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**VANESSA HALL**  
EDITOR

SUNSHINE Coast Council is asking for community feedback on their draft Dog Exercise Area Plan which will be the blueprint for both on and off-leash dog exercise areas within the Sunshine Coast Local Government region into the future.

Locally, the plan is proposing to cut the amount of existing off-leash beach areas with Stumers Creek and south of the creek to be made on-leash and the off-leash area to start north of the creek, and this has angered many of the regulars and visitors who use the popular dog exercise area.

Council is citing environmental concerns over the quality of the creek and its long-term health as a key driver in the Stumers proposal and they are also making provisions for population growth within the region.

Council currently has almost 55,000 registered dogs and projections indicate there will be 80,000 dogs by 2046. Council does recognise that dogs, "offer companionship and are often considered part of the family."

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## Dog owners rally over plans to limit off-leash access at Stumers



A group of local dog walkers gathered at Stumers Creek on Saturday February 8 to discuss the Sunshine Coast Council's draft Dog Exercise Area Plan which is proposing to change the popular off-leash dog area to on-leash. Many are concerned over the proposed changes and are being vocal about their concerns. Photo: Vanessa Hall

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# Grants now open for community groups to make a difference

IF YOUR community group is ready to take on a challenge and make a difference then why not apply for a Sunshine Coast Council Major or Minor Grant with applications now being accepted.

Sunshine Coast Council is here to help you continue making our region the best place to live, work, and play and the combined Major and Minor Grant round is now open for community organisations to apply for funding to deliver one-off projects, events and activities. This will be this financial year's final grant round.

The Coolum Men's Shed 'Shed Music Festival' (pictured) was one of the local groups who benefitted from a grant last year. The grant enabled the group to host the music festival which was all about promoting awareness

around men's health and the positive impact music can have.

Strong Community Portfolio Councillor David Law said in this combined round Council was empowering not-for-profit organisations to bring amazing projects, activities and events to life - big and small.

"The grants program aims to acknowledge and strengthen the valuable contribution community groups and volunteers provide to our community," Cr Law said.

"Community groups can apply for major grants up to \$15,000 for projects, activities and events, as well as up to \$30,000 for infrastructure projects or minor grants up to \$2,000.

"We know times are tough for many in our community and community grants like these can help to make a big difference."

Grant applications can be submitted in one of six categories: Community Development, Community Facilities, Creative Development, Cultural Heritage, Economic Development or Sport and Recreation.

Grant applications close on March 10. Visit [www.sunshinecoast.qld.gov.au](http://www.sunshinecoast.qld.gov.au) and search for 'grants' for more information.

## Grant Planning and Writing Workshops

Council's Grants Team is hosting four grant planning and writing workshops and one grant information and networking event to support not-for-profit community groups in February 2025.

The Grants Planning and Writing Workshops will focus on Council grants, tips for creating strong applications, strategic planning and governance insights from the Coalition of Community Boards.

These free sessions will be available in person at Yaroomba, Nambour and Beerwah and online from February 11 - 25. The Yaroomba workshop will be held on Thursday February 20 at the Yaroomba Meeting Place at 1443 David Low Way, Yaroomba from 9.30am to 11am.

The Grants Information and Networking Event will be held at Venue 114, Bokarina, will provide an overview of the different types of

funding available for your organisation.

Hear from a range of external funding bodies such as The Gambling Benefit Fund, Queensland Gives, Queensland Sport and Recreation, Bendigo Bank and Stockland about their grant programs and their top tips to getting projects funded. Stay around and network with like-minded organisations and volunteers.

This free event will be held on February 18.

## Key Dates:

- Round opens: January 28, 2025
- Round closes: March 10, 2025
- Grants Planning and Writing Workshops: February 11 - 25, 2025
- Grants Information and Planning Event: February 18, 2025
- Notification anticipated: Early May 2025

## Environment Levy Grants

Environment Levy Grants of up to \$5000 are also available to not-for-profit community organisations for projects that make a positive and ongoing contribution to the region's biodiversity and waterways. The Environment Levy Grant round is now open and closes on March 10, 2025.



Council funding supported the 2024 Shed Festival of Music held by Coolum Men's Shed. Photo: Contributed

## Comment on Coolum

VANESSA HALL  
EDITOR



OUR MAIN story this edition is on the changes being proposed for Stumers Creek and the beach area south of the area. I have to make a public declaration as a dog owner myself who regularly visits the area at least four times a week with my lassie dog 'Lilly'.

I can see both sides of this topic and can somewhat understand Council's rationale for wanting to change access, how-

ever I don't see how making the off-leash dog area smaller will help as the area grows.

Stumers is more than just a dog off-leash play area it is also a place of connection, community and promotes both physical and mental well-being. These are all qualities that our "healthy, smart and creative" Sunshine Coast Council seeks to foster.

I would posit that maybe

one solution could be to limit access at Stumers during certain times? A compromise of sorts could be to make the area off-leash during the week and on-leash on weekends and school holidays for example.

During the week the area is quiet, especially along the stretch running south towards Coolum main beach. There's currently no lifesaving patrols there and it is perfect for people to walk along, especially when crossing the creek to walk north is out of the question.

In my 11 years visiting Stumers and living nearby I could list many more issues that are of greater priority for the region than limiting the off-leash access at Stumers.

However, I will focus on the positives that I have witnessed. These include regularly seeing NDIS and aged people with their carers watching their dogs play freely. Older dogs freely using the creek for hydrotherapy and most importantly social connection by way of owners chatting with other dog owners whilst their dogs play.

All of the above would not be easy if one had to wrangle a dog on a lead.

I do hope that the community will make their opinions, whatever they may be, heard via the online survey and for those who will be attending the info session on Wednesday Feb 19 that they are respectful.



Dogs enjoying being off-leash at Stumers. Photo: Contributed

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# Marcoola's Lorraine Avenue redesign unveiled and finished

THE POPULAR eating and relaxing precinct around Lorraine Avenue in Marcoola has been transformed and the new streetscape has been welcomed by the local community with the new streetscape that fosters a sense of community.

The beachside Lorraine Avenue corner at Marcoola has been reimagined into a pedestrian shared zone, where

locals and visitors can more safely stroll, chat and enjoy the natural beauty of the area.

Sunshine Coast Council Division 8 Councillor Taylor Bunnag said Marcoola's streetscape transformation was more than an upgrade, it was a testament to thoughtful urban design and the positive impact it can have.

"The project was designed by our community, for our

community, with a vision to create a more pedestrian-friendly area that would enhance our quality of life," Cr Bunnag said.

"The existing coastal footpath has been renewed, providing a smooth and scenic route for walkers and joggers and the eastern side of the street has been formalised as a pedestrian walkway, adorned with multiple new

gardens and trees that add a touch of greenery and that will help to cool the environment, making it a pleasant place to be even on the hottest days."

Making the region accessible was also a priority.

"Accessibility was a key focus of the project with the kerb and channel removed to create a seamless shared zone, ensuring that everyone,

regardless of mobility, can navigate the area with ease.

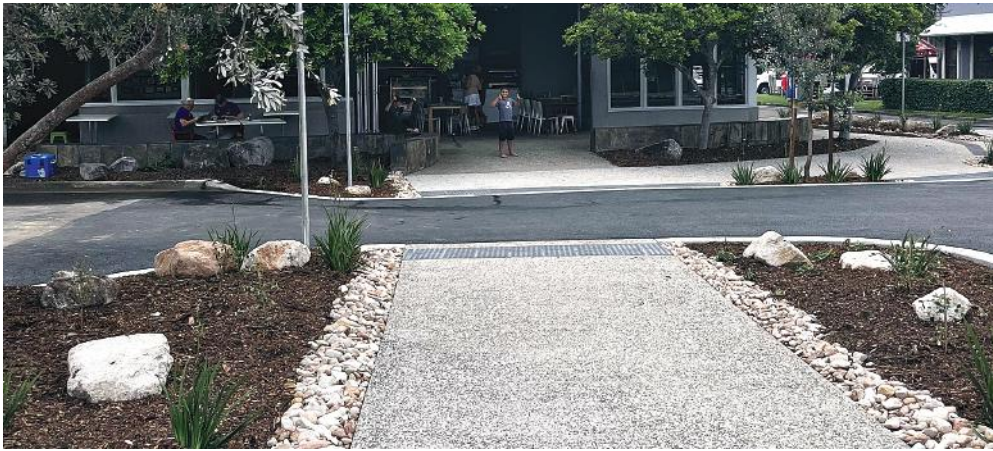
"The streetscape works have not only enhanced the functionality and aesthetics of the area but have also created a space where our community can come together, celebrate and thrive."

Car parking bays have been introduced and the existing carpark has been relocated to a more convenient location,

making it easier for everyone to access.

The car park and crossing have been upgraded and connecting pathways, enhancing the overall connectivity of the area.

The project began in late November 2024 and was completed after the Christmas and New Year break.



Kerb and channel removed to create a seamless shared zone with new landscaping.



Formalised car park with turtle imagery on the road. Photos: Contributed

# CUT PRICE FARES SET TO BE A STAPLE OF STATE TRANSPORT

THERE'S not much one can buy for less than a dollar these days, however a trip on public transport will remain just 50 cents with the cheap transport fares being made a permanent fixture thanks to the State Government.

Originally only set about as a six-month trial, the government last week stated that funding had been allocated

to allow the discount fares to continue.

During the trial, commuters embraced the cheap fares across Translink's South-East Queensland bus, train, ferry, tram, on-demand services and regional urban bus networks as well as the Coochiemudlo Island Ferry.

Southeast Queensland public transport users have saved

more than \$181 million since the introduction of 50 cent fares, with more than 93.3 million trips taken.

Overall patronage across all modes of transport is 18.3 per cent higher than the same period in 2023, and almost 5 per cent higher than pre-COVID-19 levels.

Patronage in regional Queensland has grown by an

average of about 20 per cent from the previous year across the 16 regional urban bus networks.

Minister for Transport and Main Roads Brent Mickelberg said he was pleased to deliver on this important election commitment for Queenslanders.

"Our decision to make 50 cent fares permanent was

the right one, with so many Queenslanders benefiting from affordable public transport," Minister Mickelberg said.

"The benefits are widespread, whether it's everyday commuters, students connecting with their university or school, retirees heading into the community for social activities, families enjoying a

day out, or anyone using public transport to connect with shops, healthcare or events.

"Some Queenslanders have told me they now use public transport instead of driving to work, while others say their family is getting out and about more on weekends thanks to the cheap travel - it's great to hear."

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## Letters to the editor

### STUMERS CREEK UNDER ATTACK

Dear editor,

Council is intending to reduce dog access at certain beaches and bushland. One of those areas hit is Stumers, which is an icon as a dog meeting place, used not just by locals but people from Brisbane and other areas. There are many reasons council have given for this decision, some of which have been pulled out of a hat in my opinion (carbon footprint of dogs? Really? Do these people eat meat? That's a big carbon footprint for you).

What are we achieving by doing this? Why are we bending to accommodate new developments, losing our liveability? Connecting with nature, dogs, exercising and chatting with others doing the same, hugely improves our mood and our overall mental health, thus relieving the burden on our health care system and society at large.

Please stop this nonsense and keep the coast dog-friendly.

D.Korving,  
Mount Coolum.

### TAXPAYER FUNDED TRAVEL

Dear editor

The NSW Premier, Chris Minns, has reviewed his government policy regarding ministers' usage of government vehicles for private and personal use. This rort has been exposed, after numerous occasions by ministers exploiting and misappropriating taxpayer-funded vehicles. Currently NSW Transport Minister, Jo Hayden is under the spotlight but is not sacked.

He intends to change the rules, so "further instances of unreasonable use of cars and drivers would be very troubling" and "would weigh heavily on me." Minister Hayden has done this on a few occasions, without scrutiny by minders. Politicians, as well as local councillors, are paid well above average wages and welfare payments of constituents. It may be approved to a point

but does not pass "the pub test" - workers face toll road costs, high fuel prices and congested roads, in order to travel to and from work.

Taxpayer dollars spent on the misuse of public funds for personal usage, is covert theft, on a grand scale. Ms Hayden has been exposed. It's not her first time, with a taxpayer funded-paid driver in a company car, accompanied by complicit, offending mates. Most Australians can't afford a car or taxi and are subject to an inept public transport system.

This unconscionable, privileged practice has gone on since the dawn of time by public servants with "a sense of entitlement", answerable to no-one! An over-representation of bureaucrats at the public's expense, draining the purse and demanding privileges not afforded to their benefactors, should be an election issue.

E. Rowe,  
Marcoola.

### NEW MINISTRY?

Dear editor,

Out of the Shadow Ministry looms a new Shadow minister trumpeting our own DOGE, a new Dept. of Government Efficiency. Just asking if it's on track to all the ways of the USA? More details needed..

Margaret Wilkie,  
Peregian Beach.

### CLIMATE CHANGE

Dear editor,

The experts say we are experiencing extremes of climate change with heat waves, fires, and floods.

We have had stinking hot days, but nothing compares with what Charles Sturt experienced in the 1840s whilst leading a daring expedition into the fiery heart of central Australia in search of the mythical inland sea.

Historian, Darrel Roche, points out that Sturt found if he dropped a match on a rock, it lit up. Nails expanded and popped out of wooden boxes.

Sturt was gobsmacked to find the leads in pencils had melted. He grabbed a pen, but the ink dried on the nib.

Next time we have a hot one I won't be complaining with my fridge, fans, and air conditioner on hand.

The inland sea proved no more than a mirage and so might our action on climate change unless we get cracking rather than wasting time on climate wars sitting in trenches sniping over energy options.

Garry Reynolds,  
Peregian Springs.

### E BIKES

Dear editor,

Hopefully you have seen the results of a yearlong study conducted in the UK originally instigated by the Conservative Party into increasing the wattage from 250 to 500 and making throttle assisted bikes for the first 15.5kmph legal.

All these changes were strongly opposed by various groups and individuals.

What they did find is there is an industry where bikes are modified to become something outside the law with regards to speed for throttle assist.

There was strong support for changes to assist mobility issues of handicapped and aged as well as the cargo industry, but general public concerns resolved around road safety issues.

There were also other concerns - the line between mopeds which are registered and throttle assisted e-bikes which should be registered and are not had narrowed and with after-market alterations there is no differentiation between the two types.

By far most e-bikes used on roads with a posted speed limit of 60kmph in traffic and centre line marking are throttle assisted e-bikes which in the current regulations are illegal unless registered and meet specific regulations. There is no public sympathy for change in this area.

In our street of Springfield Ave between 7am and 8 am weekdays which is a 60kmph road with white centreline and no segregated bike path, the majority of e-bikes are throttle

activated travelling at speeds greater than 25kmph and are ridden by school children on the way to the high school. They originate from second and Third Avenues Coolum Beach and further up the road at Springfield Avenue and would account for twenty traffic movements in this hour.

E-bikes are also seen going to and leaving the local primary school where the maximum age of those attending primary school would be 12 and therefore illegal.

A common site around the streets of Coolum are children being doubled on the bikes sitting on a cross bar with no safety fixes.

All of these instances are currently outside the regulations and are subject to fines and sanctions against parents for breaches of the regulations. Why are the police loathe to enforce the regulations?

These regulations seem to be going down the path the same way wearing a helmet whilst riding a cycle have gone for young people.

If there is no respect for this law then what chance do you have of overcoming youth crime which is showing the same disrespect for the rule of law as is shown to e-bike regulations?

There is no doubt e-bike and e-transportation is the way of the future, but it must be made safer.

Currently the government is committed to the 2030 road safety objective of a 50% reduction in road deaths and a 30% reduction in serious injuries from traffic incidents. In Qld the number of injuries from e-bike and e-scooter related crashes treated in emergency facilities has doubled in the last two years.

The regulations need to be tightened and enforced. Police need to be given the power to confiscate mobility devices if the law is broken and parents held responsible for not complying with the supervision requirements. Any e-bikes with throttle activation need to be confiscated if obviously not registered and complying with the regulations.

Colin Caudell,  
Coolum Beach.

### FOOTPATHS

Dear editor,

I can only agree with the discussion in recent weeks regarding the state of the footpaths in both Coolum and Pacific Terrace. The increased traffic throughout Coolum increases the need to provide a safe means to navigate the footpath without the need to walk out onto the sealed road.

In Pacific Terrace, when there are cars parked on the side of the road, you cannot get passed them without going out onto the road as there is no level surface to walk on. The uneven condition of the footpath in front of some properties makes it almost impossible for people with prams to navigate, forcing them to use the sealed road. With minimal cost to the council, I feel these areas could be rectified with a bit of fill and some turf to level out the problem areas.

With the increase of electric cars and bikes this situation is becoming more and more dangerous as you can't hear them coming up behind you.

It is time for pedestrians to voice their concerns and ideas for better and safer solutions to the movement of people and vehicles in our seaside towns.

Stephen Mawn,  
Coolum Beach.

### FEDERAL ELECTION

Dear editor,

There is a trap for voters with politicians around the world manufacturing strongman image contests rather than explaining policies rationally. A case of all tip, but no iceberg.

I find it a challenging time leading up to our federal election as a loophole in the Electoral Act allows political parties and their supporters to mislead us with impunity up to an election date is announced.

Looking for authentic leadership in this situation is like waiting for a lotus to bloom in a muddy pond.

As Vernon Howard says, "A truly strong person does not need the approval of others any more than a lion needs the approval of sheep."

Perhaps that's how we're

being treated until policy speeches are made and substantiated hopefully by cogent argument rather than hairy-chested hubris.

Garry Reynolds,  
Peregian Springs.

### YEAR OF HOPE?

Dear editor,

Is 2025 off to a great start? Church leaders and the Pope named this year as 'A Year of Hope' and 'Pilgrims of Hope'. A billionaire is donating his \$150 billion to worthy causes. Just asking if 'hope overcomes hate'?

Margaret Wilkie,  
Peregian Beach.

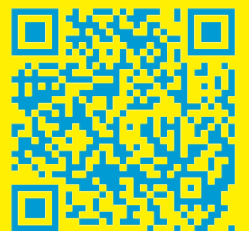
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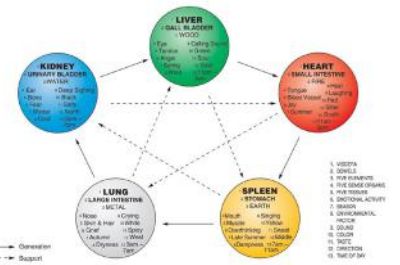
Late Summer begins in February and runs through to the Autumn Equinox. In February, Nature is undergoing its last burst of growth before harvest time. The energy of this season corresponds to the nurturing Earth element. This time is important for self-nurturing and self-cultivating the body, mind and spirit.

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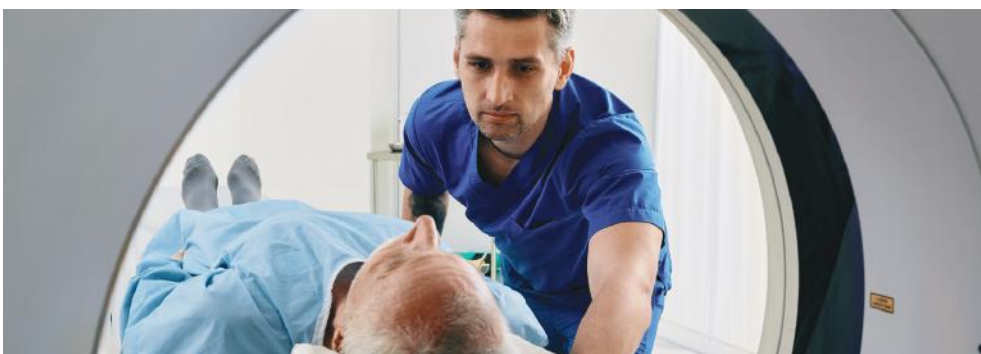
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## Noosa MP Bolton asking tough questions of community via survey

THE INDEPENDENT Member for Noosa, Sandy Bolton MP has launched a survey for Noosa State Electorate residents regarding fluoridation and on the proposed implementation by the State Government of a public sex offender register.

Ms. Bolton said this was in response to organisations such as the Australian Dental Association calling for the State Government to mandate fluoridation for all of Queensland as was the case previously.

"It takes just three minutes, with results from this survey utilised in forming Noosa's position should these be raised in Parliament.

"A collective voice is powerful, providing reassurance to those making decisions that they are aligning to community expectations, whilst making provision for voices that may not agree with a majority view," Ms. Bolton said.

In 2012, the Queensland Government amended legislation to allow Local

Governments to decide whether they would fluoridate their water supply on a council-by-council basis. Prior to this, water suppliers were required by the Queensland Government to add fluoride to any public potable water supply that provided water to at least 1000 people.

"As part of obtaining feedback of fluoridation of water, we have included questions on whether this should be controlled by the State Government instead of Councils, and whether residents prefer to retain fluoridation as the twenty-six out of seventy-seven Councils currently do including all eleven in South-east Queensland (SEQ), or transition to non-fluoridated water alongside the remaining fifty-one councils across Queensland."

Regarding the second component of the survey, as part of its election campaign, the new Government put forward a proposal to implement a public sex offender register in Queensland modelled on the already existing West-

ern Australian sex offender register.

"Following our request in 2022 for the previous Government to initiate a parliamentary inquiry to gather evidence around sex offender registers to better inform the debate, and with our recent Noosa MP survey indicating 66 per cent support, this dedicated survey is important to establish a clear Noosa 'position' on the specific," Ms. Bolton said.

The Survey closes at 12pm on Monday February 24, 2025 and can be completed at

[www.surveymonkey.com/r/2HX32YK](http://www.surveymonkey.com/r/2HX32YK), including the background and research on both topics.

"For residents needing a paper copy or who would like to make additional comments after completing the survey, please contact my office on 5319 3100 or via [noosa@parliament.qld.gov.au](mailto:noosa@parliament.qld.gov.au). Anyone who resides outside the Noosa Electorate should share their views with their local state member of parliament."



# Dog owners rally over plans to limit off-leash access at Stumers

FROM PAGE 1

Local dog owners and their four-legged companions met at Stumers on Saturday February 8 to discuss the Dog Exercise Area Plan (DEAP) and were vocally angry and disappointed with the plan.

Coolum woman Bree Logie who takes her rescue dogs to Stumers daily and is rallying the community was concerned that Council has not thought this out adequately and is encouraging everyone to speak up.

“Stumers is an iconic tourism destination and tourists come from around Australia and in particular Brisbane to experience this beach.

“Having the off-leash area north of the creek will be problematic to access during high tides with undercurrents, and unsafe for the elderly and kids and small dogs.

“This beach area at high tide reveals rocks and can be dangerous to cross and signs even state this often,” Bree stated.

The DEAP will allow dogs to remain within the Stumers area on-leash however this has been met with concerns.

“Dogs swimming on leads and long lines will get tangled and we will witness fights for sure,” Bree said.

“The creek area is also perfect for people to access with their pets who may have a disability or are elderly as the car park is right there and they can sit in their walkers and watch their dogs play.”

Bree said that more fenced dog play areas are not the so-

lution either.

“Fenced dog areas cause fights because dogs get anxious and cannot escape - at Stumers being off-leash they can avoid this situation and run freely.”

## CR SUAREZ RESPONDS

Division 9 and Environment and Liveability Portfolio Councillor Maria Suarez said the draft plan had been carefully developed to reflect the values of the Sunshine Coast community while providing a balanced approach to recreation and environmental protection.

“This plan carefully considers a balanced network of spaces that works for everyone, whether you’re a dog owner or someone who simply enjoys our beaches, parks and reserves,” Cr Suarez said.

“The plan’s recommendations are based on data, dog ownership trends, industry research and consultation with our community.

“Our region offers more than 15km of off-leash and 18km of on-leash dog exercise areas along our beaches and foreshores — significantly more than other regions in south-east Queensland. These areas are part of 65 proposed formal off-leash locations outlined in this plan which aims to balance the needs of our growing and diverse community.”

## THOSE ‘FOR’ THE CHANGES

Online commentary over the DEAP was mostly against changes to the local off-leash

areas however there was support for the amendments.

“This is not unexpected to be honest! We used to go there years ago but because there are so many people that don’t know or can’t control their dogs, we stopped going.”

“Actually it’s the perfect place for toddlers to swim and play safely. Without being bowled over by dogs. Or scratched by them. Towels and belongings will also

benefit as dogs won’t run over them or mark their territory!”

Many who were for the changes cited dogs toileting as a concern.

“Owners need to be responsible with their pets down there and carry the darn poop bags with them... It wasn’t always an off-leash dog beach. I only live up the road and stopped going there even for a walk due to what’s going on and how disrespected much of the area has become and I’ve lived here over 20 years and it’s changed.”

## FIGHTING FOR THE SECOND TIME

Long-time local Gary Young who walks his dog twice daily, “rain, hail or shine” said he fought for the area once and is doing it again.

“I started in 1991 when one of the existing Councillors in the old Maroochy Council wanted to change all of the dog beaches... after that election we lobbied the Councillors to have the off-leash beach established which runs from the caravan park and up

to the environmental park and then it was expanded up to the shire boundary,” Gary said.

Gary stated that creating a smaller area for off-leash play is problematic.

“The impact of this new plan will see every dog pushed into one smaller area and it’s not only us who will be affected but also the people in Noosa Shire who use the area from Peregrin and walk south.”

As to why it was so important to him, Gary said that his twice daily walks are his “chill out” time.

“I’m down here even in a cyclone! It’s my time here, I have time to think and enjoy the environment no matter what that might be and I get to let my dog roam freely and I hope that everyone will get onto the Council website and have their say.”

One local who wished to remain anonymous also said that the skydivers who use the Stumers Creek area as a landing spot, were often, as she saw it, more of a problem than any off-leash dog.

“The way they come flying in across the water at times is scary and they are not going anywhere or are being asked to – why pick on the dogs?”

Another regular dog walker Patti Pennisi who along with her husband has three golden retrievers said that the locals to the creek are respectful.

“Local dog owners who use the creek daily/often are generally the ones who take pride in their environment. Many of us do plastic/garbage pick-up as we walk our dogs around the creek and we’re the ones who contact Council if we think people who ‘stay’ overnight are disrespecting the creek and park,” Patti said.

Patti also stated that the creek was the perfect place for those who were frail, and it was a favourite spot for her elderly Father before he passed.

“Dad would come down to Stumers from his aged-care home as it has easy access for mobility impaired to get some ‘dog therapy’ and watch our pups swimming up and down the creek.

“Being able to sit and watch them play was a joy and there is no way we could have got him all the way to beyond the creek and to where the new off-leash area is proposed.”

## MAYOR NATOLI RESPONDS

Sunshine Coast Mayor Rosanna Natoli said the

draft plan reflected Council’s commitment to creating spaces that supported an active, inclusive and liveable community.

“This plan is about shaping a future network of dog exercise areas across the entire Sunshine Coast — whether that’s parks, beaches or recreation reserves — that meet the needs of dog owners while respecting our region’s environmental and community values,” Mayor Natoli said.

“Your feedback will help ensure we strike the right balance between creating safe recreational spaces for dog owners and non-dog owners alike, while maintaining the natural beauty of our region.”

## HAVE YOUR SAY

There will be a public information session at Stumers Creek on Wednesday February 19 from 7-9am with Council in attendance.

The draft plan is open for feedback until February 28, with final recommendations set to be presented to Council later this year. Please visit the following link for more information on the DEAP and to fill out the survey - [haveyoursay.sunshinecoast.qld.gov.au](https://haveyoursay.sunshinecoast.qld.gov.au)

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Long time local Gary Young with Gillie who both walk along Stumers twice a day, every day of the year.



Meeting to discuss the proposed changes to access at Stumers and beyond.



Sally the 15-year-old Labrador who has been visiting Stumers her entire life. Photos: Vanessa Hall



Patti Pennisi’s beloved Father enjoying some dog therapy with Sammi at Stumers. Photo: Contributed

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## Community Showcase

### YANDINA COUNTRY MUSIC

THE AUSTRALASIAN Country Music Association, Yandina Branch will welcome the very popular John Abbott as guest artist at the Yandina country music concert on Sunday February 16 at the Hall of Fame. Guests are invited to come to the ACMA Hall of Fame which is located at 24 Steggalls Road in Yandina from 12 noon, with guests entertained with traditional country, including more diverse crowd-pleasing favourites and a great band. Walk-ups welcome and the day will also feature raffle and door prizes. Lunch is BYO and there will be free tea and coffee. Entry is just \$10 and \$8 for members.



John Abbott will play on Sunday February 16 at the Yandina Branch of the Australasian Country Music Association concert at their hall on Steggalls Road. Photo: Contributed

## Gallery Lane exhibition showcases stylistic and retro version of Coolum

CELEBRATING the retro travel posters from days gone by and with a modern twist which pays homage to the uber cool Palm Springs mid-century aesthetic, Simone Wolowiec's colourful art will be gracing Coolum's very own 'Gallery Lane' for the next month.

Simone's exhibition 'Inspired By Coolum' will be running from Monday February 10 to Saturday March 9 at 'Gallery Lane' in Coolum which is between Yum Gelato and Heirloom Café.

"It's truly a wonderful feeling sharing my art in the heart of Coolum," Simone said.

Simone was 'Inspired By Coolum' after relocating from Melbourne to live a quieter life by the coast. Simone's travel experiences and her artistic perspective of the beauty within the region ignited a series of Coolum Beach artworks and an expanding Sunshine Coast Collection.

The art is relatable to many locals and visitors with Simone's intention to capture each location as a first-time visitor seeking the highlights and Simone's guiding philosophy is to create art that simply makes you smile.

The exhibition is proudly hosted and curated by the Coolum Art Project which is

a temporary exhibition trail - a spokesperson stated that they hope to showcase as much art as possible.

"Our vision is to identify and create opportunities for creatives in and around Coolum, public or private, by presenting a temporary exhibition experience within our community."

Simone said that she is so thrilled to be showcasing her work.

"It's truly a paradise and a great community and it's an honour and big thank you to John and the team from Coolum Art Project for all your efforts in making this possible."



Artist Simone Wolowiec who will be exhibiting for the next month along the 'Gallery Lane' walls in Coolum between Yum Gelato and Heirloom Café.



Simone's work takes inspiration from the local region and has a vintage and colourful retro feel. Photos: Contributed

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# ST ANDREW'S PEREGIAN FORMALLY WELCOMES NEW PRINCIPAL

WITH THE start of the new school year a new era in leadership was recognised at St Andrew's Anglican College at Peregian Springs with new Principal Ms Karen Gorrie officially welcomed into the school community.

Ms Gorrie is the third Principal to lead the College since it was founded in 2003 and takes over from the long-standing tenure of Reverend Chris Ivey, who held the role for 18 years.

The service, which was officiated by Archbishop of Brisbane, The Most Reverend Jeremy Greaves KCSJ, was attended by both past Principals, Principals from across the Sunshine Coast and dignitaries from within Southeast Queensland.

With a strong vision for the future, Ms Gorrie brings a wealth of experience and a passion for fostering academic excellence, community spirit and holistic development – a seamless fit with that which the College has built its strong reputation on.

"I strongly believe that the people within the community is what makes a community, so I can't wait to take time to listen to students, teachers, staff, and parents to gain a clear understanding of the school's values, culture, and accomplishments that they as a community are really proud of and value immensely, Ms Gorrie said.

"I really want to take the time for the St Andrew's community to get to know me too, and for us to work

together to identify areas to grow and develop within the school."

Ms Gorrie stated that working collaboratively was important.

"As I step into the role of principal, one of my key goals is to build on the positive relationships and sense of community that already exists within the school and I want to continue fostering a culture where students, staff, and families feel valued, supported and empowered."

Ms Gorrie will also bring her own unique vision to the role.

"I genuinely believe students want to be 'noticed.' I think that in an age where more and more people interact on devices, it is important

to build a culture that ensures people are truly engaging with each other, whether it's in the classroom or outside.

"I would like to ensure that every student feels they have a voice and a role to play in our school's success."

With over 25 years of experience in education, Ms Gorrie has shown dedication and commitment to innovation in student-centred learning and focused on independent learning in a positive and inclusive school environment.

A strong belief in providing opportunities for every student to fulfill their learning aspirations and building the foundations for future success underpins Ms Gorrie's academic values.

"All students have the need, and more importantly the right to learn and each individual student deserves to be noticed, to be nurtured, and access learning to reach their potential."

"It is our goal as educators to ensure that we do all we can within the environment in which we operate for each student to reach their potential."

As the College embarks on this next phase of growth, Ms Gorrie is focused on building upon the solid foundation established by her predecessor while guiding St Andrew's towards new achievements and opportunities.

"A strong school culture is one where students, teachers and staff work together as a

team, continuously learning from each other.

"I like to encourage open communication where teachers share best practices, students feel comfortable asking questions, and families are engaged partners in the education of their children which in turn enables them to strive towards reaching goals that they may not even realise they can achieve."

Karen Gorrie is an educator with more than 25 years of experience, most recently as the Deputy Principal of St Margaret's Anglican Girls' School in Brisbane. Previously, she has held leadership positions within first-class schools in the Anglican system since 2002 in Brisbane and North Queensland.



St Andrew's Anglican College Peregian Springs new Principal Ms Karen Gorrie with College Captains Mikaela, Ben, Bryce and Keira.



Formally recognising new Principal Ms Karen Gorrie (third from left) at the commissioning service held recently. Photos: Contributed

## Stopping by the Cows of Coolum

PETER MADDEN

ONE of our regular photographers who ventures to the beach each morning and takes great shots of each sunrise also likes to stop by the local cows who happen to live in the long grasses along South Coolum Road. Peter said that when COVID struck he needed to find things to do and thought it would be a great idea to make a habit of walking more.

"For many years I had always been an early riser, so I began my early morning walks, and it didn't take long before I noticed just how beautiful the pre-dawn and sunrises were,

and I began taking photos. I then decided to head down to South Coolum Rd and have a look at the sunsets, and that's when I started to include the cows into the photos. I asked the owners if they minded if I pulled up some of the longer grass up from outside the paddocks and fed the cows - and I was given the ok. They became used to being fed not only by myself but others as well and it got to the stage where the cows would see me coming and started walking over to wherever I was." We love this – just shows how important kindness is all around!



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## Coolum State High School Swimming Carnival

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# The Advertiser Social Scene

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# Community Update

## QCWA YANDINA QCWA International Women's Day High Tea

THE Yandina Branch of the Queensland Country Women's Association (QCWA) is hosting a High Tea on Friday March 14 at 12.00 p.m. at the QCWA Division Hall (11 Stevens Street, Yandina) to celebrate International Women's Day.

The community is invited to come along and enjoy delicious, homemade savoury and sweet treats served on beautiful vintage crockery and listen to our guest speaker Ms Kim McCosker, author of '4 Ingredi-

ents' cookbooks. Attendees are invited to dress in our 'Fabulous in Florals' theme. There will also be a raffle, lucky door prizes, and prizes for best dressed.

Funds raised will allow the branch to continue to support members of the local and wider community.

Due to limited numbers, bookings are essential. Tickets are \$25 and are to be pre-purchased by contacting Yandina Branch President Jenny on 0417 784 908 or yandinabranch@qcwa.org.au

Maureen Brook from the Yandina QCWA getting into the High Tea spirit in preparation for the March 14 event. Photo: Contributed



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## Sports News

### Coolum Football Grandstand Painting

THERE have been many hands literally on deck of late at Coolum Football Club with the grandstand and clubhouse roof undergoing a revamp with a new coat of paint. The club said the work was made possible due to volunteers.

"With a crew of committee members, Mikey Lamb (long time member and player of the club), Simon Gerbic (Head Coach) and Alison, we began laying the new paint down. After a long day of painting we

put the brushes down and with the help of our president Mel, Beth and Greg we finished off the letters.

"We want to give a massive thankyou to Mikey, Simo, Greg and Alison for all your help. Also we want to thank Beth for all her hard work painting beforehand and lastly, another massive thankyou to Haymes Paint for the paint for the grandstand."

Photos: Contributed



# Community Update

## COOLUM MEN'S SHED

### Memorial Garden

THE Coolum Men's Shed (CMS) dedicated plaques for members who passed during 2024 in our Memorial Garden recently. The dedication was

carried out by the Rev Brad Henley from Noosa Anglican Church. Rev Henley drew the similarities between Jesus who was a carpenter by trade and a lot of the work done at CMS by our shed members. It

was a lovely ceremony and a fitting tribute to the four members who passed - Frank Bates, Stewart Hughes, John McNaughton and Jeffery Brenton, they will be remembered. Photo: Contributed



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### COMMUNITY WINS

Under the SEQ Community Stimulus Program funded by the state government, \$2 million dollars has been granted to build cycle lanes at Petrie Creek; \$1.2 million for the South Coolum Road foot path, \$550,000 for the Coolum Pump Track and \$600,000 for Eumundi footpaths.

### MULTICULTURAL QUEENSLAND AWARDS

Recognise and celebrate outstanding achievements of individuals and organisations working towards an inclusive multicultural Queensland. Nominate today at: <https://www.qld.gov.au/MQA>. Nominations close at midnight on Sunday March 16, 2025.

### IT'S IN THE BAG

Share the Dignity's March

2025 Dignity Drive is on. Your involvement is vital in helping us provide essential period products to women, girls, and those who menstruate across Australia and do not have the means to access the necessary products. My office is a collection point so please drop your donations into the pink bin at reception.

### CLEAN UP AUSTRALIA DAY: PLANNING IS ALREADY UNDERWAY FOR SUNDAY MARCH 2

Now in its 35th year Clean up Australia Day is a great way to get involved in our local environment and build pride in where we live. Register NOW for your free Clean Up Kit, or find out more information online or by calling 1800 282 329.

### PARLIAMENT NEWS

I am proud of the Crisafulli Government's investment in the Queensland rapid response policing unit, with an integrated State Flying Squad of 58 specialist officers. In other news - the Crisafulli Government will deliver critical child safety reform with an Inquiry into the failed Blue Card Child Protection System, and good news for small businesses with the announcement that Queensland's Chambers of Commerce will work with the Small Businesses Commissioner to reduce red tape to make it easier to operate a business.

## Maria Suarez CR

DIVISION 9  
SUNSHINE COAST COUNCIL



### FIRST BAY LANDSLIP REPAIR WORKS UNDERWAY

A REMINDER that works to repair a section of cliff face above the beach at First Bay, Coolum has begun. The area was damaged during the February and May 2022 flooding events. This repair work will stabilise and strengthen the area affected by the landslip and provide a new 145m path for pedestrians. These works are scheduled to be complete by Monday June 30, 2025, weather permitting. Some traffic and parking changes are in place during work. Thank-you for your patience during this time.

### HAVE YOUR SAY ON A REGION WIDE PLAN FOR DOG ACCESS

There are more than 54,000 registered dogs across the Sunshine Coast - that's a lot of wagging tails and active paws exploring our parks, beaches and open spaces every day.

With so many furry companions living in our region, Sunshine Coast Council has prepared a draft plan on how we can create a balanced

network of dog exercise areas that meet the needs of all residents and their dogs, while protecting our region's natural beauty, now and into the future.

Council's draft Dog Exercise Area Plan and Network Blueprint is now open for your feedback.

We are receiving a lot of feedback regarding the changes to Stumers Creek both in opposition and support. Keep the information coming but please remain respectful of all views.

I'd encourage you to visit [haveyoursay.sunshinecoast.qld.gov.au](http://haveyoursay.sunshinecoast.qld.gov.au) and share your thoughts before February 28.

### LIONS AND NORRIE JOB PARK

It's wonderful to see so many people enjoying the newly upgraded Lions and Norrie Job park. We are aware of an issue with the shower facilities and are working to resolve it as quickly as possible.

### GET IN TOUCH

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

## Ted O'Brien MP

FEDERAL MEMBER FOR FAIRFAX



### AUSTRALIA DAY

THIS YEAR, I ran a competition to gift a special piece of history - a flag that flew in the House of Representatives Chamber - to a deserving Fairfax local. I'm thrilled to say the winner was Christopher Brown from Nambour.

Christopher shared how Australia Day is about celebrating our rich history and coming together as one. Wise words, and a big congratulations, Christopher!

### SUMMER ROAD TRIP

Every year I take quarterly road trips around the Fairfax electorate to meet locals and hear their concerns and ideas for the area. This year my Summer Road Trip visited, Nambour, Yandina, Marcoola and Mountain Creek.

In Marcoola, residents spoke to me about the cost of living, especially for families as they struggle with the expense of kids going back to school.

They also talked about housing affordability, the average cost of rent and mortgage repayments are impacting families significantly.

The conversations in Yandina, Mountain Creek and

Nambour were the same, your message is loud and clear that things are very tough.

I am working to help community groups and individuals to address these issues, and I know there is more work to do.

### STRONGER COMMUNITIES PROGRAMME

All eligible organisations in the Fairfax electorate are invited to submit an EOI for grants between \$2,500 and \$20,000 to support projects that improve local community participation and contribute to vibrant viable communities.

EOIs close on Friday February 14, 2025, and projects must be complete before December 31, 2025.

Eligible projects have changed from previous years, for more information and to submit your EOI visit my website or contact my team.

### GET IN TOUCH

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

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## Principal's Post

TROY ASCOTT  
COOLUM STATE HIGH SCHOOL



WELL, it's official – we now have more students in our school than we have ever had before. In fact, on our official Day 8 (an important day for all school administrators across Queensland due to being the official student census date), Coolum State High School had 1597 students. That is a wonderful showing of support from our community and gives us a great deal of strength as a school.

I know that sometimes parents, especially parents of primary-school-aged students, worry about a "large" school and that their child might get lost in the numbers, however I just wanted to assure everyone that this isn't the case. The additional numbers provide more quality staff, stronger academy programs, more subject offerings and, in short, more opportunities. It's a strength to have the numbers and to enjoy the confidence of our community.

One thing that was especially reassuring was the number of students enrolling at Coolum

State High School into years 10 and 11. These students are choosing to come for the range of subjects, the teaching quality and because people know of the outstanding student monitoring and results that we have in the senior school.

And, what a great start it has been to the year. Our 301 year 7 students have fit in seamlessly, while our largest ever class of year 12s began with a scene-setting leadership day in which they set goals for the year ahead. At both ends of our school we had vibrant energy and a strong sense of anticipation for the year ahead. All students looked wonderful in their uniforms and were eager for learning.

With more students than ever, some wonderful new staff, and some great traditions to rely on, there is a palpable sense that this could be the best year yet in the life of Coolum State High School.

## Legal News

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



### TRUSTS IN WILLS

THE REASON most wills appoint trustees, as well as executors, is because every will creates a trust.

Certainly, there seems to be increased interest of late in 'testamentary trust' wills. These are wills that make gifts to a trust created by the will in a person's name, rather than to the individual, and include several pages of additional clauses explaining the rules of the trust.

But even the simplest will effectively gives the assets of the estate to the executors and trustees on trust for a period of months before the estate is administered and the distributions to beneficiaries can be made.

Lengthier trusts are formed when a will makes a gift to minor children and these trusts last until the age – 18, 21, 25 etc – that the will maker nominates. A right to occupy or life interest provision, commonly used to look after

a spouse in a second marriage while allowing the home to eventually flow to the kids, also creates a trust which the executors and trustees may have to continue to oversee for many years.

Usually, the executors and trustees are the same people, but sometimes a different person or persons, more suited to the task will be nominated.

The Trusts Act 1973 (Qld) sets out the duties and default powers of all trustees, including those appointed in wills. The duties are pretty obvious - act in the best interests of beneficiaries, invest prudently, maintain proper records etc.

Smart lawyers have found numerous ways to improve upon the powers in the 52 years since the Trusts Act was passed. This is why most wills now have several pages at the end dealing with executors' powers. The government is promising a new Trusts Act in 2025. Perhaps we will be able to shorten our wills and save some trees!

## Observations

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



### HEALTHY COAST

I HAVE made 2025 a bit more of a year for healthy adventure with different experiences. Why, because embracing unknown challenges can fuel the spirit and nurture the soul. But we are all different and not everybody is seeking adventure.

We have wonderful opportunities for adventure in close proximity with mountains like Mount Coolool and there are many other mountains to climb. A drive up to the start of the Conondale Ranges Great Walk and bushwalk gets you to the Artists Cascades with beautiful crystal waterfalls.

Whilst I do like the big adventure opportunities afforded on the coast, I also enjoy daily walks with our loving Labrador Lola. So many people like me get such enjoyment from their pet dogs with an exercise walk and cuddle.

Animal Care Australia tells us that "pets are great company and are loyal friends. They not only bring an innocent joy into our lives, but the human-animal bond is a deeply personal and mutually beneficial experience. Owning a pet is a lifelong responsibility but there are many positive benefits."

We are fortunate to have many opportunities to walk the dog on leash around the streets or on the beach. There are off-leash enclosures in parks and some of our beach sections

have been designated for dogs off-leash at certain times and seasons.

Wildlife use our beaches such as our resident kangaroos and birds such as terns and gulls. In season we have nesting turtles, and we have the arrival of migratory birds from across the world. While retaining biodiversity is critical so many people get pleasure and happiness from our wildlife.

The balance we need to achieve to retain biodiversity and give people and their pet dogs a fair go is a big challenge.

The Sunshine Coast Council is inviting feedback on the draft Dog Exercise Area Regional Plan up until February 28, 2025. Even if you are not a dog owner, you are encouraged to look at and provide feedback on the plan as there are changes to areas that allow or prohibit dogs, especially on our beaches and environmental reserves.

We need to sustain nature and community as we are all connected.



Artists Cascades, Conondale Ranges Great Walk. Photo: Tony Gibson



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- ACROSS: 1 Eastern temples, 5 Cults, 8 Reserved, 9 Party game, 10 Level, 13 Put back, 15 Dwelt, 17 Arch, 18 Was ahead, 19 Snoop, 21 Sorrowful, 23 Longings, 26 Public vote, 27 Saucy, 29 Stretches out, 30 Vegetable, 31 Weary, 32 Scaling aids
DOWN: 1 Supplication, 2 Garden ornaments, 3 Dexterous, 4 Holy, 5 Breaks, 6 Furniture items, 7 Firm, 11 Corruptly mercenary, 12 No score, 13 Colour, 14 Church office bearer, 16 Foreordained, 19 Female swan, 20 Sharp bark, 21 Pick out, 22 More deep, 23 Of the back, 24 Repeat from memory, 25 Showy deeds, 28 Precious metal

Grid for the weekly crossword puzzle with numbered starting points for across and down clues.

SUDOKU OF THE WEEK

9x9 Sudoku grid with some numbers pre-filled: Row 1: [ ][ ][ ][6][ ][ ][ ][7][ ]; Row 2: [ ][ ][7][ ][ ][1][ ][2][ ]; Row 3: [ ][ ][3][ ][ ][ ][9][ ][ ]; Row 4: [ ][ ][6][ ][ ][7][3][ ][8][ ]; Row 5: [ ][ ][ ][ ][ ][1][ ][ ][ ]; Row 6: [9][ ][ ][2][ ][6][ ][ ][ ][ ]; Row 7: [ ][ ][ ][8][7][ ][ ][ ][ ][ ]; Row 8: [6][ ][ ][ ][5][ ][ ][4][ ][ ]; Row 9: [2][ ][ ][ ][ ][ ][5][ ][ ][ ]

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SUDOKU SOLUTION

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CROSSWORD SOLUTION

Solved crossword grid with words filled in: Across: 1 EASTERN, 5 CULTS, 8 RESERVED, 9 PARTY, 10 LEVEL, 13 PUT, 15 DWELT, 17 ARCH, 18 WAS, 19 SNOOP, 21 SORROW, 23 LONGING, 26 PUBLIC, 27 SAUCY, 29 STRETCH, 30 VEGETABLE, 31 WEARY, 32 SCALING; Down: 1 SUPPLICATION, 2 GARDEN, 3 DEXTEROUS, 4 HOLY, 5 BREAKS, 6 FURNITURE, 7 FIRM, 11 CORRUPTLY, 12 NO, 13 COLOUR, 14 CHURCH, 16 FOREORDAINED, 19 FEMALE, 20 SHARP, 21 PICK, 22 MORE, 23 OF, 24 REPEAT, 25 SHOWY, 28 PRECIOUS



## Community News

### Ready to make a difference in our vibrant community?

Council is here to back our artists and organisations that make our region the best place to live, work and play! We offer a range of grants and funding for community projects and artistic development. And guess what? Three exciting funding programs are open right now: Major Community Grants; Minor Community Grants and Regional Arts Development Funding. If you think you have a project that fits, don't miss this fantastic opportunity! Visit Council's website to apply or for further details.

### What's better than an action movie?

Seeing the action live at Sunshine Coast Council's free Emergency Expo! Check out the exhilarating emergency service demonstrations and meet your heroes on Sunday 2 March from 10am-2pm. Head along to Lake Kawana Foreshore, in front of the Sunshine Coast Stadium. It's the perfect spot for a picnic, with plenty of food and drink options available. Visit Council's Disaster Hub website for more details.

### Don't paws, share your thoughts and help shape the Sunshine Coast

With local dog registrations expected to grow to more than 80,000 in the next 20 years it's time to expand and enhance our dog exercise facilities. The draft Dog Exercise Area Regional Plan and Network Blueprint is designed to benefit our whole community and the natural environment - prioritising safety, wellbeing and liveability for people and pets alike. Head to haveyoursay.sunshinecoast.qld.gov.au and share your thoughts today.

### Celebrate the unique cultural heritage of our region

Every month, enjoy free and low-cost heritage talks, events and exhibitions at Bankfoot House, Landsborough Museum and more. Coming up, you can experience a film premiere of the Kenilworth Township Centenary; a photography exhibition where you'll step into the 1890s; a new exhibition at Bankfoot: During the War Years; and a fascinating heritage talk about the Women's Land Army. To find out more and to register, visit Council's Heritage website or subscribe to Heritage e-news.

### Watch Council's next Ordinary Meeting

View online on Council's website or at Sunshine Coast City Hall Chambers on Thursday 27 February at 9am.

### Join artists and provocateurs for a full run down of opportunites ahead

A six-month creative development program MadeSC, is supporting the region's artists working in any art form to generate new work on the Sunshine Coast and beyond. Find out more at the MadeSC Lab, an intensive one day session on 22 February at 2ND Space, Nambour. High-profile creatives will facilitate the session and unpack the creative opportunities on offer. For more program details and to register, search MadeSC on Council's website.

### Rates are due this month

Your Sunshine Coast Council rates have been issued and are due for payment by 21 February. There is a range of convenient online payment methods available to pay your rates, including BPAY and direct debit. Check your rates notice to see all the ways you can pay and mark your diary to pay on time and avoid interest. Open a 'MyCouncil' account or login to pay at mycouncil.sunshinecoast.qld.gov.au.

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## A look back in time

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



### A CLAMBER UP MOUNT COOLUM

I'M OFTEN asked, "Where do you get the information for your history articles?" ... and this question has a very wide range of answers, as I vary information so as to present interesting articles for everyone. Today's article actually came from the "Brisbane Courier" of Saturday February 5, 1910!

The group involved travelled from Yandina by boat, then up Coolum Creek for a mile or so before climbing Mount Coolum, four kilometres [2.5 miles] away ... from there, we are told that ... "Mr. Overend thought it looked very interesting, [but] he would not run the risk of spoiling his good impression by closer acquaintance. Mr. Allan started out manfully to conquer the decapitated hill, but when he got a good view of the sides he remembered that he had urgent correspondence in Brisbane to attend to, and hurried back to Yandina to catch the train. Mr. Nichols found he had to take Mr. Allan back and Mr. Brayden had to go and look after Mr. Nichols. Captain Johnson was determined to stick to the ship and the crew was loyal to the Captain, so that only six or eight faced the [traditional] victim of Ninderry's bow and spear."

"We got on a false spur and climbed about the steepest part of Coolum, all in a hurry to be first to the summit, on the lee side, and with a scorching sun blazing down on us.

The result of our energy and the heat was much perspiration and panting. But it was worth it. As we broke over the summit a strong south-easterly breeze refreshed our lungs, and cooled our bodies; and the magnificent view appealed to our senses.

Stretching below us to the eastern horizon was the blue Pacific, and its fringe of white surf could be traced from Noosa Heads down to Caloundra. The Maroochy River showed like a strip of silver through the land, with its tributaries, Coolum Creek, Eudlo Creek, and Petrie's Creek, while further over was Mooloolah Creek with a little system of its own. To the westward the Blackall Range formed the skyline, and scattered about were Mounts Ninderry, Cooroy, Cooran, Pinbarren, Eerwah, Crookneck, Beerwah, Beerburum, Tibrogargan, Micketbumilgrai and other queer peaks: old Buderim Mountain stood by itself on the south.

Mr. Thynne, who had been first in the Marathon race to the summit sat down on a piece of broken bottle, and Mr. O'Connor told us he had brought up a billy of water, both of which incidents took our attention away from the scenery for a while ..."

This article fascinates and frustrates me because I need to research the story's end ... and where is Micketbumilgrai???

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A favourite is the Sansevieria (Mother-in-Law's Tongue). It was once almost a joke and could be found growing around the yard in warm climates. But because of changing circumstances and fashions, it is now highly valued and the price has soared. It is hardy, low-maintenance, and will tolerate indoor conditions. Most of all, it has an elegant sculptural appearance making it the perfect house plant.

Another old favourite is the Aspidistra, I can honestly say some of my Aspidistra plants would be at least 80 years old. The originals were my grandmother's and she grew them for many years. Of course, at times I have broken them up, divided, and repotted them, but they are still attractive and provide green

foliage for difficult spaces in the home. It's not called the 'cast iron' plant for nothing!

In general, pot plants need good draining soil, good light, adequate watering, and suitable fertilising. I use a good quality potting mix, adding perlite and charcoal if I have it. Slow release fertiliser is preferred.

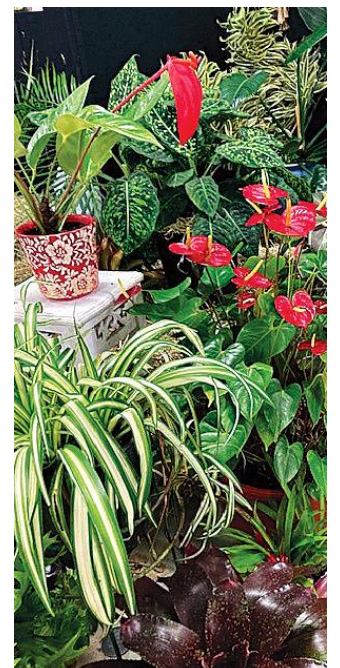
For outdoors, other plants like orchids, bromeliads, and cactus etc require a more open mix, containing bark, coir, and river sand - more about them next time.

My bush house provides a suitable environment for most of the outdoor plants. The Anthuriums, ferns, begonias, calatheas etc appreciate the humidity - although the bromeliads like the sunnier section. The bush house is covered with 75% shade cloth, but still allows good light which is essential. Anthuriums are my favourites, they thrive in the bush house, and they are always in flower and oh so forgiving. It's nice to grow pretty annuals and herbs in pots too but their requirements are a bit different.

Happy gardening!

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# Community news

## AUSTRALIAN INDEPENDENT RETIREES (AIR) NOOSA BRANCH

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## COOLUM BEACH COMBINED PROBUS CLUB

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## MAROOCHY NORTH SHORE LIONS/MUDJIMBA SURF CLUB FUNDRAISER

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## CAR BOOT & TABLE TOP SALE

There will be a Car Boot & Table-Top Sale on **Saturday, 15th March** 2025 at Coolum Beach Uniting Church garden/carpark and in the Church Hall, from 7.00 to 11.00am (set up from 6am). The S.O.S. will have a Sausage Sizzle with profits going to S.O.S. (Save Our Streets).

For more information and booking of stalls, please phone Pam on 0418 610 423.

## GENEALOGY SUNSHINE COAST

Our first General meeting will be on **Saturday, February 15th** at 9:30am when our guest speaker Clive Waring will talk on restoring and editing your photos.

We will be holding a workshop on using the Roots Magic Program on **Saturday, 22nd February** from 9:30am to 12 pm covering the basics and how to set up your family history files. Some topics include settings, naming files and folders, where to store them, adding information including sources and media, using different screen views, writing reports, etc. Cost is \$8 for members and \$15 for non-members. Morning tea is provided and you may bring your own lunch or there are options to purchase sandwiches or pies. You may also bring your own

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## PARKINSON'S SUPPORT GROUP

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## NINDERRY BRANCH ALP MONTHLY MEETING

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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

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## COOLUM CRAFT GROUP

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## HOME LEAGUE COOLUM BEACH

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## COOLUM BEACH SENIOR CITIZENS CLUB

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# COOLUM BEACH BOWLS RESULTS

This result was a repeat of the 2023 championships. Both have now won the event twice in the past three years. Well done and I think there are plenty more to come.

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

**Club Honour Roll available on club website at:**  
<https://coolumbeachbowls.com.au/championship-honour-roll/>.

**2025 Great 8 Bowls Challenge**  
 The 2025 Great 8 Bowls Challenge has commenced, and all selected sides, results and player availability lists are available on the club website at: <https://coolumbeachbowls.com.au/2025-great8/>.

**Weekly Bowls Program**  
 • Social bowls every Tuesday Open Pairs 1pm, Thursday Open Pairs 1pm, Friday Open Pairs 1pm.  
 • Register at: <https://coolumbeachbowls.com.au/social-bowls/>.

• For all social bowls enquiries contact the Social Bowls Coordinator on 0499 167922.  
 • Barefoot bowls every Friday night from 4.30-7pm and Sunday afternoon from 1-5pm. For all barefoot bowls enquiries, including social functions, contact the Club Manager on 5446 1153.  
 • Coaching is provided free of charge every Wednesday morning commencing at 10am. For all coaching enquiries, contact the Coaching Coordinator on 0493 216 779.

**Tuesday, 28th January**

**Social Bowls**  
 1st M Emerton, K Emerton +17  
 2nd U Ford, P Teale +15  
 3rd T Nunn, C Johnston +14

**Thursday, 30th January**

**Social Bowls**  
 1st B Dryland, L Hitchcock +21  
 2nd Sandy Wilson, J Beattie +19  
 3rd M Schreiber, G Kennedy +19

**Friday, 31st January**

**Social Bowls**  
 1st W Edmunds, T Coyne +20  
 2nd G Dysart, Y Walsh +18  
 3rd S Clarke, T Saravanas +16

**Tuesday, 4th February**

**Social Bowls**  
 1st L Hitchcock, D Lavery +13  
 2nd M Wilson, R Partridge +11  
 3rd K & J Wilson +9

**Thursday, 6th February**

**Social Bowls**  
 1st P Tozer, P Bain +15  
 2nd T Spencer, N Mellett +11  
 3rd L Hitchcock, T Coyne +11

**Friday, 7th February**

**Social Bowls**  
 1st A Hateley, G Brown +19  
 2nd S Briggs, L Yates, D Lavery +8  
 3rd R Wallish, D Keating +8

**2025 Club Championships**

**Men's A Singles - Quarter-finals**  
 P Bamforth 25 def P Lawler 14  
 C Hawthorn 25 def R Tunj 10  
 B Smith 25 def J Membrey 21  
 G Brown 26 def A Michaels 11  
**Men's A Singles - Semi-finals**  
 B Smith 27 def G Brown 21  
 C Hawthorn 25 def P Bamforth 13  
**Men's A Singles - Final**  
 Craig Hawthorn 26 def Brian Smith 9  
**Ladies' A Singles - Final**  
 Sharon Weatherby 25 def Jenny Beattie

**Congratulations to Craig and Sharon on winning the club's premier event, the A Singles.**

## \$50,000 Bowls Qld State Championships

### Monday 12 to Sunday 25 May 2025

**Finals Played at Coolum Beach BC, Sunshine Coast**

<b>Mixed Pairs</b>	<b>12, 13 &amp; 14</b>	<b>Men &amp; Women Pairs</b>	<b>20, 21 &amp; 22</b>
<b>Men &amp; Women Triples</b>	<b>15 &amp; 16</b>	<b>Men &amp; Women O'60 Pairs</b>	<b>20, 21 &amp; 22</b>
<b>Men &amp; Women Fours</b>	<b>17, 18 &amp; 19</b>	<b>Men &amp; Women Singles</b>	<b>23, 24 &amp; 25</b>

**Enter through BowlsLink - Close 10 March**

**Scan the QR Code for Event Information:**

SCAN ME

Entries are open for the 2025 QLD State Championships with the finals to be played at Coolum - you will have a home ground advantage! Held from May 12-25, this event will feature \$50,000 in prize money. Coolum Beach Bowls Club will host the finals of each event and the bulk of sectional/post sectional play. Enter via BowlsLink.

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## TIDE TIMES 2025

FEBRUARY 12, 2025 - FEBRUARY 25, 2025

Tide heights taken from Coolum Beach					Coolum & Maroochy River. For other areas visit <a href="http://www.qld.gov.au">www.qld.gov.au</a>				
<b>WED 12 FEB</b>					<b>WED 19 FEB</b>				
Coolum	0.27m	1.99m	0.45m	1.48m	Coolum	1.48m	0.8m	1.38m	0.57m
Maroochy River	1:37 am	8:09 am	2:36 pm	8:17 pm	Maroochy River	2:12 am	9:09 am	1:58 pm	9:13 pm
Maroochy River	4:47 am	10:24 am	5:46 pm	10:32 pm	Maroochy River	2:12 am	9:09 am	1:58 pm	9:13 pm
<b>THU 13 FEB</b>					<b>THU 20 FEB</b>				
Coolum	0.27m	1.97m	0.43m	1.51m	Coolum	1.45m	0.9m	1.25m	0.63m
Maroochy River	2:13 am	8:42 am	3:06 pm	8:52 pm	Maroochy River	3:06 am	10:15 am	2:41 pm	9:58 pm
Maroochy River	5:23 am	10:57 am	6:16 pm	11:07 pm	Maroochy River	3:06 am	10:15 am	2:41 pm	9:58 pm
<b>FRI 14 FEB</b>					<b>FRI 21 FEB</b>				
Coolum	0.3m	1.92m	0.43m	1.53m	Coolum	1.44m	0.94m	1.15m	0.67m
Maroochy River	2:48 am	9:13 am	3:34 pm	9:26 pm	Maroochy River	2:12 am	8:53 am	1:28 pm	7:51 pm
Maroochy River	5:58 am	11:28 am	6:44 pm	11:41 pm	Maroochy River	4:27 am	12:03 pm	3:43 pm	11:01 pm
<b>SAT 15 FEB</b>					<b>SAT 22 FEB</b>				
Coolum	0.37m	1.85m	0.44m	1.54m	Coolum	1.49m	0.89m	1.1m	0.67m
Maroochy River	3:22 am	9:43 am	4:02 pm	10:00 pm	Maroochy River	3:43 am	10:41 am	3:12 pm	9:13 pm
Maroochy River	6:32 am	11:58 am	7:12 pm		Maroochy River	5:58 am	1:51 pm	5:27 pm	
<b>SUN 16 FEB</b>					<b>SUN 23 FEB</b>				
Coolum	0.46m	1.75m	0.45m	1.53m	Coolum	0.45m	1.87m	0.6m	1.26m
Maroochy River	3:56 am	10:12 am	4:29 pm	10:35 pm	Maroochy River	2:20 am	8:17 am	3:57 pm	8:27 pm
Maroochy River	7:06 am	12:27 pm	7:39 pm	12:15 am	Maroochy River	2:20 am	8:17 am	3:57 pm	8:27 pm
<b>MON 17 FEB</b>					<b>MON 24 FEB</b>				
Coolum	0.57m	1.64m	0.48m	1.51m	Coolum	1.71m	0.68m	1.24m	0.49m
Maroochy River	4:31 am	10:41 am	4:58 pm	11:12 pm	Maroochy River	5:40 am	12:24 pm	5:38 pm	11:34 pm
Maroochy River	1:25 am	8:15 am	1:40 pm	9:05 pm	Maroochy River	7:55 am	3:34 pm	7:53 pm	1:42 am
<b>TUE 18 FEB</b>					<b>TUE 25 FEB</b>				
Coolum	0.69m	1.51m	0.52m	1.48m	Coolum	0.49m	1.85m	0.56m	1.36m
Maroochy River	5:12 am	11:11 am	5:28 pm	11:57 pm	Maroochy River	2:44 am	8:38 am	4:09 pm	8:40 pm
Maroochy River	8:22 am	1:26 pm	8:38 pm	1:27 am	Maroochy River	2:44 am	8:38 am	4:09 pm	8:40 pm

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**TUESDAY**

5:30PM - 6PM

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

5:30PM

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

5:45PM

**500 CARD CLUB**

**WEDNESDAY**

9AM - 12PM

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

2PM - 5PM

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

4PM - 7PM

**MEMBERS PROMO NIFTY FIFTY**  
Swipe your card to win.

7PM

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

**THURSDAY**

5:30PM - 6PM

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

5:30PM - 6PM

**MAX'S HOOPS**  
Register by 5pm.

6:30PM

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

**FRIDAY**

5PM

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

**SATURDAY**

10AM - 2:15PM

**THE BOWLO BIG SPIN**  
4 lucky gaming members will be drawn for a chance at \$200.

11:30AM - 1:10PM

**LIONS CLUB SATURDAY RAFFLES**  
Mega Meat Raffle.

1:30PM

**APL POKER**  
1:30pm registration. 2pm start. \$16 buy in. One rebuy \$10 if needed. \$10 add on. New players welcome.



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