

Division 3 News

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HANSFORD ROAD AFFORDABLE HOUSING DEVELOPMENT UPDATE

I expect the development application to go before the Planning Committee on the first or second week of Council's return from recess – all going well.

Back in September 2009, I invited all interested Councillors to join staff on a site inspection prior to the item going before Committee. I've also raised several additional questions relating to height, density and traffic movements that will be addressed in the upcoming report.

Aside from my comments on the development application process in my newsletters of August and September and all the community meetings I've attended, including the two convened by Council, I'm confident the best informed decision will be able to be made by the Committee and Council at the end of the day. However, I am disappointed by some of the belated requests still being received on matters that have already been addressed and the misinformation continually being circulated by some whose motives I would question. This application has and will receive my full attention and that of Council staff under the current Planning Scheme.

The process is complicated and confusing. However, in order to help the community to better understand the process, I will do some further letterbox drops. Again, it is a confusing process so if you are still uncertain, please don't hesitate to contact me.

COOMBABAH STATE SCHOOL WINS NATIONAL CITIZENSHIP AWARD

Congratulations to Principal John Hocking, teachers Jill Warr and Lisa Armitage and the talented students of Coombabah State School on being awarded an Order of Australia Primary School Citizenship Award for 2009 for their participation in the *Making Places Project*. It's great to see such work at the coalface receiving due recognition. The project will kick off again in 2010 and we're sure to see lots more exciting work from this talented group.

NEW YEAR'S EVE CELEBRATION AT PARADISE POINT PARKLANDS

What a great way to see in 2010 in our own foreshore park with a guest appearance by the 2009 Australian Idol Winner, Stan Walker. An obviously well-prepared crowd "weathered" the sometimes wet conditions and all reports are that everyone had a fantastic night.

A huge thank you to event organiser, Youth Point Connect and its Chairman, Mr Bernie Scobie, the Queensland Police and all the volunteers – you provided a fantastic variety of entertainment for all ages.

On that note, I wish all of you the very best for a happy and prosperous 2010.

SIXTH ANNUAL SOUTH STRADBROKE ISLAND RESIDENTS' MEETING

The annual South Stradbroke Island Residents' Meeting was well attended and those present were very supportive of Council's stance and leadership on the island.

SOUTH STRADBROKE ISLAND



***Waste Water:
Is this what you want
for South Straddie?***



***Or would you
rather see this?***



***Australia Day 2010
This is what
Cr. Pforr has
delivered the
residents of
Division 3 & Gold
Coast City.***

***Give Tipplers back
to those who will
take care of it!!***



PARADISE POINT BEACH VOLLEYBALL COMPETITION A FIRST

Event organiser, Peter Marr, had the following positive feedback from the first beach volleyball competition held on the Paradise Point Esplanade Park.

“The Gold Coast City Council Beach Volleyball Invitational Tournament and Family Fun Day was an outstanding success. The inaugural competition was well attended and played in a great spirit both at the serious level and at the fun level. The publicity in both the Gold Coast Sun and Bulletin attracted many ex-volleyballers and their families as well as the cream of Queensland's beach volleyballers.

A frequent comment from all the ex-players who were attracted to the venue to catch up with old friends was that it was a perfect place for not only beach volleyball but also for families. Nearly all these people commented that they did not know this place existed and how great it was, and that they would be bringing their families back at other times to enjoy the great facilities.

Even though this was the first tournament to be held at Paradise Point, it has already been rated the best beach tournament held in Queensland. I am sure that if the tournament is supported again next year it will be added to the Queensland tour and points will be accrued by the players in their endeavour to become Queensland champions. I also feel that with increased support this event could become even bigger and be included on the Australian Beach Tour as one of the elite events attracting not only the best Australian players but international players as well.

I was also amazed at the support the event received from the local community as many local traders got behind this first tournament and provided prizes for the players, which were most appreciated.

The initiative of the Gold Coast City Council, and in particular Cr Grant Pforr, in sponsoring the event will be repaid by the increased number of families who will be attracted back to this area along with their friends and other players from word of mouth.”

Thank you to the following generous supporters/sponsors of the event:

Pure Colour Lounge

Red Onion Café Bar & Restaurant

Blue Olive Café & Restaurant

Mano’s Café Restaurant

Pizza La Cona

Gelato Paradiso

Paradise Point Fruit Market

Tamara’s Treasures

JABIRU ISLAND TREE PLANTING



The above invited members of the community and Boral attended the tree planting funded jointly from the balance of funds raised by the Jabiru Island Action Group (JAG) and GCCC. In all, four Moreton Bay fig trees will be planted on the site and future works include an improved layout for parking, better set-down areas for disabled people and improved parking for buses. Work on the new toilet block commences in February 2010 so stay tuned for more updates as this popular leisure area is transformed over the coming months.

MARINA QUAYS VILLAGE MARKETS

Early December saw a very successful re-opening of the former Hope Island Markets with 10,000 people through the gate on day one. The markets are free of charge and well worth taking the time out for a visit.

ROTARY CLUB OF HOPE ISLAND – NEW SHOP FRONT AT MARKETS

The Hope Island Rotary Club now has a new shop front at the Marina Quays Village Markets from which they will operate a second hand book stall. The aim of the project is to utilise funds raised to support worthy causes within the local community so do take a look when you're next at the markets.

RUNAWAY BAY YOUTH CENTRE – VIBE YOUTH PROGRAM

Please refer to the attached Vibe Youth Program for all the free or low cost activities being conducted in Runaway Bay and Paradise Point up until June 2010 for youth aged 12-25 years.

HOW TO CONTACT ME

The Division 3 office is located at 'Sovereign House', 12 Falkinder Ave, Paradise Point and I am contactable by phone on 5581 1680 or fax: 5577 4028.

COUNCIL RECESS

Please note Council resumes on Monday 1 February 2010 and my weekly community consultations will resume on Friday 5 February 2010 at 8am.

Activity Title	Activity Description	Day	Dates	Time	Suburb	Location	Contact	Booking Required	Cost
Kayaking	When was the last time you escaped? Embark on an adventure, paddling in the clear waters around Jabiru Island. All associated kayaking and safety equipment supplied.	Sunday	21-Mar	11am to 2pm	Paradise Point	Phil Hill Environmental Park Map 8K13 Meet at boat ramp	Vertec Adventure bookings@vertecadventure.com.au	yes	\$5
Stand up paddle boarding	Extreme water adventure on the stand up paddle board. You will be well on to your way to learning new techniques for paddling and turning.	Friday	22-Jan	9am to 11am	Paradise Point	Esplanade North Park The Esplanade	Jamie Mitchell jmitcho81@hotmail.com	yes	Free
Stand up paddle boarding	Extreme water adventure on the stand up paddle board. You will be well on to your way to learning new techniques for paddling and turning.	Saturday	26-Jun	9am to 11am	Paradise Point	Esplanade North Park The Esplanade	Jamie Mitchell jmitcho81@hotmail.com	yes	Free
Bodyshop skincare and make up workshop	Learn the three basic steps of looking after your skin and the correct application techniques of face, eyes, cheeks and lips. You will also find out the make up and eye colours to match your skin.	Thursday	11-Feb	4pm to 6pm	Runaway Bay	YPC Runaway Bay Youth Precinct Runaway Bay Skate Park Oxley Drive	Body Shop at Home Julie vivaciousrubies@bigpond.com or 0413 693 210	yes	Free
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Coastal Grind BMX workshop & jam	Get on your bike and ride in these beginner workshops hosted by professional BMX rider Tim Wood. Each workshop is followed by a BMX jam for beginners and experienced riders, a great opportunity to show off your latest tricks and moves	Tuesday	19-Jan	4pm to 5pm workshop 5pm to 6.30pm Jam	Runaway Bay	YPC Runaway Bay Youth Precinct	Tim Wood timburwood@yahoo.com.au	no	Free
Coastal Grind Skateboard workshop & jam	Learn new tricks from the professionals. A fun and happening workshop great for beginners followed by a skate jam open to all ages and ability levels.	Saturday	6-Mar	10am to 11.30am workshop 11.30am to 1pm Jam	Runaway Bay	YPC Runaway Bay Youth Precinct	Mark Brimson mbrimson@yahoo.com	no	Free
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Film Focus	Have you ever wanted to create your own short film? You will experience first hand being the director, camera & sound operator, editor, actor, wardrobe coordinator, make up and much more. This 8 week program takes you through developing the storyboard, learning filming techniques, brainstorming the storyline, researching, basic editing and filming. You will take home your own short film on DVD in week 8.	Wednesday	10 Feb to 31 Mar	4pm to 6pm	Runaway Bay	YPC Runaway Bay Youth Precinct Runaway Bay Skate Park Oxley Drive	Film Focus 5545 0012 or filmfocus@aapt.net.au	yes	Free
Jewellery making workshop	Leave wearing your own jewellery. Learn the techniques and express your self through craft.	Sunday	11-Apr	9am to 11am	Runaway Bay	YPC Runaway Bay Youth Precinct	Crossing Divides 5535 1217 or crossingdivides@accessarts.org.au	yes	Free
Jewellery making workshop	Leave wearing your own jewellery. Learn the techniques and express your self through craft.	Monday	28-Jun	9am to 11am	Runaway Bay	YPC Runaway Bay Youth Precinct	Crossing Divides 5535 1217 or crossingdivides@accessarts.org.au	yes	Free
Make your mark - visual arts workshop	Shape the type of public art that will be placed in your community - murals, sculptures, park structures. You will learn how to design and construct various art forms whilst make your mark by creating this art piece.	Saturday	1 May to 12 Jun	10am to 12 noon	Runaway Bay	YPC Runaway Bay Youth Precinct Runaway Bay Skate Park Oxley Drive	Crossing Divides 5535 1217 or crossingdivides@accessarts.org.au	yes	free
Photography	Express yourself, be creative and capture memories. Improve your picture taking skills and learn new techniques while having fun. Workshop for all levels. Don't forget to bring or borrow a camera.	Friday	5-Mar	5pm to 8pm	Runaway Bay	YPC Runaway Bay Youth Precinct	James 0401 508 097 or james_adams_4@hotmail.com	yes	Free
Photography	Express yourself, be creative and capture memories. Improve your picture taking skills and learn new techniques while having fun. Workshop for all levels. Don't forget to bring or borrow a camera.	Thursday	8-Apr	9am to 12noon	Runaway Bay	YPC Runaway Bay Youth Precinct	James 0401 508 097 or james_adams_4@hotmail.com	yes	Free

Runaway Bay Vibe underlights	Head down with your friends to get in the VIBE for free - Friday listen to music BBQ, watch the skate and BMX and get involved in the fun activities	5-Feb	5pm to 8pm	Runaway Bay	YPC Runaway Bay Youth Precinct Runaway Bay Skate Park Oxley Drive	Council 5581 6452	no	Free
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Runaway Bay Vibe underlights	Head down with your friends to get in the VIBE for free - Sunday listen to music BBQ, watch the skate and BMX and get involved in the fun activities	2-Apr	5pm to 8pm	Runaway Bay	YPC Runaway Bay Youth Precinct Runaway Bay Skate Park Oxley Drive	Council 5581 6452	no	Free
Runaway Bay Vibe underlights	Head down with your friends to get in the VIBE for free - Monday listen to music BBQ, watch the skate and BMX and get involved in the fun activities	7-May	5pm to 8pm	Runaway Bay	YPC Runaway Bay Youth Precinct Runaway Bay Skate Park Oxley Drive	Council 5581 6452	no	Free
Runaway Bay Vibe underlights	Head down with your friends to get in the VIBE for free - Tuesday listen to music BBQ, watch the skate and BMX and get involved in the fun activities	4-Jun	5pm to 8pm	Runaway Bay	YPC Runaway Bay Youth Precinct Runaway Bay Skate Park Oxley Drive	Council 5581 6452	no	Free
Runaway Bay Vibe underlights	Head down with your friends to get in the VIBE for free - Wednesday listen to music BBQ, watch the skate and BMX and get involved in the fun activities	2-Jul	5pm to 8pm	Runaway Bay	YPC Runaway Bay Youth Precinct Runaway Bay Skate Park Oxley Drive	Council 5581 6452	no	Free