

RANGE AND HINTERLAND POPOP COMMUNITY NEWS

Weekly news

A community service since 2016

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RECOGNITION OF THE BUCKLEY FAMILY SERVICE AND MAPLETON POST OFFICE

Most people should be aware that early in February 2026 the Post Office in its current location will be closed and the service moved to the Mapleton IGA. This will be the end of an era for the Post Office in Post Office Road, and the wonderful service provided to our community by Elizabeth, David and the Buckley family.

Many people have asked, and suggestions have been made, as to how the service of the Buckley family may be recognised and community appreciation shown. The family have also been consulted.

Input is sought from all on the following suggestions, which are in no particular order:

1. A commemorative plaque at the current Post office location recognising the historical site and the Buckley Family service of 18 years. This could be on a rock on the footpath, or the plaque could be inserted into the actual footpath, like the 'Walk of Fame' elsewhere.
2. A bench seat with an appropriate plaque in the Lilyponds Park or elsewhere in the village, dedicated to Elizabeth and the family for their service to the community.
3. A memory book. Community members are invited to contribute messages of appreciation, which can be assembled into a book for Elizabeth and her family. Copies could be made for inclusion in the Mapleton and Nambour Library collections.

There will be much consultation required with the Council and the family to implement options 1 or 2 if selected, and some funding will be required. We are confident that we can find the funding to cover the costs of all of the above options. We can also consider fallback options to implement if there are delays, or if Council approval is required for the selected option.

We welcome your input as to which of the above options you think is most appropriate.

Contact either Peter at peter.gamgee@bigpond.com or on 0419716870 or Nita at nita.c.lester@gmail.com or on 5445 7182

Nita and Peter

COMMUNITY INFORMATION

Due to the relocation of the Post Office, the following may impact your safety:

1. The footpath between the school and the BP/IGA. Levelling this section will assist those with walkers and mobility vehicles. Contact the Council if you would like to have this section of the footpath levelled and made safe for everyone. <https://www.sunshinecoast.qld.gov.au/>

2. A crossing on Obi Obi Road outside the shops. Having a designated crossing will make Obi Obi Road safer for everyone. Contact TMR if you would like to support this concept. <https://www.tmr.qld.gov.au/about-us/contact-us>

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DINNER NIGHT MAPLETON BOWLS CLUB



FRIDAY, 16 January

Orders taken on arrival. Serving begins at 6pm

TONIGHT'S SPECIALS

Chilli Con Carne with guacamole and corn chips (GF)
Japanese curried sausages chips and salad

DESSERTS

Biscoff cheesecake with butterscotch sauce
Pineapple and coconut cheesecake with ice cream
Blueberry mango trifle with ice cream

Everyone is welcome

Enjoy a relaxing night away from the kitchen
Becoming so popular - book now to avoid disappointment

<https://mapleton.bowls.com.au/reservations/> This link will take you directly to the booking page of the Mapleton Bowls Club. When a booking is made on the form an email is automatically sent to Kathy Lambe's Dinner Night Email Account and thus will allow for more accurate catering.

To help raise funds to keep this community service going, many of the local businesses have donated vouchers. Be a winner in the 10 multi-draw raffle

Lovers of Books Saturday 14th February Mapleton Library Community Centre

BOOK NOW

ticketed event
doors open
5:30pm

\$10 pp
bookings essential
for catering

Featured speakers :
Mary Garden
Marg Gibbs
Gay Liddington
Brendan O'Shea
Tammy Pemper
Si Turner



Lovers of Books 2026 Tickets, Mapleton Library & Community Centre, Mapleton | TryBooking Australia

Drawing Class for Beginners: Creating 3D Drawings

Date: Tuesday, 20th January

Time: 2:00pm – 4:00pm

Location: Verandah of the Mapleton Library
Community Centre

Join us for a fun and relaxed beginner-friendly drawing class where you'll learn how to create stunning 3D drawings step by step. No experience needed – just bring your creativity!

All equipment and supplies are provided, so all you need to do is show up and enjoy. Notes will be provided. Perfect for anyone wanting to explore new techniques, improve their sketching skills, or simply try something creative!

Reserve your spot today – spaces are limited

Cost: \$20

Email: mapletonlibrary@gmail.com



Australia Day Exhibition 2026

Celebrate the spirit of Australia with a diverse collection of paintings, drawings and mixed media created by the talented members of the Blackall Range Visual Artists.



St Mary's Hall, Montville
Thursday 22, Jan to Monday 26, Jan
Open daily from 10am to 3.30pm

Donations and commissions go towards the maintenance of the historic St Mary's Hall.

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Pit your wits
against the odds

Friday 6th February

9:30 - 11:30am

\$12 pp

includes delicious morning tea

Trivia

Fun &
games

Bingo



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Finished

January MOMA (Museum of Miniature Art) Exhibition

"Art is never finished, just abandoned." , so said Leonardo Da Vinci!

Another person said "Creativity is allowing yourself to make mistakes. **Art is knowing which ones to keep.**"

This month, this little gallery asks you to embrace the works Narda left incomplete in 2025, (as depicted in this little remake of an art studio). When you are viewing these, you are being recruited to complete the art objects in here the artist begun.

You can decide which ones are bloopers or which ones are just unfinished!

Narda's artwork will be part of an Upcoming BRVA Exhibition in Montville.

When 9:00 am – 4:00 pm Thursday 22nd January to Monday January 26, 2026

Where: St Mary's Hall, on the Village Green, 141 Main St, Montville QLD 4560

Cost: Free entry.

Maybe see you there.

Cheers Narda Salm



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Australia Day Community Breakfast

26 JANUARY 2026 | 8:00AM-9:30AM

HELD ON THE BEAUTIFUL DECK OF THE MONTVILLE VILLAGE HALL, THIS RELAXED LONG-TABLE BREAKFAST BRINGS OUR COMMUNITY TOGETHER FOR GOOD FOOD, GREAT COMPANY, AND CELEBRATION.

Breakfast Menu

Lamb sausages, Toasted mushrooms, Roasted tomatoes, Yogurt & granola, Local honey, Fresh fruit platter, tea, coffee and homemade Lemon Myrtle cordial.

PLUS!

Lamingtons donated by the Montville Chamber of Commerce. LIVE MUSIC & COMMUNITY SPIRIT. Enjoy performances from local musicians throughout the morning.

Tickets



\$20.00

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Citizen of the Year
AWARDS

JOIN US AS WE CELEBRATE OUR OUTSTANDING COMMUNITY CONTRIBUTORS.



AUSTRALIA DAY OPEN MIC & OUTDOOR BBQ

FREE EVENT!

FISHTALES CAFE MAPLETON

12PM SATURDAY, 24 JANUARY 2026

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INCL. GREAT NORTHERN (ORIGINAL)



Kitchen open from: 11:30am
11 Obi Obi Rd, Mapleton QLD 4560 | @fishtalescafe_mapleton



Important dates in the history of a Post Office in Queensland



MAPLETON.

Origin of Name:

The name of the town 82 miles north of Brisbane was decided on in truly democratic fashion in 1894.....by a group of pioneers who met under a pear tree.

It was the first fruit tree ever planted in Mapleton which is now a famous fruit growing area.

The local populace had decided that they did not like the name Lutonvale officialdom had bestowed on their town the previous year.

After some discussion it is said that W J Smith who with his brother in 1889 had been the first pioneer to arrive in the district picked up a book and at random, read about the beauties of a village named Mapleton, the name meaning much beauty.

Another version says that the name was made up from the word maple, being symbolic of sweetness and ton, indication quantity.

Telegraph Newspaper-20.1.1972.

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M A P L E T O N - POSTAL HISTORICAL DETAILS.

(previously Luton Vale)

First Post Office

On 24th December 1892, Mr. E.H. Biggs wrote to the Postal Department

"I am willing to take charge of receiving Office at my place which will be called (Luton Vale Receiving Office) for 12 months free of cost to Government please send requisites at once for office." (sic)

Approval was granted on 12th January 1893 to open a Receiving Office at Luton Vale the terminus of Mail Service No. 214 from Woombye.

Mr. E.H. Biggs became the first Receiving Office Keeper in the office on his orchard Luton Vale, on the top of the Blackall Range. (Portion 74, Parish of Kenilworth, 1 mile south of the Mapleton School)

First Mailman

Mr. D.J. Williams carried mail on foot from the new Receiving Office through Montville and Hunchy to Palmwoods at 5/10 per round trip. Early settlers usually made private arrangements to keep in touch with families and friends. Mail would have been carried by any means possible to and from Brisbane.

Change of Office

At the end of the year of free service by Mr. E.H. Biggs the Government endeavoured to continue the free service by seeking another party to operate the office. Mr. Williams' opinion was sought and he replied on 23rd February 1894:

"I have spoken to several residents about the matter and they all wish me to accept the receiving office myself as my place is more central than Mr. Biggs. If you decide in favour of the above proposal and also that I am to keep it (gratis) please answer in due course. I am Sir your most obedient servant David John Williams." (sic)

This was approved on 27th February 1894 and the office transferred. (Portion 184V, Parish Maroochy, next to the school)

Change of Name for the Receiving Office.

A meeting of residents was held on 24th March 1894 to discuss selecting a name for the settlement as recorded in a letter to the Postmaster-General dated 27th March 1894, which reads in part:

"The present name Luton Vale not being at all suitable for the district. Luton Vale is only the farm where the late receiving office was kept. We have decided to alter the name to Mapleton this district being part of the Blackall Range. Luton Vale is not a suitable name for a Range. We hope you will be kind enough to cause the receiving office to be altered. W.J. Smith Secretary to meeting held Mar 24 94." (sic)

Apparently Mr. W.J. Smith was the Mail Contractor at the time.

No objection was held to this proposal and on 13th April 1894 approval was given to change the name of Luton Vale Receiving Office to Mapleton.

Telephone Office

On 18th June 1900 the Postmaster, Nambour, was advised by the Under Secretary and Superintendent Telegraphs:

"The Nambour-Kenilworth telephone line having been reported to be ready for opening, it has been approved that the Receiving Office at Mapleton be transferred from the residence of Mr. D.J. Williams to that of Mr. W.H. Rosser, there to be conducted in conjunction with the Telephone Office."

Mr. W.H. Rosser reported that on 2nd July 1900:

"I have this day taken over the Receiving Office at Mapleton and the following articles

Seal. 1 Book Registered Letters received and despatched.
Envelopes Brown paper. Monthly contract statements.
Sealing Wax Cycloids of Black Ink. One box with pens.
1 Ball an piece of twine. 1 spring balance scale.
1 Book for entering the number of letters despatched.
1 Post and Telegraph Guide." (sic)

The change of location of the office had no effect on the Mailman's timetable.

Parcels Office

On 1st January 1904, the Receiving Office handled 11 lb. parcels instead of 3 lb. However, because Mail Service 411 was run by horse instead of coach from 1.1.1906 the Receiving Office at Mapleton reverted to 3 lb. parcels instead of 11 lb.

Trunk and Telegraph Office

On 23rd August 1909 the office was made a Trunk Line Telephone and Telegraph Office (by telephone).

New Office Keepers

W.M. Whalley took charge of the office on 24.2.11 at £21/10/- p.a. in lieu of Mr. W.H. Rosser who ceased on 23.2.1911 (at £8 p.a.). However, Mr. Shepherd became Postmaster some time later on behalf of Mr. Whalley of Nambour. Postmasters succeeding him were Messrs. Herbert C. Bonney (23.6.46), George A.P. Saunders (9.11.46) and John R. Friend (20.9.47). The Post Office was conducted in conjunction with Whalley's store from 1911 to 1946.

Money Order Facilities were approved on 26th October 1920 following a request by the local Progress Association for the erection of a Post Office building. An investigation showed an official office was not justified but Money Order facilities were. The service was provided shortly after this.

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As early as 1927 a continuous telephone service was provided. However, by April 1939 use of the service was so depleted that restricted exchange attendance from 8am - 10pm, Monday to Friday and 8am - 8pm Saturday was introduced.

As from December 1946 hours were:-

Monday to Friday 8am - 12.30pm, 1.39pm - 10pm;
Saturday 8am - 2pm, 6pm - 10pm;
Sunday, Christmas Day and Good Friday 9am - 10am.

New Post Office.

In 1948 the position of Non-Official Postmaster, Mapleton, was declared vacant. Following the position being advertised, Mr Benjamin Harold Cordery was appointed as from February 12, 1949 on £625/5/- per annum. He was to provide new office accommodation no later than July 1949 and also provide continuous telephone service.

On July 7, 1949 the post office and exchange commenced operating in the new premises.

Mr Cordery employed an assistant, Miss Winifred J Sawrey for 20 hours per week.

Also, Gertrude Frances Eliza Cordery appears to have been employed by the Postmaster as his assistant shortly after his appointment.

1950's

It is known the following persons were employed as an assistant at the office.

1953 Mary Cecily Hilder
1955 Mary Nazarah Rooke
1955 Pamela Rose Burley

During 1964 the assistant's hours were reduced due to decrease in business.

1960's

The Mapleton Bush Fire Brigade requested permission to hang a map of the area they controlled in the public space of the post office..... permission granted.

Assistants
Beverley Kaye Curtis - 1966
Coleen Anne Cullen - -
Daphne May Leach - 1967
Dougall McMillan - 1968
Joan May McGrath - 1969

A new public telephone box was installed outside the post office on March 13, 1969.

1970's Elizabeth Helen Cordery and Robyn A Sherwell spent a period during 1970 as assistant to the postmaster.

On December 31, 1974 Mr Cordery resigned after many years as the town's postmaster.

January 1, 1975 Mrs Heather Ball was appointed as the Non-Official Postmistress at Mapleton.

Hours were: 9am-12.30pm, 1.30pm - 5pm Monday to Friday
9am - 11am Saturday.


Postal - Mapleton 1988.

Audrey Sheard is Mapleton's postal agent having been appointed there on February 1, 1984.

Mail for residents arrives in town at 6am daily on Mail Service No. 373.

Those persons living within 1 KM from the office call in and collect their mail. People living in outlying areas are serviced by Mail Service No. 956 Monday to Friday.

Shingler
STORICAL OFFICER
4/8/1988



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Where: Mapleton Community Hall
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WHERE

Our Community Garden is located inside the Nambour Showgrounds.

MEMBERSHIP

\$25 per year (Jan - Dec)

BANK DETAILS

Bendigo Bank Account 215 014 325
BSB 633 000 (Reference - Your Name)

CONTACT

nambourgrownpresident@gmail.com



MAPLETON COUNTRY MARKET EVENTS & DATES 2026



February 28th - First for the Year

March 28th - Easter Event

April 25th - No Market (Anzac Day)

May - 23rd - Best Dressed Dog
Parades - Large & Small

June 27th - Celebrating Children

July 25th - Christmas in July

August 22nd - Normal Market

September - 26th Normal Market

October 24th - Halloween Event

November 28th - Pre Christmas Event
(Last for the Year)





WEEKLY UPDATE – FAREWELL FAMILY CAMP, HELLO YOUTH CAMP SEASON!

QCCC Mapleton’s cherished Family Summer Program wrapped up last week, marking over four decades of family tradition since our very first summer in 1983. For many of the families who attended, this annual getaway has become an inter-generational rhythm of rest, fun, and reconnection—set against the beautiful Blackall Range. With chef-prepared meals, sparkling pools, bushwalks, and our instructors running activities each day, it’s been a joy to host this treasured slice of summer once again.

Now, we enter Youth Camp Season, that vibrant time of year where Mapleton echoes with the sounds of laughter, games on the oval, and energetic music in Kirkwood Hall. This week, we’re hosting a Statewide denominational youth camp – a camp so popular it needed to be run twice this year! One group arrives Tuesday to Thursday, and a second follows Thursday to Saturday, with a huge and happy overlap at Thursday lunchtime. Expect full ovals, active kids, and celebration as hundreds of young people participate in this life-shaping experience.

Next week kicks off with another youth camp running Monday to Wednesday, and then a shift in tempo with a Family Camp over the long weekend – a wonderful way to see out the summer holidays with multigenerational connection and memory-making. From our team to yours, thanks for supporting a place where thousands of lives are impacted for the better each January.





Grants and Funding eNews

Welcome to 2026! We hope you had a chance to rest and recharge over the holiday season.

Our next Grant Round is a Major Grant opening on 27 January and closing on 9 March. For everything you need to know including information on eligibility, category priorities and assessment criteria – please visit our website.

To help you hit the ground running, we'll be hosting a Networking Event, Grant Writing Workshops, and Drop-in Sessions. Bookings are now open. Get in quick, as spaces are limited and booking is essential.

Grants Information and Networking Event

The Grants Information and Networking Event is back in February 2026! Learn about Council's Community Grants Program and hear from other regional funding bodies, including the Gambling Community Benefit Fund, Unitywater, Stockland, the Buderim Foundation, and Maroochy RSL.

Stay after the session to enjoy light refreshments and connect with other local community groups.

Date: Thursday 12 February

Time: 5.30pm – 7.30pm

Location: Maroochy RSL, 105 Memorial Ave, Maroochydhore

Drop-in sessions

Our grant drop-in sessions provide a one-on-one opportunity to speak directly with a member of our Grants Team.

If you have questions about eligibility, your project, or your grant application – simply drop in to one of our sessions!

No appointment is needed – assistance is provided on a first-come, first-served basis.

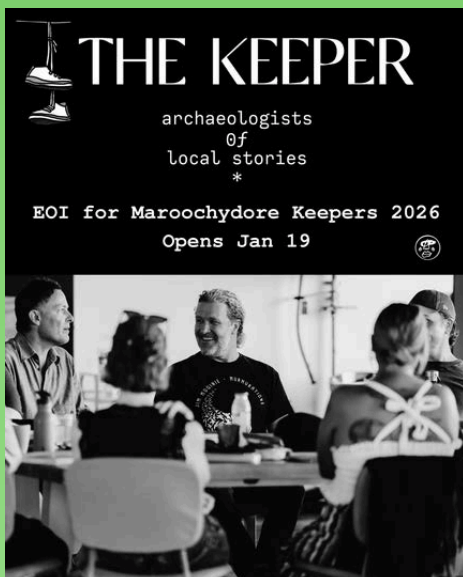
Date	Time	Location
Thursday 29 January	10am – 12pm	Kawana Library, Nanyima St, Buddina
Monday 23 February	10am - 12pm	Maleny Library, Coral Street, Maleny
Thursday 26 February	10am - 12pm	Library+ Caloundra, Omrah Ave, Caloundra
Thursday 5 March	9am - 12pm	City Hall, 54 First Ave, Maroochydhore



Come along to the Helicopters Open Day at the Queensland Air Museum

for a fun family experience! Get up close and personal with helicopters, meet the experts, and you can even book helicopter rides on the day for a discounted rate! Look through the extensive collection of aircraft and aviation artefacts and book an immersive experience in the 737-800 simulator cockpit. January 24, 10am-4pm.

https://www.qldair.museum/events?mc_cid=775abc2ce1&mc_eid=4238232784



MAROOCHYDORE KEEPERS 2026 EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST OPEN 19 JANUARY 2026

The Keeper Project is a live public art project embedded in place. Local artists work as 'Keepers' in a temporary role as observer, explorer, collector and maker within the community. They become the archaeologists of local stories, uncovering the uniqueness of a place and making visible the things that go unseen.

One at a time, each of the artists takes the role of The Keeper for a period of three weeks, before passing the role on. During this time, they have a chosen ritual that they will repeat, occurring at a particular place, at a particular time in the public realm.

The Keeper is for everyone.

Chance encounters with the Keepers will happen as people go about their everyday lives. The communities of people experiencing the project will change depending on the place, time and the ritual performed.

The Keepers will be logging their journey like any good explorer, documenting a moment in time and place.

You can follow their accounts on this website or on our Instagram or Facebook page.

The Keepers are about to hit the streets downtown Caloundra.

Keepers can pop up anywhere...keep an eye out.

FIND OUT MORE: https://www.keeperproject.com.au/?mc_cid=c8d09b5872&mc_eid=8beb50b296



SCAF Partner DIVE Theatre Collective's 2026 program is a series of workshops designed to inspire creativity and foster connection through movement and storytelling.

This year's journey includes:

Young Artists Residency (14–17 Jan): A professional platform for artists aged 12–25 to explore physical theatre.

Community Open Day (31 Jan): Free workshop tasters, a shared lunch, and draws for merchandise and memberships.

Dancing With Words (21 Mar & 18 Jul): A creative blend of writing, theatre, and movement.

School Holiday Programme (8 Apr & 1 July): Tailored for younger creatives aged 6–14.

The Art of Presence (23 May): Unlocking body awareness and creative expression through physical theatre.

Theatre of the Oppressed (31 Aug – 4 Sep): Using performance for social dialogue and action.

For more information visit: <https://divetheatre.com/>

RECENT DEVELOPMENT APPLICATIONS IN DIVISIONS 5 AND 10:

This is an initiative of Pop Up Community News aimed at providing information and heightened awareness as to developments in our region. Hopefully the information will provide a spring board should anyone wish to dive deeper into any specific application. Using the link: <https://developmenti.sunshinecoast.qld.gov.au/> or entering "development i sunshine coast" into a browser will take you to the Development i home page. Click on "Application Search" and enter the application number. Select "Details" if you want to dive deeper. The supporting documents can typically be downloaded or viewed by selecting "Application Documents" in the right hand section of the screen. In the listings below, typically a brief editorial comment is provided after each application description. These are shown in italics.

DIVISION 10:

Lodged: 07/01/2026 DA#: MCU26/0001

289-319 Dulong Rd DULONG - Short term accommodation - Marsha Bruce & Shayne Oldman. 1 bed, 1 bath short term accommodation. No aspects/detailed plans published.

Lodged: 07/01/2026 DA#: MCU21/0113.01

8 Clifton PI EUMUNDI - Minor Change to Development Approval - Dwelling House- Gregory L'Estrange - Pivotal Perspective Pty Ltd. Minor Change to Dwelling House layout and driveway location.

Lodged: 06/01/2026 DA#: OPW26/0003

4 School Rd YANDINA - Vegetation Clearing - St Benedicts Pty Ltd - Aquascape Australia. Relates to a lot split, 1 into 2.

Lodged: 05/01/2026 DA#: OPW26/0001

83 Elizabeth St NAMBOUR - Roadworks, Landscaping, Earthworks & Stormwater - Elizabeth On Erbacher Pty Ltd - Locality Planning & Consulting.

Lodged: 23/12/2025 DA#: MCU18/0047.01

27 Coes Creek Rd BURNSIDE - Minor Change to Development Approval - Extension to Place of Worship - Flame Tree Baptist Church - Urban Catalyst 3 Pty Ltd. Modification of conditions and plan of development to allow staging and minor extension of children's facilities.

Lodged: 19/12/2025 DA#: OPW25/0601

Wappa Falls Rd YANDINA - Roadworks, Stormwater, Earthworks & Clearing Vegetation - QM Prop Co No. 3 Pty Ltd - Stantec Australia.

Lodged: 11/12/2025 DA#: MCU25/0360 & OPW25/0575

204 Coes Creek Rd COES CREEK - Dwelling House and Earthworks- Roni and Trever Cole - URBN Town Planning Pty Ltd. 3 bed, 3 bath, 2 garage, 22.5° gables on lot of approx. 2.7ha.

Lodged: 10/12/2025 DA#: OPW23/0415.01

7 Sale St EUMUNDI - Extension to Currency Period - Earthworks - Clair Wilkinson. Seeking a 2 year extension to 16/02/2028.

Lodged: 10/12/2025 DA#: MCU25/0359

159 Browns Rd BELLI PARK Secondary Dwelling - Douglas Oliver, Elizabeth Oliver, Kathryn Oliver & Paul Sheridan - Brennan Planning Pty Ltd. Second dwelling on large lot.

Lodged: 15/12/2025 DA#: MCU25/0365 & OPW25/0580

23 Reo PI YANDINA - Dual Occupancy, Earthworks, Landscaping & Parking - David Kumagaya - URBN Town Planning Pty Ltd. 2 units, one 2 bed 1 bath, 1 garage, and one 3 bed, 2 bath, 1 garage, under a single low pitched roof all on 704m2 lot.

Lodged: 12/12/2025 DA#: RAL21/0148.02

139 Windsor Rd BURNSIDE - Minor Change to Development Approval - Reconfiguration of a Lot - 1 Lot into 15 Lots - Devcon Capital 11 Pty Ltd - Innovative Planning Solutions. Change to reflect additional building exclusion zones at the rear of Lots 10 to 12.

Lodged: 12/12/2025 DA#: MCU25/0367 & OPW25/0584

11 & 15 William Street NAMBOUR – Multiple Dwelling (12 Units) – Roadwork, Stormwater, Earthworks & Landscaping – Nampro Pty Ltd – Murray & Associates (Qld) Pty Ltd. 2 by 1011.7m2 lots. Application for 6 by 3 level units on each lot. Each unit has 2 garages and a WC on ground, living and kitchen on level 1 and 3 beds, 2 bath on level 2. Flat roof.

Lodged: 16/12/2025 DA#: MCU25/0373 & RAL25/0097 Impact Assessable 165 & 171 Burnside Road BURNSIDE – Variation Request to vary the effect of the Sunshine Coast Planning Scheme 2014 to apply the provisions of the Low Density Residential Zone – Reconfiguration of 2 Lots into 66 Lots plus 3 Drainage Reserves & 1 Bushland Reserve – Danseur Pty Ltd – Subdivisions (Qld) Pty Ltd. Impact Assessable. Varying lot sizes from around 500m2 to 1000m2 majority in the region of 600m2.

Lodged: 15/12/2025 DA#: RAL25/0113

566 Valdora Road VALDORA – Reconfiguration of 1 Lot into 8 Lots & Common Property – JIM Property Investments Pty Ltd – Mallee Group. 8 lots all over 6,000m2.

Lodged: 16/12/2025 DA#: MCU25/0375

29 Musavale Road EERWAH VALE – Short Term Accommodation (8 Cabins) – Tom Roebuck – Urbankind Town Planning. 8 1 bed 1 bath short stay cabins with common guest facilities, parking bays, roads etc.

Lodged: 18/12/2025 DA#: OPW25/0596

68 Howard St NAMBOUR – Earthworks, Frontage Work, Landscaping, Stormwater, Vehicle Crossover and Carparking – Mariara Property Group Pty Ltd – Empire Engineering Pty Ltd.

Lodged: 18/12/2025 DA#: OPW25/0597

47–69 Steggalls Rd, Lot 900, 55–73 and 75–93 Brandons Rd YANDINA – Landscaping – Stockland Land Lease Management Pty Ltd – Arcadia Landscape Architecture Pty Ltd.

Lodged: 17/12/2025 DA#: MCU25/0377 & OPW25/0592

701 Cooloolabin Rd COOLOOLABIN – Short-Term Accommodation – Suzie and Tony McLeod – ADAMS + SPARKES Town Planning. 3 short stay bed sit cabins on stilts with skillion roof on 2.837ha.

DIVISION 5:

Lodged: 05/01/2026 DA#: POS25/0250

368 & 370 Western Ave MONTVILLE – Reconfiguration of a Lot (Boundary Realignment) – 2 Lots into 2 Lots – SP357411 – Murray & Associates. Administrative – Approving Plans

Lodged: 23/12/2025 DA#: POS25/0206

3 Bareena Court Palmwoods – Survey Plan SP343071 (2 Lots) and copy of SP343072 for Plan of Easement C in Lot 7 SP160293 for Drainage) – Project Urban Pty Ltd. Administrative – Approving Plans.

Lodged: 19/12/2025 DA#: POS25/0236

11 Lower Trail Rd & 119 Bridge Creek Rd MALENY – Reconfiguring a Lot 2 Lots into 2 Lots – Lots 4 & 5 on SP359392 – Murray & Associates. Administrative – Approving Plans.

Lodged: 22/12/2025 DA#: MCU25/0393

98 Sinclairs Lane BALMORAL RIDGE – Short Term Accommodation (8 Cabins) – Balmoral Ecolodge Pty Ltd – Project Urban. 8 one and 2 bed cabins all under 60m2, gable roof on stumps, on 64ha.

Lodged: 19/12/2025 DA#: POS25/0246

55A Old Orchard Dr PALMWOODS – Standard Format Plan – 1 Lot into 9 on SP353664 – With Easements – Murray & Associates. Administrative – Approving Plans

Lodged: 19/12/2025 DA#: POS25/0247

627 & 683 Maleny–Stanley River Rd WOOTHRA – Minor Boundary Realignment – 2 Into 2 Lots (Lots 3 & 12) SP352897 – Hinterland Surveys. Administrative – Approving Plans

Lodged: 19/12/2025 DA#: MCU25/0382 & OPW25/06062
39 Cobbs Rd WOOMBYE - Dual Occupancy & Vehicle Crossover - Sanjay Rajput - Adams & Sparkes Town Planning. Additional 3 bed, 2 bath, 2 garage, hip roof dwelling on 1452m2.

Lodged: 19/12/2025 DA#: MCU25/0383 & OPW25/0603
12 Red Berry Lane WOOMBYE - Dual Occupancy, Stormwater, Earthworks, Vehicle Crossover, Frontage Work - Simon Larke - Brennan Planning Pty Ltd. 2 dwellings, first: 3 bed, 2.5 bath, media, 2 garage; second: 3bed, 3 bath, media, 2 garage, both 2 levels with lift, low pitch gables on 964m2.

Lodged: 18/12/2025 DA#: MCU18/0323.01
150-176 Dales Rd CHEVALLUM - Minor Change to Development Approval - Dwelling - M Cuthel and K Pitt - Murray & Associates (Qld) Pty Ltd. Appears there is 2m3 extra fill available. Request to allow the extra 2m3 fill to be applied to a flood area. Second request, to allow for a relaxation of the setback, from the standard 20m to 18.26m which allows the excess fill material applied to the flood area to be limited to 2m3.

Lodged: 15/12/2025 DA#: POS25/0233
435 - 451 & 453 - 461 Blackall Range Rd WEST WOOMBYE - Boundary Realignment Lots 1 & 13 - SP359397 - Murray & Associates (QLD) Pty Ltd. Administrative, Approving Plans

Lodged: 15/12/2025 DA#: POS25/0240
22A & 24 Dinmore St WOOMBYE - Reconfiguring a Lot 2 into 2 Lots (Lots 2 & 42) - SP351734 - Brain Naismith. Administrative, Approving Plans

Lodged: 15/12/2025 DA#: POS25/0242
527 Mountain View Rd & 26 McCarthy Shute Rd MALENY - Boundary Realignment - @ Lots into 2 Lots (Lots 100 & 101) SP356061 - Axis Surveys. Administrative, Approving Plans

Lodged: 12/12/2025 DA#: OPW25/0581
9 Memorial Cl MONTVILLE - Carparking - Trustee for Rimmelzwaan Family Trust. Appears to be application to create approximately 6 space car park. Council has indicated the application fee has not been correctly paid, and is also uncertain as to the scope of the application.

Lodged: 11/12/2025 DA#: RAL21/0152.02
2, 10, 20 Taintons Road WOOMBYE - Minor Change to Development Approval - Reconfiguration of a lot - 3 lots into 38 lots plus reserve - Kenlea Developments Pty Ltd - Murray and Associates QLD Pty Ltd. Presents as an administrative change to ensure lots are in the planned ownership prior to titles being registered.

Lodged: 16/12/2025 DA#: OPW25/0590
1 Koorawatha Lane PALMWOODS - Earthworks, Stormwater, Carparking, Landscaping & Clearing Vegetation - Iron Chef Pty Ltd Tte - ADAMS + SPARKES Town Planning. Carparks and landscaping.

Lodged: 18/12/2025 DA#: POS25/0224
58 Chevallum Rd PALMWOODS - BFP for Duplex Lot 1 & 2 - SP357732 - RPS. Administrative, Approving Plans.

Lodged: 18/12/2025 DA#: RAL25/0114 Impact Assessable
2-6 Upper Wakefield St WOOMBYE - Reconfiguration of 1 Lot into 3 Lots - Jack Ryan McMahon - Tactica Planning & Development Pty Ltd. Impact Assessable - 2,024m2 becomes 3 lots of 603m2, 667m2 and 754m2, which is commensurate with surrounding developments.

Grow Australian Plants

Buckinghamia celsissima **Ivory curl flower**

Buckinghamia celsissima reaches 30m tall in its natural rainforest habitat, but is much smaller, reaching 10m tall in gardens. Glossy dark green above and whitish below, the leaves are quite variable. Juvenile leaves have one or more lobes while adult leaves are simple and entire, measuring 8 to 16cm long by 3–7cm wide. The white flower spikes appear over summer and autumn. Terminal and showy, these are drooping racemes up to 20cm in length. Flowers are followed by the development of woody follicles, 1.5–3cm long.

The species is grown widely in Brisbane and thrives in Sydney and Melbourne, yet is shy to flower in Cairns. Frosts render it difficult to grow in Canberra. It can be propagated from seeds or cuttings of hardened new growth. Its flowerheads attract birds and insects.

The Ivory Curl prefers dry and warmer climates. It performs well when placed in mulched soil with adequate water availability and full sun. Once the tree is established, it is considered drought resistant and does not need as much water as when it was being established. The tree does not have to be pruned unless a person wants to do this in order to get a better shape of the tree.

Attracts birds, bees and other insects. You can make a bush tucker drink from the nectar rich flowers. Often used as a nectar plant by beekeepers. Native north east Queensland. Currently in flower across the Sunshine Coast.



LOCAL

White-headed pigeon

Columba leucomela

are found throughout the coastal regions of eastern Australia. They prefer to inhabit dense tropical and sub-tropical rainforests, although they are also frequently spotted in suburban environments.

These gorgeous pigeons can be identified by their dark wings and back with prominent white head and breast! These pigeons are often observed in large groups foraging for seeds, rainforest fruits and plant matter including the camphor laurel tree which is readily planted on farms.

During the 1950s, the white-headed pigeon population sadly experienced a dramatic decline due to habitat destruction and hunting for meat and sport. Today, they are a protected species and their population is less fragmented and on the incline! They are currently a species of least concern.

Currently observed across the Range.

Listen to their call:

https://ebird.org/species/whhpig1?siteLanguage=en_AU

Thank you Feather Cap



JP SERVICE

Monday mornings from 8:30am to 11:30am without an appointment at the Mapleton Library Community Centre.

Or Thursday mornings 9am to 11am.

Telephone 5445 7182 for a booking in Mapleton at another time.

COMMUNITY WELCOME PACK FOR NEW RESIDENTS

Collect your pack from the Mapleton Library Community Centre

Borrowing hours: 1pm to 4pm week days
Saturdays 9am to 12noon

What does the pack include?

Community organisations brochures

Range and Hinterland PopUp Community News - a free weekly news for everyone with information about the events in your neighbourhood

List of community organisations in Mapleton, Flaxton and Montville

Zonta Business Directory

And much more

Also available at the COMMUNITY STALL at the monthly Mapleton Country Market.

RURAL FIRE BRIGADES

Call 000 for emergencies

Kureelpa

Braford Rd, Kureelpa

T: 0429 068090

E: kureelparfb@gmail.com

Mapleton

First Officer (all operational matters): 0428 137927

Fire Warden (fire permits, safety checks): 0499 778806

Secretary (new members, administration): 0499 883019

W: <https://www.facebook.com/mapletonruralfirebrigade/>

E: MapletonRFB@gmail.com

Address: 37 Obi Obi Road, Mapleton 4560

Post: PO Box 366, Mapleton 4560

Monthly Training: 5:30pm on the 2nd Tuesday

Monthly Meeting: 5:30pm on the 3rd Tuesday

Montville

Call Mark Roderick, First Officer on 0409 480058 for queries and training information

Call John Watson, Fire Warden on 0477 712175 for permits

The team meets every second Monday at 7.00pm and the final Wednesday of each month at 7.00pm

MONTVILLE UNITING CHURCH

Services are held each Sunday at 8.15am when a combined service is held at Maleny Uniting Church at 9.45pm. All welcome.

Minister: Rev Nathan Barton
E: minister@ourcommonlife.org.au
M: 0429 632527

The church is open as a Reflection Gallery every day from at least 10am till 3pm.

ST. MARY'S ANGLICAN CHURCH

On the green, Montville

Sunday Eucharist at 8am

Wednesday Meditation with Maureen 9am

For general enquiries contact Carole Phillips at 5445 7839

Baptisms and weddings enquiries welcome.

Parish Office: 5499 9130

E: maleny@anglicanchurchsq.org.au

Date Claims

16 January Mapleton Bowls Club Friday Night Dinner, 6pm.

20 January Drawing Class, 2pm-4pm, Mapleton Library Community Centre

6 February Trivia, Bingo—Pit yourself against the Odds, 9:30am, Mapleton Library Community Centre.

22-26 January Blackall Range Visual Artists, Australia Day Exhibition, St Mary's Hall, Montville, 1am-3:30pm.

28 January Montville Village Association meeting, 5:30pm-8pm, Montville Village Hall.

30 January Mapleton Bowls Club Friday Night Dinner, 6pm.

14 February Lovers of Books, Mapleton Library Community Centre.

13 February Blackall Range Probus Club, 10am, Mapleton Bowls Club.

18 February Free Foot Health Check, 9am-1:30pm, Mapleton Community Hall.

21 February Always Valentine Trivia Night Zonta, 5:30pm, Maleny Community Centre.

19 April Book Fair and Mini Market, Mapleton Library and Community Centre.

26 May Family Fun Day, 9am-2pm, Kenilworth Arts Council.

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LIST OF COMMUNITY ORGANISATIONS for Flaxton, Kureelpa, Mapleton and Montville

Blackall Range Lions Club blackallrangelionsclub@outlook.com;
facebook.com/blackallrangelionsclub/ http://www.brhc.org.au

Blackall Range Visual Artists www.blackallrangevisualartists.com.au

Blackall Range Woodcrafter's Guild secretary.brwg@gmail.com

Blackall Range Zonta Club membership@zontablackallrange.org.au.
www.zontablackallrange.org.au

Bush and Beach Walking Group bushbeachwalkers@gmail.com

Hinterland Quarry Action Group T: 0416 155116 aveivers@iprimus.com.au

History Group montvillehistorygroup@gmail.com

Kureelpa & Dulong Community Hall kureelpahall@gmail.com

Mah-jong Wednesday weekly at Mapleton Bowls Club

Maleny Golf Club T: 5499 9960 gm@malenygolfclub.com.au
www.malenygolfclub.com.au

Mapleton and District Community Association madca@gmail.com

Mapleton Art Thursdays Mapleton Library Community Centre. Contact:
mapletonlibrary@gmail.com

Mapleton Bowls Club T: 5445 7913 www.mapletonbowlsclub.com.au

Mapleton Bridge Club bridgeaustralia.org
mapletoncontractbridgeclub@gmail.com

Mapleton Choir Kureelpa Hall themapletonchoir@outlook.com

Mapleton Country Market countrymarket.mapleton@gmail.com

Mapleton Craft Group Wednesdays 9-12noon, Mapleton Bowls Club

Mapleton Fire Warden T: 0493 044052

Mapleton Library Community Centre mapletonlibrary@gmail.com
www.mapletonlibrary.au T 5445 7011

Mapleton Hall and Sportsground Trustees mapletonhall@gmail.com

Mapleton Men's Shed www.mapletonmensed.org.au

Mapleton Movers Heart Foundation Walking Group T: 0417 476768

Mapleton State School Parents and Carers Association:
mapletonpandc@gmail.com

Mapleton Quilters Mondays 9-12 noon, Mapleton Bowls Club

Mapleton RSL Sub Branch Matt Dykes 0427263595 mdykes7@gmail.com

Mapleton Rural Fire Brigade First Officer T: 0428 137927, Secretary: 0499
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Montville Rural Fire Brigade montville.rfb@bigpond.com

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Montville Village Association secretary.mva@gmail.com
www.montvillevillageassociation.org.au

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www.rangecommunitygym.com.au

Range United Soccer Club info.rangeunited@gmail.com

Sunshine Coast U3A u3aoffice@u3asunshine.org.au

The Flaxton Craft Group lkathypatterson@gmail.com

The Range Community Kindergarten www.rangekindy.qld.edu.au
rangekindergarten@bigpond.com

Wildlife Volunteers Association Inc (WILVOS) Hotline 5441 6200
www.wilvos.org.au

Schools

Blackall Range Independent School office1@brschool.com.au T: 5476
4301

Mapleton State School principal@mapletonss.eq.edu.au T: 5456 3333
Montville State School admin@montvilless.eq.edu.au T: 5452 1333

Facebooks

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Montville Community Facebook page
www.facebook.com/groups/780987252874906/
Flaxton Community Facebook page
www.facebook.com/groups/388815358233538
Mapleton Library Community Centre Facebook page
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If your organisation is not listed, please let us know.

Many thanks, nita
mapletonqueensland@gmail.com



Community brochure and poster display on the verandah of the Mapleton Library Community Centre is a convenient place to promote your organisation.

If you are looking for information, check out this collection.

Currently overflowing with posters and brochures—there is something for everyone.



Helping Children Walk with Pride

Together we empower children to reach their potential.

RING PULLS



Alone we can do little,
Together we can make a huge difference to someone's quality of life.

Drop off at the
Mapleton Bowls Club
Mapleton Library Community Centre





RECYCLING IN MAPLETON

SPECTACLES are collected by Lions from the Mapleton Library Community Centre.

CANS and BOTTLES Containers for Change

Mapleton Bowls Club - There is a convenient collection point which is a wheelie bin placed near the entrance. Bins can be distinguished from others by its bright blue lid.

Mapleton State School P & C. All your donations would be gratefully received and will go towards resources for our school and students.

Mapleton Men's Shed These may be left in the bins in front of the storage shed in Mapleton Forest Drive.

MOBILE TELEPHONES Roger Loughnan Real Estate, corner Post Office Road and Obi Obi Road Mapleton, is a registered drop off location for people to donate their old working phones with chargers etc. The staff will deliver these to DVSafe Phone.

Also place in any Lion's spectacle box at the Mapleton Bowls Club and the Mapleton Library Community Centre.

BLISTER PACKS Mapleton Library Community Centre verandah

USED PENS Mapleton Library Community Centre verandah

RING PULLS from aluminium cans

Lions will forward these for a mobility device for children. Container on the Library Community Centre verandah



YARN LIBRARY Sewing, knitting and embroidery items to swap—containers inside the Library Community Centre

PLANTS There are stands outside the Mapleton Library Community Centre where you can leave plants for someone else who might like them.



PROCEDURES FOR RANGE AND HINTERLAND POPUP COMMUNITY NEWS MANAGEMENT

The Range and Hinterland PopUp Community News was launched in 2016. The News has gone through many changes with no one organisation controlling the News—it is truly a community news: for the community by the community. Auspiced by the Mapleton Library Community Centre since 2016 which provides insurance, financial support and much more.

The News offers opportunity to promote events and provide information to all community groups across the Range and the Hinterland
Thank you everyone.

The Range and Hinterland PopUp Community News is edited, published and distributed by volunteers.

There will be no discussion or correspondence on matters pertaining to the Range and Hinterland PopUp Community News.

- All articles for the Range and Hinterland PopUp Community News are to be sent to mapletonqueensland@gmail.com
- If it is important to have an article included in a specific edition, forward article as early as possible. Generally the cut off time for publication is noon Tuesday each week but as this is a fully volunteer publication inclusion is not guaranteed.
- Articles can be emailed at any time. Please include contact name and contact details.
 - All articles are to be sent digitally unless otherwise pre-arranged.
- Pop up Community News is published weekly but open to review at any time. A short holiday over Festive Season each year to give the volunteers a well earned holiday.
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