of loose dirt, with no visible entry or exit holes. Nests can also be found under logs, rocks or gardening materials.

Fire ants are small, varying in size between 2-6mm and are coppery-brown with a dark abdomen. Take a look around your property and if you see a mound of dirt that could be a fire ants nest, stand well back and poke the nest with a long stick. Never use your hand. If it’s a fire ant nest you’ll notice ants of varying sizes swarming out to attack.

It’s important that you don’t attempt to disturb or destroy the ant nest yourself because if it’s not done correctly the worker ants will simply evacuate their queen to a safe location and start a new nest. If you think you’ve spotted fire ants, take a photo if possible and upload it to the website www.anthunt.daf.qld.gov.au, or call Biosecurity Queensland on 13 25 23.

Qualified Biosecurity Queensland technical officers will come and treat the ants using a combination of bait treatment and direct nest injection. For more information about the National Red Imported Fire Ant eradication program, visit www.daf.qld.gov.au/fireants

Warrick Bailey

TM HISTORICAL SOCIETY – Member working bee and morning tea every Tuesday mornings. New members always welcome. Please contact Phil Paley 5545 4962 or Muriel Shephard 5545 0481 for further details.

TM LANDCARE: Volunteering Opportunities: Forest Regeneration Work - 5545 2052 for details, or helping at the Picabeen Bookshop - 5545 1847 during office hours for details.

TM LIONS CLUB: Admin meeting held on the 2nd Monday and dinner meeting on the 4th Monday of the month. For more information please phone 5545 2120 or visit website tamborinemountain.qld.lions.org.au/

TM LITTLE THEATRE: Meetings held 1st Tuesday of month at 7.30pm at the Zama Theatre. Regular plays, play readings & social events, movie club events. New members welcome. Cathy Buckley President 5545 2236.

TM LOCAL PRODUCERS ASSOC. sell local produce every Sunday at the TM Showgrounds from 7am - 12noon Phone 5545 1527.

TM MASONIC LODGE: Meets first Thursday each month except December. Masonic Centre, 10 Knoll Road, North Tamborine. Contact 3273 3313.

TM MEN’S SHED: Our workshop at 88 Beacon Rd (behind the tennis courts) is open every Tuesday and Thursday from 8.30am to 1.00pm. New members are welcome. To find out more, drop in for a morning tea and a chat or call Allan Meyers, President, on 5545 2625.

TM NATURAL HISTORY ASSOCIATION: Birdwatchers meet 1st Wednesday of month at 4pm at the Historical Society, 33 Wongawallan Rd, Eagle Heights; the monthly walk is on 2nd Wednesday of month. For further information call 5545 0995. Bushwalkers walk on 2nd & 4th Saturday of month. For further information call 5545 0140 or 0419 314 449 . www.nathistory.org.au

TM NETBALL CLUB. Contact Sondra 0499 432 745.

TM ORCHESTRA: Wednesdays 7.3-8.30pm at St George’s Anglican Church, Dapsong Dr, North Tamborine.

TM PROBUS CLUB: meets 3rd Wednesday of the month at the Vonda Youngman Community Centre, 10am. Enquiries to Secretary 07 5545 0373.

TM PROGRESS ASSOCIATION: 1st Tuesday in month. 7.30pm Heritage Centre Wongawallan Road.

TM RSL Sub-branch meets bi-monthly commencing in February. On the second Saturday morning in the month. Start time 0900 hrs and followed by a sausage sizzle. Cost is $2.00 per head. Enquiries 5545 2919.

TM TENNIS CLUB: Beaudesert Tennis Club, Dapsong Dr, North Tamborine. Contact: Denis Casey, President, 5545 2541.

TM TOASTMASTERS: Meets 2nd Wednesday of the month at 7.30pm at the Presbyterian church, Dapsong Dr.  Enquiries 5545 2919.

TM VINTAGE CAR CLUB: Meets weekly at Knowhow, 8 Syd Squires St, Warner. Enquiries 5545 2919.

TM WHISTLE STOP GARDEN: 50 Muriel Shephard Rd, North Tamborine. Meet on the last Saturday of each month. Enquiries 5545 2052.

TM WOODWORKING GROUP: Meets 1st Monday of each month at 9am at the Creative Arts Centre, South Tamborine. Contact Phil Paley 5545 4962 or Muriel Shephard 5545 0481.

TM YOUTH GROUP: Works every 1st & 3rd Mon of month. 1.30-3.30pm at Creative Arts Centre, Eagle Heights. Contact: Sarah Childs 0419 795 527.

TAMBORINE MOUNTAIN GOSPEL CHOIR: Meets 2nd Friday of month, Creative Arts Centre, Wongawallan Rd. Contact Petra Hunter 0417 795 116. tamborinemountainchoir@gmail.com

TAMBORINE MOUNTAIN MUSICAL SOCIETY: Meets 1st Monday & 3rd Monday of each month at 7.30pm at the Creative Arts Centre, Wongawallan Rd. Duplication sessions conducted on 2nd and 4th Thursdays of the month, a vigil Mass is celebrated on the Saturday evening before, at 6pm. Weekday Mass is celebrated on Wednesdays. Phone 5545 1068.

CATHOLIC CHURCH MARIAN VALLEY: Beechmont Rd, Canungra. (National Shrine of our Lady Help of Christians), Sunday Masses 11am & 4pm. Weekdays 9am, Sat 11am, Every Friday, after Mass, Eucharistic Adoration concluding 3pm with Divine Mercy Chaplet & Benediction. Shrine open daily Ph 5533 3617.

JEHOVAH’S WITNESS: Public Meeting, Kingdom Hall, Holt Rd, Sat 4pm. 5545 4680.


LIBERTY BAPTIST CHURCH: QGCC Meeting Centre 48 Keswick Rd North Tamborine Sunday morning service 9.30am. Youth meet Thursday 3.45pm and Friday 6pm. ALL WELCOME. Enq: 0419 642 082.

MEDITATION – World Community of Christian Meditation, non-denominational, free. Tuesdays 8am & 9am. St George’s Anglican Church, Dapsong Dr. Enquiries 5545 2919.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH: 34 Main St, North Tamborine. www.tambopc.org.au Sunday Service 9am Rev Kim Dale. 9.15am Kids Fellowship Church for Prep - Year 6, Youth Group. If you are in grade 7-12 please join us Sunday Nights 5.30pm-7.30pm in the Church Hall. Cost $2 Dinner provided. Weekly Bible Studies also run. Phone Mark 0434 434 361. Mondays 3pm: Arts Club during terms 1 and 2 from 5–15 years. Saturdays 9am: Playtime for 0-5 years, Weekly Growth Groups. Bargain Centre 8am – 12 noon open Tuesday to Saturday. ALL WELCOME. Enquiries: 5545 1877.

SEVENTH DAY ADVENTIST CHURCH: At St Bernard Sate School. Services at 9.30am and 11.00am. We meet in the learning hub at the school each and every Saturday. Please ring Chris 5545 3237 or Norelle 5545 1190 for further information.

THE SALVATION ARMY RECOVERY CHAPEL: 168 MacDonnell Road, Eagle Heights. All welcome Tuesday 6.30pm. Enquiries 5630 7939.

TAMBORINE LIFE CHURCH: Meet every Sunday morning @ 10am (Zama Theatre) 22 Main Street North Tamborine www.tamborinelifetchurch.org.au. Pastor Chris Maynard 0416 453 864.

UNITING CHURCH IN AUSTRALIA: 31 Appel St, Canungra. Services each Sunday 10.30am. All welcome.

WORD OF LIFE CHURCH UPPER COOMERA: Making disciples of Jesus through God’s grace, mercy and His faithful promises. Sunday 9.30am. 136 Brygon Creek Drive (off Reserve Rd). Ph: 5580 3594 “FaceBook - Word of Life Church Gold Coast”. You are welcome.

WORSHIP AT THE CENTRE: Live Christian Gospel Music; 6pm start Vonda Youngman Community Centre Main St, next door to Police Station. All people are welcome, free and non judgemental space. A space created with worship music for you and your relationship with God. For More Information, Ph Mark Cantlon 0403 878 840 or Greg Joyce 0418 799 955.
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**ACCOMMODATION**

**TWO BEDROOM** granny flat to let in Lahey Road. Self-contained with pot belly stove. Suit quiet, mature employed person with references. Long lease preferred; $250 per week includes electricity. Available immediately. Call 0408 453 377 for more details.

**SHARE ACCOMMODATION:** Beautiful 2 storey home, partly furnished, Christian couple or single, $280 a week. Must love gardening. Phone Ali or Kate on 0432 966 505.

**RENTAL HOUSE WANTED:** 3 to 4 bedrooms, 2 bathrooms. Car accommodation. Pet friendly. Prefer northern end of Mountain. Call David on 0433 208 887.

**ARTS**

**TAMBORINE MOUNTAIN CREATIVE ARTS**

**MAHJONG:** Anyone who is interested in learning or just enjoys playing Mahjong come and join this fun group. They meet on Mondays 9am to 12 noon or Fridays 1pm to 4pm.

**HEALTH AND FITNESS**

**DANCE MUSIC THERAPY:** Dance in the Dark ~ No Teacher ~No Steps to Learn ~ Suitable For ALL Age Groups ~ Any Fitness Level ~ Dance to the Live Rhythms of African Drums. Wednesday 7:30 ~ 9 pm @ The Zamia $5. Contact: Judy 5545 4152.

**KUNG FU FOR ALL AGES**

Wednesday evenings 6.30-7.30pm. Call Jack Spark for details on 0468 352 257

**KINETIX KUNG FU ACADEMY:**

Improve your posture relax your body and mind. Everyone can benefit from this unique martial art. A family fun environment, everyone is welcome. It doesn’t rely on brute strength so it’s perfect for children and those looking for an alternative to the usual physicality of martial arts. 25 Yuulong Street North Tamborine. Thursday KIDZ KUNG FU 4.30-5.30PM; ADULTS 5.30-7.00PM. First class is FREE! Call Steven Langley for details 0416 262 349.

**ZUMBA CLASSES** – exercise in disguise! Come and join the exhilarating dance-fitness party at the Zamia (air-conditioned!) on Tuesdays 6pm ($12) or the more gentle Zumba gold classes on Thursdays 9.30am ($10). Instructor: Petra Hunter. Mobile 0414 505 014. Email: tamborinemountainzumba@gmail.com

**TAI CHI & QIGONG CLASSES:** Eagle Heights (Tues mornings & Thurs evenings) & Oxenford (8.30am Thurs). Improve your body, breath & mind. Fully accredited instructor, over 30 years’ experience. See www.ttcak.com or ph Gai Wanless 0409 066 501.

**YOGA UNDER THE BODHI TREE**

Tues 9am St George’s Anglican Church, Dapsang Drive. Wed 6pm Masonic Lodge. Thurs 4.00pm, Music Room, TM State School. Hatha Yoga, Brain Yoga, Tantra Yoga. Contact: Margot Y.A (Australia) 0428 137 391. Transform your Life with Yoga.

**MODERN MARTIAL ARTS/PRACTICAL SELF DEFENCE.** Black Dragon Kai Mt Tamborine is a Modern Martial Arts club focused on teaching members of various ages the most up to date Self Defence and Combat Sports. Tamborine Mountain State School Hall Monday and...

**LANGUAGES**

**FRENCH- LE PETIT ATELIER**

(The Little Workshop) at Mt. Tamborine, provides a conducive environment and experienced guidance for you to develop the art of speaking French. Learn French from scratch, enhance your existing French, or simply enjoy conversing in French over ‘un café’. Create your own French scrapbook(optional). Most materials provided. PRIVATE FRENCH TUTORIALS for University, High and Primary School students. FRENCH LANGUAGE PACKAGES for travel purposes. TRANSLATIONS (French-English-French) available. Contact: Patricia Arora (B. A. - French (Hon) University of Bombay, India & Bilingual Commercial Translators’ Degree, Alliance Française, Paris, France. Mobile: 0405 617 074. Email: patricia.arora@gmail.com

**NEW: FRENCH LESSONS at Mount Tamborine every Wednesday, morning 9.30 to 11.30 at Secret Garden; afternoon 12 to 2 at Two Birds., Price $25, classes with 2 experienced teachers for beginners and advanced level. Private lessons in Spanish, German, Italian, Portuguese, Arabic, Japanese and Mandarin. Contact Joelle and Sylvain on 0450 130 250 or email : srepoux@gmail.com

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**LANGUAGE TUITION**

Massed orchestras and choir present community concert

The Moreton Bay Symphony Orchestra (MBSO), the Mountain’s Gospel Singers and the Tamborine Mountain Orchestra will combine to perform what promises to be a splendid concert in the grand tradition this Saturday at the Presbyterian Church starting at 2pm.

The MBSO also includes the Youth Symphony, the MBSO Junior Strings and chamber music ensembles. Some 35 to 40 players from these groups will form the orchestra visiting to perform here.

A high quality community orchestra, the MBSO plays a wide range of music from the classics - such as Mozart, Beethoven, Brahms and Mendelssohn and contemporary arrangements by Bernstein, John Williams, Lloyd-Webber and others. Together with our Tamborine Mountain Orchestra, some 60 players are expected to perform as a combined orchestra. As a really special treat, Julie Eotvos’ accomplished Gospel Singers will perform, accompanied by the combined orchestras.

The MBSO’s President, Eve Brown, Director of Music, Bronwyn Gibbs and Concert Master Katie Lawson, along with the Gospel Singers’ leader, Julie Eotvos and our orchestra’s Director of Music, Sean Butler, have been exercising their very considerable talents to weave together what promises to be one of the grandest musical events on our Mountain in a decade.

As well as orchestral performances of pieces such as Vaughan Williams’ English Folk Songs, Somewhere from West Side Story, Lord of the Dance, Moonlight Masquerade and others, the combined orchestras and the Gospel Singers choir will present: Finlandia by Sibelius; the Hallelujah Chorus by Handel and Dry Your Tears Afrika from Amistad by John Williams.

This concert which starts at 2pm is being performed as a musical gesture to the community and admittance is only a gold coin.

Terry Holland
Recently Scott announced $258,000 in Volunteer Grants to help 66 community organisations in Wright, including:

- Gold Coast Hinterland Heritage Museum
- Tamborine & District Riding Club
- Tamborine Mountain Arts Collective
- Tamborine Village Lions Club
- Tamborine Mountain Orchestral & Choral Society
- Tamborine Mountain Tennis Club
- Veterans Care Association

Scott Buchholz understands that communities like Tamborine Mountain and the surrounding Hinterland are unique. While his electorate stretches to Laidley and Gatton in the Lockyer, includes Beaudesert, Boonah and many other towns south to the border and goes east as far as Mudgeeraba - he’s regularly on the Mountain.

Over the past few years, Scott has worked with our community to deliver positive local results. Some of these include: $10,000 for Tamborine Mountain Landcare’s environmental restoration; $5,000 for the Tamborine Mountain Historical Society; $5,500 to improve the Tamborine Mountain Men’s Shed; and $480,000 for new buildings at Tamborine Mountain College.

He’s also recently announced volunteer funding for a number of local community organisations (see right) to help with their valuable work.

The fact is, ongoing community funding depends on a strong economy. Only the Coalition has a practical plan to make sure our economy grows, jobs are created, and benefits are delivered back to our community. For details on the Strong Economic Plan go to ln.org.au/our-plan

Scott Buchholz
MP
Federal Member for Wright

Call Scott’s office on 5541 0150