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## A MESSAGE FROM The Bli Bli Community Association

The Community Association monthly meetings have been spiced up with various guest speakers this year. On the 18th May the Community Association monthly meeting was addressed by John Knaggs CEO of Sun Central Maroochydore who is tasked with bringing to life the new CBD. It was wonderful to have John deliver first hand to those gathered what the new CBD would look like and how it will shape the Sunshine Coast in years to come.

For the July meeting on Tuesday 18th we have invited the National First Aid Training Institute to address us in respect to the importance of everyone having a level of first aid knowledge. Then for the September meeting we have invited entertainer Barry Bull as the guest which is sure to be an entertaining evening.

As part of the celebrations of the 90th anniversary the "BOB" Blokes of Bli Bli evening which is featured in this edition will be held on Friday 7 July in the Old Hall. Tickets will be available to be purchased from either the IGA or Ray White Bli Bli. Entry is strictly limited so if you are keen to join the evening then you will need to purchase a ticket prior to the night. So the ladies don't miss out, if the boys night goes to plan then we will hold a ladies night later in the year.

The 90th anniversary dance is locked in to be held in the Old Hall on Saturday 18 November. The Country Music Band which has a large following in the community has been booked for the evening so keep this night free.

This year we have seen some new initiatives within our community by various groups. The local Neighbourhood Watch team put together a competition in Muller Park on 28 May which was very well received and the Rowing Club held its head of the river at Lake Kawana. There are some great photos included in this edition of these events. If you have any events or activities please make sure you email them to us with some photos and a story for inclusion in our next edition.

**BOB** DON'T WORRY LADIES!  
 We have a BOB event planned for you all later in the year. A ladies only night of fine wine, champagne, food and music.  
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# A WORD FROM CR STEVE ROBINSON

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## KIDS TEACHING KIDS

Council's Kids in Action event brings schools together to explore local environmental issues in a fantastic format where the students teach each other. Bli Bli State School will participate for the first time this year. They were also the winner of the early bird registration draw and received an iPad prize that I'm sure will come in useful for various activities. I would encourage any schools that haven't registered to visit council's website and do so.

## NEW VIEWING AREAS AT MT NINDERRY

New viewing areas on Mt Ninderry are now complete. I went along to watch a helicopter lift materials earlier in the construction phase, which was certainly something different to see. If you've climbed Mt Ninderry, I'm sure you can appreciate why these platforms and equipment could not be carried up! I encourage you to hike to the top when work is finished for stunning views out to the Blackall Range, north to Lake Weyba and across Mt Coolum to Mooloolaba.

## 20TH ANNIVERSARY FOR OUR FINNISH COMMUNITY

A morning tea celebrating 20 years since the opening of Finnish Memorial Park on 6 April 1987 was held recently. I hear it was a roaring success, with 60 people celebrating with coffee and cake, including 20 descendants of original Finnish residents. The memorial park reflects the strong role that the Finnish people, many of whom were cane farmers, played in establishing Bli Bli.

## PUBLIC ART FOR BLI BLI

You may have noticed a new pop of colour near the River Markets. The traffic box on David Low Way was recently painted by local artist EJ Zyla in celebration of the Sunshine Coast's 50th Anniversary, following a public art process by council. EJ is a freelance artist with a passion for public art and I'm sure you'll agree she has done a great job with this colourful addition to Bli Bli. Take a look next time you're at the River Markets.



## MEET AND GREET

Issues raised by the community at my recent 'meet and greet' sessions include:

- a shade sail for the children's playground at Muller Park, which I am hoping to have included in next year's budget
- the State Government's response to our request to widen the Bli Bli bridge. I will continue to follow this up with State Member for Nicklin Peter Wellington, as this is a State Government issue
- bus services connecting Bli Bli to the new hospital, which I am also checking with the State Government on.



# PETER WELLINGTON MP

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## NICKLIN COMMUNITY AWARDS

Nigel Kemp and Donna Muller of the Bli Bli Community, were recently awarded with a Nicklin Community Award from Peter Wellington MP, along with 20 other well deserving people from the Nicklin Electorate. The Awards Ceremony was at the Nambour CWA Hall.

Below are statements that were read out to the audience of over 100 people.

### NIGEL KEMP

Nigel has been a member of the Bli Bli and District Rural Fire Brigade for more than ten years, and currently holds the position of First Officer, which he has held for the past five years.

Prior to this he has been an active fire-fighter member and has also served as the Secretary.

Nigel has been very active in recruiting new members. His success has resulted in the brigade growing to the point where the its average age is one of the youngest in Queensland, with many new members aged under 30 years.

Under Nigel's leadership of giving back to the community, the Brigade is heavily active, offering their time at the Edgewater Spring Fair, manning the BBQ, and as car parking attendants at the South Queensland Caravan, Camping, Boating and Fishing Expo. Members also volunteer their time to clean up after natural disasters (flooding etc) in the Sunshine Coast Region.

He has also held the position of President for the Bli Bli Community Association for two years, helping make vital decisions regarding the future of Bli Bli.

Thank you Nigel.



### DONNA MULLER

Donna Muller is the Maroochy River Rowing Club's Head Coach and has held this position for the past four years.

Donna was instrumental, along with her husband, Russell, in establishing the Rowing Club at Muller Park, Bli Bli.

Donna has a natural ability in transferring her rowing experience and love for the sport into all rowers. She has dedicated the past seven years to advancing opportunities for Sunshine Coast Youth, to participate in the sport of rowing.

Donna, on behalf of our community, thank you for your dedication to rowing.



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# BLI BLI CANEGROWERS IN WORLD WAR TWO SINK THE PUNTS?



**In March 1942 they feared the cane punts on the Maroochy River would be useful to the Japanese in an attack from North Beach. Should the punts be sunk in that event? Reply from the Moreton Mill was that the demolition plan for mill property did include the punts.**

Bli Bli on Maroochy Historical Society has in its custody four original handwritten Minute Books of the Bli Bli Branch of the Mill Suppliers' Association. Thanks to the volunteer efforts of locals Debbie Rollo and Sandra Soutter, we have these timeless reports in our digital collection as well. What a treasure trove they are!

Reading through Book 3, the pages cover the years 1938 – 1942. The forward thinking attitudes of the men was amazing. In **1938** they supported a scheme to produce power alcohol from sugar cane, emphasising "the national importance of the power alcohol industry to Australia particularly from a defence viewpoint". In **May 1939**, before war against Germany was even declared, a motion was passed that enquiries be made from Northern Cane-growers' Branches as to "whether they think adequate steps are being taken by the Commonwealth Government for the defence of North Queensland."

After war broke out, a Patriotic Committee was appointed within our Mill Suppliers' Association to operate with the Bli Bli Red Cross Society in arranging send-off entertainment to members of the 2nd AIF. Private Samson Bowda was the first to leave. Each soldier was to receive a present and cash to the value of £5. A voluntary Patriotic Levy of 1/2d per ton was arranged with the Mill. When the cheque for the 1940 season of £50..5..4 was received, it was donated, half to the Bli Bli Red Cross and half to the Bli Bli Branch of the Australian Comforts Fund.

In **June 1941** secretary T.C. Davey sent a letter of condolence to Mrs Bowda when news came that Pte Sam Bowda had been Killed In Action. Enquiries about an Honour Board were made and it was decided to accept the offer of the Nambour Rural School to make one for the cost of material only and Mr Dowd would do the lettering for the cost of the gold leaf only.

In **December 1941** a motion was passed that the Association contact the Queensland Cane-Growers' Council urging them to request that the Federal Government establish a power alcohol distillery at every sugar mill in Queensland. The war with Japan threatened our oil supplies and export of surplus sugar. Nothing eventuated.

In **March 1942**, E J Blanch was appointed divisional Air Raid Warden with authority to appoint co-wardens, one of whom was R. Thomas.

In **May 1942** an Evacuation Committee was appointed consisting of E.J.Blanch, W.A.Hawthorne and J.W.Gamble. They were to take a census of the public in the area and the motor vehicles available.

The Bli Bli Mill Suppliers initiated the formation of a committee to arrange send-offs and presentations to local soldiers in the Australian Military Force who were serving in the militia garrison and home forces, just as they had done for those serving overseas. The Bli Bli cane growers were the backbone of the community and their patriotic efforts shone during World War two.



Cane punt on Maroochy River  
(courtesy Sunshine Coast Libraries)



Bli Bli Honour Roll, in Bli Bli Community Hall  
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# PARKLAKES 2 CENTRAL PARK NOW OPEN

Parklakes 2 Masterplanned Community in Bli Bli officially opened their brand new Central Park with a big open day Sunday 26th March and since the opening the park has been well utilised by the local community.

"We are excited to have opened our 1 hectare Central Park and it was fantastic to see such a great turn out with around 1000 people taking part in the activities.

The event was all about having fun with a Super Hero Treasure Hunt for kids as well as live music, a free sausage sizzle, cold drinks and coffee on offer for the community while they discovered all the park has to offer," Parklakes 2 Developer Robert Flipp said.

The new park is an important community feature and caters for an array of activities for all ages to enjoy including a flying fox, a covered 'All Abilities Playground', sheltered BBQ areas and fitness equipment.

"The park will be a great community meeting point, providing open spaces for sports activities and quality time outdoors with family and friends," Mr Flipp said.

Since the opening of the park, a free fitness class has been held every Sunday morning at 8.30am with a great response of 20 plus people attending each class. The fitness

instructors from local business Sculpt PT run a variety of different classes to suit all levels of fitness and everyone is welcome to this free class at Parklakes 2 park.

Last Sunday a special Mother's Day class was held where kids and dads were invited to bring mum down for a fun family session for an active start to their Mother's Day and thanks to local florist White Jasmine, all mums received beautiful flowers.

"Community spirit has been an integral part of building a bright future for generations to enjoy at Parklakes 2 and community activities at the park are a big part of our vision. With 20 hectares of forest with nature tracks, lakes with floating wetlands and our Central Park there are lots of open spaces to keep active and we are very excited to open the new café and tapas bar in the coming months," Mr Flipp said.

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## MISSION STATEMENT

Bli Bli State School inspires children to confidently contribute to our dynamic world through strong foundations of commitment, creativity, character and community.



# Character

We foster the development of valuable members of society who demonstrate integrity, confidence and resilience.

In my opinion **CHARACTER** is a precious commodity of which we all have the opportunity to make into a very precious thing indeed. Sadly in our race towards success, wealth, being the best, fame - the undeveloped character will never allow us to achieve real greatness. This could be one of society's greatest challenges.

At my school this is not left to chance.

From the very first contact with our staff at a Principal's Tour or transition to Prep session concepts such as resilience, honesty and fairness in class or the playground, character development is addressed.

Modelling and structured support for social development offers our students confidence to try rather than having it done for them. Programs such as our Positive Behaviour teaching matrix offers a curriculum that teaches responsibility for decisions and consequences as learning opportunities from nurturing adults creating increasingly confident children. I see every interaction, every game, every curricula and extra curricula task as an opportunity to develop ethics and character. It is my expectation that students and staff view setbacks as opportunities for growth and development.

Bli Bli State School, in partnership with parents, produces students with integrity and confidence who are contributors, as opposed to mere consumers, of the world. It is a powerful thing when the person you think you are is seen by others through your actions, attitude and words. I am very proud of my student's attitudes and effort in honing their own characters as something of which to be proud.

Abraham Lincoln, President of the United States (1861 – 1865) wrote, "Character is like a tree and reputation like its shadow. The shadow is what we think of it; the tree is the real thing."

Bli Bli State School's core value of **CHARACTER** is summarised in the statement "We foster the development of valuable members of society who demonstrate **integrity, confidence and resilience**". What does this mean for the individual student, or their family, their teacher or for their future prospects? We have very high expectations for all of these characteristics in our students and foster within a team approach and through

- Strong role modelling, explicit teaching such as our weekly lessons to support positive behaviour,
- Situational teaching in the classroom and sporting or musical individual and team activities
- Welcoming errors as a chance to problem solve and develop strategies, to solve the problem and build resilience and learn through feedback (Hattie, Marzano)
- Rewarding honesty, fairness and ethics through full participation in school life and opportunities for enrichment and leadership, school awards such as Spirit of Bli Bli to badges for behaviour.

**Gerard Quinn**  
Principal



## GROWING GREAT KIDS

As parents we work to equip our children with the tools they need to solve their own problems, to respond to difficulties, to feel good about themselves and others, and to perceive the future in a hopeful and confident manner.

It would be great if all children arrived with a Do it Yourself Manual but here are some ideas to help your child become resilient.

Brooks and Goldstein talk of 10 key principles for resilience:

- Be empathetic – teach understanding of how another person might feel, recognize your own feelings
- Communicate and listen effectively – and respond to what your child is saying
- Love your children in ways that make them feel special and appreciated – let them know you love them unconditionally.
- Accept your child for who they are and help them to set reasonable goals – goals for today, and goals for the future. It's good to work towards something.
- Help them experience success in what ever they show competence in (even if it's collecting bugs)
- Focus on positives, reword negative talk – sometimes the positive may be hard to see, but it's there. Always end a conversation with something positive. Instead of saying 'don't do ,,,,,,'- say what you want your child to do.
- Help them to understand that 'mistakes' are just things yet to be learnt

**Definition: 'Resilience – the ability to cope in times of stress or hardship.'**

- Develop responsibility, compassion and social awareness by providing opportunities where you child can contribute or give back to others.
- Teach your child to solve their own problems and make appropriate decisions (What's the problem? What are the choices? Which is the best choice? Try it. If it doesn't work review your choices.) This also helps them to take responsibility for their actions.
- Discipline in a way that promotes self- discipline and self worth. Punishment is one form of discipline and often a least effective form as it teaches the child what not to do rather than what to do, and can often build resentment. It is difficult to teach your child a better way to behave when you yourself are angry and upset. So be calm, tell your child what you want them to do, and praise your child for doing the right thing. Have though, a plan in place for dealing with noncompliance, but STAY CALM. Your child is watching you and will copy how you behave.

In following these principles we will contribute to helping our children be resilient, to be emotionally healthy, and equipped to successfully confront challenges, and bounce back from setbacks.

Adapted from 'Raising Resilient Children' by R.Brooks and S. Goldstei

**Libby Howlett**  
Guidance Officer



## MAY MELODIES

On Friday 19 May, the hall was filled with the sound of music at the music department's mid-year concert 'May Melodies'. There were performances by the Senior and Junior choirs, Concert Band, Rebel Clefs boys small vocal group, Belle Voce girls small vocal group and instrumental students.

The choral program starts in Year 3 with the Junior choir and this year, there are 40 Year 3's who attend weekly rehearsals. 69 students in Years 4 – 6 are members of the Senior Choir. Choir is open to anyone who loves to sing and it is great in helping students develop character - confidence and resilience in rehearsals and performances.

The small vocal groups have students in Years 4 – 6 who have auditioned for these groups. This year, we have 11 boys and 14 girls. At 'May Melodies', they performed two songs each – 'Boys Medley' and 'King of New York' for the boys (pictured), and 'How Far I'll Go' and 'It's Possible' for the girls (pictured). Their performances were fantastic and it was great to see how much these students have developed in their vocal and performance techniques just since the start of the year.



Our concert band performed 'Bootscooting Boogie' and then small groups of instrumental students performed songs they had been learning in lessons (pictured). It takes a lot of hard work to learn an instrument and these students work hard to learn their songs.

As with all our performers, it can be daunting to get up in front of 300 parents and friends in the audience. And yet, due to our work on building student's character, they shine on stage. Not only that, but due to the increased levels of confidence and resilience, classroom teachers often comment positively on students' contributions to learning in their classrooms.

**Jenny Aitken**  
Music Teacher and Program Coordinator

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 Tuesday 18th July  
 Tuesday 1st August  
 Tuesday 15th August  
 Tuesday 29th August

### PROGRAM

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 9.10am Principal's chat  
 9.30am Campus Tour  
 10.00am Morning tea



## Cracking the Confidence Code and Avoiding Resilience Robbers

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### Growing Great Kids

All parents want their children to be happy. Confidence and resilience are the keys to open the doors of happiness and success. Parents firmly hold these keys and have the daunting responsibility of passing these keys on to their children whilst finding the correct balance between loving, nurturing, helping, being firm, following through with consequences and letting children learn from their own experiences.

Parents, Grandparents and other interested community members are welcome to attend.

Let's all work towards Growing the Greatest Kids that we can.

RSVP to Bli Bli State School on 5458 2111 by Monday 14<sup>th</sup> August.

# A HERO 4 MICAH



## BLI BLI COMMUNITY HEROES SHAVE 4 MICAH

What an amazing community we live in! As young Micah Murdoch and their family have been facing Micah's second battle with leukemia, the Bli Bli Community have rallied to their support with the Student Council at Bli Bli State School backing a campaign that included Purple Day 4 Micah and Heroes for Micah Shave (and Colour) which was held on 18 March 2017 at the Bli Bli Rivermarkets.

18 March was an absolutely amazing morning! Great weather and so many great people. Over 30 people had their hair shaved or coloured with a few spontaneous decisions made on the morning. The spontaneous ones included young Noah Widdicombe - who not only shaved his head but also brought his dad, Todd with him. Todd had some passable MC skills so we handed him a microphone... you can hear him on 92.7 Mix FM sometimes. Thank you, Todd, for giving up your Saturday morning! A list of our sponsors and supporters is below, but special thanks too, to the people behind the scenes who make events like this happen. You know who you are.

We had sausages sizzling, faces being expertly painted with the trade mark 'Hero 4 Micah' Superhero mask and a raffle run by Michael, a young Bli Bli State School student. We had live music from the beautiful Joanna and her friend David, hair being sprayed, coloured and shaved and people signing up to make life-giving blood donations. The Bli Bli Community turned out in force as did Micah's school community, with teachers, parents and staff of Bli Bli State School everywhere you turned.

And the end result? Not only a fabulous day of goodwill for Micah and the Murdoch family and increased awareness for the Australian Red Cross, but we also managed to raise a total of \$22,216.85!! How fantastic is that!! Micah and his family still have a long, hard road before them and your support and generosity and amazing community spirit allows this family to be together, without financial stress, at this very difficult time in their lives. It has allowed Micah to have his mum with him for the last few months as he continues his battle. Thank you Bli Bli.

## MICAH'S BATTLE CONTINUES

Micah has had a huge and very hard couple of months. He was allowed home briefly, just after the shave and even managed to make it into school for Assembly to hear the announcement of the grand total raised by the fundraising. It was wonderful to have him there for that.

But this short respite was quickly followed by a series of gruelling chemotherapy rounds, rigorous screening for viruses and immunoglobulin treatment to prepare his little body for his Stem Cell Transplant. He has had to fast and go under anaesthetic multiple times and has had Total Body Irradiation treatment to ensure no bad cells were left behind. His entire immune system has been wiped out and he will remain in high isolation at Lady Cilento for months yet, to avoid any possible infections. His little body has been ravaged during this time, with temperatures, nausea, vomiting ulcers, feeding lines and showers 4 times a day to wash away the chemicals from the chemo being excreted through his skin. Through it all Micah's brave and cheeky attitude continues to astound the people around him.

May 11 was the big day... Transplant Day.... And the reports from Catherine say that he is doing brilliantly. Happy and waiting for the miraculous new cells to grow. He still contends with painful ulcers but we are praying that these will heal and that the new cells will grow and give this brave little boy his life back.

Thank you to the person who donated those stem cells to help Micah. Thank you to the people who donate blood products to help Micah and the millions of others who need them every day. Thank you for the people who have signed on the Bone Marrow Registry and helped us to create awareness of the need for greater ethnic diversity on the Register. Thank you to all those people out there who make a difference in other people's lives.

Don't forget that 'A Hero 4 Micah' has created a Red25 team so all you need to do is call 131495, make an appointment and mention Red25 team 'A Hero 4 Micah'. You can still be a Hero 4 Micah - or for one of the many other patients who need your help!

Please like and share Micah's Facebook page, 'A Hero 4 Micah' (link below) for more information on Micah's progress and how you can help.

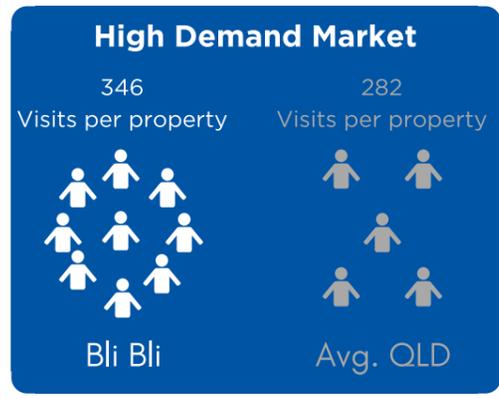
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# YES, YES IT'S COMING TO LIFE



## CONSTRUCTION IS ABOUT TO COMMENCE ON ONE OF THE BIGGEST DEVELOPMENTS IN BLI BLI'S HISTORY.

The Bli Bli Village 'Town Centre' is a project that local developers Michael and Roz White have been working on for about three years. The centre will offer a multi-level commercial precinct including a mix of professional suites, retail shops, restaurants, cafes, medical and specialty services and a basement level car park accommodating close to 200 vehicles.

The first phase of construction, set to begin in the coming months, is an exciting milestone for the local community, Mr White said.

"It's going to be a great project and I'm personally looking forward to seeing some action on site. It's been a big job and three years of hard work getting ready for this building phase so we're very excited," he said.

Construction will be rolled out across three phases with completion of phase one expected in March of next year and full project completion by 2020. The new centre will deliver up to 400 local jobs across a range of industries including medical, retail and hospitality. It will also answer a local demand for key services, Project Development Manager, Paul Brandenburg said.

"What it will mean is that locals won't need to travel out of the area for essential services. It will complement the newly

invigorated Bli Bli Village 'Rivermarkets' centre and at twice the size it really will be one of the biggest developments ever completed in Bli Bli," he said.

From a real estate perspective, property owners also have reason to get excited about the new build, according to Ray White Bli Bli, Principal, Ed Hackenberg.

"Bli Bli is currently experiencing unprecedented demand. No longer have we been overlooked, we have now found ourselves in the middle of the Sunshine Coast's infrastructure expansion," he said.

"Bli Bli can expect imminent growth over a very short period of time. What was once a small town on the Sunshine Coast will be able to sustain its own independent economic hub," he said.

Division 9 Councillor Steve Robinson echoed Mr Hackenberg's comments.

"Bli Bli has always been a quiet little village and while that is good, it wasn't meeting its potential. New developments such as the Bli Bli Village 'Town Centre' offer Bli Bli the opportunity to be a really modern and vibrant community while staying true to village roots."

"The community is extremely excited about the Bli Bli Village project. We have been through the River Markets re-innovation development and have seen how brilliant it has been for the Bli Bli community so this has generated a real confidence and a buzz in the community," he said.

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# WHAT'S ON IN THE WETLANDS

## FREE GUIDED WALKS.

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Eight people were entertained and educated on the May walk and afterwards reported as having had a very enjoyable time. It was lovely to hear the children so excited about seeing the waving orange claws of the Fiddler Crabs and trying to spot our many colourful birds.

Scheduled dates for the guided walks are June 4, July 2, August 6 and September 3. They will leave the Visitor Information Centre at 10am and wind their way down the boardwalk, looking at points of interest along the way.

It is not necessary to book but please call John on 5448 6723 with any questions you may have. Come and join us join us for these very relaxing and informative mornings of walking in peaceful surroundings with one of our experienced guides.

Details: 10.00am; the first Sunday of the month; Sport's Rd Bli Bli.

The walking track and boardwalk is open to visitors all the time and meanders for about 1km down to the Maroochy River, where you can stop and watch the river activity from our pontoon. Likewise, if you arrive by boat, you may tie-up at the pontoon and walk the kilometre up to the Information Centre, which is manned every Sunday by a Sanctuary volunteer.

**We always welcome new members so if you would like to find out more, please contact John on 54486723. You are also welcome to 'like' us on Facebook (Maroochy Wetlands Support Group) or have a look at our webpage - [www.maroochywetlandssupport.org.au](http://www.maroochywetlandssupport.org.au)**



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**Where: Maroochy Wetlands Sanctuary, Sports Rd, Bli Bli.**

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Bli Bli OSHC Fee Schedule \*as of 27<sup>th</sup> of June 2016

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• 3+ child family	\$19 per child	\$24 per child
Vacation Care (Full Day)	\$52	\$60
• 2 child family	\$50 per child	\$60 per child
• 3+ child family	\$48 per child	\$60 per child
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• 2 child family	\$25 per child	\$30 per child
• 3+ child family	\$24 per child	\$30 per child

**We offer half day fees for vacation care for those families who use the service less than 5 ½ hours per session.**

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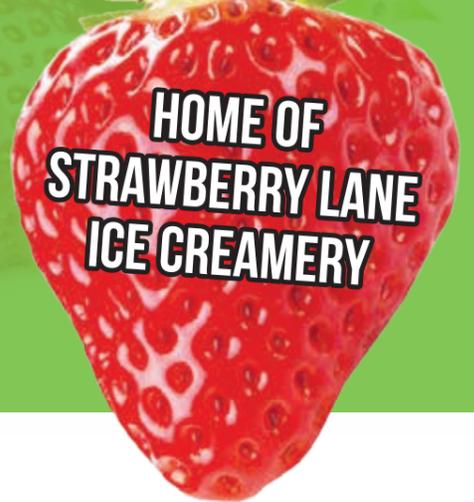
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BLI BLI SKATE COMP  
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# SKATE COMP 28 MAY A MASSIVE HIT

Bli Bli Neighbourhood watch partnered with Skate-Aid Australia also a not for profit organization to run a skate competition at Muller Park on Sunday 28 May.

There were back flips kick flips and tricks and we are still learning the names of. Thank you to Parklakes 2 for their support as the day could not have been achieved without their support, to Cr Steve Robinson for his opening address and Welcome to Country and his staff who assisted with the process of Council Permits. Thankyou also to Snr Const. Heather Abercrombie and VIP Peter Siney for their assistance in keeping our kids safe and wearing helmets. We had some great volunteer support who tirelessly worked so hard from 6.30 am to well after 2.00 pm. setting up and packing up and to keep everybody watered and fed.

This is one of many events that Bli Bli Neighbourhood Watch is planning to hold around our community in the future.

Area Coordinator  
Edith Blanck

# KIDS IN ACTION

## SUNSHINE COAST COUNCIL'S KIDS IN ACTION PROGRAM BLOSSOMS AT BLI BLI STATE SCHOOL

Kids in Action is Sunshine Coast Council's environmental education initiative that aims to increase children's environmental knowledge and understanding, and inspire and provide opportunities for positive environmental and sustainability action.

Bli Bli State School students who expressed an interest in the program have been selected to participate in this year's Kids in Action program.

Thanks to Mr Batson's (Head of Curriculum) quick actions the Sunshine Coast Council's early registration incentive for the Kids in Action program saw Bli Bli State School win an iPad mini for the school that was presented by enthusiastic Council representatives Sandi Johnson (SCC Waste Management Representative) and Steve Robinson (Councillor).

This enthusiasm is shared by the students who recently participated in the Environmental Projects Day which included activities such as Bunya Dreaming with Aunty Bev and Beneficial Bugs in the bush by BugsEd. This was an enjoyable and informative day at

Mary Cairncross Scenic Reserve and helped students cement their workshop/project topic of the survival and ecosystems of the Richmond Birdwing Butterfly, a vulnerable species endemic to Bli Bli State School area.

Students together with Ms Jacki Goss (Diverse learners Coach) will research and develop an interactive workshop for the Kids in Action Conference to be presented during the Sunshine Coast Councils Kids Teaching Kids Week in September.

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# NEW CYCLE AND PEDESTRIAN BRIDGE OFFICIALLY OPENED IN MAROOCHYDORE

A new \$2.98 million dedicated cycle and pedestrian bridge across Eudlo Creek on David Low Way officially opened today, providing a safe and easy route between Maroochydore and Bli Bli.

Main Roads and Road Safety Minister Mark Bailey said the Queensland Government contributed \$1.5 million towards the project, which was jointly funded with Sunshine Coast Council.

“The Queensland Government is committed to building safe, direct and connected cycle networks across Queensland, including on the Sunshine Coast, and creating cycle-friendly communities,” Mr Bailey said.

“The new three-metre-wide, stand-alone pedestrian and cyclist bridge over Eudlo Creek now completes the missing link in the cycle network by providing a dedicated cycle path along David Low Way from Maroochydore to Bli Bli.

“The new bridge allows path users to remain on the northern side of the road bridge, providing direct connection to the Fisherman’s Road intersection where they can safely cross David Low Way using the existing signals.

“It also provides a safer link to and from Bli Bli and Maroochydore, improving connectivity to Maroochydore recreational facilities and its foreshore.

“This is great news for the Sunshine Coast and we are pleased to have worked with council to deliver this vital piece of infrastructure to the Sunshine Coast community.”

Division 7 Councillor Ted Hungerford said the safer connection was already being enjoyed by residents.

“I know residents have been eagerly awaiting this latest addition to our cycle network, and many are already travelling across it for recreation and commuting,” Cr Hungerford said.

“Separating pedestrians and cyclists from the road in this location is a big improvement and I’m proud to have delivered this for our community.

“Sunshine Coast Council is committed to providing high quality cycling facilities for our community and making it as easy as possible for people to enjoy active modes of transport.”

The new bridge replaced the footway on the existing vehicle bridge to provide a safer crossing alternative over Eudlo Creek.

Council selected an innovative design and construction solution to minimise disruption to the existing vegetation and local environment.

The new bridge is part of a \$5.68 million investment by council and the Queensland Government for a cycleway between Maroochydore and Bli Bli, making sustainable travel easier for residents.

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1964: Maroochy River Rowing Club held its first regatta on our river

Only a few locals are aware that Maroochy River Rowing Club has a history dating back more than a half a century ago. While remaining inactive for a long time, our local youth now fly the MRRC flag high.



2017: John Andrews

Winner of the first regatta race on the Maroochy River, a young and very fit John Andrews won the above pennant as the stroke of his successful four.



2017: Charles Clarke

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# SUNSHINE COAST SCHOOLS CHAMPIONSHIP REGATTA 2017

With perfect rowing conditions for the recent schools championship regatta at Lake Kawana, students from fifteen Sunshine Coast schools tested the skills against each other for this annual event.

Hosted by Bli Bli's Maroochy River Rowing Club, the event was well supported by rowers and their families, many of whom were watching some students compete for the first time outside of their weekly training base at Muller Park.

Commentating these Sunday race events, MRRC president Russell Muller said the inter-school competition was exceptionally strong while in such a good spirit of sportsmanship. Many races had such close finishes, the lead positions had changed several times in the last 250m as rowers dug deep for more effort to capture a gold medal for the win.

The highlight event of the day was the 'Head of the Maroochy' where the best rowers from each school line up for a 2,000m race for the boys and also for the girls. Local Bli Bli girl, Sarah Bryan representing her Maroochy State High School, won the event which now sees her school holding the girls perpetual trophy for the next twelve months.

Fast finishing Nambour Christian College students, Zane Fancourt and James Ralph were triumphant in their double scull in this main event when they edged out a very determined crew from Matthew Flinders College.

Mr Muller congratulated all rowers on their performance on the day when he told them "winning is great but participation is everything"



Sunday 28 May the rowing club held the Head of Maroochy River rowing race. The boys race was a double race taken out by Nambour Christian College's James & Zane. The girls race was a singles event taken out by Maroochy State High Schools Sarah Bryan.



# SCHOOL ROWERS ENJOY WORKING OUT IN THE 'BIG BOATS'

Students from the Sunshine Coast Grammar School have been quick to advance from their beginner courses and into the largest boats at their host club at Muller Park, Bli Bli.

Rowing in these larger boat requires eight rowers using only one larger oar for each rower which is called 'sweep oar rowing' and it is very similar to the surf boat rowing that we see so often at local carnivals. The Maroochy River Rowing Club fosters students from twenty different Sunshine Coast Schools in this Olympic sport.

Rowing has been widely acknowledged as the ideal sport to cross-train with other sports, especially rugby and major Brisbane schools are now encouraging their rugby players to take up rowing as it is a full body exercise (legs, trunk and arms) and it also develops excellent body co-ordination which is so beneficial to team sports. Wayne Bennett would once have his players trained in these crew boats because it forces each rower to work together otherwise the boat goes nowhere.

Visit [www.maroochyriverrowing.com.au](http://www.maroochyriverrowing.com.au) to register in the next 'learn to row' course.

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Our ref: MC95911

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Mr Chris Baker  
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Dear Mr Baker

Thank you for your email of 20 April 2017 to the office of the Deputy Premier, the Honourable Jackie Trad MP about bus route 622. The Deputy Premier has asked that I respond on her behalf.

The Palaszczuk Government is committed to providing an integrated and efficient transport network for Queensland.

The Department of Transport and Main Roads (TMR), reviewed services on the Sunshine Coast in 2013 as part of its South East Queensland (SEQ) Bus Network Review. As part of this review, the service was removed from Bli Bli as this leg of the route experienced very low demand (eight passengers across 28 scheduled services).

Bli Bli is still serviced by route 612, which operates hourly, seven days a week, and was retimed in January 2017 as part of the Nambour network review. This route connects residents with Nambour and Maroochydoore.

TMR monitors network performance regularly and a reassessment of bus routes 612 and 622, including a review of go card patronage and travel patterns data, was recently conducted. This review found that in October 2016, an average of only two passengers per day travel east or north of Bli Bli on route 612, most commonly to Coolum, Noosa Heads and Pacific Paradise. Of particular interest was that passengers boarding in Bli Bli on route 612 were more likely to transfer to routes servicing the southern part of the Sunshine Coast.

The average weekly patronage on route 612 in October 2016 has dropped two per cent compared to October 2013 (prior to the changes to route 612 in November 2013). This trend is not specific to Bli Bli, however, aligns with patronage trends across the rest of the TransLink urban bus network on the Sunshine Coast during the same period.

Despite the historically low patronage, TMR advises it has since investigated returning route 622 back to its previous route alignment, to service Bli Bli. This investigation found the proposed diversion to route 622 back to Bli Bli would add approximately six minutes per trip in each direction, based on current traffic conditions. This anticipated increase in the journey time for the route would impact an average of 800 passengers per week, based on October 2016 data.

Additionally, initial estimates show the diversion would cost approximately \$250,000 each year, including the use of an additional vehicle to operate the bus network.

TMR has also investigated increasing the span of hours on route 622 to cater for staff travelling to and from the Supa IGA Bli Bli which is open from 6.00 am to 9.00 pm, seven days a week. The current span of hours for route 622 is 6.00 am to 8.00 pm on weekdays and 7.00 am to 7.00 pm on weekends. The increase in span of hours on route 622 would cost approximately \$90,000 each year to operate. These additional services would only operate the short variant of route 622 between Maroochydoore and Sunshine Coast Airport, as this would cater for the local residential catchment of the Supa IGA Bli Bli. As such, TMR does not have plans to reinstate bus route 622 at this time.

It should be noted route 612 currently stops within 400 metres of the Supa IGA Bli Bli, operating between 6.00 am and 9.00 pm on weekdays and between 7.00 am and 9.00 pm on weekends.

While no change is planned for bus services in this part of the Sunshine Coast Hinterland at this time, TMR will continue to monitor patronage levels across the network to ensure services are catering for the needs of residents in the region.

I trust this information is of assistance.

Yours sincerely

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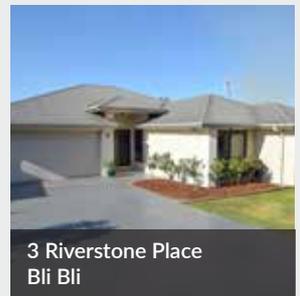
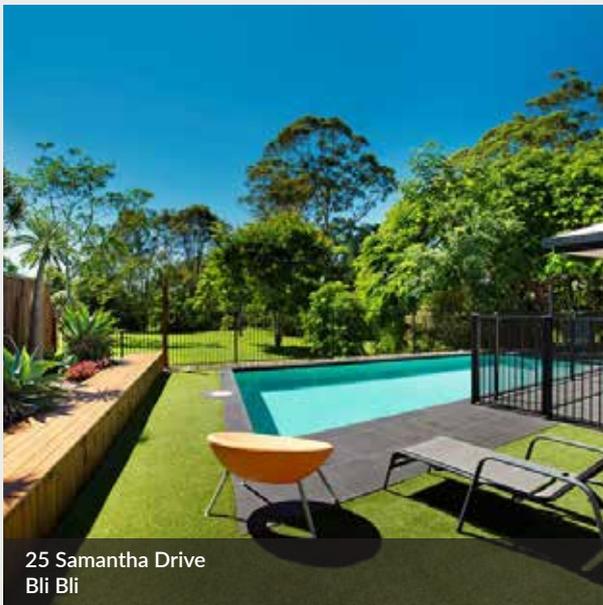
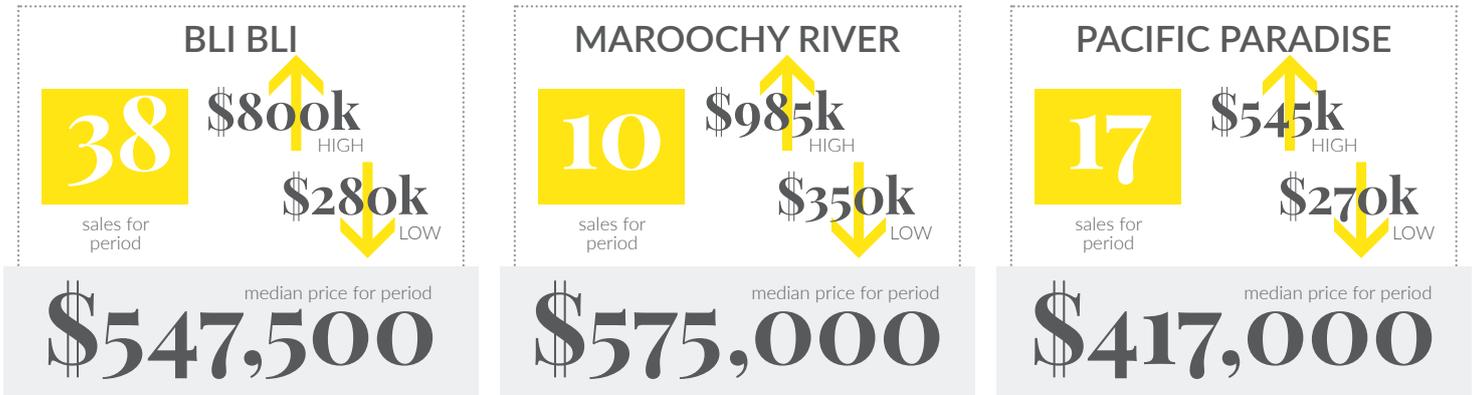
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