

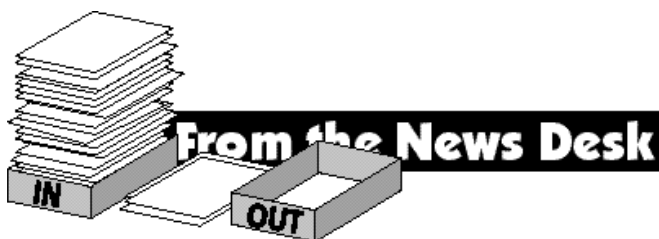
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Mountain News

Community news from Mt Nebo and Mt Glorious
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Mount Nebo State School



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Letters

Ill informed tirade

It was disappointing to see Mountain News publish an e-mail from B. Bartolozzi in the April 2007 edition, given the significant amount of consultation that has been undertaken over the last year with the local visual arts community to revise the entry terms and conditions for the 15th annual Pine Rivers Art Awards. The widely circulated Entry Forms contain phone numbers and e-mail addresses for Council and the Pine Rivers Regional Art Gallery, organizers of the Art Awards event. Anyone with a genuine interest in understanding changes made with the full support of those local artists who participated in the public re-assessment process, could have had their issues clarified by phoning or e-mailing Gallery staff in much less time than B. Bartolozzi took to dash off an "artless" tirade.

For the record, the entry form does not state anywhere that the \$17,000 acquisition budget will be spent on one work or even the winning work. The Pine Rivers Art Advisory Group may choose to purchase a keenly priced, superb ceramic piece or they may choose to purchase works featuring local landmarks, events or personalities. Alternately they may choose to purchase first prize winning works and merit works in "local resident only" sections. Whatever the outcome, the Art Advisory Group will be looking to purchase works of significant artistic merit and local interest.

It was agreed by those who participated in discussions about the changes that merit certificates should replace minor prize monies. Just like in other areas of life, there is usually only one winner when it comes to the dispersal of all the glittering prizes. And surely the only genuine motivation for any artist contributing to the Art Awards should be to display their work before a well-informed audience.

No objection to combining categories was made from participants in the review process, especially when artists understood that, under the new terms & conditions, they could now enter up to three works in their preferred medium. This modification will potentially make for a more interesting exhibition.

B. Bartolozzi seems ill informed about main stream Gallery practices, where some commercial operators require artists to relinquish commissions of 60% and more. And as for the entry fee, has B. Bartolozzi been to the movies lately? Entry fees and commission charges have remained unchanged since 2004. For an entry fee of \$15 per piece, the entrant receives two tickets to the local gala visual art event of the year. Furthermore, all entries in the Art Awards are displayed for sale, and based on past years, entrants can expect that their work will be seen by over 1,000 art savvy visitors throughout the Festival.

I'm sorry B. Bartolozzi, but who ever said the process driven pursuit of excellence in visual art was going to be a level playing field? And anyone genuinely interested in "the opportunity to encourage, nurture . . . emerging and established artists" should ring the Pine Rivers Regional Art Gallery (PH: 3205 6011) and enquire about the extensive workshop programme that operates year round.

The tone of B. Bartolozzi's note makes me wonder if the ABC are market testing a "Grumpy Old Artists" reality TV programme?

John Watson

Arts & Cultural Development & RADF Liaison Officer

PH: 3480 6741

MEPA President's Report 2007

MEPA's recent general meeting saw the arrival of a new Secretary, Andrea Mitchell, one of MEPA's founding members. We thank outgoing Secretary Maggie Scattini, who continues to coordinate many of MEPA's on-ground activities.

These activities remain primarily focussed on weed control and associated work: liaising with our growing group of partners; helping draft improved vegetation-management guidelines; and, though many may have put it out of their minds, we have a continued presence in the Land and Environment Court keeping a watching brief on the Pine Rivers vs Tendiris and Ogle court case concerning the proposal to put in a 106 lot development on Mt O'Reilly (off the end of Harland Rd).

Over the last year nearly all of the major land managers in the area have joined MEPA in its Weed Management Partnership. The partnership, now worth \$60,000 per year, is resourced by MEPA, Pine Rivers Shire Council, Brisbane City Council, SEQ Catchments, Queensland Parks and Wildlife, Dept of Main Roads, Greening Australia and Powerlink. With local roads and the main tourist roads up and over the Mountain a key source for weed invasion, MEPA uses the funding to employ and train contractors to map, control and eradicate serious weeds in the road reserve. And a survey and initial eradication work has also begun in the three Powerlink corridors across the Range. The results so far this financial year have been outstanding and with continued funding we think long-term significant gains can be sustained.

Local volunteers continue to work on a number of our roadside regeneration sites. The site along the west side of Mt Glorious Rd, stretching from Maiala Tearooms to the far end of the Village and beyond, is now in very good condition with early sections close to the Tearooms now almost self-sustaining. The bush can take care of itself if helped along and this area, first worked on with Main Roads volunteers with subsequent one-off funding of \$10,000 from Main Roads five years ago, is now able to resist most any reinvasion. Only lingering growths of Cat's Claw creeper still require occasional removal.

Locals who have adopted sections of road reserve also continue to make serious inroads into weeds in their respective sites. We would again like to thank all those who have joined the "Adopt-a-Road-Reserve" project.

The D'Aguilar Biosphere Project, chaired by MEPA, also continues. After lobbying for funding, and discussions with many of the prospective partners interested in the area, a Project Officer has now been appointed, Ros Leslie, and is working out of the University of Queensland, one of the project partners. After preliminary investigations, we think the idea has merit and look forward to a chance to discuss the matter with interested community members at an open meeting in the near future.

NB: Anyone seeking advice on native vegetation or weeds on their property can contact MEPA (32890093, askmepa@yahoo.com.au) for our free "Do-Your-Block" service.

Dominic Hyde
MEPA

RADF Advisory Committee Elected

Deputy Mayor Brian Battersby chaired the biennial election of the Pine Rivers Regional Arts Development Fund Advisory Committee in Chambers on the evening of Monday 2nd April.

The community members interested in the arts and cultural development elected to serve on this Committee for the next two years include: Patsy Barr of Samford, John Best of Whiteside, John Bayne of Albany Creek, Janice Charlish of North Lakes, Lexcia Dalton of Strathpine, Sue Ford of Samford, David MacLaughlin of Ferny Hills, Rosalind Pestell of Lawnton, Janet Ann Skinner of Samford and Heather Stephens of Mango Hill.

From 1st July 2007 the RADF Advisory Committee will operate under new Guidelines produced by Arts Queensland in October 2006.

The new Guidelines reflect initiatives arising from Queensland the Smart State objectives and focus on the development of quality art and arts practices for, and with, regional communities.

For further details please contact Council's RADF Liaison Officer on
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School News

Mrs Moffatt's Retirement

After an exciting and very rewarding 19 year teaching career Mrs Moffatt announced her retirement last term. Mrs Moffatt has been a very dedicated, caring and inspiring teacher at our school for the past four years. We wish her a very happy retirement and we look forward to her visiting us often.

Mount Nebo State School community welcomes our new lower school teacher, Mrs Sally Callaghan.

SEAT

Recently we were visited by Mr Wayne Leo who is a member of the Spinal Education Awareness Team. We learnt to be more aware of our actions and have a greater appreciation of difficulties faced by disabled people.

Harmony Day

Our school celebrated Harmony Day on the 21st of March. We are enriched with a great cultural mix in our community! We dressed paper cut-out people in national costume from their families. We also researched and presented facts about their origin country, with some of us also able to speak in Japanese, German, French and Chinese languages. We learnt that Harmony Day is about bringing people together to promote our Australian values - of RESPECT, FAIRNESS, PARTICIPATION, ACCEPTANCE and a fair go for all!

National Young Leader's Day 2007

Last term our Year 7 students attended the Halogen Foundation's National Young Leader's Day at the Southbank Convention Centre. The dynamic host of the event was Wes Denning (from the children's TV show, 'Totally Wild'). There were many inspirational speakers including Mike Martin, Director of the Halogen Foundation who told us about the key aspects of becoming a leader:

1. Do your best
2. Be passionate
3. Be strong
4. Care for others

Other notable speakers included Darren Groth, an author, Katrina Webb, Australian netball team player and Para-Olympic gold medalist, Rex Pemberton, the youngest person ever to climb the seven highest summits in the world including Mt Everest and Jason Stevens, a former Australian Rugby League player.

This was a great experience for all and gave us a better understanding of leadership. I'm sure we were all inspired by the leadership demonstrated by all the speakers' success stories.

School Soccer 2007

We are looking forward to participating in the Small School Inter School

Soccer competition this term. We have two teams, a Year 6&7 senior team and a Year 4&5 junior team. We have been undefeated over the past two years and are hoping to achieve the trifecta this year.

A huge thank-you to Dr Red for sponsoring our soccer team! His generous sponsorship helped to ensure we could all play this season. Thank-you Dr Red.

Mount Nebo SS Building in Progress

Our schools new Multimedia and Arts building is under construction and is progressing well. We are hoping it will be completed early in Term 4 ready for the End of Year concert and the Year 7 graduation. The building will contain computers, data protector, viewing area and it will also be a wonderful area for our learning in Drama and Visual Arts. The facility will be available for our community to use.

Gold Rush on the Mountain

Our Upper school class culminated a wonderful term's work about mining by attending school dressed as characters from the goldrush era. We performed our own ballads and bushranger biographies. Tasty Aussie damper was made and cooked and we enjoyed a challenging, exciting gold hunt whilst map reading.

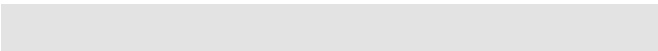
Articles written by Year 7 Students, Mount Nebo State School

Melinda Kent

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For a change, instead of banging on about the dark side of The Tip, I will conduct you all on a written world tour around our illustrious Transfer Station which, as you know, is the most efficient and economical in the whole of the Pine Shire - so hang on!

Firstly, everybody's favourite spot - Treasure Island.

This concept was originally the brainchild of Samford's favourite son, David Bannerman D.S.O. who many moons ago was the enthusiastic caretaker of the Samford Transfer Station until him was usurped by the C.I.A. Branch of the P.R.S.C. in the 1990s.

Everyone here has a Treasure Island story. I have more than most, many of which defy belief or would mentally unhinge residents of a lesser character. Locals bring along all their in-laws, outlaws, small dogs and hyperactive offspring to The Tip, to amaze, thrill and to stagger away with armfuls of items to re-use or to restore. I've estimated that if items to the value of \$20 per day were retrieved from across The Tip area over the 17 years hard labour I've served there, the total value would be around a quarter of a million dollars \$125,000 (plus GST)! So, from now on there will be a charge on each item taken, to pay for me noo motor (which I'm overdue for!)

Some resident party goers, through continuously blurred vision, may think the bottle collection area has doubled - well, it has! The contractor has asked for a larger collection to make his journey up from the southside worthwhile. The local bungs have risen to the occasion and surpassed all previous records in their consumption of "soft drinks and aerated water" and that might now stand them in contention for a gold medal (each). Next time you place your beloved into the bins, please take them out of the sodding plastic bags, else the sorters will dump the lot and you'll never see your friends the next time round. Here's a poser for you: Why do beer drinkers always recycle their empties but throw the cartons into the Cleanaway bin? I would suggest they lose consciousness once they perform the first part...

The paper and cardboard recycling has grown to be the most successful project at The Tip. Despite me constantly ringing Wanless Recycling about the solid high-sided bins which are not easily reached by vertically challenged/short arses, it's like talking to a company that has been taken over by an Upper Mongolian consortium who neither speak English nor choose to understand it. I cannot see this problem being rectified at least during my lifetime. On observation, locals fall into two groups in paper recycling, the strong and the weak. The strongest eat fruit and vegies, read newspapers and buy lots of garden products and crush all their containers. The weakest lot buy mail order wine, computers and exercise bikes but fail to crush any of their packaging. We manage to 'fill' a bin every 14 days but mainly with air pockets. My dilemma is when the bin is full. Wanless expects me to stand in the bin and compact it, but Health, Work & Safety Loony Tunes demands I stay out in case I fall and die inside the bin thereby contaminating the entire load.

The recycling of plastics is another good move. These bin containers can fill in only 10 to 12 days. Some deposits can include hose pipes, plastic chairs, flowerpots, and bags of plastic containers neatly tied up. Once again the 'full' loads travelling to town are 50% mountain air. Despite more clothing being scattered about Treasure Island than put in the collection bins, to date 359 binfuls have gone to charities, refugees and third world countries (N.Z and Tas.) plus local hippies.

The waste oil collection sits there in its own little covered area with bezzer brick surround and half completed chainsaw cuts through the roof supports. This is another area where a certain amount of physical strength is required.

Often large, heavy, overfilled greasy drums are deposited awaiting for some other sod to pour. So far, 85,000 litres of used oil has been collected and re-used (for fish and chip shops across Brisbane) from the Mt. Nebo Transfer Station over the years.

Now, as we meander down the newly bitumened track and catch the sunlight glistening on the shards of broken glass (don't worry it's only local kids amusing themselves during the school holidays) we arrive at the wood pile. Many useful and repairable items are round here plus loads of good firewood which could be made easier to get at if stacked when off loaded.

The scrap metal bin is the ultimate wonderland. I often pause to wonder why there is more scrap metal around outside the bleedin' bin than in it. Once again, it's a physical thing. It takes three beefy blokes to load a uteful and again to unload, but not necessarily into the bin of course. This bin over the years has taken away tons of scrap, but not so in recent years when it's been mainly 'white goods' and plenty of items with plastic inserts, no longer heavy metal, apart from a few stolen car parts, whole water tanks, and rolls of rusting fencing wire entwined with wooden fence posts and dead neighbours just trying to be sociable or plain trespassing.

An interesting interlude is watching the truck driver's arrival (usually 10 days overdue) to perform his 'I'm-not-happy-Jan' ritual of slinging off the top of the overloaded bin, usually into the surrounding bush. I have attempted to approach these characters, but since having learned earlier to stand erect and keep my knuckles off the bitumen, I am now able to decipher the grunts of expletive dialects. The green waste/burning off area can evoke some primeval feelings once ablaze with clouds of smoke and leaping flames. I always feel I'm not 'alone' here at The Tip when members of the redoubtable Bushfire Brigade appear when, once they have surveyed the pile, then scratched their chins and other Australian male parts, a blaze quickly ensues. The sky momentarily turns black but soon the heap is coaxed into a bright clean burn - definitely a skill there - and I'm thankful for their time and efforts.

So, there you have it, a thumbnail (albeit grubby) sketch of our Transfer Station. *Se non é vero, é ben trovato** (L)

Keep sortin' yer piles indeed

Vic xxx

* Reference: Louie Frosthead.



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Queensland Parks and Wildlife Service news

On 30 March, I convened a meeting of the Brisbane Forest Park Planning and Advisory board to discuss the future of the park and contemporary legislative options for managing the recreation and conservation values of the D'Aguilar range.

Issues such as increasing urbanisation at the edge of the D'Aguilar range, threatening processes such as feral animals and weeds; recreation demand for natural areas and water catchment protection are key issues that we must face and address in the very near future.

Whilst the BFP Act was "state of the art" legislation for recreational use 30 years ago, it has little relevance in the current landscape. For example, the workshop highlighted the limitations of the current Brisbane Forest Park boundary and the significant contribution that the Board may play in advocating across a much larger park area and landscape. Furthermore, the Board charter under the current BFP Act only extends to recreation and planning related matters, whereas we clearly have a broader advocacy role to play on many other park issues.

Over the next few months, I will be working closely with other Board Members to pursue how this may be best achieved.

By Mr Terry Hampson, Chair of the BFP Advisory Board

Brisbane Forest Park headquarters and recreation area upgrades

Over the last few months the Queensland Parks and Wildlife Service (QPWS) headquarters at Brisbane Forest Park has been undergoing some exciting upgrades to major infrastructure including electricity supply and water supply. Shortly, the complex will be directly connected to mains pressure water for the first time, and water saving devices are currently being fitted to comply with the Water Commission guidelines.

Fire reels and hydrants have been installed to meet the Queensland Fire and Rescue Safety statutory guidelines and all buildings have received a coat of paint, incorporating a fresh new colour scheme.

QPWS apologises for any inconvenience these works may have caused, however as a result of these minor inconveniences the BFP Headquarters is better equipped for fire and hasn't looked this good for years. Come on in and have a look!

Rangers have also been completing infrastructure works in other areas on the range. A new shelter shed at Lomandra will be erected, several tracks will be improved and BBQ tables will be restored. Steps from Mount Glorious road down to join Joiners Ridge road are being constructed so that walkers can access the Western Window along the Westside Track. These improvements will enhance aesthetics and visitor safety.

Works to repair the existing fence line between BFP headquarters and Blacksoil road (opposite the winery) are complete. QPWS specialists recommended the use of 3 strand wire (instead of the previously used 4 strand wire) for stock exclusion and to allow greater wildlife movement. All of the old star pickets and wire have been removed for safety and recycled by the company undertaking the works.

Go Bush this May

The autumn Go Bush program promises fun-filled, exciting activities with something for everyone. Come along and join in the fun!

Photography on the wild side is a relaxed practical workshop at BFP on Sunday 6 May and will give you an insight into the fine art of nature photography. Join ornithologist Ian Venables as he leads a walk spotting and identifying birds around the tranquil shores of Enoggera Reservoir on Search for the rose robin on 12 May. Or marvel at the wonders of the night sky on Glories at Glorious with the Astronomical Association of Queensland on Saturday evening 19 May.

If you are interested in any other topics relevant to the D'Aguilar Range or the role that QPWS plays in the management of protected areas, we would be happy to include them in future columns. You can e-mail your suggestions to lara.connell@epa.qld.gov.au.

For more information about any of the topics in this column, please contact the QPWS Brisbane Forest Park office on 1300 723 684.

Michael Siebuhr, Senior Ranger, QPWS.

How about a Songwriters group on the mountain?

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The Wilson Report

I hope you had a happy and safe Easter. I relished the opportunity to spend time with my family and friends.

School holidays are almost over and as parents, students and the school community gear up for the start of a new term, this month's column has some good news for a number of schools in my electorate.

Gambling Community Benefit Fund

I'm delighted to announce that Ferny Grove State School, Samford State School and St Andrew's Catholic School will receive grants of more than \$25 000 each, to buy musical, playground and fitness equipment for their students. I'm pleased to be part of a government that can help equip schools with resources to give students a well-rounded education. The funds are drawn from the Gambling Community Benefit Fund and I would like to thank the hard-working P&C Associations for lobbying for these funds for their school community. Congratulations.

Health and Ageing Expo

The North West Aged Care Network is a group of service providers and community groups in the northwest suburbs of Brisbane, who work together to support one another, share information, identify needs and work on ways to improve the quality of life of aged persons. The Network is holding a Health and Ageing Expo on Friday 20 April from 10.00am to 3.00pm at the Gaythorne RSL, Mitchelton. Admission is free and I would encourage you to take part in this great community activity.

New Smart Card Fare Machines

The State Government is investing in new state-of-the-art ticketing machines to make it easier for you to catch buses, trains and ferries in the Translink network. New ticket machines have recently been installed at Mitchelton, Keperra and Ferny Grove train stations to make it easier for train travellers. You'll be able to use the self-serve fare machines 24 hours a day. The new machines accept notes as well as coins and have touch screens for you to select your destination. Ticket machines at other stations on the Ferny Grove and Shorncliffe lines are expected to roll out throughout the year.

2007 NAB Volunteer Awards

Nominations are now open for the 2007 NAB Volunteer Awards, an Australia-wide program recognising the efforts of not-for-profit organisations in providing a positive experience for their volunteers. These awards recognise the many dedicated volunteers who work in our community. Information on eligibility criteria and how to nominate is available from my office. Nominations close 8 June 2007.

Out and About

Mobile Offices: During March I conducted several mobile offices and enjoyed the chance to meet residents who came out to talk with me.

Visit to Keperra Sanctuary: Last week I visited Keperra Sanctuary and heard from officers of the Qld Water Commission about the impact of Level 5 Water Restrictions on elderly residents who live at the Sanctuary. I enjoyed the opportunity to meet staff and residents, and to hear first hand, how they felt about the new restrictions. Local celebrations: I was delighted to joint Cr McConnell and Cr Battersby to celebrate new community meeting rooms that arose from the refurbishment of the Pine Rivers Shire Offices. The new meeting rooms have already become part of our local community and I encourage groups to use them. Bookings for the venue can be made through the Arana Leagues Club. Launch of Crime Stoppers Youth Challenge at Ferny Grove SHS: Police Minister Judy Spence launched the Crime Stoppers Youth Challenge at Ferny Grove State High School in March. I fully support this important community policing initiative.

Australian Youth Orchestra Concert: Last week my wife and I attended a wonderful performance by the Australian Youth Orchestra at Government House. I was delighted to meet these talented young musicians and congratulate them on their highly successful recital.

As always, I encourage you to contact me with your views, or to seek help or information on any State Government matter. You can call me on 3851 1570, fax 3851 1261, send an email at ferny.grove@parliament.qld.gov.au, or check out my website, www.geoffwilsonmp.com. You can also call my Feedback Line 3851 1570.

My electorate office is at 3/6 Nepean Avenue, Arana Hills – next to the Caltex Service Station (office hours 9.00am to 12.30pm and 1.30pm to 5.00pm, week days). Please phone for an appointment.

Qld Art Gallery

From a personal point of view, I enjoy nothing better than a day spent wandering around art and nature. I imagine that I am not alone in this preference, so this month I would like to share with you the list of new trees and plants used in the landscaping around the Gallery of Modern Art. It is interesting to note the size of areas surrounding GoMA which have been kept for 'greening', such as Maiwar Green 1120m', River Lawn 400m', and GoMA store terrace 1040m'. These areas flow seamlessly on to Kurilpa Park.

TREES

She-oak - *Casuarina glauca*, Tuckeroo - *Cupaniopsis anacardioides*, Eumundi quandong - *Elaeocarpus eumundi*, Blueberry ash or quandong - *Elaeocarpus reticulatus*, Forest red gum - *Eucalyptus tereticornis*, Poinciana - *Delonix regia*, Tulipwood - *Harpullia pendula*, Moreton Bay fig - *Ficus macrophylla*, Hill's weeping fig - *Ficus microcarpa* var *hillii*, Bumpy as - *Flindersia schottiana*, Small leaf fig - *Ficus obliqua*, Bodhi tree - *Ficus religiosa*.

SHRUBS

Knobby club-rush - *Isolepis nodosa*, Blue kangaroo grass - *Themeda australis* 'Mingo', Prostrate grevillea - *Grevillea*, 'Poorinda royal mantle', Swamp foxtail grass - *Pennisetum alopecuroides*, Burgundy swamp foxtail - *Pennisetum* 'Purple leaf', Slender mat rush - *Lomandra hystrix*, Prostrate westringia - *Westringia* 'White Rambler'

These plants are being watered by a recycled water system just beneath the surface of the plant beds. Plant growth can be happily monitored by myself and others whenever visiting the adjoining cafes.

Keep painting printing & potting,

Janette Bailey

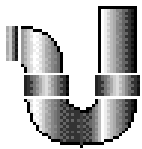
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- 2nd. Wednesday of the month** - Mt Nebo P&C Assoc meeting at 7pm ASC Bldg. (No meetings in School Holidays)
- Every Wednesday** - Playgroup every Wednesday, 10am noon at Mt Nebo Hall, \$2 per family, babies, toddlers, preschoolers welcome, please bring a plate to share.
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