

RANGE AND HINTERLAND POPOP COMMUNITY NEWS

Weekly news

A community service since 2016

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Volunteer
YOUR YEAR TO VOLUNTEER **Week**

Thank you to all volunteers



Sculpture

On The Edge

OPEN CONVERSATION

When: Sunday 30 May 2026

Time: 10:30am

Where: Barrel Room, Flaxton
Gardens

Cost: FREE, bookings are essential
(includes, morning tea and a tour of
the event & exhibition spaces)

RSVP: via Humanitix (Link Below)

SCULPTURE ON THE EDGE - OPEN CONVERSATION

Saturday, 30 May, 10:30am – 12noon

This session is an opportunity to reflect on what worked well in 2025, discuss what we'd like to refine for 2026, and explore how artists can help shape the future direction of SOTE.

We'll also be discussing and confirming proposed timelines for the event, including when entries for SOTE 2026 will officially open.

We'll be discussing:

- What worked well in 2025
- What we'd like to improve or evolve in 2026
- Proposed refinements and clarifications to the Terms & Conditions
- Exhibition and governance updates
- Ways artists and volunteers can be involved
- Ideas to strengthen both the artist and visitor experience
- Opportunities to help grow Sculpture on the Edge and support the hinterland arts community
- Proposed entry opening dates and key milestones for 2026
- A walkthrough of the exhibition and event spaces

<https://events.humanitix.com/sculpture-on-the-edge-open-conversation>

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BRING BACK THE MULLET

Saturday May 30, 9:30-11am

Free public talk with guest speakers Tony Bright and Vanessa Moscato

The Friends of Mary Cairncross Association invite you to learn about the distribution and habitat needs of the Land mullet (*Bellatorius major*).

Land mullets have not been seen in the reserve for 30 years. Research is critical as to determine whether this charismatic reptile will recover and thrive. This public talk will explore what recorded observations tell us about its habitat requirements, including where suitable habitat may still exist and how we might manage environmental threats.

Vanessa Moscato is the Director of Novel Ecological Consultancy, and Tony Bright is a highly respected fauna specialist with a passion for the ecological integrity of Mary Cairncross Scenic Reserve. Together, they will share a fascinating discussion about 'Bringing back the mullet' - a target species recovery project.

More information:

<https://mary-cairncross.sunshinecoast.qld.gov.au/see-and-do/what-s-on/bring-back-the-mullet>

SUNSHINE COAST WOOTHATHA PRIZE 2026

What a beautiful evening celebrating the 2026 Sunshine Coast Wootha Prize. Thank you to everyone who joined us. We acknowledge and celebrate all finalists – your work reflects an extraordinary depth of skill, creativity and connection to material.

The Sunshine Coast Wootha Prize is a proud initiative of Barung Landcare and blends art, culture and environment – weaving significant stories of sustainability and meaningful relationships with natural and salvaged materials into unique pieces that tell a story.

2026 Winners:

- The William Bayliss Commemorative Prize (Overall Winner) \$10,000 – proudly supported by the community
Broc Cattley – Beginnings
- Furniture Prize \$2,500 – sponsored by MCU Communities
Ben Adams – Wootha Rocker
- Sculpture Prize \$2,500 – sponsored by Hinterland Business Centre Inc
Hannah Cheetham – I Love You (Everyday)
- Tiny Treasures Prize \$2,500 – sponsored by Queensland Water and Land Carers
Xavier Fitzgerald – Gumleaf Quadrant

The Sunshine Coast Wootha Prize is a proud initiative of Barung Landcare, hosts of the prize since 2004, and is proudly supported by Sunshine Coast Council.

More information: Barung - Wootha Prize





A TASTE of the HINTERLAND



is on again.
15 May, 4.30 – 6.30pm,
at The Barn on Flaxton.

THE LIONS CLUB OF
BLACKALL RANGE



Generous amounts of finger food
provided by The Barn – you
won't need Dinner! - and a
free drink.



A variety of local products to taste and
purchase

**Tickets Now on Sale At The Barn,
Montville Post Office, Maleny Hills Motel,
Mapleton Post Office and online.**

\$25



**Thank you to community members for your support given to
the Mapleton Bowls Club through the Containers for Change
programme.**

The Club has been collecting since 2018, and all money raised has
contributed to the upkeep of the building. The Club owns both the land and
buildings, so upkeep is considerable.

Many community groups use the building for meetings, functions and
events.

Thank you and keep up the recycling.



Story Dogs are coming to visit Mapleton Library Community Centre

Come hear all about this wonderful, literacy program and how our volunteers and their beautiful dogs are making a difference in the lives of school children across Australia – including here in Mapleton!

When: Wednesday 24 June

Time: 10am to 11am

Refreshments will be served, so be sure to register your interest. E: mapletonlibrary@gmail.com

by 17/6/26



WALKS ON THE RANGE

Walks of all grades from 15 minutes to multi-day

Blackall Range and Hinterland of the Sunshine Coast



Looking for something to do?

'Walks on the Range' is an excellent resource: long and short walks across the Blackall Range.

Look for this brochure at the Maleny Visitor's Centre, on the verandah of the Mapleton Library Community Centre and at the Community Stall at the Mapleton Market.

This brochure is sponsored by the Mapleton Library Community Centre and the Maleny Visitors Centre.





May 26 – Auditions for One Act Play Season- Misadventures or maybe Knot

Are you interested? Check out:

<https://www.lindlane.com.au/whats-on>

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MOTHER OF THE MAID by Jane Anderson
Directed by Glenda Campi

'Isabelle d'Arc is a God-fearing woman,' she says of herself. 'She can neither read nor write and her skirts smell ripe as a cheese. But she can do all sorts of handy things such as gutting a lamb, lancing a boil and hiding the family valuables during a raid.'

And her daughter Jeanne, how can a young girl from a small village become the powerful military leader, a symbol of hope, and a beloved saint?

Jeanne d' Arc changed the course of French history with her strong faith and courage.

This riveting play is an epic tale told through an unexpected and remarkable perspective.

Season- July 3- July 11

Friday 3rd 7.30pm

Saturday 4th 2.00pm

Sunday 5th 2.00pm

Wednesday 8th 7.30pm

Friday 10th 7.30pm

Saturday 11th 2.00pm

Saturday 12th 7.30pm

[Mother of the Maid Tickets, The LIND THEATRE \(selected seating\), NAMBOUR | TryBooking Australia](#)





An earwig pot (or 'earwig hotel') is a natural, non-toxic, and highly effective gardening tool used to manage earwig populations. It consists of a terra cotta pot stuffed with dry material like straw, wood wool, or shredded paper, which acts as a 'cosy sleeping quarter' that attracts earwigs during the day because they are nocturnal insects that prefer dark, tight, and slightly damp spaces.

How It Works

Earwigs are both beneficial predators (eating aphids, spider mites, and small caterpillars) and pests (nibbling on soft seedlings, flower petals, and soft fruits). The earwig pot allows gardeners to control its location, bringing it into trees to protect crops like peaches or prize flowers.

Setup

Stuff a terracotta pot with straw or wood wool. Using wood wool is often preferred as it is finer and allows for denser filling.

Placement: The pot is placed upside-down in a high-risk area (e.g., hanging in fruit trees, or placed over a short stick on the ground in vegetable beds).

Maintenance:

Because the earwigs crowd into these hiding spots, the filled pot can be easily collected, and the pests removed (e.g., shaken off, fed to chickens, or moved to a different part of the garden)

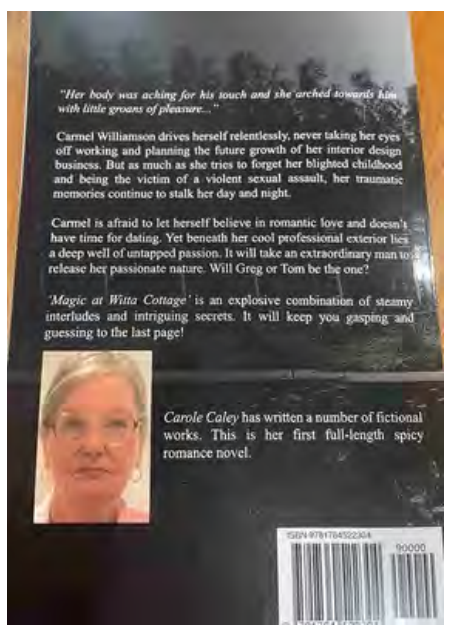
Most Australian earwig species are not significant as pests. Many species can produce a noxious fluid as a defence. Some can become nuisance pests if present in large numbers. One pest species is the introduced European Earwig (*Forficula auricularia*), which can be a serious pest of gardens and vegetable crops and is relatively common around suburban homes.

Alternatively, an Australian earwig *Labidura truncata* may be beneficial to agriculture, as it has been observed attacking codling moth (*Cydia pomonella*) larvae, a pest of fruit crops such as apples, peaches and pears.

Thank you to all readers who submitted the solution.

Right: Drawing of an earwig





Carole has recently published her first novel which essentially came about as a result of having to vacate her hail damaged home after a catastrophic storm hit the Hinterland in late October 2024.

The insurance company found accommodation for Carole in Maleny town at Tranquil Getaways on Obi Maleny, and with not much else to do Carole began dreaming up a novel to keep herself busy. The result is Magic at Witta Cottage. She was there for 143 nights and by the time she was back home she had written about 40,000 words. Two months later the story had expanded to 60,000 words and was ready for editing, and then publication.

Carole says Greg and Barb made her feel like a princess for every single one of the 143 days she was there. Indeed she has been unofficially adopted and is now Auntie Carole.

The novel, which is categorised as a spicy romance is set between Brisbane and Witta Cottage which is Carole's home on a rural block at, where else but Witta!

It's available online at Amazon or at The Maleny Bookshop.

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www.welovewoombye.com/first-aid-and-cpr

MAPLETON BOWLS CLUB



Formed in April 1946, the Mapleton Bowls Club has been a staple of the Sunshine Coast Hinterland for over 80 years, known for its friendly atmosphere and high-quality grass green. The club built its present clubhouse in 1985, evolving from a local village hub into a vibrant community club for all ages.

Key Historical Highlights

Establishment (1946): The club was formed in April 1946.

Early Infrastructure (1947): The original clubhouse - see painting below. Left hand side was the first building and the right hand structures were added later.

Clubhouse Development (1985): The present clubhouse, which serves as a community hub, was officially opened. Lower image

75th Anniversary (2021): The club celebrated 75 years with a White Diamond Gala Dinner.

Long-term Community Focus: The club has maintained a mix of competitive and social bowling, serving both long-term members and new residents of the changing Mapleton community.

75 Years of History Publication: A history of the club, titled '75 Years of Bowling: 1946-2021' was compiled to document its journey.

Present Day

The club is renowned for having one of the best grass greens in the Sunshine Coast district, holding regular competitions.

It continues to foster a 'village community' atmosphere, hosting social bowls, community events, and supporting the local Hinterland area.





WEEKLY ACTIVITY UPDATE

Another big week ahead at QCCC Mapleton. Three school groups arrive on Monday – a Grade 5 cohort from Brisbane, a Grade 6 group from the Sunshine Coast, and a Grade 7 cohort from the Wide Bay region. It is the kind of week that captures what Mapleton does best: multiple groups, multiple year levels, each at a different stage of the school journey, all finding something meaningful here on the Range.

Wednesday is a full changeover – three groups out and three in. Arriving mid-week are a Grade 4 group from the Sunshine Coast, a combined Grade 5/6 group from Brisbane, and another Grade 6 cohort from Brisbane. For the Grade 4s, many of whom will be spending their first night away from home without Mum and Dad, Wednesday afternoon will be a mixture of excitement and nerves – and by Thursday morning, most of them will have forgotten what the nerves were about. We'll also be running one of our Survival Camps at our Cobb 'n Co Campgrounds for a Grade 7 cohort from the Sunshine Coast.

Expect the usual changeover bus activity on Obi Obi Road weekdays mid-morning and early afternoon.

Program Spotlight – Winter Camps on the Blackall Range

The Blackall Range has long drawn visitors seeking something the city cannot offer – cool air, tall trees, unhurried pace, and the kind of quiet that actually restores you. Tourism researchers sometimes call it the "cuddle market": couples, families and friends who come to the Range not for adventure, but for warmth, connection and rest.

It turns out that is exactly what a well-run winter camp delivers too. QCCC Mapleton's cooler months bring school groups, church communities and leadership teams who find that stepping away from ordinary life – together – does something that a regular week simply cannot. Less distraction, more depth, and a setting that seems to slow people down just enough to actually be present with one another. Winter on the Range is quietly one of our best kept secrets.



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: 01/05/2026 DA#: RAL26/0035 & MCU26/0097 & OPW26/180
203 Nambour Mapleton Rd BURNSIDE - 1 Lot into 2 Lots - Dual Occupancy - Roadworks, Stormwater & Earthwork - Kevin and Anne Maree Covey PR - Covey Associates. *Application is improperly made as it does not include the consent of the owner and is missing a storm water management plan. 2 attached 2 level dwellings, both 3 bedrooms, 1 down, 2 up, plus both with "office" shown with built in wardrobe with clothes hangers, both with bathroom and powder room down, and both with bathroom and powder room upstairs. On 800m2, build footprint 266m2, hard surface 245m2, soft landscaping 289m2.*

Lodged: 06/05/2026 DA#: MCU26/0099
Reinbott Rd KENILWORTH - Rural Workers Accommodation - Stanley and Marilyn Johnston - Danya Cook Town Planning. *3 bed, 1 bath, mud room and living quarters.*

Lodged: 06/05/2026 DA#: MCU26/0100
10A Elizabeth St KENILWORTH - Dwelling Unit - Yum & Yum Property Investments Pty Ltd - Danya Cook Town Planning. *Creation of a 2 bed, 1 bath unit in an existing commercial space.*

Lodged: 05/05/2026 DA#: MCU26/0098
335 Image Flat Rd IMAGE FLAT - Dwelling House - Victor and Nicola Meenhorst - Danya Cook Town Planning. *2 bed, 1 bath, lowset.*

Lodged: 07/05/2026 DA#: OPW26/0184
32 & 36 Coronation Ave & 4 Carroll St NAMBOUR - Stormwater, Earthworks, Landscaping, Frontage Works & Vehicle Crossover - Kairos Community College - Tonkin Consulting Pty Ltd. *Relates to the establishment of a Youth Education Centre.*

Lodged: 06/05/2026 DA#: POS26/0043
64 Hilltop Dr BURNSIDE - BFP for Duplex - Lots 1 & 2 on SP359421 - Murray & Associates. *Administrative. Approving Plans.*

Lodged: 06/05/2026 DA#: POS26/0078
5 Sugarcane Ct COES CREEK - BFP For Duplex - Lots 1 & 2 on SP351707 - Focus On Surveying. *Administrative. Approving Plans.*

DIVISION 5:

Lodged: 30/04/2026 DA#: OPW26/0176
17 Brandenburg Rd MOOLOOLAH VALLEY - Landscaping - Micheal Berris - Bravo Consult. *Relates to RAL23/0032 - 1 lot into 3.*

Lodged: 07/05/2026 DA#: 2008/520066.01
13A TAMARIND ST MALENY - MINOR CHANGE TO BUILDING ENVELOPE - (DWELLING HOUSE) - *CHANGING THE BUILDING ENVELOPE TO SUIT PROPOSED STRUCTURE AFTER A 1 LOT INTO 3 SPLIT.*

Lodged: 07/05/2026 DA#: MCU26/0103
149 Chinaman Creek Rd CAMBROON - Secondary Dwelling - Carolyn Negus - ARC Planning. *3 bed, 2 bath multi level, with yoga deck.*

Lodged: 05/05/2026 DA#: MCU26/0102 & CAR26/0272
272 Old Palmwoods Rd PALMWOODS - Secondary Dwelling - Michael Page. *No documents published.*

Grow Australian Plants

Grevillea 'Honey Gem'

Fast growing tall shrub to 4m tall and 3m wide with deeply divided dark green foliage.

The large orange flowers bring colour and warmth to any garden.

Prefers full sun and will grow in a wide variety of well drained soil types.

Will tolerate light frost.

A good feature or screening plant which attracts birds, bees, and butterflies.

Will grow large if it likes your garden so you can trim a third once a year. This also encourages more flowers.

Currently flowering across the region.



RED-BROWED FINCH

LOCAL

Neochima temporalis

Red-browed Finches may also be called Red-browed Firetails. They are a small bird 11-12 cm long easily recognised by their distinctive red eyebrow, bill, and rump. The back and wings are olive-green and the scarlet rump contrasts with the pointed black tail. The underparts are entirely pale grey.

Both sexes are similar in appearance although the red eyebrow line of the female tapers to a fine point, unlike the male's broad square-cut brow. The juvenile's head, neck and upper parts are ashy brown, lacks a red eyebrow and has a dark bill.

The Red-browed Finch is mostly found east of the Great Dividing Range, between Cape York in Qld and the Mount Lofty Ranges in SA. It has also established introduced populations near Perth in WA, and is also feral in French Polynesia. Their habitat includes grassy clearings in forests, woodlands, coastal scrubs/heaths, golf courses, parks and gardens.

On the Blackall Range, Red-browed Finches are a familiar species often found visiting farms and gardens. They usually forage in groups and can be seen feeding on grass seeds, small fruits and insects on the ground, but occasionally perch on grass stems to reach seedheads. When disturbed by a passerby, they fly up into nearby vegetation.

Breeding in our area is from September to January. The grass nest is dome-shaped with a side entrance tunnel and located 1-2 m above ground and often placed in a prickly shrub. Both parents share nest-building, incubation of the eggs and feeding of the young when they hatch

Thank you Eric Anderson.

Images: Top - Male Red-browed Finch eating seed on the ground

Centre - Female Red-browed Finch about to drink

Lower - Juvenile Red-browed Finch



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

First Officer 0429 068090

Fire warden Kureelpa 0477 048616

Fire Warden Dulong 0407 412539

E: kureelparfb@gmail.com

Address: Braford Rd, Kureelpa

Post: Kureelpa RFB P.O. Box 4931, SCMC, 4560

Monthly Meetings: 7:30pm on the first Thursday

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 on 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
Baptisms, funerals and wedding enquiries welcome
Parish Office: 5499 9130
E: stmarysmontville@gmail.com

Date Claims

- 15 May** A Taste of the Hinterland, 4:30pm-6:30pm, Barn on Flaxton.
18-24 May National Volunteers Week.
22 May Friday Night Dinner, 6pm, Mapleton Bowls Club.
22-24 May Kenilworth Artfest.
23 May Community Ceilidh, 6:30pm Montville Village Hall.
24 May Family Fun Day, 9am-2pm Kenilworth Showground.
29 May Blackall Range Chaplaincy Fundraising Dinner, QCCC.
29-30 May Maleny Show.
5 June Games, Trivia, Bingo, Mapleton Library Community Centre.
6-7 June *Songs we love to sing*, Mapleton Choir, Kureelpa Hall.
October Lions Community Dinner, Flaxton Gardens.

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WATERCOLOURS: NEXT STEPS

Date: Tuesday, 19 May
Time: 2:00pm – 4:00pm
Location: Verandah of the
Mapleton Library Community Centre

Join us for a fun and relaxed **NEXT STEPS** class where you'll learn more about the following watercolour techniques: wet on wet; wet on dry and dry on dry

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 further their watercolour techniques.

Reserve your spot today – spaces are limited

Cost: \$20

Email: mapletonlibrary@gmail.com

REPEATS

BLACKALL RANGE CHAPLAINCY FUNDRAISING DINNER

FRIDAY 29 MAY, 2026
QCCC Mapleton

Join us for a delightful dinner filled with laughter and good food shared with wonderful company. The proceeds going to support the chaplaincy service for Mapleton and Maleny primary schools.

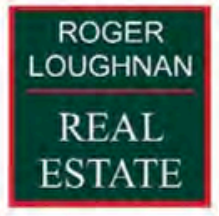
\$75 PER PERSON

Includes a three course dinner and entertainment throughout the night.

Silent auction will run throughout the event including local artisan products.

To book your seat please email:
chris.boughen@suchaplaincy.org.au or
vicki.eland@suchaplaincy.org.au
We will send you bank details for pre payment

Supporting local businesses that support the community



Mapleton



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MAPLETON



GATHAA FIBRE AND FASHION MARKET
Saturday, 16 May, 10am-2pm

Mooloolah River Landcare Native Nursery, 2671 Steve Irwin Way, Glenview

This special themed market brings together artists, makers and creatives who work with natural fibres, textiles, wearable art and botanicals. Visitors can explore stalls featuring handmade jewellery, woven pieces, slow fashion, beauty products and unique items crafted with care and cultural story.

As always, GATHAA is more than a market – it’s a space to gather, share knowledge, support businesses, culture and community. Come along, bring the family and experience the beauty of fibre and fashion on Country.

Kenilworth ArtsFest
22-24 MAY 2026

FRI 22ND 5.30PM OPENING NIGHT \$10
 STREET FOOD VANS BAR COFFEE
 LIVE MUSIC
 SAT 23RD 9-4PM \$5.00
 SUN 24TH 9-1.30PM \$5.00

KENILWORTH ARTSFEST

Friday 22 May 2026, 5:30pm - 9:00pm
 Saturday 23 May 2026, 9:00am - 4:00pm
 Sunday 24 May 2026 9:00am - 1:30pm
 10 GALA Night Entry
 7 Maleny Kenilworth Rd, Kenilworth
 0472 767482

Kenilworth Arts Council is SUPER excited to showcase ArtsFest 2026 The Exhibition runs from Friday 22nd to Sunday 24th May. Three days of art appreciation and the opportunity to watch Artists in Action and purchase exhibition artworks.

GALA Night Opening not to be missed, live music, a selection of food and beverage trucks to purchase your dinner. Bring your family and friends!!

Come to Kenilworth, stay the weekend and celebrate Family Fun Day with our community on Sunday 24th May. Free entertainment, Artisans Stalls. Free hands on activities and much much more!!

CARING FOR OUR MUMS

At Lindner Family Pharmacy, we see first-hand the incredible role mothers, mother figures, and those who nurture others play in holding families and communities together on the Range. Whether it's managing busy households, caring for loved ones, or balancing work and home life, they often put everyone else first. But behind that strength, many are quietly navigating stress, fatigue, and emotional strain. As a trusted part of this community, we believe valuing these individuals means looking beyond their resilience and actively supporting their mental health and wellbeing. We're also proud that our own team includes several mothers who go above and beyond every day, both in caring for their families and supporting our customers with compassion and understanding.

We encourage all mothers, mother figures, and caregivers to prioritise small, consistent moments of self-care. This doesn't have to be complicated; simple steps like getting enough rest, taking short walks, staying hydrated, and setting aside even 10 minutes of quiet time can make a meaningful difference. Mindfulness practices, journaling, or speaking with a trusted friend can also help lighten the mental load. Most importantly, seeking support, whether from healthcare professionals or community networks, should always be seen as a strength, not a weakness.

To support relaxation and self-care at home, our pharmacy offers a range of gentle, supportive products. Magnesium supplements can assist with muscle relaxation and sleep quality and Natio offers several ranges designed to relax, soothe, and calm both skin and senses. We also recommend calming essential oil rollers or diffusers to create a more peaceful environment. Our team is always here to provide guidance and help you find options that suit your needs, because caring for mothers and those who nurture others starts with making sure they feel cared for, too. Happy Mother's Day from all of us!

By Natalie, your local Hinterland Pharmacist @ Lindner Family Pharmacy, Mapleton



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This is being sent to you from the remote village of Dorobisoro, Papua New Guinea.

YOUR SUPPORT HAS MADE IT HAPPEN!

The run down remote Health Care centre now has power, lights and communication!!! The bonus is we also brought in new Health Workers and vaccines for the children - last vaccine program was more than 2 years ago.

The people here send their sincere thanks and gratitude. Villages along the Ghost Mountain Trail to benefit Tabu, Sari, Lora, Dorobisoro, Igonomu, Abavana, Mimai, and Laronu.

Report sent by Peter Gamgee



REPEATS

WOODFORDTA INC. PRESENTS

Coming to a Small Town Near You

Festival of Small Halls



Old Man Luedecke (CAN)



Barleyshakes Duo (AUS)



Autumn Tour 2026

Eudlo Hall

Sun 24th May @ 3:30 for 4 pm start

Tickets \$30/\$12 - Bar and food

www.eudlohall.org.au -- www.festivalofsmallhalls.com

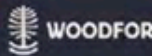
20 May - 07 June 2026

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THE MAPLETON CHOIR

DIRECTED BY BRIAN MARTIN

PRESENTS

SONGS WE LIKE TO SING



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2:30PM AT THE KUREELPA HALL

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**FROZEN – THE BROADWAY MUSICAL
PRESENTED BY COPE CREATIVE AT THE EVENTS CENTRE
CALOUNDRA
JUNE 2026**

“For the first time in forever” experience the magic of Disney’s Frozen – The Broadway Musical as it arrives on the Sunshine Coast in a spectacular new production from Cope Creative.

From the producer behind Grease, Heathers, and High School Musical, this breathtaking stage adaptation brings the beloved story of Elsa and Anna to life like never before.

Featuring a talented local cast, powerful live vocals, dazzling choreography, and stunning theatrical effects, Frozen is a must-see event for audiences of all ages.

Journey to the kingdom of Arendelle and follow two sisters torn apart by a mysterious power, as they discover the true meaning of love, courage, and connection. With all your favourite songs including Let It Go, alongside incredible new music written for the stage, this production promises a magical and unforgettable theatrical experience.

Proudly presented at The Events Centre Caloundra, this large-scale production showcases the very best of Sunshine Coast talent. Don't miss your chance to be swept away by the magic this winter, tickets are expected to sell fast.

<https://theeventscentre.com.au/event/frozen-the-broadway-musical>

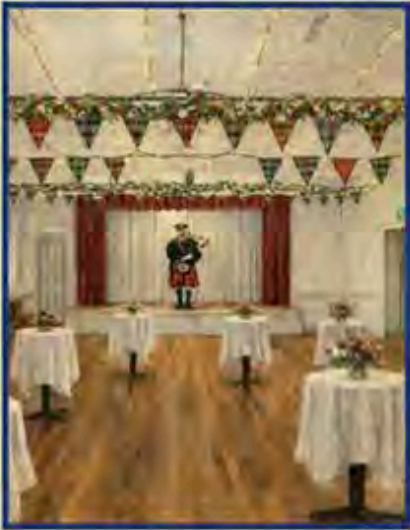


Montville
Village
Association

Community Ceilidh



23RD MAY 2026
DOORS OPEN 6:30PM
AT THE MONTVILLE
VILLAGE HALL
\$50 PP



Doors will open, and guests will be invited to delve into the tartan dress-up box while enjoying a welcome drink.

Festivities include highland dancing, whisky tasting, supper, bagpipes and addressing the guest of honour- the haggis.

Please join us for a night of Scottish festivities.



Purchase tickets via QR Code or
<https://www.trybooking.com/events/landing/1568013>

A Scottish Ceilidh comes to the Montville Village Hall on Saturday 23 May. Local piper, Gordon Ferguson, and his wife Wendy are the brains behind this event and it will be a wonderful evening. We are so excited to be bringing this to our community.

A Ceilidh (pronounced kay-lee) is a traditional Scottish gathering. There is music and food and dancing.

Flashjack, a local Australian band with a strong Celtic twist, will be playing throughout the evening, calling traditional dances in which everyone can join in.

Stillmaker and Sons whisky distillery based in Montville will be in attendance with whisky tasting. The Bonnie Skye Highland Dancers will show their skills with traditional highland dancing.

There is a theme and it's Tartan! Who would have thought it?! There will be prizes for the best dressed female and male.

The Hall doors open at 6.30pm for a 7.00pm start.

Funds raised go towards the maintenance of the historical Montville Village Hall.

Bookings can be made here:
<https://www.trybooking.com/events/landing/1568013>

REPEATS

WEED

Cocos palm, Queen palm

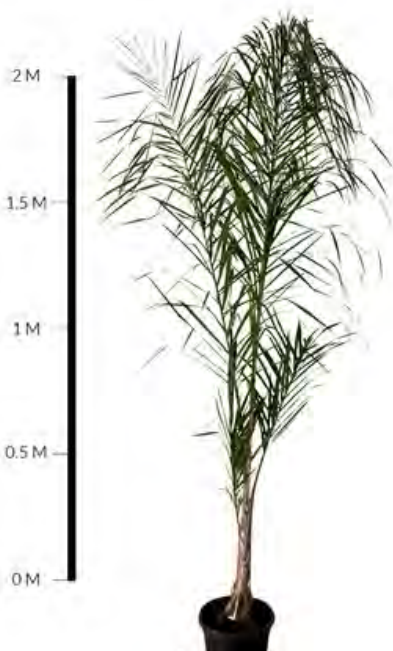
Syragrus romanzoffiana

Regarded as an environmental weed in Queensland due to its ability to prolifically reproduce creating thick carpets of seedlings that outcompete recruiting native species.

Native to South America, introduced throughout the world as a popular ornamental garden tree.

A large palm tree with a single smooth grey trunk growing up to 20m tall. Its massive leaves can reach up to 5m in length on mature trees. These leaves consist of a thick main stalk and numerous (300-500) very long leaflets (up to 1 m long and 3 cm wide). Its large branched flower clusters (up to 2m long) contain numerous small yellow or cream coloured flowers.

The stalkless flowers are borne in groups of three, one flower in each group being female and the other two being male. Its egg shaped fruit (2.5-3cm long) from green to yellow and then orange when fully mature.



This image is typical of a young cocos palm. Across this region, they grow 'quietly' in our parks and gardens until 2m tall, often unnoticed.



REPEATS

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: 28/04/2026 DA#: RAL26/0032

41 Walli Mountain Rd KENILWORTH - 41, 95 & 97 Walli Mountain Road Kenilworth - Boundary realignment (3 into 3 lots) - Walli Projects Pty Ltd - Urban Strategies Pty Ltd - Walli Projects Pty Ltd. *Primarily changing the layout of easements to land locked blocks.*

Lodged: 27/04/2026 SA#: OPW26/0172

27 Bartlett St NAMBOUR - Vegetation Clearing - Rhonda Billett Haire. *Removal of 3 trees in a 10M high natural sandstone bank that are causing or have the potential to cause problems for surrounding structures. One has a white ant infestation.*

Lodged: 30/04/2026 DA#: MCU26/0095 & OPW26/0174

23 Carter Rd NAMBOUR - Multiple Dwelling (5 Units), Earthworks, Stormwater, Landscaping & Roadworks - RVM Enterprises Pty Ltd - URBN Town Planning Pty Ltd. *5 2 level dwellings on 809m2. 1 is 2 bed, 2 bath, 1 powder, 1 garage, 3 are 3 bed, 2 bath, 1 powder, 1 garage. 5 degree pitch hip roof, site coverage around 400m2 before approximately 200m2 concrete. Overall hard coverage around 600m2 or approximately 75% hard cover.*

Lodged: 20/04/2026 DA#: MCU26/0092 & DBW26/0091

171 Obi Obi Rd MAPLETON - Dwelling House - Coral Homes Qld Pty Ltd - Suncoast Building Approvals. *4 bed, 2 bath, 1 powder, Activities, Office, Media rooms, 2 garage, 25 degree hip roof, on 5.14ha*

DIVISION 5:

Lodged: 24/04/2026 DA#: POS26/0074

113-117 Blackall Range Road Woombye - Drainage Easement Document only as per Condition 31(d) of MCU25/0159 / OPW25/0249 - copy of Survey Plan SP350965 (Plan of Easement D in Lot 3 on RP131276) - CadCon Surveying & Town Planning. *Administrative. Approving Plans.*

Lodged: 24/04/2026 DA#: OPW26/0169

595 Chevallum Rd CHEVALLUM - Street Lighting - CV Infrastructure Services Pty Ltd. *Relates to Ral24/0095. 1 lot into 6 lots.*

Lodged: 29/04/2026 DA#: RAL26/0033

Maleny Erowal Aged Care Facility 1274 Landsborough-Maleny Rd MALENY - 1 Lot into 2 Lots - Respect Group Limited - ADAMS + SPARKES Town Planning. *Separating 5360m2 from the main lot, leaving 11.23ha.*

Lodged: 29/04/2026 DA#: 2002/520039.65

23 Apple Gum PI PALMVIEW - Minor Change to Development Approval - Reconfiguring of Lot 102 SPI36910 into 334 lots - Scorpion Sheds & Carports - Dynamic Building Approvals. *Application to build 12m X 8m shed which has a wall height of 4.1m including slab, which is over the 3.6m specified by the Development Controls.*

Lodged: 28/04/2026 DA#: MCU16/0162.02

151 Sippy Creek Rd TANAWHA - Minor Change to Approval - KC's Fireworks Displays (Aust) Pty Ltd - Kent Hartshorn. *Application relates to the clarification of gross floor area for the use and removal of the requirement for a vegetation covenant.*



EXHIBITION CALL OUT

Contributed by: Fiona Groom

Artists are invited to participate in an upcoming exhibition at the Cooroy Butter Factory Arts Centre that celebrates the natural world just beyond our back door.

This exhibition explores the environments that surround us, whether it's the intimate ecology of a garden, the familiar wildlife in our own backyard, or the vast landscapes of coastlines, forests, and open country.

Exhibition dates

Exhibition Dates: 2 July – 2 August
Entries close: 6pm on 21 June 2026

JPs in the Community

📞 13 QGOV (13 74 68) 🌐 www.qld.gov.au/jps

This site's volunteers are supported by the Justices of the Peace Branch, the Department of Justice and Mapleton Library Community Centre.

Hours of operation

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| Monday | 9.00am–11.30am | *Phone 07 5445 7182 |
| Tuesday | By appointment* | |
| Wednesday | By appointment* | |
| Thursday | 9.00am–11.00am | |
| Friday | By appointment* | |
| Saturday | By appointment* | |
| Sunday | Closed | |

If this signing site is closed, visit www.qld.gov.au/findjp to locate the nearest signing site currently open.



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 Thursdays, Mapleton Bowls Club

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

Maleny Scottish Country Dancing Monday nights, Maleny RSL Hall: 0429
654033: eshjay2010@gmail.com

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.mapletonmenshed.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
883019

Mapleton Tennis Club mapletontennis@gmail.com
www.tennis.com.au/mapleton-tennis-club

Montville Anglican Church huesong2@gmail.com

Montville Chamber of Commerce info@montvillecommerce.com.au

Montville Masonic Lodge montville260@outlook.com

Montville Rural Fire Brigade montville.rfb@bigpond.com

Montville School P&C msspandcpresident@gmail.com

Montville St Mary's Hall stmaryshallmontville@gmail.com

Montville Tennis Club montvilletennisclub1925@gmail.com

Montville Uniting Church minister@ourcommonlife.org.au

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

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nbrprobus@gmail.com

Range Community Gym and Fitness Centre mapletongym@gmail.com
www.rangecommunitygym.com.au

Range United Soccer Club info.rangeunited@gmail.com

St Mary's Anglican Church Montville stmarysmontville@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 officel@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

Mapleton Community Facebook page

www.facebook.com/groups/mapletonqueensland/

Montville Community Facebook page

www.facebook.com/groups/780987252874906/

Flaxton Community Facebook page

www.facebook.com/groups/388815358233538

Mapleton Library Community Centre Facebook page

www.facebook.com/p/Mapleton-Community-Library-100064769136195/

Happenings – Montville and surrounds email newsletter

Subscribe: www.montvillevillageassociation.org.au/subscribe-to-happenings/ Editor.mvahappenings@gmail.com

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



LOCAL VENUES FOR HIRE

KUREELPA DULONG COMMUNITY HALL

Our modern and clean hall is available for hire for meetings, community events and classes.

Contact: Dianne Fitzgerald E: fitzies56@gmail.com

MAPLETON BOWLS CLUB

Cost: for meeting \$50.00. Rent of premises, or large gathering [Trivia] \$100.00

Space: Can accommodate up to 90 persons standing or 80 persons seated.

Other: The use of the Bar and its staff should be requested, while the use of the kitchen and/or its staff is limited and would need discussion.

Contact: The Club Secretary, Martin Lambe

E: mapletonbowlsclub350@gmail.com T: 0428 898734

MAPLETON COMMUNITY HALL and SPORTSGROUND

The historic timber 109 year old hall including grounds. Includes tables, chairs and a basic kitchen. Capacity is 110 persons in the hall.

To enquire email mapletonhall@gmail.com

Two tennis courts managed by The Mapleton Tennis Club are available for Hire.

MAPLETON LIBRARY COMMUNITY CENTRE

Obi Obi Road, Mapleton T: 5445 7011

E: mapletonlibrary@gmail.com

Cost: meeting \$20 per hour; plus use of the kitchen \$30 per hour

Includes: indoor and outdoor spaces, fully carpeted indoor; small kitchen; toilet inside; data projector with screen on the ceiling; 40 chairs, folding tables available. There are also small grass areas, gazebos available, chairs can be used on the grass.

MONTVILLE VILLAGE HALL

Our versatile hall is the perfect venue for everything from weddings to birthday parties to community gatherings. With ample space and beautiful views, you'll be sure to impress your guests.

Contact us today to make a reservation.

<https://www.montvillevillageassociation.org/village-hall-hire>

OBI OBI HALL

Obi Obi Hall is owned by the Obi Obi and Kidaman Creek communities, and operated by members of the Obi Obi and Kidaman Creek District Community Hall Association Inc.

856 Obi Obi Road, Obi Obi 4574; PO Box 276 Mapleton, 4560

Calendar, floor plan and more all on the following web site

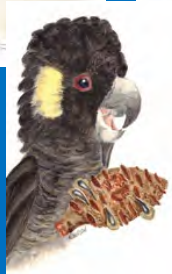
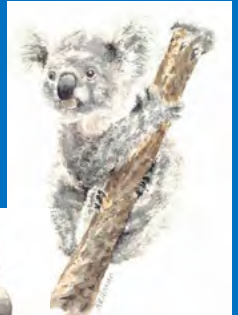
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ST MARY'S HALL MONTVILLE ON THE VILLAGE GREEN

Perfect for workshops, small events, yoga/pilates classes, cosy concerts, art shows, club meetings, baby showers, family events. This space is fully accessible, now air-conditioned (warm in winter and cool in summer), low cost with a free to use kitchenette. Maximum capacity 50 seated, or 12 yoga mats.

For bookings and enquiries:

E: stmaryshallmontville@gmail.com or T: 0475 773810



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CENTRE**

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.
 - Currently Thursday night for distribution is the target time.
- No lost animals, political, religious, personal opinions or missing person notification will be published.
- Negative or derogatory comments will not be published.

Email mapletonqueensland@gmail.com requesting guidelines.

Anyone wishing to receive the Range and Hinterland PopUp Community News, send your email address to mapletonqueensland@gmail.com

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